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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, THANKS AND COMMENTS

In preparing this book Betty and I have spent hours working on the number code for cross references. Neither of us care for all those numbers but found it necessary. We must have thrown dozens of samples out before we said "this has to be the best expandable one".

We did enjoy working and organizing this project. It took me years to collect all the information that is included but as most of you know already it was a hobby. Betty did help in many ways, typing and organizing mainly. I think the reason it was so well enjoyed was many relatives supported and encouraged this project. I enjoy working and doing for people.

I have gathered the data mostly from relatives. Some was obtained via other genealogy buffs, various publications of Historical books, vital statistics and a little from history books themselves. I must include a most friendly lady who helped me with the Friddle and Rankins history also, she is Mrs. Walter Rastall. I met her for the first time during our vacation in 1974, although she didn't seem to be a stranger as I had heard so much about her.

Included besides family lineage are excerpts from letters, facts concerning some family members, legal records such as Wills, Credentials and others. There are articles of interest concerning cities and biographies, awards, and some service ventures. There is a picture section also.

Betty and I did not want a dry or hard book to follow but to make it warm, thoughtful and interesting. Hopefully it will be interesting to everyone.

As the author I must realize there will be errors and omissions. Hopefully everyone will forgive the errors and let me know so I may pass the corrections on to others.

The reason we chose this Accopress Binding was this is expandable and I want to keep the search up, as time goes by, I can send you more printed pages to add to it. This binding is durable and more practical. There were many opinions weighing the facts, pro and cons. We decided this was the one. I will continue to search for more distant relatives and ancestors, therefore additional information sheets can be added for permanent keeping.

A word concerning the index at back of book. The surnames and given names are in order. I have used the females name under her maiden name only if I knew it, if not it was included under her married surname. Remember, also that some of these people are known only by middle names, initials, or nicknames.

For example, Ruth and Fern are really Naomi Ruth and Leveta Fern and they will be listed as such under Mullens and not Ruth Bowers or Fern Boyd. Many families had same first names for generations often different middle names, hence I would use first name then middle name or initials. In some instances Jr., was used but never Sr. In some situations I had only a surname of the husband, I would then use the wife's given and maiden name under that surname. For example, Margaret Mullins second husband was Mr. Tripp, there were no children from this marriage, then it would be listed Margaret Mullins Jackson Tripp.

So many relatives have to be thanked and I know some will be missed if listed here, hence they will be included and given credit in various places. Many did write to me and sent addresses that were very helpful. I have to give a very special thanks to Betty, my parents Howard and Vaneda Friddle; Both grand - mothers Sarah Friddle and Zora Mullens; many uncles, aunts and cousins. Most of all my own husband, who is always there to encourage, and the children who were enthused with my interest, Ethel and Debra for helping with the Index

*Frieda Larene Kellie
(Friddle)*

BETTY'S MEMO

If anything has been omitted it was not intentional. Frieda searched court houses across the United States and many requests were unfruitful. The "houses" were burned down along with records, or no records were established in that era. Many, perhaps hundreds, of letters were sent out; and she walked many cemeteries to obtain proof of dates, names and locations of our ancestors.

There were many sparing hours devoted in this research. Frieda was able to maintain a balance somehow of attending the needs of her four children and husband in all academic activities plus donating her efforts to be a leader of the local Camp Fire - Blue Bird Organization, along with other activities I cannot recall.

In my opinion she has performed a labor of love for the history of each individual named in this book. It may in some way acquaint us all to our ancestors, their love for the country, fronteering, expounding the love of the family institution along with the sorrows and sadness of sickness, death and war.

*Betty Sue Needham
(Liddle)*

HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

<u>CODE</u>		
<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ABBREVIATIONS</u>
100	Mullins (ens)	b. born
200	Davis	d. died
300	Friddle	mar. married
400	Rankin	div. divorce
500	Paynes	abt. about
600	Shephard	Sp. Specialist
700	Grinder	Bn. Battalion
800	Strong	Inf. Infantry
900	Stephens	Med. Medical
1100	Brewer	Det. detachment
1200	Kinnon (Kinman)	Div. Division
1300	Tungate	Evac. evacuation
1400	Antill	USAF Air Force
1500	Huffman	USN Navy
1600	Peters	USA Army
1700	Toombs	USM Marines
1800	Draper	
1900	(G) Cates	
2100	Baker	
2200	Smith	
2300	Guess	
2400	Mulkey	

THE NUMBER CODE SYSTEM

This code will be concerned with the FRIDDLES for example of how it works.

- 300 Will represent the oldest direct lineage member of the Friddle family that I have on records.
- 300 George Friddle, direct ancestor.
- 310 John Friddle, George's son and my direct ancestor.
- 311 Would be the brother of John and son of George Friddle.
- 320 John Riley Friddle, the son of 310 and my great grandfather.
- 330 Bert T. Friddle, the son of 320 and my grandfather.
- 340 Howard H. Friddle, the son of 330 and my father.
- 350 Frieda L. Friddle, me, the daughter of 340.
- 351 Betty S. Friddle, my sister and the daughter of 340 also.
(The 5 for both betty and I represent the 5th generation on record. The 0 on my code no., represent direct lineage of me. On Betty's code no., the 1 represents she is my sister and of the same family.)
- I Ethel Kellie, my daughter, (or it may represent Rebecca Needham as Betty's descendant. It would depend which code no., it followed.
 - 1 Would represent the offspring of "I".
 - a Would represent the offspring of "1".
 - aa Would represent the offspring of "a". etc.
 - 2 Would represent the offspring of "I" and the sister or brother of "1".
 - b Would represent the offspring of "2".
 - bb would represent the offspring of "b". etc.
- II Debra Kellie, my second offspring, and sister of "I" (Ethel).
If Debra had any descendants their code would simply repeat as with Ethel's.

WHAT'S IN A NAME

- DAVIS: Can be Scot or English. Nearly all examples are Welsh.
- DRAPER: Dealt in cloth of all sorts.
- LEE: Originally meant a clearing or open glade among the woods.
- MULLINS: Possibly came from Normandy, France. 'Moulins' or 'Mills', simply meant homestead or farm. Mullins generally would be windmills, a common feature of many villages.
- PAYNE: Or Paine was derived from Christian Association.
- RANKIN: Was derived from Christian Association.
- SHEPHERD: As it sounds, carer of sheep.
- STEPHEN: Was a namesake of high level noble' whose first names were Stevens, also religious significance.
- STRONG: Perhaps more French than English as this is a human behavior classification. They never make reference to the opposite of good to surnames.
- WRIGHT: Derived from the profession of builders.
- BAKER: Surnames, no doubt came from occupation of Baker.
- BREWER: Surnames no doubt came from occupation, one who makes beverages.
- BARKER: Was most commonly used in connection with those who dealt in wearing apparel (from the bark of Oak Tree being used in the process).
- COOPER: (Variant, Cowper) makers of barrels, tubs, and wooden buckets, articles that were absolutely essential to primitive communities.

REFLECTIONS

While compiling information for this publication I ran across strange words, which includes folklore and traditions. Hence, this sent me in search for the meanings and decided it was interesting enough to include. The past fascinates me but I have no desire to have experience it. Some may accuse me of being rather lazy but today's modern push button, automatic controlled living suit me to a "T". I guess to even think of living in what a lot of people fondly refer to as the "good ole days", would slow me down. Yes, I have been guilty of saying "gee, what is it like to be bored and with nothing to do?" Secretly I know that is not for me as I prefer to remain very busy.

When we had the twenty inch snow storm in less than twelve hours on December 1, 1974, made me feel like I was a pioneer. We were left without electrical power, paper, mail, water (in some areas), and no radio station for local coverage as its transmitter had been damaged by the storm. In short we were stranded. We dug out the old Kerosene lamps and piled on more blankets that night. We all went to bed earlier and slept while the storm raged on. Next day we melted snow on the stove as those of us who had gas had no worries those who depended on power dug out the camping stoves. We still had it better than the pioneers as rescue was possible for thousands of people on I 75 by owners of snowmobiles. I am afraid horses would have been hampered for rescue missions this time. What made things worse was Lake Erie wanted to get into that act also and it tipped over on us. Our road department had only a year or so earlier sold all those big butterfly snow removal blades back to the state as we seldom had heavy snows of that nature hit this county. We were back to normal within the week except schools, they were requested to remain closed as roads in outlying areas would have ice and it was too dangerous. With the high winds we had to contend with deep drifts of twelve or so feet deep.

I have often checked books from the library concerning folklore and I can sit and listen for hours to people talk about how things were then and the mere fact that survival was a challenge.

I may be a nurse of modern day technology but to hear how the midwives delivered and care for a new born captivates my imagination. Then I begin to wonder how the fatality rate was no worse than it was. I have heard lots about this as my great grandmother Martha Rankin, and her sister Sarah E. Ballew were midwives. Dad often talked of how local people would call for one or both when the mother was due. Usually her satchel was packed and ready to go when ever a baby was ready. The terms were as such, ketches the baby, tends it, then hand it to another neighbor woman while the mother was being cared for. The baby was greased in hog lard and wrap in the warm old sheets that had been warmed in the oven. First the baby was spanked to make it cry, which is still done.

Boric acid water was used to wash out the eyes, that is strictly taboo now. Usually flour was burnt and put on the navel, flour or corn starch was used for diaper rash also. Then the belly band was pinned on, which is frowned upon highly by the doctors now. After the baby had a refreshing nap it sometimes would be given watermelon seed tea or cat-nap tea to encourage the kidneys to function.

Some of the methods used to heal the "ailing" patient makes me shudder but who are we, of today's generation, to say if they were right or wrong, we must admire and give them credit for really working with what they had. I can remember as a little girl various ones would tell mother to put poultice of one kind or other on me for some sickness. I was lucky as she seldom adhered to especially the smelly ones. I often remarked, "I know why no one else would catch the illness, it was because the smell would keep the person so far away to catch the disease". I do remember the use of Vicks for colds and when I had those terrible ear infections mom would put Vicks in boiling water or on hot coals and let the heat or steam go into my ears, that felt so good, now I take a quick trip to the drug store.

Ginseng, or Sang was a plant often used for medical purposes. The dried roots is used by the Chinese as an Aphrodisiac or love potion. It is often sold these days as the "Human Plant" as its roots are formed such that it reminds a viewer of a person. It is found over much of Arkansas mountain regions, at one time it became scarce to get. Its quite an attractive plant. It has clusters of about 18 flowers and followed by bright red berries later in the season.

Some of the people I knew would not plant crops unless the farmers almanac said it was the right moon or time. My dad seemed to have good luck at farming and I only recall seeing the almanac a couple of times in the house, I know he never relied on it. I have known several superstitious people and they are dead serious concerning their fate with this matter. My luckiest and nicest days have been Friday the thirteenth. I know for a fact many tall buildings of even today's architectural construction do not have a floor 13 in number. Often are the times when someone has stated, "Lightning never strikes twice in the same place," wrong! In the 1940's our neighbors barn was burnt to the ground of which they rebuilt only to have it burned down again. The following months they were sure it would never happen again so they built a home on the very spot. The home is no longer. Lightning claims all three times. I have experience that sight other times also. Its a tragic sight to witness and one never ever forgets.

I can remember one reason why I would never get married was I wanted nothing to do with the age old tradition of CHARIVARI. That was a custom in Arkansas of young folks gathering at the home of the bride and groom and making lots of noise till they were asked in and given treats, which usually occurred at nighttime

and could be sneaked upon. Fortunately I moved to Michigan and this was not done here. I know it was done in other states but at that time to me it was done to all newly married people.

Now days people are paying good money for the old Pot Belly Stoves and Cream Cans. Some are decorated and displayed. Those stoves did keep us toasty warm when the fire was hot and close by. They were dangerous, I still carry scares as reminder of those. Personally I had to fill to many of those cream cans full of cream to care to own one. It was hours of turning the handle of a separator to fill one of those. Not to mention the frustration I experience while trying to put one together.

The process for dried fruit fascinated me as I really enjoy this delicacy. It's sometimes known as Bleaching Fruit. It is especially popular for perserving apples. After the fruit was cored and cut up they were place in a wooden tub or a container. A saucer with some sulphur was set in the tub and the sulphur was set in the tub and the sulphur was lighted with fire. The container was then covered with a clean cloth and this sulphur dish was left in the tub for three days, it was removed each night. Then the apples were packed in jars and a clean cloth tied over them. The fruit would keep all winter.

Other foods such as JERKY can still be found in local stores. Being the curious person that I am this is the history I found concerning this food. The Indians would dry buffalo or other meat. It was cut in strips and dried or smoked. Sometimes it was pounded fine and mixed with fat, rasins, maple sugar, or pulverized dried berries and stored in skin bags, this was termed PEMMICAN. HARDTACK, was dehydrated mixture of flour and water which wasn't tasty but was edible for months it is also known as SEABREAD which is mentioned in many accounts by Civil War soldiers as part of their diet. We must not forget CHITLINS or CRACKLIN which was the crisp rind of hog fat after the lard or fat has been removed.

AN INDIAN VERSION OF THE TWENTY-THIRD PSALM

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"The Great Father above a Shepherd Chief is. I am His and with Him I want not. He throws out to me a rope and the name of the name of the rope is love and He draws me to where the grass is green and the water not dangerous, and I eat and lie down and am satisfied. Sometimes my heart is very weak and falls down but he lifts me up again and draws me into a good road. His name is WONDERFUL.

Sometime, it may be very soon, it may be a long long time, He will draw me into a valley. It is dark there, but I ... be afraid not, for it is in between those mountains that the Shepherd Chief will meet me and the hunger that I have in my heart all through this life will be satisfied.

Sometimes He makes the love rope into a whip, but afterwards he gives me a staff to lean upon. He spreads a table before me with all kinds of foods. He puts His hand upon my head and all the 'tired' is gone. My cup He fills till it runs over. What I tell is true. I lie not. Those roads that are 'away ahead' I will stay with me through this life and after and after wards I will go to live in the Big Teepee and sit down with the SHEPHERD CHIEF, forever."

"THE STORY BEHIND THE INDIAN VERSION OF THE 23rd PSALM" is as follows.

"Many years ago, the Indians of the plains heard the 23rd psalm and were much intrigued by it. They wanted to share its beauty with the neighboring tribes but could not because of language differences. It was suggested they put into the universal Indian sign language, which was done. Many tribes shared its to portray the Psalm. Thinking it would be interesting to translate the sign language version back into literal English she did so, and the Indian version of the 23rd Psalm is the result."

ABOUT THE AUTHORS AND THEIR FAMILIES, FRIEDA'S

Dad has often teased me about the Saturday I decided to make my appearance. I think, perhaps, I have created various storms ever since. Even the place I was born in has since become three different names; Frisco, Porter, and Schaberg and now its just another section of Winslow in the Ozark Boston Mountain range and I may add in the very neighborhood where often time history's most famous criminals took refuge and hide out. One in particular was Jesse James.

I can recall when a certian dream continued to plague me until finally I told mother --- it was about a white picket fence with a swinging gate. Just beyond the fence near the gate was a wishing well. This place was just back of dads parents place in Chester, mother picked me up and handed me to a man. I was very small about 2 or 3 and I had a dress with a circle skirt. This was all I could recall. Mother informed me that it was not a dream it was real life and that man was grandma Friddle's brother, Uncle Carl Rankins.

As a youn infant we moved to Susanville, California where dad worked in fruit groves. Seventeen months later we came back to Arkansas, and lived in Conway.

My preschool years are vague to me as I recall only the things that stands out. About 3 or 4 we lived in Conway. My best friend there was Beth Klines. I can remember playing in a huge saw dust pile and how we were warned to watch for Scorpions, I lost my most prized sand shovel there. A little later she was shot by her father and how he grieved. He aimed at a chicken and she dashed from no where into the bullets path, she died.

In that winter time it snowed, I was coming into the house when I slipped into a sharpened axe by the door and out my foot bad. There was the battle with a stone bruise, which took ages to recover from.

Mother and dad have told me of the times I wasn't such an angel, like the time I was jumping on the bed and fell off almost breaking my arm. There was the time I cut all my blonde curls off. The time I broke mom's dishes just to here them break and mom shut me outdoors till I promised to be good and I screamed like a banchy. I am sure they could write a book on my devilment.

When I was about five we moved to Rose Bud where dad bought our farm of 140 acres. We lived in a small house until we got our new home built. The old house caught a fire once and mother had it put out before anyone knew what was happening as we were all asleep.

During the days on the farm we worked hard and it is not my idea of living. We fought fires that had been set in the

timbers that surrounded our house which was frightening. In the late fall dad often butchered a steer for us to can up for winter use, I'd run to the house screaming "he can't kill that steer Momma", but he did.

I had fun some time when dad made molasses tho -- many times Bob and I took pieces of cane and we'd scrap off the sides of the big kettle, that was the best candy made. Poor grandpa Mullens, dad always would say "Harrison don't step in that scum hole." Sure enough grandpa would in matters of minutes.

Dad, use to make cedar roof shingles in the same general area that the sorgum mill was erected on a little creek that was spring feed.

Another frightening experience that is well remembered on the farm was the time mom was learning to ride a bike, her brother, Tom, was eating fresh peaches, when dad's brother, Ray, shot a double barrel shot gun. All I remember was screaming. Mom had only been frighten and lost her balance, I was sure she had been shot and Tom did swallow the peach and its seed. I am still afraid of guns.

Grandma Mullens gave me a very pretty ring near this age. I lost that ring under a big oak tree on the farm between ours and the grandparents farm. I looked each summer for several years after that. The time came when I outgrew the tricycle, it was to be given to a cousin Albert, oh how I cried but I lost that argument too.

When the school years begin it was Liberty Hill in Rosebud. It was a neat two room white frame building and just across the road were two churches. We used to use those grounds for Easter egg hunts. Mother was my first teacher, I share the first and kindergarden grades with a very dear friend, Imogene Pratt. Her father was a minister at one of those churches for many years. She and I made those grades in that one school year. Imogene, has since passed on, she was never very healthy.

I went to another school which was across Big Creek from our home it was only a one room school, untill I completed the 6th grade. The Gracie school does hold some memory to me. I can recall the time I almost got myself and Aunt Fern in trouble. The time we had gone to a big rock and composed a letter to tease her brother. He had teased me once of a boy I dispised. That same year he chased a shunk and lost that arguement also. Grandma wouldn't let him inside the house until he got rid of that smell. Needless to say he had to bury those clothes.

Bob and I were always into it some how. I gave him a cut on the head with a lunch box once while going to Liberty Hill school. Then Uncle Tommy would be perched in a tree ready to

scare me on my way to school. He and Ray Friddle were always teasing everybody, especially, if they were together no one was safe. They had put salted ice down my collar when we'd make home made Ice Cream. Dad can remember those two and being chased with snakes in hands. They also shot bullets into Leo home.

When I was just nine I was no longer the only child as Betty was born and when dad told me, it was okay as long as it was a girl but I wanted nothing to do with a boy. She was named the same name as my favorite doll "BettySue".

When my junior high years in school begin it was a big consolidated school right in Rose Bud. In mid winter dad moved to Ohio and then to Michigan and we came in March of 1948. Mother, Betty and I came via train, in St. Louis, Mo., someone threw a rock at my train window which shattered glass all over me. The poor conductor was scared more than anyone.

I don't recall World War II much except for when dad had to report in at Little Rock. I know I was very happy when dad returned home as a 4-F classification.

Our first home in Michigan was on a farm on North Custer road right by River Raisin. I went to a school across the road, its name was Grape. I finished the seventh grade there. That summer we moved to another farm in Erie. I started the 8th grade at Rauch school. We then moved to LaSalle on Stein Rd. There I finished the 8th grade at Hall school, just across the road. I was a member of the Camp Fire Girls at that school.

The years of 9th through 12th grade had began and ended in the Monroe High School in Monroe. The winter of 1950 we moved to First Street not far from the former home. My parents still live there. I spent the entire four years at the same school. It was fairly busy for me since I took a very heavy load for college prep. Still, there was time for sports, such as swimming, and tennis. Swimming was the favorite one. I received a certificate for being a Monitor during the senior year.

When I graduated in 1954 I was the youngest in my class of 305, being just 17 years old. September 1954 I began at Toledo University to fill in until I was 18 in order to begin Nurses training. Since that was Pre-Med classes my counselor frowned on the fact that I had signed up for Archery and Fencing classes. Both sports held my interest and I did well in both, in fencing a four minute match was easily won over my partner.

In February of 1955 there were two young men who came to our home to talk to my parents about a new furnace, one was Jim. We did date each other for a while. In April he was drafted into the army for two years.

During the summer of 1955 I worked as a waitress until January of 1956. A dream became reality for I was on my way

to Ann Arbor, Michigan, for nurses training. I really enjoyed that, in fact that is the one thing if I'd havenot been successful at I would have gladly repeated it. After four months in Ann Arbor with hours of studying and going between St. Josephs, University and Veterans Hospital I was transferred to Adrian, Michigan at a very old hospital, the Emma L. Bixby. My group was the first to affiliate there. The road got pretty rocky at times but I still recall many memories that now I can sigh and laugh over. Times like my first Thyroidectomy when the patient turned blue from choking and that Trachia tray was not my cup of tea so to speak but we had no cause to use it. Another very funny incident was when we had to prep an appendectomy case which was an emergency, the head nurse viquerously shook the can of lather. As she applied it to the lady's abdomen the lather went out of control going right up the wall.

Seven months was spent there working and with classes until I graduated as it was only twelve month training for Practical Nurses.

An entire week was spent in Ann Arbor to prepare for the ceremonial and final exams. I passed with high grades and graduated January 24, 1957, in a very impressive ceremony, as our main instructor was a perfectionist and believe me we practiced. There wasn't a wrinkle in those white cotton long sleeved uniforms nor a speck of dirt on our shoes. We marched down the steps of the auditorium in a hesitation step starting step starting with the tallest so that put me second in line. Mr. Eugene Troth played the FLIGHT OF THE BUMBLE BEE on his Strataravis Violin, he had played in the Carnegie Hall.

I remained at Bixby for another year or so. I took my state board exam in February of 1957 in Lansing, Michigan. At this time I had been fighting appendix attacks myself but chose to ignored them. One day we had been very busy and worked overtime, I never went home to my apartment that day as I was admitted across the hall as a patient myself. The next morning found me a victim of the knife. I took a lot of teasing from the staff on that occasion.

It was during that hospital stay that I had a surprise of my life. Jim had been discharged from the army and was home. We had corresponded to each other and I knew he was due to be home in about a month but he was surprised as he was going to pay me a visit without calling me first. My landlady told him I was recovering from surgery. So we both were surprised, as he knew nothing about the surgery.

The summer of 1957 we moved into the new very modern, 200 plus bed hospital. Those first three months thirteen sets of twins were born and was cared for in the nursery where I was stationed. After a year in obstretics I was then transferred to the Medical ward altho my speciality were obstretics and

surgical. While on Medical Floor I was in charge of the wing that was often called "death wing". Here we had very critically ill and the attempts of suicide, those shall never be forgotten. Only three months was spent by me there, I was married May 10, 1958, and returned to Monroe. I began work at Mercy Hospital on the surgical floor. In May of 1959 we bought our present home, here in Evergreen Acres subdivision which is half of a mile from the Monroe, city limits.

Many well known people have been my patients, one that everyone knows is "Aunt Jemima". She was in Monroe for the annual "aycees Pancake Breakfast. She was brought to the emergency ward to have a deeply embedded splinter removed from her hand.

In January 1964, once again it was hospital moving time, this time we moved the Mercy Hospital into a new modern hospital. February of that year I retired from nursing to raise my family. I would return to work after having medical leave of absence after each girl was born. Tim was born in 1966.

I have been an active volunteer worker for schools, churches, Camp Fire Girls, and Cub Scouts. I have recieved national awards for my volunteer services in Camp Fire Girls, The WAKAN for being a leader for five years, school organizer, organizer of the first field day event, and being secretary of the district program planning committee. The Shawnequas award was for being a continuing leader, Chairman of Association, beginning new events and carry such plans to fulfillment. At present, I will soon be installed as Co-Chairman of the schools PT30. Recieving such awards was surprising but the pride of elation really gets to me over the awards my children have recieved.

Being a volunteer worker with children rewarded me with many new experiences. One such event created a hectic adventure when I was a volunteer nurse for day camp. We took the entire group of camper hiking to the nearby municipal airport where those that wish to could take plane rides in a CESSNA. This one girl wanted to go up, being a bad asthmatic, the only chance for her to go was for the nurse to go, me! I swallowed my pride and advanced to a new adventure. While in mid flight severe storms alert went up. In this section of Michigan that can be a matter of minutes. We continued our flight back to the airport. As we hiked those girls back to camp we heard those dreaded tornando sirens. The blinding rain, hail and high winds hit before returning to camp. We made it back with no major accidents or injuries but I had to lecture a group of girls on how not to behave in such storms.

We've done a lot of traveling since then such as Maryland, Washington D.C., Virginia, Arkansas and all over Michigan. We hope to do a lot more traveling, in the future.

Jim was born and raised in Monroe, Michigan, on November 11, 1933 as James Henry Kellie. He was the only child of Frederick James Kellie and Ethel Marie Steffes. They both were born and raised in Monroe County.

His father was born March 25, 1891, and died July 19, 1953. Mr. Kellie was the descendant of Scottish immigrants. Mr. Kellie had many talents, among them were building boats and he was employed as a Screen Tender at a local paper company.

Jim's mother was born November 14, 1909 and married September 17, 1932. She was a telephone operator and then worked at Mercy Hospital as a Laboratory Aide.

Jim and I met in January 1955 and dated until he was drafted into the Army. In 1958 we were married at St. Josephs Catholic Church in Adrain, Michigan.

Jim was educated in local schools; he went to St. Johns Catholic School for grades 1 thru 8, and Catholic Central during his junior and senior high years. He graduated June 1951. He has recieved scholastic achievements for Gas Appliance Carburation Technology in Detroit, Electronics and went to Monroe County Community College for his journeymanship, September 1970 to May 1974.

His many careers consisted of; Appliance Mechanic for National Gas and Equipment; Plant Maintenance at Mathers Inc. of Milan, Michigan where he worked with Teflon; Machinist for heavy air craft at Monahan Bronzes in Flat Rock, Michigan, where aviation parts were made. That factory was forced to closed that sector down due to the governments fumbling. He returned to Monroe Ford Chassis Stamping Plant of the Ford Motor Company. He had worked there in his late teens. There he graduated from the Fords Apprenticeship program. He is now a Journeyman Millwright.

He has done some volunteer work also for the church and Boy Scouts. Jim is also a life member of the National Rifles Association.

His service in the U.S. Army begin April 1955, he was discharged April 1957. The outfit he served was: HQ CO. 2nd BN. 85th INF. REGT. His training began at Fort Knox, Kentucky then Fort Riley, Kansas. He spent eighteen months in Germany. His main base was near Bamberg. He went to Germany on the USS Buchner and returned from Germany on the USS Callon. Docking was at Bremerhaven. He was specialist in communications, and driver. While in Germany he was assigned special assignments in Murmberg. He recieved rating of Sp. 4th class at time of discharge at Fort Sheridan, Illinois and in Reserves the rating of Sp. 5th class. He served in the 446 transportation Co., Army reserves at Adrain, Michigan, and spent some time in Fort Story, Virginia. He recieved a honorable discharge March 31, 1963. Good Conduct Medal and Marksman sharp shooter metal were both awarded to him.

Ethel is our oldest child, to many relatives she is known as Princess, which is her nickname which her daddy is responsible for. In June 1975 she will be completing the 10th grade. She attended Custer and South Monroe Townsite Elementary Schools from kindergarten to sixth grade. In her later elementary years at South Monroe Townsite, she received the citizenship award of the school and was presented the Michigan flag for that school from Representative Marvin Esch, as well as awards for the safety patrol and Service Squad. She attended the George Cantrick Junior High during her seventh and eighth grade years. During the 8th grade she served on the Year Book Staff. The years of ninth and tenth grade she spent at the Monroe Senior High School and was active in many school functions. Those activities were; Girls Glee Club, Ecology Club, Flag Corp, and Ushers Club. She also received and attended an invitation to the Honor Banquet for both 9th and 10th grades. This year she was excepted as a member of the First Choir. All these schools are encompassed in the Monroe Public School system.

Debra, who is our second child and known as Debi, will be following in the basic school except she never attended Custer School. Debra is active in choose activities as she is slowed by her allergies. She has received awards for Service Squad and Safety Patrol. She is an excellent knitter and good at all needle work. In the winter she enjoys such sports as bowling and swimming, in the spring she takes to the tennis court. Debra is often teased about her "green thumb" and how she could stick lollypop sticks into the ground and grow trees. She was a Mechanical Drawing student under a teacher that insisted he had yet to give any girl an "A" in that course, Debra, set out to make him change that statement and she was successful.

In June of 1975 Thersa will be graduating from the elementary school at South Monroe Townsite. She has many titles for nicknames such as Ginger Snap and Tiger, however, she will wage a small war if called Teri. Like the other two girls she is very active. Among her awards are; Service Squad, Safety Patrol, Scholastics, Band (Drum), Perfect Attendance and Physical Fitness. She has served as student council representative and Lt. Captian and Captian of Service and Safety Squad.

Timothy is our fourth child, and he insists on being known as Tim. He will be completing the third grade this year, at South Monroe Townsite. He has received the Perfect Attendance award and scholastic, also a certificate from the Young Authors Conference for his book MY STRANGE ADVENTURE ON CASTLE ROCK. He is a student council representative and is a member of the Cub Scouts. He came in third place with his car in the Pine Wood Derby event and runner up for decorations. He insist he'll be a Veterinarian some day.

All three girls spent many active years in the Camp Fire Girls Organization and received many awards in this.

Tim was always trying to get one over some one. By nature he is fairly serious and he loves to read. There was the day he ask how the T.V. makes a picture. I simply told him to ask daddy that as he knew all about electronics and I didn't. Needless to say he rebound with "Its a good thing someone around here can answer my questions", then he laughed. I had mixed feeling on what I wanted to do to him for that. He still likes to ask me questions and when I answer them he quips "Oh, just wondered if you knew" and then he skips merrily away laughing.

He and Thersa are often referred to as the "T twins" for trouble. There is about three years difference in age but she was small and he was alway large, they were about the same size and still are. What one doesn't think of the other will. They have their sibling rivalry but they are very close. When Tim broke his arm the nieghbors all thought Thersa was being murdered as she screamed "My brother is hurt, whats happened?" She was so upset that her other sisters told that she had eaten two pounds of carrots the duration of the time we were at the hospital. Not to mention the comforting the grandparents had to give her. Thersa wouldn't even look at Tim after he recieved his glasses, even to convince her that now he could see as good as she could it took her weeks to become accustomed to the change.

ABOUT THE AUTHORS AND THEIR FAMILIES, BETTY'S

On May 5, 1946, was the day this little butter ball made her first debut. The nurses and orderlies had fun comparing her, as the biggest baby, to the least in the hospital at Searcy, Arkansas. The name of the hospital was Rogers Memorial, the doctor's name was also, Rogers. Mother teased dad one night at visiting hours about how one orderly had tossed Betty across his shoulders like a sack of flour. Dad was ready to go straighten some one out until mom convinced him she was only teasing.

When she was about three years old she became very ill and Uncle Bill Boyd rushed her down a winding road to a doctor in Heber Spring, Arkansas. Shortly after this she moved to Michigan. First to Monroe onto Erie and then LaSalle where she has lived ever since. She was always in ill health until her late teens, but she went to school until she graduated.

At the age of five she had her first visit to the hospital. There she underwent a tonsilectomy by Dr. McDonald. She has had other visits mainly due to allergies. There were a couple of unexpected visits because she lost two arguments with her bike. First time cutting her leg and then she tried to remove the front bumper of a car with her forehead.

Her school years were not easy since she had to fight with her health. She started to school at Hall School in LaSalle which was absorbed by the present Mason Consolidated school system where mother now teaches. This is where she spent most of her elementary school years. She received honorable mention for her ability for interior decoration in early junior high. Late junior high and all of senior high she attended and graduated from Spring Vale Academy in Owosso, Michigan, May 30, 1964. The school is affiliated with The Church Of God church, it was a small campus boarding school.

The following was obtained from THE BLUE AND WHITE REPORTER Volume XVII number 8 May 28, 1964 a publication of the Spring Vale Academy School.

Commencement was May 30, 1964 at 8:30 P.M.

The Class consisted of Marjorie Caswell, Betty Friddle, Donald Gitthens, Phyllis Hayford, Gerald Pedersen, Rosemarie Saucedo, Fred Taylor and Sharon Westfall. They chose the Motto as "Going Forward in Faith". The class colors were of Cardinal Red and White, with White Carnation being the class flower. I may add this was a very bright but beautiful color combination. We now go on to some more highlights of this event.

From the CLASS WILL of 1964 section, "We, the class of 1964, of Spring Vale Academy will to our school our prayers and support that it will continue to grow in God's work."

"To the Junior Class, we Will our ability to become seniors and to graduate from Spring Vale Academy and also to set the example of good Christian standards to the rest of the lower classmen."

"To the Sophomore Class we Will you the determination to continue on in the work of the Lord."

"To the future Freshmen, we Will you a good start and the determination to go ahead and become seniors in a couple of years."

"Betty Friddle, another one of our nice senior girls from Michigan, Wills to JERRY MOONEY a bucket of sand to wash his hair in. To CAROLINE STARKS she Wills her typing book (providing she uses it when she types.) To DARLENE MOLDENHAUER she Wills her extra $\frac{1}{2}$ inch so she can be as tall as she, and also her position as the tallest girl in the dorm. To TIM CASWELL she Wills a pack of gum for geometry class (providing he doesn't get caught chewing it.) To TONI ALEXOPOULOS and JAN NIENHUIS, she Wills her love for playing the piano. She Wills to MARY CAMERO the ability to get up for breakfast every morning. To PAUL (Corky) McCORKLE she Wills her love for Ford cars!! To MR. WEGERMANN, she Wills five words; who, why, where, when, how much, and so what!! To TED WILLIAMS she Wills all of the Senior Scholastics (providing he doesn't take them from her first.) To EVERYONE, Betty Wills her happiness she has had here all four years, to ALL THE JUNIORS she Wills the ability to have a good senior year and trip, next year."

From the CLASS HISTORY section, we begin thus

"We are traveling through the time barrier into the past in one of the new Fords at the Worlds Fair when suddenly our car takes a turn and slowly rises into the air as the sights and the sounds of the Fair disappear from our senses. Between thought of panic and amazement we hear a booming voice that rings and resounds in our ears. Huddled in the seat of the car our minds are almost panicked from fear. Our eyes, searching and straining in the blinding flashes of light that are smashing against us and restraining us to the seats of the car see nothing!"

"The voice is again booming in the eery surroundings."

" 'YOU ARE NOW VOYAGING THROUGH THE UNKNOWN! THERE IS NO REASON FOR UNNECESSARY FEAR! YOU WILL BE RETURNED TO THE YEAR 1964 UNHARMED! JUST REMAIN SILENT AND LISTEN IN AWE AND AMAZEMENT!' "

"Suddenly before us a whole new world unfolds."

" 'THIS IS THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY SIX ACCORDING TO YOUR CALENDARS' the voice booms at us! "

"Again we go through the darkness and the dizziness. Then comes light and the voice tells us that we are in Arkansas. Of course we all immediately know what we are there for. Betty Friddle was born here. She is the first person with a southern

accent so young. Smile Betty !"

"Well here we are back in old S.V.A. again. Now that we are all through with our amazing trip we will all sit down here on the lawn and tell our stories ."

BETTY FRIDDLE: "When I was 4, Jerry Mooney and I were playing outside in a sand pit, beside our apartment home, when I picked up a sand pail full of sand and started pouring it in Jerry's hair, to wash it. All of the sudden Mrs. Mooney came out of the house saying lots of shouting words, so I thought I would start running. I saw her take Jerry in the house and wash his hair over again for the second time that day."

Now lets go on to the CLASS PROPHECY section;

"As I gaze into my crystal ball I see the year 1974. Lets go on and rest while we listen to some beautiful music in Carnegie Hall in New York. Look on the stage. Out comes a beautiful modest young lady that has spent her ten years practicing piano and here Mrs. Betty Friddle Czausky is today a concert pianist and making millions."

"Now crystal ball we must return you to S.V.A. and put you back on a shelf. You have been very good to us."

Now for the senior trip as the caption reads in bold letters; SENIORS LEAVE FOR WORLD'S FAIR, it continues to read.

"Seniors of 1964 took a three day senior trip to see the New York World's Fair and Niagara Falls, May 17, 18 and 19th. Manday, May 18, they arrived at the World's Fair, by subway loaded with cameras. They visited the Ford Motor, General Motors, the Vatican, the Hawaiian, the Korean, and Japan, Pavillions; rode the Swiss Cable Car ride; saw the Unisphere, and many more creations. Tuesday, May 19, they arrived at Niagara Falls and saw the famous Horse Shoe and American Falls. Resting from the trip, the senior class rented three plush motel rooms at the Holiday Mountain Lodge in Monticello, New York."

"They were driven in touring cars by their sponsor Mr. Wegermann who was assisted by Mrs. Wegermann and Dean of Girls, Mrs. Lois Caswell." This was written by Betty, as she was secretary of staff.

At the Junior-Senior Banquet she played a piano solo "Hawaiian Wedding Song." This was held on May 14, at the Y.M.C.A.

"The decorations were centered around the Hawaiian home. On the ceiling were different shades of blue streamers looped, with silver and blue of littered stars hanging from them. On one was draped a fish net, filled with sea oddies, and the other walls were decorated with fishes and stars, except for the main center of interest, which had on it a life size hawaiian girl, with the theme 'Blue Hawaii'.

On the head tables were tall palm trees for center pieces, while on the other tables were beautiful floral arrangements of tulips, and candles. Each one also had a nut cup with palm trees on similar to the centerpieces."

She served on the Student Council in her Sophomore year, was pianist all four years for the Young Peoples Group; Junior Miss, Club Secretary the first year, Vice President the 2nd year there, was secretary of the paper and treasurer of class in her senior year plus acted in the senior play and was a member of the choir all four years.

The program of the Commencement was as follows:

*Processional by Mrs. Art Cummings playing POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE; Invocation by Elder Roland Pedersen (Pastor of Curtis, Nebraska); Salutory address by Sharon Westfall: Introduction of Speaker by Elder F. Turner (Adm. of Spring Vale); Commencement address by Elder R. Coulter (Chairman of Gen. Conference); Duet by Mr. and Mrs. Wegermann; Valedictory address by Fred Taylor; Presentation of Class by Elder Keim (principal); President of Diplomas, Elder A.E. Lidell presented the class member their diplomas; Benediction by Elder Nelson Caswell (Pastor of Muskegon, Michigan); Processional by Mrs. Art Cummings.

While in High School Betty served on Jury Duty in Juvenile court and became active thru out the years.

She attended Adrian College during January 1965 to the same month of 1966. In February of 1966 to November of that year she attended the Elite Beauty College in Adrian, Michigan. She took her State Board exam and passed then she began building her business up at the Shiela's Beauty Salon it maybe added she became very successful. She began her business there March 1967 and now plans to move to the House of Pharoah's, its larger and plushly decorated.

She married Carson Needham on September 21, 1968 by Ted Dickerson J.P. in Erie, Michigan. Carson works in Toledo, Ohio at the Chevrolet factory as an inspector. He also, came from a large family that moved to Monroe from Tennessee. They now live near mother and father in LaSalle.

Carson was born April 25, 1938 and served in the US Army. He was born in Sandlick, near New Tazwell, Tennessee. He was in the Army 1956 to 1959 and spent 33 months in Germany and worked in the missile firing unit, feeding air to them so they could fire. His highest rank was Spt. 5

He has a son from his first marriage Jimmy Needham, born February 21, 1962 in Monroe, Michigan.

Rebecca Lynn was born December 1, 1969, in Monroe, Michigan. She attends Mason North School of the Mason Consolidated School System.

They belong to the First Babtist Church of Algiers, also,

known as Radio Missions, New Orleans. It is an undenominational church.

Since Betty quit work she and Carson have many hobbies, they consist of camping, upholstery of furniture and about any interesting thing. As she stated that included being hoboes in the summer time.

This is how Betty describes her week before they were married. "Carson and I wanted to elope to get married, to many people knew us. The woman at the blood test clinic knew me, the doctor's receptionist knew us and we ran into a couple I knew when we tried to slip in unknown into an unfamiliar doctors office. The lady at the court house knew Carson's sister-in-law and I requested our name be kept out of the paper but that was fruitless. I made mom terribly mad at me when I interrupted supper hour to run out and get our blood test. We didn't want a big wedding because we wanted no fuss and we would have had to invite so many people. But the paper had our license in it the next day and oh boy did the telephone ring! It's quite a feeling to be happy and have everyone mad at you during one weeks time. As a result we told mom and dad the day before the wedding and they attended. But we had no fussy arrangements. It was a short ceremony and we had a nice honeymoon and skipped out on the reception."

The following recollections are Betty's own comments. I remember alot of things but they all seem to run together. I remember you bringing me a big stuffed dog when you lived in Ann Arbor and I kept that poor thing up to the time Tim was born, then I think mom done away with it. It served as a pillow and studying prop at high school and it probably had many tears on it when I was docked 12 hours work at school. Also remember the discarded needles you brought to me from the hospitals that I gave my dolls hundreds of shots of orange juice and water.

I remember when Princess was born they wouldn't let me visit you in the hospital, because I was to young. When Theresa was born all fire broke out when I was on my way to Kansas City, and didn't visit you. Boy I do have bad timing. The night Tim was born dad jumped up and down that he finally had a grandson, my feelings were really wounded then, he forgot all about me, it seemed at the time.

A brief history of Mullins and Davis is about all I can give. All the surnames involved in that lineage are so very common. It is difficult to single out and prove which ones are ours. Seeking professional help did not help either for the same reason.

The history of Arkansas sums up quickly about all I can give accurately.

New opportunities of spacious uncrowded land gave pioneers a challenge. Arkansas was of Indian origin, which possibly meant "The people down stream".

The first comers were mainly English, Irish, and Scottish. Their travels seem to consist of immigrants immigrating from Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and into Arkansas.

Some ancestors were from Missouri, but part of present day Arkansas was Missouri. Those borders were changed in the 1800's and if one stop to think, that really isn't so long ago, just two or three generations back was or could have been part of that history.

Most of our ancestors of Mullens-Davis are of English, Irish, Scotch and Dutch descent. History tells us that lots of English citizens traveled to the dutch country before sailing to America in seek of the freedom of religion.

Most of our clan settled in Searcy and Marion counties after coming from other states. The Mullens apparently came thru Sharp and Izard Counties. The Davis' came down from Texas County, Missouri and according to the 1860 census Davis' came from Illinois to Missouri.

What makes history so difficult while tracing ancestors is the fact dates are never remembered, if a family never kept records or if they did, records were often destroyed in fires, travels, or floods and what-have-you-disasters. I mention Izard and Sharp Counties and I can use these as examples. The lines between these two counties were changed March 9, 1877. Writing to these court houses for information nine times out of ten would give me "Records were destroyed by fire" and the year given. Records are hard to obtain after 1900 as they are confidential. At least this is the excuse given.

Since Marion and Searcy Counties were the points of ancestral settlement, their being so named and formed is a matter of history.

Benjamin H. Mullens
b. Oct. 16, 1890
place;
mar. Oct 11, 1914
d. June 2, 1958
place; Rosebud, Ark.

Benjamin I. Mullins
b. Jan. 28, 1852
place;
mar. 1871
d.
place;

George Mullins
b.
place: Ky.
mar.
d.
() Cates

Maek Mullins

Vaneda V. Mullens

b. Aug. 30, 1918
place; Marion Co., Ark.
d.

Arzora Davis

b. Mar. 15, 1896
place; Yellville, Ark.
d.
place

Joseph Prior Davis

b. Mar. 4, 1871
place; Cabool, Mo.
mar. Aug. 25, 1879
d. Mar. 14, 1928
place; Yellville, Ark.

Milton Davis

b.
place;
mar;
d. Nancy Brewer
in Cabool, Mo.

Sarah Payne

b. July 23, 1857
place;
d. Nov. 1934
place;

Alfred Payne

b.
place;
mar.
d. 1906
place;
Mille Draper
b.

Howard H. Friddle

b. Jan. 6, 1916
place; Chester, Ark.
mar. July 25, 1936
d.
place;

Damie Grinder

b. May 21, 1862
place; Ark.
d. Sept. 20, 1939
place;

Robert Grinder

Tilda Baker

SECTION I

THOSE ELUSIVE MULLENS

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PAYNE

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Marion County was formed from Izard County in 1836 and Yellville is the county seat. In 1838 Searcy County was developed from Marion County and Marshall is the county seat. Other counties form from these two counties are; Baxter in 1873 and Stone in 1873. Depending on the year information was being searched for these counties must be included in the search also.

Other factors that hinders progress in this field is the change in spelling of the names. Records can be wrong as not only are surnames spelled different ways so are given names, that is why the Mullins and Paynes were so difficult.

Jewel Payne Clem complimented my courage as she works in Washington D.C., and can have personal access to the Archives. She tried to trace the Paynes and gave up because the spelling would change from generation to generation in some cases.

Certainly one cannot dismiss the fact that in a history of this nature, hopeful some one famous will appear. Benjamin I. Mullins told mother exactly how we were descendants of the William Mullins who came over on the MAYFLOWER. Mother never wrote that history down so in our conversations the clue that Precilla Mullins Alden was related as an aunt to our ancestors. After many records, books and other sources I was sure some one was wrong. I could only find records concerning Precilla and a brother Joseph, he died with no descendants. One lucky day I was searching another lineage out when I found more history concerning the MAYFLOWER families. I found William had another son and for this fact alone I have include that history. I can not legally prove this connection now but in the future I may. There are a few generations missing.

References; Handy Book for Genealogists by George B. Everton Sr.;
The American Peoples Encyclopedia by Grolier Inc. and the Cape
Cod Series Vol. I & II by Leon Clark Hills

THE MAYFLOWER MULLINS

William Mullins, was born Surrey County, perhaps Corking, England; died New England (Cape Cod), or Plymouth, March 3, 1621; married England Alice ? ; died Plymouth early in 1621, after April 2.

He was a wealthy "Merchant Adventurer", and it is understood invested over 500 pounds in the company. Just before his death he sent for Carver, and made a verbal will to witnesses John Carver, Giles Heale, the Surgeon, and Christopher Jones.

The probate record of this will in England is dated July 23, 1621, and carries a date at the top of April 2, 1621, which is probably the date placed there by the clerk in filing.

The will was probably taken on February 21, 1621, the day William Mullins died, and the Mayflower sailed almost immediately thereafter on the return trip to London with the will and a very ill Captain, who died soon after reaching his home in Rotherhithe. Captain Christopher Jones was buried at St. Mary's Rotherhithe, in March, 1622, leaving a wife and four children, Roger, Christopher, Joan and Grace, ranging from ten to four years.

Although there is nothing in Dorking, Surrey, about William Mullins, yet the Parrish Registers do show;

1571 John Mullyn m. Joane Bridger.
1582 Edward Mullyns son of John bp.
1583 () Mullyns died
1584 () Mullins "son of the widow" died
1585 Vyncent Benham m. Joane Mullyns.
1610 John Gardyner m. Margaret Mullyns.
1614 Sara dau. of John Mullins died
1643 John Mullyn "shoomaker" died age 66."

"Shoomaker" was the old English spelling for shoemaker.

According to records William's known children were:

William Mullins b. Eng. ; d. New England, 1672
he married a widow Ann Bell and he was the son of the
Mayflower William.

Sarah, b. England
Joseph, b. England d. Plymouth, Mass.
in the early 1621; about the same time his mother did.
Precilla b. England d. after 1850
married John Alden and had eleven children. She and
John were married before 1624 at Plymouth.

In other records it was stated that William (the father) was previously married to another woman other than the one who died from the Mayflower journey.

This paragraph followed William's Will. " In the month of July Anno Domini 1621: on the 23d day issued a commission to Sarah Blunden, formerly Mullins, natural and legitimate daughter of William Mullins, late of Dorking in the County of Surry, but deceased in parts beyond the seas, seized etc. for administering the goodes, rights and credits of the said deceased, according to the tenor and effect of the will of the said deceased because in that will he named no executor."

Just before William sailed on the Mayflower he had sold his barn, garden yard and other features, of about one and one-half acres, between West Street and Back Lane.

John Alden was born 1599 in England and died September 22, 1687 in Duxberry at the age of 84. The following are his and Precilla's children:

Elizabeth Alden	mar. William Pabodie
John Alden	mar. 2nd Elizabeth Everill
Joseph Alden	mar. Mary Simmons
Sarah Alden	mar. Alexander Standish
Jonathan Alden	mar. Abigail Hallett
Ruth Alden	mar. John Bass
Zachariah Alden	mar. unknown
Mary Alden	mar. Thomas Delano
David Alden	mar. Marie Southworth

I have no records or names of the remaining two children, perhaps they died in infancy.

Reference: MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS & THEIR MARRIAGE, by John T. Landis; CAPE COD SERIES VOL. I & II, by Leon Clark Hills

- 100 MACK MULLINS, came to America from Ireland about 1770-1780 and settled in Ohio then moved to Kentucky. He worked for the U.S. Mail. There is no other information at this time on who he married but he did have a son George and either a stepson or another son by another marriage and his name was Emery.
- 110 GEORGE MULLINS, (Mack¹) was born in Kentucky, moved on to Missouri and married a Gates, (her surname may have been Gates or Kates). Her father came from England. Leo his grand grandson, said from records he could gather that George was a stone mason, made his own tombstone and is buried in Evening Shade, Arkansas. George had eight children.
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| 120 | BENJAMIN ISAIH MULLINS, | born 1852 |
| 121 | William Mullins | born 1846 |
| 122 | John Mullins | born 1849 |
| 123 | James Riley Mullins | born 1854 |
| 124 | Joe (Bud) Mullins | born 1856 |
| 125 | Mary Mullins | born 1858 |
| 126 | Maudy (Mandy) Mullins | born 1861 |
| 127 | Margaret Mullins | born 1865 |
- 111 Emery Mullins, very little is known about this person. I have Tom to thank for even finding what records I do have on this family. He lived in Indiana at least at one time.
- 121 (girl) Mullins, she married Mr. Odoe.
- 122 Nobe Mullins, he lived in or near Greentown, Indiana. He had three sons.
- 131 Emery Mullins, he lived in Kokomo, Indiana.
- 132 Pete Charles Mullins, he is buried in New Castle, Ind.
- 133 Ted Mullins, he did live in Florida.

Benjamin Isaih Mullins, was born in Howe County, Mo., although this can not be proven. He migrated from Kentucky to Arkansas. He was a drummer boy in the Civil War on the Union Side (north). He wanted to be a soldier and fight but he was too young, finally they consented to his being a drummer boy. Both he and Sarah died in Marion County, Arkansas but were buried in Winslow, Arkansas as they had lived there many years.

Their family information will continue on the following pages.

120 BENJAMIN ISAIAH MULLINS (George , Mack), was born Jan. 28, 1852, and died Aug. 18, 1938. He married Sarah Payne in 1871. She was the daughter of Alfred Payne, this history will be on page 24.

- 130 BENJAMIN HARRISON MULLINS,
- 131 Mary Mullins
- 132 Martha Mullins
- 133 Rosie Mullins
- 134 William Mullins
- 135 Margaret Mullins
- 136 Emeline Mullins
- 137 James Riley Mullins
- 138 Joe Mullins
- 139 Josie Mullins

Benjamin Harrison was born October 16, 1890 in Marion County near Yellville, Arkansas. He died in June 2, 1958 mainly arteriosclerosis. He is buried at Mt. Bethel Cemetery. He married Arzora Davis October 11, 1914 by Frankie Rice J.P. Grandpa had no use for genealogy but mother (his oldest daughter) has told how Benjamin Isaiah told her when she was a young girl about his ancestry.

He could go back to the Mayflower arrival to this land from England. His distant aunt was Precilla Millins who married John Alden. If one ever read the famous poem written by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, who is a descendant of John Alden, COURT SHIP OF MILES STANDISH, I am sure, they enjoyed it whether it be all truth or fiction.

Anyway Precilla's father was William Mullins who was the tenth signer of the MAYFLOWER COMPACT. William married Mary ?

Mother wanted to do the research of the Mullins family however, grandpa discouraged her to great degree by saying "Don't dig up skeletons". He was responsible for the change of the spelling from Mullins to Mullens. This is what makes any genealogist walk the ceilings and bite finger nails.

Mother said grandpa would only read the genealogy of Biblical characters once, because he just couldn't tolerate it. He would read the rest of the Bible until he knew it by heart.

The following is what left an impression on Betty concerning our grandparents. "Grandpa, was a good man very witty and patient with his grandchildren. He'd take us double back on his horses let us help milk the cows, which I never learned to master. I always looked forward to the long trip to Arkansas from Michigan and be greeted with dozens of hugs from grandma and tears of joy. She would always cook some of her canned chicken on an old wood burning stove and in the morning we'd go out and gather fresh eggs and separate milk. We would bed down at nights, if there were other cousins in visiting, on feather ticks in their front room floor. The only thing I

remember grandma being fussy over was her flower bed. It seemed huge to me with all sorts of flowers. She trained roses over an arbor for the entry to the front yard from the driveway. Of course this was on the old place in Rose Bud. Grandpa enjoyed the garden as much as grandma did. The entire south side of the yard the width of the house was the location of the beautiful garden."

As for my own memories of my grandparents Mullens was being short small people and I lived near them from my school years until I was about 12 years old. Grandpa loved to tease and get something started. He was a farmer and raised various edible product. One year he raised several kinds of watermelons. This was the cause of one such event for him. Someone would say they have no different taste than any other kind. The next thing that would happen was a bet (no money involved, usually the winner would dump a bucket of water on the loser), and the two of them would be blindfolded and put to the taste test. I don't really remember who was right. He also took and exchanged Ruth's Cold Cream for Lard and he had a big laugh over that when Ruth was told.

The following is a letter I personally recieved from grandpa. It was dated January 26, 1957.

"Dear Frieda,

Here are your kinfolks on my side as far back as I know. I don't know a lot of their birth or death dates. Your three times great grandfather Mullins came from Ireland was a full blood Irishman he settled in Kentucky I don't know his first name or who he married. Your two times great grandfather George Mullins was born and raised in Kentucky he came to Missouri and was married, his wife's name was Cates but I don't remember what her first name was. She was English I don't know how many children they had as some of them died young but what I remember were five boys and then three girls. The boys were William born about 1846, never married. John born about 1849, married but I never knew any thing of his family. Benjamin Mullins, that's your great grandad was born Jan. 28, 1852, married Sarrah Payne about 1871. To them was born eleven children here they are; Mary born in Oct. 1872; Martha born in Jan., I think 1877; Rosie born April 1879; Harrison born Oct. 16, 1890; William born in Feb. 1881; Josie born 1884 of April; Margaret born Nov. 1887; Emeline born Nov. 1893; Thomas was born in July 1895; and Riley born May 7, 1898.

Your great grandma was Sarrah Payne she was born and raised in Arkansas, born July 23, 1857 and died in Nov. 1934. Her Parents were Alfred Payne, died in 1906. I think he was 72. Mamma's Mother was Millie Draper, she died about 1887 her and grandpa was married in Tennessee and moved to Arkansas.

They had six children; Emeline, Sarah, Marion, Jim, Martha, and George I reckon they are all dead.

I missed some of your great grandpa Mullins' brothers and sisters here they are: Riley born 1854; Joe born 1856; Mary born 1858; Maudy born 1861; Margaret born 1865; Remember I guessed at most of these dates but they are close to right. Thank You.

Your grandad,

B.H. Mullens"

The following is Benjamin Harrison Mullens obituary as printed in the GAZETTE STATE NEWS SERVICE.

"BENJAMIN H. MULLENS
Retired Farmer"

"Searcy, June 3, 1958,-- Benjamin Harrison Mullens, aged 67, a retired farmer of Rose Bud (White County), died Monday at a hospital here. He is survived by his wife; four sons; Leo D. Mullens of Antioch, Cal., Joe and Tom Mullens of Kokomo, Ind. and Bob Mullens of the Air Force; Three daughters; Mrs. Vaneda Friddle of LaSalle, Michigan, Mrs. Ruth Bowers of Kokomo, and Mrs. Fern Boyd of Rose Bud; Two brothers, William and Riley Mullins of California; Three sisters; Mrs. Rosie Hamilton of Phoenix, Arizona; Mrs. Mary Jane Barker of North Little Rock, and Mrs. Margaret Tripp of Wichita, Kansas, and 16 grandchildren. Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Mount Bethel Church by Rev. Jess Pratt and Rev. Walter Maddox. Burial will be at Mount Bethel Cemetery by Daniel Funeral Service."

This is Benjamin H. Mullens and Zora Davis Mullens family:

140 **VANEDA VELMA MULLENS** (B.H.¹, B.I.², George³, Mack⁴), was born Aug. 30, 1918, in Marion County, near Yellville, Arkansas. She married Howard H. Friddle (350) July 25, 1936. She lives in LaSalle, Michigan and teaches at Mason Consolidated school. They have two daughters Frieda and Betty. For this history see the Friddle History page 67.

The following is a clipping from the MONROE EVENING NEWS:

"**ERIE** -- Three Mason Consolidated Schools District teachers have been selected to be included among those honored in the 1970 edition of OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS OF AMERICA, Supt. Leon Bodell announced today.

Mrs. Howard (Vaneda) Friddle of 3602 First St., LaSalle, a 4th grade teacher; Charles D. Calengor of 4339 First St., Luna Pier, an art instructor, and John C. Michael of Maumee, Ohio, a junior high physical education teacher,

were chosen on the basis of their civic and professional achievements. Each year 5,000 of the country's foremost educators, featured in the national volume, are selected from among those nominated by school administrators.

Mrs. Friddle has been a teacher for 24 years. She has served 10 years with the Mason District, three in the Airport Community Schools District and 11 years in rural schools in Michigan and Arkansas.

Both her bachelor's and master's degrees were granted by Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, and since earning her master's degree she had taken a course in modern mathematics and has held modern math workshops for teacher and Parent-Teacher Association groups.

She also teaches Bible classes, and during the summer works as counselor and teacher in youth and children's camps. In addition Mrs. Friddle had contributed a number of articles to youth and adult religious periodicals...."

The following is from the OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS OF AMERICA, 1970. This article contains many abbreviations, it is typed as it appeared in the book.

"Friddle, Vaneda Velma: LaSalle, Mich: B. Aug. 30, 1918; P: Benjamin Harrison and Zora Davis Mullens; M; Howard Homer; C: Frieda Lorie, Betty Sue; Ed: Ark. State Tchrs C. 1948; Harding C. 1948; E. Mich. U. BS 1958, Grad Div, Masters 1964; Career: Rural Elem. Tchr, Liberty Hill Sch 1942-44, Gracey Sch. 1943-47, Lone Star Sch. 1948-49, Columbian Sch. 1952-54, Asam Sch. 1954-57, Airport Comm Sch. 1957-60, Mason Consolidated Sch. 1960 - ; MEA, Chm, Grievance Com, Ethics Com; NEA; Contributine Ed, Youth Magazine; Promoter Pioneer Polio Salk Vaccine; Youth Bible Class Tchr; Stu Tchr, Trainer, Toledo U; Piloted Modern Math Prog, Mason; Spon Tchr for Beginning Tchr; Mason PTA, VP; Ch of God, 7th day Ch Youth Camp Coun, Crafts Div; Regular financial contributor, Overseas Orphanages; Contributor, Underground Evangelism to Countries in Europe."

Vaneda's elementary school years were at the Sassafras Pond school at Winslow, Arkansas and Schaberg Village School at Schaberg, Arkansas. She attended Mountianburg School at Mountianburg, Arkansas during her high school years. The colleges she attended were Ark., State Teachers College, Conway, Ark.; Harding College, Searcy, Ark.; Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Mich.

She taught schools in both White and Cleburne Counties of Ark., they were Liberty Hill, Gracie School and Lone Star. She then moved to Michigan where she became a governess to a mentally retarded lady of a wealthy family. She returned to teaching at Columbian, followed by Asam, Newport, Luna Pier,

and Mason all of Monroe County, Mich.

All the time she taught she was taking correspondence, night classes and summer session in college.

June 7, 1957 she recieved her Bachelor of Arts degree in education. January 20, 1963 she recieved her Masters degree.

She has taught in the Mason system since 1956. She has turned such as principal, contract for the high school and Community College down to remain as a well like fourth grade teacher.

141 Leo Dillon Mullens, was born Oct. 29, 1915, in Marion Co. near Yellville, Ark. He married Gracie Poor in 1938 and divorced 1948. They had three sons;

151 Albert Dillion, b. Jan. 28, 1940 and married Virginia Martinez, June 3, 1961. She was born Aug. 28, 1944.

I Sherie Lorrain, b. Aug. 1, 1962 in Antioch, California
II Charles Lee, b. June 12, 1965 in Walnut Creek, California
III Albert David, born Feb. 18, 1964 in Antioch, California
Albert and his wife lives outside of Antioch, California and he works for a large Chevrolet Dealer as a Journeyman Mechanic. He went in the Air Force April 3, 1957, and was discharged Oct. 3, 1959.

152 Thurman Leon, b. Sept. 1, 1943, in Rosebud, Ark., and lives in California where he is in charge of a "Half-way" house for people on their way to kicking the drug addiction. He spent four years and almost four months in the Navy as an electronics technician. He had charge of his own shop during the last two years. He attended Diablo Valley College. From a Letter "Leon" wrote Dec. 27, 1967 he told of his interest while attending that college. "I have no Majors yet, but my strongest interests seems to be in the field of Psychology and Education (teaching). I try to take classes that interest me; When people ask what I'm studying I usually answer - Myself."

153 Charles Edgar, he died about the age of 9 months of pneumonia and is buried at the Mt. Bethel Cemetery.

Leo remarried to Mable Lucille Southern July 23, 1950. She was born Feb. 14, 1932.

154 Douglas Duane, b. Aug. 1, 1951 in Antioch. He married JoAnn Evanson May 1972. She was born Oct. 1953.

I Justin Dillon, b. April 15, 1973

- 155 Patricia Lorraine , b. July 23, 1956, in Concord Calif; She married Steve Craig Andrews of Rose Bud, Ark., Nov. 15, 1974 and lives near Heber Springs, Ark. She graduated from Rose Bud High School May 10, 1974.
- 156 Sharon Kay, b. Feb. 15, 1960 in California. At present she is living with her parents and is attending Rose Bud High School.

Leo and Mable moved from Antioch, Calif. to Heber Spring, Ark., and they run a small store called the "Mullens Mart". They just recently purchased a parcel of 80 acres. In a letter written by Mabel Jan. 1, 1975 this is what she had to say about the land. "Leo and I spent two or three hours today hiking over 80 acres. We bought it about two months ago and today is the first time I have had a chance to look it over real good. We have already had a pond put in. It looks like it will be a real good one. It is spring fed."

Mable was born in Armada, Arkansas and her parents are Roy Grover Southern and Wanda Pauline McSwane.

Leo served in the Navy April 3, 1944 and was discharged Jan. 1946. He was enlisted during World War II. Leo wanted to be sent out on active duty but due to his Medical Training the government insisted he check new recruits and he detested this. He served in the America area in Shoemaker, California. He recieved the Victory Medal. He joined the CCC March 1935 to May 1937 and served the areas of Arkansas and Idaho.

- 142 Benjamin Joseph Mullens, b. June 27, 1921, in Greer Co., near Vinson, Oklahoma. He married Mildred Webb in 1942. They have three children.

- 151 Mary Lee, b. Nov. 7, 1945 and she married Wilbur Neil Brown Aug. 29, 1968. They have one daughter.

- I Jacqueline Nicole, b. May 23, 1973

This is a news clipping of that wedding;
 "Mr. and Mrs. W. Neil Brown are on a honeymoon trip to the Pocono Mountains following their Saturday afternoon wedding in Faith United Methodist Church, Freeport, Ill. The Rev. Eldon Schriver officiated. Parents of the bride, the former Miss Mary L. Mullens, are Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Joseph Mullens, 600 Ridge Rd. The bride grooms' parents are Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur H. Brown, Lena, Ill.

The bride wore an empire gown of polyester satapeau accented with pearled rose appliques. A petal crown of iridescent jewels secured her veil, and she carried a cascade of white orchids and yellow rosebuds.

Miss Ruth Ann Reckamp, Freeport, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Altea Brown, Lena; Miss Peg Reckamp,

Harvard, Ill., and Mrs. Natalino Comarella.

Their A-line gowns were of Yellow crepe with green ribbon trim. They wore matching headpieces and carried bouquet of Yellow Rugi Chrysanthemums.

David Mullens was ring bearer.

Attending his brother as best man was Arlo Brown, Lena. Groomsmen were John Graff and Ernie Fry, both of Freeport, and Ronald Reiling, Atkinson Ill. Guests were seated by Nate Brown, Pearl City, Ill., and Randell Schulz, Freeport.

The bride was graduated in 1963 from Kokomo, Ind., High School and in 1968 from Southwest Missouri State U. A member of Delta Psi Kappa health and physical education honorary, she is recreation director for the Freeport YWCA.

The bridegroom is a 1963 graduate of Bradley U. and a 1967 graduate of John Marshal Law School. He is a member of Phi Mu Alpha music honorary and Delta Theta Phi law honorary. He is an Attorney with John Whiton law firm, Freeport. They will live in Freeport."

Mary Lee taught mentally handicap children for several years.

152 Judy May, b. May of 1947 and she married Nathallino Comarella Nov. 27, 1965 in St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church. They have one son.

I Jeremy Douglas Comarella, b. Feb. 15, 1969

Nate was employed with Prudential Insurance Company, Nov. of 1967 and presently owns his own Photography Studio. He was born Dec. 14, 1943, in Feltre, Italy.

Judy attended Kokomo High School

153 David Allen, b. Nov. 4, 1964

Joe was in the Navy June of 1941 and was discharged Dec. of 1945, he reallisted June 1951 and discharged Oct. 1953. He was in South America, Africa and Egypt. His rating was Baker 1st Class Petty Officer and served on the S.S. Amelia Erhart.

Mildred was born and attended Nevada High School in Nevada. She has been employed many years for Delco Company in Kokomo, Indiana. Joe served as foreman at a local bakery in Kokomo for many years also.

Ref: Mary Brown of Freeport, Ill. and Judy Comarella of Kokomo.

143 Thomas Andrew Mullens, born May 29, 1924 in Greer County, near Vinson, Oklahoma. He married Norma Jean Turner, May 5, 1946. They have four children

151 Benny Joe, b. March 22, 1947 in Heber Spring, Arkansas. He married Rita Harvey in 1965 in Greentown, Indiana. She is a Beautician and settled in Rosebud, Arkansas. They have the following children:

I Benjamin Harvey, born in 1965 in Arkansas.

II Amy Jo, born in 1969 in Arkansas

III Cherity Deann, she was born in Arkansas

152 Shirley Lavonne was born Dec. 24, 1948 and married LLOYD Waller in 1965. They are settled in Pangburn, Arkansas.

I Rebecca Lynn, born in 1966 in Arkansas.

II Brian Cecil, born April 10, 1972 in Arkansas

III Loyd Douglas, in Arkansas.

153 Thomas Ricky, born 1955 and married Sue Thompson and they settled in Rosebud, Arkansas.

I Andrew Joseph, born Dec. 25, 1974 in Arkansas

II Tammy, born Aug. 27, 1972 in Arkansas

154 Sonja Gale, born June 22, 1959

Tom and Jean at present live in Kokomo, Indiana and Sonja still lives at home and is attending high school there. Tom work many years at the local bakery.

144 Naomi Ruth Mullens, born Sept. 25, 1927, in Washington Co., near Winslow, Arkansas. She married Vernon Earl Bowers in 1947. She was a beautician and is presently works at the Delco Factory in Kokomo. They live in Sharpville, Ind., at present, but they lived for many years in Kokomo. They have two sons.

151 Teddy Earl, born Feb. of 1948 and is a June 1966 graduate and married Cathy McGlone Sept. 10, 1969. They settled in Kokomo and have three children of which they have a set of twins.

I Troy Earl, born 1970 in the month of April.

II Kari Kathleen, born July 11, 1973

III Shari Ann, born July 11, 1973

Ted was inducted into the Army but shortly recieved a

medical discharge, Sept. 27, 1967 to Oct. 16, 1967.

- 152 Allen Vince, born in 1950 and graduated from high school June 1967. He married Debbie Hookum, May 10, 1968. They both attended college and were married in Madison, Ind. They have two children.

I Sean Wesley, born Nov. 26, 1968

II Kimberly, born

The following information was taken from a newspaper clipping.

"KARATE CENTER GRAPS SIX PLACES IN OHIO OPEN"

"LORAIN, O. The Kokomo Okenawan Karate Center had another victorious day Sunday here in the Ohio open, TANG-SOO-DOO Karate Championships.

The local school took six students to the match and six brought back honors. In free fighting competition, the Okinawan Center took all four places Allen Bowers won the event, Yogi Olivarex was second, Steve Ramer third, and Tom Bell picked up fourth.

Debbie Kennedy, another student at the Center, grabbed third in Ladies competition. Bowers also added a third in Kata forms division."

Allen went to Germany March 1970 and Debbie went later. Allen is very interested in politics also.

Vernon is a truck driver and they are settled in Kokomo after moving from Antioch, California. Vernon, served with the navy during World War II, while the United States was midst the hardest Pacific-Japan fighting.

- 145 Leveda Fern Mullens, born Feb. 17, 1931, in Crawford Co., near Schaberg, Arkansas. She married William Boyd 1947, and has lived in Rose Bud all those years. They own a farm there and Grandmother live there also in back of Fern's home. They have three children.

- 151 Doris Jean, born March 4, 1948. She graduated May 12, 1967 from Rose Bud High School and she was the Salutorian. She married Larry Jackie Massey, May 1967,

I Ann Danette, b. May 3, 1968 and died few days later of lung complication and prematurely.

II Jimmy Joe,

III Carman Teresa, born Nov. 2, 1972

Larry was in the Army and spent some time in Germany and Doris went to Germany Sept. 1969. Larry is often referred to as "Jackie".

152 Peggy Ann, born Jan. 8, 1956. She graduated from Rose Bud High School May 1973. She married Richard Harrison in 1973. He was born Feb. 22, 1956.

153 Micheal William, born June 24, 1958 and he attends Rose Bud High School.

Bill is a very well thought of Machanic and has driven trucks and has leased Gas Station in Rose Bud. Fern has worked at many places also.

146 Bobby James Mullens, born Sept. 3, 1935 in Crawford County near Schaberg, Arkansas. He married Elois Clem in 1956 and they live with their four girls in Greentown, Indiana.

151 Melinda Ilene, born Dec 25, 1956 and graduated May 18, 1975 from Tri-Central High School.

152 Constance "Connie", was born in 1960.

153 Roxanne, was born June 1963.

154 Robin Sue, born June 1964.

Bob spent six years during the 1950's in the Airforce and enjoyed it very much.

This concludes Benjamin and Zora Mullens family and his brothers and sisters family history will follow.

This is a note to be added to Vernon Bowers (page 14), service records; Vernon went into the Navy Oct. 7, 1943 and was discharged Oct. 30, 1947, after basic training he spent most of his time in the South Pacific.

This is to be added to Allen Bowers (code no. 152 page 15), service records; He went into service June 27, 1969, he went to Explosive Ordnance Disposal school, finished training in Maryland and was sent to Germany Jan. 20, 1970, he served in Germany and was sent back to the states a couple of days before his discharge in June 17, 1971.

Ref; Ruth Bowers, Rt.1, Box 75 of Sharpville, Ind.

131 Mary Mullins was born 1872, she married three times and had seven children. Her first husband was () Moody. Her second was James Ballew, (no official proof on first name), and third husband was () Barker. Her children were:

- 141 Austin, (no record of which surname)
- 142 Millie Moody, is married and has at least one son.
- 143 Josie Moody,
- 144 Sarah Moody,
- 145 Jim Ballew,
- 146 Jack Ballew,
- 147 Tim Ballew,

I have no other records concerning the above people.

132 Martha Mullins was born 1877 and married Frank Norman. They had one son.

- 141 Frank Norman Jr.,

No other information concerning this family.

133 Rosie Bell Mullins, was born 1879 and married Joseph Taylor Hamilton. They had seven children.

- 141 Birdie,
- 142 Nettie, this is the information that she sent me, she lives at 3238 E. Virginia, in Phoenix, Arizona. Nettie was honored by the U.S. Army in Nov. 1949 by being chosen "The Arizona Army mother of the month". She represented all the mothers of Arizona who had sons in the Armed Forces. The Army sponsored her trip to Fort Ord, California., to visit the Arizona boys. Her son Bob Emerson, was in training at Fort Ord, and was killed in Korea July 27, 1950, at the same time an older son Ernest Emerson was in the rescue squadron of the Air Force. She married Earl Emerson and she divorce him, but he is dead now.

- 151 Bob,
- 152 Ernest,

143 Homer H., married Virley Cross, she is a neice of Riley's (code no. 137) wife. They have five children.

- 151 Velma,
- 152 Alma Joe,
- 153 Kenneth,
- 154 J.C.,
- 155 Joyce,

144 Howard Hamilton, married Bessie () and have ten children:

151 Ruby,	156 Alma Sue,
152 Joe,	157 Bernice,
153 Wilma,	158 Rosel (Roselu?)
154 Harold,	159 James H.,
155 Odell,	15-10 Viola,

145 Agnes, married two times her first husband was Lawrence Baker and they had three children:

151 Eugene,
152 Carylton,
153 Eddy,

Her second marriage was to Hugh Ritcherson.

146 Gertrude, she married Bill Harris and had five children.

151 Billie,
152 Johnny,
153 Donna,
154 Paula,
155 Dennis Harris,

147 Francis, she married Wayne Bennett and had five children.

151 Kyleen,
152 Ronny,
153 Teresa,
154 Cliff,
155 Cherry,

134 William Mullins, was born 1881 and is buried in California. His first marriage was to Tillie () and she died. I only have records of two children by this marriage.

141 Albert,
142 Benjamin "Benny",
His second wife's name was Lillie (), she was from Leslie, Arkansas. William had several children by this marriage.

143 Estes, she married Ed Ivy.
144 Pearl, she married Roscoe Massey.
145 Earl, he married () Tackett.
146 Damay, he married Pearl Floyd.
147 Wanda, she married Benny Leshor.

Ref: Nettie Emerson,
Agnes Ritcherson,

- 135 Margaret Kathern Mullins, was born Nov. 17, 1889 and died. She married Dave Jackson, May 5, 1908. He was born May 28, 1877. Dave committed suicide March 3, 1939. She remarried a Mr. Tripp. Margaret and Dave had several children.
- 141 Marcella Jackson, born May 27, 1909, married Joe McKenley Richetts on Sept. 4, 1926.
- 142 Norma Ruth Jackson, born March 17, 1911, died July 7, 1964. She married Bud Chaney and they had two sons
- 151
152
- Norma remarried () Rawling
- 143 Cecil Thelmer Jackson, born March 1, 1913, and married Ruth Shell and have five children:
- 151 Mary Allene Jackson, she lives in Paden Okla., and married Dale Pinion and have three children.
I Ruth Ann Pinion, born about 1954
II Ronnie, born Sept. 1956.
III Danny, born 1966.
- 152 James,
153 Jackie,
154 J.C.,
155 Margaret,
- 144 Sarah Althera Jackson, married Elmo Medlin, he was killed and she remarried George W. Ledbetter. This is a portion of Althera's letter she wrote to me the year of 1974.
"I was married to Elmo Medlin in 1932. He was called in- to the service in 1942 and was killed in service in 1943. I met my husband now in 1945 and was married in 1946, his name is George Wallace Ledbetter." She goes on to say,
"As you know we were raised on a farm, my mother Margaret Mullins married David Westley Jackson and had twelve chil- dren and nine of us lived to be grown and married. I can remember the first time we traveled to Arkansas to see Grandma and Grandpa, Uncle Harrison and Aunt Zora Mullens. We had a 1925 Model Ford, we couldn't make it then in one day so we stayed all night on the road and camped out. We sure had fun, but I wouldn't want to call back not even on day."
"George came from Mountain View, Missouri, he was on the police force here in Wichita for 23 years. Retired from there in 1965, went to preaching the gospel in the South- ern Baptist Church. He is retired from there and is going where ever they call us to preach."
- 145 Infant who died after 3 months.

146 Ethel Virginia Jackson, born Jan. 26, 1923, and married Valis Wilkerson and had three children:

- 151 Willard Wilkerson,
- 152 Roy Wilkerson,
- 153 Ronnie Wilkerson,

147 Vernon Troy Jackson, married Georgie Klutts and he re-married to Wanda Wells.

- 151 David Kieth Jackson, this son was by his first wife.
- 152 Marlyn Jackson,
- 153 Bryan Jackson, these last two were by his second wife.

148 Dorothy Demond Jackson, born Jan. 30, 1926, she married Howard Dean Cooper. She has been handicapped since she was 18 months old. She and her husband are in a wheel chair caused by Muscular Dystrophy. She does beautiful China painting and has won three times at the State Fair, (1st place twice and 3rd place once. One of her loved poems will be included in this section. She has written several letters to me and I have enjoyed reading each one.

149 Marceline Janet Jackson, born Oct. 6, 1929 and married Spurgeon D. Garrett and have two daughters.

- 151 Beverly Garrett,
- 152 Janace Garrett,

14-10 Harilgene McKenley Jackson, born Oct 6, 1929 and died in 1933.

14-11 Lillie Jackson married Luther Langford and have two children.

- 151 William Langford,
- 152 Alma Langford, she married Cecil Riley.

14-12 Gladys Jackson,

Lillie and Gladys were by a previous marriage of Dave Jackson.

Ref: Althara Ledbetter of 1424 Julianne, Wichita, Kansas
Dorothy Cooper of
Marcelline Garrett of Beeville, Texas and
Marcella Ricketts

The following is Mrs. Margaret Tripp's obituary, she died about 1973

"Mrs. Margaret Tripp, 84, Wichita, died Thursday. Services will be at 10:00 A.M. Saturday in Calvary Apostolic Church. Burial will be in Resthaven Gardens of Memory.

Born in Yellville, Ark. She came to Wichita in 1951. Her husband preceded her in death.

Survivors include two sons, Cecil and Vernon Jackson, of Beeville, Tex., and six daughters, Mrs. Marcella Ricketts, Mrs. Marceline Garrett, and Mrs. Dorothy Cooper, of Beeville; Mrs. Lillie Pollard, Wewoka, Okla.; Mrs. Virginia Wilkerson, Chase, Kan.; and Mrs. Althera Ledbetter, Wichita.

Devorss Mortuary has charge."

136 Emeline Mullins, was born 1893 and died of cancer. She married Fred Burch. They had three children, two were twins and they died shortly after birth.

141 Opal Commillia Jean'1 Burch, I recieved this information from Opal last year. "I have not really experienced very many hardships except my Army days. I served in World War II in the Canadian Queen Victors Army in 1940 In 1945 I married Hugo Favier, and divorced him in 1949. Remarried Cyril F. Olian III in 1950. I am in fashion at Slix Bair and Fuller in Crestwood, Mo., it is an associated Dry Goods Chain. Before that Cyril and I ran our family men's store called Olian Fabrics, 75 years old business in St. Louis, ran by his father than by us. I loved the Boston Mountains and Winslow, Arkansas and my grandparents. It was a great life, lots of freedom for a city girl. I also fly airplane's and Sky Dive and really enjoy it." Opal now lives in Kirkwood, Mo., that is were her fathers parents lived.

137 Thomas Alfred Mullins, was born 1895, he disappeared years ago. He married Ophelia Coe, and had one child.

141 Jessie Mullins, there is no other information at this time.

138 James Riley Mullins, was born May 7, 1898, and married Emmie Watts who was born March 6, 1898.

141 Zelma, born Nov. 25, 1919, married Adam Moor. They have a set of twins.

151 Venita, she married Bert Poole

152 Janita, she married Johnnie Shamblin

142 Thelma, born Feb. 1, 1924

143 Edith Fay, born March 20, 1932.

144 James Doll, born Jan. 10, 1938.

145 Leroy, born March 4, 1945.

Ref: J. Riley Mullins of St. Joe, Arkansas

138 Joe (Eud) Mullins, born 1856 and was married but I don't have any records of her. There were at least six children.

141 Clementine, she married () Graves.

142 Dora,

143 Alice,

144 Lilly,

145 William,

146 Frank,

139 Josie Mullins, born 1884 and married Steve Jones. Mr. Jones was married twice and had several children. Josie and Steve had the following;

141 Mary Jones,

142 Everett Jones, is a minister and lives in Arizona.

143 Pleze Jones, he died young.

144 Mable Jones, she died young.

145 Erdil Jones, lives in Yellville, Ark.

146 Alice Jones, lives in Harrison, Ark.

This list of descendants may not be accurate as the records were confused.

The following is Steve Jones obituary:

"For several months Steve Jones had not been in the best of health, but about August first he was confined to his home and medical aid was sommoned. On August fifth he was rushed to St. Vincent's Infirmary at Little Rock in Holt' Ambulance, where on the morning of the sixth he underwent an operation for appendicitis and ulcerated stomach.

At the time of the operation little hope was held out by the surgeons for his recovery, but he rallied from the anesthetic, and his friends became hopeful that he would recover, but a change came, and his family was notified, but his wife being unable to make the trip, his son, Everett, his brother, Rev. Paul Jones of Harrison, and Rev. J.B. Rousey of this town hastened to his bedside. He was conscious and able to converse with them when they arrived there, but realized that the end was probably near.

At 11:30 Thursday morning he passed away. The Holt Undertaking Company was notified, and their ambulance left at once to return the body to Yellville. At about 9 o'clock Thursday night they arrived at the Holt Undertaking parlors in this town, where the body was prepared for burial, and where it laid in state until 2 o'clock Friday afternoon when it was removed to the Tabernacle of the Assembly of God Church, of which he was a member, and funeral services were held, conducted by his pastor, Rev. J.B. Rousey,

in the presence of one of the largest crowds that ever attended a funeral in this town. After funeral services were over at the church, the body was removed to the Layton Cemetery, where with Masonic honors, it was laid to rest.

Mr. Jones was the father of seventeen children, twelve of whom survive him. His third marriage was to Miss Genie Fish, and to this union seven children were born, six of whom and their mother survive. He is also survived by three brothers, Rev. Paul of Harrison, Sam and Sidney.

Mr. Jones was an honest, upright man, a devout Christian gentleman, and that he had many friends was attested by the large crowd that attended his funeral.

GOD'S POTTED FLOWERS

Author Unknown

In the broad wide-open spaces
Where the gentle Zephyrs blow,
Where the showers fall from heaven,
Mixed with sunshine's golden glow;
Red and blue and yellow and gold.
Just to brighten up the pathway
For life's travelers, young and old.

But there are those who do not travel
Those who must at home remain,
Those whose bodies are all crippled.
Those who suffer untold pain:
Those who do not roam the hillside,
Those who see not nature's lovers,
Bodies weak, but souls ablooming,
These are God's own potted flowers.

Has your home a potted flower,
One which God has planted there?
Are you His appointed Keeper,
Tending it with loving care?
Someday He will come and take it.
To that land so grand and true,
Then that potted flower will whisper,
"Jesus, take my Keeper, too."

This is the poem Dorothy Jackson Cooper sent to me with this printed message after it. "Thought you'd enjoy this poem."

THE PAYNE DESCENDANTS

500 ALFRED PAYNE and MILLIE DRAPER (code no. 1810), were married in Tennessee and moved to Arkansas. I have no data concerning this couple other than Alfred died in 1906, and Millie died about 1887. Alfred remarried Nancy Brewer Davis (code no. 1110), who is related to us as described on page 40. Alfred and Millie had six children.

510 SARRAH PAYNE, b. July 23, 1857 in Ark. d. Nov. 1934. She married BENJAMIN ISAIH MULLINS (code no. 120). This family history begins on page seven.

511 Marion Payne; no other information available.

512 Martha Payne; no other information available.

513 James Payne, b. 188- d. 194-, and he married Emma Smith she was b. 188- and d. 194-.

521 Homer Payne, b. Mar. 4, 1894 d. Jan. 3, 1908

522 Jewel Payne, b. Dec. 19, 1897 and married Eldon Clem.

531 Rhea Clem, she married Harold Burke in 1939.

523 Alvin Carl Payne, b. Aug. 22, 1906 and married Alice Shannon.

524 Ruth Payne, b. Oct. 18, 1908 and married Paul Grant.

Jewel Payne Clem, also, was a great help to me in obtaining data concerning the James Payne family who was a brother of George W. Payne. Jewel P. Clem lives in Washington D.C. In her letter she spoke of her many travels which makes one envious.

"I was born at Melbourne, Arkansas, and married Eldon Clem in 1915, we have one daughter Rhea Clem, who married Harold Burke in 1939. We moved to Zeigler, Illinois in 1923, we later moved to Washington in 1954. I have been a widow since 1944, I have enjoyed my life here and worked for the government for 26 years, Rhea lost her husband almost three years ago with cancer, she, too, has a nice position with the government, she has no children.

My brother and sister live in Ft. Smith, Arkansas. My brother Carl, is retired, my sister Ruth teaches in Business College and has for years near her home. Rhea and I visited them during the Christmas holidays the past year.

Rhea lives in about 20 minutes drive of my Apartment. She has a home in Virginia. I have traveled quite a bit since I retired had a lovely trip to Europe for six weeks, four years ago. Then two years ago we both went to the Holy Land. This past year we had a nice trip to South America."

514 Emiline Payne; She married Ely Jennings.

521 Vinery Jennings; she married John Richerson.

531 Connie Richerson,
532 Audie Richerson,
533 Lola Richerson,
534 Marlin Richerson,
535 Hubert Richerson,
536 Zola Richerson,
537 Coy Richerson,

515 George Washington Payne, b. July 5, 1873 and is dead.
Married First Millie Cook, who died a few months later.
Married second Sally Northcut, they had one child.
Married third Della Manasco, they had eight children.

521 Nettie Payne, b. Jan. 7, 1898 and is married to Asa Wilson
Sally Northcut is Nettie's mother.

531 Woodrow Wilson, b. Sept. 20, 1913 and married Lora
Hughes.

541 Richard Wilson
542 Rosalind Wilson
543 Kenny Wilson

532 Mary June Wilson, b. Sept. 2, 1918 and married Pete
Nemetsky.

541 Barbara Nemetsky and married Sandy Bennett.
551 Matthew Bennett (their son)

542 John Nemetsky
543 Infant that died young.

533 Melba Opal Wilson, b. Oct. 27, 1922 and married Dan
Slavin.

541 Nancy Slavin
542 Raylene Slavin

543 Cary Slavin
544 Alan Slavin

534 Robert E. Wilson, b. Jan. 19, 1929 and married Nola ().
They had two sons and a set of twin daughters.

Sally northcut died a few years after her marriage.
The following children are by Della Manasco.

522 Agnes L. Payne, b. July 27, 1907 and d. Sept. 1908
523 Julia Payne, b. Feb. 1909 and d. Feb. 1910.
524 Carlos W. Payne, b. Aug. 8, 1913 and d. May 1930.
525 James David Payne, b. June 8, 1921 and d. Mar. 1926.
526 Cecil Payne, b. April 1917 and d. 1918

527 Clarence Payne, b. Oct. 10, 1904

531 Dorothy Payne, b. Dec. 3, 1924
Married first Howard Wilmont Christy Jr, Feb. 27, 1944
Married second William Earl Crocker, Mar. 4, 1950.
Married third Maurice Roy Fitzgerald.

541 (1st) Howard Christy III, b. Jan. 22, 1945, Williamson Co., Ill. and married Rose Irene Harsley, b. Jan. 23, 1944 in Xenia, Ohio.

551 Howard Wilmont Christy IV, b. Aug. 5, 1965 in LaGrange, Ill.

552 Corina Michelle Christy, b. Sept. 26, 1969

553 Kimberly Belle Christy, b. Oct. 27, 1970, Carbondale Illinois and she died.

554 Shawn Bodee Christy, b. May 23, 1972 in LaGrange, Ill.

542 (1st) Jan Conrad Christy, b. Jan. 19, 1948, Patuxant, River, Md. and married May 23, 1969 to Ruby Villabos Lara, she was first married to Mr. Cornejo.

551 Maricella Lee Cornejo, b. July 5, 1968.

552 Dee Ann Christy, b. July 10, 1971 in Phoenix, Ariz.

543 (1st) Larry Christy, born ? and married Linda ?
They have a boy and a girl.

544 (2nd) Curtis Carl Crocker, b. Oct. 13, 1954 in Herrin, Illinois.

545 (2nd) Susan Earlene Crocker, b. April 3, 1951 in Christopher, Illinois. and married James Carso and divorce, she remarried Christopher Ledvina in the Wesley Methodist Church March 15, 1974 in Urbana, Illinois.

Dorothy Payne and Howard W. Christy Jr. were married in Dunkirk, New York in a Methodist Personage by Sherwin Epler. His death was service related as he had Bulbar and Spinal Polio with pneumonia during that time. He was born in Jamestown, New York, June 15, 1918 and died Oct. 15, 1948 in West Portland, New York, burial services were held Oct. 28, 1948 in Dunkirk, New York. He joined the navy Dec. 1941 in Buffalo. Dorothy and William E. Crocker were married in Piggot, Arkansas. He was born Oct. 25, 1923 and they were divorce April 17, 1956 in Benton, Illinois.

Howard W. Christy III was born in the Herrin Hospital in Williamson Co., Ill., and his wife Rose I. Harsley was born in the Green County Ohio at home, 3 Cincinnati Ave., Xenia, Ohio. Their children were all born at Community Memorial General Hospital in LaGrange, Ill., except Kimberly and that was Holden Hospital, Carbonale, Ill. Wilbur Glandoff Harsley, b. Dec. 1,

1915 in Cincinnati, Ohio and Mildred Irene Michael, b. November 25, 1919 are Rose's parents. Wilbur Glandoff Harsley Jr. born Nov. 30, 1942 and Violet Annette Harsley, b. Oct. 2, 1946, both in Xenia, Ohio are her brother and sister. Rose included her grandmothers names in the information I recieved from her. They were Martha Ouley Harsley and Rose Belle Lemings.

523 George Curtis Payne, b. Oct. 10, 1911 and married Nedra Madge Wilderman, b. Jan 24, 1914. Apparently George Curtis is referred to as "Curtis". They live in Mt. Prospect, Illinois which is near Chicago, as of 1974.

531 Sherry Eileen Payne, b. April 9, 1932 and married Sept. Sept. 28, 1926 to George U. Bell, b. Sept. 28, 1926.

541 Melissa Helen Bell, b. Sept. 27, 1959.

542 Erin Dia Bell, b. July 23, 1961.

532 Nedra Carol Payne, b. Oct. 18, 1933
married Jan Wills, b. June 8, 1924.

541 Jennifer Wills, b. July 10, 1954

542 Eric Wills, b. Sept. 24, 1955.

543 David Wills, b. Dec. 5, 1959

544 Philip Bridson Wills, b. Sept. 7, 1961

545 Jan Christian Wills, b. Jan. 20, 1969

524 Ruby Estelle Payne, b. June 12, 1916 and d. Mar. 10, 1961
she married first Virgil Brooks who died in service.
Married second to Chester William Browning, b. April 4, 1917
they were married April 17, 1937.

531 Jacqueline Loudean Brooks, b. Aug. 21, 1933 and married
April 16, 1950 to Charles Kern, b. June 16, 1930.

541 Charles William Kern, b. Feb. 26, 1951 and d. July 23, 1961

542 Alan Dean Kern, b. May 15, 1952.

543 Becky Lou Kern, b. Sept. 4, 1952 and married May 4, 1973
to Paul Jackanicz.

532 Chester Carl Browning, b. Jan. 31, 1938. He married
April 30, 1960 Joyce Grimes, b. Nov. 13, 1941.

541 Chester Carl Browning, b. Mar. 9, 1961.

542 Steven Travis Browning, b. March 18, 1962.

543 Belinda Justine Browning, b. Jan. 27, 1964.

Ref; Jewel Payne Clem of Washington D.C. and Nettie Payne Wilson
of Ziegler, Illinois.

Nettie Payne Wilson helped me to obtain the information on all of George W. Payne family and without her help I would have nothing to list. I would like to share some warm thoughts from the letter she wrote me in 1974.

"I would love to come to see you, but my husband is going to be 87 years old next month and I guess we are about through going, I'll be 77 in January. I am so sorry we never got to see any more of my Dad's people, it's too bad families get so scattered. We have a son living in Estes Park, Colorado, he use to have a motel. We have A daughter who lives here she lost her husband two years ago. Our son (Woodrow) lives in Colorado is 61 and a daughter (Mary) lives in Naples, Florida. Our youngest son (Robert) lives in Carbondale, Illinois, about twenty miles from here and he will be 46 in January."

Nettie must be very young at heart as she seems to keep her self busy, in one of her letters she mentioned the fact that she was preparing to entertain her Sunday School Class and that she had just returned from a five week vacation in Florida.

I may add here also that Opal Olian help me find Nettie with the proper address and from there I was given Jewel's.

GRINDER - BAKER HISTORY

700 ROBERT "BOB" GRINDER, married TILDA BAKER (code no. 2100). He was in the Civil War and never returned. He came from England.

2100 TILDA BAKER, was born in Arkansas and died in Searcy Co., Arkansas. Tilda had four brothers; Andrew, Bengo, Will, and Tom. They were all born and died in Searcy County. Zora Davis Mullens can well remember tales told of these four boys. They were big build, red headed Irishmen and would do anything for a fight amongst themselves. They could be in transit on a wagon, when a fight would begin and the wagon would stop until they got it out of their systems. After Mr. Grinder never returned from War duty she remarried Thomas Burnes, born 1807.

Thomas Burnes was married before to a Elizabeth (), and she died. Thomas had a son by his first wife, William Burnes, born 1846 and married Mary Glenn and they had one child, Benjamin F. Burnes. Ben married Samantha Jane Angel and they had a son who married Marian (). Thomas and Tilda had either four or five children. Bob and Tilda had three children.

710 FLORILOR ELIZABETH DI DAMIE GRINDER, (Robert¹), was born May 21, 1862 Searcy Co., Ark. and died Sept. 20, 1939. She married JOSEPH PRIOR DAVIS (210). She is commonly referred to as "Damie" or "Damill". This family history will be on page 30.

711 Thomas Eldrige Grinder, b. Jan. 24, 186-.

712 Arania Cathrine Grinder, b. Dec. 28, 1860.

713 Nettie Burnes, no other information.

714 Charlie Burnes, b. Aug. 16, 1871

715 Arkadelphia Burnes, b. Mar. 31, 1874

716 Frederick A. Burnes, b. Aug. 16, 1870

717 Genella Pochantos Burnes, b. Sept. 16, 1872

Tilda's mother died in the year of 1885, there is no other information. These surnames (Grinder and Baker) have been searched for in many statistic bearing places. It was fruitless.

DAVIS - BREWER HISTORY

200 MALCOM DAVIS, married NANCY BREWER (code no. 1110). She died 1911. They had two children.

210 JOSEPH PRIOR DAVIS, (Malcom¹), this family history will be continued on next page.

211 Mariah Davis, died of Smallpox when she was young.

The following information was obtained from many letters sent to me by Joseph's daughter and my grandmother, Zora Davis Mullens.

"Malcom Davis, a musician fiddler, was married to Nancy Brewer in Missouri, she was half Holland Dutch. When Malcom died in Missouri with smallpox, so did Mariah when she was a little girl, and the smallpox put out one eye of Joseph who is my daddy. Then my grandmother and daddy came to Arkansas. He grew up to a man and married Damill Grinder".

"My grandpa and Grandma Davis lived some where around Cabool, Mo., when grandpa died grandma and daddy moved themselves to Marion, Co., with oxen team and wagon. I would say they settled twelve miles south of Yellville, there daddy met my mother. To this union was borned ten children.

My parents, settled ten miles south of Yellville. Dad homesteaded 160 acres of land, cleared part of it, made rails and fenced in what he cultivated. He worked at this for years. Now, their children ages ranged 2 to 2½ years apart. When the children was old enough they begin working in the field. We all, ten, grew up on this farm - what a happy family we all was - all married off. Only, two did not, one died from burns and one who was the youngest died when 17 years old. The other eight raised families of their own leaving my parents alone. They have been deceased a long time now.

I remember when I was a little girl - so small- about four years old I went to see my grandma and her third husband, as she was married twice after my grandpa Davis died outliving all of them. My grandma and other grandpa lived close to a branch and she had ducks and chickens. She told me to go gather up her duck eggs - I went - but I went to the wrong duck nest as this old duck was setting. I got to her nest, but she sent me to the house faster than I went to her nest. Flopping her wings at me, I didn't try that no more."

Vaneda Mullens Friddle, my mother, told me how the town men buried Malcom Davis. When he died the box was made, as then

there were no ready made caskets as we know of today, and left outside. Nancy and Joseph had to ready Malcom for burial in the house as no one would come in. They went out to get the box then took it back into the house to put Malcom's body in it and sealed it up. They took it back out into the yard for the men to pick it up for the burial.

This information was obtained from the 1860 census of Missouri, Texas County.

Milton B. Davis, b. 1835 in Illinois

Nancy C. Davis, b. 1840 in Missouri

Mariah E. Davis, b. 1859 in Missouri

Nancy A. Davis, b. 1800 in Missouri ? This possible is

Milton B. Davis' mother.

A note here to explain the different first names, Malcom's real name was Milton, but referred to as Malcom.

Ref; Zora Mullens of Rosebud, Arkansas
Vaneda Friddle of LaSalle, Michigan
Leo Mullens of Heber Spring, Arkansas

210 JOSEPH PRIOR DAVIS, "Prior", was born March 4, 1861 in Missouri and died March 14, 1928 in Arkansas, Marion Co. He married FLORILOR ELIZABETH DI DAMIE (710), Aug. 25, 1879 by Hue Paderson. They lived in Water Creek Community near Yellville, Arkansas, Marion County. It is believed they were of Baptist Faith.

220 ARZORA DAVIS, (Joseph¹, Malcom²), was born March 15, 1896 in Yellville, Ark. She married BENJAMIN H. MULLENS (code no.120), Oct. 11, 1914. They had seven children and that history begins on page 9.

This is grandmother's story of how she met grandpa.

"I think I was about eleven I decided to go visiting one day and there was a family moved close by, they came from around Buffalo River some where. As I came by, the road went around part of their field. There was a cute freckled face boy, plowing. He was laying off corn rows with a single stock plow had on overalls with one suspender down over his shoulder. Also, with a flop brim hat on, neither of us were old enough to date but we spoke. We eyed each other and I went on home still thinking of his cute freckles, as I never had any. As time went on he worked for his dad that summer, when crops was finished he went and hired out to other jobs. He didn't come back for a long time. I grew up and begin to date boys. Finally he came back and we begin to date. That boy became my husband, 'Harrison' Mullens.

We were married then moved on a forty acre farm with one big house, one side room and big porch, we lived there for two years. We had to draw water out of a well with a bucket tied on a end of a rope. After we was married over a year our first son arrived, we then had a house about same size built on a 40 acres farm we owned. There we dug a cistern which we lifted water from the same as the well.

When our second child a daughter, was borned and she was 18 months old, we sold this rocky farm. We then moved on to Okla., I remember we would have terrible sand storms after sand storms. After each were over we would have a lot of dusting and cleaning house to do. We had real good neighbors in this state. Our spring water was 'Gip water', we didn't like it. Two of our sons were borned in Okla., since we lived there for five years. After this we moved back to Ark., near Schaberg, now Winslow. Here, we spent several years then moved to Rosebud in 1938. Finally, one by one our children grew up and married having families of their own, living in the states of California, Arkansas, Indiana, and Michigan.

On June 2, 1958, my husband passed away. Eventually I moved near Fern's which is not far from the old homeplace.

I forgot to mention I was borned in a log house, I think there were two rooms, I was so small when it was torn down cannot remember much of it. After it was torn down my dad built a

real nice home, it was such a happy home to all of us -- our parents was the very best of parents!

Well Frieda this is just like it happened and this Wednesday January 29, 1969, and its a rainy old day but not to cold."

Grandma has been so very helpful to me with this, she has sent many letters full of information. I may also add she took a Jet flight to California with mother the summer of 1968 at the age of 72 years old. She loves to travel and she does.

221 Millie Nancy Matilda Davis, b. Dec. 27, 1889 in Ark. d. Dec. 9, 1950, of Heart and Hypertension. She married Willie Simmons.

231 Mary Simmons, born in 1901 and married Oley Rice.

"I have not much of a record on my family, for I have no brothers or sisters. Didn't know much about my dad's side, I grew up in the Davis home. My dad died in Little Rock, Ark., as a very young man, he died in the 1930s. I was very young. We are Christians belief, attend the Church of Christ.

To all hello for me. I loved my grandparents so dearly, I was one of the family." Mother can remember Mary well and clams Mary helped name her. In Mary's letter she recalled this of my mother, "I very well remember Vaneda for she's so much like her mom, Zora,"

Mary and Oley Rice were married Sept. 21, 1919. She now lives in Okeman, Okla., alone as her husband is ill and in a hospital.

Her letter was dated Feb. 28, 1969, and signed Mary Rice.

222 Thomas Washington Davis, was born January 24, 1883 and died Oct. 8, 1957, of a heart attack. Married Josie Welcher July 23, 1902, they had one son and they adopted three children.

231 Leo Davis, died about 6 months old.

232 Ruth Davis, she married () Boaz, she was adopted.

233 Daniel Davis, he married Fern Stille, he was adopted.

234 Fran Davis, she died about the age of 16 years old, she was adopted.

223 Mary Mariah Davis, born Feb. 24, 1885 and d. Sept. 16, 1964 of a heart attack. She married Berry Cooper Feb. 20, 1901. He died Nov. 15, 1958 and they are both buried in Okla.

231 Dexter Cooper, born 1916

232 Enola Cooper,

233 Eliose Cooper,

234 Evelyn Cooper,

At least three children died young .

235 Albert Cooper

236 Lee Cooper

237 Henry Cooper

238 Ullis Cooper

- 224 Andrew Jackson Davis, b. Aug. 23, 1887 and d. Aug. 11, 1944 of a stroke. He was first married to Minnie Cook, then he married second time to Bertha Falkenberry Mar. 19, 1911. She died March 3, 1960.
- 231 Nora Davis, married () Ellis.
 232 Leona Davis, married () Smeltzer.
 233 Ewel Davis, married () Davenport.
 234 Nevil Davis, married () Methen.
 235 Odel Davis, married Vaneda Massey. They live in North Little Rock, Arkansas and he is a Barber and Instructor at a Barber's College.
- 225 Charlie Ranson Davis, b. Jan. 30, 1890, and d. May 9, 1966 of a heart attack. He married Judy Stevens Jan. 29, 1911. Both are buried at Yellville, Ark.
- 231 Orvel Davis, died young about seven or eight month old.
 232 Zelma Davis, married Ansel Baker who is a Sears Manager.
 233 Bush Davis,
 234 Lorin Davis, married Eulafay Boggle.
- 226 Viola Davis, b. Nov. 12, 1892 and d. of burns caused from a wash kettle of boiling water that tipped over on her March 28, 1895.
- 227 Lenora "Nora" Davis, b. Jan. 3, 1899 and d. Dec. 16, 1964 of cancer. She married Loy Shipman and they had eleven children.

231 Verl Albert Shipman, married Rose Mary Sanelli. He was born April 17, 1919.

241 Delores Beatrice Shipman, b. Nov. 9, 1954. She married Raymond Bennett and have two daughters. They live in Kansas City, Mo.

Verl works as a carpenter and cabinet maker. He and Rose live in Kansas City, Mo. They attend the Catholic Church there. He served in the Merchant Marines during World War II.

232 Arvil Leon Shipman, b. May 21, 1921 and is married to Doretha Willard. He served in the Air Force in World War II, the family lived on a farm south of Yellville, where they have dairy and beef cattle. He is also a carpenter and they attend the Church of Christ Church.

241 Elizabeth Ann Shipman, b. April 22, 1946 and is married to Carl Jones. She attended Arkansas Tech. College for two and half years, majoring in music. She was a drum major in Yellville, where she attended school. She was a member of that band for two years, and was the F.F.A. Sweetheart. Carl is a school teacher, they live south of Yellville, and have two daughters.

- 242 Treva Marie Shipman, b. Aug 27, 1947 and married to Willard Stoops. She attended Eaton's Beauty College at Little Rock where she graduated with high honors. She was maid in the Miss Yellville High School beauty contest. Treva and Willard live south of Yellville, he works as foreman for the Telephone Co. They have one daughter and two sons.
- 243 Arvil Leon Shipman Jr., b. Jan 30, 1952 and married to Debbie (). They have a daughter. He works on railroad and lives in Yellville, Ark.
- 244 Marian Wesley Shipman, b. July 1, 1955
- 245 Rebecca Sue Shipman, b. May 20, 1959. She won first place with a song in the talent contest, at the National Wild Turkey calling day in Yellville, she was only three then. She also won first place again at eight on the piano. She was chosen maid in the Miss Yellville Elementary beauty contest.
- 246 Byron Greg Shipman, b. Aug. 28, 1962.
- 247 Vicki Dawn Shipman, b. Feb 21, 1964.
- 233 Ray Lamar Shipman, b. Feb. 26, 1924 and is married to Lois Hill. He works at the Chemical plant as a foreman and they attend the Church of Christ at West End, Calif.
- 241 Lenora Shipman, b. Aug. 26, 1945 and is married to Roger Whidden. They live at West End, Calif., with her husband and two sons.
- 242 Brenda Shipman, b. Nov. 15, 1946. She was enrolled in Eaton's Beauty School, at Little Rock, and now lives in Trona, Calif.
- 234 Vance Edward Shipman, b. Oct. 11, 1926 and is married to Betty Griffith. Vance served in the army and now he and Betty live at Crane Missouri on a farm where he is employed with Missouri - Pacific Railways. They attend the Assembly of God Church.
- 241 Linda Sue Shipman, b. Feb. 7, 1953.
- 235 Zell Kelly Shipman, b. Sept. 14, 1929 and is married to Nola Bogle. He served in the Air Force during the Korean War, now works in Civil Service at Richard Gerauer Air Force Base near Grandview, Mo. This is where they live and goes to the Church of Christ. He also attended Real Estate School.
- 241 Carolyn Rose Shipman, b. Jan 14, 1953. She married Bob Weaver and have one daughter. They live in Grandview, Mo.
- 242 Kelly Dwayne Shipman, b. Dec 11, 1955, he has recieved outstanding honors in boy scouting.
- 243 Timothy Lyn Shipman, b. June 21, 1961.

ZELL & KELLY SHIPMAN FAMOUS TRIP

The year was 1969 and it was about the middle of June when a dream come true was fulfilled. They were very tired but memories of such a task will not be forgotten.

The Zell Shipmans' live at Grandview, Mo., a suburb of Kansas City where Zell is employed at Richards-Gebar AFB, for about a year or so Zell and his oldest son Kelly, had talked of plans to ride horse back from their home to the old home place in Yellville, Arkansas.

Kelly was 13, and it was decided he was old enough to make such a trip. His horse, Becky, was purchased some months before the trip and Tim, the larger horse was purchased just before the trip.

The two men left home May 29 and began the long trip. They kept to the shoulder and not pushing the horses to hard. It was a wonderful but tiring trip. They did have unhappy moments but people along the way were very nice.

They camped out sometimes and slept in barns with owners permission. Many times the families would ask them to eat with their family. However they did not do this often.

Some of the experiences they relate about are like the time they crossed the long bridge at Osceola, the traffic was heavy as it was Sunday. They stopped at a cafe at the end of the bridge with the intention of contacting the highway patrol to assist them. When they explained to local people, two men volunteered to drive along behind them across the bridge to prevent some speeder from slamming into them.

Plans to avoid Springfield were foiled when they missed directions and had to go threw the city. This took about four hours as they had to dismount and lead the horses most of the way.

Zell and Kelly arrived in Yellville on a Friday afternoon. They had plan to stay at Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Bogle's place, until Sunday as the wife and mother of these brave people, was to meet them there since she drove to her parents place.

This trip encompassed about 300 miles. Loy and Nora Davis Shipman are Zell's parents.

236 Loy Dwight Shipman, b. Dec. 10, 1932 and married Ora Mae Baker. He served in the Army. Is now County Treasure of Marion County, Ark., where he is serving his third term, eight years, in office. They live on a farm south of Yellville and attend the Church of Christ.

241 Leveta Shipman, b. April 17, 1955, she was chosen Maid of Miss Yellville School Elementary Beauty Contest. She was selected 1969 hi school annual Queen by Glen Campbell; Arkansas born Country and Western Singer, and guitar player. Her picture was selected over several other contestants. She married Rick Tetrick and have two daughters. They live south of Yellville.

242 Bermeta Shipman, b. April 17, 1955, she married Vick Rowell and live near Yellville, he is a school teacher.

243 Daniel Paul Shipman, b. Mar. 25, 1957

244 Amanda Lynn Shipman, b. Oct 21, 1961

Loy Dwight, is often called Dwight instead Loy, he served as class president during his four years of high school, also president of F.F.A., for two years and was selected most likely to succeed. He is with the Farm Bureau Insurance Company in Yellville.

237 Mary Sue Shipman, b. Dec. 4, 1934 and married Dallas E. Swayne. She is the one who sent all of this, information, concerning the Shipman family. They live in Ward, Ark., which is near Little Rock. They attend the Church of Christ.

241 Deborah Kaye Swayne, b. Nov. 17, 1956, She has been selected as outstanding student of Romine Elementary School by the school principal and teachers.

242 David Eugene Swayne, b. Sept. 22, 1958.

243 Ronald Dwayne Swayne, b. Oct 31, 1960.

238 Billy Joe Sheipman, b. May 16, 1937 and is a bachelor and lived at Kansas City, Mo. There he was employed and attended the Church of Christ. He is at present living south of Yellville.

239 Rose Nell Shipman, b. April 15, 1941 and married L.D. Trogdon. She lives south of Yellville on a farm and own dairy cattle. They attend the Church of Christ.

241 Betty June Trogdon, b. April 13, 1960. She was chosen as Halloween Queen to represent her class.

242 Marty Wayne Trogdon, b. April 16, 1962

243 Bruce Allen Trogdon, b. Dec. 5, 1963.

23-10 Betty June Shipman, b. June 14, 1939 and d. June 14, 1939. She was only an infant and died at birth or within a few hours.

23-11 Shelby Kenneth Shipman, b. June 25, 1943 and married Marie Richardson. They live south of Yellville on the parents homestead and raise beef cattle.

Loy and Nora Shipman, home place was south of Yellville where they raised their ten children on a farm. I have been to this home a few times and can remember most of their children. They were baptized in 1924 and attended the Church of Christ. Nora is buried in the Freck family Cemetery south of Yellville. Water Creek and Freck Cemetery are the same place.

228 Elpha Davis, b. Jan. 27, 1901, and married Feb. 18, 1922 to Oscar McEntire. He is a Justice of Peace, and he has a WORLD WAR I service record.

231 James Persing McEntire, b. June 25, 1923 and married in 1947 to Syble Stills.

241 Harold James McEntire, b. Nov 15, 1949.

232 Leveda Delorace McEntire, b. Oct. 15, 1927 and married Jan. 1, 1947 to Marvin Manning b. abt. 1922. His parents Greola Manning who died in 1964 and Lee () b. abt. 1898

241 Marveda Kay Manning, b. Nov. 10, 1951

242 Marty Allen Manning, b. Sept. 20, 1956.

Leveda is a trained beautician and they live in Tulsa, Okla.

233 Vivian Lee McEntire, b. Sept. 23, 1937 and married June 11, 1955 to James Avery, b. in 1935. His parents are James and Rosie Avery, she was born abt. 1894.

241 Justine Owen Avery, b. Sept. 19, 1956

242 Staria Leanne Avery, b. Nov. 21, 1957

243 Valinda Jo Avery, b. Oct. 1, 1959

244 Gregory Bryan Avery, b. Dec. 4, 1960

245 Theresa Lee Avery, b. Sept. 25, 1962.

James is in construction work, as a builder and they live in Illinois presently.

Ref; for McEntire family are; Elpha Davis McEntire of Yellville and Leveda Manning of Tulsa Oklahoma.

229 Robert Westley Davis, b. Nov. 15, 1903, and d. Feb. 17, 1921 of a ruptured lung "Bone Consumption".

MRS. DAMEY DAVIS

Written by

Mrs. Charley Burnes

"Mrs. Damey Davis, widow of the late Mr. Prior Davis, was born in Searcy County, in May 1862. Mrs. Davis was a member of a highly respected pioneer family of the Freck Community, where she spent her entire life.

A christian wife and devoted mother she taught her children to be God-loving men and women, who by their example in their community are proving the worth of a well beloved loyal mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis were married in the early eighties. To the union were born ten children, two of whom preceded their parents in death several years ago. Those surviving are; five daughters Mesdames Millie Simmons, Freck; Maria Cooper, Welty, Oklahoma; Nora Shipman, Yellville; Zora Mullens, schaberg, Ark; and Elpha McEntire of Bruno. Three sons; Tom, Andrew and Charley Davis of Freck and one brother, Mr. Charley Burnes of Freck.

Funeral services were conducted at the Burnes Cememtery by Rev. Paul Jones of Yellville.

Peaceful be your sleep dear mother,
It is seet to breathe your name;
While you lived we loved you dearly,
In death we do the same.
You shall never be forgotten,
Never from our memory fade,
For our hearts will always linger,
Around the grave where you were laid."

BREWER DESCENDANTS

1100 _____ BREWER, b. _____ d.

married _____

1110 NANCY BREWER, b. 1840 in Mo. d. 1911 in Marion Co. Ark.
mar. 1st, MALCOM DAVIS, b. _____ d. perhaps late 1860's
This family information is on page 30. There were two children.

Nancy married second to "Wash" Moody, he had several children by his first wife. One of his sons married Mary Mullins.

Nancy married third to ALFRED PAYNE, (500). He was married to Millie Draper first and that family data begins on page 24.

1111 Adam Brewer, the only other data available presently is concerning his children.

1121 Charley Brewer,
1122 Andrew Brewer,
1123 John Brewer,
1124 Louise Brewer,

1112 Martha Bowlen, she was a half sister of Nancy and Adam,
she married () Marrow.

At presently this is all the information available on the Brewer family.

Nancy was half dutch by nationality, she was a very short person with jet black hair and eyes, when she was mad her eyes would blaze of her mood and everyone quickly dissappeared.

Ref; Zora Davis Mullens, of RoseBud, Ark.

SECTION II

PICTURES

SECTION III

THE HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF
CRAWFORD COUNTY ARKANSAS

THE HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF CRAWFORD COUNTY

Since the remainder of this book is about the FRIDDLE AND RANKIN descendants let's go back in time to the actual development of this section of Arkansas. Many of the ancestors were among the pioneers that actually developed this area. Most of the information that is in this section has been obtained from the HERITAGE, CRAWFORD COUNTY OFFICIAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY PUBLICATION, which I have been a member of for a few years. I must stop and thank the staff of that publication for giving me the permission I requested. Miss Ora Smith, treasurer is the person I asked but she in turn talked to the others, who are: Mr. Garner, Mrs. Swinburn, Miss Burns, and Mrs. West and I am sure many more.

On October 13, 1827, the northwestern part of Crawford County was obtained from the Osages by treaties of 1818 and 1825 and known as Lovely Purchase was made into Lovely County. It was named for Major Lovely who made an unauthorized purchase of land from the Osages between the Arkansas and Red Rivers and also a track on the north of the Arkansas between the Berdigris River and western boundary established by the Osage treaty of 1808. In May of the next year an edict came from Washington that all settlers must leave, for the Purchase had been exchanged for Cherokee Lands, the county was short lived.

Crawford County was named in honor of William Harris Crawford of Georgia, who was Secretary of the Treasury, under President Monroe, in 1820, when the act was passed the county was established. It was the third county to be formed after Arkansas became a Territory, but the eight in what was included in the territory, as five had been formed while it was part of Missouri territory.

One of the most historic places in early Crawford County was Old Crawford Court House, now in Franklin County. This place is on the south side of the river about 2 miles below Van Buren and a few miles west of Mulberry. Tradition says "it was a one-story log house, but it was the scene of many hard fought legal battles, when such lawyers as Jesse Turner, Albert Pike Absolum Fowler, Robert Crittenden and David Walker (met) in legal combat." Nothing remains but some unmarked graves. This spot is 16 miles from Highway 22 by the way of Lavaas. Marked by Centennial Commission assisted by the Mary Lee Chapter of Van Buren and Mary Lewers Chapter, U.D.C. of Alma.

On May 6, 1823 the first mail route into original Crawford County was from Little Rock to Crawford Old Court House. The mail route was extended to Van Buren on March 30, 1831, when the Van Buren post office was established at Phillips' Landing. Mulberry post office was established June 15, 1830, and

Thomas Moore was the first postmaster. On March 7, 1832, a post office was established at Lee's Creek. Thomas Shannon served as first postmaster there.

Van Buren was the site of the first U.S. Court of the Western District of Arkansas. It was organized by an Act of Congress in 1851. When the states seceded from the Union during the Civil War, the court ceased to exist and Judge John Ogden, U.S. Clerk kept the records. Most of the records were destroyed when Federal soldiers raided Van Buren in 1863. The term of Federal Court was held November, 1870 then it was moved to Fort Smith in 1871. The first Van Buren Federal judge was Daniel Ringo, Alexander McLean was the first clerk until his death in 1858, Judge John B. Ogden, who was U.S. Commissioner then became clerk.

Crawford County became geographically important on November 22, 1915 as that was the time a natural gas well was discovered. Its location is on the J.B. Kibler farm some seven miles from Van Buren. This and other wells furnished gas to the county and also to homes and industries in outlying counties.

The first hard surfaced road was a macadamized road, it connected Alma to Kibler. It was started in 1915 and was completed in 1916. Claude Tally of Ozark was contractor, Mr. Wonder and Royal were engineers. County Judge S.M. Denniston was overseer of the job. After its completion lots of citizens in the vicinity went joyriding over the three and one-half miles of hard surface road on a Sunday.

The first Masonic Lodge authorization was granted from the Ancient York Masons in Mar. 13, 1874. Its first location was held in the loft of Jam. C. Wright cotton gin, in what is now known as Mountianburg. It was called the Clear Creek Lodge and was later housed in the post office. Members over the past were such people as John Furlow; Samuel L. Strong, master 1874-76, 1878-80, '82; H.C. Rankin, 1887; Joseph Friddle joined in 1947. Many others who intermarried with Rankins, Friddles, were such as Wrights, Vaughnts, Creekmore, Peters, Conley, Lee, Dyer, Sims and many more.

Among its beautiful scenery of mountain, vallies and lakes this county also has its own natural dam. It is formed by a solid bed of sandatone, from 6 to 8 feet in thickness which runs entirely across the bed of Lee's Creek, froming a natural barrier to the descent of the water, in consequence of the gradual dip of the rock upstream towards the northeast, at an angle of 4 or 5 degrees. This give the proper inclination to dam the water back, and throw it to a sluice, that might be solidly and permanently fixed to this rock wall near where it runs into the northwest bank.

CIVIL WAR DAYS

The following was taken from the Oct. 1973 issue of the HERITAGE. I am including this information concerning the Civil War in the Crawford County as many of the people included in this book fought and suffered during this time. It is "a proud story" and interesting to read, for the younger generations.

"Crawford County was one of the great pockets of resistance during the Civil War. At no time, from Fort Sumter to Lee's surrender, was Crawford County ever under Union control.

The County, predominantly loyal to the Union, was slow to act for secession. As late as March, 1861, H.F. Thomason (a county delegate to the Secession Convention) proposed a compromise, and both he and Jesse Turner voted against secession. Turner received a 39 gun salute, in Van Buren and Ft. Smith, in honor of the 39 delegates who voted against secession.

The Confederate exemption laws were very odious to the frontier people of the county. The law exempted Confederate and State officials, telegraph operators, preachers, teachers, apothecaries, etc. The teachers ranks began to swell, pharmacists multiplied, and a goodly (as opposed to Godly) number heard the call of the Lord. The 'Twenty Nigger' law exempted one white man on each plantation with twenty or more slaves.

It began to look like 'the rich man's war, the poor man's fight'.

In 1861 recruitment was rather slow, but 1862 was an entirely different story. Arkansas furnished 60,000 men, or five-sixths of the voting population to the Confederacy. This was in addition, and in great contrast, to the 8,289 men furnished the Union. She also furnished more Negro troops to the Union than Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, or Texas.

What, then, turned a county of loyal Unionist into a resistance movement that was an inspiration to the entire South? A movement that continued after the Reconstruction Government of April 18, 1864. (The 15th Legislature, with James G. Stevenson as Crawford County delegate, convened April 11.)

On December 9, 1861, at a place called Bushy Creek, the Federal Troops invaded Arkansas.

To the proud, self-sufficient, free thinkers of Crawford County, the gauntlet had been flung down. From that point until Lee's surrender, the cause was not slave or free state, but simply pride. Pride and the right to make his own choice. To the average man, on his family operated farm, the election of Lincoln had no real significance. The frontier farmer held no slaves, wanted none, and could not have afforded them if he wanted them. But, the choice was his and no one was going to

invade his home land force his submission on anything.

So he did what his basic nature required, he filled his tote bag, took his rifle off the pegs, and walked out to meet the issue.

From 1862 until nine days before Lee surrendered (April 11, 1865), there were 29 military engagements in Crawford County. Nine of the engagements were in Van Buren, and seven of these were after the capture of Van Buren.

Crawford County also furnished one of the four major generals from Arkansas, James F. Fagan. Fagan's Brigade- one of three to bear the designation 'First' Cavalry Regiment; also called the Sixth. This regiment won distinction at Prairie Grove, Cane Hill, and Fayetteville. Fagan's greatest command was the First Infantry Regiment. This unit fought at Shiloh, Perryville, Murfreesboro, Chickamanga, Atlanta, and Bentonville.

The importance of Crawford County, the sacrifices of her people, her inspiration to the Southern Cause, and the military engagements fought within her borders, during the Civil War, has never been given proper recognition. In fact, these actions seem to have been deliberately 'played down' by some local historians.

An in-depth study of facts, without regard to opinion, hearsay, or what we have been through the sin of omission led to believe, reveals a story of trial, hardship, bloodshed, and sacrifice."

There were many small and large scale fighting incidents during the years of 1862 to 1865, one such incident was recorded December 28, 1862. "Capture of Van Buren. No less than 14,000 troops and three General Officers (Brigadier James G. Blunt and Francis J. Herron, Federal Army, and Major General Thomas C. Hindman, C.S.A.) were engaged in this affair. According to General Blunt, the fighting was street to street, and house to house, from Logtown to the river."

A picturesque ending to this article might be a chosen paragraph from the HERITAGE of Oct. 1963. It is self explanatory as it was a combination of past and present recollection, by William Shepherd's granddaughter at a decoration day for the Bidville cemetery. "Ann (Shepherd) Rucks, a grand-daughter, is a precious person. She was 86 years young in March. Her husband, Gus Rucks, was 88. They have been married 66 years. 'It doesn't seem that long,' she says, 'But we were married December 16, 1894, by preacher Noah Johnson at the home of my parents, Tom and Elvira (Bruton) Shepherd. They lived on Shepherd mountain, not too far from the cemetery. Father Tom was a Federal soldier during the war. He and his brother enlisted together. . . They are the reason Grandfather was killed by bushwhackers. That was a hundred years ago. Let's don't talk about then: Let's talk about NOW!' 'Talk about the coolness of the day, - The

greenness of the mountains; Wait a minute, Gus isn't feeling to well, today. He maybe getting tired. Some folks think I do too much for him, in sickness and health?" "(ED. note; Both of these grand, nationally famed characters have since passed to their rewards)."

A brief summery of what the Civil War was about would be difficult to sum up in a few words, however, these are a few facts concerning this War.

This great struggle took place from 1861 to 1865 between the Southern and the Northern states of the Union. The fundamental cause of this War was the growth of the institution abolished in the North. The first gun fired was at Fort Sumpter, in the harbor of Charleston, S.C. on April 12, 1861.

This war commanded the services of more than Four million men three fourths of whom were in the armies of the North. Nine of every ten men in the South, and four of every nine in the North had served in ten armies for an average of three years. 110,000 Union soldiers were dead from being killed in battle or of wounds. While 250,000 others died from disease, exposure or other causes. The South lost 94,000 men in battle and 200,000 others died in the service.

A sum total of this disaster cost over nine billion dollars, not to mention the destruction of property and other losses.

Ref; The HERITAGE, and THE AMERICAN EDUCATOR encyclopedia.

DEPOTS AND CHANGING THE NAMES OF COMMUNITIES

Since my grandfather, Bert Friddle, worked for the railroad in Crawford County Arkansas I have heard a lot about this new era that came into being after the Civil War. Of course grandpa did not work at the railroad until early 1900 era but I have heard lots of stories concerning it that got hand down from generations among the citizens of Chester and other small towns. Many of those towns had different names and have been changed threw out the years. These towns were along the rail track with depots. Again the HERITAGE has verified these stories.

We begin at the Van Buren Depot which was built at the south end of Drennen Street. We continue onto Alma who had a box car for its first depot. Alma was first known as "Gumtown" because of the large number of gumtrees. This town became a great shipping point for lumber and cotton. For a number of years Dyer had no depot but a train could be flagged to a stop. This town was named after S.M. Dyer as this family was its first settlers. The first depot burned and the second depot was larger and had a room with a sign over the door "colored waiting room". Dyer was known for the shipping of fruit.

Mulberry was created from the railway with many of its citizens moving from Old Pleasant Hill. Dr. Carter's home was the first house to be built here in 1874. This town was known for its shipping of Cotton and Cotton Seeds.

About 1882 the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway, which is referred to as the Frisco Railway by Grandpa, opened new lines from Van Buren to the trade of St. Louis and Kansas City. This enticed new depots for trade to be built.

Lilly depot was one such building for the trade of Cotton and it was named for Miss Lilly Cate. It was located near the Cate farm south of the Frog Bayou.

Rudy is the next stop, it is about seven miles from Alma and once was known as the Kenton Community. Its first depot became the victim of a fire too. Fruits and dairy products were plentiful here.

The people in Lancaster wanted to name their depot station "Turner" after the Judge Jesse Turner of Van Buren, who was interested in the peoples concern to have the rails to come thru their area. Judge Turner did not want it named after him but suggested the name "Lancaster" because the area reminded him of Lancaster, Pa., where his family had first settled when they came to the United States from Ireland. This area had first been settled by a Mr. Steward, who built a grist and saw mill. After the rails this area became a booming lumber, farming, fruit and cattle shipping depot.

The present site of Mountianburg was bought by Mr. Dyer from the government in 1846. This area was once called Narrows or Narrars by its citizens. It carries bad memories for many esp., in those days. When the railroad was being built, a smallpox epidemic broke out among the negro men who had been brought in to work on the railroad. There are many graves near the tracks and the disease spread to many of the town people.

Now we come to the little town of Chester. This land was purchased from Captain James C. Wright. My father fondly calls him "Capt Wright" and his home which is a log cabin still was standing in 1974 as my husband and family vacationed in this area that summer. Chester got its name from Mr. Hepburn, locomotive engineer, he was from Chester, Iowa. There was a round house and turntable for the engines built here. A water tower and depot plus a mail catch. Grandpa took me over there lots of time when I visited him, their home was only couple blocks away. Chester has rich farm land also.

The little town of Schaberg was first called Porter and its first depot was named Frisco. Schaberg was named in honor of J W. Schaberg. My ancestors lived in this town also and this was where I was born. It is now under the name of Winslow. Last summer we revisited this area and only homes remain. The old school house which has been remodeled for a residence. We had asked a young boy about 11 years old, who was helping his father with customers at the gas station, how to get to Schaberg. He knew how to get there but not by car as he amused us with his answer, "Yes Sir, I know how to get there only by hopping a slow moving train." Schaberg was the shipping center for timbers, ties, and fruits.

Winslow was first called "Summit" before the rails came through. It was changed in honor of a railroad official, it was once in Crawford, County, but like many other boundaries over the years it was changed, it is now in Washington, County. Three bridges and a tunnel was constructed because of the rough mountains between Schaberg and Winslow. Winslow is at the top of mountainous scenery and is quite a tourist attraction now. There was a movie made in this area called SMOKE IN THE WIND and Walter Brennan was one of the stars. While we were in this town we saw some of the signs still hanging on the buildings that the movie company had put up. My cousin, Goldie Hargis, spent a day watching them film the movie. Another interesting fact about the tunnel was the "African Center" where negro men who worked on the tracks and tunnel were buried as they died from the Smallpox epidemic. So many died that their bodies were dumped in a "Fill" and covered over with dirt required to complete the fill.

Other little depots were put up on farm area and they were termed "Switch". They were not much more than a loading dock for shipments. Smeltzer Switch was put in by the Frank Smeltzer Farm. The Hurry Switch was located on the J.H. Steele farm,

which was named in honor of P.W. Furry. Meaders Switch was located across the railroad bridge over Clear Creek and up about three-fourth of a mile from where the old Lilly Depot had been. Walker Switch was at Armada between Chester and Schaberg. Shebley Switch was built by the Iron Mountain Line and so named in honor of the Shipley family.

Some of these depots are just in the memories of citizens of those communities now, but at one time, and not so very many years ago they were very real.

CEMETERIES IN CRAWFORD COUNTY

By: Mrs. William H. Folks

From the HERITAGE

Bidville Cemetery: First known as the Shepherd cemetery, and owned by the grandfather of Willis Shepherd who is the first person buried there. This was during the Civil War about 1862. Willis Shepherd's son saw his father killed there and hid in a tree there until it was safe for him to leave. The old tree in which the child hid still stands. There are approximately 600 graves in the cemetery, and the annual decoration is held each year, the first Friday after the first Sunday in August. It is located high on Shepherd mountain near the Crawford-Madison County line. William's wife and oldest daughter carried his body in a terrific sleet storm as far they could. A week later she died and was buried beside her father. This was the beginning of the Bidville Cemetery.

The Vaught Cemetery: The oldest and most historic cemetery of the county. The cemetery is now located on Highway 71, at the entrance of the Shepherd Springs Road. The first site of the cemetery was on the Casurel Vaught property in an area now covered by Lake Shepherd Springs. The land was set aside for a cemetery in the year 1832, and the first person buried there was an old Indian, a friend of Casurel Vaught. We find such names on the stones as the families of the Vaught's, Wright, Shepherds, Connally, Wells, Looney, Orrick, France, and many more first settlers of the area. The oldest person believed to be buried in the cemetery is George Washington Sims, age 112, born in 1777 and died in 1890. There are believed to be close to 700 graves in the cemetery. All but 20 bodies having been removed from other cemeteries, and all but 3 from the old Vaught and adjoining cemetery. The Vaught Cemetery to our knowledge is the only cemetery in the county with a filed record, this being a great part in seeing that these bodies were moved as should be, and markers put by each grave. Many years have elapsed and it is impossible to know the names of all the remains, but each has been carefully removed and numbered. Just recently 4 of the last 21 buried in the new Vaught Cemetery have been removed to another cemetery in the county, which is Gracelawn. The annual decoration for the Vaught Cemetery is the fourth Sunday in August. Money has been raised, and highway frontage has been purchased along Highway 71 for the cemetery.

There are numerous family burial grounds in this Northwest part of the county, some of the graves being only marked by a large natural stone, others by granite markers. Most of these graves date back to the Civil War days.

Soon after the founding of Chester in 1882-1883, a cemetery consisting of an acre of land at the end of the town was laid out. It originally owned by Captain J.C. Wright who had sold the land to J.M. Carter. In 1912 Mr. Carter deeded this land to three Directors A D. SMITH, JOHN WILSON AND JASPER WILLIAMSON. It was named Chester Cemetery and the directors supervision. A fence was built and a caretaker engaged to keep the plot in good order. In recent years what care is given to the cemetery is by the relatives of the deceased. Many Friddles, Rankin, Furlows, and Pense are among the many people who are buried in this cemetery.

The Fairview Cemetery in VanBuren is one of the most historical cemeteries in the state of Arkansas. John Drennen gave 10 acres for a burial ground to the city of Van Buren in 1846. One grave in the cemetery is known as the "Mystery Grave". It was there when the first white man came here. A hand-carved emblem on the hand-hewn headstone has led to much speculation as to who is buried here. Some believe that it is the grave of an early European explorer. In the northeast part of the cemetery stands row of white marble stones marks the graves of Civil War Soldiers.

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CHESTER, ARKANSAS

By: Ora Smith

Even as many towns in the West were founded because of the mining or cattle industry, Chester, Arkansas, was established as a result of the building of the Frisco Railroad.

Before the War between the states in the years 1850, 1851, 1852, tracts of land were purchased by Samuel Rush, Solomon Basham, Charley Howard and J.C. Wright. These tracts of land were later to compose the town site of Chester. Prior to this land purchase however, Abner Scrimshire had in 1839 settled near what was later called the Captain Wright Spring. Mr. Scrimshire was the first settler to clear the land and build a house. In 1853 J.C. Wright built a large two room log house with a huge fireplace in each end. He later acquired the land purchased by Mr. Rush and Basham and cultivated the ground where Chester later was to be built.

The Frisco Railroad was building south through the mountains. The tunnel at Winslow was completed in 1882 and in the same year the railroad had reached the point that later would become a town.

In 1882 Captain J.C. Wright had built a small grocery store near his home and the first post office was located in this building. The rightaway for the railroad was purchased from Captain Wright and as the new industry attracted workers and settlers, land was bought from him for homes and store buildings. In 1884 Chester became the end of the Frisco Railroad Division. It is interesting to note that this town that had its origin because of the railroad should be named by a railroad employee. A Mr. Hepburn, a locomotive engineer, who had come from Chester, Iowa, suggested the name Chester in memory of his birthplace. Soon afterward, the town had grown up so quickly was incorporated in 1882 or 1883 and given the name of Chester. A few of the early officials of the town are remembered as Dick Thompson and R.L. Pierce, Mayors; and R.L. Pierce and John Carens, Marshalls.

A round house and turn table for the railway engines were built on the north side of the tracks in 1887. A water tower and a two story depot were erected also. This depot was destroyed by fire in 1896 and a one story building was constructed. This last depot served until it was torn down in 1962. When the division terminal was moved to Fort Smith the round house fell into decay but some ruins remain today. The turn table was used to reverse the hill engine until about 1910 and then was abandoned. When the steam engines were replaced by the diesel engines in the early 40's the hill engine was discarded. The hill engine was an institution in Chester. It was used to

"boost" the regular engine pulling the trains up the mountain and through the Winslow Tunnel.

When the depot and the water tower were torn down and the hill engine replaced by diesel power the last earmarks of the railroad town were gone.

Chester reached its peak in population between 1884 and 1900. The town suffered a rapid loss of citizens with the removal of the division terminal and the loss in population was never regained.

The business district of the town was composed of mercantile stores, drug stores, barber shops, boarding houses, blacksmith shops, timber yards, saloons and two hotels. The names of some of the early merchants of Chester are well remembered today. Capt. J.C. Wright, George Mooney, Colonel Jake Yoes, Clarence and Claude swearingen, the Smith brothers, Adam, Gran and Cal, were all active in business for many years. J.M. Pierce, Mr. Lee, Ed Caughman, Jasper Williamson, Dave Barron, E.A. Budd, J.T. Tribble, Dick Thompson, Colonel Culp and Hiram Taylor all had thriving places of business. The Butler Brothers Saloon Beack Hardware, Peters Saloon, Newlons Wilson's Barber Shop, E.B. Dodge, Tribble's Barber Shop were among many places in operation.

Before the era of the automobile the blacksmith shops had a busy trade. Some of the blacksmiths who plyed their trade were, Mr. Spencer, G. Draper, Mr. Culp, Dick Huey, Tom Gunn, H. Kimes, Mr. Prescott, F. Drake, Bob Seaborn, and C.R. Davis.

In 1887 Dr. Dement and McGinnis opened a drug store in the new town. Well known among the doctors who served the Chester Community were Dr. Dement, Drs. W. H. Brandenburg, Walker, Ledbetter, Emerson, Hudgin, Bayan and Dr. T.E. Gray. Dr. Dement and Dr. Brandenburg were leading doctors in the area for many years.

There were three churches built in the town, the North Methodist, South Methodist and the Episcopal. In one of the big fires which plagued Chester, the churches were burned. Some of the well known ministers who served there were: The Rev. Charley Jones, Willard Peters, Sam Drake, Will Smith and the Rev. Pressell.

The Chester schools trace their beginning to about 1844 when a log house was built at the mouth of Howard's Fork for a summer school. In 1882 the citizens of the town petitioned for a new school district and a Union School and Masonic Hall were erected on the north side of the Frisco Tracks. In all there has been three school houses built in Chester. All of them were located west of the tracks across Clear Creek.

The one built in 1882 was a two room, two story building, the first floor served as a school and the Masonic Lodge used the second floor for their meetings. To reach the school and Masonic Hall a suspension, swinging bridge was constructed about Clear Creek, to be used as a walkway. The second school was constructed by L.B. Helt. The lumber from the old school was used to build a little church on the northern part of the town. A new swinging bridge was also built by Mr. Helt as a passageway to the new four room school and Masonic Hall. In 1941 this building was replaced by a native stone structure built by the W.P.A.

Floods as well as fire have always harassed the town and in the flood, the swinging bridge was swept away. A causeway was then made across the creek and the old swinging bridge was gone forever.

Records of early teachers of the school in Chester have been lost or destroyed but many are remembered by those who attended school there. John Crawford taught in the first log school and after 1882 when the school was built across Clear Creek many able teachers served the community. J.L. Grammer, Mr. Harvey, Nathan Shipley, Valentin Kimes, R.L. Shoemaker, Ed. Neal, Mr. Vie, R.L. Seneg, and Mary Stafford, who was the first woman teacher in Crawford County. After 1900 some of the teachers were John Rankin, Charley Jones, T.N. McAlaster, Eva Yoes, A.W. Dodson, Adam Smith, John L. Smith, Janie Smith, Etta Smith, Gladys Harris, Sadie Peters, Annie Sims, Maggie Wentz, Mattie Johns, and May Weiburg.

The one building in Chester that has withstood fires and floods that often have nearly demolished the town is the brick store and hotel. The whole of the town has changed but the brick store remains. It is the symbol of Chester. Col. Jake Yoes in 1887 built the brick building as a mercantile store and a hotel. Colonel Yoes and his sons operated the store and his niece Miss Abigail Yoes managed the hotel. The hotel consists of 22 bedrooms and long hall upstairs and an office, parlor, dining room and kitchen and long hall downstairs. It was furnished entirely in solid walnut furniture and was built to serve not only those employed by the Frisco railroad but the general merchants. It was a very fine hotel and did a thriving business. The brick store and hotel changed owners several times through the years. Some of those who operated it were: The Yoes family, the Swearingen Brothers, Tuck Butler, A.N. Cole, and Eucl Smith. In 1910 the building was sold to the Smith Brothers, Gran, Adam and Cal who owned and operated it for thirty years.

It might be interesting to note that a colored woman, Aunt Emmaline, was employed by Abigail Yoes to help with the chores of running the hotel. As the hotel changed owners Aunt Emmaline stayed on as an employee. She remained in Chester until her

death and she was the only colored person who ever lived there.

The hub of the town's economy was centered around the Frisco railroad. Many families, both fathers and sons found in rail-roading their life employment. It would be difficult to list all those who were employed but some outstanding names were Charley Hornbeck, who worked on the "hill engine" for 32 years, Jim Haley, Lawrence Haley, George Kerk, Kimes, the Friddles Jim, Bill, and Walter.

The Furlow family was family of "railroaders". Plummer Furlow, Beally Furlow, Roy Furlow, Bert Furlow, Anse Furlow. The Craddock family are also remembered as Frisco employees, Fred Craddock, Charley Craddock, Nathan Craddock, Herbert Craddock, Bill Drake and Jim Rogers also "worked for the Frisco."

Mr. Kelton and Sherman Arnold were well known telegraph operators. Among those who started their railroad career in Chester and have remained with the Frisco is John R. Marlowe has served as Chief Telegraph Operator for many years and is now General Agent in Ft. Smith.

The population of Chester changed as the years moved but many early settlers are recalled who are identified with the early years of the town. Captain J.C. Wright, Colonel Jake Yoes, Major Snell, the Stafford family, Bill Henry, John Whalen and Justice Newton. In this list belongs the families named Hulise Bush, Draper, Kenny, Sheply, Hoering, Huff, Hannon and Hoffman Wilson and Sharral. Recalled also are the names of Helt, McCaslin, Kimes, Hornbeck, Wallace, Craddock, Phillips, Fain and the Furlow families. Relatives of some of these settlers are living yet in the county; J.M. Carter, Jasper Williamson, Frank and Bill Sims, the Peters family, the Barron and Gunn families, Reese Belliew, the Jennings and Rankins, Amanda Talbert and Ed and Henry Talbert.

As noted earlier in the article the first post office in Chester was located in Capt. Wright's store building. It was moved into other buildings but finally located in the "brick store" where it remained. A few who have served as postmaster are G.C. (Gran) Smith, Tom Tribble, L.A. Teague and Miss Vesta Furlow. One of the longest terms served by the postmasters of Chester was that of G.C. Smith, who served 15 years. A note of interest perhaps is that during his service as postmaster 32 Union soldiers were living there and received pensions from the United States Government.

No other town in Crawford County has suffered as many disastrous events as Chester. Fire has destroyed many buildings at various times but the great fire of 1908 almost destroyed the town. Boyd Smith, a watchman for the "hill engine" saw a general store on Main Street burst into flames. He knew there was no way to warn the town. The hill engine was his only hope. Starting the engine he drove it furiously back and forth the

length of the town, blowing the whistle and ringing the bell. The people of the town were aroused but little could be done to save the business buildings on Main Street. The brick store escaped injury. On April 20, 1936, The great fire took place. The fire started in the Barron General Store and spread rapidly thru the business section. The South Methodist Church and eleven buildings were burning at the same time. Again no damage was done to the Brick Store.

On May 24, 1957, the great flood almost washed away the town. After a long rainy season followed by a $7\frac{1}{2}$ inch rainfall in the upper Clear Creek water shed the levee broke. The town recieved the full fury of the accumulated water. Parked cars were washed down Main Street. Barns, sheds, garages were crushed by the impact of the flood. The force of water was so great a five room house was washed two lots down the street.

Chester was "born" in and of the great railroad era and the town reached its peak of population and importance between the years of 1882 and 1900, and declined as the railroad lost its usefulness.

Perhaps this town built in the valley between the mountains has been "star crossed" but it still lives. Gone are the great days as a railroad town. Swept by fire and flood tho' it has been; it is still home to many of the descendants of the "first families" who helped to build the town. These residents and the Brick Store are, it might be said all that remains of Chester's great days.

Ref; Ora Smith's article maybe found in the Oct. 1963, no. 2
Vol. VII HERITAGE issue.

SCHABERG SCHOOL

The following article was copied from the THE WASHINGTON CO. OBSERVER, Thursday June 20, 1974 issue. Roberta Harrison Howell was the author.

"A few miles south of Winslow on Highway 71 a dim road turns to the right, with a tiny sign stating this is the way to Schaberg. After ones travels a dusty gravel road and crosses a small stream and the railroad you are in the heart of Schaberg, at one time a thriving little community consisting of several family dwellings, gardens, a country store operated by Lem Frances who also gave out the mail, a blacksmith shop run by Adam Lane, and the depot and freight run by Wilgus Frances.

The school was located on a small knoll south of town and eight grades were taught eight months of the year. No one seems to remember when the first school, a log school house, was built or torn down, but in later years a large room with a loft and a small side room was built and Miss Iona Wilson and Mr. Wilgus Frances both were teachers then. Then school also was used for the IOOF Lodge at one time and my grandfather, Uncle Jim Osborn was the 'Grandmaster'. At one time the school (way back) purchased a human skeleton to help the students in their physiology class and it was a gruesome sight as a child for me to see a real human skull and many other bones smiling up at us from the box it was kept in. When this school house was torn down my Uncle Connor Osborn buried this box of bones.

In later years a beautiful stone building was erected with many classrooms, but when the little country school consolidated the school fell to vandals and later a family from Texas bought it and made it into a lovely home. The old spring house nearby was torn down and an electric pump put in it and it was cemented up as a water supply for the home. Horses now roam where once happy children rushed out to play at noon and recess.

Classes were called by the teacher announcing 'advance geography class pass to the front'. They marched quietly by the tap of a small bell on the teacher's desk. They sat facing the teacher on several long pews, - the other pupils sat at their long desks, some one seat and the others two to a seat. Whispering was a no no and throwing paper wads was a favorite passtime of the boys. A single wash pan, water bucket and diaper were placed at the rear of the room for all to use. A few large nails took care of the coats and caps in winter and 'outhouse' for the boys and one for the girls were located nearby for health purposes. To dust the erasers was a treat on Friday afternoon. A woodshed where fire wood for a large stove located near the school building and on Friday evening dry wood was brought in for the use of the sabbath worshippers as the school served the purpose of a church. The grocery man - Lem France, usually did the preaching.

Our fondest memories of the school was the tin dinner pail an empty lard bucket with a few nail holes in the bottom and the lid for ventilation. Our dinner bucket was usually full to the brim with cold biscuits and meats, baked sweet potatoes, apples, a fried pie and sometimes a treat of fresh home made bread with honey and butter. Our grandfather raised bees and when he 'robbed the bees' we had plenty of fresh honey.

On frosty fall mornings while we were walking down the railroad tracks we would be coming through the rock cut north of town and hear the 'first bell' ring for the opening of school. We had 15 minutes to get there, if we ran like mad to make it. We were always afraid to pass the whistling post holler near the north end of town was a cattle guard, they were treacherous things to cross in my day and I was deathly afraid of them. School always let out about 4:30 and at that time a slow freight train went north and as it was up grade for about seven miles we could set on the caboese step and ride part of the way - which we did part of the time - unbeknown to our parents of course.

My teachers at Schaberg were Mr. A.A. Harrison (no kin) Miss Bernice France, Miss Wilkie France, and Miss Etta France (sisters) and Miss Elsie Center.

Games played at noon and recess were a delight. The boys had one basketball goal and a basketball and some soft balls in later years but the smaller boys played running games tag, hide and seek, and sheep in my pen, jumping the rope was a favorite with all the little girls. We even boasted a large 'play house' on the rough hillside with bits of broken dishes and crockery brought from home. Stick dolls and clothpin dolls served as part of our large family. Moss covered rocks served as chairs and tables and beds were leaves and moss. I wonder how 'now' generation entertain themselves at recess?"

SECTION IV

THE FRIDDLE HISTORY

RANKIN
STRONG
FURLOW
KINNON
BALLEWS
STEPHEN
TUNGATE
SHEPHERDS

Bert T. Friddle b. Nov. 30, 1887 place; Chester, Ark. mar. April 1, 1908 d. Oct. 26, 1952 place; Chester, Ark.	Johnny Riley Friddle b. May 18, 1850 place; Ill. mar. Oct. 6, 1870 d. July 18, 1917 place; Chester, Ark.	John Friddle b. 1817 place; 1838 d.	George Friddle
Howard H. Friddle	Mary Jane Stevens b. Aug. 25, 1852 place; d. Oct. 10, 1936 place; Chester, Ark.	Emily Kinnon b. 1810	Jeremiah Kinnon
	Argill Stevens b. 1810 place; mar. Jan. 10, 1838		
	Nancy Tungate b. 1822		John Tungate
Sarah E. Rankin b. Sept. 26, 1888 place; Chester, Ark. d. place;	Thomas J. Rankin b. Jan. 15, 1856 place; Chester, Ark. mar. Feb. 17, 1876 d. Mar. 11, 1949 place;	Henderson C. Rankin b. April 1, 1822 place; Murry Co. Tenn.	Moses Rankin Sarah Tomb
		Elizabeth Shepherd b. 1826 d. 1863 Ark.	William Shepherd Sarah Peters
Vanada V. Mullens b. Aug. 30, 1918 place; Marion Co. Ark. mar. July 25, 1936	Martha E. Strong b. June 6, 1856 place; Mercer Co, Mo. d. Jan. 22, 1936 place; Chester, Ark	Benjamin F. Strong b. Sept. 14, 1810 place; W. Va.	Samuel Strong Elizabeth Huffman
		Sarah Antill b. Oct. 2, 1814 mar. Dec. 26, 1835	

THE STORY OF TWO GEORGES'

This is information concerning two George Friddles, either one could be the most proven distant ancestor for the Friddle lineage. Both histories will be given including a Will of one George.

In my corresponding with other genealogy buffs I have been fortunate to hit upon a winner. The following excerpts are from a letter recieved by one such buff. It was sent to Mae Friddle Miller by Mr. C.H. Friddle of Greensboro, N. Carolina dated April 22, 1936. He has a first cousin name Miss Doris Friddle of Highpoint, N.C., which is about 15 miles from Greensboro, N.C. Her father is chief of police and president of the NC. police chelf Association.

The reason I will include this information is that I am sure this is a distant relative. The John Friddle he mentions traveled to Illinois before he marriage he lived and died on the Illinois River in Illinois. It is known that he had a son named George and John Riley. My great great grandfather lived and married in Illinois and he drowned in that River. He married and they had a son John Riley who is my great grandfather.

This is C.H. Friddle's immediate family;

"My great great grandfather's name was George Friddle who, possibly, born about 1790. (Don't know whether he came from Germany direct or was born in this country.)

He had sons named 1- George, 2- Peter, 3- John and 4- Frederick; and daughters named; 5- Elizabeth and 6- Katie. George Friddle born around 1790 and married a Kirnery.

#1- George Friddle (bro. of Frederick) left 'Old Brick Church' community and it is not known where he went (probably west).

#2- Peter Friddle died somewhere on Yodkin River in N.C. - nothing known yet of his family or decendants.

#3 John Friddle, went west when a young man before marriage. Our information is that he lived and died on the Illinois River in the state of Illinois. He died about 1870. It is known that he had sons named George and John Riley - nothing more is known of this family.

#4- Frederick Friddle was my great grandfather and was born in 1820 d. 1886, possibly in the 'Old Brick Church' Community, (O.B.C.C.) about 12 miles on the south side of Greensboro in Guilford Co., (correction, that is south east side). He married Charity Keck of that community and moved to Rockingham Co. N.C. about 25 miles on the north side of Greensboro. My family until recently knew very little about the Friddles in the OBCC,

except that we knew Frederick Friddle originally came from there when he settled in Rockingham Co. N.C. So far we have not been able to trace definitely our relationship to these Friddles - still working on this line- know we are related but can't find the missing link.

#5- Lafon Friddle (brother of Frederick) left OBCC when a young man before marriage. He lived and died at Plainfield, Ind. Don't think he had any sons. Think there was a daughter who married a Coble. She used to write to our family. My grand father David Friddle visited Lafon's widow after his death at Plainfield, Ind., and wrote home from there."

He included the following names in his letter altho I have no idea where they fit in. "Cluad B. Friddle, Mrs. Florence Friddle, Fay Friddle, Foster and Pearl Friddle, Frank R. and Della Friddle."

He continues, "The Brick Church I mentioned often was built in this German Dutch settlement 12 miles south east of Greensboro. Frederick, helped pitch brick to build it."

"Most of our Friddles (older ones) are farmers who grow corn wheat and tobacco is the main money crop as we are right in the middle of the good belt for cigarettes tobacco."

The other George Friddle was born in the 1700 era and came from Germany. I obtained this information from George's Will dated Nov. 10, 1800 from Orange Co., N.C. 1805. He married Mary, no other information of her. His Will will be included.

This George and Mary had seven children;

John Friddle,

Caty Friddle. She married Avent Garrot

Peggy Friddle, she married Michael Joe (Joe) LUE

Casper Friddle, MICHAEL

Henry Friddle,

Furly Friddle, md. FREDRICK KIMBRO

Martin J. Friddle, md DIANNA HUDLOW OR HASHAW > BOTH LIVED + DIED IN BEDFORD CO., TN.

These Friddles may all be related somehow as Guilford Co. was formed from Orange Co., in 1771. Orange Co. was formed in 1752. Rockingham Co, was formed from Guilford Co., in 1785.

In the Name of God Amen I George Tridale
of the County of Orange & State of North Carolina being in
perfect Memory Thanks be to God Almighty do make
this my last Will and Testament — First I commend
my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my
body I commend to the earth to be decently buried at the discre-
tion of my executors hereafter named, as for what worldly
goods it hath pleased God to bestow on me I give devise
and dispose of in the following manner & form —

Item, I give lend the use of my dwelling plantation to
my loving wife Mary Tridale during her life and my
Will is that the dwelling which I left to my wife to
include two Hundred acres of Land more or less —

Item I give & bequeath to my son Prosper Tridale one
shilling current money being I intend he shall have
of my estate — Item I give & bequeath unto my Daugh-
ter Cary Garrot Wife of David Garrot one shilling
being all I intend she shall have of my estate —

Item I give & bequeath unto my son John Tridale one
shilling current money being all I intend he shall
have of my estate —

(159.)

Them I give and bequeath unto my Daughter due Wife of Richard
we are willing to want money being all I intend she shall
have of my estate — Them I give and bequeath unto my son
Henry Middle he shall have cannot money being all I intend
he shall have of my estate — I say that it may be fully
understood that it is my Will that all my children by my
first Wife shall have one Shilling each which is all intended
they shall have of my estate — Then I give it to my
Will that my executor in the first place shall collect all
the debts due to me and I pay of all my debts and if they shall
be some lacking to see a part of my stock I say of all my
left and after my debts is paid — It is my Will that my Wife
shall enjoy all my estate during her natural life and after her
Death all my Land I bequeath left in favour of my Wife to
be equally divided between my three youngest Children (Wills)

that I will shall have one shilling each which is all intended
to pay shall have of my estate — I am aware it is my
will that my executor in the first place shall collect all
the debts due to me and pay of all my debts and if any other
to be some deduction to all a part of my stock I pay of all my
debts and after my debts is paid — it is my will that my wife
shall enjoy all my estate during her natural life and after her
death all my land I especially left in favour of my wife to
be equally divided between my three youngest children (to wit
my daughter Mary my daughter Anne and my daughter
Anne Henri Bapstine Jones) — I nominate and appoint my
friend Judson Albright Esq and eldest son Esquire of
the my estate and Testament wholly nothing I demanding
all other debts by me stock on hand and acknowledge this to
be my last will in writing which I have hereunto set
my hand & seal this 10 day of November A.D. 1800

and my signature passed — I nominate and appoint my
friend Samuel Abbott Esq and Jacob Isaac Esq of
the my society and Testament hereby nothing & demanding
all other things by me therefore made and acknowledge this to
be my last Will in writing signed & acknowledged this to
my hand & seal this 14 day of November A.D. 1800
Signed sealed & acknowledged
by to be my last Will

Michael Scott

John Hens

George ^{his} Fordale Esq

Done George Henry Esq 1805

The execution of the foregoing last Will & Testament of George Shadwell was duly proved in
open Court by the oath of Michael Scott one of the subscribing witnesses there
to & ordered to be recorded in the same term. The
executors therein named qualified accordingly.

Coat of Arms

Historiography

The Friddle Coat of Arms illustrated left was drawn by an heraldic artist from information officially recorded in ancient heraldic archives. Documentation for the Friddle Coat of Arms design can be found in Siebmacher's Wappenbuch, Vol. 80, p. 41, under the variant Fridl. Heraldic artists of old developed their own unique language to describe an individual Coat of Arms. In their language, the Arms (shield) is as follows:

"In G. ein aus g. Krone wachsender braunbartiger wilder Mann mit gr. Laubkranz auf dem Kopf, in der Rechten ein g. - gefasstes Schwert vor sich Schrägabwärts in seine mit der Linken gehaltene # Schneide steckend."

When translated the Arms description is:

"Gold: a brown-bearded wild man issuing from a gold crown, with a green laurel wreath on his head, in his right hand sticking a gold-hilted sword into a black sheath held in his left hand."

Above the shield and helmet is the Crest which is described as:

"Der Mann wie im Schilde."

A translation of the Crest description is:

"The man, as in the shield."

Family mottos are believed to have originated as battle cries in medieval times. A Motto was not recorded with the Friddle Coat of Arms.

Individual surnames originated for the purpose of more specific identification. The four primary sources for second names were: occupation, location, father's name and personal characteristics. The surname Friddle appears to be characteristic in origin, and is believed to be associated with the Germans and French, meaning "the peaceful man." The supplementary sheet included with this report is designed to give you more information to further your understanding of the origin of names. Different spellings of the same original surname are a common occurrence. Dictionaries of surnames indicate probable spelling variations. The most prominent variations of Friddle are Fridl and Friedle.

Information available to us indicates that in 1972 there were less than 360 heads of households in the United States with the old and distinguished Friddle name. The United States Census Bureau in 1970 estimated that there were 3.1 persons per household, which means that fewer than 1085 people in the United States bear the Friddle name. In comparison, some of the most common family names are shared by over two million people.

This report does not represent individual lineage or your family tree and no genealogical representation is intended or implied.

Friddle



THE OLD FRIDDLE FAMILY BIBLE

Upon my parents return of August of 1966 from their vacation in Chester and Rosebud, Arkansas they brought back some great treasures. Of on was the old family Bible that was my great grandpa, John Riley Friddle. He was a minister.

My parents, Howard and Vaneda Mullens Friddle, believed its fate had been burnt to ashes in the home of my grandparents, when they resided in Conway, Arkansas. After my grandparents, Bert and Sarah Rankins Friddle, home burned they moved back to Chester. The fire destroyed their home in the early 1940s, which I vaguely remember. This Bible was the only thing that survived the fire.

It is badly torned and the pages are coming apart from its bindings. However, the family records are still readable. This is where I obtained some of the information for the family history.

This book holds a mounitian of treasures alone. As I thumb-ed threw the remains I found pressed flowers, a braid of Aunt Bessie's hair, great grandpa Rankins membership record of a magazine, blocks of dress material from various relatives.

Many family pictures were found among the pages of it. My great grandparents, Thomas and Martha Strong Rankins; Uncle Carl's family; and Toots who is Aunt Bessie Friddle Brandenburg's daughter. It also, contained important papers such as Uncle Art Friddle's CCC papers, great grandpa's obituary card and his credentials of ministry and his marriage liscense. He married Mary Jane Stevens who was of Indian lineage.

CREDENTIALS.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN. GREETING.

Be it known that J.R. Friddle having been elected by Mt. Olive Church, Clear Creek Association of the Free Will Baptist Church was ordained for office of Elder in said Church, and he is hereby authorized by said Church so long as his life and doctrine accord with the Holy Scripture to preach the Gospel, to Baptize to Celebrate Matrimony and to feed the flock of God, not as a Lord over Gods heretage, but being an example to the flock.

Signed by order and in behalf of said Mt. Olive Church.

I.T. Crabtree. Chairman.

W.J. Hilliard, Sect

This June, 14th 1896.

Filed for record this 17 day of August, 1897.

L.W. Black. Clerk.

By W.P. Sadler. D.C.

State of Arkansas.

County of Crawford.

I.A. Hays Circuit Clerk of said County do hereby

certify that the above is a true and exact copy from record

Book (7) Page 250.

Witness my hand and seal as such Clerk this the 23rd day of March. 1913.

A. Hays Clerk
W.P. Sadler D.C.

FRIDDLES ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS

- 310 JOHN FRIDDLE (George¹), was born 1817, and married EMILY KINNON (1210), on Feb. 13, 1838. She was born 1822 the daughter of JERIMIAH KINNON (1200). According to the 1860 census report they settled in Browning Tws., Illinois. They had seven children.
- 320 JOHN RILEY FRIDDLE, b. May 18, 1850 and d. Jan. 18, 1917. He married Mary Stephens on June 10, 1870. They had several children and will begin with that history on page 69.
- 321 George was born 1844 in Illinois.
- 322 Eli was born 1847 in Illinois.
- 323 Mary Jane was born 1848 in Illinois and d. 1936
- 324 Oliver was born 1852 in Illinois.
- 325 Angeline was born 1853 in Illinois.
- 326 Charles was born 1858 in Illinois and married Julia Stephens. They had ten children and this history will begin on page 82.

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THE CRAWFORD COUNTY FRIDDLE FAMILY AND ANCESTORS:
By: Mrs. W. R. Rastall of Chester, Arkansas

"A Robert Friddle of Akron, Ohio has a family tree which dates before the American Revolution. He attends reunions of Friddles in Ohio and Illinois. This tree is descended from a Moses Friddle who came to Virginia from Bavaria. He had three wives and 15 children, was of German lineage.

The earliest records I have are from Schuyler County, Illinois. The present county seat is at Rushville, Ill. The Friddles, Kinnons, Stephens, and Tungaltes must have been among the first settlers of that area as it was a wilderness prior to that time.

The Schuyler County records.
John Friddle born 1817 and Emily Kinnon born 1822, that marriage license number is 858. They were married February 13, 1838 by Rev. Henry King.

In the 1860 census they lived in Browning Tws. The members of their family: John Friddle born 1817 was 43 years, Emily (Kinnon) born 1822 was 38 years, George born 1844 was 16 years Eli born 1847 was 13 years, Mary Jane born was 12 years, John Riley born 1850 was 10 years, Oliver born 1852 was 8 years, Angeline born 1853 was 7 years, Charles born 1858 was 2 years. Jerimiah Kinnon born in 1782 was 78 years old. He was Emily's father.

John and Charles Friddle, sons of John and Emily, above, married Mary Jane and Julia A. Stephens daughters of Argill Stephens and Nancy Tungalte Stephens who were married January 10, 1838. Nancy was only 16 years of age and the consent of

her father was required for the license, so her parents lived there too.

They lived in Bainbridge Twp. Schuyler County, Illinois in 1860. Living in this home in 1860 were: Argill Stephens born 1810 - 50 yrs., old, Nancy (Tungate) Stephens born 1822 was 38 years old, Calvin Stephens born 1845 - 15 years old, Elias Stephens born 1847 - 13 years old, Kisia Stephens born 1849 - 11 years old, Mary Jane Stephens born 1852 - 8 years old, Julia A. Stephens born 1855 - 5 years old, Maro born 1859 - 1 year old. Members of the family now living state that the above family were of Cherokee lineage."

My father, Howard Friddle, has told me many stories concerning my great grandparents, John Riley and Mary Jane Stephens Friddle.

One story that I remember so well was the time when dad wished to surprise Mary Jane as an Easter present. She was a very fussy Cherokee Indian and her house had to be spotless. Dad had bought her a chocolate candy rabbit and set it on a table, he had forgot about the old pot belly stove warming the house so well. The bunny melted on her table scarf. Needless to say dad recieved the brunt of her personality on that occasion. She use to lead singing in John Riley's church service, and was a very good singer. John Riley was thought of highly, as a honest and true person and would do anything for anyone. He was a Circuit Minister of the Free Will Baptist Church. His credentials are included.

320 JOHN RILEY FRIDDLE (John², George¹) was born in Rushville, Illinois and died in Chester, Arkansas. He married MARY JANE STEPHENS (910 code no.), in Rushville, Illinois.

330 BERT THEADORE FRIDDLE (John R.³, John², George¹), was born November 30, 1886 and died October 26, 1952 in Chester, Arkansas. He married SARAH ELIZABETH RANKIN on April 1, 1908 by Tom Wardel and they settled in Crawford County.

Bert, in 1916 help fire the train engines from Chester to Winslow, as an Engineerman. He worked on the rails and in the woods. He help build US 71 by hauling rocks by team and wagon to the stone crusher, from about Chester Spur to Washington County line, in the late 1920's. He also help build dams.

He moved to Conway in March of 1940 and lived on the Mason farm where he farmed and worked at the Mason Sawmill. That house burned in 1941 and he removed to Chester. He fired the broilers for the tomatoes cannery there and Sarah helped pack tomatoes. Then Berta's health began to fail, he was the mail carrier from the railroad to the post office. He also hauled the lumber from the Chester school by team and wagon to the present Baptist Church, which was then the Community Church.

Bert went to school in Chester, while Sarah went to Walker Switch School.

Sarah still lives in the same house, it belonged to Dave Barron and he gave it to T.J. Rankin on a debt. Bert bought it off of T.J. Rankin for about \$600.

Even if I was born in the Ozark Mountain range of Ark., I only remember about it on visits to my grandparents (Friddle). I was their oldest and first granddaughter, they had six boys so grandpa always took my part. Dad told me that he never let me be spanked and dislike it if ever I was picked on. I don't recall that but I do remember the times he took me to watch for the trains to come and go, also to watch the crew fill the tanks up from the high water tower in Chester. I never remember seeing him dressed in anything other than Overall and shirts. I can remember one time when we visited them Dad took us to White Rock Mountain which was up a narrow winding road and I was frightened to death, grandma laughed at me all the way up to the top of that mountain. Last year, 1974, we visited it once again only I had my young children with me and once again I was laughed at. This time by my husband and four children. I held onto the two younger children's hands as we viewed the scenery all I received was "mother we won't fall".

I also remember the swinging bridge across Clear Creek.. In 1950 I took a friend with me on vacation, of course we had to explore the thrills of the old bridge. I took great delight and

enticed her to its middle while I stood near the end and I made the bridge wave and swing while she swear to get even with me for that. We have been good friends ever since.

340 HOWARD HOMER FRIDDLE (Bert⁴, John R.³, John², George¹) was born January 6, 1916 in Chester, Arkansas. He married July 25, 1936 to VANEDA VELMA MULLENS (140 code no.).

Howard attended the following schools; Whod-A-Thought-It, Chester and Armada.

They were married on a Saturday by Rev. Joe Lovett, and according to the records in the office of County Clerk W.C. Hunter, Howard lived in Chester and Vaneda lived in Schaberg. Their wedding was a double ceremonial with Jaunita Rankin and Garrett London.

This is their Baptismal records:

"Baptismal of Vaneda and Howard Friddle was March 7, 1938 at Armada, Ark. by R.L. Isbell.

Took membership of Church of God in Oct. 1, 1944 signed by the Rev. Arthur L. McCoy's."

They moved from Arkansas to California in 1938 staying only seven months and then moved to Conway. Then to a farm in the Rose Bud area, in 1948 they moved to Michigan.

Howard works at Olberg Manufacturing in Toledo, Ohio, presently. He worked as a farmer and at Harm Thompson Sawmill in Rosebud. He was classed as 4-F for WW II. When he moved to Michigan he worked as a farmer in Monroe and Erie. When he moved to LaSalle he worked at a service station and then as a steward for the Martin Perry, and now at the Olberg's Auto Parts.

Howard is an active worker in the Church of God, he is a deacon in the church at Petersburg and has served on the State Board for several years. He also served as a member of the board of Spring Vale Academy (High School) in Owosso, Michigan.

350 FRIEDA LORIE NE FRIDDLE (Howard⁵, Bert⁴, John R.³, John² George¹), was born April 30, 1937 in Schaberg, Arkansas and was married May 10, 1958 in Adrian, Michigan to James H. Kellie by Fr. Francis Kolb.

- I Ethel Marie Kellie, born Nov. 17, 1959 in Monroe, Mich.
- II Debra Lori Kellie, born Dec. 12, 1961 in Monroe, Mich.
- III Thersa Evelyn Kellie, b. Aug. 13, 1963 in Monroe, Mich.
- IV Timothy James Kellie, born. Feb. 28, 1966 in Monroe.

351 BETTY SUE FRIDDLE, born May 5, 1946, Searcy, Ark. and married to Carson Cawood Needham Sept. 1968 in Erie, Mich. by Ted Dickerson J.P.

- I Rebecca Lynn Needham, born Dec. 1, 1969 in Monroe, Mich.

"The alters of St. Joseph's Catholic church were beautifully adorned with bouquets of white and pink gladioluses and snapdragons for the wedding of Miss Frieda Lorie Friddle and James Henry Kellie of 918 Hubble Street, Monroe, this morning. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Friddle of LaSalle, Mrs. Fred Kellie of Monroe and the late Mr. Kellie are the parents of the bridegroom. Arrangements of ferns and palms also decorated the chancel for the 9 o'clock ceremony. The Rev. Fr. Francis Kolb performed the double ring ceremony and celebrated the nuptial mass.

The bride approached the altar in her floor length gown of Chantilly lace and nylon net carrying a colonial bouquet of white carnations and stephanotis. The bodice styled with long sleeves pointed at the hands, was accented with a Sabrina neckline trimmed with iridescent sequins and pearls. The beautiful full skirt worn over a hoop was of net with appliqued points of lace. The bridal veil of net was banded with lace matching the gown and fell from a gracefully pointed crown adorned with sequins and pearls.

Miss Joyce Borget, cousin of the bridegroom, was the maid of honor and she carried a colonial bouquet of white carnations. Her gown of mint green taffeta under white lace was ballerina length with which she wore a matching headband and veil.

Robert Borget, also a cousin of the bridegroom, was the best man and Sam Giarmo seated the guests. All the attendants were from Monroe."

"The bride is a graduate of Monroe high school in 1954 and has been employed as a practical nurse at Bixby hospital. Mr. Kellie, a 1951 graduate of Monroe Catholic Central high school, is a mechanic employed by the National Gas & Equipment, Inc. in Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. Kellie will make their home in Monroe on their return from their honeymoon."

The above article was a clipping from the ADRIAN TELEGRAM, dated May 10, 1958.

- 341 Arthur Boston Delano Friddle, born Feb. 6, 1909 in Chester, Arkansas and married Beatrice Lee Miller in California. Arthur served in the CCC and those records will be included in the service section, page 84.

Beatrice "Bea", came from a large family and is the sister of Vivian Miller who is Donald's wife. Other members of her family are; Oklahoma Laura, John Ann "Joan", Warren, Ed, Dan and a set of twins.

- 351 Robert Lee Friddle, born Aug. 9, 1937 and married Dina Conrad in California. At present Robert is a policeman and they live in Palmdale, Calif., with their two sons.

- I Micheal Boston Friddle born Nov. 7, 1963
- II Ryan Lyn Friddle, born Nov. 23, 1965

- 342 Louie Francis Friddle, born Aug. 9, 1911 in Chester, Arkansas. He married Pauline Martin, Feb. 14, 1938 and they were divorced. She is the daughter of Eugene and Rose Martin. Louie at present lives in Chester.

- 351 Omer Dearyl Friddle, born Sept. 1938 on the 4th. He married first to Nancy Cook July 1954 and lived in Florida. He has four children by Nancy.

- I Janet Friddle, born Jan. 29, 1955. She married Gary Bennett

- 1 Gary Bennett, born Aug. 18, 1971 (a girl)

- II Jim Friddle

- III Kathy Friddle

- IV Jackie Friddle

- V Cheryl Friddle, was born Nov. 6, 1971

Nancy married again and her second husband is () Bennett. Dearyl's second wife is Louise () They were married Feb. 1971. Louise had four children by her first marriage. Dearyl and Louise have lost the second baby.

- 352 Jimmy Friddle, he was born in 1941. There is no other information available on him at present.

Ref: Louis Friddle of Chester and Goldie Hargis of Chester.

- 343 Donald Earl Friddle, born April 25, 1918 in Chester, Ark. He married Vivian Georgetta Miller, Oct. 12, 1940 in Reno, Nevada. She was born Dec. 24, 1923. And she is the sister of Beatrice Miller who is Arthur's wife. They have lived in Conway, and Melborn, Arkansas, at present they live in Romulus, Michigan where Donald works at a local factory as a welder.
- 351 Raymond Earl Friddle, born July 9, 1941 in Conway, Ark. and is married to Cleo Peveler in 1963. They live in Morristown, Tennessee and he is a sewing machine repairman and taking up electronic school. He served in the Army in 1961 to 1963, and was stationed in Germany.
- I Robert Earl Friddle, born Sept. 9, 1966.
- 352 Wanda Lee Friddle, born Jan. 14, 1943 in Conway, Ark. She married Thomas Baldwin Feb. 14, 1962 in Michigan. They live in Taylor, Mich., where Thomas is a crane operator.
- I Debra Ann Baldwin, born Aug. 15, 1964
 II Tommy Rae Baldwin, born Dec. 7, 1962
 III Timmy Wayne Baldwin, born June 4, 1967.
- 353 Donald Earl Friddle Jr., born Dec. 28, 1948 in Malvern, Ark., and married Sheila Jackson on Feb. 26, 1968 and they were divorced in 1970.
- I Christina Lynn Friddle, born 1969
- 354 Dorothy Mae Friddle, born Dec. 7, 1951 in Malvern, Ark. She married James Payne Sept. 23, 1968 in Tazwell, Tenn. Jim was born Oct. 7, 1945 in Middlesboro, Kentucky and is the son of Alvi and Effie Payne. He served in the Army during 1966 to 1968 and is employed for Ford Motor Company in Monroe, Michigan. They live in LaSalle. Dorothy, attended Spring Vale Academy at Owosso, Mich.
- I Shannon Marie Payne, born April 1, 1969, she attends Mason Consolidated School System.
 II Holly Michelle Payne, born Oct. 5, 1970. She will begin school in Sept. of 1973.

Ref: Dorothy Payne of First Street in LaSalle, Mich.

344 Franklin Theadore Friddle, born Aug. 5, 1922 in Chester, Ark. He married Lena Stephens Sept. 15, 1945, in Conway, Ark. She was the daughter of Ray Lee Stephens and born Nov. 17, 1925. They are settled in Susanville, Calif. His service ventures will be included, which is outstanding he now works for the government as a Demolition expert.

351 Peggy Darlene, Friddle, born Feb. 16, 1947 and is married to James Michel Monson, Dec. 21, 1963. She graduated from Lassen High School June 4, 1965 of Calif. They live in Calif.

I Roxann Gayle Monson, born June 16, 1964

352 Sharon Diane Friddle, born Dec. 26, 1952 and graduated June 1971 and married Kieth Derwin Barnum June 3, 1972

345 Johnny Ray Friddle, born Sept. 19, 1925 in Chester, Ark., he is known as "Ray". He married Hazel Alice Stephens, Jan. 19, 1946 in Conway, Ark. She is the daughter of Ray Lee and Lillie Stephens and is the sister to Lena. She was born July 24, 1927 and came from a large family, which also has twins. Ray has an outstanding service record which will be included. They live in Marysville Calif. and Ray works for the government.

351 Bobby Ray Friddle, born Nov. 19, 1946. He married Sharon Diane Bowman March 16, 1968. He served in the U.S. Navy on the USS ENTERPRISE and went to Viet Nam three times. They were married in the First Methodist Church in Reno, Nevada.

Sharon's lineage of ancestors are; Tom Hudson married Ann (), a citizens of Ireland, their daughter Chelo Elizabeth Hudson married Richard Elbert Lee she was born in Towallone County, Calif., and he was born in Minnesota. Their daughter, Wilma Irene Lee, born in Sutter County, Calif. Wilma married Freeman Douglas Bowman, born in Mitchell County, Texas and these are Sharon's parents. Freeman's parents were Horation Franklin Bowman, born Sensaba County, Texas and Catherine Cora Benton, her father was Mark Benton. Sharon said there is record that one of her grandfather on her dad's side rode with Quintrell by looking at the pictures of her grandfather and comparing them to Quintrell's pictures.

Bobby Served in Viet Nam for 18 months flying in "A3B" Squadron Base on the Phillippines Island's Naval Air Station, Cubi Point. They would land on the USS ENTERPRISE to refuel the planes. He joined the navy June 11, 1965 and discharged Aug. 20, 1969.

Bobby and Sharon has two children.

I Corrinna Ann Friddle, born Dec. 19, 1969

II Shelly Friddle, born in 1972

352 Joyce Marie Friddle, born April 11, 1952 and graduated from Marysville, Calif., Marysville High School, in June 17, 1970. She married Russell Joseph Mix, March 6, 1972 in Reno Nevada. They live in Yuba City, California.

Russell has an interesting back ground also. His mother is of Dutch, Irish and English descent and his father is full blood Indian. In a letter from Joyce she said his father was Umatilla from Oregon and Maidu from Northern California. She was quite sure the Maidu is a tribe from the Wennepen Indians.

I Joshua Joseph Mix, born March 4, 1973

353 Roger Dale Friddle, born Feb. 27, 1964

354 Kenneth Wayne Friddle, born Feb. 21, 1963

These are more facts concerning Ray and Alice family.

Ray attended Armada School in Armada, Ark. Alice went to school at Nutters Chapple, Providence and Mayflower which are all in Ark. Their children all went to these following schools: Winston, Oregon; Susanville and Auburn, California; Sequin, Washington; New Castle, Marysville, and Paradise, California.

Ref: Johnny and Hazel Friddle, Joyce Mix and Bobby and Sharon Friddle all of California.

331 Della May Friddle, born June 21, 1872 and died Sept. 20, 1953. She married Etheridge Carter who died during the spring of 1928. They had nine children but I only have record of four.

- 341 Clarence Carter
- 342 Sherman Carter
- 343 Clyde, Carter
- 344 Bertha Carter

332 James Curtis Friddle, born Feb. 29, 1876 and died Nov. 4, 1951 and is buried in Chester, Ark. He married Irene Ridenoure, she was born Feb. 27, 1883.

341 James Albert Friddle, born July 25, 1901, and died 1966 after surgery and is buried at Vaught Cemetery, U.S. 71 above Chester, Ark. He married Helen Barton of New Jersey in 1921. She was born Nov. 11, 1902, in Whorton.

Her grandfather's parents were killed in a raid on a wagon train. Strangers found him injured and reared him. He did not know his true name until a man. Helen's father was an importer of textiles. She and her mother went to Europe with him on his business trips. Her mother had therapy at a hospital in Scotland. Her schooling was mostly from private instructors.

351 Kathleen Friddle, born Dec. 7, 1922 is married to Gilbert Whitney. They both have service in Coast Guard and degrees from Boston University and Kathleen has degree from University of Columbia, Missouri. Both are instructors at Maryville State College in Missouri. He is choral director there.

- I Michal Whitney
- II Dana Whitney

352 Faye Friddle, born July 25, 1924 and married Robert Hahn (Hahan?)

- I James Hahn, he is married.
- II Sue Hahn
- III Charles Hahn
- IV Linda Hahn

353 Alfreda Friddle, born Aug. 5, 1925 and married first Lewis Westphall, he was killed in action in World War II. She remarried Clarence Lousignout. She had one son by the first marriage and two children by the other.

- I Leonard Westphall, he is married
- II Linda Lousignout, is married
- III Don Lousignout (Louisanton)

354 Ruth Friddle, born April 4, 1927 and married John Laws. He had a World War II record also.

- I Loretta Laws, she is married.
- II Velma Laws, she is married.
- III John Laws Jr.
- IV Michel Laws
- V Debbie Laws
- VI Terry Laws
- VII Helen Laws
- VIII Denise Laws

355 Paul Friddle, born November 28, 1931 and he married Betty Jean London.

- I Larry Friddle
- II Debora Friddle
- III Pamela Friddle
- IV Curtis Friddle

356 Jerry Don Friddle, born November 25, 1941 near Chester. He married Carolyn Gille Young. They both have degrees from the University of Arkansas.

- I Carolyn Friddle.

342 Lonnie Friddle, born Aug. 21, 1903 and died March 4, 1970. He married Annie Tomblinson and have eight children.

- 351 James Edward Friddle, married to Darlene Keeter and they have three children and live in Chester.
- 352 Louise Friddle, she married () Pawelek and have on child. They live in Karnes City, Texas
- 353 June Friddle, married Raymond Seratt and they have four children and live in Chester.
- 354 Aileen Friddle, married Ray Rankin and have two children. They live in Dyer, Ark.
- 355 Dale Friddle, married Brenda Lane and they live in Hot Springs, Ark.
- 356 Virginia Friddle, married () Mason and they live in Fort Smith, Ark.
- 357 John Friddle, he lives in Chester
- 358 William Friddle.

343 Marie Poor, was born Aug. 8, 1915. She was adopted by James and Irene. She married Charles E. Kassen, he was born 1912 and died 1967. Marie works at Lilly Cup Co.

351 Charles Kassen, married Judy Delshmitt

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| I Billy Kassen | IV Bart Kassen |
| II Leih Kassen | V Brad Kassen |
| III Brett Kassen | VI Brian Kassen |

352 Sharon Kassen, she married David Roberts their family will continue on following page.

- I Julie Roberts
- II Mark Roberts
- III Janet Roberts
- IV Tommie Roberts

353 Barbar Kassen, married Gene Welsh and they have four children.

- I Mike Welsh
- II David Welsh
- III Karen Welsh, she died
- IV Chris Welsh

354 Carolyn Irene Kassen, born 1945 and died 1961

355 Kurt Kassen, he married Bonnie Dolson

356 Kathy Kassen, she married James Holden.

344 Earl Friddle, born Sept. 24, 1905 and died July 10, the year of 1915 or 1921 there are conflicting records. He was playing ball and the ball hit his leg and injured it. The injury developed gangrene and he died.

Ref: Mrs. Walter Rastall of Chester, Ark. and Marie Kassen of Springfield, Mo.

LONNIE FRIDDLE'S OBITUARY

Lonnie Friddle, 67 year old of Chester died Thursday, March 4, in a local hospital. He was born at Chester, August 21, 1903, the son of Curtis and Irene Ridenoure Friddle and was a retired farmer.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Annie Tomlinson Friddle; four sons, Ed, Johnnie, and Raymond all of Chester and Dale of Hot Springs, Ark.; Five daughters, Mrs. Louise Pawelek of Karnes City, Texas, Mrs. June Seratt of Chester, Mrs. Aline Rankin of Dyer, Ark., Mrs. Virginia Mason of Fort Smith and Mrs. Brenda Lane of Hot Springs; A brother Albert Friddle of Chester; A sister, Mrs. Marie Kassen of Springfield, Missouri; and 15 grandchildren.

Funeral service was held at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Chester Community Building. Gilbert Pixley, pastor of the Bethlehem Freewill Baptist Church officiated.

Burial in Chester Cemetery was by Ocker Funeral Home. Bearers were Joe Shaffer, Johnny Allen, Warren Lane, Ray Rastall, Matthew Poor, Glen Kimes and Clifford Wakefield.

Honorary pallbearers were, Raymond Seratt, Ray Rankin, Pete Lane, George Pawelek, Roy Crockrum, and Paul Friddle.

333 Rhoda Ann Friddle, born Jan. 6, 1882 and died March 1962.
She married Andrew Ridenoure.

- 341 Edward Ridenoure
- 342 Christal Ridenoure
- 343 Jewel Ridenoure
- 344 Glenn Ridenoure
- 345 Ruby Ridenoure

334 Mary Ollie Friddle, born Dec. 31, 1878 and died May 24, 1956. She married four times and outlived every Husband. She was a very fussy housekeeper and she lived and died in Chester.
First marriage was to Mr. Ramuth, her second husband's name was Mr. Kaufman, third marriage was to Ike Collins and the fourth was Chester Reniff.

335 John Henry Friddle, born March 8, 1884 and died April 26, 1965. He married Eva Fry, she was born Dec. 18, 1882 and died Feb 27, 1953. She was married to Wood Baughman and had a son. "Henry" and Eva both are buried at the Chester cemetery. Henry use to operate an Ice house.

341 Alva H. Baughman, he died of food poisoning June 1974.

342 Guy Friddle, born May 28, 1915, and married Alma Weldon Carpenter on May 29, 1953. She had two children from her first marriage and Guy adopted them.

351 George Carpenter Friddle, born Nov. 5, 1945 and married Janet Hurt on Aug. 16, 1969.

I David Steward Friddle, born July 8, 1974

352 Margaret Ann Carpenter Friddle, born Feb. 15, 19--.
She married Stephen Holditch Jan. 9, 1971.

I can remember Uncle Henry and Aunt Eva. He was lean and tall where as she was about the opposite. I know she always could pile more kids on her lap that she did not have. Every one was fond of those two kind people and I will never forget either one of them.

Ref: Guy L. Friddle of 703 Maple St. Sweeny Texas.

- 336 Emerson Rosco Friddle, "Rosco", born Jan. 18, 1889 and died April 30, 1940. He married Flora Pace.
- 341 Fern Friddle, she died young in 1929. She was born Sept. 15, 1910 and died. Her middle name was Anita.
- 342 Faye Friddle, married Ollie Duskurt.
- 351 Raymond Gene Duskurt, born 1936 and died 1938.
- 352 Harold Dean Duskurt, born 1938 and married Eleanor Jo Kesterson.
- 353 Fount Sherman Duskurt, born 1940 and married Donna Davis.
- 354 Shirley Ann Duskurt, born 1946 and married David Barnett.
- 355 Carol Rose Duskurt, born 1950 and married Jerry Lynn McMullen.
- 337 Bessie Cecil Friddle, born Feb. 1, 1892 and died Nov. 4, 1971. She married Ora Brandenburg born Oct. 6, 1891 and he died July 4, 1944 and is the son of William H. Brandenburg, born 1864 and died 1935. His mother's name was Malissa, born 1866 and died 1934.
- 341 Wilma Louise Brandenburg, born Oct. 10, 1914 in Chester. She married E.J. Parks.
- 351 John Paul Parks
- 352 William Russell Parks
- 342 Blenden Brandenburg, born Jan. 19, 1916, he is the one who sent this information to me and is blind due to the wrong eye solution being placed in his eyes as a baby. He married on July 1942 to Oleta Stephens who was born in Missouri. He is employed at the U.S. Energy Research Center.
- 351 Stephen Brandenburg, born June 1943 and is married and has three children. He is a machinist.
- 352 Blenda Brandenburg, born May 1944 and is married and has three children.
- 343 Elfa "Toots" LeRoy Brandenburg, born June 18, 1918 in Guthrie, Okla. She married George Wilson
- 351 Ann Wilson
- 352 John Wilson
- 344 John William Dale Brandenburg, born Oct. 10, 1920 in Chester. He married Frieda Gaddis.
- 351 Robert Brandenburg
- 352 Debra Brandenburg
- 345 Leatrice Joh "Polly" Brandenburg, born Oct. 31, 1922 died Sep. 25, 1974 in Bartlesville Okla. She married John Von Gonten.

346 Russell Lee Brandenburg, born Aug. 19, 1926 in Bartlesville, Okla. He married Norma Jean Sikes

347 Norma Jeanette Brandenburg, born Aug. 25, 1930 in Bartlesville, Okla. She married F. Wayne Yates.

Blenden also works for Kiwanis, his brother works in the oil company. Wilma is a nurse and lives in Tulsa, Okla. Many relatives confused the one that is called "Toots" as Virginia Brandenburg. Toots is Elfa and Virginia is an aunt to Toots.

338 Willie "Bill" Ellis Friddle, born April 26, 1895 and died June 29, 1966. He married Minnie Pearl Pace on Sept. 16, 1933. She was born 1895 and died 1969. They had no children. She was the sister of Flora Pace. She was known as "Pearl", born Nov. 10, and died Sept. 16.

I can remember the time Uncle Bill visited us at Rosebud, Ark. He came with grandpa and grandma Friddle, I knew they had to go past the school, Liberty Hill, I watched all day for them but they never came. It was late in the evening when they did come Dad was doing farm chores and Uncle Bill hide behind the door to scare dad. It didn't work as dad figured he was up to no good. The next day dad went to show Bill the table rocks on Big Creek. Uncle Bill was afraid of heights so he laid down on his stomach and crawled to the edge to look down into the valley.

I have heard many relatives speak of Aunt Pearl. They always commented on what a beautiful young woman she had been. My uncle Bill was her second marriage.

Dessie Wright Friddle wrote the following of Aunt Pearl's final years. "You remember that Willie married a girl by the name of Pearl Pace. When he passed away she began to fail in health she was so forgetful and would go in the car all the time one Sunday the traffic was so thick one right behind the other. I saw her coming down the road. I had company, I said to them she is going to get hit, sure enough she started across the road and ran into a car, she did not hurt any body but damaged both cars. Faye lives at Malvern and came and got her, I heard yesterday they had put her away in a home and she did not know any of them." that was Feb. 7, 1969.

326 Charles Friddle, born 1858 in Illinois. He married Julia Stephens, the daughter of Orgill Stephens, born 1854 and died 1941.

331 Nora Friddle, was married to Pierce Leak the first time. Her second husband was Robert McConnell. She had one daughter by her first husband.

341 Mary Leak, she died young.

332 William Friddle, married Musie Cornellioux, they have six children.

341 Norman Friddle, he was killed in an oil field.

342 Pierce Friddle,

343 Raymond Friddle,

344 Garrett Friddle,

345 Rebia Friddle,

346 Nella Friddle,

333 Effie Friddle, was born Feb. 29, 1879 and died May 15, 1898.

334 Pearl Friddle, born Aug. 12, 1886 and died May 20, 1888

335 James Henry Friddle, born Feb. 4, and died Feb. 4, 1954. He married Dessie Wright in 1911.

341 Edna Pauline Friddle, lives in Fayetteville, Ark.

342 Joe Frank Friddle, born 1918 and is married to Irene Basham. Lives in Mountainburg and works at Van Buren.

351 Jimmie Lee Friddle, girl, born 1945.

352 Donna Joe Friddle, girl, born 1949.

The following information is from a letter that Dessie Friddle sent to me. She married James Friddle the son of Charlie and Julia.

"... Like you I would like to know more about the family. Uncle John and Grandpa Charles, and Aunt Mary and Grandma Julia was borned in same town, Fredrick, Schuyler County, Illinois. This information came from Don W. Runkle, Schuyler County Clerk, Rushville, Ill. Their records appears in Bible record Sodian Territory a time before they came to Crawford Co. Arkansas.

Uncle Calvin Stephens and wife Nancy lived and raised their family at Stillwell, Okla. I know of one daughter she is in bad health and I haven't heard from her in along time. Her name is Dora Stephen Littlejohn."

"Dessie continued "Yes, Jim was my husband, was a wonderful man. he has passed away now. I live all alone would like to hear from you any time."

That was dated Feb. 7, 1969 and has since passed away.

336 Walter Friddle, he married Alice McCublin and they had two children.

341 Alma Friddle

342 Eugene Friddle

337 Stella Friddle, she married Hugh Hammersley.

341 Mildred Hammersley, she married Grey Wafford and have three children

351 Edward,

352 Mary Jane,

353 Nancy,

342 Hugh Hammersley Jr.

338 Ella Friddle, she married Clyde Denton

339 Georgia Friddle, she married Henry Shepherd (his history begins on page 99).

341 Dorothy Jean Shepherd

342 Dottie Shepherd

On page 101 Dorothy and Dottie will be under the code number of 651 and 652 respectfully, this is because the the Shepherd code is 600 and they would be the fifth generation according to my history records, of the Shepherd.

33-10 Charley Friddle, he married Mable Tombleson.

341 Thelma Friddle

342 Barbara Friddle

MRS. DESSIE FRIDDLE

"Mrs. Dessie Friddle, 80 years old of Mountainburg died Saturday Nov. 18 in a Van Buren nursing home.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Pauline Wheeler of Fayetteville; a son, Joe Friddle of Mountainburg; a brother, Frank Wright of Mountainburg; four grandchildren.

Funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Mountainburg Freewill Baptist Church. Burial in Conley Cemetery was by Nelson Funeral Home of Fayetteville."

ALBERT FRIDDLE

"Albert Friddle, 71 years old of Chester died Sunday, Dec. 3, at the home of a son, Jerry Friddle, 811 Hynes, Van Buren.

A native of Chester, he was born July 26, 1901, the son of Curtis and Irene Ridenoure Friddle and was a retired Frisco railroad engineer. He was a member of the Chester Masonic lodge and Order of Eastern Star and had been a justice of the peace in Crawford County for 30 years.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Helen (Barton) Friddle; Four daughters, Mrs. Kathleen Whitney of Maryville, Mo., Mrs. Faye Hahan of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, Mrs. Ruth Laws of Wapato, Wash. and Mrs. Frieda Louisanonto of Myrtle Creek, Ore.; two sons, Jerry Friddle of Van Buren and Paul Friddle of Chester; a sister Mrs. Mary Kassen of Springfield, Mo.; 23 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Funeral Service was held at Trinity Episcopal Church at 1 p.m. Wednesday. Thad Rudd, former vicar of Trinity Church officiated. Burial in Vaught Cemetery was by Ocker Funeral Home.

Casket bearers were Joe Shaffer Jr., Roy Cockrum, Bob Morgan, Earl Wilcox, Harold Bains and Russell Matthews.

Honorary Pallbearers were Elmer Watson, Shelton Harrison, Milton Willis and Doe Shaffer."

Dessie's family is on page 82 by the code no., 335 and Albert Friddle's history begins on page 76 with the code number of 341.

RECORD OF SERVICE IN CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS

**Served:

- a. From 7/8/35 to 10/30/35, under War Dept. at Co., 3777, CCC. West Fork, Arkansas.
 Type of work Labor *Manner of performance Satisfactory *C.P.P.*
- b. From 10/30/35 to 1/14/36, under War Dept. at Co., 3777, CCC. Little Rock, Arkansas.
 Type of work Labor *Manner of performance Satisfactory *C.P.P.*
- c. From _____ to _____, under _____ Dept. at _____
 Type of work _____ *Manner of performance _____
- d. From _____ to _____, under _____ Dept. at _____
 Type of work _____ *Manner of performance _____
- e. From _____ to _____, under _____ Dept. at _____
 Type of work _____ *Manner of performance _____

Remarks: Ratings: None. Allotment of \$25.00 per month to Mrs. Sarah Friddle,
Chester, Arkansas. The Project Superintendent, Mr. G. W. L. Armour, makes
the following estimate of enrollee Friddle as a workman: "Enrollee Arthur D.
Friddle was considered a good workman while stationed at this location."

Discharged: January 14, 1936 at Co. 3777, CCC, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Transportation furnished from None Involved. to _____

Collins R. Perry
 COLLINS R. PERRY, 1st. Lt. Inf-Regt

* Use words "Excellent", "Satisfactory", or "Unsatisfactory".
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FRANKLIN FRIDDLE'S W.W. II VENTURES

The following is Frank's own description of his service records.

"I went into the Army the 7 of Dec. 1942 from Susanville, Calif. I was assigned to the 84th Division at Camp Hood, Texas. I was a member at the Mine Aid Demolition Squad, I trained in Texas, Louisiana and then I was transferred to Fort Dix N.J. there I joined the 86th Div., we left the U.S.A. the 1st of Jan. 1944. Landed in Casablanca, North Africa, Jan. 9, 1944, I took 6 weeks of invasion training at Oran North Africa, there we left there and landed in Naples, Italy. Frieda, I am sending you a press release that I got from the Fifth Army H.Q. the letter and clipping will give you more details. The 337th Regiment was my outfit my job was laying mine, disarming booby traps and blowing up pillboxes. I was wounded in the left hip by shrapnel in about the last part of the war. My high rank was Sergeant. I was discharged in Nov. 1945." This letter was dated Dec. 27, 1966.

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PRESS RELEASE

FOR SIMULTANEOUS RELEASE AT FIFTH ARMY AND ROME

WITH COMMUNIQUE OF 8 OCTOBER 1944

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY ---- Although they have been in Italy only seven months, the officers and men of the 337th Infantry Regiment are skilled veterans of the Italian campaign. In that comparatively short time they have, with other units of Lieutenant General Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army, smashed the Gustav and Hitler lines and captured Rome. More recently, the 337th has been among the leading elements in Fifth Army's new offensive against the Gothic defenses.

Recently the regiment has been clawing its way over some of the toughest terrain in Italy - the three and four thousand foot forested peaks near the Futa Pass. Once more, mules packed supplies up to the GIs, who were fighting rains and high, cold winds as well as fanatical Germans entrenched in the rocks. The 337th has seen a lot of war and a lot of Italy in its seven months with the Fifth Army.

The regiment was formed in 1942 of men from all over America, though more came from Pennsylvania than any other state. After a year's training at Camp Shelby, Mississippi, and Desert Training Center California, with the 85th "Custer" Division, of which it is a part, the unit came to North Africa in January 1944. For six weeks it was toughened up for Italy at the Fifth Army's original Invasion Training Center near Oran, where lessons learned from Salerno to Cassino by the 3rd, 45th, 34th and

other famous Fifth Army Divisions were taught the men of the 337th and other units of the 85th

Arriving in Italy in March, the regiment went into the line on April 13, in the Minturno sector while the Fifth Army was organizing its spring offensive. As that drive got under way, the 337th had its first and hardest battle when it moved on Tremensuoli in the Gustav Line on 12 May. The unit lost nearly one fourth of its total casualties in Italy in that fierce engagement but it showed what it is made of, winning all of its objectives and cracking the vaunted line at a vital point.

During this battle, the men of G Company captured a hill which guarded a corps objective and hung on for three days and nights, repelling desperate German counterattacks almost continually until they were down to eighteen men and remnants of two other companies. General Clark cited the entire company for this heroic stand which enabled the attack to continue on that part of the front. The company's commander, Captain Curt Brandenstein of Del Rio, Texas, was awarded the Silver Star for his gallantry in that action.

Again, at the Hitler Line, the 337th proved its mettle when it participated all the way in the famous "Battle of the Cemetery", a bloody, 72-hour struggle before Terracina. Victory there for Fifth Army forces was a decisive factor in breaking the Hitler Line.

Throughout the month of May the regiment continued its vigorous offensive tactics in the swift drive on Rome, fighting continuously in the front lines, killing and capturing Germans, as it drove the enemy north up through the Apennines.

In this period, the work of the unit was marked almost daily by extraordinary achievements by individual men in its ranks -- feats which have brought the regiment over 300 Bronze Stars and 75 Silver Stars and many other awards in its few months of combat.

When his platoon was pinned down near Terracina, Technical Sergeant Drayton Norwood, of St. Augustine, Texas, went on a personal rampage. Advancing into enemy positions alone, he killed seven Germans in seven shots, routed and chased fifteen others until he had killed three more and captured two, freeing his entire platoon. In the same sector, Private First Class Marvin M. Doolin, of Daville, Virginia, took over the offensive himself for a day, killing seven Germans and capturing ten others during lone attacks on an enemy mortar section and an OP. Sergeant (then Private) George L. Maxwell, of Wilmington Delaware, single-handedly neutralized two enemy pillboxes, killing four krauts and capturing three. Wounded in this action, he continued on to wipe out a German dugout. Each of these men has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

Occasionally a gang of men such as these got together in the 337th and really took the bull by the horns. Such a gang was Company I, commanded by Captain Robert White, of Brooklyn, New York. At one point in the Rome drive they captured a regimental objective themselves, winning five Silver Stars in the process. A few days later, one of the Company I men, Private First Class Howard Baum, of Downingtown, Pennsylvania, achieved the ambition of many on infantrymen which he surprised the crew of one of the Germans' hated 88s, killed two and wounded two more in a short fight and captured the gun intact. He was awarded the Silver Star.

But none of the GIs stood out more in the 337th's drive up Italy than an officer, Major Arnold L. Sanders, of Burlington, North Carolina. Placed temporarily in command of the 1st Battalion in May, he was soon injured, but though his arm never out of a sling he stayed in the field every day to lead his unit and capture several vital objectives in the victorious advance to Rome. Major Sanders was awarded the Silver Star for his courageous action.

The men behind such men as these in the 337th are as good. The supply services turned in an outstanding job, delivering food and ammunition on day and night runs with record efficiency to keep the regiment rolling. The transportation crews of the outfit are well represented by Sargeant Rolland J. O'Connor, of Pence, Nebraska, Company M's motor sargeant, on his own initiative he set up a driving and motor maintenance school, teaching his drivers everything from mountain driving technique to map reading and camouflage. In the battle pay off, not one of his vehicles failed, and his drivers have won high praise from both officers and men for their outstanding performances. Sargeant O'Connor has recently been awarded the Legion of Merit by Allied Force Headquarters.

Above Rome, the 337th Regiment continued to chase the retreating German's north, being relieved, with the 85th, on 10 June, WHEN the 1st Battalion, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel August R. Schmidt, of Chicago, Illinois, was near Viterbo.

After a well-earned rest, the unit, which is commanded by Colonel Oliver W. Hughes, of Memphis, Tennessee, returned to the front lines in August. Taking a key place in the Fifth Army front, it crossed the Arno and headed up into the mountains of the Gothic Line. Recently the men of the regiment, who are known as "Wolverines", after the emblem of the World War I unit, which was formed in Michigan, captured Mount Pratone, over 3,000 feet of rugged, forested slopes. A vital point in the Gothic defenses, the Germans had constructed concrete pillboxes and elaborate protective works at every point of advantage. The veterans of the 337th rooted the krauts out one by one and took over. They've done it before and they're doing it again.

COMBAT DECORATION IS AWARDED CONWAY MAN FIGHTING IN ITALY

From Monday's Daily:

With the Fifth Army, Italy _____ (by mail) _____

Pfc. Frank T. Friddle, whose home is on Route 2, Conway, Ark., has been cited by his regiment of the 85th "Custer" division and awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for actual participation in combat with the enemy on the Fifth Army front in Italy.

Standards for the badge are high. The decoration, which was recently authorized by the war department, is awarded to the Infantry soldier who has proved his fighting ability in combat. The handsome badge consists of a Silver Rifle set against a background of Infantry Blue, enclosed in a silver wreath.

CONWAY SOLDIER SERVES IN FAMOUS "WOLVERINE" REGIMENT IN ITALY

With the Fifth Army, Italy. _____ (By mail) _____

Pfc. Frank T. Friddle, son of Mrs. Sarah Friddle, Route 2, Conway, Ark., is a member of the 337th "Wolverine" Regiment which recently took 3,000-foot Mt. Pratone in the Gothic Line, digging German soldiers out of elaborate concrete pillboxes and earthworks on its forested slopes. The 337th Infantry Regiment is in the 85th "Custer" Division, part of the Fifth Army in Italy.

Its first was its toughest battle. The regiment won all its objectives when it struck out for Tremensuoli in the Gustav Line last May 12, but in this battle lost a quarter of all the casualties it has suffered in seven months of warfare in Italy. At this time, one Company captured a hill and held it against desperate German counter attacks for three days and nights, its numerical strength dwindling in this period to 18.

The 337th fought and won a bloody 72-hour battle before Terracina, playing a key role in rupture of the Hitler line. They moved on through Rome, across the Tiber river and up to Viterbo. The "Wolverines" went back into line to pierce the Gothic Line at one of its most formidable points. They have been in combat steadily since. Struggling forward through the towering mountains that separate Florence from Bologna, overcoming great obstacles made of mud, rain, wind and cold living and fighting on the meager supplies mules and men can carry up to them on their backs.

INFANTRY MAN PROMOTED

With the Fifth Army, Italy _____ (By mail) _____

Pfc. Frank T. Friddle, son of Mrs. Sarah Friddle, who live on Route 2, Conway, Ark., has been promoted to Corporal on that Fifth Army front in Italy. He is a Squad Leader with the 337th "Wolverine" Infantry Regiment of the 85th "Custer" division.

PASSED BY THE FIELD PRESS CENSOR

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HEADQUARTERS 337th INFANTRY, APO # 85, U.S. ARMY, 8 October 1944.
TO: Each Officer and Enlisted Man, 337th Infantry Regiment. It is with great pride that I forward this brief report of your outstanding accomplishments. There is still much fighting to be done before the Nazis are defeated. proceed with the same determination, vigor and team work and no enemy can stop you. Congratulations and good luck.

O. W. HUGHES,
Colonel, 337th Infantry,
Commanding.

CONWAY SOLDIER IS DECORATED IN ITALY

With the Fifth Army, Italy. _____ (By mail) _____

Sgt. Frank T. Friddle of Conway, Ark., recently was awarded the Bronze Star medal for heroic achievement in action in Italy.

He served on the Fifth Army front in Anti-tank Company, 337th "Wolverine" Regiment, 85 "Custer" division.

His mother, Mrs. Sarah Friddle, lives on Route 2, Conway.

RAY FRIDDLE'S SERVICE ADVENTURES

The following letter is from Ray himself about his time in World War II, that he wrote to me dated December 1967 and interwoven with his letter of March 1975 to me. After reading more about the war and of his venture I became intrigued with his adventures and persuaded him to give me more details.

"I know I can't remember all about this but I will try. I was inducted in Little Rock, Arkansas, Nov. 17, 1943. I had twenty one days then before I had to report for active duty, so on Dec. 8, I reported for active duty at Camp Robertson, Arkansas. I only stayed three days there and was sent to Camp Shelby, Mississippi. There I was placed with the Sixty Fifth Division - 261st Inf. Med. Det. I began my training as a first aide man. After my basic training I was attached to G Company; then I went out and trained with the Inf. After about thirteen months of this, orders came that the whole Div., was moving, so that was a big move. We moved to Camp Shanks, New York, for only a few days, then on Jan. 10, 1954 we climbed up the gang plank and boarded the Ship USS LaJune. I never heard of this ship before or since - maybe the barancles ate it up. This ship at one time belonged to the British and was a luxury liner, but it was every thing but, when we got on. Anyway we were on board twelve days and finally docked at LeHavre, France. Oh, Yes, we were in a storm that lasted three days and nights. I thought the ship would turn up side down, but it made it ok.

After docking we loaded onto trucks. There were so many on each truck with all of our gear we had to stand up for what seemed about forty miles to Camp Lucky Strike, France. Arriving there we had a surprise. We had to pitch tents on top of frozen snow and mud. We were issued wooden legged canvas cots to sleep on.

When the snow melted, well the cot sunk to the bottom. That was a mess! There was about thirty or forty of us in each tent. We was issued one steel helmet full of coal per each tent to last a day and night. It sounds crazy but we was not allowed to have a fire at night, and we were on hikes each day. The only stove that we had was about 4 or 5 inches in diameter, and the stove pipe was made out of tin cans. The stove was about two feet tall.

We put up with that 28 days and then we moved up to the front lines which was at that time was at the Saar River. The river divided France and Germany. We crossed this river at a town name Saarlautern (now Saarlouis). That was the first taste of real combat for me. This was a part of the Siegfried Line. From there we moved through many small villages. For a long time I wrote many of the names of towns we past through, but I have lost them now, so I'll have to skip the most of them. Anyway,

we moved on toward the Rhine River. After we crossed it we turned toward Austria. That involved crossing the Danube River which is a narrow river, but it took approximately 14 hours to cross as it was kind of rough. Then we moved on into a town, I am not sure how the German spell this name either, but it sounds like this, Geesemar.

About 22 of us went into this small village which was near Passau. We were suppose to take three villages that night. We got into Geesemar and we ran into more trouble than they thought was there. It was near sundown when we got there. We stay at Geesemar that night and the village was situated about like chester, Ark., (in a valley). The Germans dropped paratroopers sometime that night. They moved down in town. We tried to leave the next morning but the Germans surrounded us, so we couldn't get back to where our Company was. We had to take cover in nearby buildings, to do so we had to cross a bridge, dashed one at a time. When I started across the bridge the Germans were firing. Two of our guys were wounded the B.A.R. man and his ammo carrier. The quickest way for me to get out of sight was to jump off the bridge and I landed on a hard object and hurt my feet.

Two of our guys went down the railroad track and made it back to our company somehow. They notified them that we were surrounded by Germans. It took our company and two other companies to get us out of there. Three days later I was taken to the 32nd Evac. hospital in France. My feet were X-rayed, there were no broken bones, just bruises. The bridge was only about 10 to 12 feet high. Since my injury was minor, I returned back to my Company after a few days, I had asked to be returned.

Well, the war was near its end by then. So we moved into Austria through Linns and Enns and on to a small village name Kornstorf. There we met the Russians at the Enns River. Then the War in Europe was over.

Before I forget my outfit served in the 3rd Army under Gen. George S. Patton, commonly known as 'Blood & Guts'. I have heard how he got that name. He had a saying 'with your blood and my guts we can whip the world'.

I'll back up a little here to the crossing of the Danube River. I forgot, when we finely crossed we were told of the death of President Roosevelt. I was told I had made another rating, Technician 5th class. I don't know what ever happened to the town of Geesemar. I don't know if it was destroyed or if it is still there.

As Medical Technician 5th class my duties consisted of; give first aid treatment to combat troops in France, Germany and Austria with the 65th Division, 261st Infantry; Applied leg and arm splints, administered medications and injections and directed walking wounded troops to battalion aid station; Prepared emergency medical tags for each wounded man; Applied

tourniquets to control bleeding, bandaged wounds and administered wound tablets.

There is not too much left to say other than my Awards so here they are:

Citation for Bravery, this was for staying with a wounded buddy for a few hours under a bombed out railroad bridge and gave him first aid, while the rest of the outfit went out searching for more Germans. I was set back to France for injury and recieved the Purple heart.

Other awards included; COMBAT MEDICAL BADGE, GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, WORLD WAR II VICTORY RIBBON, AMERICAN THEATER RIBBON, EAME THEATER RIBBON and TWO BRONZE SERVICE STARS (Battles & Campaigns Rhineland and Central Europe).

I was discharged April 21st 1946, Easter Sunday, at Camp Chaffee Arkansas."

At the end of this letter Ray made another statement which amused me some. "I often wonder how big the pile of coal has got by now in Camp Lucky Strike."

A brief explanation concerning the Siegfried Line is the Germans westwall during World War II. Adolf Hitler built this belt of defensive fortifications along the western border of Germany before and during the War. It stretched more than 350 miles from Basel, Switzerland to about 60 miles north of Aachen. After the war it was dismantled and destroyed.

- 900 ARGILL STEPHEN, was born 1810, married Nancy Tungate (1310 code no.), on January 10, 1838. She was born 1822. Her data will be found on page
They lived in Bainbridge Township, Rushville, Illinois, or around this town, on the Illinois River area.
They had six children.
- 910 MARY JANE STEPHEN, (Argill¹), she married JOHN RILEY FRIDDLE, (320 code no.), Oct. 6, 1870 in Rushville, Ill. She was born Aug. 25, 1852, and died Dec. 11, 1936. She was a very fussy housekeeper and she also lead the singing at her husband's church services. For this family data see page
- 911 Calvin Stephens, was born 1845. He married Nancy Stevens. They had two children.
- 921 Albert Stphens, he died in 1966 from complications following surgery.
- 922 Dora Stephens, she lives in Stillwater, Okla. She married () Littlejohn. She has, in recent years been very ill.
- 912 Elias Stephen, no other information available, other than 1847 the year of birth.
- 913 Kizia Stephens, no other information available, other than born in the year of 1849.
- 914 Julia Stephens, born 1855 and died 1941. She married Charlie Friddle. For this family information it begins on page
- 915 Maro Stephens, was born 1859, no other information.

Ref: 1860 Illinois Census; Mrs. W.R. Bastall, Chester, Ark., and Dessie Wright Friddle, Mountainburg, Ark.

- 1300 JOHN TUNGATE, was perhaps an Indian and he had a daughter. So far no other proven records can be found concerning this family.
- 1310 NANCY TUNGATE, was born 1822, and married ARGILL STEPHEN, (900 code no.). They were married January 10, 1838. Nancy was only 16 years of age and the consent of her father was required for the license, they lived in Bainbridge Twp., Schuyler County, Illinois. According to the 1860 Census records they had at least six children. That information will begin on page

From the pages of history comes many facts concerning the Indians. They were not all mean fighting dangerous people but in general a warm and family type personality.

These people were the first arrivals in the Western Hemisphere, centuries before the first Europeans discovered the Americas. Columbus thought he had reached India, he called the inhabitants of the New World, Indians. Today, to avoid confusion, the native people of the Americas are generally called American Indians.

It is generally believed that the ancestors of the Indians came from Asia. They were excellent farmers, hunters, builders, craftsmen and in general self sufficient.

Indian family life was especially intimate and affectionate. Often a large number of people lived in one household -- grandparents, parents and several uncles or aunts, all with their families. Children began very early to do light work. By the age of eight, boys were following the men and helping in their tasks, and girls were learning from the older women. Parents usually arranged their children's marriages. If there were more girls than men in the group two girls might marry one man, for the Indians could not imagine a woman living alone with no man to look after her.

Ref: 1860 Illinois Census; The American Educator Encyclopedia.

VARIOUS TUNGATE INFORMATION

There is very little information that I could get on the surname of Tungate. I have records of a John Tungate but can not prove it is my ancestor, John Tungate married in 1819 of Nelson Co., Ky. According to records he must have been under 21 years old as his mother, Anne Tungate, signed the consent.

There was a Robert Tungate from either Virginia or Kentucky also.

I have records of Elizabeth Tungate from a descendant, Betty Stevens.

I- Elizabeth Tungate, born April 3, 1816 in Ky. and died Dec. 5, 1899 in Sumner Co., Kansas. She married Dennis Metz, born June 9, 1814 in Ky. and died Nov. 24, 1878 in Sumner Co., Kan.

a- Clinton Metz, born 1840 in McDonough Co. Ill. and died 1921 in Kansas. He married Lydia Fordsman, who died 1869.

1- Charles Piatt Metz, born 1867 in Ill. and died 1952 in Kansas.

b- Charlie Metz, he died in Arkansas.

c- Liza Metz, she married () Fulton and resided in Texas.

d- Sylvester Metz,

e- Sarah Metz, she married () Webb and died in Kansas.

f- Iowa or Jane Metz, records are not clear concerning that name.

g- Georgianna Metz, she married () Bolin.

"FOR GRANDMA WITH LOVE"

By: Sue Rockenstein

We laid Grandma Shepherd to rest
today--beside a tall old tree
On top of Shepherd Mountain
where she is meant to be
Beside the man that she had loved
So many years ago--
The father of her children
She had ten of them you know.

We climbed the mountain slowly,
The people she had loved.
The leafy green branches met
And formed an arch above.
And as we slowly moved on up
Up closer to the sky.
So memories came back
Of all the years gone by.

Stories about the people
In these mountains she called 'home'
Thru the many years she lived there
And never left to roam.
Some happy times-- I've seen her laugh
Laugh until she cried.
Some sad times to of people she loved
Who had long ago died.

A handsome youn brother
Who died of a fever she said
(She always wondered just what it had been)
In the arms of the girl
He planned to marry
She never forgot him
And never stopped grieving.

We grand kids used to tease her
Trying to make her tell
How young she had been
When she was first a bride.
But she never did confess her age
At the time when she was wed
No matter how often we tried
She always never said.

'I was a pretty girl' she said
'Brown eyes--dark curly hair'
And even after all the years
Her beauty still was there.

Grandpa at his sawmill--
How hard they all worked then--
Her first 'Morning Glory' cook stove
How proud she must have been.

One of her fondest memories
She often would recall
Was of all of her children
Lined up when they were small
At the table for supper
To wait till grace was said
And all their eager faces
When mother passed the bread.

Behind a womanly gentle smile
Grandma hid a (very) strong will
She generally always got her way
I suspect she always will.
She expected the worst to happen
The sky was going to fall!
But when something terrible happened
She was the calmest of us all.

She was a hard little worker
She worked till the job was through
But was not content just working herself
She made sure we kept busy too.

She always favored the men folks
In a quaint old fashioned way.
And when dinner was on the table
She would always say
'Let the men folks eat first and so
I smile now as I remember how
The fellows used to glow.

Her family was her life
She loved her children--everyone--
And the heart of the mother was broken
When she lost a little son.
Now nestled with faded pictures
In her cedar chest we find
His shoes-- a little wooden wagon
With which he used to play
'A gentle boy' she said
'Who used to kneel and pray'

We didn't really bury her because right now I see
So much of her in all of us and children yet to be.
I leave this mountain peacefully because I know somehow
That grandma wants to be here and she's smiling at us now."

Dedicated to Mrs. Ollie Shepherd by her granddaughter Sue Rock-
enstein.

600 JOHN SHEPHERD, "Old Jack", he married ELIZABETH SMITH
(2200 code no.)

611 James Shepherd, born 1805 in Va. and married Hannah ?
She was born 1808 in Tenn.

- 621 Uriah Shepherd, born 1830 in Ark.
- 622 Gabrel M. Shepherd, born in 1832 in Ark.
- 623 Susan Shepherd, born 1834 in Ark.
- 624 John Shepherd, born 1836 in Ark.
- 625 Elizabeth Shepherd, born 1838 in Ark.
- 626 James Shepherd, born 1839 in Ark.
- 627 Catherine Shepherd, born 1840 in Ark.

612 Mary Polly Shepherd, born 1810 about in Ala. She married
Isham Wright, born 1811, about, in Jackson, Co., Ala.

- 621 James Wright, born July 3, 1830 and married 1st, Maria
Marler; 2nd to Sarah Lester.
- 622 William B. Wright, born about 1832 and married Rebecca
Monney.
- 623 Elizabeth Wright, born about 1836 and married 1st. to
() Peters; second to HENDERSON BANKINS (410 code no.)
- 624 John B. Wright, born Jan. 17, 1836 and married Elizabeth
Rebecca Dyer.
- 625 Melinda Wright, born April 27, 1840 and married Jom-
eph Neeley.
- 626 Telman B. Wright, born about 1841
- 627 Andrew J. "Spike" Wright, born about 1843 and married
Martha Emily Dyer.
- 628 Thomas J. Wright, born about 1848.
- 629 Martha Wright, born Nov. 6, 1849 and married William
Beller. This is a twin.
- 62-10 Mary Wright, born Nov. 6, 1849 and married James
Alexander Edwards.

613 John "Young Jack" Shepherd, born about 1813 in Ala. He
married Mona Wright, she was born about 1814 in Ala.

- 621 Martha Shepherd, born about 1830. Note: she may have
been a sister to Young Jack as the records were
not clear.
- 622 Elizabeth Shepherd, born 1833 in Ala.
- 623 Polly Shepherd, born 1835 in Ala.
- 624 William Shepherd, born 1838 in Ala.
- 625 George Shepherd, born 1841 in Ala.
- 626 Nancy Shepherd, born 1842 in Ark.
- 627 Thomas Shepherd, born 1848 in Ark.
- 628 Nelson Shepherd, born 1852 in Ark.
- 629 Gabral Shepherd, born 1856 in Ark.

The following pages will concern "Old Jack's" other son who is
my ancestor.

610 WILLIAM SHEPHERD, (John¹) born 1807 in Ala. and died 1862. He married SARAH "Sally" PETERS (1800), born 1810 in Tennessee.

620 ELIZABETH SHEPHERD, (William², John¹), she was born 1829 and died in 1863, she was buried in Alma, Ark. She married HENDERSON CLARK RANKIN (#10). This family information will begin on page, 122.

621 Henry Shepherd, born 1839

622 James A. Shepherd, born 1832 and died young.

623 Thomas Shepherd, born April 14, 1843 and married Elvera Bruton.

631 Tommie Shepherd, born 1877 and died 1899

632 Louis Shepherd, born 1879 and died 1956

633 Jim Shepherd

634 Nancy Shepherd, born 1871

635 Melisa Shepherd, born 1885

636 Amanda "Mandy" Shepherd, born 1874.

637 Sarah Ann Shepherd, born Mar. 1875 and died 1962 she married Dec. 16, 1894 to Augustus W. Backs, born 1873. Sarah's poem that she wrote about her grandmother is on page

638 Katherine Shepherd, born 1881 and died 1956

639 Lucy Shepherd, no other information.

Possible two others who died in infancy.

624 Silas Shepherd, born 1844 and married Martha Evans.

631 Billy Shepherd, he married a () Tillery.

632 Dillard Shepherd, married Lora Ellen Tillery, he died 1950.

633 Elmer Shepherd,

634 Vernie or Vinnie Shepherd,

635 Sallie or Sadie Shepherd

636 Mary Shepherd

637 Dora Shepherd

625 William Press Shepherd, born 1851. He married 1st, to Martha Rush; 2nd to Susan Mullins.

631 1st, George Shepherd, married Melissa Poor

632 1st, Pleasant Uriah Shepherd, born Sept. 11, 1874 and married Ollie Mullins. He was a Justice of the Peace.

641 Hoyt Shepherd, he married Leota Sledge

642 Doyle Shepherd, he married Jewel Barnett

643 Evelyn Shepherd, she married Bob Russell; 2nd to Claude Batchelor

651 Thelma Russell.

644 Erma Shepherd, she married 1st Robert Sebourn; 2nd to () Wagner.

- 645 Holly Shepherd, she married Kenneth Wilbanks
 646 Naomi Shepherd, she married () Scantling
 647 Cleston Shepherd, died young.
 648 George Shepherd, he married (records not clear)
- 651 Glen Shepherd, he married Wilma Moore
 I Roy Shepherd,
 1 James Michael Shepherd
 2 Roy Shepherd Jr.
 3 Susan Marie Shepherd, married Jim Rankin Feb 11, 1881. One of them died Feb 16, 1914.
 4 Donna Lynn Shepherd
 II James H. Shepherd
 1 Troy Shepherd
 2 Kimberly Shepherd
 III Billy J. Shepherd
 IV. Donald R. Shepherd
 V Linda Jane Shepherd
- 649 Henry Shepherd, married Georgia Friddle
- 651 Dorothy Jean Shepherd
 652 Dottie Shepherd
- 64-10 Sidney Shephard, girl, and is a twin to Henry.
 She married Argil Hooten
- 633 1st, Peter Shepherd, he married Sarah Vaught
 634 1st, Thomas V. Shepherd, he married Mildred Wheatley.
 Mildred was married before to George Henry Sharp
 and she had three children by him; George Henry Jr.,
 William Rex, and Grady Max, he married Alma Seratt.
- 641 Richard Shepherd, he married Ethel Hudson.
 642 Jack Shepherd, he married Ruth LaTora.
 643 Martha Virginia Shepherd, she married Randall
 Harrison
 644 Ruby June Shepherd, she married Harold Davis.
 645 Norma Ruth Shepherd, she married Charles T. Izell.
- 635 1st, Will Shepherd, he married Maggie Jordan.
 636 1st, Albert Frank Shepherd, born 1890 and died May 11, 1967. He married Pearl Perdue.
 637 1st, Cassie Shepherd, married John Summers
 638 1st, Melissa Caroline Shepherd, born 1879 and died 1947. She married George Jordan.
 639 2nd, Dow Shepherd, married Bertha Cunningham.
 63-10 2nd, Mark Shepherd, married Jule Shields
 63-11 2nd, Silas Shepherd, married Jule Willbanks
 63-12 2nd, Jake Shepherd, married Dorothy ()
 63-13 2nd, Fred Shepherd, he died young
 63-14 2nd, Elizabeth Shepherd, she married Green Fairchild
 63-15 2nd, Malinda Shepherd, she married Marvin Newman.
 63-16 2nd, Lucy Shepherd, married () Wilson
 63-17 2nd, Ila Shepherd, died young.
 63-18 2nd, Ola Shepherd, (girl) died young.
 63-19 2nd, Martha Shepherd, married Lou Hoskins.

- 626 Uriah Shepherd, born 1854 (Mar. 8) and died April 29, 1907. He married Jane Harrison.
- 631 George Shepherd, born 1881 and married Rosy Livingstone.
 632 Willis Shepherd, born Aug. 18, 1883 and married Myrtle Sloan.
 633 Tom Shepherd, born mar. 18, 1894 and married Jesse Campbell.
 634 Eli Shepherd, born 1893 and married 1st, Bertha E. Woods; 2nd, Leola Barker.
 635 John L. Shepherd, born 1898 and married Elvira Wilson.
 641 Lawana Shepherd, she married () Kendschi.
 636 Susan Shepherd, born 1878 and married George Mullins.
 637 Sarah Shepherd, born 1879 and married George Covart
 638 Lucretia "Cresia" Shepherd, born 1884 and married
 She died 1898.
 639 Florence Shepherd, born Mar. 5, 1888 and married William Bowles. She died Dec. 20, 1959.
 63-10 Mandy Shepherd, born Mar. 5, 1888 and married Lon Rickman.
 63-11 Sela Shepherd, girl, born 1890 and married Arthur Harries.
 63-12 Bell Shepherd, born 1895 and married Oliver woods
 63-13 Mary Alvie Shepherd, born Jan. 29, 1897 and died Feb. 22, 1941. She married () * Drummond.
 63-14 Edna Shepherd, born 1900 and married () Drummond.
 63-15 Fannie Shepherd, born June 16, 1902 and died July 1, 1910
- 627 Mary Shepherd, was born 1847 and married James Mullins.
- 631 George Theodore Mullins, born (records not clear).
 He married Susan Shepherd.
 632 W. Robert "Bob" Mullins, born Mar. 28, 1871 and died Aug. 28, 1923. He married Annie Walls.
 634 Ben Mullins, he married Hannah Wagley.
 635 Frank Mullins, married Martha Rooks
 636 Miles Mullins, married Ada Howell.
 637 Sol Mullins, married Oly Howell.
 638 Claude Mullins
 639 Ann Mullins, married James Combs.
 63-10 Fannie Mullins, married Henry Thomas
 63-11 Hettie Mullins, married Noah Wright.
 63-12 Lettie Mullins, married () Vanderlong.
 633 Clint Mullins, married Effie Rush. Note: this was omitted from above.
- 628 Susannah Shepherd, born 1841 and married William "Bill" Lale
 631 Sadie Lale
 632 Mary Lale, she married John Henry Evans.

- 629 Catherine Shepherd, born 1836 and married Barnett C. Conley (C. means Cheatham), he was born July 20, 1828 and died Feb. 1917.
- 631 William M. "Bill" Conley, born Mar. 13, 1854 and married Mary S. Neeley.
- 632 Mason Stokes Conley, born Nov. 30, 1857 and married 1st, Catherine Winn. I have his name as Moses Or Mace also. These may or may not be nicknames.
- 633 Charles Conley
- 634 Sarilda Conley, girl, born 1853 and married Jacob Vaught.
- 635 Julie Ann Conley, born Nov. 17, 1855 and married Gearheart ().
- 62-10 Nancy Shepherd, born 1850 and married William Parker.
- 631 Henry Parker
- 632 Ben Parker, he married Sarpita Vaught.
- 633 James Parker, he married Renie Campbell.
- 634 Peter Parker, he married Rosie Jackson.
- 635 Ervin Parker, he married () Doss.
- 636 Sally Parker, she married Joe Larnce.
- 637 Rosa Parker, she married Bill Gregory.
- 638 Pearl Parker, she married John Woods.
- 62-11 Matilda Shepherd, born 1834 and married Joseph Larnce.
- 631 Thomas Larnce, he married () Peters.
- 632 Nancy Larnce, she married Gregory Shell.
- 633 Jane Larnce, she married Jerry Kidd.
- 634 Ann Larnce, she married Charley Lewis.

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE VARIOUS SHEPHERDS.

Press and Ollie Mullins Shepherd had a large family all born in Chester, Arkansas in Crawford, County. They all went to Chester School and grew up there also. Both are buried at the Bidville cemetery where many of the Shepherds are buried.

Fannie Pense who is related to the early Shepherds writes that William who settled at Shepherd Springs is the first in the area. His wife of Cherokee lineage and her father was the first to be buried at the old Vaught Cemetery. They built a cabin by the Springs and later their son, Jack, built one. A great aunt of Fannie Pense, Elizabeth Wright, married Henderson C. Rankin who lived at Shepherd Spring during the Civil War. Tom Shepherd lived there too.

The following information is about Glen Shepherd's sons. In 1969 Roy had been in U.S.A.F. 18 yrs and is a Master Sergeant; James was in the U.S.A.F. and a Staff Sergeant at Blythville, Ark. Billy J. was SP 4 in the Army National Guard - A battery 2nd BN Artillery group. Roy is also a champion speed way motor racer. Glen and Wilma Shepherd have six grandchildren.

THE HISTORICAL TRAVELS OF THE SHEPHERD FAMILY

"Old Jack's" wife was Elizabeth Smith and her mother was Nancy Mulkey, a full blood Cherokee. Several of the early settlers came from Jackson County, Alabama from an area just North of the Tennessee River next to Madison County. This area was given to Marshall County when it was formed in 1836. These families included the Peters, Wrights, Penses, Joe Neeley, Caswell, Vought and many others.

John Shepherd (old Jack) brought his sons and daughters from Alabama about 1828. They came by flat boat down the Tennessee, Ohio and Mississippi Rivers to the Arkansas, and poled their way up that river to Frog Bayou. The younger children went back to Alabama before 1830 and was listed in U.S. Census of that year in Madison County.

Old Jack's sons, James and William stayed in Crawford County Ark., however, James moved his family to Texas sometime between 1850 and 1860.

William was killed by bushwhackers during the Civil War, a short distance from his home, near what is now Bidville Cemetery on Shepherd Mountain. His wife and oldest daughter carried his body in a terrific sleet storm as far as they could. There they dug the grave and buried him. The daughter died a week later from exposure. She was buried beside her father. His son hid in a tree and saw his dad killed. William was a minister and died about 1862, (was killed).

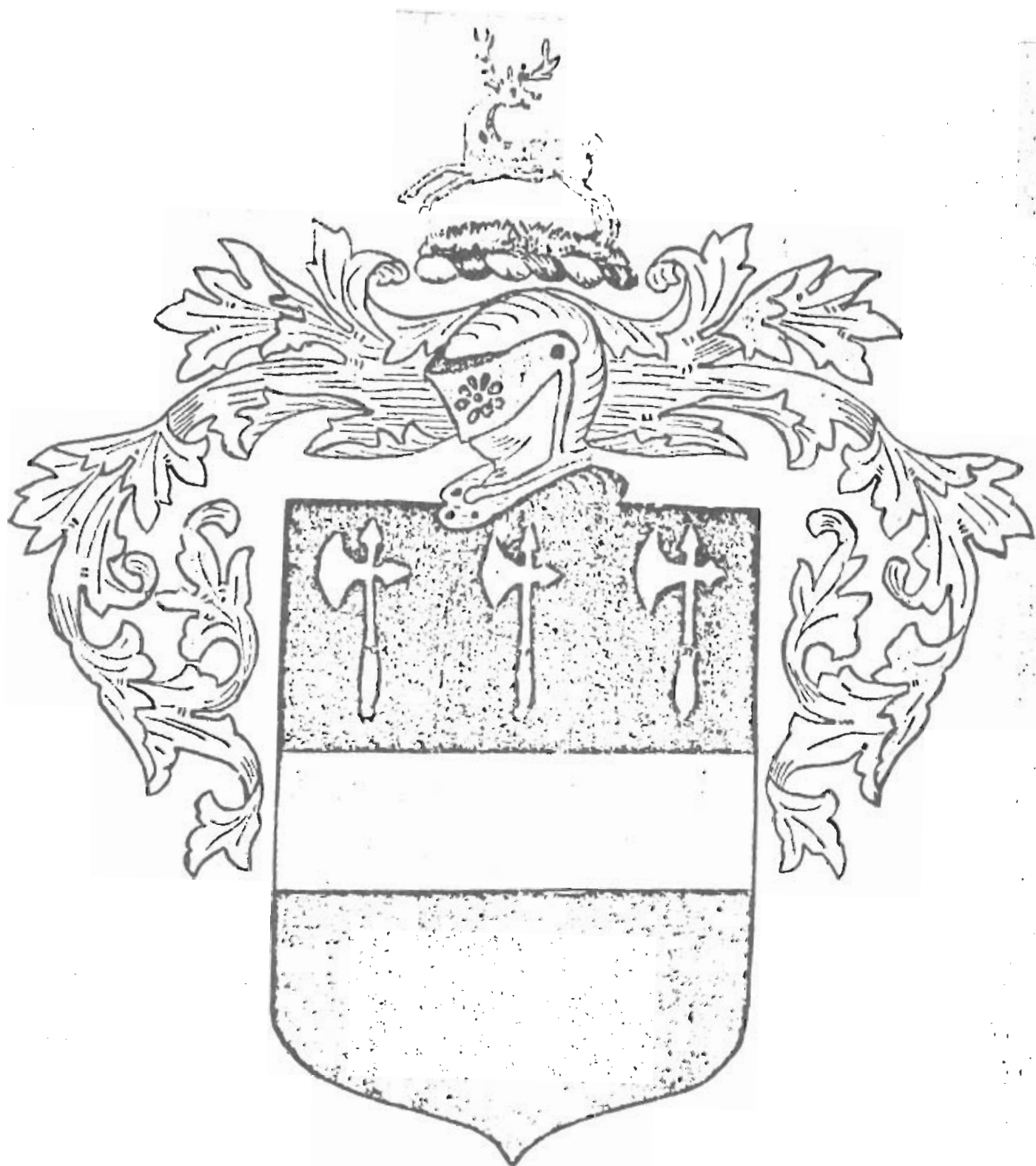
About 1840 Old Jack's son John (Young Jack) and Isham and Polly Shepherd, daughter of Old Jack, with their families moved to Crawford County, settling at the Narrows or near Mountainburg. These families have been lined out but there was probably other brothers and sisters that I have no information about.

William's daughter Elizabeth Shepherd Rankin died during the winter of 1863 giving child birth. She was buried about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Alma, Arkansas.

Ref: Mrs. W.R. Bastall, Chester, Ark.; and Mr. Paul Conley,

The Cherokee Indian tribe are the largest and most important of all the tribes east of the Mississippi, was of Iroquoian descent, but separated into two great groups. The Upper Cherokee lived in log huts along the headwaters of the Tennessee and Cumberland Rivers, where they farmed. The Lower Cherokee were wanderers and existed principally by hunting. They were a teachable race, intermarried freely with Scotch refugees and became Christianized and educated. In appearance they are scarcely distinguishable from the whites.

Ref: THE AMERICAN EDUCATOR ENCYCLOPEDIA.



Shepherd

ARE WE RELATED?

The Shepherd information on these next pages was told to Margaret Shepherd by her dad and he was a man well informed, before he died in 1927. James Pendleton Shepherd Sr. was the son of Abraham and his father was Thomas Shepherd, who founded Shepherdtown, W. Va. James P. Sr. was born in N.C. and move to Lee Co, Va., when he married Rachel Gualt. Margaret has alot of proof that John Pendleton Jr. was born in Lee Co., Va. in 1798. James P. Sr. and eitht of his sons moved west around 1810 to 1820 to Jackson County Missouri which is now Kansas City, Mor.

"It was Boggs and Blythes who were Kentuckians. My grandma Eliza Ann was born in Kentucky and died in Camden County, Missouri in 1906 and is buried near old Linn Creek at the Bagnell Dam (Lake of the Ozarks). Grandpa James Henry was shot through the lung during the war and lived six years, bed fast. Grandma started back to Kentucky to her folks with several wagons and got over in here when grandpa got real sick so he had her to leave the wagon train that was Kentucky bound and go to his cousins in North Arkansas. My dad was 14 years old at that time and after we moved down here from Eldon, Missouri (near Jefferson City) dad took three of us kids with him over to where grandpa James Henry was buried. It was a long distance from a town and it took us all day and part of the night. It was a rough and up a winding road up a hill. It was rugged and snakes were a plenty. He stopped at a court house and a police station to see some people. We noticed several Shepherd's graves and I remember dad talking about Uncle Bill's grave. I don't know whether it was a Shepherd relative or a Boggs relative where grandpa died. I do know the Blythes were in Kentucky. It was grandpa's relatives who helped take care of him till he died and buried him in a family cemetery and she went back to Independence where my dad and brother, John ran a day wagon freight line for years then they moved to Horseshoe Bend area on Osage River and farmed. When the Bagnell Dam was made, the Lake of Ozarks covered the farms and everyone scattered. Dad came down here because he had liked it here and he some how wanted to fix up grandpa's grave but never lived to do so. I would like to locate it and do what dad wanted. The rest of the history is a squable from Abraham on back as there was millions of dollars involved. It was all squandered years ago."

Margaret is mostly Irish blood descendant with English name of Shepherd. She was married before and after her first husband died she raised her four children. Later on she took a trip to Oregon and met Earl Shepherd, they were married and they both became genealogy buffs and found they were not related at least several centuries back.

Her family history will follow.

I Thomas Shepherd, died 1698, he lived in George Co., Md.
no record of who he married, there were at least two sons.

A John Shepherd, died 1726 and lived in George Co. Md.
no record of who he married, he had at least three sons.

- 1- John Shepherd, he married Jane ?
- 2- Nathan Shepherd
- 3- William Shepherd, lived in Frederick Co. Va. so did
his other two brothers.

B William Shepherd, died 1741 or 1745 in George Co. Va. and
married Sarah ?

- 1- William Shepherd of Rock Creed
- 2- John Shepherd, died 1769 and lived in Frederick Co. Va.
- 3- Thomas Shepherd, lived in Shepherdtown, Va.
He married Elizabeth Van Metre

- a David Shepherd, born 1734
- a Sarah Shepherd, born 1738
- a Elizabeth Shepherd, born about 1736 or 38
- a William Shepherd, born 1741
- a Thomas Shepherd, born 1745 and had a son Thomas.
- a John Shepherd, born 1750
- a Mary Martha Shepherd, born 1752
- a Sue A. Shepherd
- a Abraham Shepherd, born 1754 and d. 1822, Shepherdtown.
He married 1780 to Eleanor Strode.
- b James Pendleton Shepherd Sr., born N.C. 1767 and
died 1853 in Jackson Co. Mo. and married Rachel
Gault.

- bb Levi Shepherd
- bb James P. Shepherd Jr., he married Catherine ?
- bb Elizah Shepherd, he married Rebecca Yales
- bb Jonathan Shepherd
- bb Nemrod Shepherd
- bb Lewis Shepherd
- bb Elizabeth Shepherd, she married Robert Wells.
- bb Margaret Shepherd, she married ? Morris
- bb Enoch Shepherd
- bb William Shepherd
- bb Edward Shepherd
- bb John P. Shepherd, born 1798 in Lee Co, Va. and
died 1875 in Jackson Co. Mo. He married Eleanor
Boggs, her parents were John O. Boggs and Nancy
Wells.

- bbb Bethany Shepherd
- bbb Rachel Shepherd
- bbb George Shepherd
- bbb Francis (Frank) Shepherd
- bbb Oliver Shepherd
- bbb Eleanor (Ellen) Shepherd

- bbb James Henry Shepherd, born Aug. 15, 1832 and died April 1874. He married April 3, 1853 to Eliza Ann Blythe.
- 1 John William Shepherd, born Aug. 10, 1854
 - 2 Victoria Shepherd, born Feb. 20, 1856
 - 3 Frances Elizabeth Shepherd, born July 13, 1862
 - 4 Adelle Shepherd, born Jan. 25, 1864 and married George Earl Aldrich
 - a Earl Aldrich
 - 5 Hiram Shepherd, born Sept. 27, 1866.
 - 6 Samuel Jackson Shepherd, born Sept. 6, 1866 in Lone Jack, Mo. Jackson County. He died Feb 5, 1927 in Butler County, Mo. He married Nov. 6, 1895 in Zebra, Mo. to Scrilda Brown.
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- a James Henry Shepherd, born Sept. 10, 1897 and died July 18, 1961.
 - a Anna Frances Shepherd, born Aug. 10, 1899 and married Orville Blevins.
 - a Katherine Elinor Shepherd, born Apr. 22, 1902
 - a Hiram Shepherd, born July 22, 1905, and is a twin of
 - a Nellie Bly Shepherd, born July 22, 1905.
 - a Elizabeth Josephine Shepherd, born Dec. 25, 1907 and died Sept. 22, 1968.
 - a Samuel Jackson Shepherd Jr., born Jan. 14, 1910 and died Aug. 12, 1967.
 - a William Clark Shepherd, born Jan. 5, 1911 and married Sadie King.
 - a Scrilda Lourene Shepherd, born April 22, 1915
 - a Mildred Adelle Shepherd, born Jan. 8, 1917.
 - a Margaret Emma Shepherd, born Dec. 22, 1913 her second marriage was to Earl Shepherd. Her first husband died, she has four children.

SHEPHERD CREST & COAT-OF-ARMS

The Shepherd family crest and coat-of-arms, is very outstanding. The family crest is the wounded deer standing on twisted logs. The deer is bronze and the dark spot on the neck is blood. The twisted logs are light green. The coat-of-arms is black where it is shaded and the rest is silver. The axes were for bravery and the leaves are silver. The helmet is silver and the dark places on the visor are black stone of some kind like onyx. This dates back to England to 1252. It maybe found on page 105.

Ref: Margaret Shepherd of Poplar Bluff, Mo.

ANTILL - GUESS LINEAGE

1400 JAMES ANTILL, born Jan. 1, 1790 and died 1876. He married ELIZABETH GUESS, (2310 no), she died 1852. She is the daughter of BENJAMEN (2300) and SARAH HUFFMAN GUESS (1500).

1410 SARAH ANTILL, born Oct 2, 1814 and died 1891. She mar. Dec. 26, 1833 to BENJAMEN FRANKLIN STRONG, (820). They had eight children and that information will begin on the next page. Sarah was born in Ohio and died in Crawford Co., Arkansas. James Antill lived in Maryland and immigrated to Ohio and back to Virginia.

The Antills are descendants of William Penn according to family recollection. I have not been able to prove this fact however.

Sarah had nine brother and sisters. According to the Census of Washington Co., Penn., the year of 1770 there was a Benjamin Guess residing in that county. There were records of three members over 16 yrs of age, five under the age of 16, and only three of that total were females.

Other facts concerning this family will be included in B.F. Strong's history.

B. F. STRONG

(820 code no.)

B.F.Strong, druggist of Porter (Crawford County, Ark.) was born Sept. 14, 1810 in Ohio County of West Virginia. His father, Samuel Strong, was a shoemaker by trade, and served in the war of 1812 under Captain Reaves, dying in Jan. 1815, from the effects of exposure. The mother, Elizabeth (Huffman) was born in Ohio County W. Va., in 1790 and died in 1862. William Strong, the grandfather was born in Germany and come to American in the colony founded by William Penn. He located in W. Va., where he engaged in farming until his death in 1830. His wife was also a native of Germany. The maternal grandparents Benjamin and Sarah Huffman, were natives of Germany who settled upon the Potomac after coming to America and engaged in farming. Mr. Huffman died in 1833. Our subject is the only living child of a family of three. In 1869 he settled in Crawford Co., where he has since resided.

The years from 1850 to 1853 were spent by Mr. Strong in Calif. in 1863 he enlisted in the U.S. Militia under Captain Smalley operating in the northern Missouri until discharged in 1863, after six month's service. Mr. Strong is a carpenter and millwright by trade. He is a well-to-do citizen, and besides his drug business owns five lots in Porter, and three good houses. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity and in politics is a Republican, though his first presidential vote was cast for Andrew Jackson in 1828.

Dec. 26, 1833, Mr. Strong was united in marriage to Miss Sarah Antill, who was born in Ohio in Oct. 2, 1814 and is a daughter of James and Elizabeth Guess Antill. Mrs. Strong is the only living child of a family of eleven and is the mother of four children living and five deceased. Those living are George W., Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Strong Ballew, Mrs. Emeline Lane and Mrs. Ellen Rankin. Those deceased: Samuel Strong, James M., William H., Thomas J., and Benjamin.

James Antill and his wife, Elizabeth, the parents of Mrs. Strong were decendants of William Penn, and died in 1876 and 1852 respectively. The father was born Jan. 1790 and was a Millwright by trade. From Maryland he immigrated to Ohio and from there to Virginia.

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STRONG LINEAGE

- 800 WILLIAM STRONG, born in Germany and died in 1830. No record of who he married except she was born in Germany. Also, they came to the U.S.A., with the William Penn Colony.
- 810 SAMUEL STRONG, he died Jan. 1815 and married ELIZABETH HUFFMAN, born 1790 and died 1862.
- 820 BENJAMEN FRANKLIN "B.F." STRONG, he was born Sept. 14, 1810 and died Jan 1891. He married Dec 26, 1833 to SARAH ANTILL, born Oct. 2, 1814.
- 830 MARTHA ELLEN STRONG, born June 6, 1856 and died Jan. 22, 1939 in Chester and is buried there. She was born in Mercer Co., Mo. and married Feb. 17, 1876 to THOMAS JEFFERSON RANKINS. They had eight children. That data will begin on page, 122.
- 831 George W. Strong
- 832 Samuel Strong
- 833 James Strong
- 834 William H. Strong
- 835 Thomas J. Strong
- 836 Benjamin Strong
- 837 Emeline Strong, she married () Lane.
- 838 Sarah Elizabeth Strong, born Sept. 7, 1848 and died in 1934. She married Aug. 6, 1865 to Reese Ballew. He was born June 29, 1844 and died July 27, 1918. His parents were William Ballew, born 1743 and died 1844, and Sarah Oney, born 1800 and died about 1894.
- 841 Maude Augusta Ballew, born Jan. 15, 1867 and married Samuel Lane.
 - 851 William Lane
 - 852 Amsey Lane
 - 853 Martha Lane
- 842 Harriett Ballew, born Jan. 1, 1875 and died June 29, 1903. She married Lewis Emory Pryor, born May 2, 1872 and died Sept. 10, 1933.
 - 851 Vera Jane Pryor, married 1st, () Bushniaer; and 2nd, Robert Thomas Alker. Her son's family will continue on the following page.

- I William Pryor Bushmiaer, married Nellie Ruth Harvey.
 - 1 Cheryl Ann Bushmiaer, born 1952 and married Timothy Lynn Fallaw in 1971.
 - 2 Julie Pryor Bushmiaer, born 1963.
- 843 Seward Ballew, b. Oct. 10, 1879, and married Mate Drake.
 - 851 William "Billy" Ballew
 - 852 Sibil Ballew, she married () Maxwell.
- 844 Wesley Theadore Ballew, born Jan. 10, 1882 and died (no record of date).
- 845 Adda Ballew, born July 17, 1888 and died 1907. She never married.
- 846 Edward Thomas Ballew, born Jan. 14, 1872 and died 1935. He married 1st, Dora A. Elliott; 2nd, Alice ?
 - 851 Luther C. Ballew, he married 1st, Ada Hutton; 2nd, Bertie A. Gill; 3rd, Nellie ?
 - I 1st, James Edward Ballew, he married Ava Catherine Halling.
 - 1 Deana Lynne Ballew, she married Richard G. Challacombe.
 - a Lorri Leanne Challacombe, born 1967.
 - b Steven Patrick Challacombe, born 1970
 - II 1st, Floyd Allen Ballew, he married 1936 to Daisey Deen Buchanan.
 - 1 Fred Allen Ballew, married Patricia Jane Airey
 - 2 Gayle Lee Ballew, married 1963 Ann Marshall.
 - a Cheri Lee Ballew, born 1964.
 - III 3rd, Edith Ballew
 - IV 3rd, Ruby Ballew
 - V 3rd, Florence Ballew
 - 852 Paul V. Ballew, he married 1916 to Dorothy Harris
 - I Ralph Benjamin Ballew, married 1936 Jewell Alberta Claunch.
 - 1 Dale Benjamin Ballew, married 1954 Lou Jean Behnke
 - a Victor Benjamin Ballew, born 1957
 - b Starla Renee Ballew, born 1961
 - 2 Stephen Marion Ballew, married 1958 Lee Ann Rothschild.
 - a Michael Glen Ballew, born 1958
 - b Cynthia Lee Ballew, born 1959
 - c Stephen Lee Ballew, born 1960
 - d Karen Denise Ballew, born 1962
 - 3 Paul Keith Ballew, married 1963 Betty Sue Harman
 - a Jeffrey Scott Ballew, born 1964.
 - 4 Keven Brian Ballew, born 1956.

- II Earl Newman Ballew, he married 1st, Romana Joan Golston 1948; 2nd, Lucette E. Godard Baker, born Paris.
 - 1 1st, Linda Jo Ballew, born 1950
 - 2 2nd, Mark Victor Ballew, born 1964.
- 853 Reese R. Ballew, married 1st, Opal Kimes; 2nd, Mary ? ; 3rd, Martha ? ; 4th, Cleo ?
 - 1 1st, Helen Louise Ballew, married 1937 Curtis A. Searing.
- 854 Bonnie Ballew, married 1st, Elmer Clyde Chappelow; 2nd, Robert Lee Vaughn.
 - I Elmer Clyde Chappelow, married 1st, Faye McFarland in 1945; 2nd, 1947 Ann Rutner; 3rd, Jean ? ; 4th, Harriet Jean ? ; 5th, Mary Jean Rodgers, in 1954.
 - 1 3rd, Mark Anthony Chappelow, born 1951 and died 1951.
 - 2 4th, Michael Don Chappelow, born 1954.
 - 3 5th, Toddy Bryant Chappelow, born 1955
- 855 Glenn Vincent Ballew, married 1st, Mildred Sellers in 1931; 2nd, Violet Marie Hampton in 1934.
 - I 2nd, Violet Ann Ballew, married Harvey Clyde Walton in 1954. She was born Mar. 23, 1935.
 - 1 Debra Lynn Walton, born 1954 and married 1972 William D. Huntsman.
 - 2 Cindy Diane Walton, born 1956
 - 3 Becky Leeann Walton, born 1957
 - 4 Cheryl Janine Walton, born 1958
 - 5 Tracy Eileen Walton, born 1960
 - 6 Jeffrey Scott Walton, born 1961
 - 7 Paul Darin Walton, born 1963
 - 8 Matthew Glenn Walton, born 1970
 - II 2nd, Bonnie Lee Ballew, married 1st, 1960 Robert Bruce Jones; 2nd, Robert Hamilton Adair, 1966.
 - 1 Terry Lee Jones, born 1961.
 - 2 Bonnie Louise Jones, born 1962
 - 3 Catharine Marie Adair, born 1971.
- 847 Sallie Highland Ballew, born 1885 and died 1938. She married William Arthur Davis in 1905
- 851 Hazel Marie Davis, married 1926 to John Young Bonds.
 - I Betty Jo Bonds, married 1947 Floyd Edward Wery Jr.
 - 1 Sally Beth Wery, born 1948.
 - 2 Richard Edward Wery, born 1952.
 - II John Young Bond Jr., married 1956 Mary Noel Kenny
 - 1 John Young Bonds, born 1957
 - 2 William Kenney Bonds, born 1962
 - 3 Michael Powell Bonds, born 1962 twins

- 852 Reese Ballew Davis, married 1st, Lauris Marie Walters in 1931; 2nd, Gloria Jackson in 1969
- I Sharon Marie Davis, married May 7, 1960 to Charlie Roberts Hillard.
 - 1 Lauris Marie Hillard, born Nov. 7, 1961
 - 2 Reese Davis Hillard, born March 3, 1955
- 853 Mildred Elizabeth Davis, married 1st, 1929 Herman James Boozman; 2nd, 1939 Honest Joseph Fry.
- I Barbara Jean Boozman, married Sept. 1, 1950 to William Clayton McLachlan
 - 1 Debra Kay McLachlan, born 1952
 - 2 Lisa Beth McLachlan, born 1955
 - 3 LindaCarolyn McLachlan, born 1959
- 848 Cazzie Elizabeth Ballew, born July 27, 1891 and died 1919. She married Jess Columbus Summers,
- 851 Basel Jess Summers, born 1911 and died 1913.
 - 852 Dale Claud Summers, married Ida Elzena Emery.
 - I David Dale Summers, married 1966 to Ruth Ann Kincaid
 - II Ronald Emery Summers, married 1963 to Nedra Jean Gould, born in Australia.
 - 1 Stephen Paul Summers, born 1964
 - 2 Kathleen Mary Summers, born 1965
 - III Stephen Harry Summers, born 1942 and died 1961 in a car accident.
 - IV Jeffrey Paul Summers, born 1947 and 1947 he died of Spinal Meningitis.

Ref: Mrs. W. R. Rastall of Chester, Ark.

SARAH ELIZABETH STRONG BALLEW

"Pioneer mother of eight; doctor, nurse, druggist, neighbor and friend to hundreds in this sparsely settled area of Crawford County, Arkansas, aptly describes the subject of this sketch. Seldom have so many owed so much to one person, for the courage, fortitude and ability of this gallant woman are seldom equaled or surpassed in the annals of history. To know her was to love her. In spite of her many years of trials and hardships she was a gentle kindly person. This may have been partly due to her religious background as her forefathers were Quakers or Friends, and through two lines of her mother's family she was a descendant of William Penn, Founder of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Sarah Elizabeth Strong was born in Iowa, September 7, 1848, a daughter of Benjamin Franklin Strong and Sarah Antill Strong, pioneers moving westward from Virginia. August 6, 1865 she was married to Reese Ballew at Ravanna, Mercer Co., Missouri, by Rev. Israel Nordyke.

Reese Ballew was born at Princeton, Mercer Co., Missouri, June 29, 1844, the youngest of 13 children of William and Sarah Oney Ballew, who had come to Missouri about 1840 from Indiana. Their marriage is certified in Tazewell Co., Virginia by Edward Kelly, J.P. The records of the General Land Office, Volume 41, p. 278 show that a tract of land was patented to William Ballew in Missouri for cash in 1840. Reese was four months old when his father, William Ballew, was killed while plowing the field he had recently cleared of trees. When the plow hit a stump the handle struck him a sudden blow in the side which caused his death within a few hours. A great grandson, Mr. Orley Woods of Princeton, Missouri, gave this account of his death in an interview Oct. 1963.

In the Civil War, Missouri was 'a divided state in a divided nation,' with the northern part going with the Union but the part south of the river in sympathy with the Confederacy. Princeton is at the northern border of Missouri and at 18, Reese Ballew, believing that the Union should be preserved, volunteered Aug., 12, 1861 for the duration of the war, served with Company 5, 5th Kansas Cavalry, was wounded and lost a eye, and was mustered out October 14, 1864 at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He died July 27, 1916 and is buried at Chester, Arkansas.

Reese Ballew met his wife while the wagon train with which her family traveled from Iowa was camped on a river bank -- Likely the east fork of Grand River -- to wait for the river to freeze so the wagons could cross over on the ice. This was told to me by her niece, Sallie Strong (Dyer), a daughter of George Strong, my neighbor for many years.

The Ballew Family Bible in the possession of Mrs. Joe Fry, lists the children of Reese Ballew and Sarah Elizabeth Strong Ballew:

- 1- Maude Augusta, born January 15, 1867
- 2- Edward Thomas, born January 14, 1872
- 3- Harriett, born January 21, 1875
- 4- Seward, born October 10, 1879
- 5- Weslew Theodore, born January 10, 1883
- 6- Sallie Highland, born January 19, 1885
- 7- Adda, born July 17, 1888
- 8- Cazzy, born July 27, 1891

Five of the children were born in Mercer County, Missouri and the other three were born at Chester, Crawford County, Arkansas. They came to Chester 1881 and lived for many years in a home where the Presbyterian Manse is now located.

I knew "Aunt Liz" as she was fondly called by her many nieces and nephews as well as by hundreds who owed their first care to her. Her records show that she had assisted at the birth of more than a thousand babies who first saw the light in the arms of this great hearted pioneer woman. She performed the services of doctor, nurse, house maid, and often cared for the entire family for days until the relatives or other friends could relieve her. She was paid a small sum for this service if the money was available. If not she was willing to do all she could as a neighbor and friend. Grateful people brought her many gifts of food, fuel, etc. Many an entire family of children that I have known, first recieved her kindly care by her capable hands. She always wanted her sister, Ellen Rankin, to assist her if she could be spared from her home, and she often did so. Ellen, too, was a great neighborly woman. It was my privilege to know her the first years we lived here. In her late years "Aunt Liz" lived in our part of town so she was my neighbor for some time.

The life of Sarah Elizabeth Strong Ballew was filled with tragedy. Three daughters died tragically and nearly all her children died before she passed away. She always seemed to be able to rise above her own personal grief in helping others and by sharing their burdens and sorrow.

Many are the stories of how this pioneer woman of such grit and spunk reached the homes of those who needed her care. She walked up the mountains so steep that the ones who came to guide her hacked out steps for her to climb. Many times she took off her own shoes to wade streams and put them on again on the opposite bank so she could reach a home where she was needed. All those years she braved the dangers of reptiles, insects and bad weather and became so familiar with the mountains that there was little danger of her being lost in the forests. If the distance was far, someone usually brought a horse or mule for her to ride or a lumber wagon. These were the means of travel in that day and often, even late at night, she would hear a knock on the door and a voice from the darkness say "Aunt Liz, my wife's time has

come I've got a mule for you to ride." Then she would hurry and dress to go with him for it seemed that her first concern was to reach the ailing ones in time to help them. She never lost a mother in an obstetrical case except one who died later of a chronic condition. She could not heal a tumor.

"Aunt Liz" knew about all drugs used in that day as her father, B.F. Strong had a drug store in Porter (now Schaberg) where she likely learned much about care of the sick. She also knew much about native herbs upon which many were obliged to rely for healing in that day. She had much respect for the therapeutic benefits to be had from epsom salts, soda, salt, kerosene, turpentine, hog lard, goose grease and many others. Soda and laundry starch she used to prevent prickly heat in summer; boric acid solution for babies' eyes sassafras tea for tonic, onion poultice for pneumonia or lung colds, etc. Her emergency satchel was always ready for use on short notice. Her sister, Ellen Strong Rankin, was well known in this area for her work in obstetrics and care of the sick and as a good neighbor and friend to all.

A granddaughter of the Reese Ballew, Vera Jane Pryor Alker, is the wife of Robert Thomas Alker, 3415 P. Street N.W., Washington 20007, D.C., which is in the old historic and beautiful part of the city known as Georgetown. He is Hospital Architect with the United States Public Health Department and has helped design many hospitals and medical school facilities throughout the United States. He has collaborated on several books and pamphlets put out by the Government to help communities plan and obtain Federal aid for these facilities. As Mrs. Alker has access to the Library of Congress, the National Archives and the D.A.R. Library, she had made a thorough search of genealogy records of her family lines and has sent me findings of some of her research. I include such as I believed will have interest and importance to the family and posterity; also to local people.

Vera Jane Pryor Alker is a member of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, National Number 499833 Capitol Chapter of Washington, D.C., tracing her lineage from Rev. Leonard Ballew, a Revolutionary War Patriot in Bedford Co., Virginia and has a son and two granddaughters recently enrolled D.A.R. Her mother was Harriett Ballew Pryor, born January 21, 1875 in Princeton, Mercer County, Missouri and at Chester, Crawford County, Arkansas June 29, 1903, where she is buried. She was the wife of Lewis Emory Pryor, born May 2, 1872 at Strickler, Washington County, Arkansas, died at Alma September 10, 1933 and is buried in Love Cemetery there. Vera was three years old when her mother died and grew up away from Chester so she did not know her people there. She attended the University of Ark. is a member of Chi Omega Sorority, taught school at Van Buren when she was very young but spent many years of her life in secretarial work in Washington, D.C. Her grandfather, John Bryant Pryor, born 1820 in Ohio, was in the U.S. Army, from Pope County, Illinois during the Civil War. Her grandmother, Lucinda Davis Pryor, born 1835 in Indiana, died 1881 at Strickler,

Washington County, Arkansas. It is believed that John Bryant Pryor died in 1900 and is buried at Gallena, Cherokee County, Kansas.

I knew of the many Ballews in Mercer County, Missouri since my earliest memories but there is little that I know of the later generation of Reese and Sarah Ballew's family. Mildred Davis Fry (Mrs. Joe Fry), owner of the Family Bible, and Doctor book lives at 504 North 41 Street, Fort Smith, Arkansas. Her mother was Sallie Ballew who married William Arthur Davis. Her brother Reese Ballew Davis, lives at 1932 Kensington Drive, Fort Worth Texas. He owns the Reese B. Davis Company, with show rooms in Fort Worth, Dallas and most of the principal cities of the United States, of Westgate Fabrics, he goes abroad every year to buy fabrics for his many business houses. I have corresponded with Mrs. Clyde Walton, 5065 Smiley Drive, Salt Lake City, a granddaughter of Edward Ballew, and I met Dale Summers and his family. He is a son of Cazy Ballew who married Jesse Summers.

An English military officer, Colonel William Ballew, obtained valuable land grants in Virginia in 1635 and founded the Virginia Line of Ballous. His grandson (born about 1694) of Belfast, Ireland, married Esther Merideth of Wales and their son, Rice (sometimes spelled Ry, Rees and Reese) Merideth Ballou, was born about 1706. His son, Leonard Ballor, born 1735, married a cousin, Esther Bolier, and it was their son Leonard Ballew (change in spelling) born 1760 in Bedford County, Virginia who was the Revolutionary War Patriot mentioned before in this article. His marriage to Sarah Wingfield on December 15, 1792 is recorded in Goochland County, Virginia in Book 19, page 328. He was an influential Baptist Minister and in 1796 was Pastor of a church in Rockingham County, Virginia. He also did missionary work among the Indians. They had five sons; William, Charles, Thomas H., Robert and Joseph.

Their son, William and his wife, Sarah Onely Ballew, left Tazewell County, Virginia in 1831 and went to Morgan County, Indiana where he entered a tract of land in the wilderness and cleared a farm. This account is given in the Biography of Thomas Ballew, their eldest son, and was copied from a History of Mercer County, Missouri. In 1840 they moved to Mercer County, Missouri and, as previously stated, bought land near Princeton. In the Mill Grove Cemetery, there are two gravestones, one with the inscription: William Ballew died Nov. 1844, aged 49, and the other: Sarah Ballew, born Dec. 7, 1800, died September 8, 1884.

While the search is not complete into the lineage of Sarah Elizabeth Strong Ballew (especially in the Antill and Guess family) there is quite a lot known about her father, Benjamin Franklin Strong, who built the second house in Porter and was the first Postmaster there. Goodspeed's HISTORY OF NORTHWEST ARKANSAS 1889, in Carnegie Library, Fort Smith, Arkansas, Page 1199, (this account begins on page,)

Mrs. Strong is the only living child of a family of eleven and

is the mother of four children living and five deceased. Those living are; George W., Mr. Sarah Elizabeth Ballew, Mrs. Emeline Lane and Mrs. Ellen Rankin. Those deceased; Samuel, James M., William H., Thomas J., and Benjamin.

James Antill and his wife, Elizabeth, the parents of Mrs. Strong, were descendants of William Penn, and died in 1876 and 1852 respectively. The father was born January 1, 1790 and was a mill wright by trade. From Maryland he immigrated to Ohio and from there to Virginia.

B.F. Strong died July 1, 1891 and his wife, Sarah Antill Strong died January, 1891. Both are buried at Schaberg, Arkansas.

On August 25, 1916, Sarah Ellen Ballew made a Declaration for a widow's pension under the act of Congress of April 19, 1908. G.M. Pense and G.W. Wilson signed her pension claim. G.C. Smith was the Notary Public who made out the form for her Pension Petition. Her claim was allowed and she received her pension until she died June 1, 1934 at Chester, Arkansas, and is buried beside her husband, Reese Ballew in the cemetery there. He died July 27, 1916 at the Soldier's home in Lansing, Kansas.

Sarah Elizabeth Strong Ballew was a great and kindly woman and Crawford County, Arkansas History is not complete without the story of her life."

I may add to what Mrs. Bastall said about Mrs. Clyde Walton, she must be a very intergenic lady as Violet has eight children and published a book about the Ballews. Its title is WILLIAM BALLEW, HIS ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS by Violet Ann Ballew Walton. It is a very interesting and well written book, which I have in my possession.

The previous history was taken from an article in the magazine "The Heritage, Official Publication of the Crawford County Historical Society," Crawford County, Arkansas. It was written by Mrs. Walter Bastall of Chester, Arkansas.

RANKIN FEDERAL CENSUS RECORDS

Other Rankin's data obtained from Federal Census of Crawford County State of Arkansas. The head of household will be underlined.

1850 Census; Mountain Township;

Henderson Rankin was 26 yrs. old born in Tenn. and was a farmer.
Elizabeth Rankin (wife) 21 yrs. old born in Ark. and was a housewife.

William H. Rankin, 2 yrs. old born in Arkansas.
James H. Rankin, born April 12, 1850.

Aug. 2, 1860 Census, Mountain Township;

William M. Rankin was 42 yrs. old, born in Tenn. and a farmer.
Henry H. Rankin was 7 yrs., old born in Arkansas.
James Rankin was 3 yrs. old, born in Arkansas.

Henderson C. Rankin 38 yrs. born in Tenn., and was a farmer.

Elizabeth Rankin 28 yrs, old, born in Ark. and was a housewife.
James H. Rankin 9 yrs. old, born in Arkansas.
William H. Rankin 11 yrs. old, born in Ark.
Elisa J. Rankin 7 yrs. and born in Ark.
Thomas J. Rankin 4 yrs. old and born in Ark.
Sarah E. Rankin 2 yrs. born in Ark.

1870 Census of Shepherd Township;

Henry Rankin 48 yrs, and born in Tenn. was a farmer.

Elizabeth Rankin 38 yrs. and born in Alabama was a housewife,
W.H. Rankin, 22 yrs. old and born in Ark.
T.J. Rankin, 15 yrs. and born in Ark.
R.L. Rankin, born Feb. 12, in Ark.
J.H. Rankin, 21 yrs. born in Ark.
M.C. Rankin, 19 yrs. born in Ark.
S.W. Peters, 9 yrs. born in Ark. (same household)
S.E. Peters, 6 yrs. born in Ark. (same household)

1880 Census of Mountain Township;

H.C. Rankin, 58 yrs. old born in Tenn., and was a farmer.
Elizabeth Rankin, 43 yrs. old born in Ala. and was a housewife.
Emmie Rankin, 7 yrs. old born in Ark.

William Rankin, 32 yrs. old born in Ark and was a farmer.
Clarinda Rankin, 33 yrs. old born in Ala. and was a housewife.
John H. Rankin, 6 yrs. old born in Ark.

James Rankin, 30 yrs. old and born in Ark.

Mary Rankin, 29 yrs. old and born in Ark. was a housewife.

William Rankin, 9 yrs. old and born in Ark.

Andy Rankin, 2 yrs. old and born Ark.

Elizabeth Rankin, born June 12, in Ark.

Tommy Rankin,

1880 Census of Shepherd Township:

James Rankin, 30 yrs. old and born Ark.

Mary C. Rankin, 22 yrs. old and born in Ark., and was a housewife.

William Rankin, 8 yrs. old and born in Ark.

Andrew Rankin, 3 yrs. old and born in Ark.

James Rankin, born July 12, and born in Ark.

Note: Census sometimes are not accurate on dates or spelling.

RANKIN' HISTORY

- 400 MOSES RANKIN, married SARAH TOOMBS (1710), they had three children.
- 410 HENDERSON CLARK RANKIN, (Moses¹), was born Jan. 4, 1822 Murry, Tennessee. He was married two times, 1st, to ELIZABETH SHEPHERD (620) in 1846. She was born 1826 and died 1863, she is buried in Alma, Ark. She died in transit to Alma during child birth and her grave is about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Alma on Frog Bayou Creek Bank. Her family history begins on page 100.
- 420 THOMAS J. RANKIN, (Henderson², Moses¹), born Jan. 15, 1856 and died March 11, 1949, in Chester and buried in Chester, Arkansas. He married MARTHA ELLEN STRONG, on Feb. 17, 1876. She was the daughter of Benjamin F. Strong, born June 6, 1856 and died Jan. 22, 1939, in Chester and buried there. Her historical background begins on page 111, and see other related article on page 115, (SARAH ELIZABETH STRONG BALLEW). I remember my great grandpa Thomas Rankin very well, the last time I saw him he was already in the 90 decade in age. He could not hear well and he needed a cane to walk some but basically he was of good health and sharp mind.
- 430 SARAH ELIZABETH RANKIN, (Thomas³, Henderson², Moses¹), was born Sept. 26, 1888. She married BERT T. FRIDDLE (340) on April 1, 1908. They have six children all boys, this information begins on page 69. She still lives alone in Chester.
- 431 Carl Benjamin Rankin, born Feb. 9, 1877 and died Oct. 9, 1955. He married Eva Huckleberry and they have eight children.
- 441 Verna Rankin, born Nov, 1900 and married Bart Batdorf.
- 442 Vada Rankin, she married Charles Beckett. They owned a large ranch in California, see related article on page 124.
- 451 Charles Beckett Jr.
- 452 Carol Beckett, she married Bert Whiting.
- 453 Hazel Beckett, She married Art Nottingham.
- 454 Dean Ray Beckett, he married Donna Soule.
- 443 David S. Rankin, born about 1908 and died of cancer in 1973. He married Anna Morgan. See Dave's Obituary on page 123.
- 444 Thomas Carl Rankin, he was referred to as "Junior".

445 Eugene A Rankin, he married Henrietta Pace in 1932.

451 Irma Lea Rankin, she married Richard Roe.

452 Jerry Rankin, he married Kay Stewart.

446 Ellen Rankin, she was born 1919 and married Johnny Perry.

447 Henry Ward Rankin, born July 26, 1909 and married Beatrice "Bea" Reed.

451 Marie Rankin,

452 Betty Rankin, she married Harlan Stephens.

453 Billie Sue Rankin,

448 Fay Emily Rankin, she was born in 1916 and died March 1934 of a backset from the measles which was pneumonia. The following is her obituary.

"Chester, Ark., March 29, -- (Special) --

Miss Fay Emily Rankin, 18 year old daughter of Carl B. Rankin, died at the family home Wednesday morning.

Miss Rankin is survived by her father, Carl B. Rankin; four brothers H.W. and T.C. Jr., Ruegg, Mo., David, Susanville, Calif., Eugene of the home, and three sisters, Mrs. Fred Batdorf, Hoosier, Kan., Mrs. Charles Beckett, Susanville, Calif., and Miss Ellen Rankin of the home.

Burial was in the Chester Cemetery beside the grave of her mother who died a few months ago."

DAVID S. RANKIN
(obituary)

"Funeral Services were held in Hayward on Monday, Dec. 4, for David S. Rankin, 65, who died at the Veterans Hospital in Livermore on Friday, Dec. 1,

The deceased was born in Arkansas and reside in Susanville for a number of years. In recent years he had made his home at Tuolumne.

Surviving are two sisters, Vada Beckett, Susanville, and Ellen Perry, Newark; three brothers, Eugene, Susanville, Henry, Fayetteville, Ark., and Tom, St. Louis, Mo.; Two stepsons, John and Fred Morgan, and many nieces and nephews.

COMPANY BUYS LASSEN RANCH FOR \$537, 500
(Charles & Vada Rankin Beckett)

"SUSANVILLE: A big Salt Lake City firm, Great Western Ranches, Inc., has purchased the 5,500 acre Beckett Ranch in Lassen County for \$537, 500.

The ranch, owned by Beckett Ranches, Inc. includes land near Johnstonville, Litchfield, Wendel and Secret Valley. It was the first major land sale to be recorded in the county this year. In 1969, 15 ranches, which included about 90,000 acres of land, changed hands.

The deal also included the assignment of a lease by Beckett Ranches to the new owners for about 500 acres of land, in Delta Barham estate. The lease, at 3,750 dollars per year, started April 1, 1968, and runs five years."

- 432 George Kingston Rankin, was born Nov. 22, 1879, and died 1960. He married Mary Simpson, she was born 1884 and died 1967.
- 441 Minnie Rankin, married three times 1st, Ernie Mathews; 2nd, Miner Roberson; 3rd, () Shepherd.
- 451 Velma Olieta Roberson, she is married and had two boys, I have no record of who she married.
- I Edward
II James
- 442 Hershel Rankin, Born April 21, 1904, he died April 23, 1971. He never married.
- 443 Lucy Rankin, born May 30, 1905, and married Henderson Stanfill; 2nd, to Bill Backon.
- 444 Wilma Dean Rankin, she was married several times.
- 433 Grace May was born July 9, 1882. She married Joseph Valliquette Aug. 14, 1904. He was born Jan. 16, 1871, died May 21, 1936. They had six children.
- 441 John Henry Valliquette, born June 2, 1905, and married Emily Knoble.
- 451 Johnny Valliquette, he was married and had a daughter. He was killed in a car accident.
- I Kathelleen Valliquette,
- 442 Jinny Mae Valliquette, was born April 27, 1907 and married Leroy Estes. He was born Sept. 18, 1899 and died May 16, 1975 of a heart attack. They were married July 6, 1924 and celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary July 6, 1974. This couple was fondly called "Mae" and "Roy".
- 451 Dorothy Mae Estes, was born Dec. 9, 1926 and married Estel Earl Brown.
- I Susan Jeanette Brown, born Oct. 30, 1950.
- 452 Dewey Ray Estes, born July 10, 1929 and married Mary Louise Freeman. She was born Aug. 22, 1931.
- I Philip Ray Estes, born Nov. 15, 1953.
II Kathelleen Ann Estes, born June 6, 1956.
- 453 Jacky Lee Estes, was born June 22, 1934 and married Wilma Jean Farris. She was born Dec. 22 ?
- I Lester Lee Estes, born Aug. 28, 1959.
II Randall Wayne, born Aug. 8, 1963.

Ref: Mae Estes of 202 W. 12th St. Chandler, Okla.

- 443 Joseph Edward Valliquette, was born Dec. 29, 1909 and married Sarah Hosteter. They have nine children.
- 451 Rosie A. Valliquette, born Sept. 11, 1935 and married Perry Griebel.
I David Griebel
- 452 Earl Edward Valliquette, born Feb. 17, 1937 and married Susie Ham. They have three daughters.
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- 453 Darrell Lee Valliquette, born Jan. 19, 1939 and married Carol (). They have three daughters.
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- 454 Gerald Kenneth Valliquette, born Sept. 5, 1940 and married Marie (). They adopted two boys.
I Kevin Valliquette,
II Darvin Valliquette,
- 455 Billy Joe Valliquette, born Oct. 9, 1942 and married Rita (). He is a twin to Betty.
I Roger Valliquette
II Robin Valliquette
- 456 Betty Jean Valliquette, born Oct. 9, 1942 and married Verle McCullough. She Billy's twin, and she was murdered June 11, 1967, Verle was in Vietnam when she was killed.
I Ricky McCullough
II Tonya McCullough
III Penny McCullough
- 457 Ruth Valliquette, born Oct. 13, 1943 and married Richard Thompson.
I Karen Thompson
II Kathy Thompson
III Sherri Thompson
- 458 Mary Alice Valliquette, born Feb. 17, 1951 and was murdered June 11, 1967, the same day as her sister Betty.
- 459 Ronald Wayne Valliquette, born Sept. 29, 1954 and married Arlene Hermann.
I Brian Valliquette, born Aug. 1973.

The following page contains excerpt from a letter Joseph sent to me. Sarah and Joseph sent all the above information to me and some family pictures, which will be included except for three, unfortunately they could not be successfully reprinted.

"I know very little about my mothers family or my dads, but will tell you a few things about my own.

My name is Joseph Edward Valliquette. I was born Dec. 29, 1909 at Chester, Ark. I am the third child of Grace Rankin Valliquette and Joseph Valliquette. My wife's name is Sarah Hostetler and was born May 3, 1916, at Springfield, Colo.

We have raised five boys and four girls. My wife and I are members of the Church of the Nazarene here at Stroud.

I was employed Feb. 29, 1952, by Allied Materials Corp., of Okla. City and have worked for them twenty two years. I work at a refinery as a blowing still operator. Will retire Jan. 1, 1975 at the age of 65.

Have traveled quite abit in the States but have only been out of the U.S. once. We visited our daughter Betty McCullough and her family in El Paso, Texas in 1964. Betty's husband was in the Army and stationed at El Paso. It is on the border of Old Mexico and while we were visiting them they took us to Juarez, Mexico. That was quite an experience.

Eight of our nine children graduated from Stroud High School. Betty and Mary Alice were murdered in June after Mary Alice finished her Sophomore year. Betty has three children. They are living in Hawaii. They have been there one year and will be there for three more, their father is making a career of the Army.

Our boys and girls are doing fine and we are proud of them all. We have eighteen grandchildren."

Signed J.E. Valliquette of Rt. 3 Box 272-B, Stroud Okla

- 444 Andrew "Jack" Jackson Valliquette, married Jennie Evelyn Fricks.

Jennie's father was Ellis Joe Fricks (Joe), born 1871 and died 1962. Her mother was Dora, born 1870 and died 1939. Her sister (Jennie's) married Burley Lane and they have three children: Thelma, Paul and Joe Dale. Jennie has four brothers; Fred, James, Charley and Joe who married Ruby Hobbs, the daughter of John Hobbs.

- 451 Rose Marie Valliquette, born Jan. 6, 1935 and married Ed Dollard. He was killed 1974 when a tractor ran over him. They have four children.

- I James Harold Dollard, born Aug. 19, 1953.
- II Curtis Eugene Dollard, born Sept. 2, 1954.
- III Debora Marie Dollard, born Jan. 15, 1957.
- IV Jesse Phillip Dollard, born Nov. 3, 1961.

- 452 Jacqueline Jean Valliquette, "Jackie", born Jan. 19, 1938. She married 1st, () Gary and 2nd, () Winnet.

- I Tony Evelyn Winnet, she was born in 1959. They live in or near Bigs Spring, Texas.

- 453 Donald Ray Valliquette, born March 3, 1940 and married () Rickman.

- 454 Dora Mae Valliquette, born March 8, 1942 and married Cecil Rickman.

- I Cecil Leon Rickman, born Dec. 11, 1959.
- II Janet Rickman, born April 8, 1962.

- 455 Thelma Joyce Valliquette, born Jan. 5, 1949 and she is married.

Ref: Mrs. Jennie Valliquette of Mountainburg, Ark.

- 445 Ella Katherine Valliquette, "Ellen", born March 9, 1912. She married 1st, Fred Wilbank he died and she remarried B.L. Mendenhall. They live in Chandler, Okla.

- 451 Son, died in infancy.

- 452 Son, died in infancy.

- 453 Carl Eugene Wilbank, he married Leona ().

- I Gary Wilbank
- II Tammy Wilbank

Ref: Grace Valliquette and Mae Estes of Chandler, Okla.

Aunt Grace will be 93 in July and she has helped me in many ways to obtain information concerning the Rankin data.

- 434 Launa May Rankin, was born May 4, 1884 and died 1953. She married Robert Lee Duggin on June 1, 1902. He was born in 1876 and died 1948. She was always fondly referred to as "Aunt Uhn".
- 441 Oscar Duggin, born Oct. 9, 1911 and died as a baby.
- 442 Goldie Mary Duggin, born June 3, 1903 and married Alonzo Allen Hargis. They lived in Chester where she still lives alone and cares for the old Barron Store. Alonzo was a barber in Chester and in Okla. He was born May 2, 1902 and died Nov. 28, 1959. They had no children. Goldie has help me a lot to obtain information.
- 443 Lester Robert Duggin, born Nov. 17, 1904 and died 1954 from a backset of the mumps. He married Bernice Tester and they lived in Chester where Bernice still lives.
- 451 Robert Lee Duggin, born 1940 and married Kay Knowland. He moved to Mt. Burg, he served in service on an Aircraft carrier from Sept. 1966 to Jan 1967.
- I Johnie Duggin, born June 28, 1959.
 II Koral Duggin, born Sept. 1, 1962
 III Robbie Duggin, born July 11, 1969
 IV Tracy Duggin, born Nov. 5, 1971
- 452 Jerry Alonzo Duggin, born 1942 and married Wanda Henson. They live in Chester.
- I Jerry Duggin, born Feb. 8, 1963.
 II Terry Duggin, born Aug. 16, 1964.
 III David Duggin, born Jan. 1, 1969.
 IV Sandra Duggin, born May. 6, 1970
- 453 Lester Garland Duggin, born 1944 and married Patricia?
- I Elizabeth Duggin, born Dec. 2, 1966.
 II Michael Duggin, born April 19, 1968.
- 454 Richard Ray Duggin, born 1946
- 455 Dorothy May Duggin, born 1948. She is a school teacher at Mountainburg.
- 456 Kenneth David Duggin, born 1952.
- 457 Buddy Louie Duggin, born 1954.

Ref; Goldie Hargis, of Chester, Ark.

- 435 William E. Rankin, born Aug. 4, 1886. He married Daisy Collins in 1908 and she died in the winter of 1961, she was born May, 1901.

441 Jessie Ilene Rankin, she married Leo Teaque

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| 451 Bobby Teaque | 454 Bary Teaque | twins |
| 452 Leona Teaque | 455 Gary Teaque | |
| 453 Pat Teaque | | |

442 Joann Maggie Rankin, she married Lloy Harrison. They operated the Jungle land Zoo on U.S. 71 south of Mt. Gayler.

451 Carolyn Harrison
452 Chathy Harrison
453 Charley Harrison
454 Connie Harrison
455 Shirley Harrison
456 Louise Harrison

443 Mary Ellen Rankin, she married () Marrs.

451 Junior Marrs
452 Ronnie Marrs

444 Therman Wallace Rankin, he married Pearl Lane

451 Barbra Rankin
452 Danny Rankin
453 Wesley Rankin

445 Billy John Rankin, he married Mary McClendon.

451 Harvey Rankin,
452 Karren Rankin,
453 Mary Rankin,
454 Tresa Rankin,
455 Billy Rankin,

446 Frankie Dale Rankin he married Geneva Serratt the daughter of Lum Serratt.

451 Earl Rankin,
452 Gerald Rankin,

447 Joseph Albald Rankin, he married Unice Hilderbank.

451 Debbie Rankin
452 Allen Rankin

448 Charles Ray Rankin, he married Betty Hester.

451 Dawn Rankin
452 Wayne Rankin
453 Tommie Rankin

449 a boy, he died as a baby.

Ref; Joann Harrison, Mt. Burg, Ark. and Gracie Valliquette of 202 W. 12th St. Chandler, Okla.

437 Walter Scoot Rankin, born Jan. 29, 1893. He married 1st, Linnie Wilson ; 2nd, Elsa Carrol, born Mar 31, 1885 and died Aug. 26, 1941.

441 Jaunita Rankin, she married Garrett London July 25, 1936 in a double ceremonial with my parents. There family will continue on the next page.

- 451 Pauline London, born 1937 and married Farris Davis. They have no children.
- 452 Don Ray London, he is married but there are no children.
- 453 Richard London,
- 436 Luther R. Rankin, was born Mar. 5, 1891 and died 1972 of cancer. He married Kate Wilson in 1919.
- 441 Charles Ray Rankin
- 442 Roxie Jo Rankin
- 443 Catherine Rankin, she married Thomas L. Reinald, They live in North Little Rock.
- 444 Thomas Rankin.

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED

Mr. and Mrs. Luther R. Rankin will be honored with an open house Sunday March 21, 1971, at the Crawford County Court House in Van Buren by R.H. Lampkin. They have four children; Charles Ray Rankin, of Little Rock; Roxie J. Rankin, of Benton; Mrs. Thomas L. Reinald, of North Little Rock; and Thomas Rankin, of North Little Rock.

They have seven grandchildren and two grand grandchildren.

Friends and relatives are invited to the open house in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Rankin, 8110 Vinewood Lane, Little Rock, from 1-4 P.M. March 21, 1971.

LUTHER RANKIN

Luther Rankin, 81 of North Little Rock, native of Chester, died Wednesday, Sept. 6, 1972.

Formerly of Fort Smith, he was a retired engineer for the Frisco railroad and member of the Methodist Church, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen and Chester Masonic Lodge number 459.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Kate Rankin; three sons, Charles Rankin of Little Rock, Roxie Jo of Benton, Ark. and Thomas Wayne of North Little Rock; a daughter, Mrs. Kathryn Reinold of North Little Rock; two brothers, Will Rankin and Walter Rankin both of Chester; two sisters, Mrs. Grace Valliquette of Chandler Okla., and Mrs. Sarah Friddle of Chester; seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

(Luther Rankin's obituary continues)

Funeral service was held Friday in Reubel Funeral Home Chapel in North Little Rock. Burial was in National Cemetery in Little Rock.

This concludes Thomas Rankin's family lineage. His and other Rankin's history will continue.

The summer of 1974 as we visited Arkansas, Tim, became very fond of Uncle Bill, since Uncle Bill played many games with Tim. This passed school year he was assigned to write a biography, needless to say I was not too helpful when he informed me he wish to write about the Rankin, once again grandpa and grandma came to his aid. Portions of that story will follow, (the parts that is left out will be dates as they are already included.) Tim was in the third grade when he wrote this story.

"My great great grandpa's name was Thomas Jefferson Rankin, he was known as 'uncle Tom' to many people. He was a very successful farmer and owned lots of land in different places in that area.

They had eight children and about 50 grandchildren. I met some of them this summer. I almost won a game of Checkers with great Uncle Bill who is hard to beat as that is all he has to do since he is 88 yrs., old. Uncle Bill's granddaughter was bitten by a Copperhead Snake while we visited, she spent 8 days in a hospital. Her parents ran the zoo but that was not where the snake was.

When great great grandpa Rankin was 10 yrs old during Civil War he saw his two brothers killed by bushwackers and his mother starved to death as bad people stole all the food. My mother remembers grandpa Rankin even if she was 11 years old when he died. My grandma said he was very interesting to talk to."

Henderson Clark & Elizabeth Rankin family continue;

421 James H. Rankin, born April 1851 and died Oct. 11, 1894 he is buried in Schaburg Cemetery. He married Mary ? She was born about 1852. According to the 1880 census they had three and his granddaughter sent records of five children.

431 William Rankin, born Feb. 24, 1871 and passed away July 6, 1934. He married Mariah Vaught.

441 Nelson Rankin

442 Ollie Rankin

443 Adline Rankin

444 Harm Rankin

445 Marvin Rankin, lives in Gentry, Ark.

446 Lillie Rankin

447 Rosie Rankin

448 Violet Rankin, she sent this information to me. She married E.F. Moore and lives in Mountainburg, Ark.

449 Dora Rankin

432 Andy Rankin, born about 1878 in Ark.

433 Elizabeth Rankin, born about 1880 in Ark.

434 Tommy Rankin

435 Edd Rankin

422 Sarah E. Rankin, born July 6, 1858, this is the one listed on the 1860 census, however there are other record stating: "Eliza, born July 6, 1858" and "ezra R. born 1858."

423 Elisa Rankin, middle initail is J., born 1853 in Ark.

424 William H. Rankin, born 1848 and died March 6, 1897. He married Clarinda Sims they are buried in the Vaught Cemetery.

431 John H. Rankin, born about 1874.

Henderson remarried Elizabeth Wright Peters (623 code no.), in the 1860 decade, they had two children.

425 Robert Rankin, born 1870

426 Emmie Rankin, born 1872

Ref: U.S. Census; Violet Rankin Moore; and Aunt Gracie Valliquette.

The following information concerns various Rankin & those that intermarried the Rankin family. I am sure they connect some place but cannot prove it.

Those buried in the Vaught Cemetery:

Clarinda Jane Rankin, born Mar. 16, 1845 and died July 20, 1914.

Ollie Rankin, died 1900

Dawn Marie Rankin, no dates

Andy Rankin, died 1899 at the age of 25.

Those buried in the Alma Cemetery;

Robert Rankin, born Aug. 30, 1814 and died Mar. 5, 1890.

Charlie Rankin, born Aug. 11, 1856 and died 1882 was in the Navy.

Virginia Cary Rankin, born July 9, 1869 and died Sept 27, 1902.

H.B. Wright (wife of S.A. Wright), born 1855 and died 1906.

Walter Wright, born Aug. 24, 1888 and died Jan. 22, 1893.

Bobbie R. Mullen, age 3 weeks died Nov. 8, 1931.

The article concerning T.J. RANKIN beginning on the next page was written by Mrs. W.R. Rastall for the HERITAGE. Some of those dates will not correspond with previously written dates. Mine were obtain from family records, census and tombstones. I also, had three conflicting set of records. That is why I wanted this article to be included as between the two sets of data there certainly should be one correct set.

THOMAS JEFFERSON RANKIN
HIS LIFE HISTORY AND CIVIL WAR MEMORIES

"Thomas Jefferson Rankin was born on the farm joining ours to the west on Jan. 15, 1856. The farm was owned by his grandfather William Shepherd.

I have no record of any land transaction at this early date. The first transaction recorded in the abstract is the one to R.F. Sims on Nov. 30, 1881, by the Little Rock and Fort Smith R.R. Co. Sims sold the place to Ensminger in 1885. He sold to W.B. Jones. He sold to John T. Sharrai and wife, Harriet A. It is now called the Sharrai place. It is the N.E. One-fourth and N.W. One-fourth (80 A.) T. 12-S, 33-R, 30-W. So this land has been occupied and farmed for well over a century.

T.J.R. died at Chester in 1949. He was then our oldest citizen, and known to all as Uncle Tom. He was 94 years old.

His daughter, Grace May Valliquette, who was living with her son, John, who married Jennie Fricks, has the very old family Bible. (It is not known who has the family copy of NORTHWEST HISTORY OF ARK.,) while I visited Grace, I copied the following from the old Bible to use in this article. The writing was so neat but dim with age. Henderson Clark Rankin was born April 1st, 1822 in Murry County, Tenn. His wife, Elizabeth Shepherd was born 1826. They married in 1846. Their first child, Thomas Jefferson Rankin, was born Jan. 15, 1856; J.N. Rankin born April 1851; Eliza Rankin born April 10, 1853; William E. born Oct. 23, 1857;" (my records states this son was the oldest and born 1848); " Ezra E. born July 6, 1858; Robert born April 9, 1870; Emma born April 17, 1872.

Marriage certificate of T.J.R., born Jan. 15, 1856, in Crawford County, Ark. and Martha Ellen Strong, born June 6, 1856 in Mercer County, Mo. on Feb. 17, 1876, at 2 p.m. by Rev. Henry Harvey.

Their children are; Carl R. born Feb. 1877 married Miss Huckleberry, Feb. 14, 1899; George Kingston, born Nov. 22, 1879, married Mary Simpson May 24, 1900 (note they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary this year with many relatives and friends). He died Sept. 3, 1960; Grace May born July 9, 1882, married Joseph Valliquette, Aug. 14, 1904; Launa born May 4, 1884, married Robert Duggin in June 1st, 1902; William Earnest born Aug. 24, 1886, married Daisy Collins 1908, in Crawford County. Sarah Ellen born Sept. 1888 married Bert Friddle April 1, 1908 in Crawford Co.; Luther Francis born Mar. 5, 1891, married Kate Wilson, 1919; Walter Scoot born Jan. 29, 1893, married Linnie Wilson, later a widow, Elsa Carrol, who is the mother of his daughter, Jaunita (London).

Grandchildren listed in this Bible are: Verna (Carl's daughter)

born Jan. 1, 1900; Goldie Duggin, born June 3, 1903 (Launa's daughter); Ward born July 26, 1908; Hershel born April 21, 1904 (George's son); John Valliquette, born June 2, 1905 (Grace son); Lester Duggin born Nov. 17, 1904 (Launa son); Lucy born June 30, 1905 (George's).

T.J.R. was past five years old and likely playing in the spring branch which still runs past this old home of well over a century when hostilities started with the firing on Fort Sumpter on Apr. 12, 1861, when Major Anderson was forced to surrender. Charleston Harbor is a long way from Ark., but the war caused much suffering here when at last it was brought to Crawford County. Many have read of this so I will record only the incidents as told by 'Uncle Tom' and his children. I am acquainted with all of the family as most of them have live here a part of their lives. Carl has been dead some years. He remembered more than the others as he was elder.

T.J.R. remembered when his father, Henderson C. joined the Confederate forces, and that he fought under General Price at the Battle of Pea Ridge and had been a scout for Gen. Price as he knew the mountains so well in the area. He was taken prisoner at the battle of Pea Ridge in Dec. 1862. He had been a Union sympathizer in some of the war issues. There were no Negro farm workers in the mountains. Nearly all the farmers did their own work and wished to see Ark. stay in the union. Compelled by relentless Conscription Law, those of opposite sentiments often fought side by side, under the same flag. The next year after his record from Ark., History Commission, Department of Archives and History. The record follows: UNION SOLDIERS WHO ENLISTED IN ARK. -- Enl., Oct. 10, 1863 - #55620-- H.C.R. Appointed Corporal Jan. 26, 1864. Mustered out with Regiment of Ark., Cavalry Volunteers, Aug. 20, 1865. Served under Col. John E. Phelps. In 2nd Regiment of Ark., Cavalry, Volunteers.

Henderson's family, along with many Crawford County people, suffered much from the fortunes of war. Marauders, stragglers, bands known as bushwhackers and home guards all robbed and pillaged, it seems. Mr. William Shepherd decided to send his daughter, and her children, with two of his sons, Tom Silas, with a group of mountain people who were going to Clarksville at that time for safety. Henderson's wife was expecting another child at the time. While they were at Clarksville, their two little girls died of a malady contracted there and were buried near Clarksville. Later these people feared that Gen. Steele would occupy the town, so decided to return to the mountains. They loaded what feed and supplies they could hastily get together, into ox drawn wagons, and burned the rest to prevent the army from taking it. Carl believes that a group of Union soldiers rode along with them as far as Alma, Ark.

There, Elizabeth died, but her baby lived and was cared for by relatives and friends. Elizabeth was buried about a half mile

from Alma on the bank of a creek. T.J.R. was then past seven. He remembered it well, and also, the death of his little sisters. It was a very sad time for a small boy. He had no knowledge of his father's whereabouts and never saw him until three years later when he returned from Memphis where he was mustered out.

At this sad time, kind friends from Mountainburg, met the wagon train with feed and extra wagons. They lived there until the father returned from the war in 1866. After that he moved the family back to the farm west of ours. He received a pension for his services in the Union Army till he died at the home of his son, Thomas on a farm east of Chester on what is now Highway 71. He received, while in Union forces, a battle wound in his side which was a handicap to him as long as he lived. He, after being mustered out, later married Mrs. Peters, whose maiden name was Wright. She was the mother of the children born after the war.

During the war, William Shepherd had much trouble from the bands of marauding bushwhackers. They repeatedly plundered and robbed his place of food and horse feed. He had stored what food he could in what is known as 'The Blowout'. When he heard their horses coming, he would go to the 'Blowout', a sort of cave in the woods above the house and barn. No one would ever suspect it were there until within a few feet of it. A spring runs from it and flows on past the home and into the creek to the north of it. There are many fine springs on the place yet. I have been told that on one occasion when the robbers came, Mr. Shepherd accounted for four of them with his rifle. In the night, their companions returned to bury them in a corner of the place. I cannot verify these story, told to me by relatives, but there was a large mound of earth, not top soil, there, when we bought our place and there were still traces of it until a road dozer leveled it a few years ago.

T.J.R. married Martha Ellen Strong, when he was 21 years of age. They lived in Porter Township, near Washington County line, for number of years. Carl Benjamin, the eldest son, was born there and attended school at the Sassafras Pond School. There is still a building at the same site of this school.

From there, they moved south to a place north of Chester, which has been occupied by some one of the family for many years. They homesteaded this place and Thomas worked for the Frisco R.R.Co. helping to lay track. Jim and Sam Strong lived with them and also worked on the Frisco RR. They were Martha Ellen's brothers. They took smallpox from Negro workmen who were brought into the area. Many of these men died and were buried near the track. These people, named Strong, came from Mercer County Mo. I have heard a sister of Martha Ellen tell that they drove here in covered wagons in the winter. When they reached the Mo., River, they camped on its bank to wait for it to freeze so they could get their wagons over. Other people, bound for the south, camped there too. She got acquainted with her future husband

there, and later, after they reached Ark., they were married.

This home is near what was then called Frisco, later called Porter, and now called Schaberg. Uncle Tom said the tunnel was made after the rail road was laid to Winslow and that the first trains went over the tunnel. The tunnel was finished in 1882.

He moved his family from there to Alma where they lived for two years. They then bought the place of his brother, William, west of Chester, where his son, William now lives. He was still living there when his father died in 1915. He put out orchards and much fruit was harvested from them for many years. He helped to get clay out of the hill south of the Chester schoolhouse. It was used for the bricks in the old brick building in Chester, and some houses.

From the farm west of Chester, they moved to their home in Chester where they lived until they died. This home has been remodeled by a grandson, John Valliquette, and he lives there with his family. There are four of the children of T.J.R. now living here; Grace, William, Walter and Sarah. I am acquainted with all of them and Sarah has been a friend for years, Uncle Tom was our neighbor for 25 years. He was always kind, thoughtful and interesting. Both he and his wife, Martha Ellen, were good neighbors.

Rep., James W. Trimble secured this Civil War record for me. I appreciated it very much as it adds much to the interest of the article and should be prized by the many descendants of Henderson Clark Rankin; Soldier's Certificate, No. 546687 (Archives), Rank: Corporal, Service: Co. L., 2 Ark. Vol. Cav. Document in file presenting proof of disability in application for pension states: Henderson Clark Rankin enlisted or volunteered as a Private in Company #2nd Regiment of Ark., Cavalry and was discharged at Memphis, Tenn., on or about Aug. 20, 1865 by reason of close of War. He was in line of his duty at or near Big Blue, Mo. about Nov., or Dec., 1864 became disabled by shell exploding about forty yards in front of the company. Rankin reported that a piece of that shell struck him on the side. Affidavit in file making such statement was signed by George H. Dyer at Tacoma, Washington as a former comrade.

Invalid pension for Henderson Clark Rankin, number 540929. (No. 540729 is shown in his record more often than is 540929.) One is an error.

Statement in file by Dr. Joe S. Bushong, dated Nov. 25, 1889, at Mountainburg, Crawford County; statement by Dr. E.M. Lowery, signed at Graphic, dated 1889; statement by H.C. Rankin indicated that he was a resident of Chester in March, 1890. Said statement declared that he was treated by doctors, Maynard and Hackett, while he was in services. This statement was signed by (Rankin's mark) and witnessed by J.W. Baldwin and J.M. Granger.

A statement made by H.C. Rankin shows his wife's name was, in 1898, Elizabeth Wright, (she was his second wife). They were married Oct. 15, 1867, by George Peters, a Justice of the Peace. Elizabeth Shepherd, his first wife, died in the winter of 1863 or 1864 while he was in Union service. This document lists some of the children of Henderson, T.J.R. as the first born and Mary Emma as born after the war on Aug. 17, 1872.

A statement of H.C. Rankin states that he served in Wallace's Co., Brook's Battalion, CSA Cavalry, afterward consolidated with King and Wallace, known as 19th and 34 Co. Infantry. He was called for the Battle of Elkhorn, went to camp and was sent home to get more guns. When he returned, the battle was over, the camp was on Lee Creek. At Elkhorn Battle Field, he and others were disbanded. He was told that his corn and stock would be destroyed, so he joined some guards at a picket post above Chester. That was Eli Jones' Co. John Hatfield was Lieut. of Brook's Regmt. He made three scout trips with them in the fall of 1862, left there and went to Newton County to make a crop in 1863, that fall, joined the Federal forces.

A document in file signed by H.C. Rankin's mark, dated June 19, 1897, states: 'I served first in emergency HG under Captain Sallace about five days, 2nd Lige Jones, Brook's Bn. Crawford Co. HGCSA from August 1862, till some time in winter. I had no other Confederate service.'

A document in file in National Archives connected with application for pension lists H.C. Rankin as born April 1, 1822, in Murry County, Tennessee, light complexion, dark hair, blue eyes.

File indicates that he was denied pension because of his Confederate service but later was reinstated on pension roll. The file indicates that he first received \$12.00 per month and this was raised to \$20.00 in 1907, and 1912 to \$27.00 per month.

A document in file listing service of H.C. Rankin states that he was a private in Co. L, 2nd Regiment Arkansas Cavalry Volunteers was enrolled on the 10th day of October, 1863 at Van Buren for three years and was mustered into service January 26th, 1864 at Springfield, Mo. He reported on rally for January and February, 1864, absent on detached service since Aug. 28, 1864. Was present September and October, 1864, and to June 30, 1865. Was mustered out with his Company at Memphis, August 20, 1865, a Corporal.

A document on file indicates that Henderson Clark Rankin was pensioned for deafness, and in his later years, was in wretched health. All through his file, connected with latter years of his life, statements, made in his behalf, indicate that he was in poor physical condition.

For the sake of the family record, I add that the only other Rankin I have on record at that early date was a Sabra Rankin, who married Edward Lee, who was born in S.C. in 1822. Edward Lee and Sabra Rankin were married in 1843. They moved to Chester, Nov. 26th, 1858. Edward Lee was a son of Henry Lee, who married Lucy Furlow. This Henry Lee is likely related to Gen. Robert E. Lee, as indicated by an old newspaper report of the funeral of President George Washington. Edward Lee and Sabra Rankin have many descendants in this area. It is generally known that Gen. Robert E. Lee married a granddaughter of the wife of Gen. George Washington. Among the descendants of Edward Lee and Sabra Rankin are a daughter, Francis Lee, who married James Osborn. Their daughter, Myrlte, married Nelson B. Harrison. They live at Chester. They had ten children. They are: Vesta, Edyth, Roy, Verle, Kimbrel, Rankall, Virginia, James, Inez and Anna Mae. One died in infancy.

One daughter of Edward and Sabra Lee, married Frank Sims. Her name was Emaline Lee. They had a large family who are well known in Crawford County."

Ref: THE HERITAGE, Vol. IV of the October 1960 issue written by Mrs. W.R. Bastall of Chester, Ark.

In that article where the name William Shepherd is found it is Thomas Shepherd in type, I changed it to avoid confusion since that person was named William Thomas Shepherd and was usually referred to as Thomas.

411 Sabra Rankin, she married in 1843 to Edmund (Edward) Lee he was born 1822 in S. Carolina. They had three children.

421 Francis Lee, she married James Osborn.

431 Myrtle Lee Osborn, she married Nelson B. Harrison

441 Vesta Harrison, she was married four times.

442 Edyth Harrison,

443 Roy Harrison,

444 Verle Harrison,

445 Kimbrel Harrison,

446 Randall Harrison,

447 Virginia Harrison,

448 James Harrison,

449 Inez Harrison,

44-10 Anna Mae Harrison,

there was one other child that was born and died in infancy.

422 Emiline Lee, she married Frank Sims.

423 Mary Lee, she married John McClendon

431 Alice McClendon,

412 Mary Rankin; was born Feb. 182_ and died Mar. 1862. She married John Furlow Sr. They had four children.

421 Bush Furlow

422 Sarah Furlow, she married 1st, () Henson; 2nd, () Paschal

423 Pamela Furlow, she married 1st, () Preston; and 2nd, () Brady.

431 John Brady.

424 John Furlow, he was born Dec. 30, 1854 and died Jan. 29, 1935. He married Dec. 30, 1874 to Delia Rhodes. She was born Aug. 8, 1857 and died Feb. 4, 1917, her mother's maiden name was Sweet. Both John and Delia were buried at the Chester Cemetery.

431 John Franklin Furlow, he died at the age of 2

432 a child died in Infancy.

433 Geneva Gertrude Furlow, was born Apr. 28, 1878 and died Oct. 15, 1904 and is buried in the Shramrock Cemetery. She married Earl Swearingen.

441 Geneva Swearingen, she married Eugene Nance.

451 Barbara Nance, married Don Clegg of Van Buren, Ark. they live in Dallas, Texas.

I Darrel Wayne Clegg, he was killed in a car accident.

- 434 Sarah Elizabeth Furlow, born Sept. 15, 1880 and married David Thresher, a Frisco Engineer.
- 441 Delia Beth Thresher, she died Oct. 5, 1960 in a car accident and buried at Roselawn Cemetery Fort Smith. She graduated from Ft. Smith Junior College. She married 1st, Hoyt Seeley; 2nd, Dr. Kerr of Joplin, Mo.
- 435 Belia Jephthal, born Sept. 12, 1884 and died young.
- 436 Anderson Oliver Furlow, born Feb. 24, 1887 and died Nov. 17, 1953, is buried at Chester. He never married and his nicknamed was "Ants".
- 437 Vesta May Furlow, born Nov. 29, 1889 and died recently. She was the postmistress at Chester for many years.
- 438 Silvia Sevilla Furlow, born Sept. 4, 1891 and died May 9, 1908.
- 439 Samuel Plummer Furlow, born April 18, 1882 and died, he is buried at Forest Park, Ft. Smith. He married Anna McCubbin of Monette, Mo.
- 441 Earl L. Furlow, married Irma Huf.
- 451 Earl L. Furlow Jr., he married Nancy DeNoble.
- I Leslie Furlow
- II Kelly Liston Furlow
- 452 Paula Ann Furlow, she graduated from Ft. Smith Jr. College and married Grover Anderson. He is a teacher of South Side Hi. school of Ft. Smith.
- I Andrea Lynn Anderson
- 453 James Furlow
- 442 Jaunita Furlow, he married Walter Bjorklund and they live near Newell, Iowa.
- 451 Jimmie Bjorklund
- 452 Paul Bjorklund
- 443 Oleta Furlow, she married Robert Hurner and they live in Tulsa, Okla.
- 444 Onita Inez Furlow, she married Elwood Hansen and live near Blooming Prairie, Minn.
- 451 Elwood Hansen Jr.
- 452 Samuel Hansen
- 453 Onita Ann Hansen
- 454 Bradford Hansen
- 445 Nelle May Furlow, she married Clifford Shold and live in Albert City, Iowa
- 451 Clifford Shold Jr.
- 452 Theodore Shold
- 453 Danny Shold
- 454 Ann Shold

- 43-10 Le Roy Furlow, born May 29, 1892 and died June 26, 1929.
He married Mar. 23, 1924 to Letty Ora Kimes.
- 441 LeRoy Furlow Jr., he died at 3 years of age.
- 442 John David Furlow, he married Elizabeth Sparkman
- 451 Romana Kay Furlow
- 452 David LeRoy Furlow, he lives in Ft. Smith and served
in the military.
- 443 Betty Sue Furlow, she married Jack Hobbs.
- 451 Lewis Ray Hobbs
- 452 Bradford Lee Hobbs
- 444 Letty May Furlow, she married Robert Sinclair, he is a
teacher and a farmer, they live near Allerton, Iowa.
- 451 Sylvia Lorraine Sinclair
- 452 Letty Ruth Sinclair
- 453 Robert Lewis Sinclair Jr.
- 43-11 Charles Burton "Burt" Furlow, born Apr. 1, 1894 and
married Dove Pense.
- 441 Eugene Furlow, he married Ann Moore.
- 451 Charles Furlow
- 452 James Furlow

JOHN FURLOW

The following information was obtained from the HERITAGE, Vol. VII of the October 1963 #2 issue. It concerns the Furlows of Crawford County and written by Mrs. W.R. Rastall.

"John Furlow was born Dec. 30, 1854, near Montgomery, Alabama, and died at his home in Chester, Arkansas, Jan. 29, 1935. His wife, Delia M. Rhodes was born Aug. 8, 1857 in Kansas and died Feb. 4, 1917 at the Furlow home near Chester. They were married Dec. 30, 1874 at Mountainburg, Ark. They were the parents of Eleven Children, all born in Crawford County.

The mother of John Furlow was Mary Rankin Furlow, born Feb. 1822, died Mar. 1862 at her home south of Chester. Her parents were Moses and Sarah (Toombs) Rankin. The Rankin family came to this valley about 1858, and settled around Schaberg. Her brother Henderson Clark Rankin whose Civil War record is given in October, 1960 'HERITAGE', and her sister Sabra, who married Edward Lee, came with his parents, Henry and Lucy, some years before the War. The Lee's came from South Carolina. The Rankins came from Murry County, Tenn, direct to Arkansas.

Alice McClendon, whose mother was Mary Lee, a daughter of Edward and Sabra, gave me much family history, and E.O. Toombs of Birmingham, Ala., and his niece, Mrs. M.W. Freeman, wife of Mayor of Wetumka, Ala., Washington Toombs was a Civil War general, and W.W. I Colonel. In the family were also doctors and ministers, all Southern.

The first male ancestor, William Toombs came to New Kent County, Virginia in 1650. His wife was Sarah. Some of his line moved to Georgia and Mississippi about 1775. The family of Edmund and wife Sabra, moved to Tennessee about 1800.

John Furlow's earliest recollections are of Alabama. He remembered a spring near his home, which became a whirlpool at its surface. He once fell into this spring, and would have been whirled under if his negro nurse had not been nearby to pull him out. He never forgot her kindness. He and his daughter, Vesta, talked of going to see his old Alabama home, but time ran out and they never made the trip.

The Toombs family kept custody of their negroes until the war was over, and many stayed near them for sometime afterward. In the notes by E.O. Toombs are interesting stories of plantation life. One tells of a negro who always went fishing with the Master on Saturdays, but once refused to go because a rain was coming up. He felt that the cotton crop would be lost if the weeds, much as he loved to fish with the Master. This was in Northern Georgia. The Cherokee Indians lived in this area then. They had farms, orchards and cabins, much as the pioneers did. They were friendly with white settlers, taught them to hunt, and

fish from a canoe, and some intermarried.

Another story is of a negro, owned by John Toombs of Tennessee who also owned a large still on Hurricane Creek, which was legal in that day when whiskey was legal tender. (We know that Thomas Lincoln, Abraham's father, traded his Kentucky home for 400 gallons of corn whiskey.)

John Toombs' negro went out hunting and saw two bears up in a tree. Fearing to tackle them alone, he tied his jacket around the trunk of the tree by its sleeves, and went for help. His scheme worked, and was a success. He brought help, the bears were killed and taken to the dwelling.

Another story is of a Georgia negro who hid two guns with bullets between the ceiling and upper floor of a house. After Union Soldiers had burned the gin, stolen the crops, mules, cattle and poultry, the family could still survive by hunting for game, and fishing. Many negroes stayed near to their owners after the War, as they had no other place to go, and were obliged to look to them for food, shelter and clothing. There was a bond of good feeling between the Toombs family and their negroes, which made the tasks of reconciliation easier for them.

When John Furlow's mother died he was seven years old. They lived South of Chester near the creek. The creek was high that March. Friends carried her casket to Schaberg Cemetery for burial beside the graves of her relatives. The loss of his mother added to the constant sorrows of the War, which remained vivid in his memory always. After his mother's death, he spent much time at the home of his uncle, Henderson Clark Rankin. He and his cousin, Thomas Jefferson Rankin had many memories in common. Both have told us of shooting deer and wild turkey on this place which has been our home for nearly 40 years. The Rankins' and the Tom Shepherd family lived on the farm joining this, to the west at that time.

There were no schools then, as war made them impossible, but these boys were not unlearned. They were very discerning, and could do the many useful tasks of their day. Both lived long, useful lives. Schooling was a difficult problem long after hostilities ceased. Homes had been destroyed, fields neglected as the men were in the army, and there was no money for books or teachers.

Beside the loss of their mothers these boys had many sad memories of war days. They were told of a soldier's grave in the woods East of Chester by George W. McCaslin, one of the few Union soldiers of this area. It seems the Union soldier died there, and his companion being obliged to keep in hiding buried him there before departing. This may have been one of Capt. Beeler's men. He commanded the 13th Kansas, and they attacked Capt. J.C. Wright and some of his men near the old Wright home on Aug. 18, 1864. Capt. Beeler was killed here by Lieut. W.J. Pevehouse,

who was badly wounded, but recovered. This ended the maraudings of Capt. Beeler and his men. John Furlow knew of all these and the many difficulties of the Shepherd and Rankin families in trying to find safety during the war. He was employed by Capt. Wright after the war, and has plowed most of the land where Chester now stands, before it was a town.

Capt. Wright's son was John Furlow's close friend, and they went out together for social good times in their youth. John's wife, Delia (Rhodes) Furlow remembered seeing her mother's brother shot down in his door by Bushwhackers. He had a crippled leg, so was not able to march. He was caring for the family at home. His mother and sisters were obliged to make his grave and bury him.

The little girls hid under a table when the soldiers came. They never forget the terrifying experience. Miss Vesta Furlow still owns this old drop-leaf table under which her mother and aunt hid 100 years ago.

This family had moved out of Kansas to escape the danger from Quattrell's Raiders, and other bands that were killing civilians at Lawrence and other places in Kansas.

Mrs. Furlow's sister, Elizabeth married Anderson Oliver Gilstrap. Their children are: 1-B.C. Gilstrap who once worked for a Chester store; 2- B.J. Gilstrap; 3- A.F. Gilstrap; 4- Troy Gilstrap; and 5- Sofia who still visits the family at Chester, and is known and loved by all.

The battles of Fort Smith, Van Buren, Pea Ridge, Elkhorn Tavern and all in Northwest Arkansas were well known to these people as their relatives fought in them.

John had one brother, Bush who married and raised his family in Oklahoma. He had two sisters, Sarah who married first a Mr. Henson, and second a Mr. Parschal: and Pamela who married first a Mr. Preston, and second a Mr. Brady who was John Brady's father. Sarah, in her late years lived with John Furlow's family. She was very eccentric, clinging to her pioneer customs and dress in her later years. She told a story of a war experience. She stood on a trunk of her valued possessions with a hatchet clutched firmly in her hands and dared some Bushwhackers who came to plunder her home, to take her trunk. They left without it. Miss Vesta Furlow still has this old trunk. It contains letters, dresses and keepsakes of Civil War days of Sarah Paschal.

The family cherishes the memory of trips made by farm wagon up to Winfrey Valley to visit their Aunt Sarah and her family and the delicious meals she prepared for them. Much good food was raised and preserved for future use by sealing in stone jars with hot wax, and by drying and curing meats and fruits.

Anderson Furlow once told of a surprise he and his brother planned for their mother while she was visiting. They put up a good many peaches, but got the salt instead of sugar by mistake, which was a surprise to her, indeed.

Company for Sunday dinner was the rule then, and as many as 100 guests were known to take Sunday dinner at the Furlow home south of Chester. It was like the family reunions now held, and in spite of the labor of cooking was much enjoyed by all. Iron cook stoves were then coming into use, and were much prized by those able to own them.

When John and Delia were married on his 21st birthday he had worked for some time for a Mrs. Simco near Mountainburg. She drove a team with a farm wagon to Van Buren to buy their house-keeping articles. Delia's family were Irish on her mother's side. Her grandmother was of an Irish family named Sweet. Their ancestors had iron works in Ireland.

The Furlow's first home was west of Mountainburg. There was much work to be done, as in all pioneer regions. The fields were to be cleared and rails made of the logs to fence them, crops to be planted and harvested, log buildings to be made and firewood to cut. Delia was a very industrious, capable pioneer wife. She could do all the usual out-door work required of Ozark mountain women, as well as sew the finest seams. Her daughters remember the exquisite sewing she did, and have heirloom quilts she pieced. She was a tidy housekeeper, and knew well the ways of preserving foods for winter use. During the years Mr. Furlow worked for the Frisco Railroad. They kept the children together on their farm, and helped them with the farm work. She could fix a gate, hew out a plow handle, set posts, plow rearing the eleven children, - all born at home. Allen Rankin and Elizabeth Ballew usually assisted at the birth of children of that day without pay. The mortality rate was no greater than in this day of hospital births. I remember 'Aunt Ellen' and 'Aunt Liz' as we called them. Their father was Benjamin Strong. He had a drug store at Schaberg. That is likely where his daughters learned of obstetric practice.

For a time the Furlow's lived in Chester, where Mrs. Mackey now lives, near the site of the M.E. Church, South. They moved to Fort Smith and lived there for a time but Mrs. Furlow believed that a large family of boys belonged in the country. About 1900 they bought the farm south of Chester, which is still owned by the family. It continued to be her home while she lived. The children were all schooled in Chester and had classes in the first three schools built in the area of where the rock schoolhouse now stands, which was built in 1941. When Vesta M. was six she started to school at the old log schoolhouse near the mouth of Howard Fork of Clear Creek. Mr. J.L. Grammer was her first teacher, she recalls. She now has this old school record book. The ability of teachers of that day is evidenced in the

pupils, many of whom I have personally known. This family were all learned people. The boys were all employed by the Frisco Railroad in different capacities. Mr. Furlow was a track man for many years until he retired at the age of 71 years. The history of this family is the history of Chester as their lives were so closely identified with the town from its beginning. John and Delia remembered the building of all the older homes after the coming of the railroad which was completed in 1884. The Frisco Roundhouse and Repair Shop were finished in 1887. After that, the two early churches, - a North M.E. Church west of the track and an M.E. Church, South, located East of the railroad. The Furlow's were members of the South M.E. group. Delia and her two older daughters Geneva Gertrude and Sarah Elizabeth were charter members of Chester Order of Eastern Star Chapter and Vesta M. joined later. Leroy's wife and two daughters are presently also members.

John Furlow helped to organize the Chester Masonic Lodge No. 459 in April 1887 with these officers and members; J.D. Hoffman, W.M.; E.P. Stafford, S.W.; J.M. Rogers, J.W.; Captain J.C. Wright, Treasurer; J.M. Carter, Secretary; O.R. Ross, S.D.; W.H. Rankin, J.D.; John Furlow, Tyler; Samuel Eddy and Dr. L.J. DeMent, other members.

While living near Mountainburg, Mr. Furlow helped organize a Masonic Chapter there on Oct. 21, 1874. For many years the Chester Lodge held meetings in the second story of the school building which was moved into the east part of town after the rock school was erected by W.P.A. in 1941. The Lodge assisted in paying for the construction and moving of the old frame building and still held lodge in the upper story of it. Church services are held in the first story of it. All the Furlow boys who reached manhood became Masons.

There were no dwellin houses in Chester except the Wright home which still stands, until the railroad came. The coal engines and the timber yard gave employment to about 100 men. The Furlows knew these people. They knew Dr. T.J. Dement and Mr. McGinnis who put up a Drug Store on land bought of Capt. Wright, and all the early doctors who doctored the people of Howard's Fork. They knew all the teachers who worked in the school, and all the preachers and Frisco employees. They knew Mary Hendrick who built a boarding house in 1888, J.W. Emerson who started the sawmill in 1887 to supply lumber and ties. Also operating in Chester were White River Lumber Company, and Arkansas Lumber Company. They knew Jacob Yoes who built a store 20x80 ft., and later the old brick which still stands. It was used as a hotel, postoffice, store and Saloon. J.F. Black had a hardware store in it, and kept the postoffice, Store and Saloon, there for a time. Garret Butler managed the saloon. The dining room and kitchen were on the ground floor in the rear. The office was where the postoffice is now, and the sleeping rooms were upstairs.

The lettering is still discernable over the saloon door. Here, drinking and gambling, and even killing took place as was usual around saloons then.

This old building is now owned by Vesta M. Furlow who uses the two larger rooms for her general store and warehouse. It has artistic appeal as well as historic interest, and has been photographed by tourists and painted by artists. The century old catalpa trees add to its beauty, and are very attractive when in full bloom. They are taller than the building. Mr. Furlow is said to have worked with many others at getting out the clay for the bricks in this and the residence near the church. This clay bed was near the school ground on land owned by the Hornback's. The Furlows had one of the first organs in the valley, and all members of the family were musical. It was a pleasure to their father to hear them sing and play hymns and folk-songs as they with friends gathered around the organ."

John and Delia had eleven children they are lined out on page The following information is about their various children.

"Samuel Plummer Furlow's son Earl had World WarII service record and employed in the postal service for many years in Ft. Smith; he was a student of U. of A. Earl, Jr. was an outstanding athlete and attended Oklahoma State Univ. at Stillwater, Okla., and later played ball for Green Bay Packers.

Anderson Oliver Furlow never married but he had a military service record from World War I. He was employed by Frisco Railroad as an engineer.

Vesta May Furlow never married, she spent her life in public service, and kept the home. She taught in the public schools 13 years and was the Chester postmaster for over 35 years, during which time she also managed a general store where she remained active. She had teacher training at the University of Arkansas. Her sister, Sara makes her home with Vesta since Mr. Thresher's death." Since Vesta retired from managing the store Jeff Barron now has that position and he had surgery in 196-. Goldie Duggin Hargis works at the store since then.

"Leroy Furlow passed teacher's examination in his youth but employed by Frisco Railroad nearly all his adult life. He was assistant Postmaster at Chester over 35 years. He had military service in World WarI. He was 32nd degree Mason; Notary Public for many years. His daughter Betty Sue married Jack Hobbs, he graduated from Univ. of Ark., and served in the military at Germany they live in Clarksville, Ark.

Charles Burton 'Burt' Furlow served in the military service during W.W. I and worked for Frisco Railroad in early years. He worked in Civil Service until he retired. His son Eugene had served in W.W. II and studied at the Univ. of Ark. He is a Pharmacist.

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