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## MORGAN CRYER MOBLEY

Morgan Cryer Mobley was born June 5, 1831 in Caddo Township, Clark County, Arkansas. His father David Mobley came to Arkansas a single man from Tennessee following military service during the War of 1812. He was accompanied by an uncle named John Mobley according to family history. Tradition also says they parted at Arkansas Post and David Mobley did not hear from his uncle again. He settled in Clark County and in 1817 married Barbara Cryer the daughter of Morgan Cryer. In 1836 David Mobley settled between Antoine and present day Delight, Arkansas in Pike County. He died in 1859. The children of David Mobley and Barbara Cryer included William, David, Morgan Cryer, Sarah Ann, Julia Ann, Leana, Ann Mariah and at least three others who died in childhood or infancy.

Morgan Cryer Mobley married Mary Jane Kirby about 1857 in Pike County, Arkansas. She was the daughter of Joseph Lytal Kirby and Rachel Patterson Walton who arrived in Pike County, Arkansas in late 1850. The Kirbys had nine children. They were William Lytal, Joseph Fosgate, John C., Mary Jane, James Walton, Joshua Marshal, Elizabeth E., Caroline, and Idella C.

Morgan Cryer Mobley and Mary Jane Kirby had one child a daughter named Myra Alice Mobley before his death on April 16, 1859. He was buried in the Old Lamb Cemetery between Antoine and Delight. Mary Jane (Kirby) Mobley became the second wife of William Harrison Preston of Murfreesboro.

**Cemetery Records Pike County Arkansas** page 243. **Early History of Pike County Arkansas** page 133. **Pike County Arkansas 1860 United States Census** by Bobbie Jones McLane, page 42, Antoine Township, D-497.

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## Maj. Wm. H. Preston

The many friends and acquaintances of Maj. Wm. H. Preston of Murfreesboro, Pike Co., will be shocked to learn that he is no more, and that he died by his own hand. On the evening of the 7th inst. (January 7, 1873) we learn that he went into a room to change clothes and remained so long that his wife became uneasy about him and went into the room to ascertain the cause, when to her horror, she found him on the bed and four empty one ounce bottles labeled "Laudanum" sitting on a chair nearby. When his wife entered the room he pointed to the bottles and remarked that she could see what he had done for himself. A physician was immediately summoned, but Maj. Preston stoutly refused to take any antidote declaring it to be his full and unalterable determination to destroy his life. He died about six o'clock next morning (January 8, 1873).

**Southern Standard**, January 18, 1873, page 3, column 2: from the **Washington Telegraph**, January 15, 1873.

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## DEED

Know All Men By These Presents:

That we, Barbra Mobley, William Mobly, David Mobley, Samuel H. Wingfield and Sarah his wife, Granville W. Tarpley and Leanner his wife, and Elijah Kelley guardian of Ann Mariah Kelley, and William Gilmer guardian of Myra Alice Mobley, being the heirs and guardians of the minor heirs of David Mobley deceased, being residents of the County of Pike in the State of Arkansas, for and in consideration of the sum of Eight hundred dollars to us in hand paid by William H. Kirkham, the receipt of which we hereby acknowledged, have bargained,

sold and conveyed unto William H. Kirkham the following described land lying and being situate in the County of Pike and State of Arkansas known and designated as follows, to wit:

The South half of the south West quarter of section nineteen containing eight-two acres and sixty two one hundredths of one acre (forty foot square being reserved including certain graves thereon). Also the West half of the North West quarter of section thirty, all in Township No. Eight, South of Range No. Twenty-three West, containing eighty acres. And we hereby give, grant, sell, and convey unto the aforesaid Wm. H. Kirkham, his heirs and assigns, all the right, title, claim and interest that we the undersigned heirs and guardians of the minor heirs of David Mobley deceased, have in and to the above described lands and liniments, together with all the rights, privileges, and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, to have and to hold the same to the said William H. Kirkham, his heirs and assigns forever against the Lawful claims of all and every person claiming in through or by us in any manner whatsoever. The above granted and described premises being a part of the real Estate of which the said David Mobley, deceased, died seized and possessed.

And we further hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators to warrant and defend the right and title of the aforegranted premises unto the said Wm. H. Kirkham, his heirs and assigns, against all lawful claims of all and every person whatever.

In Testimony Whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, this November the 17th A.D. 1860.

Barbra Mobley (Seal)  
William Mobly (Seal)  
Margaret J. Mobley (Seal)  
David Mobley (Seal)  
Martha W. Mobley (Seal)  
G.W. Tarpley (Seal)  
Leaner Tarpley (Seal)  
S.H. Wingfield (Seal)  
Sarah Wingfield (Seal)  
Elijah Kelley Sr. Guardian (Seal)  
of Ann Mariah Kelley  
Wm. Gilmer guardian (Seal)  
of Myra Alice Mobly

Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of  
Booker D. Brock, G.W. Hewitt.

State of Arkansas,  
County of Pike.

Be it remembered that on this 17th day of November A.D. 1860 personally came and appeared before me Booker D. Brock, an acting Justice of the Peace, in and for the County aforesaid, Barbary Mobley, William Mobley and Margaret his wife, David Mobley and Martha W. his wife, Granvill(e) W. Tarply and Leaner his wife, S.H. Wingfield and Sarah his wife, Elijah Kelley as guardian of Ann Mariah Kelley, William Gilmer as guardian of Mira Alice Mobley, all personally well known to me as the heirs and guardians of the minor heirs of David Mobley deceased, and acknowledged that they had made and executed the foregoing conveyance for the purposes and considerations therein expressed and desired the same to be certified.

Given under my hand the day and date above written.

Booker D. Brock, J.P.

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State of Arkansas,  
County of Pike.

I, J.C. Hughes, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex-Officio Recorder within and for said County, do hereby certify, that the foregoing instrument of writing was filed in my office for record on the 9 day of April A.D. 18(9)6, and that the same is now duly recorded with the acknowledgements and certificates thereon in Record Book A, Pages 553 & 554 (except the former Certificate of Record).

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, this the 10 day of April A.D. 1896.

(Seal) J.C. Hughes, Clerk

Pike County Arkansas Deed Book A, pages 553-554.

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## Howard County Arkansas Marriages 1895-1902

### Pike County Arkansas Residents

The groom or bride or both are residents of Pike County, Arkansas at the time of marriage.

Alexander, Joe	Mrs. Mary Ross	September 15, 1898	Lafever, Rosetta	Alex Meeks	July 18, 1895
Alford, J.D.	Talitha Carson	December 10, 1896	Lingo, J.R. Alice Cornish		May 30, 1899
Alford, Rebecca	William T. Pate	December 4, 1898	Markham, J.F.	Lillie Simpson	August 13, 1896
Alford, William	Addie Barentine	October 12, 1902	Mayben, H.H. [male]	S.D. Chamblin	December 16, 1902
Barentine, Addie	William Alford	October 12, 1902	McClure, P.L.	Lula Nale	March 7, 1901
Barentine, Lucinda	E.W. Hill	August 17, 1902	McCoy, I.H.M.	Addie Wright	September 10, 1895
Barnes, Ada	J.B. Miller	March 19, 1902	Meeks, Alex	Rosetta Lafever	July 18, 1895
Barton, James A.	Rosa L. Smith	March 10, 1901	Meeks, Frances	C.J. Morgan	May 12, 1895
Bell, James M.	Mary E. Carson	December 19, 1897	Meeks, John A.	Sallie White	December 1, 1895
Bell, W.C. Inez Roberts		December 6, 1896	Meyers, Samantha	W.J. Hill	October 14, 1896
Branch, Harris	Georgia Strawn	December 16, 1900	Miller, Chester A.	Mattie Watt	May 18, 1902
Brock, Columbus	Rose Thomas	July 25, 1902	Miller, J.B.	Ada Barnes	March 19, 1902
Bryant, J.B.	Viola Myers	November 20, 1898	Mizzles, Nolin	Benjamin C. Fox	December 7, 1899
Bush, Charles A.	Tennie Henry	December 17, 1899	Moore, James Allen	Mattie Chaney	February 23, 1896
Cannady, Sina	W.R. Killian	January 23, 1898	Moore, Mrs. M.E.	George W. Ross	August 19, 1896
Carson, Ada	B.D. Pate	November 2, 1902	Morgan, C.J.	Frances Meeks	May 12, 1895
Carson, Alex	Loda Stevens	December 30, 1900	Myers, Viola	J.B. Bryant	November 20, 1898
Carson, Mary E.	James M. Bell	December 19, 1897	Nail (Nale), Della	John B. Holt	February 3, 1897
Carson, Talitha	J.D. Alford	December 10, 1896	Nale, Lula P.L. McClure		March 7, 1901
Chamblin, S.D.	H.H. Mayben [male]	December 16, 1902	Nannie, H.H.	Belle Stuart	December 17, 1902
Chandler, John Henry	Nannie Ralls	July 12, 1896	Pate, A.J.	Ida Chatham	December 25, 1898
Chaney, Mattie	James Allen Moore	February 23, 1896	Pate, B.D. Ada Carson		November 2, 1902
Chappel, Lewis	Fannie Garrett	August 12, 1895	Pate, V.A. Lula Smith		November 2, 1902
Chatham, Ida	A.J. Pate	December 25, 1898	Pate, William T.	Rebecca Alford	December 4, 1898
Chatman, Ada	Sam W(h)isenhunt	January 31, 1901	Pennington, S.J.	B.F. Eastwood	July 23, 1896
Clark, John	Mrs. July (Julie) Hollis	January 26, 1902	Perrin, Frances L.	Isaac F. Ross	September 15, 1898
Cook, Fannie	W.G. Gibson	July 7, 1896	Perrin, Mary J.	J.W. Jones	February 16, 1897
Cooley, Dora	D.H. Jones	December 30, 1900	Phillips, Emma L.	Paul White	October 14, 1897
Cornish, Alice	J.R. Lingo	November 14, 1895	Rains, Lillie	T.A. Cowart	December 25, 1900
Coulter, Nancy	Thomas E. Wesson	December 25, 1895	Ralls, Nannie	John Henry Chandler	July 12, 1896
Covington, Dow	Nettie Gentry	August 4, 1897	Reed, H.F. Nettie Henry		December 15, 1900
Cowart, T.A.	Lillie Rains	December 25, 1900	Richmond, Dola R.	J.C. Jones	July 5, 1896
Davis, Nelson	Nancy Thornton	January 5, 1902	Roberts, Inez	W.C. Bell	December 6, 1896
Eastwood, B.F.	S.J. Pennington	July 23, 1896	Ross, George W.	Mrs. M.E. Moore	August 19, 1896
Fant, Banks	Dona Spurlock	April 4, 1901	Ross, Isaac F.	Frances L. Perrine	September 15, 1898
Forester, Lela	J.B. White	April 5, 1896	Ross, Mrs. Mary	Joe Alexander	September 15, 1898
Fox, Benjamin C.	Nolin Mizzles	December 7, 1899	Russell, Lila	William D. Henderson	August 2, 1900
Fox, George	Bertha Epperson	October 6, 1901	Scruggs, M.N.	Etta Spears	May 24, 1898
Fox, James W.	Amy Mizzles	December 7, 1899	Self, W.L. Callie Stewart		November 16, 1902
Garrett, Fannie	Lewis Chappel	August 12, 1895	Shaw, Adam M.	Rosa Stansberry	November 4, 1899
Gentry, Nettie	Dow Covington	August 4, 1897	Simpson, Lillie	J.F. Markham	August 13, 1896
Gibson, Henry	Addie Young	August 7, 1902	Smith, Belle	S.P. Grice	January 26, 1896
Gibson, James	Emma Young	July 29, 1902	Smith, Lula	V.A. Pate	November 2, 1902
Gibson, W.G.	Fannie Cook	July 7, 1896	Smith, Rosa L.	James A. Barton	March 10, 1901
Green, Etta J.B. W(h)isenhunt		September 9, 1897	Spears, Etta	M.N. Scruggs	May 24, 1898
Green, M.F.	Ada Stone	January 12, 1899	Spurlock, Dona	Banks Fant	April 4, 1901
Grice, S.P. Belle Smith		January 26, 1896	Stansbury, Rosa	Adam M. Shaw	November 4, 1899
Hardcastle, Roxa	C.J. Lafever (Lefever)	November 14, 1895	Stephens, Cansada	Louis H. Strasner	October 19, 1899
Harris, Torzah	A.Z. Sullivan	November 14, 1900	Stephens, Lula	Thomas J. Strasner	December 24, 1896
Henderson, Wm. D.	Lila Russell	August 2, 1900	Stevens, Loda	Alex Carson	December 30, 1900
Henry, Leona	Isaac H. White	March 7, 1899	Stewart, Callie	W.L. Self	November 16, 1902
Henry, Nettie	H.F. Reed	December 15, 1900	Stone, Ada M.F. Green	January 12, 1899	
Henry, Tennie	Charles A. Bush	December 17, 1899	Strasner, James W.	Annie Swader	December 4, 1898
Hill, E.W. Lucinda Barentine		August 17, 1902	Strasner, Louis H.	Cansada Stephens	October 19, 1899
Hill, W.J.	Samantha Meyers	October 14, 1896	Strasner, Thomas J.	Lula Stephens	December 24, 1896
Hollis, July (Julie)	John Clark	January 26, 1902	Strawn, Georgia	Harris Branch	December 16, 1900
Holt, John B.	Della Nail	February 3, 1897	Stuart, Belle	J.H. Nannie	December 17, 1902
Hunter, Callie	George W(h)isenhunt	November 15, 1899	Sullivan, A.Z.	Torzah Harris	November 14, 1900
Hutchinson T.L.	Sada Ward [female]	December 24, 1900	Swader, Annie	James Strasner	December 4, 1898
James, Rhoda	Henry M. Jones	December 3, 1899	Thomas, Rose	Columbus Brock	July 25, 1902
Jones, D.H.	Dora Cooley	December 30, 1900	Thornton, Nancy	Nelson Davis	January 5, 1902
Jones, Henry M.	Rhoda James	December 3, 1899	Turner, C.W. [male]	S.J. White	September 7, 1902
Jones, J.C. Dola R. Richmond		July 5, 1896	Ward, Sada	T.L. Hutchinson	December 24, 1900
Jones, J.W. Mary J. Perrine		February 16, 1897	Watt, Mattie	Chester A. Miller	May 18, 1902
Killian, W.R.	Sina Cannady	January 23, 1898	Wesson, Thomas E.	Nancy Coulter	December 25, 1895
Lafever, C.J.	Roxa Hardcastle	November 14, 1895	White, Isaac H.	Leona Henry	March 7, 1899
			White, J.B. Lela Forester		April 5, 1896
			White, Paul	Emma L. Phillips	October 14, 1897
			White, S.J. [female]	C.W. Turner	September 7, 1902
			White, Sallie	John A. Meeks	December 1, 1895
			W(h)isenhunt, George	Callie Hunter	November 15, 1899
			W(h)isenhunt, J.B.	Etta Green	September 9, 1897
			W(h)isenhunt, M.	W.A. Young	June 9, 1901
			W(h)isenhunt, Sam	Ada Chatman	January 31, 1901
			Wright, Addie	I.H.M. McCoy	September 10, 1895
			Young, Addie	Henry Gibson	August 7, 1902

Young, Emma James Gibson July 29, 1902  
 Young, W.A. Margaret W(h)isenhunt June 9, 1901

Wright, Dick Mrs. Susie Wright August 17, 1897  
 Wright, Mrs. Susie Dick Wright August 17, 1897  
 Wylie, A.R. Nora Palmer August 17, 1896

## Nevada County Arkansas Marriages 1895-1900

### Pike County Arkansas Residents

The groom or bride or both are residents of Pike County, Arkansas at the time of marriage.

Atchison, Mrs. Susie	D.W. Wright	November 4, 1900
Barnes, Nannie	W.B. Garner	April 4, 1895
Blanchard, Carrie	E.B. Kelley	December 2, 1900
Butler, Minnie	T.W. Cross	August 15, 1899
Calhoun, Mittie	J.H. Canter	February 10, 1897
Campbell, Dan	Minnie Ward	November 20, 1898
Campbell, Essie	J.S. Rather	August 20, 1899
Canter, J.H.	Mittie Calhoun	February 10, 1897
Canter, Susie	W.H. Carmen	December 9, 1897
Carmen, W.H.	Susie Canter	December 9, 1897
Carpenter, Mary Jane	J.H. Copeland	June 22, 1895
Copeland, J.H.	Mary Jane Carpenter	June 22, 1895
Covington, Dora	W.D. Hale	September 8, 1895
Cross, Sarah	M.O. Nolen	September 16, 1900
Cross, T.W.	Minnie Butler	August 15, 1899
French, Dora	J.M. Thompson	April 13, 1898
Frisby, L.C. [female]	F.P. Langley	May 3, 1896
Garner, J.T.	Laura Rather	January 24, 1897
Garner, W.B.	Nannie Barnes	April 4, 1895
Gentry, Dora	E.L. Lovelis (Loveless)	February 18, 1900
Gentry, George W.	Dora O'Neal	November 27, 1898
Gould, W.B.	Nora Johnson	November 1, 1899
Hale, W.D.	Dora Covington	September 8, 1895
Jackson, Lula	W.E. Williams	March 22, 1899
Jackson, Mrs. Mary J.	W.B. Speer	September 23, 1900
Johnson, Nora	W.B. Gould	November 1, 1899
Jones, Emma	C.D. Roberts	April 25, 1895
Kelley, E.B.	Carrie Blanchard	December 2, 1900
Langley, F.P. [male]	L.C. Frisby	May 3, 1896
Lee, W.T. [male]	P.H. May	December 5, 1895
Lovelis E.L.	Dora Gentry	February 18, 1900
Marbly (Mobley), R.	Monroe Read	February 10, 1897
May, P.H. [female]	W.T. Lee	December 5, 1895
McKinnon, J.C.	Lillie Thompson	January 3, 1896
Montgomery, Mittie	J.W. Wardlow	February 2, 1898
Nash, Theotus	Charlie J. Tate	October 31, 1900
Nolen, M.O.	Sarah Cross	September 16, 1900
O'Neal, Dora	George W. Gentry	November 27, 1898
Palmer, Nora	A.R. Wylie	August 17, 1896
Presley, E.C. [male]	S.E. Winter	January 23, 1896
Randle, Mrs. S.J.	W.H. Sutton [male]	February 23, 1896
Rather, J.S.	Essie Campbell	August 20, 1899
Rather, Laura	J.T. Garner	January 24, 1897
Read, Monroe	Rosa Marbly (Mobley)	February 10, 1897
Rhodes, Eliza A.	James Tate	November 14, 1895
Roberts, C.D.	Emma Jones	April 25, 1895
Roundtree, J.H.	Hetie (Etta) Steed	March 16, 1898
Speer, W.B.	Mrs. Mary J. Jackson	September 23, 1900
Starling, N.A.	E.M. Tate [male]	October 17, 1897
Steed, Hetie (Etta)	J.H. Roundtree	March 16, 1898
Sutton, W.H. [male]	Mrs. S.J. Randle	February 23, 1896
Tate, Charlie J.	Theotus Nash	October 31, 1900
Tate, E.M. [male]	N.A. Starling	October 17, 1897
Tate, James	Eliza A. Rhodes	November 14, 1895
Thompson, J.M.	Dora French	April 13, 1898
Thompson, Lillie	J.C. McKinnon	January 3, 1896
Ward, Minnie	Dan Campbell	November 20, 1898
Wardlow, J.W.	Mrs. Mittie Montgomery	February 2, 1898
Williams, W.E.	Lula Jackson	March 22, 1899
Winter, S.E. [female]	E.C. Presley	January 23, 1896
Wright, D.W.	Mrs. Susie Atchison	November 4, 1900

## ARKANSAS CONFEDERATE PENSION FILE

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Mary J. Polk [widow] of Allen J. Polk, Muddy Fork, Howard County, Arkansas [July 7, 1915]. "I am the widow of Allen J. Polk who served as a soldier in the army ... of the Confederate States, being a member of Company H, 24th Regiment of Infantry from Arkansas ... that he was honorably discharged from such service May (Close of War) 1865 ... that my said husband died April 22, 1888. I am now 75 years of age past ... was married to Mr. Polk, January 19, 1882. I own 160 (acres) of land the homestead worth \$1000." [Signed] Mary Jane Polk. [Witnesses] Jno. A. Hughes and C.L. Haller. [July 17, 1915] Jesse H. Cornish citizen of Nathan ... "well acquainted with applicant's hus-band Allen J. Polk and knew him several years before the war ... that he was a Confederate soldier belonging to Co. H, 24 Reg. of Ark. Inf. That as such soldier he served from 1862 until the close of war. That my knowledge of these facts comes from actual knowledge, was with him in the war. He was my Lieutenant part of the time and made a good officer ..." [Signed Jesse H. Cornish]. [August 16, 1915] G.G. Billings and Josh (his x mark) White citizens of County of Howard, State of Arkansas ... credible persons and worthy of confi-dence ... "well acquainted with applicant Mary J. Polk and have known her 45 years, respectively." [February 23, 1932] Mary Jane Polk, Nashville, Arkansas born October 30, 1836, County of (?), State of Miss., married A.J. Polk, 19 Jan. 1882, County of Howard, State of Arkansas ... She makes her home with Leu (Lew) Billings, Nash-ville, Arkansas, nephew. [July 13, 1935] State of Arkansas, County of Howard. I, Clarence Garner, Clerk of the County Court ... certify that Mary J. Polk ... died on or about the 10th day of July 1935.

**Arkansas Confederate Pension Application**, File 23088, Mary J. Polk widow of Allen J. Polk. Arkansas History Commission, One Capitol Mall, Little Rock, Arkansas.

## DEATHS & OBITUARIES

**Mrs. J.R. Wortham Died Tuesday Night at Her Home on Murfreesboro Heights**

### In Ill Health for Many Years

Mrs. J.R. Wortham died at her home on Murfreesboro Heights Tuesday night (December 29, 1925). She had been in ill health for a long time but appeared in better health the past few weeks until Christmas day when she took a severe pain in her side and continually grew worse until her death. Her condition had not been considered dangerous and the news of her death came as a shock to her many friends. Her remains were interred in the cemetery at Belton amid a large congregation of sorrowing relatives and friends. She is survived by her husband and several grown sons and daughters. The Courier extends its sympathy to the family in their hour of sorrow and grief.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 1; Friday, January 1, 1926; page 1, column 6, item 2.

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### Pioneer Citizen Passes Away

J.H. Elam, of College Hill, Died  
Tuesday Night of Paralysis

J.H. Elam, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of this section of the state, died at his home near College Hill at 11 o'clock Tuesday night (January 5, 1926). Mr. Elam had not been in good health for some time but it was not thought dangerous as he was able to be up most of the time, but about a week ago he suffered a stroke of paralysis and continued to grow worse until his death. Mr. Elam was 72 years of age, and lived in this county for many years and has raised a large family of boys and girls, most of whom survive him. He was a good, christian gentleman, always standing for the things that tend to make better towns, communities, churches, and schools and his influence will be sorely missed in the community where he lived. His remains were laid to rest in the College Hill cemetery Thursday afternoon amid a large congregation of sorrowing relatives and friends who gathered there to pay their last respects to his memory. He is survived by his wife, two sons, George and Owen and four daughters, Mmes. Isabel Garrett, Vienna Williams, Ella Blount and Mary McRae. The Courier extends its sympathy to the bereaved family in the loss of their husband and father.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 2; Friday, January 8, 1926; page 1, column 6, item 1. **College Hill Cemetery**

tombstone inscription: John H. Elam March 19, 1853 (to) Jan. 5, 1926.

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### Paralee Holland Died Sunday

Miss Parilee (as spelled) Holland, age 29 years, died at a hospital in Little Rock, Sunday afternoon, after a long, lingering illness. She was the only daughter of G.W. Holland, of near College Hill, and her death came as a surprise and shock to her many friends here who were unaware that she was seriously ill. Her remains were brought home overland Tuesday by an Owens & Co. ambulance. She was laid to rest in the Murfreesboro cemetery Wednesday amid a large congregation of sorrowing relatives and friends. She is survived by her father, G.W. Holland, three brothers, Mack, Tom and Jewel Holland. Bro. Cagle, pastor of the M.E. Church, conducted the funeral services.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 3; Friday, January 15, 1926; page 1, column 6, Item 2.

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### Local Items

An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Carroll, of this city (Murfreesboro), died Friday and was buried in the local cemetery Saturday afternoon. The many friends of the family will be pleased to learn that Mrs. Carroll is getting along nicely. The Courier joins in with their many friends in extending sympathy to them in the loss of their little baby.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 4; Friday, January 22, 1926; page 3, column 1, item 6.

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### Mrs. Churly Meeks Died Sunday

Mrs. Churly Meeks aged 80 years and 15 days died at her home in Daisy at 9 o'clock Sunday evening the 17th (January 17, 1926), after a short illness. She was laid to rest in the Mt. Joy cemetery Monday, a large crowd of sorrowing relatives and friends paying their last and due respects. She is survived by one son, Joe B. Meeks, three grandchildren, five sisters, and one brother. The funeral services being conducted by Rev. Jeff Oneal, pastor of the Free Will Baptist church. Aunt Churby came to daisy many years ago with her parents. She kept the postoffice at Daisy for more than 30 years. She was known thruout (throughout) the county and was loved and honored by all for her deeds of

goodness. She was a member of the South Methodist church and lived a true and devoted christian life. I have know her since my baby days and she has ever been mother like to me and I shall miss her gentle voice and kind helping hand. As I looked for the last time on the dear dead face of my beloved friend the thought came to me - how beautiful is the face of a saint - even after the stroke of grim death in its cold and solemn way has closed the eyes and stilled the voice forever, leaving only the moveless body of clay, yet how beautiful is the face of a saint, one who has tasted the sweetness of God's blessed rest, one who has lived with Heaven in view. - Gusta M. Harrison.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 5; Friday, January 29, 1926; page 1, column 5, item 1.

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### **Mrs. Lockwood Dead**

Mrs. Polly A. Lockwood, age 76, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fannie Chapel, of this city, Thursday morning (February 4, 1926). She had been in bad health a long time. She is survived by two sons, Jim and Jack Lockwood, and two daughters, Mrs. Fannie Chapel and Mrs. W.O. Basham. Burial will probably be had today in the local cemetery.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 6; Friday, February 5, 1926; page 4, column 1, item 2.

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### **Mrs. W.O. Herndon Died Monday**

Mrs. W.O. Herndon of Conway, Ark. aged 36 years, died in a hospital in that city Monday morning after undergoing two major operations within three days. She had been in ill health for several years and for the past year had been under the personal care of the chief surgeon of this hospital making preparations for an operation but she failed to respond as she should and another operation was performed Sunday night in an effort to save her but it proved futile. Mrs. Herndon is well known in Pike county, where she was born and reared. She has lived at Kirby, Glenwood, and in this city, where she made a host of life-long friends. She was a good, true, Christian woman and to know her was to love and respect her. Her many friends here were deeply grieved to learn of her death, most of whom have tendered consoling words and messages of sympathy to her relatives. Her remains were interred in the cemetery at Conway Wednesday morning, the pastor of the First

Presbyterian church, performing the last sad rites of the funeral ceremony amid a large congregation of sorrowing relatives and friends. The many beautiful flowers and telegrams of sympathy from friends were greatly appreciated by the family. She is survived by her husband W.O. Herndon, three daughters, Venice, Ida Sue, and Martha Maude and one son, Floyd; her parents Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Foshee, of Gurdon, three sisters, Mrs. C.C. Purtle, of Graysonia, Mrs. Ivah Powell, of Arkadelphia, Mrs. Harry Thomasson, of Murfreesboro, and one brother, Clarence Foshee of Gurdon. The Courier extends its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family in the loss of their dearly beloved one.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 7; Friday, February 12, 1926; page 1, column 4, item 1.

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### **News Items From Ebenezer**

Mrs. Cowart of Kirby died last Wednesday night (February 3, 1926). We greatly sympathize with her many relatives and friends in their sorrow.

The Courier's School Department, **Pike County School News**, "Devoted To The Advancement of Our Schools," February 12, 1926 insert, Volume 1, Number 10; page 1, column 1, item 3.

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### **Daisy News**

Mr. John Walston, aged 69, died at the home of his brother, W.B. Walston on Feb. 4th (1926), and was buried at Mt. Joy cemetery.

The Courier's School Department, **Pike County School News**, "Devoted To The Advancement of Our Schools," February 12, 1926 insert, Volume 1, Number 10; page 1, column 2, item 2.

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### **News - New Hope Doings**

Mrs. Tony Davis of Crossroads died of pneumonia Tuesday (February 2, 1926). Funeral services were held at Pleasant Grove cemetery Wednesday afternoon. The sorrowing family have the sympathy of their many friends who join them in their sorrow.

The Courier's School Department, **Pike County School News**, "Devoted To The Advancement of Our Schools," February 12, 1926 insert, Volume 1, Number 10; page 1, column 3, item 19 continued through column 4, item 2. **Pleasant Grove Cemetery** tombstone inscription: Cora Davis wife of Tony. Dec. 28, 1905 (to) Feb. 2, 1926.

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## Lodi Notes

We extend our arms of sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Parker family, relatives and friends, in the death of their little girl, Lucille Parker, who died Wednesday night (February 24, 1926) and was buried here Friday. She took seriously sick Wednesday. There are others in this community who are sick now.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 9; Friday, February 26, 1926; page 3, column 2, item 2. **Cemetery Records** Pike County, Arkansas Lodi Cemetery, page 262: Lucille Parker 1918-1926.

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### Mrs. Parker Died Last Sunday Night

Mrs. Florinda A. Parker, aged 83 years, died suddenly at her home in this city, near midnight last Sunday night (March 14, 1926). Nothing unusual had been noted in her condition when she retired for bed, but about 12 o'clock that night she appealed for aid, but was found to be suffering from some supposed affection of the heart, and died before the arrival of a physician. Mrs. Parker was the wife of the late A.W. Parker, and daughter of Hiram Buchanan and Emily (Higgins) Bu-CHANAN. She was born in Fayetteville, Lincoln county, Tenn., June 9, 1842, moved to Clark county, Arkansas about 1847. (She) was married to Alexander Wilson Parker, March 17, 1867, at Red Land, (now Kirby) and lived near there until Feb. 1889. There was born to this union nine children, two dying in infancy, one at eleven. Six are yet living. The family moved to Murfreesboro in 1889, where they lived until the death of her husband April 2, 1911. She continued to live at their old home until March 15, 1926, when the Lord saw best to call her home to be with him. She was a great believer in the (page torn) (Bible) and spent much of her time reading same. A beautiful (page torn), mother, and grandmother, (page torn) everybody. She is survived by six children - Mrs. Mary E. Branch of Nashville, Mrs. Lovie F. Kinsworthy of Ashdown, Henry A., Charlie, and Joe Parker of Murfreesboro, and George J. Parker of Hot Springs. Also a brother at Weatherford, Tex. Nineteen grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. Cagle and Cornish in the local (Mur-freesboro) cemetery Monday afternoon.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 12; Friday, March

19, 1926; page 1, column 4, item 1. **Murfreesboro Cemetery** tombstone inscription: Florinda Parker 1842-1926.

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### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our many friends for the sympathies and kindnesses shown in the bereavement of our mother. We also thank you for the beautiful floral offerings which were so symbolic of the life she lived. - The Parker Children.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 12; Friday, March 19, 1926; page 1, column 4, item 4.

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### T.M. Womack Dead

T.M. Womack, aged 74 years, died Tuesday evening (March 30, 1926) at his home near College Hill. Mr. Womack had lived practically all his life in and around Murfreesboro where he has many friends to mourn his death. He was an upright citizen and will be sadly missed from the community. He is survived by one son, Willie Womack, and three daughters, Mrs. Charlie Parker, Mrs. Bud Willett, and Mrs. Bud McClenahan. Funeral services were conducted at the Mur-freesboro cemetery Wednesday afternoon by Bro. Cagle.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 14; Friday, April 2, 1926; page 1, column 3, item 3. **Murfreesboro Cemetery** tombstone inscription: Thomas M. Womack 1851-1926.

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### Resolution

Whereas, it has pleased our Supreme Grand Master to call our worthy brother Harry B. Thomasson, from labor here on earth to rest and immortality in the Supreme Grand Lodge above where the Supreme Grand Master, himself, presides: ... He was a just and upright Mason ... Brother Thomasson departed from this world, just as life was in its bloom ... (text not copied) ... Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of Pike Lodge No. 91, F. & A.M., and a copy furnished the family of the deceased brother. Ed Walston, Roy A. Gosnell, T.W. Rountree, Committee. March 27, 1926.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 14; Friday, April 2, 1926; page 2, column 1, item 3. **Murfreesboro Cemetery** tombstone inscription: Harry B. Thomasson 1895-1927.

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### **Ebenezer News**

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Self died Thursday morning (April 1, 1926) and was buried Friday in the cemetery here. His age was nine months and three days.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 14; Friday, April 2, 1926; page 2, column 3, item 5.

### **W.H. Doss Dead**

Willis H. Doss, of Delight, aged 96, died at his home last Monday (April 5, 1926). "Uncle" Willis Doss was probably the oldest citizen in this county, and was well known. He was a Mason, and his funeral was conducted under the auspices of that fraternity Tuesday, quite a number of Masons from this lodge attending the obsequies.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 15; Friday, April 9, 1926; page 1, column 2, item 3. **Delight Cemetery** (old section) tombstone inscription: Willis H. Doss Jan. 4, 1830 (to) April 5, 1926.

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### **Card of Thanks**

We are indeed thankful to our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and sympathies shown during the illness, death and burial of our father T.M. Womack. - Willie Womack.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 15; Friday, April 9, 1926, page 2, column 3, item 3.

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### **Liberty News**

Mrs. Horace Cox of Shawmutt, found their baby dead in the bed Friday morning. The baby had not been ill and it's death was a great shock to the family. - Lottie Skelton.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 15; Friday, April 9, 1926; page 4, column 2, item 3.

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### **Deaths at Delight**

Mrs. S.T. East age 72, and Mrs. S.E. Brown, age 69, both of Delight, died last week. Mrs. East had been ill for several weeks, but Mrs. Brown died suddenly, being stricken while eating dinner and

dying in about 20 minutes, it is said.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 16; Friday, April 16, 1926; page 1, column 2, item 3. **Delight Cemetery** tombstone inscriptions: Josephine East (wife of Samuel Teague East) Mar. 7, 1854 (to) Apr. 8, 1926 and Mrs. S.E. Brown wife of S.E. Dec. 25, 1856 (to) April 8, 1926.

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### **Glenwood Items**

From the Glenwood Herald

Mrs. George Foshee, age 64, died Friday evening (April 9, 1926) at her home in Kirby very suddenly, the fatal attack lasting only three hours, although she had been in declining health for over a year.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 16; Friday, April 16, 1926; page 1, column 4, item 2.

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### **Local Items**

Nellie Johnson, colored, died Wednesday (April 14, 1926) of tuberculosis. She had been ill a year or more with this trouble.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 16; page 3, column 1, item 7.

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### **Mrs. Emily Stevens**

Mrs. Emily Stevens, age 69 years, widow of the late P.T.D. Stevens, died at the home of her brother, Esq. W.E. Walston, of this city, Sunday (May 16, 1926). Mrs. Stevens has been in ill health for some time and has only been in Murfreesboro a few weeks when she suddenly became worse Saturday, and died Sunday afternoon about 2:30. She is survived by one son, Ed Stevens, and one daughter Mrs. Dave Beavert. Funeral services and burial was had at Pleasant Home, Monday afternoon, Rev. D.W. Cornish officiating.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 21; Friday, May 21, 1926; page 1, column 3, item 2. **Pleasant Home Cemetery** tombstone inscription: Emily Walston Stevens Sept. 10, 1856 (to) May 1926.

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### **Lee Carter Dead**

F.F. Carter made a hurried trip to Ft. Towson, Okla., Saturday to attend the funeral of his brother, Lee,



well known figure in the banking business in Ft. Towson. Lee Carter was reared near Nathan, in Pike county, and is well known to the older citi-zens here. He was buried at Ft. Towson Saturday.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 21; Friday, May 21, 1926; page 1, column 3, item 5.

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### **Drank Tree Poison Instead Of Water**

Chris Jackson, living on the Gilmer farm near Bills, is dead, due to drinking a fluid known as tree poison. The particulars relative to this occurrence as near as we can gather are, that last Sunday morning (May 16, 1926) about 11 o'clock Jackson and a near neighbor were walking through the bottoms near their homes when they came to a coal oil can suspended from the limb of a tree. It is said that Jackson complained of intense thirst for water about that time and taking down the can drank a portion of the fluid. Soon after he became sick and returned home. His condition grew gradually worse and a physician was called. He continued to grow worse, however, and died about 12 o'clock that night. The circumstances leading to his death appeared unnatural to some of the neighbors in that a man would drink contents from an unknown vessel to quench his thirst when it is claimed a stream of water ran near the tree on which the can was hanging. This fact was reported to the officers and we are told that an investigation is going to be held in order to ascertain more information if possible. The can of tree poison is said to have belonged to Bree Harrison, another farmer on the plantation, who had been using the fluid to kill trees Jackson was married and had several children.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 21; Friday May 21, 1926; page 1, column 4, item 1.

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### **Local and Personal Items**

Columbus Bowen, former citizen of this county, and brother-in-law of W.F. Kelley of this city, died suddenly at Hot Springs Monday.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 24; Friday, June 11, 1926; page 2, column 2, item 2. Photograph of tombstone: Columbus L. Bowen born Nov. 13, 1853 died June 7, 1926.

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### **Mrs. Lon Reese**

Mrs. Lon Reese, aged 48 years, died at her home in Bingen, Monday night (June 21, 1926) with pellagra. Mrs. Reese is survived by two children, Leo Reese of Bingen, and one daughter, Mrs. Roy Sullivan of Murfreesboro. The Courier extends deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 26; Friday, June 25, 1926; page 1, column 6, item 3.

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### **W.B. Thomasson Jr. Died Thursday in La.**

W.B. Thomasson Jr., aged 70 years, died last Thursday morning June 24 (1926), at 10 o'clock at Lake Charles, La. He was formerly a lawyer of this place, where he practiced his profession many years. He later engaged in the mercantile business at Bills, Ark., and was instrumental in establishing the postoffice there. The last 5 years of his life was spent on the Gulf coast in pursuit of health. He was never married and is survived by two brothers, J.S. and S.J. Thomasson of this county, and one sister, Mrs. J.A. Holland in Calif. He was engaged in writing a book at the time of his death. His body was laid to rest in Lake Charles, La., last Friday morning.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 27; Friday, July 2, 1926; page 1, column 5, item 1.

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### **Mrs. Hattie Mae Golden**

Mrs. Hattie Mae Golden, wife of H.G. Golden, of Delight, died at the family home about 2 o'clock Saturday morning June 19th (1926), after a brief illness. She is survived by a husband, 4 children, Roy, Hazel, Dean and an infant girl besides a host of other relatives and friends. Mrs. Golden will be remembered by the majority of the citizenship here, as she taught music here several years ago.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 27; Friday, July 2, 1926; page 1, column 5, item 3.

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### **Paralysis Fatal To Little Boy Aged 2**

Roy Edward, Jr., little two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dawson died at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O.B. Owens, of this city, about 8 o'clock A.M. Monday (June 28, 1926). The little fellow was stricken with facial paralysis last

Thursday and continued to grow worse up until the time of his death. A specialist of Little Rock was called in but medical attention did no good. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at the Methodist church, and the body laid to rest in the local (Murfreeseboro) cemetery. The Courier sympathises with the bereaved family in their deep sorrow.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 38, Number 27; Friday, July 2, 1926; page 1, column 6, item 1. **Murfreeseboro Cemetery** tombstone inscription: Roy Edward Dawson Jr. March 20, 1924 (to) June (28 or 29), 1926.

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## RESETTING THE OLD LANDMARKS

A History of the Clark-Pike Missionary Baptist Association by Russell Pierce Baker (c) 1993

### Part 2

From 1861 until 1865 the Civil War brought death, destruction, and chaos to most of western Arkansas. Both the Caddo River and Red River associations were prevented from meeting during at least part of the war. Pastors were killed or driven from their homes and many church members were scattered. By 1865 only Bethel Church near Glenwood was still holding regular worship services. However within a few years a remarkable change took place. 1867 saw the beginning of a three decade long surge of Baptist Church growth within this area. That year the Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church was organized in southern Montgomery County east of Bethel. It and Bethel were the only churches to send messengers to the Caddo River Association in the fall of 1867.

The end of the year brought a large influx of new settlers into this part of Arkansas. They came from the older southern states to the east. This increase in population growth was one of the reasons that the number of Baptist churches increased slowly but steadily. About 1871 Elder *Jim Copeland*, an ordained Baptist minister from Dallas County, Arkansas, settled in Southern Pike County. Through his efforts Liberty Hill Missionary Baptist Church, south of Delight, was organized in 1872. About three years later, he helped organize a new church nearby. At first it was called Brocktown. Its name was later changed to Wolf Creek Church. About 1897 it became the Delight Missionary Baptist Church. It is now known as the First Baptist Church

of Delight. Elder *Copeland* was also active in the political affairs of Pike County, representing it in the Arkansas General Assembly from 1884 until 1890.

Valley Grove Missionary Baptist Church, located at old Rock Creek, south of Glenwood, was organized in 1872 from members of Bethel Church who lived south of the Caddo River. Salem Church, now called Salem Landmark Missionary Baptist Church, west of Glenwood, was organized in 1878, as was the First Baptist Church at Murfreeseboro. Over the next twenty years or so, a large number of new churches were organized in Clark, Montgomery, and Pike counties. Most of the churches in Clark County, as well as those in southern Pike County fellowshipped within the Red River Association. Those in Montgomery County and the northern part of Pike County cooperated with the Caddo River Association.

The conservative Baptist movement known as Landmarkism was the dominate influence within much of Arkansas' Baptist family for several decades after the Civil War. A reading of the records of the Caddo River Association during this period indicates that this group remained solidly within the Landmark camp. However, the Red River Association continued in its more liberal fashion. It usually gave support to the idea of a more centralized and powerful State and Southern Baptist Convention. In 1879 this association founded the Arkadelphia Baptist High School in hopes of influencing the Arkansas State Convention to locate its proposed new State Baptist College within its bounds. In 1886 Ouachita Baptist College was established in Arkadelphia, however, as the year passed, there grew up within this "convention supporting" body an ever increasing number of Landmark Baptist advocates, especially within the churches of western Clark County and southern Pike County.

The followers of Landmarkism place great stress upon the authority of the local church over that of any other organization such as a convention or association. Convention supporters, on the other hand, advocate a strong, centralized organization, that by its very nature, de-emphasizes the work of the individual congregation. The conflict between these two views of how Baptist were to work together was to be the source of much bitter confrontation, conflict and debate within Arkansas

and much of the south during the last twenty years of the nineteenth century and beyond. The controversy came to centered around two basic issues: the growing centralization of power within State and National conventions and the increasingly liberal theology of many of the pro-convention clergymen, especially those being graduated from "eastern" Baptist colleges and seminaries.

As they years passed more and more of the pulpits of Arkansas' growing urban churches came to be filled by these liberal ministers. These men also took an increasingly active interest in the workings of the Arkansas State Convention. The State's many rural preachers, most of whom were self-taught men, worked on their farms six days a week to support their families and preached "half or quarter" time. However, most were conservatives in religion who supported the Landmark position. Men such as these saw within the growing power of the Convention system a great inequality. Large, wealthy city churches had an unfair advantage over smaller, rural churches. Under the Convention system, larger and wealthier congregations received additional "delegates" or messengers to a "convention" in addition to the traditional three that each church received. Thus, churches such as these were able to vote a larger number of messengers on important issues than other churches. Often these "extra" votes were crucial in deciding which faction would control a particular session or even an entire organization. This is why many smaller churches and their pastors feared being "controlled" by those who favored a convention. They preferred their local Baptist associations that operated on a policy of strict equality, with each congregation, regardless of factors such as size or financial status, having an equal voice and vote at each session.

Later when given a chance to organize their own State and National associations, Landmark Baptists modeled them after the local Baptist association, earning for themselves the name "church equality" Baptists. This big church-little church issue seems never to have been adequately understood by those who opposed the doctrine of Landmarkism.

In 1882 the Arkansas State Convention, led by a group of liberal, urban pastors and churches, began a program to oust the Landmarkers from power, and "systematize" the way the convention did business. The state goal of this policy was to cause the Baptist churches within the State to be more "regular" in

their support of the Convention and its projects. This action placed the "church equality" question squarely before the Baptists of Arkansas. By 1890 an open struggle was in progress for control of the Arkansas State Convention. The Landmark forces were lead by Dr. *William A. Clark*, the long time editor of "The Arkansas Baptist" newspaper. Urged on by his editorials, Arkansas' Landmark Baptists brought this conflict to a head at Paragould in 1901, when they mounted a serious, but unsuccessful attempt to seize power within the Convention.

Although it was an early Landmark supporter, the Caddo River Association of this period showed little interest in the upcoming battle at the State Convention. However, the same can not be said of the Red River Association. After 1895, the issue of who would control the State Convention came to increasingly dominate its annual sessions. Though still a minority, the Pro-Landmark forces were increasing their influence each session. This was accelerated when Elder *Jim Copeland*, the pioneer Pike County preacher, emerged as a leader within the Association. Often he was elected moderator and was almost always selected to represent the Association at upcoming sessions of the State and Southern Baptist conventions. At Paragould he was the one who offered the key Landmark proposal that would have abolished the Convention's "liberal agenda" and returned it to its old Landmark's way of operation. His action set the stage for a debate that lasted from midday Saturday until the next Monday afternoon. When the final vote was counted, 148 of the delegates present supported Bro. *Copeland's* motion and 151 opposed it. The champions of centralization and a strong con-vention had won the day. Following this defeat, hundreds of Landmark churches across Arkansas voted to heed a call, "to elect messengers and meet somewhere and arrange a plan of work," com-pletely outside this kind of system. This meeting was held at Antioch Baptist Church in Little Rock on April 10, 1902 and resulted in the formation of the Arkansas State General Association. Later it became the State Association of Missionary Baptist Churches of Arkansas.

By the time for the fall meetings of local Baptist Associations across the State in 1902, there were two state wide organizations vying for the support of the churches. The "General Association" was new and untried. The State Convention, organized in 1848, could count on the traditional loyalties and

support of many pastors and churches, even though they might consider themselves within the Landmark camp, theologically.

The only mention of the recent "division" among Arkansas Baptists found in the 1902 minutes of the Caddo River Association was a resolution offered by Bro. *W.H. Anderson*, the association's clerk, who was from Bethel Church near Glenwood. It voiced a very strong approval of Dr. *W.A. Clark*, Landmark leader and editor, because he was "sound in doctrine, scriptural in church policy, and in every way worthy of our support and patron-age ... He is a sound Landmark Baptist and is standing firm upon the practice and principals of the Baptist faith." However, in 1903 a resolution urging that the churches within the association "adopt plans and principles as set forth by the (State) General Association, and that (they) de-nounce the (convention) system (of doing work) as unscriptural," was defeated. Records of the 1904 session are unusually silent upon this question. Subsequent developments show that in many associations this silence often indicated that the churches were badly divided over this issue and that by common consent "the question" was not brought up.

However, among the churches of the Caddo River Association in Pike County, there was growing support for the organization of a new state-wide general association organized and operated along Landmark lines. In 1902 both the Caney Valley and the Mount Pleasant churches voiced their public backing for such a move. The district or "fifth" Sunday meeting, long a part of Baptist life in the South, became the vehicle for rallying the Pike County churches in this support. These meetings, held three times a year, were composed of messengers from all of the churches in the county regardless of their local associational affiliation.

Within a few weeks of the Paragould Convention, such a fifth Sunday meeting was held in Pike County. A general invitation was extended to any and all to attend and have a full discussion of the events that had just taken place and the pros and cons of the Landmark question. In April of 1902 the outcome of this meeting was published in the Arkansas Baptist. "We cannot co-operate" (with the State Convention) the messengers said, "with-out violating every law of conscience and ignoring the sovereignty and the independence of (our own)

churches." The meeting then proceeded to endorse the formation of a new State association, provided that it operated in a "scriptural way." Thus the churches placed their emphasis upon the sovereignty of the local church. In 1905 after the formation of a separate Pike County Association drew most of the Landmark churches out of the Caddo River Association, that old body proceeded along "untrammelled in (its) plan (of) co-operation with the State (Convention and its) board of missions."

As the Baptists of Arkansas were getting ready for the fateful Paragould convention, it seemed that the churches of the Red River Association had abandoned their pro-convention stand and were moving toward the Landmark position. Bro. *Copeland* was still the undisputed leader of the association and most of the Pike County churches and many of those from western Clark County were openly advocating the Landmark cause. However, the convention forces had not been silenced. The churches near Arkadelphia and its Ouachita Baptist College, with a few exceptions such as Mount Bethel, were strong supporters of the Convention system. Most of Ouachita's teachers and professors were Baptist clergyman who held liberal, anti-landmark views and were avid supporters of the Convention system. Through their preaching efforts they controlled most of the Baptist pulpits within several hours ride of Arkadelphia. Therefore, it is not surprising that their churches would be just as active in their support of the work of the State Convention as were their pastors.

At its 1901 session, held a few weeks before the Paragould Convention, the Red River Association, unlike the Caddo River Association, faced the Landmark vs. Convention question squarely and debated it for a considerable time. The disposition of the messengers was evident from the start. Bro. *Copeland* was again elected moderator. Through him the Landmark faction was able to control the appointment of most of the members of the various committees that wrote the reports that would come before the body for action. In what would be a preview of many future battles and debates, the questions on everyone's mind was joined when the report on "State and Associational Missions" was brought to the floor. Even the committee itself was divided. It set two reports before the body. The majority report was prepared by Elders *I.F. Welch*, *J.B. Thomas*, and Bro. *J.J. Smith*. All three of these

men were from Landmark churches and held strong Landmark views. *Welch* and *Thomas* were outspoken leaders in the Association and the former had been a member of the Arkansas General Assembly. He was a member of the pio-neer *Welch* family and had long been associated with the Bethel Church at Glenwood. Their report stated, in part, that the Association strongly supported the Landmark attempts to reform the Arkansas State Convention. Moreover, it proposed that the Association's delegates to the Convention be instructed to vote for these "reforms" at Paragould. The minority report was introduced by Bro. *J.T. Howell*, a Convention supporter. It opposed all Landmark attempts at reformation and advocated Convention business as usual. The vote was taken and the majority report was adopted.

Bro. *Copeland* was also chosen as one of the Association's delegates to the Convention and as the Association's representative on the State Mission Board. As has been seen, he was the moving force behind the failed Landmark reform at Paragould. After a few months, because of this role, Convention forces within the Red River Association tried to remove him from his seat on the State Board. "I will not resign," he wrote to Dr. *Clark*, because "the ... Association elected me ... and to them and them only, (do) I owe allegiance." "Whither are we drifting?" he asked, "with (this) assumed authority by the (Convention's Mission) Boards; how long will it be until the churches (themselves) are stripped and divested of any authority at all."

Unfortunately for the Landmark cause within the Red River Association, both *Copeland* and *Welch* moved to Texas before the 1902 session. The Landmark forces were never again able to muster a majority within this body. In 1902, the Convention element, over very strong Landmark objection, managed to get a resolution favoring the new State Association withdrawn. They then presented what would be the standard Convention compromise in the face of the Landmarker's demands for "reform." It was a resolution favoring the State Convention, but allowing each individual church to cooperate with either state body, or both, as it saw fit. In 1903 a pro-convention mission report was presented to the Association that stressed that the Convention had no "authoritative jurisdiction over the churches." It urged the churches not to use the "State missions questions" to disrupt the fellowship of the

Association; since, as the report put it, there was no "fundamental Bible doctrine" in question. Sadly, convention supporters were never able to grasp the fact that the questions of church equality and Convention sovereignty were indeed "fundamental Bible doctrines" to those holding Landmark views.

Part 2 of **Resetting the Old Landmarks**, A History of the Clark - Pike Missionary Baptist Association, courtesy of Russell Pierce Baker. To be continued in the next issue of **The Gems**.

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February 24, 1995

Mrs. Dorothy K. Partain  
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P.O. Box 238  
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Dear Mrs. Partain:

Greatly appreciate you responding to my query concerning my great-grandfather Thomas Stallcup, being in the Pike County area in the late 1830's. My interest in Thomas Stallcup includes the history of the man and would therefore like to know as much of the details as possible concerning his migration to Pike County and his stay in the area. As land acquisition usually was involved in such migrations, I would like to know of any history of Pike County in the late 1830's that would have played a roll in getting Thomas Stallcup to the area. It should be noted that he was apparently preceded to the area by his cousin Pleasant Stallcup.

Thomas Stallcup is believed to have been born in Sumner County, Tennessee in ca. 1816. In 1830 his father George Stallcup moved about half of his immediate family, including married children, to the area at what is now Independence, Missouri. In about 1839, most of the Stallcup family that had migrated from Tennessee again moved; this time they selected Taney County Missouri as their new home. Taney County is better known today as the location of Branson, Missouri. The Stallcup family prospered in that location and descendants of the original family still live in the area. Until just recently, I always thought that Thomas Stallcup moved from Tennessee with his father and the other family members to Missouri. Finding him in Pike County in the late 1830's with a first cousin from

Sumner County, Tennessee has made me question that original theory. Thomas Stallcup did have a considerable family that remained in Sumner Co. after his father's move to Missouri and may have elected to stay in Tennessee with them.

From the *Arkansas 1830-39 Tax Lists* by Ronald Vern Jackson, a Pleasant Stallcup is listed on the Pike Co., Arkansas Territory tax list for 1836, a Pleasant Stallcup is listed on the Pike Co, Arkansas 1838 tax list, and Thomas Stallcup is on the Pike Co., Arkansas tax list for 1839. From *The Stallcup Family History 1641-1986* by Earl E. Jones, Pleasant Stallcup (ID no. 462) married Dovey A.M. Roney in Sumner Co., Tennessee on 15 April 1829 and was found in Arkansas in the 1836 thru 1844 time period. Pleasant Stallcup is also referenced as being the son of John Stallcup (ID no. 205) while Thomas Stallcup (ID no. 456) has been established as the son of George Stallcup (ID no. 204). George and John Stallcup are identified as being brothers and the sons of Tobias Stallcup (ID no. 128). Thomas and Pleasant Stallcup were therefore first-cousins and lived in the same area of Tennessee until at least the time that George Stallcup moved his family to western Missouri in 1830. Thomas Stallcup is identified as being in Washington Co., Arkansas in 1840 by the U.S. census taken that year and having a wife and one child. His wife was Emily (Pelham) the eldest daughter of William and Nancy Pelham. By 1842, Thomas Stallcup moved his family to north Texas area and obtained land through the Peters Colony. He was in the Collin County, Texas area when it was formed in 1846 and was one of the first County Commissioners and a Justice of the Peace.

A copy of my five generation pedigree chart is enclosed for your information. Your assistance in this search would most certainly be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

H.H. Cunningham, Jr.

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### **The Stallcup Family History 1641-1986**

John Anderson Stallcup (1) was born about 1627 at Strängnäs, Sweden. He arrived at Fort Christina (New Sweden and present Delaware) in 1641 aboard the Charitas from Sweden. He married Christina ... about 1656 ... the daughter of Carl

Johnson who arrived at Fort Christina in 1656 on the Mercurius ... Children: Andrew Stallcup (2); Carols (Charles) Stallcup (3); John Stallcup (4); (Daughter) Stallcup (5); Peter Stallcup (6); Mary Stallcup (7); Jonas Stallcup (8); (Unknown) Stallcup (8A) ... Information from a land transaction dated 1677 reveals that there were eight children at that time.

Peter Stallcup (6) son of John Anderson Stallcup (1) and Christina Johnson was born about 1663 in Delaware colony. He died before May 1710 in New Castle County, Delaware. He married Catharina Peterson about 1685. She was the daughter of Samuel Peterson and Brita \_\_\_\_\_ ... After Peter Stallcup's death she married Lucas Stidham Sr. ... Children: Christina Stallcup (20) born 19 April 1686; Brita Stallcup (21); John Stallcup (22); Maria Stallcup (23); Andrew Stallcup (24); Margareta Stallcup (25).

John Stallcup (22) son of Peter Stallcup (6) and Catharina Peterson was born about 1692 in New Castle County, Delaware. He married Maria Morton about 1719. She was the daughter of Mathias Morton and Annika Justis. She was born about 1695 in Ridley, Chester County, Pennsylvania. John died 24 June 1751 and is buried at Old Swedes Church in Wilmington. Children: Peter Stallcup (67) born 1712; Christina Stallcup (68) born 20 October 1714; Matthias Stallcup (69) born 26 September 1716; Tobias Stallcup (70) born 29 September 1718; Catharina Stallcup (71) born 28 March 1721; Ericus Stallcup (72) born 15 August 1723; Israel Stallcup (73) born 24 December 1725; Annika Stallcup (74) born 12 April 1729; Johan Stallcup (75) born 19 December 1733; Andreas Stallcup (76) born 27 January 1737.

Peter Stallcup (67) son of John Stallcup (22) and Maria Morton was born in 1712 in New Castle County, Delaware. He married Susannah Paulson at Old Swedes Church on 15 December 1737. She was the daughter of Woola (William) Paulson and Elizabeth (Anderson) Colesburg. She was born March 1716 in New Castle County, Delaware ... Peter's Bible record gives July 19, 1768 as the date of his death ... Children: John Stallcup (126) born 22 April 1739; William Stallcup (127) born 27 May 1741; Tobias Stallcup (128) born 1 August 1743; Swithin Stallcup (129) born 1745; Rachel Stallcup (130) born 1 August 1749; Lydia Stallcup (131) born 11 June 1752; Susanna Stallcup (132) born 10

August 1754; Peter Stallcop (134) born 21 January 1757.

Tobias Stallcop (128) son of Peter Stallcop (67) and Susannah Paulson was born 1 August 1743 in New Castle County, Delaware. He came to Orange County with his brothers about 1768. Name of his wife and place and date of marriage are not known. By elimination of the names of children in other Stallcop families of the area these are listed in his family: Swen Stallcup (203); George Stallcup (204); John Stallcup (205); Austin Stallcup (206); Sarah Stallcup (207); Mary Elizabeth Stallcup (208) born 16 May 1781; Nelly Stallcup (209).

John Stallcup (205) son of Tobias Stallcop (128) ... was born about 1773 ... in Orange County, North Carolina. He married first Silvira Pleasant on 30 January 1801 in Caswell County, North Carolina. She was the daughter of Beaufort (Buford) Pleasant and Lucy \_\_\_\_\_ ... He married a second time ... to a Miss Benson ... He is believed to have moved to Arkansas in the 1840's ... Children: John Stallcup (459); Alexander B. Stallcup (460) born 10 December 1806; Rhesha Green Stallcup (461) born 26 December 1812; Pleasant Stallcup (462); Edward Stallcup (463); Joseph Stallcup (464); Martha Stallcup (465); Elizabeth Stallcup (466); Mary Stallcup (467). By marriage to (Miss) Benson: Buford Benson Stallcup (468).

Pleasant Stallcup (462) son of John Stallcup (205) and Silvira Pleasant was born about 1802 probably in North Carolina and died in Texas before 1880. He married Dovey A.M. Roney in Sumner County, Tennessee on 15 April 1829. She was born about 1809, place unknown. He was in Arkansas (Pike County) 1836-1844 and in Cass County, Texas by 1850. Names of children compiled from 1850 census of Cass County, Texas and from L.D. Stallcup research ... One Pleasant Stallcup married Nancy Ann Collins on 4 May 1851 in Cass County, Texas. He was likely the above Pleasant since only one found in Cass County. Children: William Pleasant Stallcup (1243) born 1836; Joseph Green Stallcup (1244) born 1838; M. (male) Stallcup (1245); N.C. (male) Stallcup (1246) born 1844; Ellen Stallcup (1247); Rachel Stallcup (1248); Mary Stallcup (1249); Silvira Stallcup (1250).

Excerpts from **The Stallcup Family History 1641-1986**, Volume 1, compiled by Earl E. Jones, 1986, pages 14, 18-19, 24, 31, 40, 63-64, 128-130.

9 August 1995

Judy Flowers  
500 East Morton  
Dennison, TX 75020-2724

Dear Mr. Kelley,

My grandmother Florence Jane (Robbins) married William Claude Morris. They had twelve children. While they lived in Pike County near Delight, my aunt Eula who was about seven danced in a medicine show with a seven foot defanged rattlesnake. The story goes something like this:

George Harrington, owner of a wagon and team was about 42 years old. He had a trunk full of chains, a cat-of-nine-tails, balls and chains from a road gang and such instruments to confine prisoners. He was called "Little George" and he had postcards and advertising posters printed out for shows around Hope, Delight, and the surrounding areas. Little George went from place to place and put on shows to prevent young people from getting into trouble with the law. My grandfather, William C., brought him home with him after one such show and Little George taught my aunt Eula to do a hurdy-gurdy dance with a rattlesnake. He had taken a chicken spur and made himself a horned rattler. He would go to carnivals and have candy, popcorn and such for sale, give his spiel on staying out of the criminal ways of life and sell his goodies. They went to schools, too. Little George would take out the rattler and coil it at aunt Eula's feet and when the music started, the snake would crawl over Eula while she did "her waltz" holding the snake.

Her last show was in an auditorium in Delight, but she doesn't remember the year. Grandmother, Florence, had a postcard, but it was destroyed when their home burned in 1936. Aunt Eula told us this story at the Memorial Day Morris-Houk Reunion. She will be 84 in October of this year.

The purpose of my tale is to obtain a copy or original of the postcard or the handbill from advertising this medicine show. Aunt Eula made the remark that she would "dearly love to have one." I can't think of a nicer present. Can you help me find one?

Judy Flowers

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**JAMES M. HARRIS BIBLE**

Written on a page following the Old Testament immediately before the New Testament title page:

James Thomas Harris Born Oct. 10, 1862. Died

May 18, 1947.

Edd Harris Born April 25, 1888 died Nov. 7, 1965.

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THE  
NEW TESTAMENT  
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1850.

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Written on the Title Page of the New Testament:

E.A. Harris Died Sep. the 14, 1882.

James Thomas Harris Born Oct. 10, 1862. Died  
May 18, 1947.

Edd Harris Born April 25, 1888.

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Written on the page preceding the Family Record:

James M. Harris  
J.T. Harris  
Miss M.E. Harris  
E.A.H.  
Marg(ar)et G. Harris

E.A. Harris Died September the 14, 1882.

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#### FAMILY RECORD.

James T. Harris and Mollie Rocket was mar(r)ied  
May 14, 1882.

James Thomas Harris Born Oct. 10, 1862. Died  
May 18, 1947.

J.T. Harris ... was Married May the 14, 1882 to  
Miss M.E. Rocket.

James T. Harris  
M.E. Harris

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#### FAMILY RECORD.

James M. Harris Born on the 17th of December  
1835.

E.A. Harris Born December 24th, 1844.

James Thomas Harris Born the 10th October 1862.  
Margaret G. Harris Born 21st February 1865.  
Mary Ellen Harris Born 25 of February 1867.  
Tarissy V. (Viola) Harris Born 5 May 1870.

Hattie Lee Bomar was born June 30th 1882.

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#### FAMILY RECORD.

Robt. J. Bomar Born March 24th 1847.  
Robt. J. Bomar and E.A. Harris was marr(i)ed Sep.  
27th 1881.

E.A. Harris  
Henreter (Henrietta) Miller departed this life Jan.  
the 16, 1881.

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#### FAMILY RECORD.

James M. Harris departed this Life on the 14 of June  
1871.

E.A. Bomar Departed this Life on the 14 Day of  
September 1882.

Hattie Lee Bomar Departed this Life Aug(u)st 26,  
1882.

**James M. Harris Bible Record** courtesy of Shane Hill, P.O.  
Box 152, Delight, Arkansas 71940.

#### TWO MEN AND STILL CAPTURED

W.E. Kirkham and Bill Edge are Bound Over to the  
Grand Jury - W.E. Kirkham and Bill Edge of this  
place were arrested Tuesday morning by deputy  
Sheriff M.D. Cummings. Edge was charged with  
transporting, selling and manufacturing whis-key.  
Kirkham was charged with manufacturing and  
selling whiskey.

#### KIRKHAM GOES TO PEN



W.E. Kirkham who was convicted at the Sept. 1921 term of Pike Circuit Court of manufacturing whiskey left one day this week for the penitentiary at Little Rock where he will begin serving a one-year sentence. Kirkham took an appeal from Circuit

Court to Supreme Court. The Supreme Court confirmed the decision of the lower Court last week.

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DEATH & OBITUARY INDEX

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Name of Deceased	Newspaper Date	Pg	Cl	It	Incident of Death &c.	Death or Burial Place &c.
Wortham, Mrs. J.R.	January 1, 1926	1	6	2	Tuesday night	Cemetery at Belton
Elam, J.H.	January 8, 1926	1	6	1	11 o'clock Tuesday night	College Hill Cemetery
Holland, Paralee	January 15, 1926	1	6	2	Sunday afternoon	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Meeks, Mrs. Churly	January 29, 1926	1	5	1	Sunday evening the 17th	Mount Joy Cemetery
Lockwood, Mrs. Polly A.	February 5, 1926	4	1	2	Thursday morning	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Herndon, Mrs. W.O.	February 12, 1926	1	4	1	Monday morning	Cemetery at Conway

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Courier Insert

The Courier's School Department  
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Cowart, Mrs.	February 12, 1926	1	1	3	Last Wednesday night	Not indicated: of Kirby
Walston, Mr. John	February 12, 1926	1	2	15	February 4th	Mount Joy Cemetery
Davis, Mrs. Tony	February 12, 1926	1	3 & 4		of Crossroads: Tuesday	Pleasant Grove Cemetery

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Parker, Lucille	February 26, 1926	3	2	2	Wednesday night	Buried here: Lodi
Parker, Mrs. Florinda A.	March 19, 1926	1	4	1	Last Sunday night	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Parker	March 19, 1926	1	4	4	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Chapel, Zeb	March 26, 1926	2	3	7	Not indicated	Poem in Memorium
Womack, T.M.	April 2, 1926	1	3	3	Tuesday evening	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Thomasson, Harry B.	April 2, 1926	2	1	3	Not indicated	Not indicated
Self, baby	April 2, 1926	2	3	5	Thursday morning	Cemetery here: Ebenezer
Doss, Willis H.	April 9, 1926	1	2	3	Last Monday	Not indicated
Womack	April 9, 1926	2	3	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Cox, baby	April 9, 1926	5	2	3	Friday morning	Not indicated
Name of Deceased	Newspaper Date	Pg	Cl	It	Incident of Death &c.	Death or Burial Place &c.
East, Mrs. S.T.	April 16, 1926	1	2	3	Last week	Not indicated
Brown, Mrs. S.E.	April 16, 1926	1	2	3	Last week	Not indicated
Foshee, Mrs. George	April 16, 1926	1	4	2	Friday evening	Not indicated: of Kirby
Johnson, Nellie (colored)	April 16, 1926	3	1	7	Wednesday	Not indicated
Stevens, Mrs. Emily	May 21, 1926	1	3	2	Sunday	Pleasant Home Cemetery
Carter, Lee	May 21, 1926	1	3	5	Not indicated	Ft. Towson, Oklahoma
Jackson, Chris	May 21, 1926	1	4	1	Sunday night	Not indicated: of near Bills
Bowen, Columbus	June 11, 1926	2	2	2	Monday	Not indicated: of Hot Springs
Reese, Mrs. Lon	June 25, 1926	1	6	3	Monday night	Not indicated: of Bingen
Thomasson, W.B. Jr.	July 2, 1926	1	5	2	Last Thursday morning	Lake Charles, Louisiana
Golden, Mrs. Hattie Mae	July 2, 1926	1	5	3	Saturday morning	Not indicated: of Delight
Dawson, Roy Edward Jr.	July 2, 1926	1	6	1	3 o'clock A.M. Monday	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Young, Beatrice	July 2, 1926	3	5	1	Saturday morning June 26	Not indicated: of Daisy
Reese	July 2, 1926	3	5	2	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Buck, Mrs. Martha	July 9, 1926	2	1	1	Tuesday morning July 6	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Reese, Mrs. Lilia Ann Tribble	July 9, 1926	2	1 & 2		Monday evening June 21	Ozan Cemetery, Bingen
Walker, daughter (colored)	July 9, 1926	5	2	2	Murfreesboro on Monday	Not indicated
Doughty, Mrs. Dr.	July 16, 1926	1	3	4	Monday of last week	Not indicated: of Amity
Buck	July 16, 1926	4	5	1	Not indicated	To Our Friends

Blanchard, W.W.	July 23, 1926	4	2	2	Funeral last Thursday	Funeral at Delight
Smeade, W.E.	July 30, 1926	1	5	1	Monday night: gunshot	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Parker, Aunt Clistie Parker	July 30, 1926	2	3	3	Saturday	Burial at Kirby
Lockeby, W.J.	August 6, 1926	1	6	1	Sunday night/Monday morn	Not indicated
Thompson, Mrs.	August 6, 1926	1	6	3	Last Sunday at Kirby	Not indicated
McDougal, Miss	August 20, 1926	1	5	2	One night last week	Not indicated: suicide
Womack, Wiley	August 27, 1926	1	6	1	Last Sunday	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Dillard, William	August 27, 1926	1	6	3	of Pike City: few days ago	Bateman Graveyard Nashville
Womack	September 10, 1926	6	2	4	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Appleby (Appler) Mrs.	September 17, 1926	1	2	2	Tuesday night	Peoria, Illinois
Appler, Mrs. Mary Emma	September 24, 1926	1	4	3	Wednesday	Funeral at Peoria
Cooley, Robert Morris	November 5, 1926	1	5	2	27th day of October	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Henderson, A.N.	November 5, 1926	1	6	1	Last Friday night	Brooktown Cemetery
Cooley, J.H.	November 5, 1926	4	4	2	Thursday night last week	Died at Nashville
Bowden, Lawrence	January 14, 1927	1	1	1	Friday	Not indicated
White, Mrs. Isabelle (Golden)	January 28, 1927	1	4	3	6 o'clock Saturday evening	Mount Joy Cemetery
Gresham, J.W.	January 28, 1927	1	6	2	Wednesday night	College Hill Cemetery
White	February 11, 1927	3	2	7	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Rountree, Mrs. Paralee	March 11, 1927	1	6	1	Sunday in Wayne, Oklahoma	Beside husband at Nashville
Galloway, Jesse	March 11, 1927	1	6	1	Last week	At Delight
Miller, Mrs. Ella	March 11, 1927	1	6	1	of Comanche, Texas: recently	Not indicated
Rountree	March 11, 1927	3	2	6	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Holloway, Snookum (colored)	March 18, 1927	1	2	2	Tuesday morning	Not indicated
Hughes, infant child	March 18, 1927	3	1	19	of Japany: buried Sunday	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Pate, Mrs. Henretta Boggs	March 18, 1927	3	4	2	Last Friday Seattle, Wash	Not indicated
Fugitt, I.T.	April 8, 1927	1	4	3	Monday	Local Murfreesboro Cemetery
Skelton, Robert	April 8, 1927	3	3	2	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Phillips, Mattie (colored)	April 15, 1927	3	1	11	Not indicated	Not indicated
Alford, Thelma	April 29, 1927	1	3	2	of Purcell, Okla	Not indicated
Hoover, S.J. Jr.	April 29, 1927	1	5	3	Saturday evening	Hickory Grove Cemetery
Conway, Edna Thomasson	April 29, 1927	1	6	1	Wednesday evening at 8:45	Local Murfreesboro Cemetery
Hoover	May 6, 1927	1	3	2	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
S.J. Hoover	May 6, 1927	2	1	3	Not indicated	In Memory of
Edna Conway	May 6, 1927	2	2	1	Not indicated	In Memorium
Alford, Thelma	May 6, 1927	2	3	1	Monday April 21	Died in Oklahoma City
Cummings, Louis	May 13, 1927	1	6	1	Early Tuesday morning	Not indicated
Alford, Dr. A.A.	May 20, 1927	1	6	1	Saturday night	Liberty Cemetery
Brewer, Mrs. Martha	May 20, 1927	1	6	1	Thursday May 12, 6 p.m.	Ozan Cemetery, Bingen
Crocker, child	May 20, 1927	1	6	1	Thursday of last week	Local Murfreesboro Cemetery
Brewer	May 20, 1927	4	3	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Huddleston, L.F.	June 3, 1927	1	6	2	Sunday at Nashville, Ark	Nashville Cemetery
Wolff, Milton	June 3, 1927	1	6	2	One day last week	Died in Little Rock
Crockery, Ed	June 17, 1927	1	5	1	Thursday night of last week	Not indicated
Name of Deceased	Newspaper Date	Pg	Cl	It	Indicent of Death	Death or Burial Place &c.
Tolleson, W.H.	June 24, 1927	1	3	3	Last week Norman, Oklahoma	Not indicated
White, D.B.	June 24, 1927	1	4	2	Last Friday in Langley	Lodi Cemetery
Garner, Myrtle	June 24, 1927	1	6	2	Saturday night	Pisgah Cemetery
White, D.B.	June 24, 1927	2	4	1	Last Friday P.M.	Not indicated
Holland, Mrs. Geo.	July 8, 1927	1	3	3	Thursday of last week	Died in Little Rock
Mills, Gibson	July 8, 1927	4	2	2	9 p.m. Friday night at Delight	Greenwood Cem, Hot Sprg's
Matthews, Geo. W.	July 22, 1927	1	5	1	Saturday night at Gurdon	Gurdon Sunday afternoon
Bowers, Henry	July 29, 1927	1	4	3	Wednesday at Gurdon	Not indicated
Rountree, Judge W.T.	July 29, 1927	1	6	1	9:15 Thursday morning	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Rountree	August 5, 1927	6	2	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Whitehead	August 12, 1927	1	2	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Whitehead, Mrs. L.A.	August 12, 1927	1	4	3	Sunday	Corinth Cemetery, Nashville
Rountree, Mrs. J.B.	August 26, 1927	2	3	1	Last Wednesday week	Funeral at Pisgah
Davis, Henry	September 2, 1927	1	5	2	Thursday at Glenwood	Not indicated
Patterson, Mrs. F.S.	September 2, 1927	1	6	2	Wednesday wk. Pollard, Okla	Cemetery at Pike City
Johnson, child	September 2, 1927	1	6	3	Thursday: Nashville	Buried at Murfreesboro
Young Negro woman	September 2, 1927	3	2	10	Last week: tuberculosis	Gr. dau. Aunt Cinda Nelson
Dale, Dr. J.R.	September 2, 1927	3	5	1	Last week at Caddo Gap	Not indicated: of Texarkana
Cannon, Webb	September 9, 1927	1	4	3	Effects of poisoned liquor	Murder suspected: of Mena
Coplin, Charley and wife	September 16, 1927	1	3	1	Saturday afternoon	At Kirby in same grave
Harris, Dr. R.L.	September 16, 1927	1	3	6	Wednesday of last week	No indicated: of Hope
Sharp, Albert	September 16, 1927	1	3	7	Tuesday of last week	Funeral Wednesday

Cornish, Rev. D.S.	September 16, 1927	1	4	1	Monday 9 a.m. September 12	Not indicated
Hill, Mrs. Lillie	September 23, 1927	1	1	2	Wednesday night	Buried at Bingen
Kelley, Ashley	October 21, 1927	1	3	3	At Delight Saturday	Funeral at Delight
Oliver, Mrs. Patsy Adeline	November 18, 1927	1	3	& 4	Tuesday morning 6:00 a.m.	Died at Rabell
Lindsey, I.C.	November 25, 1927	4	1	2	Saturday night by poison	Died Norman: Montg'mry Co
Woodall, Uncle Sam	December 2, 1927	4	1	2	November 17	Community Cem Valley Gv
Walls, infant child	December 9, 1927	1	4	3	Friday night	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Stewart, John Dan	December 9, 1927	1	4	3	of Tokio: Sunday afternoon	Oak Grove Cemetery
Sidebottom, Mrs. J.R.	December 16, 1927	1	2	1	Early Wednesday morning	Buried at Nathan
Graham, S.R.	December 16, 1927	1	2	1	Killed Sunday Dallas, Texas	No indicated
Reese, Mrs. Brooks	December 16, 1927	1	2	1	Buried first of the week	Buried Mt. Vernon, Texas
Alfor, Rev. R.B. (colored)	January 13, 1928	3	1	21	Sunday morning	Died Kimberley settlement
Lofton, T.A.	January 20, 1928	1	6	1	January 16	Murfreesboro Cemetery
McElhanon, Otis	January 27, 1928	3	4	2	Car accident at DeQueen	Abt 8:00 Wed evening
Williamson, Bernice	February 10, 1928	1	3	1	At Antoine Wednesday night	Suicide
Mr. Bolin's sister	February 17, 1928	1	2	5	Wednesday	Funeral at Crossett
Carter, Mrs. F.F. (Rosa Kelley)	February 24, 1928	1	1	1	Monday February 20	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Rutherford, Mrs. Mary E.	February 24, 1928	1	4	& 5	Wednesday morning 5:10 a.m.	Cemetery at Antoine
Chubbuck, Clinton K.	February 24, 1928	1	6	1	Monday at Woodall Valley	Not indicated
Thompson, Dink	February 24, 1928	1	6	3	Saturday at Nashville	Not indicated
White, Ab	February 24, 1928	2	3	2	Last night: February 18	Not indicated
Rutherford, Mrs. M.E.	February 24, 1928	3	2	2	Mother of Stell Rutherford	Grandmother of Foy Cagle
Watkins, H.L.	March 9, 1928	1	6	2	Sunday afternoon 3 o'clock	Glenwood Cemetery
Williamson, John	March 16, 1928	1	2	2	Monday morning at 3 a.m.	Billstown Cemetery
Lockeby, Mrs. M.E.	March 16, 1928	1	5	1	Tuesday evening	Murfreesboro Cemetery
White, Jack	March 16, 1928	1	5	4	Muddy Fork township: Friday	Academy Cemetery
Chapel, J.W.	April 6, 1928	1	5	1	Sunday afternoon	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Meador, S.P	April 6, 1928	1	5	1	Friday at Okolona	Not indicated
Joab White's son	April 6, 1928	1	5	1	Not indicated (burned)	Not indicated
Fraiser, Mrs. Ab	April 6, 1928	1	5	1	Sunday	Died at Tokio settlement
Chapel, J.W.	April 6, 1928	3	2	5	death/funeral past week	Not indicated
Townsend, Mrs. J.S.	April 13, 1928	1	2	2	Monday night	No indicated: of Gurdon
Tedder, Pearl	April 13, 1928	1	4	2	Monday morning April 2nd	Not indicated
Beavert, daughter	April 13, 1928	3	2	11	Wednesday: age 16 or 17	Pleasant Home Cemetery
Tedder, Pearl	April 13, 1928	3	4	2	Monday morning: age 11	Not indicated
White, Orvil	April 13, 1928	3	5	3	Last week: 12 years old	Son of Jo Ab White
Beavert, Olestal	April 20, 1928	1	2	2	April 11th	Pleasant Home Cemetery
Bolin, Mrs.	April 20, 1928	1	6	3	Tuesday morning	Died at Hamburg
Woods (Wood), Mrs. Annie	May 25, 1928	1	3	2	Friday night	Pleasant Home Cemetery
Blanchard, Mrs. C.H.	May 25, 1928	1	6	2	Wednesday May 16th	Not indicated: of Billstown
Name of Deceased	Newspaper Date	Pg	Cl	It	Indicent of Death	Death or Burial Place &c.
Jeffers, Miss	June 8, 1928	1	3	2	Sunday: age 18 or 19	Not indicated
Hoover, Miss Myrtice	June 8, 1928	1	4	1	Last Friday age 26	Funeral here: Murfreesboro
Hoover, Myrtis	June 8, 1928	4	2	2	On June the 2nd	Not indicated
Johnson, Mrs. Rosa	August 3, 1928	1	6	2	Not indicated	Died at Sayre, Arkansas
Spencer, Mark	August 10, 1928	1	6	1	of Wicks: last Saturday night	Killed: Bert Johnson Orch'ds
Pollard, Theron	August 17, 1928	1	1	3	First of the week: son of Jim	Died in Texarkana
Parradot, F.A.	August 17, 1928	1	1	4	Sunday morning	Not indicated: of Nashville
Garrett, James	August 17, 1928	1	5	2	Tuesday at Glenwood	Not indicated CSA veteran
Bateman, Mrs. Arthur	August 17, 1928	1	5	3	Friday, Saline township	Japany for burial
Womack, D.A.	August 17, 1928	1	5	4	Friday, Pleasant home	Not indicated
Hile, Mrs. J.H.	August 24, 1928	1	6	3	of near Belton: 12:15 Sat a.m.	DeAnn Cemetery: Belton
Daniels, Ambrose	August 24, 1928	1	6	5	Pine Bluff Jeff'n Co age 97	great uncle of Claude Rankin
Crouse, Aunt Bettie Armstrong	August 24, 1928	2	2	3	August 16, 1928	Not indicated
Crouse, Bettie Armstrong	August 24, 1928	4	2	4	Thursday the 16th at Bingen	Not indicated
Holland, Lum C.	December 21, 1928	1	3	3	Death in California	Not indicated
Doster, Mrs. Era	December 28, 1928	1	1	2	Saturday night November 8	Not indicated
Rankin, Martha W.	December 6, 1929	1	1	1	4:30 a.m. Tuesday	Roy Cemetery
Williamson	May 9, 1930	1	2	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Williamson, Ruby	May 9, 1930	1	6	1	1:10 A.M. last Saturday	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Sparks	May 30, 1930	1	2	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Sparks, Mrs. C.N.	May 30, 1930	1	6	1	Saturday morning at Boto	Hickory Grove Cemetery
McKnight, Mrs. Tom	June 27, 1930	1	6	1	Montgomery Co Sun after'n	Lived at Caddo Gap
Honeycutt, John L. or T.	July 4, 1930	1	5	1	of Bills: last Thursday morn	Bills Cemetery
Johnson, Otis	July 18, 1930	1	6	2	Monday on Reeder railroad	Lived 2 mi south of Prescott
Conatser, Mrs. Bettie	August 1, 1930	1	6	3	of Boto: last Monday	Murfreesboro Cemetery

Covington, Aunt San	August 8, 1930	1	6	1	Last Thursday	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Covington, Mrs. San	August 8, 1930	8	2	4	Funeral services last week	Not indicated
Covington, Mrs. San	August 8, 1930	8	2	6	Funeral services here last wk	Not indicated
Sloan, W.L.	August 15, 1930	1	4	2	Last Friday near Texarkana	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Smedley, W.J.	August 29, 1930	1	6	1	About noon Wednesday	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Smedley, W.J.	August 29, 1930	1	6	10	Funeral services Thursday	Not indicated
Smedley	September 5, 1930	1	5	6	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Steen, W.W.	September 26, 1930	1	5	1	Bills community Sunday morn	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Steen	September 26, 1930	3	6	2	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Kelley, Mrs. Jim	October 3, 1930	1	2	1	of Hot Springs: Wed night	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Hutson, G.W.	October 3, 1930	1	5	4	Corinth: Saturday	Funeral service at Corinth
Kinman, A.A.	October 3, 1930	1	6	2	Charleston, S.C.	Raised in Murfreesboro
Kelley	October 10, 1930	1	5	5	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Cox, Mrs. Marion	October 10, 1930	1	6	4	Wednesday night	Burial in Dierks
Branch, S.H.	October 31, 1930	1	5	1	of Hot Springs: Sat afternoon	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Branch, Sam	October 31, 1930	3	2	2	Funeral services Sunday	Not indicated
Hamby, Mr. & Mrs. & son	November 7, 1930	1	5	1	Last Friday at Moran, Kansas	Formerly of Nathan, Pike Co
Johnson, J.R.	November 14, 1930	1	3	2	Saturday at Little Rock	Funeral at Pike City
Elam, Mrs. George	November 14, 1930	4	2	1	Last Saturday at 12:30 a.m.	Fam burying grnd: Coll'g Hill
Coffman, Billie Ruth	November 14, 1930	4	3	2	Sunday eve at 2 o'clock age 6	Pleasant Grove Cemetery
Buckley, Noel	November 28, 1930	1	5	2	About 8 o'clock Friday night	Not indicated: age 18
Littlefield, Charles	December 5, 1930	1	1	1	Found dead Sunday	Funeral at Nashville
Reid, Aunt Lue	December 5, 1930	1	1	2	Thursday November 27th	Liberty Cemetery
Copeland, Lem	December 12, 1930	1	3	2	Little Rock Wednesday night	Funeral Pleasant Home Ch
Holcomb, Carl	December 26, 1930	1	1	1	3 P.M. Sunday near Antoine	Funeral Monday afternoon
Goodwin, Mrs. Will	January 9, 1931	1	4	1	of Bingen: Thursday Jan'y 1	Funeral Antioch near Nash'1
Howard, Dr. T.A.	January 9, 1931	1	4	2	of Glenwood: last Tuesday	Burial at Glenwood
Parker, Burton	January 9, 1931	1	4	3	of Nashville: last Saturday	Funeral services Nashville
Kennedy, Tom	January 16, 1931	1	1	2	Suplher Springs, Texas age 71	Bro in law of T.A. Hunt
Jones, John F.	January 16, 1931	1	5	1	Sat night 7:30 January 10	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Jones, John	January 16, 1931	4	2	8	Zadie Smith (family) at fun'l	Funeral Sunday Murfreesbo
Jones, John	January 16, 1931	4	3	3	Not indicated	In Memoriam
Burnham, J. Robert	January 30, 1931	1	3	1	January 23 at Texarkana	Funeral services Glenwood
Henderson, Mrs. M.T.	February 6, 1931	1	1	1	Monday at Delight age 85	Funeral and burial Saline
Nash, Joe Mike	February 6, 1931	1	3	1	of Bills: his field L.M.R.	Funeral and burial Bills
Hunt	February 27, 1931	1	2	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Sidebottom, J.R.	March 13, 1931	1	5	1	Murfreesboro Wednesday	Burial at Nathan
Polk, Mary Jane (colored)	March 20, 1931	1	1	4	This place Thursday night wk	Burial last Friday
Cornish, Mrs. Jennie	March 20, 1931	1	3	2	Sunday night 1 mi east Nathan	Biggs Chapel Cemetery
Westerman, Jack	March 20, 1931	1	3	3	Report received Sunday	Murdered wife charged
Bosenburger, Mrs. John	April 3, 1931	4	2	1	McCaskill settlement	Buried Saturday
Copeland, Eunice	April 10, 1931	1	1	1	Little Rock Saturday suicide	Pleasant Home Cemetery
Davis, Mrs. Emily	April 10, 1931	1	6	1	Saturday Murfreesboro age 77	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Copeland, Homer	April 10, 1931	1	6	2	Sunday in Little Rock	Pleasant Home Community
Davis, Mrs. John F.	April 10, 1931	4	2	17	Funeral here Saturday	Att'd from out of town
Helwig, Mrs. Paul	April 17, 1931	1	4	1	Los Angeles Monday morning	Bur'l probably Los Angeles
Crocker, Clyde	April 17, 1931	1	4	2	Last Thursday night this city	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Owens, Mrs.	April 17, 1931	1	4	3	Little Rock 3 p.m. last Mon	Burial Center Point
Williams	May 1, 1931	1	3	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Sparks, C.N.	May 1, 1931	1	5	1	Boto Monday night age 90	Hickory Grove Cemetery
Coleman, George H.	June 26, 1931	1	5	4	of Nashville: Sunday June 21	Died at Texarkana
Holiman, Clyde	July 3, 1931	1	6	4	Tuesday Tyler, Texas	Burial at Tyler
Widener, E.C.	July 10, 1931	1	1	1	of Delight: Tues night 11:30	Burial at Delight Wed
Duke, Mrs. Sarah	July 10, 1931	1	1	2	Home near Tokio last Thurs	Oak Grove Cemetery
Crocker, Mrs. Tom	July 10, 1931	1	3	1	Last Friday here age abt 80	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Holliman, Clyde	July 10, 1931	1	5	1	Burial at Tyler, Texas	Liberty Hill Cemetery
Bowen, A.M.	July 10, 1931	1	6	4	of Bowen: Monday June 29	Died at his home age 75
Richardson, N.P.	July 17, 1931	1	2	2	Died at Shawnee, Okla age 66	Funeral service Amity
Crocker, Thomas Calvin	July 17, 1931	1	4	1	Monday night July 13	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Richardson, N.P.	July 17, 1931	4	5	5	Died last Friday	Funeral service Amity
Crocker, Tom	July 17, 1931	4	5	8	Funeral here Tues afternoon	Father of Tommy Crocker
Higgins, Bryan	July 24, 1931	1	2	2	Nashville Thursday July 16	Died at home age 16
Jackson, W.P.	July 24, 1931	1	3	1	Thursday morning July 23	Died at home Murfreesboro
Baber, Mrs. O.L.	July 31, 1931	1	3	1	Little Rock Monday July 27	Interment at Gurdon Cem
Baber, Mrs. O.L.	July 31, 1931	1	5	2	Funeral Gurdon Tues aft'n	Lists local people at fun'l
Williams	August 14, 1931	1	2	5	Not indicated	Card of Thanks

Williams, Jno. E.	August 14, 1931	1	3	1	Sunday morning August 9	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Carmen, W.H. (Bill)	August 28, 1931	1	5	1	of Antoine: Mon August 24	Funeral services Antoine
Rankin, W.M.	September 11, 1931	1	3	3	Living near Little Rock age 80	Funeral service L.R. Sunday
Sweat, Donald Custer	September 11, 1931	3	4	1	Wednesday August 26, 1931	In Memoriam
Whaley, Mrs. Emma Jane	September 11, 1931	4	4	3	Rosboro Sun August 30, 1931	Glenwood Cemetery
Jordan, Samantha A. (Kelley)	September 18, 1931	1	4	1	Home 4 mi west Murfreesboro	Kelley Cemetery
Simmons, W.E. Jr.	September 18, 1931	1	4	2	Thursday morn September 10	College Hill Cemetery
Godsby, Tom	September 18, 1931	1	3	2	Shot Friday September 11	Has since died
Parker, Cullen	September 18, 1931	1	4	3	Laural, Mississippi	Not indicated
Carter, Jacob M.	October 16, 1931	1	3	1	At home Friday Texarkana	Funeral Sunday Texarkana
Caldwell, Bobby Gene	October 16, 1931	1	3	4	Antoine Tuesday October 6	Not indicated
Stewart	October 30, 1931	1	1	5	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Stewart, Bobbie Joe	October 30, 1931	1	4	2	Sunday 3 p.m. Murfreesboro	Funeral Mt. Tabor Cem
Clingan, W.N.	October 30, 1931	1	5	1	Found dead Smackover	Monday burial Delight
Bonner, Mrs. H.L.	November 6, 1931	1	2	2	of Beaumont, Texas Tuesday	Thursday at Antoine
Alford	November 6, 1931	1	2	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Alford, W.M.	November 6, 1931	1	5	2	Kirby last Saturday	Burial Kirby Sunday
Cranford, T.F.	November 13, 1931	1	1	3	Nashville last Mon night	Nashville Wednesday
Fuller, S.A.	November 13, 1931	1	3	3	Pollard, Oklahoma Saturday	Burial at Pike City
Tedder, Edgar	December 25, 1931	4	5	3	Fort Sam Houston, Tex Dec 8	Daisy Mt. Joy Cemetery
Duke, Carolyn	December 25, 1931	4	5	4	Rosboro Sunday night	Monday Glenwood Cemetery
Thomasson, Pat	January 5, 1934	1	2	2	Highway 8 near Caddo Gap	of near County Line church
Fagan, Henry	January 12, 1934	1	2	1	Sunday night Murfreesboro	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Whiteside, J.E.	January 12, 1934	1	2	2	Jonesboro, Louisiana Thurs	Mineral Springs Cemetery
Fagan	January 12, 1934	1	4	2	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Westerman, W.F.	February 2, 1934	1	3	3	College Hill last Saturday	College Hill Cemetery
Howard, Sarah	February 9, 1934	1	4	3	County Home Murfreesboro	Mt. Tabor Cemetery
Holcombe, Mrs. Mat	February 9, 1934	1	4	4	of Dierks Tuesday	Oak Grove Cemetery
Lingo, Mrs. Billie	March 9, 1934	1	5	2	Longview, Texas last Sun	Visiting relatives
Pleak, A.E.	March 16, 1934	1	4	4	of Rosenberg, Texas Monday	Not indicated
Bass, Will	March 30, 1934	1	4	3	Killed near Thornton Thurs	by Roy Clemmons
Gosnell, Dr. C.E.	June 1, 1934	1	5	2	Thursday morning 4 o'clock	Ozan Cemetery Bingen
Feazel, Judge W.P	June 29, 1934	1	2	3	Nashville early Monday	Funeral Nashville Tues
Name of Deceased	Newspaper Date	Pg	Cl	It	Incident of Death	Death or Burial Place &c.
Cox, Arthur	September 7, 1934	1	2	4	of Brocktown settlement	Not indicated
Pollard, J.T.	September 21, 1934	1	3	2	Sunday September 16	Died in Oklahoma
Hammons, Tom	September 28, 1934	1	1	2	Hope hospital last Friday	Buried Saturday
Kizzia, Mrs. Dyer	October 12, 1934	1	2	2	Murfreesboro Fri afternoon	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Kizzia	October 12, 1934	8	5	1	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Parnell, Lavelle	November 9, 1934	1	2	2	Hot Springs hospital	Blood poisoning
Lockeby, Mrs. Geo.	November 9, 1934	1	2	3	of Roy Saturday	Not indicated
Womack, Mrs. John Ben	November 16, 1934	1	3	3	Murfreesboro Wednesday	Pleasant Home Cemetery
Parnell, Donald Lavell	November 23, 1934	10	4	2	November 3, 1934	In Memoriam
Reese, Van	January 1, 1943	4	5	2	of Abilene, Texas	Not indicated
Jackson, Mrs. Tom	January 8, 1943	1	6	3	Murfreesboro Wednesday	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Tackett, Mrs. John	January 8, 1943	4	2	2	of Glenwood last week	Died in Hot Springs
Jackson	January 8, 1943	4	3	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Scott, J.M.	February 5, 1943	4	1	20	of Sweet Home settlement	Died Wednesday
Scott, J.M. (Uncle Joe)	February 12, 1943	4	2	11	Died last week	Not indicated
White	February 26, 1943	1	2	3	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
White, B.M.	February 26, 1943	1	3	2	Murfreesboro Sunday night	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Haislip, Blake (colored)	February 26, 1943	1	4	3	of Murfreesboro	Died last Monday night
Haislip	March 5, 1943	4	3	2	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Humphries, Mrs. J.L.	March 26, 1943	4	1	11	of Nashville Sun afternoon	Died at Nashville
Humphries, Mrs. Lena	March 26, 1943	4	3	3	Nashville hospital	Died Sunday afternoon
Carter, Mrs. Fannie	April 9, 1943	4	2	4	Died at Warren, Arkansas	Ozan Cemetery Bingen
Deal, Mrs. Margaret	May 28, 1943	4	2	7	of Amity Monday	Funeral at Amity
Woods	June 4, 1943	1	6	2	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Tedder, Pvt. Homer	June 18, 1943	1	1	1	June 8 near Lebanon, Tenn	Monday at Daisy
Wright, Ed	June 18, 1943	1	1	3	of Shawmut the past week	Not indicated
Prince, Mrs. Neal	June 18, 1943	1	5	3	Camden hospital last Wed	Not indicated
Fant, Emerson	June 18, 1943	4	2	7	of Daisy Wednesday	Not indicated
Wright, Ed	June 18, 1943	4	2	8	near Shawmut Saturday	Not indicated
Oliver, Henry	June 18, 1943	4	3	1	of near Amity last Wed	Buried near Amity
Tedder, Homer	June 18, 1943	4	3	2	Died June 8	Funeral at Daisy
McCauley, Jess	July 2, 1943	1	3	2	of New Hope Community	Suicide on Saturday
Evans, Jim	July 23, 1943	1	1	4	Final tribute Sunday	Not indicated

Copeland, Cpl. Eldon W.	July 23, 1943	1	3	1	Died Japanese Prison Camp	of Little Rock
Evans, James M.	July 23, 1943	1	5	2	Died Boonville Hospital	Funeral Murfreesboro
Green, Miss Ida	August 27, 1943	1	3	3	Murfreesboro Tues night	Bingen Cemetery
Daniels, Otis	October 1, 1943	4	1	5	Murfreesboro Monday	Belton for burial
Henderson, Harry	October 8, 1943	1	2	1	Killed by Hubert Parnell	of Bradford, White Co
Williamson, Mrs. Cadda	October 22, 1943	1	1	5	Murfreesboro resident	Not indicated
Holder, Mrs. G.W.	October 22, 1943	1	1	5	Murfreesboro resident	Not indicated
Womble, W.E. Sr.	October 22, 1943	3	3	1	Fort Smith hospital	Died Saturday
Holder, Mrs. G.W.	October 22, 1943	4	5	1	Friday morning Murfreesboro	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Robertson, Mrs. George W.	October 22, 1943	4	4	2	Home at Pine Bluff	Not indicated
Avery, Joe	October 22, 1943	6	1	14	of Bowen settlement	Not indicated
Williamson, Mrs. Cadda	October 22, 1943	6	1	16	Murfreesboro Monday	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Holder	October 29, 1943	4	3	1	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Morris, Roy	November 5, 1943	1	1	5	of Fort Smith	Death at Little Rock
Williamson	November 5, 1943	1	2	4	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
McMurrain, child	November 12, 1943	4	1	2	Thursday of last week	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Moon, Mrs. J.T.	November 19, 1943	1	2	2	Nashville Saturday morning	Funeral at Nashville
Womack, Theron	November 26, 1943	1	4	1	Wednesday last week	Pleasant Home Community
Whaley, Dr. W.T.	December 3, 1943	1	3	8	of Glenwood at Hot Springs	Not indicated
Cheek, Mrs. Locky Ann	December 3, 1943	1	4	2	Eldorado last week	Not indicated
Jackson, William (Bill)	December 10, 1943	1	2	2	Murfreesboro Monday	Local Murfreesboro Cem
Jackson	December 17, 1943	1	2	1	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Morton, Ben	January 14, 1944	4	2	3	Murfreesboro last Friday	Lee Cemetery Shawmut
Morton	January 14, 1944	4	2	4	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Morton	January 14, 1944	4	3	2	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Horton, Dr.	January 21, 1944	1	4	3	Died at his home at Pike	Not indicated
Cox, Fred	January 28, 1944	1	3	5	Funeral at Locksburg	Not indicated
Huddleston, Sam	February 4, 1944	1	2	3	Not indicated	Memorial Poem
Huddleston, Sam	February 4, 1944	1	6	2	Home at Tokio last Friday	Oak Grove Cemetery
Name of Deceased	Newspaper Date	Pg	Cl	It	Incident of Death &c.	Death or Burial Place &c.
Doss, J.E.	February 4, 1944	1	6	3	Home of daughter Delight	Burial at Delight
Doss	February 4, 1944	4	1	9	Not indicated	Card of Thanks
Hughes, Cleo	February 11, 1944	4	2	1	of Alhambra, Calif Jan 30	Burial San Gabriel, Calif
Alford, Mrs. Maggie	February 25, 1944	4	2	1	Died at Kirby last Tues	Kirby Cemetery
Suttle, Mrs. Anna Pearl	February 25, 1944	4	4	1	of Nashville Friday	Funeral Academy Cemetery
White, James Frank	July 20, 1972	2	5	2	Nevada County Hospital	Snell Cemetery Prescott
Reding, Mrs. Garnett	July 20, 1972	2	5	3	Murfreesboro Hospital	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Haynie, Brozie F.	July 20, 1972	2	6	1	Nevada County Hospital	Piney Grove Cem Prescott
Golden, W.D.	July 20, 1972	4	7	2	Murfreesboro Hospital	Murfreesboro Cemetery
Burgess	July 20, 1972	8	6	1	Not indicated	Card of Thanks

### Records of the Antioch Church of Christ Delight, Arkansas 1885-1916

#### CHURCH RECORD.

Ministry of John H. Hile  
for the year 1885.

The ministry of John H. Hile began in Dec. 1884 and ended Nov. 1885. Bro. Hile preached every 4th Lord's day that health and weather would admit dividing the time between Antioch and the congregation at New Hope, at which place he organized a congregation of believers in Christ.

On Saturday before the 4th Lord's day in Oct. (1885) Bro. Hile began a protracted meeting; during the first week of which Bro. J.R. Jones did most of the preaching, and did it eloquently. The meeting, 2

weeks, with the work for the year, closed with Bro. R.P. Threlkeld & W.R. Barnett preached at intervals during the year.

#### CHURCH RECORD.

June 9th, 1894.

Antioch, Pike County, Arkansas. The Church met according to appointment and the following business was transacted. The congregation thought it best to have a plurality of Elders. Whereupon (on) motion Bros. John A. Lamb and J.D. Kirkham were elected Elders to assist in feeding and having the oversight of the flock. On motion Bro. Elijah Kelley was elected Church Clerk and received the Church Record. Bro. D.A. Brown who had been amiss in duty promised the Church if elected Deacon he would reform his life and

do right. On motion he was elected Deacon to fill the vacancy made by Bro. John A. Lamb being elected Eld(er). Sister Sallie Lamb who had been influenced to engage in dancing became sorry and repented of the same and made her acknowledgements to the Church through Bro. J.A. Lamb her brother in the flesh. The present officers of Antioch Congregation are C.W. Threlkeld, W.H. Kirkham, J.S. Wilson, J.D. Kirkham and J.A. Lamb, Elds. and D.A. Brown, G.W. Reid, Deacons and Elijah Kelley, Church Clerk.

Elijah Kelley, C.C.

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July 14th 1894.

The Church of Christ at Antioch met according to appointment for the purpose of restoring those that was out of the way; there was those that made their acknowledgements and was restored to full fellowship. The Church met according to appointment and services conducted by Bro. W.N. Thompson. One taken membership by right hand of fellowship.

Elijah Kelley, C.C.

Antioch, Pike County, Arkansas. August 16th 1896.

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Sep. 1897

The Church met according to appointment to begin a protracted meeting which closed on Thursday night; following, the preaching was conducted by Bro. Wm. Thompson and Bro. Champion. There was 10 additions, 9 by confession and 1 by fellowship.

E. Kelley, C.C.

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1897-1898

Bro. W.N. Thompson was our minister at Antioch for 97 and 98. Would have been for 99 by on account of ill health he had to quit; he done a great deal of work.

E.K.

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1899

Bro. J.H. Hile is our Minister at Antioch for this year 99.

to wit: Bro. Belton Barrong, Albert Emmerson, and Elmore Wingfield; and Bro. Robert Doss made, who had been amiss in duty, made his confession at the young men's prayer meeting and was reported to the church on the third Lord's day in July 1894.

Elijah Kelley, C.C.

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#### CHURCH RECORD.

Antioch Pike Co., Arkansas. July 28th 1894. The Church met according to appointment. Services by Br. W.N. Thompson with one confession and baptism.

Elijah Kelley

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Antioch, Pike County, Arkansas. April 18th 1896.

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May 1899

The Church met according to previous appointment on Saturday Night before the second Sunday in June. Services by Bro. J.H. Hile and Bro. Geo. W. Spurlock. One reclaimed and one from the Baptist.

Elijah Kelley

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#### CHURCH RECORD.

Antioch, Pike County, Arkansas, July 1900. The Church met according to appointment in a protracted meeting held by Bro. Willie George beginning on Friday night before the second Sunday in July 1900 and continuing until the third Lord's day night; the result was 8 added to the Church by confession and baptism.

Elijah Kelley, C.C.

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Antioch, Pike County, Arkansas, July 1901. The Church met according to previous appointment in a protracted meeting conducted by Bro. William George beginning on Saturday night before the first Lord's day in July 1901 and continuing until the second Lord's day night; the result was eighteen added to the Church; there was 13 by confession and baptism and 4 that had been out of duty confessed their faults.

Elijah Kelley

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Antioch, Pike County, Arkansas, March 1902. The Church met at its regular appointment first Sunday and Saturday night before; there was two added to the Church by confession and baptism.

E. Kelley

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CHURCH RECORD.

Antioch, Pike Co., Ark., March 1902. The Church met by special appointment as it was the fifth Lord's day in the month; one confession. There was no Church on the first Sunday in April on account of rain. One baptism in the afternoon; no other services on that day.

Elijah Kelley, C.C.

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Antioch, Pike Co., Ark., May 1902. The Church met at its regular appointment first Sunday and Saturday night before; one addition by letter.

E.K., C.C.

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Antioch, Pike Co., Ark., June 1902. The Church met and continued over until Wednesday night; result there was nine added unto the Church; seven by confession and baptism; two by restoration.

E. Kelley, Church Clerk.

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Antioch, July 1902

The Church met in a protracted meeting held by Bros. Willie George our regular preacher and Bro. G.W. Spurlock beginning on Saturday night before the first Sunday in July; continued until Thursday night; result twenty three added to the Church; eighteen by confession and baptism and five restored.

E.K., C.C.

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CHURCH RECORD.

Antioch, Pike County, Arkansas, July 1903. The Church met according to previous appointment in a

protracted meeting conducted by Bro. E.N. George, Bro. Willie George's father, beginning on Saturday night before the first Sunday in July and closed on Saturday (as recorded) morning at the waters-edge. The result was eight added to the Church, six con(fessions) and bap(tisms); one restored and one by letter. There was two out of the six that was baptized from the Baptist. They believed and was baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Elijah Kelley, C.C.

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Antioch, Pike County, Arkansas. The Church of Christ at Antioch have had Bro. Willie George to preach for the Church for the years 1901, 1902, 1903; he is an able minister and has done a great deal of good while he has been laboring for us.

Elijah Kelley, C.C.

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Antioch, Delight, Ark.

The Church of Christ at Antioch employed Bro. Willie George for the year 1904 to preach for them; he is an able minister; all would do well to employ him.

E.K., C.C.

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Antioch, Delight, Ark., 1904

Church of Christ at Antioch met according to previous appointment in a protracted meeting conducted by Bro. O.M. Thomasson of Tex. beginning on Saturday night before the First Lord's day in July 1904 and continued for about 17 days. There was 14 added to the Church. There seemed to be much good done.

Elijah Kelley

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Antioch, Delight, Ark., 1905

The Church met according to appointment in a series of sermons delivered by Bro. Philips of Fort Worth, Texas. There was much good done; beginning Saturday night before the 5(th) Lord's day in Jan. 1905 with 5 added.

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CHURCH RECORD.



Antioch, Delight, Ark., July 1905

The Church met according to appointment in a series of meetings held by Bro. E.M. Bordan of Black Rock, Ark. On account of the inclemency of the weather there was no additions.

E.K., C.C.

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Antioch, Ark., Oct. 1905

The Church met according to appointment Oct. 21st closed Oct. 31st 1905 in a series of meetings held by Bro. John Denton of Roxton, Texas. There was nine confessions and baptisms and three restored to the fold. It was a very interesting meeting. There was much good done.

E. Kelley, C.C.

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Antioch, Ark., July 1906

The Church met according to previous appointment the first Sunday in July in a protracted meeting resulting (in) 8 additions. Conduct(ed) by Bro. Surratt. Bro. Denton in Sept.

E.K.

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Antioch, Pike Co., Ark., July 1907

The Church met in a meeting conducted by Bro. Tom Hubble with no visible results. Bro. Phillips in Nov. 1907.

E.K.

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Bro. Arrington, first Sunday in July 1908.

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Antioch, Ark., July 1908. The Church met in a protracted meeting conducted by Bro. Willie George and the result was 25 added to the one body.

E.K.

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CHURCH RECORD.

The Church at Antioch met in a protracted meeting the first Sunday in July 1909 conducted by Bro. Thompson with no visible results; only strengthening in the brethren.

E.K.

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Bro. Brooks Stell meeting began (blank) 1909 and the results was 6 added to the Church.

E.K.

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The Church at Antioch met in a protracted meeting held by Bro. R.W. Arrington beginning Saturday night before the first Sunday in July 1910 and continued over tot he third Lord's day night with 14 con(fessions) & baptisms.

Elijah Kelley

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The Church at Antioch met in a protracted meeting the first Lord's day in July 1911 conducted by Bro. Thompson till the second Lord's day night with no additions.

The Congregation came together in a meeting Sat. night before the first Sunday in July 1912; was conducted by Bro. Isaac Lambert. The meeting resulted in one addition and an interest among the brethren; continued over till the Sec(ond) Lord's day night.

A.R. Lamb

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CHURCH RECORD.

The Church of Christ met at Antioch Sat. night before the first Lord's day in Oct. 1912 in a protracted meeting. The meeting was conducted by Bro. C.F. Reece. It continued over till the next Lord's day night. Resulted in one addition and quite a lot of talking and reading among the Baptist.

A.R. Lamb

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The Congregation came together at Antioch on Sat. night before the first Lord's day in July 1913 in a protracted meeting; continued for about fifteen days.

Resulted in one addition by confession and baptism, several restored. A general meeting of the brethren and confessing their faults one to another; quite a lot of good done. The meeting was conducted by J.M. Lambert.

In May 1913 Dr. B.S. Stokes and Docia became dissatisfied with their baptism and was baptized into the body of Christ by Bro. J.M. Lambert.

A.R. Lamb

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The Congregation came together at Antioch on Sat. night before the first Lord's day in July 1914 in a protracted meeting; it continued over till (the) second Lord's day night; conducted by Bro. Jeff Reese of Center Point, Ark. Results, four additions, two by confession and baptism and two restored. Bro. Reese is a good preacher and a Christian gentleman and much and lasting good was manifested for the brethren and sisters in Christ.

S.C. Kelley

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On Sept. 6th 1914 the Congregation came together on Sunday night; preaching by Bro. Jeff Reese and five noble souls was saved; three were baptized the same night and two was restored; their names was Grady Alexander, Lige Lamb, Arlis McBride were baptized; Mack Trout and Mrs. Cora Hemby re-stored.

S.C. Kelley

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#### CHURCH RECORD.

The Congregation came together at Antioch on Saturday night before the first Lord's day in July 1915 in a protracted meeting; it continued over till the third Lord's day night; conducted by Bro. Jeff Reece of Center Point, Ark. Results, 17 additions, 15 by baptism 2 restored.

Much good was manifested toward the Brothers and Sisters in Christ. Paid Bro. Jeff Reece \$35.00 for his work.

S.C. Kelley, Clerk

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The Congregation came together at Antioch Sat. night

July 1st 1916 in a protracted meeting; it (was) conducted by Bro. R.W. Arrington (of) Stephens, Ark. Results, no additions although much good done. Paid him \$42.25 for his work.

S.C. Kelley, Clerk

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#### CHURCH RECORD.

The Congregation came together (in) Sept., Sat. night (before) (and) 3(rd) Sun. in a protracted meeting; continued over one week; conducted by Bro. J.D. Borden of Delight, Ark; much good done. Two restored and three baptized. Paid him \$5.00.

S.C. Kelley, Clerk

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#### CHURCH RECORD.

Mary Kelly (Kelley)  
Jane Kelly (Kelley)  
Margret (Margaret) Craig  
Emeline Buckner  
Harriet Wesson Dead  
Alicie (Alice) Kelley  
Sarah Kelly (Kelley)  
John Lamb  
Johnson Lamb  
Jane Lamb  
L.J. Lamb  
S.J. Lamb  
Mallie (Mollie) Lamb  
Mira Lamb  
Martha Lamb  
C.B. Larvia  
E.S. Kelly (Kelley)  
S.J. Kelly (Kelley) Dismissed by Letter  
O.E. Kelly (Kelley)  
L.L. Kelly (Kelley)  
John McFaden (McFadden)  
Laura McLaughlin  
A. McLaughlin  
H.M. McLaughlin  
Mary Rollins  
C.W. Threlkeld  
E. Tarpley  
L. Tarpley  
Emiline Dixon (Dickson) Died Oct. 1892  
J.A. Thomas

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CHURCH RECORD.

R.P. Threlkeld  
M.C. Threlkeld  
J.B. Wall  
G.B. Wood  
Vanner (Savannah) Wood  
F.B. Wilson Died Aug. 5th 1889 Pike Co., Ark.  
M.L. Wilson  
John C. Wilson  
Bettie Wilson

Job J. Wilson Withdrawn from First L.D. in March 1888

G.W. Reid  
J.S. Wingfield Dismissed by Letter

Eliza Barrong Withdrawn from first L.D. in March 1888 Reinstated second L.D. in June 1888

H.E. Bottoms  
Adline (Adaline) Bottoms  
W.R.D. Barnet (Barnett) Dismissed by Letter withdrawn from in full

M.A. Barnet (Barnett)  
J.T. Barnet (Barnett)  
Ann Brown  
G.A. Bottoms Dismissed by Letter  
G.W. Barker

Loucinda Parr went home to the Baptist in 1888 and forsaken the name of her Lord

S.T. Cooper Died in 1889  
M.E. Copeland  
Martha Cooper  
M.T. Cooper  
J.L. Cooper Withdrawn from in full  
Pinkney Cooper  
Thomas Bottoms Dismissed by Letter

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CHURCH RECORD.

John Eorall  
Nancy Cooper  
W.H. Doss  
W.R. Doss  
J.R. Doss  
J.N. Dixon (Dickson) Died in Hot Springs

James Dixon (Dickson)  
Margret (Margaret) Doss  
Nancy Dixon (Dickson)  
Benj. Dixon (Dickson) Died in 1888  
P.W. Dixon (Dickson)  
Eliza Dossey  
T.F. Dossey  
Vanner (Savannah) Brown  
Sarah Doss  
J.L. Doss  
Mary Doss  
Margrey (Margarie) Doss  
Angie Doss  
Catie (Katie) Dixon (Dickson)  
Arilda (Aldwilda) Wall Died in 1900  
W.R. Dossey Withdrawn from in full  
Rena Elkins  
Matilda Horten  
Manda Hickey  
Eliza Baty  
Nancy Long

Sallie Johnson moved to Clark Co., Ark. Married  
Odus Randles  
Elizabeth Kely (Kelley)  
G.N. Kelly (Kelley) Dismissed by letter

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CHURCH RECORD.

J.D. Kirkham  
John Kelly (Kelley)  
W.H. Kirkham  
Julia A. Kirkham Died in 1887  
L.J. Kelly (Kelley) Dismissed by Letter  
Mary Kirkham  
E.A. Kirkham  
E.M. Kirkham  
A.H. Kelly (Kelley)  
Nancy Kelly (Kelley)  
Giles Kelly (Kelley)  
Verner T. (Vatilla) Wilson Married W.R. Doss  
W.C. Threlkeld

John Bottoms Withdrawn from Reinstated Aug. 1892

F.B. Barrong Withdrawn in full Reinstated July 14th 1894

Jonathan Lamb Withdrawn from  
Dick Brown  
Sarah Kirkham Married John W. Bottoms  
Charlotte Doss

J.T. Dixon (Dickson) Withdrawn from in full  
J.E. Kirkham Withdrawn from in full  
E.T. Kelly (Kelley) Gone to the Baptists  
Gus Dossey Withdrawn from in full  
Cerry (Carrie) Dossey Wife of W.A. (W.E.) Lamb  
Bettie Dossey wife of George Edge  
Mary Bottoms  
Nettie Pierce Wife of M.R. Kelly (Kelley)

John Kirkham Withdraw from in full Reinstated(d)  
Aug. 1893

M.J. Larvia  
William Lamb Withdrawn from

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### CHURCH RECORD.

Mary Kelly (Kelley) Married D.H. Parsons gone to the  
Methodist

Sallie Lamb Married John Bolen (Bolding) he died she  
then married Charlie Copeland  
Charley Reid  
James Lamb Withdrawn from

Albert Emerson Withdrawn from Reinstated July 14th  
1894

Rosa Kirkham Married Wat Watson He died She  
married Jim Key

Cate (Kate) Reid Married B.D. Copeland  
Victoria Brown  
E. Kelly (Kelley)  
J.R. Kirkham Dismissed by Letter  
Jeff Willis Moved off  
Octava Lamb married Joe Dickanson (Dickinson)  
Nancy Brown  
Victoria Brown  
Eva Dickinson Died  
Theodocia Kirkham Wife of J.D. Kirkham Dismissed  
by Letter Dec. 17th 1902  
Mrs. Cuningham (Cunningham)  
Nellie Kirkham

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### FAMILY GROUP RECORD

Madison Ewing Alford & Nancy Orrick

Husband: Madison Ewing Alford son of David Alford  
and Polly Orrick born December 13, 1815 at

Huntsville, Madison County, Alabama; died 1876 at  
Kirby, Pike County, Arkansas.

Wife: Nancy Orrick daughter of William Orrick and  
Celia Strickland born February 3, 1816 in South  
Carolina; died 1875 at Kirby, Pike County, Arkansas.

Marriage: Madison Ewing Alford and Nancy Or-  
rick were married October 2, 1833 in Blount County,  
Alabama.

### Children

William David Alford born March 31, 1835 in  
Morgan County, Alabama; married first Mary Ellen  
Brewer on May 15, 1859 in Pike County, Arkan-  
sas; married second Rebeccan Ann Sharp on Au-  
gust 18, 1870 in Pike County, Arkansas; married third Mary A.  
Brewer on November 16, 1899 in Pike County,  
Arkansas; died May 12, 1923 at Murfreesboro, Pike  
County, Arkansas; buried in Murfreesboro Cemetery.

John M. Alford born 1837 in Morgan County,  
Alabama; married Lorinda Lovana Alford in May  
1870 in Pike County, Arkansas; died May 3, 1874 in  
Pike County, Arkansas.

James H. Alford born 1839 in Harrison County,  
Texas; married Sarah (maiden name unknown) in  
1863 in Pike County, Arkansas; died 1898.

Andrew Jackson Alford born May 12, 1842 in Pike  
County, Arkansas; married Sarah Brown after 1860 in  
Pike County, Arkansas; living at Crowder City,  
Pittsburg County, Indian Territory (Okla) in 1906.

Martha L. Alford born 1844 in Pike County, Ar-  
kansas; living in 1906.

Mary Jane Alford born 1846 in Pike County, Ar-  
kansas; died after 1870.

Sarah Anne Alford born 1848 in Pike County, Ar-  
kansas; died 1880.

Nancy L. Alford born 1851 in Pike County, Arkansas;  
died 1852.

Eliza Ellen Alford born 1852 in Pike County,  
Arkansas; died 1852.

Abner A. Alford born January 13, 1854 in Pike

County, Arkansas; married Harriet J. (maiden name unknown) in 1871 in Pike County, Arkansas; died May 14, 1927.

Joseph Warren Alford born May 14, 1857 in Pike County, Arkansas; married Nancy Higgins in 1875 in Pike County, Arkansas.

Franklin E. Alford born August 16, 1860 in Pike County, Arkansas; married Martha J. Higgins in 1881 in Pike County, Arkansas; died October 9, 1954.

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### FAMILY GROUP RECORD

Milas Bagwell & Margret Farris Kelley

Husband: Milas Bagwell born August 4, 1809 in North Carolina; died September 3, 1882 at Bagwell, Red River County, Texas; buried at Bagwell.

Wife: Margret Farris Kelley born March 23, 1823 in Decatur County, Alabama (abolished in 1824); died July 15, 1899; buried at Bagwell, Red River County, Texas.

Marriage: Milas Bagwell and Margret Farris Kelley were married in 1839 in Pike County, Arkansas.

#### Children

Nathaniel Robbins Bagwell born October 18, 1840 in Pike County, Arkansas; married Sarah Elizabeth Rogers (widow); died June 14, 1881.

Miles Bagwell born December 6, 1842 in Red River County, Texas; died May 14, 1855 in Red River County, Texas.

Elizabeth J. Bagwell born March 18, 1845 in Red River County, Texas; married first John Baker on December 1, 1870; married second (unknown).

Abner Kuykendall Bagwell born November 26, 1848 in Red River County, Texas; never married.

William Young Bagwell born March 13, 1851 in Red River County, Texas; married first Mary Black; married second (unknown).

Mary (Mollie) A. Bagwell born December 19, 1853 in Red River County, Texas; married Nathan Bradley Tabor on July 16, 1868; died May 1885.

Nora Lavinia (Lavina) Bagwell, twin, born August 14, 1855 in Red River County, Texas; married J.T. Johnson on December 6, 1877.

Melvina Bagwell, twin, born August 14, 1855 in Red River County, Texas; died October 10, 1857.

Sarah Viola Bagwell born February 25, 1858 in Red River County, Texas; married (unknown) Ward.

Ellen W. Bagwell born September 18, 1860 in Red River County, Texas; married William Arthur Sport on December 6, 1877.

Addie Bagwell born December 12, 1863 in Red River County, Texas; died October 15, 1864.

Other Marriages: Milas Bagwell married first Mrs. Ann Phillips on September 3, 1831 in Caldwell County, Kentucky.

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### FAMILY GROUP RECORD

Alexander Barentine & Tabitha Eleanor Overton

Husband: Alexander Barentine born February 9, 1817 in South Carolina; died February 12, 1890 at Kirby, Pike County, Arkansas; buried in the Bear Creek Cemetery; epitaph: His toils are past, his work is done, he fought the fight, the victory won.

Wife: Tabitha Eleanor Overton born 1818 in Georgia; died prior 1870 in Arkansas.

Marriage: Alexander Barentine and Tabitha Eleanor Overton were married July 24, 1837 in Henry County, Georgia.

#### Children

William J. Barentine born May 16, 1838 in Fayette County, Georgia.

James M. Barentine born July 12, 1839 in Fayette County, Georgia.

Sarah Barentine born November 29, 1840 in Fayette County, Georgia; died prior 1850.

John S. Barentine born September 19, 1842 in Fayette County, Georgia.

George W. Barentien born April 21, 1844 in Fayette County, Georgia.

Lovett Abijah Barentine born May 12, 1846 in Marion County, Alabama; married Celia Ann Orrick on December 28, 1870 at the home of Rebecca Orrick in Pike County, Arkansas; died December 24, 1928 at Kirby, Pike County, Arkansas; buried in Bear Creek Cemetery.

Mary J. Barentine born December 10, 1847 in Carroll County, Mississippi.

Nancy A.E. Barentine born December 31, 1848 in Carroll County, Mississippi; married John S. Hight prior 1870 in Pike County, Arkansas; buried in Palestine Cemetery, Pike County, Arkansas.

A.A. Barentine born October 18, 1850 in Bradley County, Arkansas; died prior 1860.

Benjamin Franklin Barentine born March 16, 1852 in Arkansas; married Almedia Blackwood on March 2, 1876 in Howard County, Arkansas (A-90); married Meda Blackwood on December 26, 1880 in Howard County, Arkansas (B1-308).

Isham L. Barentine born October 20, 1854 in Arkansas; married Tursey Jane Marsh in 1877 in Pike County, Arkansas; buried in Bear Creek Cemetery.

Susan F. Barentine born March 23, 1856 in Arkansas; died prior 1860.

Sarah N. Barentine born October 10, 1858 in Arkansas.

Eliza L.A. Barentine born October 20, 1859 in Montgomery County, Arkansas; married Joseph D Self in 1885 in Pike County, Arkansas; died 1930 at Kirby, Pike County, Arkansas; buried in Bear Creek Cemetery.

Calvin Monroe Barentine born July 29, 1861 in Montgomery County, Arkansas; married Carrie Armenda Babbit on March 27, 1887 in Pike County, Arkansas; died February 17, 1908 at Kirby, Pike County, Arkansas; buried in Bear Creek Cemetery.

Other Marriages: Alexander Barentine married second Susan (maiden name unknown) by 1870 in Pike County, Arkansas. Alexander Barentine married third

Rebecca (Brewer) Sorrels Griffin Orrick on September 28, 1879 in Pike County, Arkansas.

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## FAMILY GROUP RECORD

David Richardson Campbell & Sarah White

Husband: David Richardson Campbell born 1794 in South Carolina; died at Clarksville, Red River County, Texas "shortly before" the Civil War; shoemaker.

Wife: Sarah White born 1798 near Knoxville, Tennessee or Virginia; died after 1850.

Marriage: David Richardson Campbell and Sarah White were married about 1819 in Tennessee.

### Identified Children

Jerome A. Campbell born 1821 in Tennessee; married Harriet Alexander on July 2, 1843 in Hempstead County, Arkansas; shoemaker.

Sarah Saphronia Campbell born 1823 in Tennessee; married William Bond Gould on November 29, 1839 in Hempstead County, Arkansas; died in Pike County, Arkansas.

Malinda Campbell born 1825 in Tennessee; married William H. Atkins on October 9, 1839 in Hempstead County, Arkansas.

Cassandra Campbell born 1827 in Tennessee; married Joseph Stringer in 1848 in Pike County, Arkansas.

David Richardson Campbell born 1829 in Tennessee; married Mary (Polly) Kizzia in 1852 in Pike County, Arkansas.

Martha J. Campbell born in 1838 at Washington, Hempstead County, Arkansas.

Elizabeth Campbell born in 1841 at Murfreesboro, Pike County, Arkansas.

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## FAMILY GROUP RECORD

John Buck Cloud & Amanda Frances Kelley

Husband: John Buck Cloud son of John B. Cloud and Elizabeth L. Rutherford born November 23, 1836 in

Logan County, Kentucky; died January 29, 1893 in Texas; buried (near) Okolona.

Wife: Amanda Frances Kelley daughter of Elijah Kelley and Elizabeth Fitzgerald born August 25, 1833 in Pike County, Arkansas; died May 10, 1885 at Prescott, Nevada County, Arkansas; buried in Ross-Killingsworth Cemetery one mile northeast of Okolona.

Marriage: John Buck Cloud and Amanda Frances Kelley were married on August 28, 1856 in Pike County, Arkansas.

Children

Daniel Edward Cloud born December 8, 1857 in Pike County, Arkansas; married first Ida B. Appleby on July 11, 1882; married second Lanna Hardman on January 29, 1918; died March 18, 1948.

Elizabeth Logan Cloud born February 29, 1860 in Pike County, Arkansas; married Adolphus Joseph Cothan on April 25, 1879 in Clark County, Arkansas; died 1964.

John D. (Sam) Cloud born August 15, 1862 in Pike County, Arkansas; died September 4, 1876.

William Taswell Cloud born February 11, 1865 in Pike County, Arkansas; married Etta Harris on May 14, 1891; died April 24, 1955.

Harriet (Hettie) Emily Cloud born September 22, 1867 in Clark County, Arkansas; married Charles E. Kemp on March 4, 1884 in Clark County, Arkansas; died June 23, 1945.

Nancy Ellen Cloud born September 21, 1870 in Clark County, Arkansas; died December 22, 1902.

Beulah Earnestine Cloud born November 1, 1873 in Clark County, Arkansas; married Thomas Henry Hayes in March 1891.

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July 6th 1957

Dear Taylor,

Received your letter a few days ago and will send you the information soon, but do not have very much. Uncle Dan Cloud had the family Bible ...

They lived in Altona when Uncle Dan died and I was told that some of the tribe burned this Bible. You could write the P.M. at Altona, Mo. and find out if any of them are still living. Bro(s). Ed & Billie visited Uncle Dan in Mo. and got the information that Wilma gave you. We have a cousin at Hope, Ark. that I can get some information from and will send it to you.

We are having awful hot weather just now. I will give you all the assistance I can.

Love for all,

Auntie

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**DANIEL CLOUD FAMILY BIBLE**

Births.

Daniel Cloud was born January 5th 1780.  
Nancy Owen(s) was born December 10th 1786.

Clarissa Harlon Cloud was born March 22nd 1805.  
Jno. B. Cloud was born June 4th 1807.  
Emaline A. Cloud was born Sep. 23rd 1809.  
Mordica James Cloud was born March 28th 1813.  
Daniel Wm. Cloud was born Dec. 20th 1814.  
Catherine Owen Cloud was born Feb. 10th 1817.

Robert Jefferson Cyrus was born March 6th 1813  
Robert Bruce Slack was born Feb. 9th 1818.

Wm. Ruthven (as spelled) Slack was born Nov. 15th 1819.

Richard Randolph Slack was born Nov. 30th 1823.  
Catherine Ann Cloud was born Dec. 21st 1825.  
Adela Helen Slack was born Jan. 27th 1826.  
Charles W. Lewis was born June 10th 1828.

Clarissa Harlon Cloud was born November 18th 1828.

Margaret Emaline Ann Lewis was born March 8th 1829.

Samuel O. Cloud was born March 26th 1830.

Sarah E. Lewis was born July 13th 1830 (first entry).

Clarissa Sarah Lewis was born July 13th 1830 (second entry).

Emaline Lewis was born June 30th 1832.  
Charles Baxter Cyrus was born July 23rd 1840

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#### Marriages.

Daniel Cloud and Nancy Owen(s) were married  
January 13th 1801.

Henery (Henry) Cyrus was married to Peggy Conner  
Oct. 11th 1810.

Jno. W. Slack and Clarissa Cloud were married Nov.  
19th 1818.

Benjamin H. Lewis and Emaline A. Cloud were  
married Feb. 13th 1825.

Jno. B. Cloud and Elizabeth L. Rutherford were  
married Jan. 31st 1826.

William Chastain and Nancy Cloud were married  
April 11th 1834.

Aaron Campbell and Nancy Chastain were married  
Dec. 18th 1837.

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#### Deaths.

Catherine Cloud Died March 16th 1817.  
Daniel Cloud Sr. Died 25th of January 1818.  
Richard R. Slack Died October 6th 1824.  
Mordica J. Cloud Died Feb. 26th 1829.

Emmaline A. Lewis Died Nov. 29th 1832 age 23  
years.

Clarrissa H. Slack Died Oct. 20th 1835 age 30.

Daniel W. Cloud was supposed to die(d) in March  
1836 at the Fall of the Alamo, Texas age 21 years.  
God in Mercy; Preserve me in and through my  
bereavement. Nancy Campbell (his mother).

Wm. Chastain was born Jan. 28th 1771 Died Sep. 6th  
1836. William Chastain was 66 yrs of age at his death.

Aaron Campbell was born March 15th 1775 and  
departed this life July 22nd 1851 age 76 yrs.

Nancy Owen(s) Cloud Chastain Campbell made open  
profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ by

Baptism by Emersion, Sunday the 20th day of Dec.  
1818 in the 33rd year of her age.

The above record was made and copied from the  
Family Bible in possession of Daniel Cloud of Altona,  
Mo. in April 1918 by W.T. Cloud of Chickasha,  
Oklahoma on one of his visits to the home of Daniel  
Cloud (his uncle). The Bible was purchased in  
Philadelphia, Penn and dated 1809.

Stephen Richard Cloud (no date)

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July 8th 1957

Dear Taylor,

My father John Buck Cloud was Captain under Robert  
E. Lee and was with him when he sur-rendered at  
Gettysburgh. I have the roll of the men that mustered  
(into service) ... in 1861, Elm Spring, Pike Co., Ark.

My mother born in Pike Co. Ark. buried in Oko-lona,  
Ark. John Buck Cloud buried in Okolona, Ark. My  
father was a farmer he died in Cloud, Tex.

I have no information of my great Uncles & Aunts or  
grandparents. I saw my grandmother Cloud one time  
when I was about ten years old. Do not know any thing  
about my grandfather Cloud. Hope this will help you.  
I have a long list of the Rutherford line. Will send it if  
you would to have it. My grandmother Cloud was  
Elizabeth Rutherford.

I am glad to be of help so call on me if there is  
anything more.

Much love,

Auntie

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July 23rd 1957

Dear Taylor,

Your letter received several days ago. I am pleased to  
give you any information that I can.

My mother Amanda Frances Kelley was born at  
Antioch, Pike Co., Ark. in Aug. 25th in 1833 or 32.  
She was older than my father. My mother died May  
10th 1885 at Prescott, Ark. My (great) grand-father



Kelley was born 1800 in Ill., moved to Ark. when he was 25 yrs., died 1884. I do not have the day or month. He died at Antioch, Pike Co., Ark. Well, I believe this is about all I can think of.

If there is anything else will be glad to help you. Thank you for sending the dates of your children.

We are having awful hot weather and am staying in to avoid the heat. Will send the Rutherford list when I can get an envelope the first time we go to town.

Ever so much love for all,

Auntie

**Letters** of Elizabeth Logan (Cloud) Cothan 1860-1964, then age 97, to Taylor Cloud. Courtesy of Taylor Cloud, Wilmington, Delaware

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Aug. 29, 1995

Dear Mr. Kelley,

In the Pike County, Ark. Marriages 1821-1895 Restoration Project, I found my great grandparents, William Cantrell (and) Nancy (unknown) 1876.

All the census records I have found show his name to be: William E. Cantrell and her name was Nan-cy M. Killian.

I did get a death certificate on their daughter & it shows Nancy's maiden name as Killian. I haven't gotten around to researching the Killian line yet.

Sincerely,

Christine Coleman  
Box 546  
Idabel, Okla. 74745

P.S. I'm searching for Mitchell, Cantrell, James, Tackett, & Gregory. I've found lots of "cousins" in Pike County.

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**Swytcer, Switzer, Swatser** Margaret Swytcer (maiden name unknown) had two boys by her first marriage. In 1848 Margaret married R.G. Chamberlain and in the 1860 census R.G. and Margaret with children Noah, Lafayette, Thomas, Ema, (also William and Josiah Swytcer) were living in Saline Township, Columbus, Hempstead County, Ark. Need information

on the Chamberlain and Swytcer family and where they are buried.

**Brenda Taylor, 1775 S. Joe Wilson Road, Cedar Hill, TX 75104.**

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Oct. 26, 1995

David:

I was looking for information on my grandmother Mede (or Almedia) Blackwood married to B.F. Barentine tenth child of Alexander and Tabitha Barentine. I have seen the book by Faye Campbell Stone on microfiche. The only mention of B.F. was the 2 Blackwood ladies he married. None of their children were mentioned. They had nine (6 girls 3 boys). Mede's parents names were John & Lizzie Blackwood. Lizzie's maiden name was Cantrell, born 1861, Center Point, Ark. Also! I have been looking for my Dad's father, Newton on my Dad's birth certificate, Nathan on his (Dad's) brother's birth certificate, Maddox, middle initial H. My Dad was born in 1897 in Driggs, Ark. Mother's maiden name Jennie Driggs. Newton & Jennie divorced in 1900. I have no idea who Newton or Nathan's mother & father were. Newton (Maddox) was born in 1860. I have checked the LDS (records)

and the Federal Center Archives, found nothing. Any info would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

GOLDIA ROBINSON  
933 So. Beech St.  
Lakewood, Colorado 80228

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**Orrick** Seeking any information about William Orrick born about 1874 in Arkansas and married Ada (?) by 1906. They are on the 1910 Atoka County, Oklahoma census: had William born ca 1906 and Samuel born ca 1910 both in Oklahoma. On the 1920 McCurtain Co., Oklahoma census they also had twins Ida Victoria and Ada born 11 March 1911 in Texas. The story is that wife Ada left taking the twins, but put them in an orphanage. William Orrick Sr. located them and took them back. Ada is missing in the 1920 census. Their daughter Ida was married in Georgia in 1930. Are these people connected with the Pike and Crawford County, Arkansas people?

**Barbara Tull Dehle**, 8007 Lake Forest, San Antonio, TX 78239-3506.

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**Green, Dobbs, McCoy, Tanner, Emberton** I am researching the Ed Green born ca. 1855 family. I found him in the 1880 Fulton County, Arkansas census with a wife, Adis, possibly Thadis, and a son Thomas who was one year old. The 1900 Sequoyah County, Oklahoma census listed Ed and the children. From this census and family know-ledge we have the following information: Thomas was born in 1879. Dora was born in 1880. She married Hugh Dobbs. They had a large family and resided in Sequoyah County, Oklahoma. Nettie was born in 1882 and married John Kemsey McCoy. Cora was born in 1885. She married Melvin Tanner and had at least three children: Floyd, Tellissa, and Aretta. Walter was born in 1887 and married Annie Emberton. They had eight children. He was my grandfather. Lenard was born in 1892 and may have married Gertrude Williams and/or Florence Spears. Thomas and Lenard we think moved to the Bakersfield, California area, we don't know when.

**Linda Robinson, Rt. 5, Box 4710, Stilwell, OK 74960.**

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**Grissom, Cook** Any information on U.S. Deputy

Marshal T.B. Grissom killed on September 13, 1894 by moonshiner and desperado Jim Cook near Bear Creek Church in Pike County, Arkansas.

**W.D. Grissom, Sr., P.O. Box 59, Cabot, AR 72023.**

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**Lawson** I am searching for information pertaining to Daniel (possibly John Daniel) Lawson, a Pike County resident prior to 1870; we believe he served as a county Justice of the Peace. Family tradition says he performed marriages separate of his farming duties. There are frequent journal entries of a son who describes Confederate soldiers stopping by for food and water. His family moved to Ellis County, Texas, we suspect with a brother, where his destitute wife raised seven children.

**Robert D. McManaway, 4420 Marshall Street, Lubbock, TX 79416.**

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**Graves** I need help on parents of William Thomas Graves born 1855 Alabama. William Thomas was know as Tom Graves in Pike and Montgomery Cos., Arkansas. His father's name was possibly William born ca 1832 in Alabama. He was known as "Walking Stick" Graves for walking everywhere with his cane. He was a Missionary Baptist preacher. He lived in Clark, Montgomery, and Pike Cos., Arkansas. Death

was likely in Montgomery County. Any help would be gratefully appreciated.

**Wanda Aldred, R.R. 2 Box 175, Shoals, IN 47581.**

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**Brand, Miller** I have been looking for my hus-band's grandmother Lilly Ward Brand maiden name Miller born 1881 Truman, Arkansas and died about 1916-1919 Pike County, Arkansas. She married David Allen Brand and they had 5 sons and one daughter: Viola born Aug. 9, 1902 Tru-man, Arkansas; Charles born 1903-1904; Albert born May 17, 1905, Hollis, Arkansas; James, Loy, Chester.

**Jean Brand, 2533 W. McKinley Sp. 226, Fres-no, CA 93728.**

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Catherine Poulson Rogers  
1139 N. Wilson Avenue  
Morehead, KY 40351

Pike County Public Library  
Murfreeseboro, Arkansas

I am writing this letter in the hope that someone might be able to assist me. I have been researching my family history and was hoping that you might be able to forward this letter to a representative of your local history society.

While looking through some Soundex and census records for Arkansas I discovered that one of my ancestors was living in Pike County, Arkansas in 1900. His name was **Levi Gossett** and his wife's name was **Annie Gossett** with their son-in-law and daughter, **Taylor Fugitt and Sarah D. Gossett Tipton Fugitt**, in Thompson Township. I was wondering whether or not your local historical society had any information concerning either of these families. I am primarily concerned with any information that I can find on Levi and Annie Gossett such as death dates ... perhaps ... cemetery and / or court records that might reveal a death date. Levi Gossett was my direct ancestor but we have very little information on him ...

Sincerely,

Catherine Poulson Rogers  
Nov. 27, 1995

Dear Dorothy,

Decoration date for the Langley Cemetery is the 4th Sunday, May 25, 1996.

There will be a Jones family reunion on Saturday, May 24, 1996. Family of James (Jim) W. and Lizzie (York) Jones. Contact Edna Kizer, Rt. 2, Box 25B, Dierks, Ark 71833.

Sincerely,

Iris M. Jones

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December 1, 1995

Pike County Archives and History Society  
P.O. Box 238  
Murfreeseboro, AR 71958

Dear Editors:

I want to get a letter in an issue sometime concerning the Pounds Keith Dairy. I understand it was in Glenwood, Arkansas. There is a copy of the picture on file at Old Washington. The phone number on the wagon is 130. I would like to know more about it and also to find a milk bottle with the name of Pounds and Keith on it. I have been looking. If anyone who subscribes to your history society could help me I would appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Janiece Pounds Green  
1739 Erving Ridge Loop  
Cabot, AR 72023

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Lost Cemetery

Do you have information about a cemetery supposed to be near the Little Missouri river (Kelley Crossing) where the Murfreeseboro gravel pit is now located and at a low water bridge toward College Hill cemetery (forks of river) vicinity. There were several graves that had been "leveled" including those for Stephen N.C. and Cordelia Frances (Oliver) Kelley and John W. and Lucinda J. (Coker) Oliver. Please contact PCAHS c/o Dorothy Kennedy Partain, Box 238, Murfreeseboro, AR 71958.

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## ARCHIVE UPDATE

It is time to renew dues for 1996! Please note page 39. The annual membership application form has been modified allowing more space for surnames and for additional information about your family genealogy and research. Also note the volume number is now printed along with the page number at the bottom of each page: for example 7-36 is volume 7 page 36.

We need help annotating the new Cemetery Book underway by Cindy Scott. It is the older markers & graves we need the most help with. Jim Smedley has completed a remarkable restoration of the Kimberly Cemetery near Murfreesboro and has re-covered some of the original tombstones.

The PCAHS members at our January 4, 1996 meeting voted to extend the number of pages for each issue of THE GEMS from 20 to 40! PCAHS voiced the opinion it should carry the additional expense of postage and printing for the entire year 1996 and will accept donations. We will decide later in the year for raising the dues for 1997 and welcome suggestions from our members outside of Pike County.

Dorothy Kennedy Partain

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Pike County Arkansas Marriages 1821-1895

### Computer Software Release Update

A computer software release update of the Pike County Arkansas Marriages 1821-1895 from the Pike County, Arkansas marriage restoration project is available for IBM personal computers or compatibles. \$29 postpaid.

Order from David L. Kelley, P.O. Box 1135, Salt Lake City, UT 84110. Specify your diskette size: 3.5 (720K) or 5.25 (360K). For those who already have the previous release 09/30/94 of these marriage records an update can be sent to you at no charge by sending a blank disk. There have been several additions, some corrections, and an enhancement of several entries.

The first set of marriage records for Pike County, Arkansas (1834-1855) were destroyed by fire with all the county records in the county clerk's office on

Tuesday evening February 13, 1855. Also de-stroyed was the law library of Abner Bryson Williams attorney "which had but a few days previous been moved into" the county clerk's office. William R. McFarlin was the Pike County clerk. The second set of marriage records (1855-1895) were lost with all the county records during the complete destruction of the Pike County court-house & Pike County Courier newspaper office by fire March 1895. J.C. Hughes was the Pike County clerk. Both fires believed to have been by arson.

David L. Kelley

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### THIRTY-TWO YEARS AGO

Thirty-two years ago tomorrow the Pike County court house and the Pike County Courier were destroyed by fire. No insurance was carried by either - all a total loss, including the public records of the county. If we are correct in our memory, cotton was worth about 4 cents per pound and remained at near this price for two years thereafter. Corn was scarcely saleable from the fact that no money was here to buy it. Common labor was 50 cents and skilled labor 75 cents per day. Best sugar was about 20 lbs. to the dollar, coffee 10 lbs., sack of flour 40 cts., and a good suit of clothes could be bought for \$5.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 39, Number 9, March 4, 1927, page 3, column 3, item 2

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### Confederate Vet. Home Destroyed By Fire

The home of Giles Kelley of Delight burned last Monday entailing a loss of about \$2500. There was no insurance. Mr. Kelley is 82 years of age and the father of 17 children and a Confederate veteran. His wife and one daughter were at home at the time and he was working in a nearby field. It is thought the fire caught from the kitchen flue. It was on his farm that three test wells for oil have been drilled during the past 10 years. All his money which was in a trunk was lost. Help arrived too late to save any household goods.

**Pike County Courier**, Volume 41, Number 29, July 18, 1930, page 1, column 5, item 1.

## PCAHS PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

### Cemetery Records

**CEMETERY RECORDS of PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS**, copyright 1986, several copies available ... \$10.00

### Census Records

**1870 PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS PRINTED U S CENSUS**  
by Dorothy Kennedy Partain - indexed, published 1987 ... \$15.00

**1880 PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS FEDERAL CENSUS** by Dorothy Kennedy Partain and  
Linda Willingham Meek, 222 pages including index, published 1992 ... \$20.00

**A Reconstruction of the "1890" CENSUS OF PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS** by Russell P. Baker ... \$15.00

**1900 PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS FEDERAL CENSUS** by Shane Hill and Dorothy Kennedy  
Partain, approx. 600 pages and full name index, published 1995 ... \$25.00

### History

**CRATER OF DIAMONDS: Jewel of Arkansas** published 1989 by Bobbie Hendrix ... \$6.00

**SWEET REMEMBRANCE** - Caney Valley Childhood Memories of Flora Adelia Adams Cosby  
compiled by Karen Cosby Roy, published 1984 ... \$10.00

**THE DIARY** (Family History) by Carlton Denny of Delight, Arkansas \$3.00

**THE EARLY HISTORY OF PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS - The First One Hundred Years**,  
originally published 1978 - reprinted 1989, now includes INDEX and CORRECTIONS ... \$12.00

### Marriage Records

**PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS MARRIAGE RECORDS** (1895-1910) from Books A, B, C,  
by Linda Willingham Meek and Dorothy Kennedy Partain ... \$15.00

**PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS MARRIAGE RECORDS** (1910-1925) from Books D, E, F,  
by Linda Willingham Meek and Dorothy Kennedy Partain ... \$15.00

**PIKE COUNTY ARKANSAS MARRIAGE RECORDS** (1895-1925) combined set by  
Linda Willingham Meek and Dorothy Kennedy Partain ... \$25.00

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**1996 ANNUAL PCAHS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Regular Annual membership rate is \$7.00; Senior Citizens annual membership rate is \$5.00; and Lifetime membership rate is a one time fee of \$100.00

Please make check or money order payable to Linda Wilson, Treasurer of PCAHS and mail along with the following information to: Linda Wilson, Treasurer of PCAHS, P.O. Box 179, Delight, AR 71940

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE (Area Code + Number) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in HISTORY \_\_\_ GENEALOGY \_\_\_ BOTH \_\_\_ ? Please mark one or both of the above. If you are interested in genalogy please list the Surnames you are researching below or if you need more space, use a separate sheet of paper and mail along with your membership application. You are also encouraged to include a Pedigree Chart and Family Group Sheets with your Membership Application. All surnames submitted to PCAHS will be placed in our Surname File. Queries submitted to "THE GEMS" are FREE to members and will be published as space permits. Please be specific when writing your query regarding names, dates, places and the information you are seeking.

**SURNAMES BEING RESEARCHED**

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Space provided for any additional information concerning your family genealogy, history, or research interest

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**PCAHS MEETING TIME**

The Pike County Archives and History Society meets the first Thursday night of each month from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm in the Murfreesboro Municipal Building. The 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm time period is set aside for members and guests to discuss and exchange ideas on history, genealogy and effective ways to do research. Business meeting is held from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Annual membership dues are \$7.00. If you are 65 years old or older, you are eligible for our "Senior Citizens" discount membership of \$5.00 annually. Lifetime membership dues are \$100.00.

The Pike County Archives and History Society was founded in 1986 and is a non-profit organization dedicated to the purpose of collecting and preserving primary source materials which bring together the unique history of Pike County, Arkansas and its people. The Pike County Archives is located on the third floor of the Pike County Courthouse in Murfreesboro, Arkansas and the Heritage Room at the Library in Murfreesboro. Library hours [Tuesday-Friday, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.]. The PCAHS courthouse hours [Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.]. If Court is not in session call first: Harrison Gilmer 285-3187 or Linda Wilson 379-2471 or Dorothy Partain 285-3528. Helpful telephone numbers: Pike County Clerk's Office (501) 285-2231; County Judge [Courthouse] (501) 285-2414; Mayor's Office for Library (501) 285-3732.

*" ... you must know the past - to determine the future."*

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