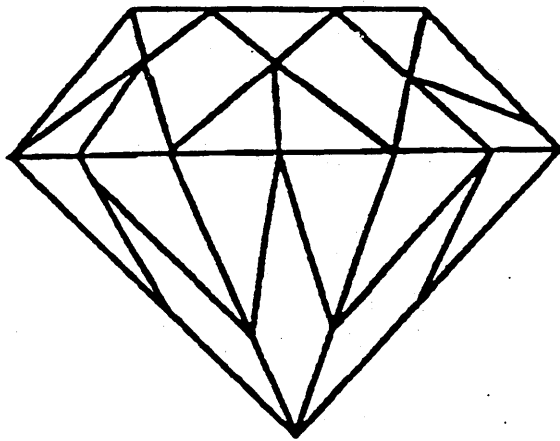


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#### Archive Update: Fall 1999

Well, are we in time with the Fall "99 Gems or what?? (Lee Ann has a new and improved word processing program!)

PCAHS wishes to extend our thanks to Lee Ann for the 1999 Gems. Without her, there would not have been a newsletter.

Morris Myers of Round Rock, TX will be doing the 2000 newsletters. We of PCAHS hope you will help Morris glean data to help make out Gems even better.

A big thanks to all those who sent data for the 1999 Gems. If we have not printed what you sent, then look for it in 2000.

Our condolences go to Jan McGalliard of Murfreesboro, a charter member of PCAHS on the loss of her mother, Evelyn Dickerson Jackson. Evelyn was a charter member of the Pike County Heritage Club. (See obit.) She did many year of extensive research, which she generously shared. You will be dismayed to know that much of her work was lost in a fire.

Our condolences also go to PCAHS member Mildred Green of Murfreesboro who lost her brother Lake Green of Stockton, California. Both Mildred and Lake were very interested in genealogy. Mildred has been extremely helpful with the cemetery book and with Pike County family History. The Greens are in the Stewart-Kennedy-Cooley-Hutson-Sweat genealogy which we will continue in a later issue.

Our condolences are offered to PCAHS member Myrl Dyer at the loss of her husband, Otis Dyer. (See obit.) Myrl and Otis have spent many years doing genealogical research in Pike and other surrounding Arkansas counties. They have made many trips collecting information and always generously shared their findings.

We wish to send greetings to PCAHS members Glenn and Jo Dildy Billings of Howard County and to say how sorry we are to hear of the loss of their home by fire in July, 1999. Jo has spent all her adult life doing area research. She has shared this willingly with others. Jo, we are thankful that you and Glenn escaped the fire safely. We do, however, mourn the loss of your extensive genealogical research and irreplaceable memorabilia.

We have several members who have taken genealogy trips lately. Please tell us about your gleanings so that we can include current events in the newsletter.

We apologize for any mistakes that we made in the last Gems. (See attached sheet.) We don't mind your telling us about them, but we

expect you to send some documenting data for us to print for the differing information. We will be happy to print it in the following Gems.

The Wood's reunion and cemetery decoration was a great success as usual. We moved our scheduled meeting to a dinner meeting at The Fish Nest on Friday night so that out-of-town members could attend. Those attending were: Bob, Cindy, and Suzanne Scott of New Mexico, B.J. Sparks of Washington state, Bobby and Joyce Wood and family of Pike County, Cindy's great aunt Effie Wood Lee and her family of Arkansas, the Wilson sisters, Nancy and Jolene, of Texas, Joyce Couch and Dorothy Partain of Pike County. There were many others in attendance as well.

After the Wood gathering, Bob, Cindy, Suzanne Scott and I went to the Roberts Reunion and met PCAHS members Mr. and Mrs. L. Roberts and some others. This was held at the Community Center at the Spring near Pleasant Home Church and Cemetery. "We enjoyed the fresh spring water." This reunion meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in October every year.

Mr. Roberts has done many years of family research on Womacks, Copelands, Roberts, Brocks and many other Pike County families. He has graciously shared his work with Cindy and many others.

I am told that Bobby and Joyce Wood showed B. J. and the Wood sisters all around the Wall Mountain, Caney Creek, Shamutt areas, and the old Wilson homeplace. They were most appreciative of this tour.

PCAHS has just received work that another member, Molene Forbes, lost her husband this summer. We were sorry to hear this. Molene's family line goes back to the Wood Cemetery area families.

One of our omissions in the last Gems was our new membership list. We seemed to have shortened it considerably. We apologize to these people who were omitted and to our guests who we forgot to name.

The PCAHS Gems is a very popular newsletter. We make 250 copies four times yearly and mail most of them. Now is the time to renew for 2000. If you have not received 4 issues this 1999 year, let us know. (*Note-Spring and Summer were combined in one mailing issue.*) Thank you for all the kind words expressed about "The Gems". Also thank you for the lovely thank you cards you have sent me.

Last but not least: Cindy is back to work on the forthcoming Pike County Cemetery Book. We refuse to give a date, but look for it in

2000 with an update supplement following soon. (We could not include the 1996-2000 updates due to the size of the book.) I know you are as anxious for the completion of this book as Cindy and I are. It will be a great book.

Watch for the new PCAHS genweb site that Morris Myer, with input from Cindy Scott and others has developed for Pike County, Arkansas. We are told that our Pike County web sites that Shane Hill, Mary Baker Feige and David Kelly have presented are superior to all other county sites. Please share your data with Morris and Cindy. There is no profit gleaned from this just the joy of helping other researchers. PCAHS extends a big thank you to all this data, unselfishly given, not to mention the hours spent.

### Melungeon Research

Have you had trouble tracing families back through the states of Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, North Carolina, or Georgia? Have you encountered the phrases: "Black Dutch," "Black Irish", or "raised as an orphan"? Have you been told that "great grandma was an Indian"? Are the oldest relatives reluctant to discuss their ancestors and/or where they came from? If you answered yes to any of these questions, there is a possibility you are looking for a Melungeon ancestor.

Have you been diagnosed with a strange ailment such as sarcoidosis, thalassemia, Bechet's syndrome, Joseph's disease, or Familial Mediterranean Fever? These are genetically transmitted conditions of Mediterranean origin that have been noted in families of Melungeon descent.

Most researchers agree that the Melungeons are a group of mixed-race people who have lived in Appalachia for at least 200 years, and some say much longer. In the past, the most common accepted name for Melungeons and all the so-called mixed blood groups has been "tri-racial isolates". These people were believed to be a mixture of Native American, caucasian, and African peoples. Research in recent years is proving that the issue may be much more complex than that. Genealogists have been joined in unraveling the intriguing mystery by linguists, historians and medical researchers.

For many years the name Melungeon was used as a derogatory name attached to the mystery group in Appalachia. One origin

mention is the French work Melange, meaning "mixture". Brent Kennedy in his research discovered the word Melun-can in the Turkish language. It is pronounced Melunjjun, meaning cursed soul, or one whose luck has run out. Manuel Mira found the name as Melunshawn in the Portuguese language. Eloy Gallegos found them in Spanish folklore as Melungos. Another source suggests a Romney connection. The name Melungeon is found in the Arabic, Portuguese, Spanish, Turkish, and Greek languages. In all instances, the name refers to persons disenfranchised from the normal population.

In another article published on the internet, the author says that one theory is that they are descended from the "Lost Colony of Roanoke" who married into the local Native American tribes. Others say that they were descendants of Welsh explorer Modoc who came to North America around 1100 AD, with ten ships of colonists. Still others say the Melungeons are the lost tribe of Israel, or simply lost Spanish explorers.

A sad fact is that these people of Melungeon heritage were often deemed "Free Persons of Color" or Mulatto on census and other records. Laws were made and set up to deprive the Melungeons of their basic rights, such as the right to vote, the right to own land, and the right for their children to have an education. Many families moved frequently, often changing their names in order to avoid such persecution. In a society where slavery was an accepted way of life, where genocide against the American Indian was government policy, hiding was sometimes the only way to survive.

According to an article with information from Nancy Sparks Morrison and Dr. Brent Kennedy, this discrimination was carried into the 1940's and 50's and perhaps even longer, because of the work of Walter A. Plecker, who was the state of Virginia's first director of Vital Statistics and an avowed racist. Plecker labeled the Melungeons, calling them "mongrels" and other worse terms, among them being FCP-Free Persons of Color, and their children labeled as Mulatto (M), and both of those terms coming to mean "Black".

Trying to find your Melungeon ties is not easy. Check census records for changes, ie from FPC to white, to Mulatto, to Indian and back again. This is not only for the direct lines, but your aunts, uncles, and cousins. Families would change to protect the children and also so that they could own land and vote. Some people have discovered the Melungeon connection by

having been diagnosed with one of the medical conditions that are characteristic of Melungeon heritage. There are some physiological characteristics called ethnic markers that seem to be passed on through the lines of some Melungeon descendants. There is a bump on the back of the head of some descendants, about the size and shape of half a golf ball or smaller, or a ridge, located at the base of the head where it joins the neck. There is also a ridge on the back of the first four teeth—two front teeth and the ones on either side. The backside of the teeth also curve outward rather than going straight down as the descendants of Anglo-Saxon parentage do. Some Melungeon descendants have what is called an Asian eye fold. This is rather difficult to describe. Some people call these eyes, “sleepy eyes, dreamy eyes, or bedroom eyes”. Some families have members with fairly dark skin who suffer with vitiligo, a loss of pigmentation, leaving the skin blotched with white patches. Some descendants have had six fingers or toes. (There is a family in Turkey whose surname translated into English is “Six fingered Ones.”)

One source states that there is a resurgence of interest in the Melungeons every 20 years or so. In the past it was difficult to correlate research. Researchers were isolated and not aware of similar studies. With the advent of the internet, and the ability to share so much information in such short periods of time, will to doubt facilitate and accelerate current research.

Many of the surnames of early Pike County Arkansas settlers are listed on published lists of families with Melungeon connections. Nancy Sparks Morrison has furnished one that is relatively comprehensive. (No pun intended.) That list will be attached to the end of the article.

If you are interested in reading more, or think you may have a Melungeon connection there are several web sites on the internet with a wealth of information. If you do not have a computer, or are not “computer literate”, you can go to your public library and use the computers furnished there. Someone can help you log on, then it is just a matter of moving a pointer and clicking a button to move around and select new screens of information. You just read from the computer screen or you can print out articles to read at home and/or keep for reference.

A couple of good pages to start from are <http://members.aol.com/Strat43z/melung.html> or <http://melungeons.org>. Once you get to the web sites, you can click on several choices and types

of information. Each link then also has choices to follow up.

For those of us who like the printed page, there are many articles and books listed on one of the web sites. Some of the articles listed are newspaper articles, some are magazine or journal entries, or graduate theses, other files are typewritten manuscripts or clippings in a folder of the Kentucky Historical Society or other such library collections. Check out the subject index at the library to find your own sources. If the articles you are interested in are not available in your local library, many times you can request an inter-library loan for articles from other depositories (although some material is not always loaned- for various reasons). One of the more recent books—now in the second printing—that is said to be very good is *The Melungeons: The Resurrection of a Proud People*. By N. Brent Kennedy, published by Mercer University Press, GA 1994. To order the book call Frontier Press at (800) 772-7559 or write them at P.O. Box 126, Dept. 212, Cooperstown, NY 13326. The book contains 156 pages, (cost is about \$20, paperback.) There is a new book on Melungeons that will be included in their next catalog within a few weeks. This new book is said to have many footnotes that will help in research.

#### Common Melungeon Surname List

ADAMS ADKINS ALLEN ALLMOND ASHWORTH  
 BARKER BARNES BASS BECKLER BELCHER  
 BEDGOOD BELL BENNETT BERRY BEVERLY BIGGS  
 BOLEN BOLLING BOLTON BOONE BOWLIN  
 BOWLING BOWMAN BRADBY BRANHAM BRAVBOY  
 BRIDGER/BRIGER BROGAN BROOKS BROWN  
 BUNCH BULLION BURTON BUTLER BUTTERS  
 BUXTON BYRD  
 CAMPBELL CARRICO CARTER SASTEEL CAUDILL  
 CHAPMAN CHAVIS CLARK CLOUD COAL COFFEY  
 COLECOLEMAN COLES COLLEY COLLIER COLLINS  
 COLLINSWORTH COLYER COOPER CORMAN  
 COUNTS COX COXE CRIEL CROSTON CROW CUMBA  
 CUMBO CUMBOW CURRY CUSTALOW  
 DALTON DARE DAVIS DENHAM DENNIS DIAL  
 DOOLEY DORTON DOYLE DRIGGERS DULA DYE  
 DYESS  
 ELY EPPS EVANS  
 FIELDS FREEMAN FRENCH  
 GALLAGER GANN GARLAND GIBSON GIPSON  
 GOINS GOINGS GORVENS GOWAN GOWEN  
 GRAHAM GREEN(E) GWINN  
 HILL HILLMAN HOGGE HOLMES HOPKINS HOWE  
 HYATT  
 JACKSON JAMES JOHNSON JONES  
 KEITH(E) KENNEDY KISER  
 LANGSTON LASIE LAWSON LOCKLEAR LOPES  
 LOWRY LUCAS MADDUX MAGGARD MAJOR MALE  
 MALONE(Y) MARSH MARTIN MAYLE MINARD  
 MINER MINOR MIZER MOORE MORLEY MOSELY  
 MOZINGO MULLINS  
 NASH NELSON NEWMAN NICCANS NICHOLS NOEL  
 NORRIS  
 ORR OSBORN OSBORNE OXENDINE

PAGE PAINE PATTERSON PERKINS BERRY PHELPS  
 PHIPPS PRINDER POLLY POWELL POWERS  
 PRITCHARD PRUITT  
 RAMEY RASNICK REAVES REVELS REEVES RICE  
 RICHARDSON RIDDLE RIVERS ROBERSON  
 ROBERTSON ROBINSON RUSSELL  
 SAMMONS SAMPSON SAWYER SCOTT SEXTON  
 SHAVIS SHEPHARD SHEPHERD SHORT SHORTT  
 SIZEMORE SMILING SMITH STALLARD STANLEY  
 STEEL STEVENS STEWART STROTHER SWEATT  
 SWETT SWINDALL  
 TALLY TACKETT TAYLOR THOMPSON TIPTON  
 TOLLIVER TUPPANCE TURNER  
 VANOVER VICARS VICCARS VICKERS  
 WARE WATTS WEAVER WHITE WHITED WILKINS  
 WILLIAMS WILLIAMSON WILLIS WILSON WISBY  
 WISE WOOD WRIGHT WYATT WYNN

(\*Ed. Note-I purchased Mr. Kennedy's book and found it to be very interesting reading. It is not genealogy per se, but has some lineages included.)

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Mrs. Mildred Chappel Glass of Odessa, Texas has researched her family genealogy for years. She has carefully documented her work where possible. Ms. Glass has donated several of her family genealogies to PCAHS, the Womacks, Covington, Gould, Hutchings, Elzy, House, Campbell, Willit, and Chappel to name a few. We will from time to time print some of her research. PCAHS extends Ms. Glass a very big thank you for this very generous donation.

**Will of David R. Campbell**

The State of Texas,  
 Red River County.

I David R. Campbell, late of Hempstead County, Arkansas, and now residing in Red River County, Texas, being at this time in feeble health and knowing of the uncertainty of human life and feeling a consciousness of approaching dissolution, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all previous wills, testaments and written or verbal depositions of my effects.

Item 1<sup>st</sup>. I will that my body be interred at or near the Baptist Church in the Town of Clarksville, Red River County, Texas, in a decent and respectable manner, conformable to my pecuniary circumstances, and the views and wishes of my Relations and Friends.

Item 2d. I will and desire that after my funeral expenses are paid off and discharged that all my just debts to whomsoever owing shall then be paid off and discharged in due regard of my interests and reputation as a citizen and an honorable man.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup>. I will and bequeath to my beloved daughter, Elizabeth H. Dudley, widow, the house

and lot upon which I now reside, the same being Lot No. 8 (Eight) is in Block No. 93 (Ninety Three) fronting fifty (50) feet North on Jackson Street and fronting one hundred feet on the West on Travis Street and bounded on the West by Block No. Seventy One (71). Said lot lying in the N.W. corner of the block immediately East of Block No. Seventy One (71) and bounded on the East and South by the balance of the block.

Item 4<sup>th</sup>. I will and bequeath to beloved Daughter Mrs. Martha J. Stanley, the wife of F. M. Stanley, my buggy and horse now in my possession, and on my premises, the horse being a bright sorrel with three white feet.

Item 5<sup>th</sup>. I will that all my property in Arkansas and Texas, real, personal and mixed, of what kind or terms as may be considered best whether for cash; or on time, which is not herein before, or hereinafter disposed of otherwise, the proceeds of which first to be disposed for the payment of my debts, and then the overplus to be divided equally between my children. The children of my deceased children taking shares equally through their father or mother, as the case may be, with my surviving children, that is to say, also the children of any deceased child to have and inherit as much as any one of the surviving children according to the provisions set forth in the items. The children included in the items are Mrs. E.H. Dudley, Mrs. M.J. Stanley, Jerome Campbell, Malinda A Campbell, Sophrona Gould, Mrs. Susan Erwin, Mrs. Cassandra Stringer and David Campbell, those deceased, their children inheriting as their deceased parents would have inherited if living.

Item 6<sup>th</sup>. I will nominate, constitute and appoint my beloved and affectionate son-in-law F.M. Stanley the Executor of this my last Will and Testament authorizing him to carry out the stipulations and provisions of the same. I hereby require him to file with the Clerk of the County court of Red River an Inventory and appraisement of my Estate, after which, and his taking the oath required by the Statutes of the State in such cases, I desire no further action or control of my Estate to be had by the Probate Court of Red River County. And not knowing the requirements of the laws of Arkansas, I desire that my effects there shall be disposed of without the interference of the Courts, if the same be consistent with the Statutes, otherwise to be disposed of with as little expense as practicable.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name in presence of Jordon Brewer and M.S. Sims, Witnessed called by me to

Witness the Execution of the same. This the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D. 1866

Attest D.R. Campbell  
M.S. Sims  
W. J. Brewer

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County Court pertaining to Estates  
Nov. Term A.D. 1866  
Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1866

In Open Court at the present Term thereafter the required application made and due notice given as appears to the satisfaction of the Court. The Will of David R. Campbell was produced in Court for probate, and the subscribing witnesses Marshall S. Simms and Jordon Brewer who being duly sworn say that they saw David R. Campbell the testator sigh, declare and publish the instrument to them now being shown being the date the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D. 1866 as his last Will and Testament, freely, voluntarily, of his won accord, and without any compulsion or persuasion or influence from any person whatever, that at the time of Executing said Will the said Testator was of sound disposing memory, that deponents signed said Will as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator, at his instance and request, and in the presence of each other.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1866

M.S. Sims  
W. J. Brewer

H. Little, Clerk  
C.C.R.R.C

It appearing to the Court that the last Will and Testament of David R. Campbell, late of Red River County, Texas, deceased has as this Term been produced in the Open Court by Francis M. Stanley Executor thereof and no objections thereto being made, the same has been proven according to law by M.S. Sims and W. Jordon Brewer, the subscribing Witnesses thereto, and it appearing that to the satisfaction of the Court that said Will is in due and legal form, and that the said Francis M. Stanley, Executor as aforesaid has made and filed his application as required by Law for Letters Testamentary thereof to be granted to him at the present Term of the Court and that lawful notice thereof has been given, to which no objection has been made.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said Last Will and Testament of the said

David R. Campbell deceased, be admitted to Record, and that Letters Testamentary thereof be granted to the said Francis M. Stanley.

The State of Texas,  
County of Red River.

I, Henry Little, Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the five preceding and foregoing pages contain a true and correct copy of the Last Will and Testament of David R. Campbell, late of said County deceased, and all the proceedings had in the probating of said Will in said Court.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the impress of the Seal of said Court of Office in Clarksville this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 1867.

Henry Little, Clerk  
C.C. Red River County

### Notes on the Campbell Family

David R. Campbell was born 1794 in South Carolina, the son of John Campbell, born between 1770-1800. David married Sarah (?), born 1798 in Virginia. The maiden name of Sarah's mother was possibly Christina White of Virginia.

David and Sarah Campbell had nine children: Jerome Augustus born before 1820, married Harriet N. Alexander; Melinda A. born between 1810-1820; Sarah Sophrona born 1823 in Smith Co. Tennessee, married William Bond Gould in November 1839 in Hempstead County, Arkansas; Cassandrie M. born between 1825-1830, married a Stringer; Susan M. born between 1825-1830, married an Erwin.; John born 1829 in Tennessee married Mary (?). David R. Jr. born 1838 in Arkansas married Mary (?); Martha J. born 1838 in Arkansas married Frances M. Standley; Elizabeth H. born 1840 in Arkansas married E. H. Dudley.

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### Census records

#### 1820 Smith County, Tennessee

#47 David Campbell  
0m under 10  
2 m 10/15  
4 m 18/26  
1 m 26/45  
3 f under 10  
1 f 26/45

#48 David R. Campbell 000010//10100  
John Campbell

### 1830 Smith County, Tennessee

David R. Campbell

- ! m 0/5
- 1 m 5/10
- 1 m 30/40
- 2 f 0/5-
- 1 f 5/10-
- 1 f 10/15

John Campbell

- 2 m 0/5
- 1 m 20/30
- 1 f 0/5
- 1 f 20/30

### 1850 Pike County Arkansas

David R. Campbell listed in the home of W.B. Gould

### 1860 Pike County Arkansas

- |                       |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| David R. Campbell Jr. | 31 b TN 1829 |
| Mary                  | 37 b AL      |
| M.A. f                | 6 b AR       |
| W.B. m                | 4 b AR       |
| S.S. f                | 2 b AR       |

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### Family Connections/Notes Gould-Campbell-Hutchings-Chapel

Interest in researching the Hutchings family was stimulated by letters written by Horace Hutchings in 1862 to his wife, Cassandra Campbell Gould Hutchings, and his father-in-law, William Bond Gould. Horace died in December 1862, a Civil War Casualty. He never saw his daughter, Sarah Elizabeth.

Hutchings is a modern day spelling for Hutchen, Hutchins, Hudgins, and Hutchun. It is believed the Hutchings crossed the channel to England in A.D. 1066. The name evolved from Hugh to Huchun by 1276. All Hutchings can be traced to one or more Hugh Hutchins of old England.

Many of the early records were found in Hugh Hutchins of Old England by Jack Randolph Hutchins (Copyright 1984) p. 180.

As the writer was studying Census records in Gwinett Co., Georgia, she noticed a Hutchings family. One of the children was Horris. (Could this be the Pike Co. AR Horace?)

### Gwinett County Georgia 1850 Census

- |                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| Hugh Hutchings | 53 b. in VA. |
| Nancy          | 47 b. in VA. |
| John           | 21 b. in VA. |
| Frances        | 28 b. in VA. |

- |            |              |
|------------|--------------|
| Horris     | 17 b. in VA. |
| Thomas     | 12 b. in VA. |
| Morton     | 12 b. in VA. |
| William    | 8 b. in VA.  |
| Hugh       | 6 b. in VA.  |
| Hickmon    | 5 b. in VA.  |
| William R. | 5 b. in VA.  |
| Mary       | 4 b. in VA.  |

Sarah Elizabeth Hutchings Chapel (b 1862) was married to James William Chapel in 1879. (see Chapter VIII of Chapel book).

Sarah Elizabeth Hutchings Chapel's mother was Cassandra \_\_\_? Gould (1842-1930).

Cassandra's parents were William Bond Gould and Sarah Sophrone Campbell (1823-190?). After Horace Hutchings died, Cassandra married Albert Covington and had several children.

William Bond Gould was born October 15, 1816 in New York. On November 28, 1839 he married Sarah Sophrone Campbell in Hempstead Co. Arkansas.

According to an article in History of Arkansas (county by county published about 1900{Goodspeed}), he was a native of Philadelphia and an early settler of Hempstead County, Arkansas. He later resided in Pike County. He was a member of the Masonic Fraternity Pike Lodge #91, in which he held all the principal offices. He served as Representative to the Senate from Pike County for several years. In July 1861 (age 45) He enlisted in the home company of the Confederate Army. They left Murfreesboro, Arkansas in July and marched to Van Buren where he was elected First Lt. Of the 4<sup>th</sup>. Regiment, under Captain Black and participated in the Battle of Pea Ridge. Their Captain died and Lt. Gould was elected Captain. Ill health soon forced him to resign this commission. In 1862 he returned home where he remained until his death on May 25, 1874.

No leads have been found concerning William Bond Gould's parents.

Sarah Sophrone Camp[bell] Gould was born in 1823 in Virginia. Her parents were David Campbell (b. in S.C. in 1794) and Sarah--?—(b. in VA in 1798) There was a Christanna White living in the same household as the David Campbells in 1850. Perhaps she was Sarah's mother. They were living in Tennessee from 1823-1838. they first appeared on the Pike County census in 1850. Many Campbell families still live in the county. It is difficult to separate the families as there were many named John and David. Some lived in Hempstead County, AR prior to moving to Pike County.



Alene Hunter Elam of Murfreesboro knew some of the Hutchings family lived in Benton, Arkansas. A telephone directory showed Mack T. Hutchings's address. He was contacted and gave enough information to prove Horace Hutchings had brothers named John and Hickmon. Both were on the Gwinnetts 1840 and 1850 census and proved Hugh and Nancy were the parents. John, Hickmon, and Horace moved to Arkansas. Civil War records are available for Hickmon and Horace. Hickmon received seventy dollars a month pension from 1901-1906. The application was witnessed by Albert Covington.

Mack T. Hutchings had been told by his father that there were 22 children in this family. The writer was unable to prove this.

Hugh Hutchins was married in 1822 to Nany Bisco, daughter of John Bisco as records in Lancaster County, Virginia show. A marriage record is also found in that county for Hugh's parents, Richard Hutchins and Milly Beene (1797-dtr. Of John Beene).

Richard (b 1775) was the son of Richard Hutchins (d 1786). The next generation was William Hortoz Hutchins (d 1760). He married Elizabeth \_\_?\_\_. William Hortoz Hutchins' father was John Hutchin (d 1723). He married twice. His first wife was unknown. Second marriage was to a widow, Frances Hortoz Cox, (d 1733). John Hutchings (1723) was the son of William W. Hutchings (d 1668). He lived near the Crotoman and Black Rivers in Lancaster County, VA. He married Elizabeth Green, Daughter of John and Mary Green, merchant of London. After John's death, Elizabeth married William Thatcher in 1669.

Perhaps William W. was the first Hutchings in America.

Letter from Horace Hutchings to his family during the Civil War. He died in CSA.

Arkansas Post, Arkansas County, November the 24<sup>th</sup>, 1862.

Dear Father,

Having the opportunity thought I would write you a few lines to let you know I am well at this time, hoping this will find you the same. I recd. Your kind letter dated the 17<sup>th</sup> and was proud to here from you. I have nothing would interest you. We had a good deal of excitement a few days ago, about the Feds. Our pickets said some of them was across White River and was

crossing. Still tho that has died away. They say there is feds at Napolian on the river. I can't say this is reliable for we here so much camp nuse. I never hang confidence in anything that we here. We have commenced building winter quarters at this place. Can't tell whether we will stay here all winter or not. Reckon we will if the Feds don't run us from here this winter and if we have a fight here as some suppose we will. Hope we will whip them and drive them back. We have some three or four thousand troop here at this time and they say we will have some three or four ridgements more here in a few days. We have no late war nuse to write to you. We here camp nuse everyday but you know what camp nuse is. I rec'd. a letter from Saney (*Cassandra*) 4 or 5 days ago. She said they was not all well, that some of them had the chills yet, also that Nath had got home and he was improving. Was glad to here it. Have not hered a work from Joe since one Mr. Patrick left the Springs a few days after you left there with Nath. He said he was very punny when he left him. Don't see why he don't write for I would like to here from him. You stated in your letter something about our gun receipts, said you gave them to John to have them find out w/right. I have seen him once since he come in, but he never said anything to me about them and I have not seen him for some time. Don't know where he is. If I see him, will attend to it as soon as I can. You must write every chance for me like to here from you. I sent a letter home the other day. Have sent several home since we have been here. Will have to quit for this time. Will keep you all well informed where we are as I can do nothing more at this time. I remain your effectionate son, Horace Hutchings—to W.B. Gould.

Last letter Horace Hutchings wrote to his wife Cassandra Campbell Gould Hutchings.

Dear,

Camped at the Arkansas Post October the 14, 1862. I have another opportunity of writing to you. This leaves me well and hope when you get this it will find you and the baby Siney enjoying the same blessings. —Illegible— we started the Post the day before (?illegible) left White Sulpher Springs. Got 16 miles below Pine Bluff then was ordered to Clarington on White River. We went back to the Bluff and went on to Clarington. Got six moles of Clarington, then was ordered to this place. We landed here yesterday. Don't know how long we will stay here. Some say we will stay here all winter and

some say we won't. So I don't know ho long we will stay at this place, and don't know as I don't go to the Stayat (?spelling) home. (Illigible) to be the hope one time will soon come when I will be permitted to get home and stay there. They are fortifying here like they aim to make a stand here, but I call it a bad place for that business. We may stay here some time and we may not. Dawson's Ridgement and Portlocks Ridgement are here. Grandsted's Ridgement is gone to the North part of the state. We have orders and then they countermanded so often there is no certainty where or when we will move to for I don't know no more than you do. So I tell you how to direct your letters if we stay here long. Ben Davis will starthis male again. I have not herd from you and Nath since we left the Springs. Would like to here from them. I look for \_\_\_ to come. \_\_\_ has got well which I hoope he has. We here that Price and his army has got a flaging and Tandorne has ben captured. That is the report, tho I con't know whether it is so or not. Hope it is not the case. I don't write this for the truth, it is rumored in camp. So I never believe anything without I know it is so we never here nothing but camp nuse. We get----and bread to eat and some molasses and shugar. I have not learn to cook good yet. Some time I cook, if you could see the bread I bake, you would laugh at it. When I get home, I will show you what a good cook I am. I hate to cook worse than anything else.

Saney, you must write how much corn you made if you make enough to do you \_\_\_ or not—hogs are all \_\_\_ can get your meate out of them or not and what you do for tobacco. And the first opportunity you get, send my pants, shirts, and shoes to me. Then I will be prepared for the winter in that respect. We have not drawed any more money yet and don't know when we will draw again, but will send you-----. If you & pa or Nath-----home or ;not and how Joe was getting along when you herd from; him last. Write what you do for paper. I tried to get paper to send to you, but could not get any. I try to get enough to write to you so as to keep you informed where we are as well as I can, and you must write every opportunity you get. I would like to here from you. Tell your pa and ma I send them my best respects and all the children. Hope this will find them all well, Press and family, too. Tell Linzy to be a good boy while I am gone and soon as I get home will take him to see (\_\_\_\_\_). Tell my Baby to be good and I will give her a present when I get home. Give my respects to Dave Campbell and family, also.

Joe Stringer and family. Write soon as y ou can. I love to here from you. Give my respects to all the family and for ;you and the baby, the(?sp endrmost) love \_\_\_\_\_ absent husband,

Horace Hutchings

To C. C. Hutchings

Kiss the Baby twice once for me and once for you.

Horace Hutchings

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ACAHS has in the archives a paper, containing the following list of entries (of service records):

22362

Full name Hutchings, H.

Rank Private

Company K

Regiment 24<sup>th</sup> Ark.

"Commanding Officers"

Colonel Portlock, E. E.

Captain McCasland, S. H.

22367

Full Name Hutchins, H.

Rank Private

Company C

Regiment 18<sup>th</sup> Ark.

"Commanding Officers"

Colonel Hindman, T. C.

Captain Fletcher, E. H.

Handwritten (on the back of the above printed form) is the following information.

Jarmans in Jones Co. & Onslow Co., N.C., 1794.

H. Hutchings

Co. C Hardy's Reg. Ark. Inf.

Private

H. Hutchings

Co. K 24 Ark. Inf.

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H. Hutchings Pike Co. Ark.

Absent Aug. 31, 1862. Detached for artillery service Aug.

1797 Northampton Co. Mary Chappel-Ch. Benjamin, Rbt. Eliz, Keziah.

1765 Richard Chappell, Micajah, Chowan.

1777Malachi, ch. Jesse, Malachi & wife.

Womack, Tyron, Lincoln Co. N.C.

Abraham to James & others.

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A book entitled Abstracts Lancaster County, Virginia, Wills 1653-1800, contains this entry on page 121.

Hutchings, Jno. 3 Sept. 1723. Rec. 13 Dec. 1727. Wife Francis. Sons: Wm. H., GR.son: Jho. Hutchings. Dāus: Frances, Ellinor, Judith. Extrx: Wife. Wits: Chris Kirk, Sarah Cox and Thos. Carter. W. B. 12, p. 41.

Bond Wm. Hutchings apt. guardian of Ellinor Hutchings orphan of John Hutchings. 14 Feb. 1727. W. B. 12, p. 46.

On page 122 we find this.

Hutchins, Frances, widow, of Christ Church. 7 Feb. 1733. Rec. 13 Mar. 1733.

Parish. Son: William & John Cox. Daus: Ann Tarkelson, Elizabeth Cox & Judith Hutchins. Exors: Sons Wm. & John Cox. Proved by John Yerby. W. B. 12, p. 290.

Inv. Of Frances Hutchins, *widow* & relict of John Hutchings, lately dec. W. B. 12, p. 293.

Hutchings, William. Division of estate. Rec. 20 June 1760. To William Hutchings, Richard Hutchings and Betty Hutchings their part of their father's estate. To John Yerby his part. W. B. 16, p. 95.

Page 123 has this.

Hutchings, Richard. Feb. 1788. Rec. 21 Apr. 1788.

Wits: James Brent, Isaac Degge, James Pollard. Wife: Leannah. Son: William Hutchings, estate of his uncle Will9am Hutchings. W. B. 22, p. 182.

12 Nov. 1788. Division. Heirs: Widow, John Hutchings, William Hutchings, Richard, Thomas & Mary Ann Hutchings. W. B. 22, p. 194

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#### BIBLE RECORD

##### Births:

James A. Covington was borned Sept. 28, 1842

Cassandra C. (Gould) Hutchings was borned April 13, 1842

Jerome A. Covington was borned Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>., 1867

William Fletcher Covington was born Oct. 2, 1869

Sophia I Covington was borned Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>., 1873

Mary A. Covington was borned Aug. 19, 1876

Alice D. Covington was borned Nov. 7, 1880

Sarah Elizabeth Hutchings was borned Apr. 16, 1862

Mittie L. Gilmer was borned Aug. 1885

(See elsewhere in this issue for some short biographical sketches of this family.)

#### Letter from Family

Benton, Arkansas

Sept. 2, 1975

Dear Mrs. Glass,

I am sorry but I can't help you much in tracing the Hutchings family.

My father was Frank Hutchings and his father was John Hutchings. He died when my father was a young man before he married but I don't know what year.

Dad was born Sept. 22, 1868, died April 10, 1952.

John, Horace and Hickman were brothers and I have heard dad say his dad (John) was the daddy of twenty-two children, but these three is all I know of.

Dad said his folks came from Georgia.

I don't know anything about the Thomas H. or Thomas J. you wrote about. Did you mean you found them on the Saline Co. in Arkansas census?

I don't know what my great grandfather's name was. My dad, Frank, and Bettie or Elizabeth were first cousins.

My wife's father, Theodore Mansfield, was also a first cousin of Bettie Chapel. Aunt San (Cassandra Campbell Gould) who married Horace H., was a sister of her grandma Mansfields. She was Sarah Sephrona Gould,

Hickman had one son named George Hutchings. He never married and lived with us most of the time when I was growing up. He died in 1945.

He had a sister Virgie and she had two daughters, Delmer and Annie who lived years ago in Hillsboro, Texas. I don't know what their last names were.

I have a brother Thomas Lee Hutchings. He lives at Dover. He has never had any children. I think he was named for my grandpa Lingo.

We have a daughter and three sons Stanley,, James, and Larry. As far as we know these three and their three sons Scott, Russell, and Shawn are the only descendants with the name Hutchings. We have three granddaughters, but their children wouldn't be Hutchings.

Are you a first cousin to Bonnie and Gertrude Fagen? What was your father's name?

Sorry I couldn't tell you more. If you are ever in Benton, we would like to meet you.

Your Cousin,

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### Campbell/Gould Family

Sarah Sophrone Campbell was born Feb. 22, 1823 died 190?). She married William Bond Gould, on Nov. 28, 1839. William was born Oct. 15, 1816 and died May 25, 1874.

Sarah and William had nine children; Isabelle Clementine Gould born Nov. 15, 1840, Cassandra Campbell Gould born April 13, 1842, Jerome Augustus (Joe) Gould born March 7, 1844, Malinda Watkins Gould born 1846, died 1847, William Moore Gould born 1848, Sarah Sophrone Gould born July 26, 1850, Suzannah Tillman Gould born Dec. 29, 1852, Ann Gould born March 3, 1855, and Mary Elizabeth Gould born Dec. 14, 1860.

Isabelle (Belle) Gould married Nathan Kizzia, 1857. Their children were; Martin Kizzia, father of Cecil, Freeman, Dyer, etc. Joe Kizzia, father of Fred, Gracy, Floyd and Hallie Morrison. Anca Kizzia, father of John, Estelle, Faye and Bodie Bell, Sarah Kizzia (Sally), married John Flaherty, parents of Grace, Mable, Bessie, Carl, Clarence, Hershel and Melvin, John Kizzia, father of Maude K. Crocker, Jack Kizzia and Johnny, San Kizzia, married a Holliman, a son Clyde.

Cassandra Campbell Gould married Horace Hutchings, 1860, had one child, Sarah Elizabeth (Betty) Hutchings, a soldier in the confederate states, a member of Harts Battery, died December 22 at Arkansas Post, 1862. Bettie married Willie Chapell. Their children were; Amanda Cassandra, she married Zeta Copeland-children Eunice, Opal, Harold. Oda Aurora married Virgil Hunter—children were Allene, Elam, Loraine Smith, and Parks. Ada Estella married Horace Fagan—children Homer, Irene, Gertrude, Bonnie, Roy. Jewel married Alva Womack—children Dewey, Mildred, Edna and J.W. After Horace Hutchings' death, Cassandra Gould Hutchings married Jas. Albert Covington, Jan. 16, 1867. Their children were Alice Deborah, who married John W. Elzy—children Paul, Ednah, and Marie. Mary Ann married Js. T. Henderson-Russell. Sarah Sophrone married Chas. Flemister—children Pearl, Myrtle, Clell, Olin, Ruth. Fletcher Covington was killed by a train in early youth. Jerome Covington married Eva Ward—children Eva Hicks, Ira Covington, and Carl. Adopted daughter Mittie Gilmer married Jim Cooper—children Orel, Clark, Stella, Bertie, and Wanda.

Jerome Augustus (Joe), born 1844, was a soldier in the Confederate States Services. As a member of Harts Battery, he was imprisoned at Arkansas Post, then taken by Federals to Camp

Butler near Springfield, MO. He died March 20, 1863 at age 19

Malinda Watkins Gould was born in 1846, died 1847.

William Morse Gould was the father of John, Rolfe, Pauline, Laura, Kate, and Dr. Will Gould.

Sarah Sophrone Gould, born 1850, married Davis Mansfield on Jan. 16, 1867. Their children were Theodore, (father of Audrey, Cecil, Troy, Trudy, Judy and Felix), Will, Walter, and Goulie who married a Thomasson, their children were Madedell and Ozell.

Suzannah Tillman Gould, born 1852, married John Branch. Their children were Cade Branch, Ed Branch, father of Ruby and Harold, Claude Branch, father of Hugh, Nora, Estelle, Tommy and George, Nona Branch, and Mae Branch married Mack Ross. Ada Branch married Sam J. Thomasson—children Harry, Bob, Frank, Estell, and Esther.

Ann Gould, born 1855, married \_\_\_\_\_ Polk, of Ben Lomond. Children were Will, George, Jim, Lula, and Twins Earl and Pearl.

Mary Elizabeth, born Dec. 14, 1860, married Jonas Henderson. Their children were Phronia (Sephronia) who married Tol Cox—child Ira who married a Beavert. Debbie married Ed Stevens—Children were Harriet, Pauline, J.E., Ophelia, Clyde, and Fred.

A different group sheet provides this information on the family of Hugh Hutchings (Hutchins).

### Hugh Hutchings Family

Hugh Hutchings was born in 1793 in Virginia, perhaps Lancaster Co. He married Nancy Bisco in Lancaster Co., Virginia in December of 1822. We believe that Hugh was the son of Richard Hutchin.

Supposedly, Nancy and Hugh had 22 children, including several sets of twins. Their children that we have record of (at this time) were: Frances Hutchings b. 1822 in VA., John Hutchings, b. 1829 in Va., Horris (Horace) Hutchings b. 1833 in Va., Thomas Hutchings b. 1838 in Va., Marton Hutchings b. 1838 in Va., William Hutchings b. 1842 in Va., Hickmon Hutchings b. 1845, William R. Hutchings, b. 1845, Mary, and Hugh, b. 1849.

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*(Dorothy says the little quotation book is to pretty to print in black and white only, just in order to fill space)*

**Orrick/Strickland Family Group**

William Orrick was born about 1784 in North Carolina, and died about 1865 in Pike County, Arkansas. He married Celia Ola Strickland about 1806. She was born about 1788 also in North Carolina, dying about 1862 in Pike County, Arkansas.

William and Celia had twelve children:  
 1. James born 1808, married Mary \_\_\_?\_\_\_; 2. Asa Lenox, born 1810 in Alabama, died 1879 in Franklin County. He married Hannah Abernathy; 3. Belinda, born in 1812, married Howard Dilliard June 4, 1840 in Harrison County, TX; 4. Susan, born January 8, 1814; 5. Nancy, born February 3, 1816 in South Carolina, died Nov. 10, 1875 in Pike County, AR. She married Madison Ewing Alford on Oct. 24, 1833 in Morgan County, AL.; 6. William Jackson, born March 27, 1818 in South Carolina, died July 14, 1893 in Crawford County, AR. He married Rebecca Elmira Dyer about 1840-1841; 7. Andrew (Abe) born 1819 in Alabama, died in February of 1860 in Pike County, Arkansas; 8. Boy, born 1821; 9. Celia, born 1823; 10. Thomas Lorenzo born June 24, 1825 in Alabama, married Polly Ann Yoboro in 1847 in Arkansas. He died December 15, 1914 in Fort Worth, Texas; 11. Frunck (Spelling?) born 1827; 12. Ephriam, born 1831.

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 Russell P. Baker of the Arkansas History commission in Little Rock, Arkansas sent a copy of the following article printed in the *Arkansas Gazette* December 21, 1870, p.1 Col.1.

**LATEST BY TELEGRAPH  
 Midnight Dispatches,  
 Arkansas**

Imprisonment of col. J.W. Gaulding, editor or the *Arkadelphia Standard*, for four days, for contempt of court, by Petty Tyrant E.J. Searle, A Company of militia on hand to enforce the sentence.

**Special for the Gazette**

Arkadelphia, Dec. 20, 1870.  
 J.W. Gaulding, senior editor of the *Standard*, was today sentenced to four days imprisonment in the common jail of Clark County, but Judge E.J. Searle, for contempt of his court. He is now in jail, but bears his confinement with good grace. He will be more

highly esteemed by the community than ever before.

The case against Adam Clark, junior editor of the *Standard*, for the same offence, was dismissed with a fine of five dollars and costs.

A company of militia is here, but there is no use for them.

B.J. Sparks of Lynnwood, Washington sent PCHAS a copy of the pay roster of the members of the militia mentioned in the article in the *Arkansas Gazette* of 1870.

List of Co. L 1<sup>st</sup>. Regiment ARK G. I. Calvary called into service on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Of Dec., 1870

- Capt. J.A. Lightfoot      paid
- Lieut. A.L. Hawkins      paid
- Sergt. W.G. Widner      paid
- Sergt. W.T. Bond      paid
- Segt. A.T. Nutt      paid
- Corpls. J. A. Carpenter      paid
- Henry Widener      paid
- Privts. Carpenter, J.C.      paid
- Couch, Albert      paid
- Franks, Peter      paid
- Franks, F.M.      paid
- Greeson, W.T.      paid
- Hale, John      paid
- Lightfoot, R.T.      paid
- Lightfoot, J.W.      paid
- Lightfoot, R.L.      paid
- Osborn, H.M.      paid
- (A.L. Bankston-Substitute)
- Osborn, G.M.      paid
- Osborn, G. W.      paid
- Lambert, F.M.      paid
- Worley, N.L.      paid
- Moor, James      paid
- Burton, N.C.      paid
- Terry, G.W.      paid
- Dillard, J. H.      paid
- Howerton, Wm.      Paid
- McDougal, W.S.      (no pd marked)
- Ewing, R.F.      paid
- Killian, R. L.      paid
- Prince, Jacob.      Paid

Made out by W. G. Widner, 1<sup>st</sup>. Sergt.

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"They who dare to ask anything of a friend, by their very request seem to imply that they would do anything for the sake of that friend,"

Anonymous

Pat Dale of DeQueen, Arkansas donated to PCAHS a loose-leaf copy of the following transcriptions.

**MILITIA OF ARKANSAS TERRITORY  
GENERAL ORDER  
ARKANSAS TERRITORY  
1825**

**Head-quarters, Little Rock,  
June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1825**

(Copied from the Arkansas Gazette of May 14, 1825 by David W. Bizzell, North Little Rock, Arkansas.)

The Commanding Officers of Regiments, Battalions, and Companies of the Militia in the counties of Pulaski, Arkansas, Crawford, Phillips, Chicot, Independence, and Lawrence, will report in person, or by letter, to the Adjutant General's Office, at Little Rock, on or before the first day of July next; those of Clark, Hempstead, and Miller counties, will make their reports to Brig. Gen. William Bradford, at Cantonment Towson, who will forward them to Head-Quarters.

The organization of the Territorial Militia will engage the full attention of the Commander in Chief, and will be proceeded on without delay.

The laws for the government of the Militia, will be rigidly enforced, and the zealous co-operation of those citizens who have been honored with Commissions, is called for and expected.

Lieut. Colonels Henry W. Conway and Ambrose H. Sevier have been appointed Aids-de-Camp to the Governor. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

GEO. IZARD

By the Governor:

A.H. Sevier, A.d. C.

**ARKANSAS MILITIA**

Persons Commissioned	Rank	Date of Commission
Terrence Farrelly	Adj. Gen'l	1823, May 25

**FIRST REGIMENT**

Clark County

Jacob Wells	Colonel	1824, Feb. 2
Winthrop Colbeth	Lieut. Col.	" " "
Washington Sorrells	Captain	" April 20
Joseph Gibson	do	" " "
Samuel Parker	do	" " "
Drewry Hasley	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	" " "
Stephen Standley	do	" " "
John Richards	do	" " "
James Watson	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	" " "
Wm. Denton	do	" " "
John Stewart	do	" " "
John Cheers	Ensign	" " "
Willis Standley	do	" " "
Jos. B. Riley	do	" " "
John B. Anderson	Adjutant	" " "

**SECOND REGIMENT**

James Lemens	Colonel	1822, July 20
Robert C. Oden	Lieut. Col.	1823, Oct. 28
James Collins	Captain	1820, Oct. 10
James Billingsley, sen.	do	" " "
Wm. Magness	do	" " "

Jackson Crane	do	" " "
Peter Kuykendall	do	" " "
Israel Dodge	do	" " "
Moses Vann	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	" " "
James Raney	do	" " "
John B. Moseby	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	" " "
Thomas Tyner	do	" " "
Hardy Wilbanks	do	" " "
A. R. Barroquir	do	" " "
F. Vaugine, jun.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	" " "
Daniel Greathouse	do	" " "
James Billingsley, jun.	do	" " "
A. Tisworth	do	" " "
Simon Price	do	" " "

### THIRD REGIMENT

Lawrence County

Joseph Hardin	Colonel	
Wm. Humphreys	Lieut. Col.	1821, Oct. 20
Thomas Culp	Major	" " "
Randall Murry	Captain	1820, July 10
Edward Brazel	do	" " "
Wm. Looney	do	" " "
Rezin Davis	do	" " "
W. E. Glenn	do	1821, Aug. 13
George Hudspith	do	" Sept. 3
James Waid	do	1823, Oct. 20
Beverly B. Baker	do	" " "
Samuel Miller	do	" " "
Daniel Martin	do	" " "
Clemen Stubblefield	do	" " "
Eli Lindsey	Adjutant	1824, Jan. 6
Jos. Hardin, jun.	Paymaster	" " "
Wm. Jarrett	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	1820, July 10
Solomon Hudspeath	do	" " "
Israel Fowler	do	" " "
Elijah Vinson	do	" " "
James McArnett	do	" " "
Robert Johnson	do	" " "
Har. Creswell	do	" " "
Thomas Whitaker	do	1823, Oct. 20
Napoleon B. Ferguson	do	" " "
Isaac Bearing	do	" " "
Charles Shaver	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	1820, July 10
Joshua E. Brown	do	" " "
Moses Stubblefield	do	" " "
Elipas Davis	do	" " "
Thomas McArnett	do	" " "
Daniel Randall	do	" " "
John Walker	do	" " "
Horner James	do	1823, Oct. 20
Joseph James	do	" " "
Wm. Findley	do	" " "
Athan Davis	do	" " "
Hosa Brown	do	" " "
Isaac King	do	" " "

Joseph Shaver	Ensign	1820, July 10
Dennis Denham	do	" " "
Lemuel Rice	do	" " "
Powhatan Boatwright	do	" " "
John Raney	do	" " "
John Milligan	do	" " "
John Halcum	do	" " "
James Little	do	1823, Oct. 20
Henry Hudson	do	" " "
James Buckman	do	" " "
James Buckman	do	" " "
Harmis Criswell	do	" " "
James Lewis	do	" " "
William Pile	do	" " "
Val. Brazil	do	1820, July 10

#### **FOURTH REGIMENT**

Arkansas County

James Scull	Colonel	1822, April 15
Eli J. Lewis	Lieut. Col.	1823, June 14
Louis Bogy	Major	" " "
Thadius I. James	Captain	" Feb. 12
John H. Foby	do	1820, June 16
Wm. Strong	do	" Aug. 10
Wm. Smith	do	" Sept. 8
Wm. Dunn	do	" Oct. 30
Benjamin I. Miles	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	1825, March -
Ignace Bogy	do	1821, May 30
Arthur C. Welch	do	1820, June 16
Michael Mitchel	do	" Aug. 10
James Raney	do	" Sept. 8
James Simmons	do	" Oct. 30
Samuel Lemmons	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut	1821, April 15
Francois Vallirie	do	" May 30
Samuel Parker	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	1823, Oct. 30
Samuel Lewis	do	1820, June 16
Julius Christy	do	" Aug. 10
John Pilburn	do	" Sept. *
George Lear	do	" Oct. 30
William Curran	Ensign	1821, April 15
Pier Michell	do	" May 30
Francis Rycroft	do	1823, Oct. 30
John Stane	do	1820, June 18
John Mitchell	do	" Aug. 10
John Patterson	do	" Oct. 30

#### **FIFTH REGIMENT**

Hempstead County

Thomas Dooley	Colonel	1823, Dec. 5
John Wilson	Lieut. Col.	" " "
James. M. Stewart	Major	" " "
Joshua Fagur	Captain	1820, June 28
James Dyer	do	" " "
Wm. I Elem	do	" " "
Bailey English	do	" " "
Nathaniel Robins	do	" " "



James Fowler	do	" " "
Jacob Pennington	do	" Oct. 20
Hugh Bradley	do	" " 21
Samuel Miller	do	" " "
James Gibson	do	1823, " 30
Samuel Hopson	do	" " "
Wm. Berry	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	1820, June 28
Wm. Pennington	do	" " "
M. Click	do	" Oct. 20
George B. Hern	do	" " 21
Jessa Douglass	do	" " "
Jarrad James	do	" " "
Thomas Fagur	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	1820, June 20
M. Crowenover	do	" Oct. 20
Samuel Gates	do	" " "
R. Misser	do	" " "
George Whelmon	do	" " 21
John M. Bradley	do	" " "
John Stevanson	do	" " "
William Whiteside	Ensign	" June 28
S. Morrin	do	" Oct. 20
Isaac Sanders	do	" " "
Samuel Laird	do	" " "
Jacob Mathur	do	" " 21
Caswell McElroy	do	" " "
Alford Ashbrook	do	" " "

**SIXTH REGIMENT**

Crawford County

Pierson Brearley	Colonel	1823, May 16
Thomas Moore	Lieut. Col.	" " "
James H. Lucas	Major	" " "
Thomas Lindsey	Captain	1822, April 15
Jacob Harrell	do	1823, Oct. 20
James Gibson	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	1822, April 15
John Stinnett	do	" " "
Alexander Sinclair	do	1823, Oct. 20
Alexander Richardson	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	1822, April 15
Wm. Curenton	do	" " "
James Harrell	do	1823, Oct. 20

**SEVENTH REGIMENT**

Independence County

Hartwell Boswell	Colonel	
Townsend Dickinson	Lieut. Col.	
John Adams	Major	1821, Mar. 22
Robert Rollands	Captain	1821, July 18
Jeremiah Cornwell	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	" " "
Ppowhatan Boatwright	do	" Sept. 21
Edward Davis	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	" July 18
Charles Wolf	do	" " "
John Killison	Ensign	" " "

**EIGHTH REGIMENT**

Phillips County

Daniel Mooney	Colonel	1821, Sept. 14
W.B.R. Horner	Lieut. Col.	" " "
Henry Fooy	Major	" " "
Elisha Fagart	Captain	" " "
John Burress	do	1822, May 17
W. H. Smith	do	1823, Oct. 30
Henry W. Hampton	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	1822, May 17
John Fletcher	do	1823, Oct. 30
Peter Edwards	do	" " "
----Raney	do	" " "
Joseph C. Dunn	do	" " "
John Pleader	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	1822, May 17
Benjamin Lewis	do	1823, Oct. 30
James Hanks	do	" " "
John Pyburn	do	" " "
Wm. H. Patterson	do	" " "
Thomas Forbes	Ensign	1822, May 17
Boyd Bailey	do	1823, Oct. 30
Obadiah Roberts	do	" " "

**NINTH REGIMENT**

Miller County

Jacob Pennington	Colonel	1823, June 10
John Clark	Lieut. Col.	" " "
Nathaniel Robbins	Major	" " "

**CALVARY**

Lawrence County

Wm. Reed	Captain	1823, Oct. 30
Jacob Pevyhouse	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	" " "
Thomas Crowley	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	" " "

Crawford County

Frederick Fletcher	Captain	1823, Oct. 20
Larkin Newton	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	" " "
John Billingsley	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	" " "

Independence County

Charles H. Pelham	Captain	1824, Sept. 21
John Kylar	1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut.	" " "
Wm. Ramsay	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	" " "
Thomas Moore	Cornet	" " "

Hempstead County

Alex'r Oakley	Captain	1825, March 5
John Stewart	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieut.	" " "
Wm. McDonald	Cornet	" " "

Pulaski County

Thomas White	Captain	1825, March 5
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"Note: In the above list of the Officers of the Militia in the Territory of Arkansas it is probable that some errors occur in the dates of the Commissions, and that some names are inserted of Officers who have resigned, or have left the Territory. Information on the subjects, addressed to the Adjutant General's Office, Little Rock, will be attended to, and a corrected list will be published at a future moment." (Ark. Gaz., May 14, 1825)

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(Ed. Note--PCAHS would appreciate more of this type of primary resource material for inclusion in *The Gems* as well as for our archival files. If you have or find any such records in your own research, please share them with us so we can print them for our readers.)

**JUSTICE OF THE PEACE FOR THE TERRITORY OF ARKANSAS, 1827**

(Copied from the Arkansas Gazette of November 6, 1827,  
by Mr. David W. Bizzell, north Little Rock, Arkansas.)

Commissions, for the term of two years, were issued, by the Governor of the Territory of Arkansas on the 15<sup>th</sup> October 1827, to the following persons, as JUSTICES OF THE PEACE, in and for the Townships and Counties which their names are respectively affixed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of the Territory, at Little Rock.

<b><u>ARKANSAS COUNTY</u></b>	Townships
Eli J. Lewis	Arkansa
Isaac McLain	"
John H. Brooks	"
James Boswell	"
John Maxwell	"
W. S. Rigney	Richland
Wigton King	"
Henry Allen	"
David Miller	Mississippi
David Mefford	"
--- Mason	Villemont

<b><u>LAWRENCE COUNTY</u></b>	
James Boyd	Columbia
E. McDaniel	"
Wm. Farret	"
Thomas Emery	"
Abner West	Lebanon
P. R. Pitman	Currents
Benj. Jones	Davidson
Amos Justice	"
Eli Lindsey	Union
Geo. S. Hudspeth	"
James Sloan	"
Thomas McCarrell	Strawberry
Reuben Richardson	Spring River
Spencer Crouch	"

<b><u>PULASKI COUNTY</u></b>	
John Dodge	Vaugine
James Kuykendall	"
James Rpage	"
John Cook	Red River
John Arnold	"
James Wright	"
Sam'l McHenry	Payatte
Wm. P. Thompson	"
Rezin Davis	Saline
Jesse Bland	"
Henry Bradford	Big Rock

Charles Caldwell	"
<b><u>HEMPSTEAD COUNTY</u></b>	
John Beard	Ozan
Allen M. Oakley	"
Wm. Hickman	"
N. D. Smith	"
David Roberts*	"
Absolom Mading*	"
Rich'd Tate	Cote Fabre
John Nunn	" "
James Stewart	Saline
Wm. Sims	"
John F. Keller	Mine Creek
Gilbert Clark*	" "
John Brewer*	" "
Jonathan Black	Franklin
Collin McKinney	Red River
G. Kerman	" "
Matthew Scoby	Roane
David Clark	Oakley
Matthew Eads*	Missouri

<b><u>CLARK COUNTY</u></b>	
W. Colbath	Cado
Daniel Ringo	"
Jacob Stroop	"
John Casey	Missouri
Josiah Millard	Warm Springs
John Williams	" "
Aaron Johnson	Pennington
Isaac Pennington	"
Jacob Chandler	Little Missouri
David Fish	Antoine

<b><u>PHILLIPS COUNTY</u></b>	
Peter Edwards	St. Francis
John Sanford	"
Geo. W. Ferebee	"
Thomas J. Gazley	"
Benj. Burriss	"
Dan'l Mitchell	Mitchell
Thos. Maddox	Cache

Andrew Dobbin	"
Jos. Jacobs	"
John R. Dye	"
Joseph Robbins	"
Cyrus Little	Union
Wm. Enos	"
Silas Pledger	Walnut
Henry Wiggins	"
Jehial Ashley	Mooney
Austin Kendrick	"
Wm. Tucker	"
James Ritchey	"
John Tacket	"
Wm. Strong	Johnson
Charles H. Alexander	"

**MILLER COUNTY**

George f. Lawton	Pecan
Willis McCan	"
George Holbrook	Clay
Hesse Skelton	Jefferson
B. F. Owens	"

**INDEPENDENCE COUNTY**

Wm. Ingram	Taylor's Bay
Peyton Tucker	Christian
Wm. Chandler	"
Tro. Ruddle	"
Hiram West	Black River
Perry Magness	" "
John Redmon	Ruddle
Jas. Boswell	"
Rich'd Peel	"
Jas. Bennett	Little Red River

**CRAWFORD COUNTY**

John C. Summer	Big Creek
Geo. C. Pickett	"
Henry Stinnett	Dardanelle
Wm. H. Harvell	"
E. W. DuVal	"
Charles Wolf	Lower
Jesse L. Cravens	"
Fred'k Fletcher	Hope
John Skelton	Prospect
--- Spalding	Missard
Robert S. Gibson	Nicks
John Moore	"

**CHICOT COUNTY**

Peter H. Bennett	Oden
Thos. James	"
Andrew Latting	"
Richare Latting	"
Benj. L. Miles	"
Whitley Preston	Franklin

Wm. Geigor	"
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**CRITTENDEN COUNTY**

Duke Harris	Scott
Wm. S. Pierson	"
John M. Jones	"
James Livingston	Hopefield
Wm. Cherry	"
John H. Walker	Canadian
Fred'k Barfield	"
B. Johnson	"
W. Hagans	Lucas
Edmund Bridges	"
Waitman Gosin	"
John Halloway	"

**CONWAY COUNTY**

J. Ross	Hardin
John Wiley	"
Robert Patterson	"
Jos. Campbell	Cadron
Richard Menefee	"
Wm. Standlee	"
John Hibbins	Winburn
John Cummins	"

**IZARD COUNTY**

Robert Livingston	North Fork
Wm. Woody	" "
J. P. Houston	" "
Stephen Duggins	Sugar Loaf
Johoida Jeffery	White River
James Harris	South Fork

**LAFAYETTE COUNTY**

Thomas Bradshaw*	Roane
Daniel Cornelius*	Monroe
William Jones*	"

**ST. FRANCIS COUNTY**

Stephen Tyler*	Mitchell
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**LOVELY COUNTY**

Benjamin Weaver*	-----
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\* Commissions issued on 23 Oct. 1827

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**The measure of a man's  
character is not what he gets  
from his ancestors, but what  
he leaves his descendants.**

## William Orrick Family

Barbara Denny furnished the following information on this Orrick family.

William Orrick was born about 1784 in North Carolina. He married Celia Ola Strickland around 1806. Celia was born about 1788 also in North Carolina. Both died in Pike County, Arkansas, Celia around 1862 and William following somewhere near 1865.

William and Celia Orrick had twelve children. Their first son, James Orrick, was born in 1808. He grew up and married a woman named Mary --?-. The second child, Asa Lenox Orrick, born in Alabama in 1810, married Hannah Abernathy and died in Franklin County.

Belinda Orrick was the third child, born in 1812. She married Howard Dillard June 4, 1840 in Harrison County Texas. Nothing is known about the fourth child, Susan except that she was born January \*, 1814. The next daughter, Nancy, was born February 3, 1816 in South Carolina. She died November 10, 1875 in Pike County, Arkansas. She was married to Madison Ewing Alford on October 24, 1833 in Morgan County, Alabama.

Sixth of the twelve was William Jackson Orrick, born March 27, 1818 in South Carolina. He married Rebecca Elmira Dyer about 1840-1841. He died July 14, 1893. The brother next in line was Andrew "Abe" Orrick, born in 1819 in Alabama, died in February of 1860 in Pike County, Arkansas. There was a boy child born in 1821, and a daughter named Celia born in 1823, (no further information given).

Child number ten was Thomas Lorenzo, born June 24, 1825 in Alabama. He married Polly Ann Yoboro in Arkansas in 1847. He died December 15, 1914 in Fort Worth, Texas. We only have the names and birth dates of the last two children. Eleven was Furnck, born 1827 and twelve was Ephriam, born 1831.

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The Bureau of Land Management has a web site on the internet that shows recipients of Homestead and Cash Entry Land Patents before 1908 for what is now Pike County Arkansas. It has 15 entries for the surname Orrick. These include 5 for Andrew, 3 for Bedford, 1 for Ephriam, 3 for Sarah, and 3 for Thomas. These entries are, for the most part, from the 1850's and 1860's. There is also a connecting page to print order forms to order copies of these land documents or to order on-line. To access the web site and print an order form, go to:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb.ar/orderform.txt>

Requests are to be sent to:  
Bureau of Land Management  
Eastern States  
7450 Boston Boulevard  
Springfield VA 22153-3121  
Attn: GLO Records Access Section  
Or  
Fax (703) 440-1609

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This news item was published September 12, 1945. The clipping does not include the name of the newspaper. It could be The Dierks Banner, now defunct.

### WILL JOHNSON KILLED BY LIGHTNING LATE WEDNESDAY

Had Taken Refuge Under Small Trees During  
the Electrical Storm.

Will Johnson, aged 58, well known carpenter and contractor who had lived here for many years was killed by lightning late Wednesday afternoon during the electrical storm that preceded and accompanied the heavy rain that fell here then.

He had been farming on the Ross Place just west of Dierks and which lays along Rock Creek just south of U.S. 70 highway about half a mile west of town. He was picking peas there yesterday but did not return home last night. He lives in the north part of Dierks. Mrs. Johnson went out to look for him this morning, but on learning that he was not at the Ross home, she and Mrs. Ross and Tubby Lockaby went down into the field and found the body by his wagon under some small trees. He had covered the peas he had picked and had put his raincoat on and a sack over his shoulders. His body was burned by the lightning and his left shoe bursted and burned. He had fallen over backwards when the bolt struck him according to those who viewed the body. Henry Griffin, J. P. and Dr. C. A. Campbell were called to the scene and examined the body and stated that an inquest was not necessary, it being clear that death was caused by lightning. The body was carried to his home here at about 11 a. m. this (Thursday) morning.

Funeral arrangements have not been announced at press time. The deceased is survived by his widow and two daughters Mrs. Horace Rankin and Mrs. Maxine Evans, both of Dierks and two granddaughters.

## OLDER OBITUARIES

### MRS. ANNIE PORTER FOSHEE

Mrs. Annie Porter Foshee, 78, of Kirby, died Saturday, May 31, at a Murfreesboro hospital.

She was born March 26, 1902, at Nathan.

Mrs. Foshee was a retired school teacher, having taught in the public school system for 43 years. She was a member of the Church of Christ at Kirby.

Survivors include her husband, Jewell Foshee of Kirby; one son, Robert Jewell Foshee, Jr., of Huntington Beach, California; three brothers, Woody Porter of Kirby; Carlton Porter of Phoenix, Arizona, and Delbert Porter of St. Louis, Missouri; one sister, and Mrs. Daisy Fincher of Hot Springs.

Funeral services took place at 2:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ in Kirby with Mr. Milton H. Peebles officiating. Burial was in the Ebenezer Cemetery at Kirby under the direction of the Latimer Funeral Home.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Mrs. Foshee's Trust Fund, c/o Billy Golden, Church of Christ, Kirby, Arkansas. The Murfreesboro Diamond - June 2, 1980.

### JASPER O'NEAL

Jasper O'Neal, 81 of Murfreesboro, Arkansas died Wednesday, February 19, 1986 at a Murfreesboro hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born January 4, 1905 in Pike County, Arkansas, a son of the late John and Ida Greathouse O'Neal. Mr. O'Neal was a former resident of Daisy and a lifetime resident of Pike County. He was a retired farmer.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, February 21 at Mt. Joy Cemetery at Daisy. Officiating minister was Bro. Travis Garner. Burial was at Mt. Joy under the direction of the Latimer Funeral Home of Nashville, Arkansas.

He is survived by several nephews and nieces.

The Murfreesboro Diamond - February 26, 1986

## RECENT OBITUARIES

### Lake Orlan Green

Lake Orlan Green, 79, of Stockton, California, died Sunday October 17, 1999 in a Stockton Hospital after a lengthy illness. He was

born Feb. 1, 1920 at Roy, Pike County, Arkansas to Joe and Carria Cooley Green.

A graveside service under the direction of DeYoung Shoreline Funeral Chapel of Stockton, California, was held in a Lodi Cemetery at Lodi, California on Friday, October 22, 1999. A memorial service, where family members received condolences, was held at the First Baptist Church in Stockton later on in the day.

Lake was preceded in death by: his parents and two brothers, Hicks and Logan Green of Pike County, Arkansas. He is survived by: his wife Nita Ellwanger Green of the home, two sons Joseph and Paul of California; one daughter, Chrystal Chesterman of California; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; a sister, Mildred Green of Murfreesboro; a sister-in-law, Merriel Morphew Green of Murfreesboro; four nieces plus a score of cousins and friends.

### Stella Mae Bradford

Medford, OR - Graveside services were held at 10 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 26, at Siskiyou Memoria Park for Stella Mae (Plunk) Bradford, 88. Rev. John Braud officiated.

Mrs. Bradford was born May 15, 1911 in Roy, Ark. She died Sunday, Aug. 22, 1999, in a Medford hospital.

A former resident of Murfreesboro, she lived in Rogue Valley for the past 20 years. She was employed in the past as a waitress.

Survivors include: two daughters, Jackie Cornish of Murfreesboro, and Willie Strawn of Medford; eight grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren.

### Evelyn Jackson

Murfreesboro—Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, October 19, in First Baptist Church for Willie Evelyn Dickerson Jackson, 77. Freeman Henderson and Bro. Troy Carroll officiated.

Burial was in the Murfreesboro Cemetery under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home.

Mrs. Jackson was born July 7, 1922, in Southwest Arkansas, daughter of the late William Henry and Amelia Cowling Dickerson. She died Sunday, October 17, 1999, in a Little Rock hospital.

A longtime member of First Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, she was the founding president of the Pike County Heritage club and a

member of Mine Creek DAR and the Pike County Extension Homemakers.

She and her late husband, Coy" Tootsie" Jackson, owned and operated the Murfreesboro Cleaners until they retired. She was also a registered nurse.

Mrs. Jaëkson was preceded in death by: her parents; her husband; a sister, Edna Tiffin; a son, James Coy "Jimmy" Jackson; and a grandchild, Barbara Evelyn Douglass.

Survivors include: four daughters, Bettye Woodruff of Cabot; Janice McGailliard of Delight, Carole Bratcher of North Little Rock and Susan Brock of Murfreesboro; 15 grand children; and 13 great grandchildren.

#### Otis Dyer

Umpire, AR—Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2, 1999 in the Umpire Free Holiness Church for Otis Dyer, 81. Bro. Don Vaughn and Bro. David Swift officiated.

Burial was in the Bethel Cemetery under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home of Glenwood.

Mr. Dyer was born Nov. 21, 1917, near Umpire, the son of Hubert Otis Dyer and Arca Bissell Dyer. He died Sunday, Aug. 29, 1999.

He was Past Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Arkansas, and was a member of Baker Springs Masonic Lodge 3349; in Umpire and Order of the Eastern Star #396 in Glenwood, AR.

Survivors include: his wife, Myrl Dyer of Umpire; two sons, Charles Bryan Dyer, Sr., of Alma and James Wayne Dyer of Tooele, Utah; one daughter, Louise Flenor of Van Buren; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one brother, Gene Dyer of Tyler, Texas; and one sister, Florene Cobb of Quitaque, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Baker Springs Masonic Lodge #349, P.O. Box 44, Umpire, Arkansas 71971

The Nashville News, September 2, 1999.

#### QUERIES

**Belden, Bennett, Cooper.** I'm seeking information the family of Dr. Solomon D. Belden, a resident of Pike Co. AR with wife Mary A. Bennett, both dying there. I think they lived around Delight. Two of the sons, Leroy and Gibney (or Sidney) lived in Hot Springs, AR in 1909. Other children were Almida, Rosella, Le

Roy, Dwight R., Lois Iris W. (md. William Cooper), Ziba, Joseph C. (md. Etta C. Bennett), and Everett. Information on locations of gravemarkers, obits, county history, etc. would be very helpful. Larry Briggs, 5807 No. 97<sup>th</sup> St., Omaha, NE 68134

**Chapell/Chapel, Lee, Hutchings, Conanster, Barker, Lockwood or Lockeby, Higgians, Henson, Jackson, Brock, Davis, Cox, Kemp.** Mildred Glass wants to correspond with anyone interested in researching these families in Pike Co. AR, Cass Co., TX, OK, and CA. 1612 E. Everglade, Odessa, TX 79762

**Goss, McTigrit.** The Goss Family lived in Garland Co. AR. I am having trouble finding information on them. George H. Goss and Lucinda McTigrit were married there in March 1892. Their son Elic was born 1893 (?) They might have had one more son, Billie? Also George's parents, William and Mary Goss, lived in Garland Co., too. I have had no luck on any kind of information. Can you help me on any of this? Barbara Denney, P. O. Box 1112, Antlers, OK 74523, phone#1.405.298.6250.

**Alford, Rogers, Schran.** Does anyone know what the initials in Dr. J. C. Alford's name stand for? He was listed in the 1910 census for Pike County as born in LA in 1861, his father born in GA and his mother in LA. He was married at Weldon, La to Dooley Rogers. A daughter, Lillian Alford, was born at Ruston, LA in August of 1894, son, Clarice Marion Alford, born in 1896-died in 1946. Ruth Schran wrote an article for the *Glenwood Herald* on May 31, 1973, "We Call Her Mom". Is Ruth Schran a daughter of Lillian Alford? Does anyone know who Dr. J. C. Alford's parents were? We would appreciate any information on this family. Lee Ann Turner, 244 N. Grandfield Road, Newhope, AR 71959, e-mail [leeturner6@alltel.net](mailto:leeturner6@alltel.net).

**Johnson, Gregory.** I would like to correspond with anyone who is researching Johnsons or Gregorys in Pike and Howard Counties. My great grandfather, John Edward Johnson married Levina Houston (Houstie) Gregory, on Sept. 25, 1885 (probably in TX). Her mother was May Gregory. Is this the May Gidden who married a Gregory in Rock Wall Co. TX? They moved to Nathan, Pike County, Arkansas between 1894-1896. They had 7 children, William Matthew, Saythe, Mary, Monroe, Maggie, Alice, and Fanny. Lee Ann Turner (See address above)

## WE GET LETTERS

E-mail from Teresa Harris  
[tharris@arkansas.net](mailto:tharris@arkansas.net)

My brick wall is the John and Nancy Davis family from Smith Co., TN who settled in Pike Co., AR after the 1850 census.

John Davis b 15 Apr 1802, NC (County unknown). I know nothing of his parents or siblings. He married Nancy (Reece?) abt 1825 (probably TN) and had the following children: Tabitha b 1826 (married a Burkett??), John Dee b 1826 (married Elizabeth Rebecca Smith TN), James W. b 1831 (married Martha Henderson AR), Mary Ann (married James T. Parson AR), Ellen b. 1835, Matilda Jane b 19 Aug 1837, (married Abner Newton Henderson Jr. AR), Josiah b 1839 (married Margaret Hargis), Richard b 1841, Elizabeth b 2 Aug 1843 (married James M. Gill), Marendra b 2 Aug 1845 (married Andrew Jackson Henderson), and Paralee b 1847. He lived in Smith Co., TN in 1850, but moved to Arkansas by 1860 and died there in 1881. Believe Josiah was killed in the Civil War, don't believe he or Tabitha moved to Arkansas. Several in this family are buried in Brocktown Cemetery and Saline Cemetery.

Does anyone know of a contact that manages Brocktown Cememtery? Also looking for the same for Saline Cemetery. I am particularly interested in finding and marking the gravesite of Martha A. Henderson Davis Box. She died sometime around the turn of the century.

Other lines from Pike Co., AR include: BURNHAM, HENDERSON, ALFORD, AND BURKETT.

Ed. Note: See an up-coming issue of *The Gems* for an article listing caretakers and contact persons for all the Pike Co. Cemeteries.

Sometimes in shuffling files from one editor to another letters and queries get misfiled, misplaced, or buried in piles of other notes. Such was the case with this note from Violet Wiler Wiggins, 5543 Maryland Drive, Concord, CA 94521

June 13, 1995  
The Gems  
Pike County, AR

Dear Dorothy,

Thanks for your note asking me to include information on my people for the new

cemetery book. I will be happy to help. I wrote Cindy Scott for an index. I didn't know if you had copies.

Sincerely,  
Violet Wiggins

P.S. The 1995 issue of "Gems" contains a confederate entry for John R. Risner #9074. Do you have additional information for him? Do you have members researching him or other Risners? Please send names and addresses. No need to send address for Marty Wallace as I correspond with her. My grandmother who was born in Indian Territory was a Risner and I have spend years researching Risners in Indian Territory, OK, TN, and SC, and a little for the AR Risners.

(PCAHS needs more Risner information for our files. If you have family group sheets and/or ancestry charts, please share them with us.)

Aug. 14, 1998

Lynnwood Washington

Dear Dot,

Here are the copies (of material) you requested for the "Gems". I had some extras made for some other people on the Lightfoot line who would like that information. And here I thought I was through with Genealogy.

.....Have you retired yet? You had mentioned it 1-2-3-years ago. Ha ha Nothing like retirement to get busier than when you had a steady job.

Love, B. J. Sparks

1309 Jennifer Street  
Springdale AR 72762-2089  
[e.m.secrest@Juno.com](mailto:e.m.secrest@Juno.com)  
Wednesday, July 29, 1998

Dear Mrs. Partain:

The end of May while attending the Four Corner's Ancestor Fair I attended a lecture pertaining to Church Records given by Russell Baker. During his presentation he showed a slide with information pertaining to my great, great, great grandfather Robert McMahan and an un;cle, Thomas McMahan, son of Robert. There was not time for me to copy the information and after the lecture, I asked him where he had obtained the information. He said it was from the Antioch Church Records, Christian Chiurch, Delight, AR.

I recently spent the day at the AR Historical Commission and read the Antioch



church records on film from back to front and did not find the information I wanted. I then read the book by David Kelley of the same records, this time reading front to back, and still did not find the information.

When I questioned Mr. Baker the third time as to source of his information, He said I should contact you. I am particularly interested in any information pertaining to Thomas McMahn as he is the only child of Robert and Nancy Kester McMahan that I have been unable to complete a group sheet on.

In April 1833 Thomas, Frances (age 7), Ann, Nancy Jane and Permelia McMahan are listed as being members of the Christian Church, Antioch Congregation. Thomas McMahan had joined this church in 1848 but had dismissed his membership (reason not given) but probably because he had either moved or died on Sept. 1850. I have no reason to believe he died Sept. 1850. I do not know when he married. I only have information on son Frances who was ordained a minister in 1854 and moved to Hempstead Co., AR. Frances McMahan b IL and married Ann Griffin. Their children:

Albert Montgomery McMahan b 27 Apr. 1849 married Nancy Sarah Taylor, Thomas E. McMahan born 2 Feb. 1851 married Mary Hoke William Jess, John Fields McMahan never married, Arkansas Permelia "Sis" McMahan b 30 Dec. 1854 married John W. Patterson, Sarah Christine McMahan b 5 Dec. 1856 married William Henry Kelley, Mary A. McMahan, and William Jesse "Bud" McMahan never married.

Frances McMahan died in AR. Last mention found of him was a marriage record in 1863 where he is the minister officiating the solemnization. Hempstead Co. AR. His son, Albert H., moved to Madison Co., TX when he was about 21 years old. Ann Griffin McMahan did go and stay with son, Albert, and son-in-law William H. Kelley until she moved to Jester, Greer Co., OK with her sons John F. and William Jesse. She died and was buried at the cemetery in Jester, OK about 1907.

I do not know if Mr. Baker has referred me to a professional genealogist, a newsletter editor, or what.....I would appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Edna McMahan Secrest

(Dorothy customarily checks census records, archived family group sheets, and tries to find Pike County contact people researching the same family surnames.)

Jan. 8, 1997

Dear Dorothy,

Thanks so much for your letter and newsletter of Pike County. I really do appreciate your time for this. I'm enclosing a query for your newsletter, anytime you have the space. I'm also sending my membership dues to Linda Wilson, would like to be a member of your society. You really have an interesting newsletter and I enjoyed reading this one, even though I didn't find any of my family init. But who knows, I might sometime. I also appreciate the addresses of the ones researching the Whisenhunts. I'm going to write them, but I've been trying to get these things together to send you first.

My Jones family from Pike County were Wiley B. and Nancy (Lucas) Jones. They came to Pike County before 1850 from Bedford County Tenn. I have them on the 1850 census of Pike County but can't find them on any 1860 census. So I don't know what happened to him. He is my gt., gt., grandfather. His daughter, Lina, who married William R. Carlile is my gt. Grandmother and she is buried at Lee Cemetery, just outside of Roxton, Texas. I know she was here with her mother, Nancy (Lucas) Jones by 1863 as that is when she married the Carlile. We have some double cousins in this Jones and Carlile family. Lina's mother married William R. Carlile's father here in Lamar County in 1871, then we had some brothers and sisters that married. Really has been a hard family to trace.

Mary Jane (Jones) King married Adam Whisenhunt but I don't know if they married in Texas or Arkansas, but we found them on the 1870 and 1880 census together in Pike county. I have been unable to find Mary Jane with the Walker on the 1900 census anywhere. Do you have a printed census for 1900 or Pike county that might show them? Since she died in 1906, I thought maybe they were here in 1900, but I couldn't find them on it.

I'm enclosing ancestor charts and group sheets for you to place in your library. Do appreciate you asking about those I've highlighted my Jones line.....but still haven't found anything about Wiley B. Jones.

I don't really have any proof of Mary Jane marrying a Walker, only what I've been told and what I found in our cemetery book where she is buried at the Arkansas cemetery. I know this is here as she is buried on the Blevins lot and they are connected in our family also.

I would appreciate anything you could send me on this family or if you know of anyone who is researching this Jones family I'd appreciate their addresses. I'm wondering if maybe Mary Jane married the Walker in Sevier County Arkansas as some of her kids were born there. Does Sevier County have a library that I could write to?

I didn't mean to write so much, but was trying to let you know what family I'm looking for. I'm sending a SASE for your reply if you have any information. Thanks for your help and time.

Sincerely  
Betty Thomas  
P.O. Box 75  
Roxton, TX 75477

(Ed. Note: Betty sent ancestor charts, census copies and several family group sheets of the Carlile, Winn, Jones, and Whisenhunt families.)

Personal note from Janet Alford Hemby:  
October 8, 1999

In regard to the entry on page 10-73 of the Spring/Summer issue of *The Gems*, Janet says the name William Milford Alford should be William Madison Alford. Her source of reference is the Arkansas death certificate of John Moses Alford (her father) who was William Alford's son.

\*Ed. Note: On page 55 of the draft copy of *Known Descendants of Robert Alford b. 1760 England* (Rev. 1999), it is stated that "The Pike County Reconstructed Marriages Book for 1834-1895 shows the groom's name as William Milford. Other records indicate the middle name is Madison." To clear up the mystery, if anyone has documentation of either name, we would like to have copies of that source. Please send it to *The Gems* or to Lee Ann Turner, 244 N. Grandfield Road, Newhope Arkansas 17959. We would be happy to include such information in future issues.

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#### AAFA Report

Pike County residents Wallace and Lee Ann Turner were in San Antonio, Texas October 7-10 for the Alford American Family Association annual meeting. Wallace is a descendant of Joseph David Alford and Joseph's father, David Winston Alford, early settlers of Pike County.

Various members of the association shared research tips, new information that had turned up over the year, and presented programs to help each other get the most from research. Many of the presentations concerned computer research and the wealth of information that is now available. The Alford American Family Association has its own website (<http://www.alford.com/alford/aafa/homepage.html>) filled with old photographs and many other records. It is updated frequently. Members will help anyone with an Alford connection (a free service). The association also publishes drafts of each branch's research findings and family groups, which are available at the yearly meetings.

The most heavily attended event of the meeting was the Saturday afternoon forum highlighting migration trails followed by the various branches as they made their way from Pennsylvania and North Carolina through Tennessee, South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama into Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma. References were made to events in *America History* that helped to shape the migration patterns.

Lee Ann traced the Robert Alford line as it followed the Great Indian Warpath Trail down through the eastern edge of Tennessee down into the northern section of Alabama, then over to Phillips and Monroe County in eastern Arkansas where they followed closely the Choctaw Trail across Arkansas into an area on the western side of the Choctaw Territory Boundary—what is now Pike County

Members who have attended other similar family reunions, were commenting that the Alford Family meeting was the best organized and most informative they had attended. There was ample time for meeting new "cousins" at an informal reception on Friday night, and a banquet on Saturday night with an after-dinner speaker, door prizes, and wonderful food. This year we were also entertained by a wonderful high school Jazz Band from Caldwell, Texas. One of the band members was Andrew Alford, a third generation Alford member of that band. Next year the AAFA meeting will be held in Augusta, Georgia. The membership is focusing on Georgia research this year in preparation for that meeting at The Partridge Inn on October 13-15, 2000. In 2001 the AAFA meeting will be in North Carolina, 2002 in Salt Lake City, Utah, and in 2003, !ARKANSAS! is to be the host state.

Shane Hill submitted the following information.

## *Descendants of George Washington Plunk*

### *Generation No. 1*

2. GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup> PLUNK (JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>) was born August 29, 1832 in McNairy Co., Tennessee, and died June 16, 1914 in Arkansas. He married (1) MARY CATHERINE SIPES Abt. 1854, daughter of WILLIAM SIPES and MOLLIE MOSER. She was born February 15, 1836 in McNairy Co., Tennessee, and died September 7, 1908 in Pike Co., Arkansas. He married (2) MARTHA STILL September 27, 1909 in Sevier Co., Arkansas. She died 1927 in Sevier Co., Arkansas.

More About GEORGE WASHINGTON PLUNK:  
Burial: Clear Creek Cem., Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas.

George Washington Plunk's great-grandfather (Dr. Peter Plunk) emigrated to the U.S. from Germany in the mid 1700's.

Notes for MARY CATHERINE SIPES:  
According to Thomas Jefferson Plunk's death certificate, Katherene Sipes is his mother. This is FALSE information. Mary Catherine Sypes is his grandmother.

More About MARY CATHERINE SIPES:  
Burial: Mt. Tabor Cem., Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas

Children of GEORGE PLUNK and MARY SIPES are:

2. i. John Quincy<sup>5</sup> Plunk, b. Abt. 1856, Arkansas.
3. ii. James H. Plunk, b. January 1856, Arkansas; d. Aft. 1900.
4. iii. Martha Ellen Plunk, b. Abt. 1866, Arkansas.
5. iv. Jefferson Davis Plunk, b. Abt. 1869, Arkansas.
6. v. Nancy E. Plunk, b. October 17, 1872, Arkansas; d. July 12, 1956.

### *Generation No. 2*

2. JOHN QUINCY<sup>5</sup> PLUNK (GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1856 in Arkansas. He married MARY E. DAUGHERTY. She was born February 1860, and died Aft. 1910 in Texas.

Notes for JOHN QUINCY PLUNK:  
!1880 AR Soundex  
!John Quincy Plunk

Children of JOHN PLUNK and MARY DAUGHERTY are:

7. i. Joseph O.<sup>6</sup> Plunk.
  2. Oscar Plunk.
2. Rosie Plunk.
2. Emma Plunk.
  2. John E. Plunk.
8. vi. Isaac Henry Plunk, b. November 4, 1875, DeQueen, Sevier Co., Arkansas; d. July 14, 1965.
2. James R. Plunk, b. 1879, Howard Co., Arkansas.
9. viii. George W. Plunk, b. February 18, 1880, Howard Co., Arkansas; d. October 17, 1972.

2. JAMES H.<sup>5</sup> PLUNK (GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>) was born January 1856 in Arkansas, and died Aft. 1900. He married SALLIE BARRETT September 3, 1883 in Sevier Co., Arkansas. She was born May 1870 in Tennessee, and died Aft. 1900.

Notes for JAMES H. PLUNK:  
Sources: 1900 Rains Co., Texas Census  
According to Mrs. Ora Garner, Dathler Plunk's daughter, Grandpa "Jim" Plunk is buried in the Clear Creek Cemetery with no marker.

More About JAMES H. PLUNK:  
Burial: Clear Creek Cem., Sevier Co., Arkansas

Children of JAMES PLUNK and SALLIE BARRETT are:

2. Sidney<sup>6</sup> Plunk.
10. ii. William Plunk, b. February 1885.
11. iii. Roscoe Cecil Plunk, b. March 7, 1889, Arkansas; d. December 18, 1922, Sevier Co., Arkansas.
2. Dathler Plunk, b. December 1889; m. Sidney Johnson.

More About Dathler Plunk:  
Burial: Clear Creek Cem., Sevier Co., Arkansas

12. v Zona Plunk, b. September 1892.
2. Josie Plunk, b. February 1896.
13. vii. Ethel M. Plunk, b. February 1, 1896; d. June 29, 1971.
2. Esther Plunk, b. December 1899.

Notes for Esther Plunk:

Buried at Green's Chapel between DeQueen & Dierks Arkansas.

4. MARTHA ELLEN<sup>5</sup> PLUNK (GEORGE<sup>5</sup> WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1866 in Arkansas. She married (1) UNKNOWN. She married (2) WALTER McDONALD January 15, 1885 in Sevier Co., Arkansas.

Notes for MARTHA ELLEN PLUNK:

This is a guess as to Thomas Jefferson Plunk's mother, according to the data on the 1880 Howard Co., Washington Twp., census and other information. This is a guess according to the following data:

Howard Co., Arkansas 1880 Census  
Washington Twp.

HS	SH	LD	NAME	RACE	SEX	AGE	REL.	STATUS	B.P.	F.P.	B	M.P.	B
037-039			Plunk, George W.	W	M	47	Head						
M	TN	TN	TN										
			Mary C.	W	F	45	Wife						
TN	TN	NC											
			James H.	W	M	21	Son						
AR	TN	TN											
"	"		*Martha E.	W	F	14	Daug						"
"	"		David J.	W	M	11	Son						"
"	"		Nancy E.	W	F	08	Daug						"

other son & family:

035-037			Plunk, John	W	M	24	Head						
M	AR	TN	TN										
			Mary	W	F	23	Wife						
AR	--	--											
			Isaac H.	W	M	04	Son						S
AR	AR	AR											
			James	W	M	01	Son						S AR
AR	AR												
			George W.	W	M	01m	Son						S
AR	AR	AR											

No other child of George would fit the criteria.  
See Thomas Jefferson Plunk.

Child of MARTHA PLUNK and UNKNOWN is:

14. i. Thomas Jefferson<sup>6</sup> Plunk, b. August 11, 1884, Washington Twp., Brownstown, Howard Co., Arkansas; d. November 9, 1964, Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas.
2. JEFFERSON DAVIS<sup>5</sup> PLUNK (GEORGE<sup>5</sup> WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1869 in Arkansas. He married MARY HUDDLESTON August 28, 1890 in Little River Co., Arkansas. She was born Abt. 1872 in Texas.

Notes for JEFFERSON DAVIS PLUNK:

Info provided by Mrs. Margie Dell Huff Plunk, on 6/12/1998.

Children of JEFFERSON PLUNK and MARY HUDDLESTON are:

15. i. James David<sup>6</sup> Plunk, b. January 3, 1892, Franklin Co., Texas; d. November 10, 1968, Mineola, Wood Co., Texas.
16. ii. Elisabeth Plunk, b. 1890, Texas; d. 1931.
2. NANCY E.<sup>5</sup> PLUNK (GEORGE<sup>5</sup> WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>) was born October 17, 1872 in Arkansas, and died July 12, 1956. She married DANIEL FRANCIS DAVIS Abt. 1892. He was born 1853 in Mississippi, and died 1921 in Sevier Co., Arkansas.

Notes for NANCY E. PLUNK:

Sources: 1900 Sevier Co., Arkansas Census, Washington Twp. D#19/20, 1910 Sevier Co., Arkansas Census, Washington Twp. D#8/8, 1920 Sevier Co., Arkansas Census, Clear Creek Twp., D#14/15. Mrs. Ora Garner. Clear Creek Cemetery

More About NANCY E. PLUNK:

Burial: Clear Creek Cem., Sevier Co., Arkansas

More About DANIEL FRANCIS DAVIS:

Burial: Clear Creek Cem., Sevier Co., Arkansas

Children of NANCY PLUNK and DANIEL DAVIS are:

2. Lena<sup>6</sup> Davis, b. August 1893, Sevier Co., Arkansas.
2. Ida Davis, b. September 1895, Sevier Co., Arkansas.
2. Lillie Davis, b. September 1898, Sevier Co., Arkansas.
2. Nancy Or Mary Ellen Davis, b. Abt. 1900, Washington Twp., Sevier Co., Arkansas.

- 2. Leila M. Davis, b. Abt. 1903, Washington Twp., Sevier Co., Arkansas.
- 2. Daniel J. Davis, b. Abt. 1906, Washington Twp., Sevier Co., Arkansas.
- 2. Jeff Davis, b. Abt. 1907, Washington Twp., Sevier Co., Arkansas.
- 2. Samuel Davis, b. Abt. 1908, Washington Twp., Sevier Co., Arkansas.

*Generation No. 3*

- 2. JOSEPH O.<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*JOHN QUINCY*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) He married WAVERY. She was born Abt. 1883 in Georgia.

Notes for JOSEPH O. PLUNK:  
Source: 1910 Smith Co., Texas Census

Children of JOSEPH PLUNK and WAVERY are:

- 2. Alvin<sup>7</sup> Plunk, b. Abt. 1908.
- 2. Daisy Plunk, b. Bet. 1909 - 1910.

- 2. ISAAC HENRY<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*JOHN QUINCY*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born November 4, 1875 in DeQueen, Sevier Co., Arkansas, and died July 14, 1965. He married ALICE CALDONIA MILLS 1903 in Hopkins Co., Texas. She was born October 15, 1884 in Hopkins Co., Texas.

Notes for ISAAC HENRY PLUNK:  
Sources: 1910 Hopkins Co., TX Census

More About ISAAC HENRY PLUNK:  
Burial: Providence Cem., Smith Co., Texas

Children of ISAAC PLUNK and ALICE MILLS are:

- 2. Vester Marie<sup>7</sup> Plunk, b. September 19, Smith Co., Texas.
- 2. Ronda Plunk, b. December 24, 1903, Hopkins Co., Texas.
- 2. Dennis Murrill P. Plunk, b. June 22, 1907, Hopkins Co., Texas.
- 17. iv. John Quincy Plunk, b. December 2, 1909, Sulphur Springs, Hopkins Co., Texas.
- 2. Haskel H. Plunk, b. May 27, 1911, Texas.
- 2. Lois Plunk, b. August 30, 1913, Smith Co., Texas.
- 2. Ara Faye Plunk, b. April 26, 1915, Smith Co., Texas.
- 2. Hattie Plunk, b. May 24, 1917, Wood Co., Texas.
- 2. Willis Edward Plunk, b. 1924, Van Zandt Co., Texas.

- 2. GEORGE W.<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*JOHN QUINCY*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born February 18, 1880 in Howard Co., Arkansas, and died October 17, 1972. He married FLORA NEELEY FISHER. She was born October 8, 1887, and died September 17, 1974.

Notes for GEORGE W. PLUNK:  
Source: 1910 Smith Co., TX Census

More About GEORGE W. PLUNK:  
Burial: Providence Cem., Smith Co., Texas

Children of GEORGE PLUNK and FLORA FISHER are:

- 2. Levie<sup>7</sup> Plunk, b. Abt. 1905, Arkansas.
- 2. Tonsie Plunk, b. Abt. 1907, Arkansas.
- 2. Charley Plunk, b. Bet. 1909 - 1910, Arkansas.
- 18. iv. Benjiman Franklin Plunk, b. April 25, 1925, Wood Co., Texas.

- 2. WILLIAM<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*JAMES H.*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born February 1885. He married ZELA GRIFFIN.

Notes for WILLIAM PLUNK:  
Died in Benton, Arkansas buried there.

Children of WILLIAM PLUNK and ZELA GRIFFIN are:

- 2. Ralph<sup>7</sup> Plunk.
- 2. Sarah Plunk.
- 2. Thurman Plunk, b. Abt. 1917.
- 19. iv. Roy Alvin Plunk, b. March 23, 1920, Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas; d. August 3, 1969.
- 2. Sherman Plunk, b. December 18, 1922; d. September 29, 1986; m. Lucy M., July 31, 1943.

More About Sherman Plunk:  
Burial: Clear Springs Cemetery, Sevier Co., Arkansas.

- 2. ROSCOE CECIL<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*JAMES H.*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born March 7, 1889 in Arkansas, and died December 18, 1922 in Sevier Co., Arkansas. He married FANNIE LEE SMITH October 8, 1908 in Sevier Co., Arkansas, daughter of BENJAMIN SMITH and MARY DUFFETT. She was born May 15, 1892 in Sevier Co., Arkansas, and died April

18, 1979 in DeQueen, Sevier Co.,  
Arkansas.

Notes for ROSCOE CECIL PLUNK:

Sources: 1910 Sevier Co., Arkansas Census,  
Monroe Plunk, -Illinois, Cemetery Markers

More About FANNIE LEE SMITH:

Burial: Clear Springs Cemetery, Sevier Co.,  
Arkansas

Children of ROSCOE PLUNK and FANNIE SMITH  
are:

20. i. Myrtle<sup>7</sup> Plunk, b. February 27, 1910, Sevier  
Co., Arkansas; d. January 23, 1982, Horatio,  
Sevier Co., Arkansas.
21. ii. Birdie Mae Plunk, b. May 14, 1912, Horatio,  
Sevier Co., Arkansas.
22. iii. Cecil Plunk, b. March 24, 1915; d. October  
24, 1996, Oregon.
23. iv. Monroe Plunk, b. April 1922, Horatio, Sevier  
Co., Arkansas.

2. ZONA<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*JAMES H.*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE*  
*WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>,  
*PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born September 1892. She  
married JACKSON.

Children of ZONA PLUNK and JACKSON are:

24. i. Morris Jackson.  
2. Rachel Jackson.  
2. Opal Jackson.  
2. Christine Jackson.
2. ETHEL M.<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*JAMES H.*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE*  
*WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>,  
*PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born February 1, 1896, and  
died June 29, 1971. She married (1)  
CLEVELAND GARNER. He was born  
March 16, 1885, and died February 12,  
1958. She married (2) LEE ANTHONY  
April 9, 1907 in Sevier Co., Arkansas.

More About ETHEL M. PLUNK:

Burial: Green's Chapel Cem., Sevier Co.,  
Arkansas

More About CLEVELAND GARNER:

Burial: Green's Chapel Cem., Sevier Co.,  
Arkansas

Children of ETHEL PLUNK and CLEVELAND  
GARNER are:

2. Ora<sup>7</sup> Garner.
2. Beulah Garner.
2. Lela Garner.

Child of ETHEL PLUNK and LEE ANTHONY is:

2. Mary Lee<sup>7</sup> Anthony.

Notes for Mary Lee Anthony:

Died at 3 months according to Mrs. Ora Garner.

2. THOMAS JEFFERSON<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*MARTHA*  
*ELLEN*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>,  
*JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born  
August 11, 1884 in Washington Twp.,  
Brownstown, Howard Co., Arkansas,  
and died November 9, 1964 in  
Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas. He  
married SARAH ALICE BELL November  
29, 1904 in Pike Co., Arkansas,  
daughter of THOMAS BELL and  
MARTHA CORNISH. She was born  
January 11, 1886 in Nathan, Pike Co.,  
Arkansas, and died December 8, 1965  
in Pike Co., Arkansas.

Notes for THOMAS JEFFERSON PLUNK:

Problems with the parentage of Thomas  
Jefferson Plunk: This is my deductions  
concerning this problem as of now.

On Thomas Plunk's death certificate, his  
grandparents were listed as his  
parents. My speculations to his parentage:

Sevier Co., Arkansas, Washington Twp. 1900  
YRS

HS	LD	NAME	R	C	S	BR	TH
AGE	STAT	MAR	PB	FPB	MPB		
208-208	Plunk,	George W.	Head	W	M	Aug	
1832	67	M	46	TN	NC	TN	
		Mary C.	Wife	W	F	Feb 1836	41 M
46	TN	NC	TN				
		Thomas J.	GrSon	W	M	Aug 1884	15
S		AR	MS	AR			

obviously there are errors on the part of Mary C.  
and her birthdate. But

Thomas J.'s father's bplace is MS, and his  
mother's AR. There are NO Plunks  
in this area from MS. This would suggest the  
mother being the Plunk and the  
father being the unknown. The only female child  
of George Plunk capable of  
having children during 1884 (Aug. 11, 1884  
proven Thomas B'date) is Martha E.  
Plunk (See Martha E. Plunk). Further proof is the  
1910 Pike Co., AR, Thompson  
Twp. Census, as Thomas, now with his own  
family, lists George W as his  
grandfather. Further speculation: Thomas and  
Sallie's first born child is

Martha Ellen Plunk. Probably named after Thomas' mother. He lived with his grandparents most all of his life.

More About THOMAS JEFFERSON PLUNK:  
Burial: Oak Grove Cem., Pike Co., Arkansas

Notes for SARAH ALICE BELL:  
Aunt Maurice Harris Richardson told that no one really knew Sarah Alice's real name. Mel Plunk called her Sally Mae. I found her real name in the 1900 Pike Co., Arkansas Census. Maurice & I assume the (A) is for Alice since that is her mothers middle name.

More About SARAH ALICE BELL:  
Burial: Oak Grove Cemete, Pike Co., Arkansas

Children of THOMAS PLUNK and SARAH BELL are:

25. i. Martha Ellen<sup>7</sup> Plunk, b. April 24, 1906, Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas; d. July 23, 1982, Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas.
26. ii. Isabelle Holtie Plunk, b. February 11, 1908, Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas; d. January 13, 1967, Pike Co., Arkansas.
27. iii. Stella Mae Plunk, b. May 15, 1911, Sweet Home, Pike Co., Arkansas; d. August 22, 1999, Medford, Oregon.
28. iv. Jesse Edward Plunk, b. August 28, 1913, Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas; d. December 14, 1991, Little Rock, Pulaski Co., Arkansas.

2. JAMES DAVID<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*JEFFERSON DAVIS<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>*) was born January 3, 1892 in Franklin Co., Texas, and died November 10, 1968 in Mineola, Wood Co., Texas. He married LOIS LILLIAN BUMGARNER April 2, 1912 in Pike Co., Arkansas, daughter of MARK BUMGARNER and ELIZABETH LOFTON. She was born September 24, 1897 in Malvin, Arkansas, and died December 11, 1970 in Mineola, Wood Co., Texas.

Notes for JAMES DAVID PLUNK:  
1920 Federal Census, Hempstead Co., Arkansas

Children of JAMES PLUNK and LOIS BUMGARNER are:

2. Dixie<sup>7</sup> Plunk.

Notes for Dixie Plunk:

Probably died young. 1920 Census Pike County, Arkansas

2. James Elbert Plunk, d. Grand, Saline Co., Texas; m. Nell Williams: d. Grand, Saline Co., Texas.
2. Deanie Marie Plunk, b. August 9, 1913, Arkansas; d. November 6, 1964, Terrell, Kaufman Co., Texas.

Notes for Deanie Marie Plunk:  
Info provided by Margie Dell Huff Plunk 6/12/1998

More About Deanie Marie Plunk:  
Burial: Providence Cem., Providence Co., Texas

29. iv. Cleo B. Plunk, b. Abt. September 29, 1916.
2. Vivian Plunk, b. Bet. 1919 - 1920; m. Jack Craft.
30. vi. James David Plunk, Jr., b. April 6, 1924, Washington, Hempstead Co., Arkansas; d. August 11, 1995, Tyler, Smith Co., Texas.

2. ELISABETH<sup>6</sup> PLUNK (*JEFFERSON DAVIS<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>*) was born 1890 in Texas, and died 1931. She married JEFFERSON HUDDLESTON.

More About ELISABETH PLUNK:  
Burial: Ozan Cem., Hempstead Co., Arkansas

More About JEFFERSON HUDDLESTON:  
Burial: Ozan Cem., Hempstead Co., Arkansas

Children of ELISABETH PLUNK and JEFFERSON HUDDLESTON are:

31. i. Rema Jo<sup>7</sup> Huddleston, b. May 7, 1924, Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas; d. December 12, 1997, Texarkana, Bowie Co., Texas.
2. Evelyn Huddleston, m. Ford.
2. Etta Lee Huddleston, b. Abt. 1925; m. Luther Lee Beville, August 4, 1941, Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas; b. Abt. 1918.
2. Jean Huddleston, m. Bowman.

#### Generation No. 4

2. JOHN QUINCY<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (*ISAAC HENRY<sup>6</sup>, JOHN QUINCY<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>*) was born December 2, 1909 in Sulphur Springs, Hopkins Co., Texas. He married IVY JEWELL HEAD January 6, 1934 in Hoard, Texas. She was born August 28, 1914 in Hoard, Texas.

Children of JOHN PLUNK and IVY HEAD are:

2. Kenneth Paul<sup>8</sup> Plunk, b. July 3, 1938; m. Loretta Allee, June 2, 1956.
2. Bennie Eugene Plunk, b. September 4, 1939; m. Patricia Farmer, September 18, 1964.
2. Mary Virginia Plunk, b. October 24, 1945; m. Roger Lennon, May 1964.

2. BENJIMAN FRANKLIN<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (*GEORGE W.<sup>6</sup>, JOHN QUINCY<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>*) was born April 25, 1925 in Wood Co., Texas. He married BETTY DICKSON. She was born January 21, 1930 in Palo Pinto Co., Texas.

Child of BENJIMAN PLUNK and BETTY DICKSON is:

2. Donald Ben<sup>8</sup> Plunk, b. June 30, 1947, Dallas, Dallas Co., Texas; m. Cherie Gilbert; b. May 18.
2. ROY ALVIN<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (*WILLIAM<sup>6</sup>, JAMES H.<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>*) was born March 23, 1920 in Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas, and died August 3, 1969. He married MARY.

Notes for ROY ALVIN PLUNK:

Wilkerson Funeral Home, DeQueen AR., death notice

More About ROY ALVIN PLUNK:

Burial: August 5, 1969, Clear Springs Cemetery, Sevier Co., Arkansas

Children of ROY PLUNK and MARY are:

2. Jerry<sup>8</sup> Plunk.
2. Carl Plunk.
2. Pauline Plunk.
2. Frances Plunk.
2. Connie Plunk.
2. MYRTLE<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (*ROSCOE CECIL<sup>6</sup>, JAMES H.<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>*) was born February 27, 1910 in Sevier Co., Arkansas, and died January 23, 1982 in Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas. She married (1) LUTHER JONES. He died 1965. She married (2) EDDIE ALBERT BARTLETT May 25, 1932 in Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas, son of JOHN BARTLETT and LAURA LITCHFORD. He

was born January 26, 1910 in Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas.

More About MYRTLE PLUNK:

Burial: Horatio Cem., Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas

Notes for LUTHER JONES:

Born as a Mullin, but

changed name to Jones.

From Tennessee.

More About LUTHER JONES:

Burial: Duck Hill, Mississippi

Child of MYRTLE PLUNK and LUTHER JONES is:

2. Olin Luther<sup>8</sup> Jones, b. August 3, 1928, Sevier Co., Arkansas; m. Edrie Morgan; b. October 5, 1933.

Child of MYRTLE PLUNK and EDDIE BARTLETT is:

2. Carlyn Louise<sup>8</sup> Bartlett, b. June 4, 1934, Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas; m. Fred Madison Colston, Jr., December 25, 1950, Chandler, Mericopa Co., Arizona; b. March 2, 1932, Elizabeth City, Pasquotank Co., North Carolina.

21. BIRDIE MAE<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (*ROSCOE CECIL<sup>6</sup>, JAMES H.<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>*) was born May 14, 1912 in Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas. She married (1) WILLIAM EUEL JONES. She married (2) LLOYD RACHER.

Child of BIRDIE PLUNK and LLOYD RACHER is:

2. Nona<sup>8</sup> Racher.
2. CECIL<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (*ROSCOE CECIL<sup>6</sup>, JAMES H.<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>*) was born March 24, 1915, and died October 24, 1996 in Oregon. He married CORA MAE BELL.

More About CECIL PLUNK:

Burial: Clear Springs Cemetery, Sevier Co., Arkansas

Children of CECIL PLUNK and CORA BELL are:

2. Cecil Albert<sup>8</sup> Plunk.
2. Eddie Wayne Plunk.

More About Eddie Wayne Plunk:

Burial: Eugene, Oregon

2. Gerald Dean Plunk.



2. MONROE<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (*ROSCOE CECIL*<sup>6</sup>, *JAMES H.*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born April 1922 in Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas. He married JOSEPHINE MCBRYDE.

Children of MONROE PLUNK and JOSEPHINE MCBRYDE are:

2. James Monroe<sup>8</sup> Plunk, b. January 1949.
2. Connie Jo Plunk, b. 1952.
  
2. MORRIS<sup>7</sup> JACKSON (*ZONA*<sup>6</sup> PLUNK, *JAMES H.*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>)

Child of MORRIS JACKSON is:

2. Gilbert<sup>8</sup> Jackson.
  
2. MARTHA ELLEN<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (*THOMAS*<sup>6</sup> JEFFERSON, *MARTHA ELLEN*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born April 24, 1906 in Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas, and died July 23, 1982 in Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas. She married KELSIE WISDOM HARRIS January 11, 1921 in Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas, son of JAMES HARRIS and ROSIE STUART. He was born October 11, 1898 in Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas, and died November 7, 1993 in Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas.

More About MARTHA ELLEN PLUNK:  
Burial: July 25, 1982, Restland Cem., Nashville, Howard Co., Arkansas

More About KELSIE WISDOM HARRIS:  
Burial: November 10, 1993, Restland Cemetery, Nashville, Arkansas

Children of MARTHA PLUNK and KELSIE HARRIS are:

2. Helen Maurice<sup>8</sup> Harris, b. February 19, 1922, Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas; m. Ralph Dale Richardson, June 20, 1942, Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas; b. August 7, 1914, Amity, Clark Co., Arkansas; d. March 22, 1984, Chicago, Cook Co., Illinois.

More About Ralph Dale Richardson:  
Burial: March 24, 1984, Restland Cemetery, Nashville, Howard Co., Arkansas

2. Ellen Marie Harris, b. March 16, 1925, Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas; m. Thomas Franklin Carr, June 21, 1945, Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas; b. July 1, 1922, Lawton, Comanche Co., Oklahoma
2. Kelsie Ethridge Harris, b. May 10, 1927, Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas; d. March 3, 1986, Merrillville, Indiana; m. Onieda Bernice Lingo, January 16, 1945, Nashville, Howard Co., Arkansas; b. September 22, 1926, Nathan, Pike Co., Arkansas.

More About Kelsie Ethridge Harris:  
Burial: March 6, 1986, Nathan, Pike Co., Arkansas

2. Kay Shyron Harris, b. March 25, 1946, Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas; m. John D. Hill, Jr., June 6, 1964, Murfreesboro Baptist Church, Pike Co., Arkansas; b. December 25, 1943, Port Neches, Jefferson Co., Texas.

Notes for John D. Hill, Jr.:  
Sources: Johnny Shane Hill; P.O. Box 152; Delight, AR 71940

2. ISABELLE HOLTIE<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (*THOMAS*<sup>6</sup> JEFFERSON, *MARTHA ELLEN*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born February 11, 1908 in Horatio, Sevier Co., Arkansas, and died January 13, 1967 in Pike Co., Arkansas. He married LILLIAN LUCY STUART December 23, 1925 in Pike Co., Arkansas, daughter of FINLEY STUART and EMILY SCOTT. She was born October 10, 1910 in Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas, and died July 23, 1993 in Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas.

More About ISABELLE HOLTIE PLUNK:  
Burial: Roy Cemetery, Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas

More About LILLIAN LUCY STUART:  
Burial: Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas

Marriage Notes for ISABELLE PLUNK and LILLIAN STUART:  
Recorded in Howard Co., AR Marriages Book O267

Children of ISABELLE PLUNK and LILLIAN STUART are:

2. Infant<sup>8</sup> Plunk, b. February 23, 1928, Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas; d. February 23, 1928, Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas.

More About Infant Plunk:  
Burial: Roy Cem., Pike Co., Arkansas

2. Monetha Mae Plunk, b. August 19, 1928. Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas; m. Floyd Omer Thomas; b. March 19, 1920; d. March 1991.
2. Luther Darrell Plunk, b. August 5, 1931, Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas; m. (1) Jeanette; m. (2) Opa Dean Morphew, 1950, Pike Co., Arkansas; m. (3) Martha Escue, December 27, 1954.

2. STELLA MAE<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (THOMAS<sup>6</sup> JEFFERSON<sup>5</sup>, MARTHA ELLEN<sup>4</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>3</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>2</sup>, JACOB<sup>1</sup> PETER) was born May 15, 1911 in Sweet Home, Pike Co., Arkansas, and died August 22, 1999 in Medford, Oregon. She married WILLIE LEE BRADFORD. He was born December 11, 1906 in Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas, and died December 9, 1976 in Beaumont, Orange Co., Texas.

More About STELLA MAE PLUNK:  
Burial: Medford, Oregon

More About WILLIE LEE BRADFORD:  
Burial: December 12, 1976, Hickory Grove Ce, Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas

Children of STELLA PLUNK and WILLIE BRADFORD are:

2. Willie Mae<sup>8</sup> Bradford, b. February 18, 1927, Boto, Pike Co., Arkansas; m. (1) Charles Strawn; m. (2) Wardell Duncan; b. April 19, 1923, Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas; d. February 3, 1983.

Notes for Willie Mae Bradford:  
Willie Mae Bradford married at age 15 Charles Strawn, they divorced after having 2 boys and 1 girl. She then married Wardell Duncan and had 1 boy and 2 girls. She then divorced him and remarried Charles Strawn.

2. Jacqueline Bradford, b. April 28, 1930, Boto, Pike Co., Arkansas; m. John Paul Cornish, June 22, 1946, Nashville, Howard Co., Arkansas; b. August 20, 1927, Pike Co., Arkansas.
2. Infant Bradford, b. October 11, 1934, Boto, Pike Co., Arkansas; d. October 11, 1934, Boto, Pike Co., Arkansas.

More About Infant Bradford:  
Burial: Hickory Grove Ce, Pike Co., Arkansas.

2. JESSE EDWARD<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (THOMAS<sup>6</sup> JEFFERSON<sup>5</sup>, MARTHA ELLEN<sup>4</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>3</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>2</sup>, JACOB<sup>1</sup> PETER) was born August 28, 1913 in Roy, Pike Co., Arkansas, and died December 14, 1991 in Little Rock, Pulaski Co., Arkansas. He married (1) TRIXIE LEE HOWTON, daughter of MARTIN HOWTON and MARY HALLMARK. She was born February 2, 1918 in Alamo, Montgomery Co., Arkansas, and died October 3, 1990 in Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas. He married (2) VIRGIE GRAVES June 3, 1933 in Pike Co., Arkansas.

More About JESSE EDWARD PLUNK:  
Burial: December 17, 1991, Murfreesboro Cem, Pike Co., Arkansas

More About TRIXIE LEE HOWTON:  
Burial: Murfreesboro Cem, Pike Co., Arkansas

Child of JESSE PLUNK and TRIXIE HOWTON is:  
2. Mel<sup>8</sup> Plunk, b. (adopted).

2. CLEO B.<sup>7</sup> PLUNK (JAMES DAVID<sup>6</sup>, JEFFERSON DAVIS<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. September 29, 1916. She married CHARLIE DONAHOE.

Notes for CLEO B. PLUNK:  
Living in Crow, Texas with son in 1997

Children of CLEO PLUNK and CHARLIE DONAHOE are:

2. Donald<sup>8</sup> Donahoe.
2. Everett Donahoe.
2. JAMES DAVID<sup>7</sup> PLUNK, JR. (JAMES DAVID<sup>6</sup>, JEFFERSON DAVIS<sup>5</sup>, GEORGE WASHINGTON<sup>4</sup>, JOSEPH<sup>3</sup>, JACOB<sup>2</sup>, PETER<sup>1</sup>) was born April 6, 1924 in Washington, Hempstead Co., Arkansas, and died August 11, 1995 in Tyler, Smith Co., Texas. He married MARGIE DELL HUFF May 4, 1945 in Mineola, Wood Co., Texas, daughter of SAM HUFF and GLADYS SNYDER. She was born May 3, 1927 in Mineola, Wood Co., Texas.

More About JAMES DAVID PLUNK, JR.:  
Burial: Cathedral In The Pines, Tyler, Smith Co., Texas

Children of JAMES PLUNK and MARGIE HUFF are:

2. Larry Douglas<sup>8</sup> Plunk, b. July 1, 1946. Mineola, Wood Co., Texas; m. Johnna Isbell, June 10, 1966, Chapel Hill, Smith Co., Texas; b. December 13, 1944, Arp, Smith Co., Texas.
2. Kenneth Ray Plunk, b. October 8, 1950, Mineola, Wood Co., Texas; m. Norma Nell Pruitt, November 22, 1968, Athens, Henderson Co., Texas; b. October 27, 1951, Tyler, Smith Co., Texas.
2. Kelly Dell Plunk, b. November 19, 1962, Tyler, Smith Co., Texas; m. Frankie Muffoletto, November 24, 1984, Rusk Co., Texas; b. August 18.

2. REMA JO<sup>7</sup> HUDDLESTON (*ELISABETH*<sup>6</sup> *PLUNK*, *JEFFERSON DAVIS*<sup>5</sup>, *GEORGE WASHINGTON*<sup>4</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>3</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>2</sup>, *PETER*<sup>1</sup>) was born May 7, 1924 in Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas, and died December 12, 1997 in Texarkana, Bowie Co., Texas. She married JAY D. NEIGHBORS December 22, 1943 in Murfreesboro, Pike Co., Arkansas<sup>2</sup>. He died March 22, 1997.

Notes for REMA JO HUDDLESTON:  
Rema Jo Neighbors

NASHVILLE – Funeral ser-vices were held at 10 a.m. Mon-day, Dec. 15 in the Latimer Funeral Home Chapel for Rema Jo Neighbors, 73, of Cottonshed. Al Terrell and Freeman Henderson officiated. Burial was in the Ozan Cemetery at Bingen under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home.

Mrs. Neighbors was born May 7, 1924, at Murfreesboro, the daughter of the late Jeff and Lizzie Huddleston. She died Fri-day, Dec. 12, 1997, at a Texarkana hospital. She was a homemaker and member of the Sweet Home Methodist Church. Mrs. Neighbors was preceded in death by: two brothers, Carl Huddleston and Cecil Huddleston; a sister, Jennie Keessee; and her husband, Jay D. Neighbors, who died March 22, 1997. Survivors include: a daughter, Jenny Sue Roberson of Cottonshed; a brother, Bill Scarborough of Amarillo, Texas; three sisters, Evelyn Ford of Nashville, Etta Beville of Whitehouse, Texas, and Jean Bowman of California; three grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.

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More About JAY D. NEIGHBORS:  
Burial: Ozan Cem., Hempstead Co., Arkansas

Child of REMA HUDDLESTON and JAY NEIGHBORS is:

2. Jenny Sue<sup>8</sup> Neighbors, m. Roberson.

#### Endnotes

2. Pike Co., Arkansas Marriage Book J, pg. 7.
2. Pike Co., Arkansas Marriage Book J, pg. 211.

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#### Short Biographical Sketches from Mildred Class's notes

##### Sarah Elizabeth Hutchings

Sarah Elizabeth Hutchings was born in Murfreesboro, Pike County Arkansas in 1862. She married James William Chapel in 1878. He was born in Henry County, Georgia in 1850 and moved to Arkansas in a covered wagon in 1865. He died in Murfreesboro in 1928. Sarah Elizabeth died in Murfreesboro in 1936. Both are buried in the cemetery at Murfreesboro. Their children are; Oda Aroria, Ada Estella Amanda Cassandra, and Horace Jewel.

For more on this family see "The Chapel Family".

##### John Campbell

The oldest Campbell in this line that has been traced is John Campbell. This family was found on the 1800 Census for Fairfield, SC and the 1810 census for Chesterfield County in SC. John was born between 1770 and 1780. By the 1820 census, they had moved to Smith County, Tennessee. Other names in this family are: David R., Doogle, John Joseph, and William. Ages in the census records in Smith County, TN prove this is the same Davie R. that appeared in Hempstead County, Arkansas in 1838.

##### David R. Campbell

David R. Campbell was born in 1794 in South Carolina. He was found on the 1820 and 1830 census rolls in Smith County, TN. His wife was Sarah--?—born in 1798 in Virginia. This family moved to Hempstead County, Arkansas in 1838 or before. A copy of his will shows that he was living with his daughter at the time of his death in 1866 in Red River County, Texas.

(See copy of will earlier in this issue.)

### **Sarah Sophrona Campbell**

Sarah Sophrona Campbell (3<sup>rd</sup> child of David R. Campbell) was born in Tennessee or Kentucky in 1823-probably in Smith County, TN. She married William Bond Gould in Hempstead County, Arkansas in 1839. This part of Hempstead County later became Pike County. W. B. Gould was a cabinet maker born in New York in 1816. He served in the Civil War as a Captain, and also was a member of the state legislature. He died in Murfreesboro, Arkansas in 1874.

Her Great-grandson, Horace Jewel Chapel remembers seeing her smoking a small pipe after each meal, and remembers that they grew their own tobacco.

### **Cassandra Campbell Gould**

Cassandra Campbell Gould, 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Sarah Sophrona Campbell Gould, was born in Hempstead County, Arkansas in 1842. This part later became Pike County. She married Horace Hutching in 1860. He was born in Virginia in 1833. He and several of his brothers moved from Gwinett County, Georgia to Arkansas between 1850 and 1860. He was a soldier in the Civil War, a member of Hart's Battalion. He died at Arkansas Post December 22, 1862. The only child of this union was our ancestor, Sarah Elizabeth, born in 1862.

Cassandra married James Covington in 1867. To this second union was born: Jerome, William Fletcher, Sophia, Mary, and Alice. Cassandra died in Pike County Arkansas in 1930.

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The following article was found in the Friday, July 11, 1969 *Pike County Courier* and submitted by Dorothy Partian in reference to the Westerman material in the last issue of *The Gems*.

#### **Stream of Life**

As you read this I will be in Dallas giving to Clara White Carrigan the memories sent to her by several kind residents of Murfreesboro. In response to a plea in last week's column for information pertaining to Ezekiel Thomas White and his wife, Bell Westerman, my telephone rang and I started a journey backward into time and memory. Three Days later I stood in College Hill Cemetery. I gazed about at the tall, green trees walling in the silent graves, some with stones bearing names and dates and many other with only a small native rock to mark a final resting place. Some are perhaps unmarked even in this simple way.

In the stillness of the June morning we watched a lone hawk flying silent sentry duty above this haven of rest. Our search brought our gaze to rest on the small oval, gray stone marking the grave of Bell Westerman White. The unmarked stone rested in the shadow of the taller, native, brown stone, also unmarked, of Stacy Westerman, Bell's mother; in death as in life a mother stood as protector over her child.

From the alert minds of Mrs. Walls and Mrs. Strawn came many childhood memories of the Whites and Westermans.

They well remember Bell Westerman as a pretty girl of average size with blue eyes. Her hair was almost black and naturally curly. Bell wore her hair up, as was the style of the day;,, and when she took it down it tumbled about her shoulders. A daughter, Clara, was born to Zeke and Bell in 1902 and Bell died of swamp fever in 1905 and was buried in College Hill Cemetery.

After Zeke and Bell married they lived with her parents, Newt and Stacy Westerman. The Westerman home was a large, one story house with a wide hall running thru it. It was located across the Muddy Fork River. Stella and Beulah Buckley lived close to the Westermans and attended school and church with the Westerman children. The Westerman children were Amanda Tucker, Della Reese, Ann Henderson, Mary and Martha, both married Stewarts, Bell White, Jack and will.

At that time the school and church both met in the same one room building called "Over in the Fork of the River." At a meeting in the building a vote was taken and Heneretta Brown White's name of College Hill was chosen as the name of the building and the cemetery that was to become her final resting place.

Liddie Coker was the mother of Stacy Westerman, grandmother of Bell and great-grandmother of Clara White Carrigan.

Stella and Beulah Buckley hid by the chimney in Liddie Coker's house and listened as she talked to herself when Liddie discovered them, they ran into a nearby orchard and hid themselves.

Liddie, dressed in her ankle-length, black riding habit, would lead her mare Fannie to a stump in her yard. She would climb onto the stump and from there mount Fannie and ride side saddle from "Over in the Fork of the River" into Murfreesboro. Swinging from her arm as she rode, and everywhere she went, was a large, long, black and white checkered handbag which Mrs. Stella Walls vividly recalls. Mrs. Walls and Mrs. Strawn are third cousins to Clara White

Carrigan. Their grandmother Oliver was a sister to Stacy Westerman.

After Bell's death, Zeke (Ezekiel) White returned to Mt. Ida then called Black Springs, with his small daughter Clara. He told her, "I've got to make a living. You can be a good girl or a bad girl." Until he died Zeke was very proud of Clara and told his relatives what a good girl she was.

Zeke married a second time to a woman named Alice and two daughters were born of this union.

Zeke's third wife was named Martha and to them were born four daughters and one son.

Zeke's father's name is unknown, but his mother was Heniretta Brown and she bore six children; Hany, Zeke, Harvey, Marvey,, and two daughters, Lizzie and Billy.

After Mr. White's death his widow married George Holland, a bachelor, and bore him four children: Tom, Mae, Paralee, and Jewell. Tom Holland still resided in Murfreesboro and is about 70 years old. Mr. Holland is a half-uncle to Clara White Carrigan.

Other of Clara's relatives in Murfreesboro that are known to me are Mrs. Ben Lingo and Mrs. Horace White. Their mothers were sisters of Bell Westerman. Mrs. Kenneth Lockaby and Pearl Brock are also relatives. Evelyn Jackson, whose hobby is cataloging cemeteries, has furnished much information for this article. Both she and Jimmy Keyes called and gave me the information about Mrs. Ben Lingo. Edna McHughes read last week's article and called Mrs. Pearl Stringer who then called me.

Zeke White in later years visited in the home of Henry and Pearl Stringer. At that time Zeke was a barber. Mrs. Stringer has a picture of Zeke.

Mrs. Stella Walls and Mrs. Beulah Strawn took me to College Hill Cemetery and told me of their tenderly nurtured memories of the Whites and Westermans.

THANK YOU Evelyn Jackson,, Mrs. Ben Lingo, Edna McHughes, Pearl Stringer, Jimmy Keyes, Vivian White, Mrs. Tom Holland, Mrs. Stella Walls, Mrs. Beulah Strawn for letting me take your memories to Clara. By your compassion you have made Clara's cherished dream a reality. You have sent Clara a "smile" to replace her tears.

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This is one of those anonymous items that get sent around on E-mail lists. We thought it worth repeating.

Around the corner I have a friend  
In this great city that has no end,  
Yet the days go by and weeks rush on,  
And before I know it, a year is gone

And I never see my old friend's face,  
For life is a swift and terrible race,  
He knows I like him just as well,  
As in the days when I rang his bell,  
And he rang mine.

If, we were younger then,  
And now we are busy, tired men,  
Tired of playing a foolish game,  
Tired of trying to make a name.

"Tomorrow" I say, "I will call on Jim"  
"Just to show that I'm thinking of him."  
But tomorrow comes and tomorrow goes, and  
Distance between us grows and grows.

Around the corner!- yet miles away, "Here's a telegram sir-"

"Jim died today."  
And that's what we get and deserve in the end.  
Around the corner, a vanished friend.

If you love someone, tell them.  
Remember always to express yourself.  
Take this opportunity to tell someone  
What they mean to you.  
Seize the day and have no regrets.

Most importantly, stay close to your friends and family, for they have helped make you the person that you are today and are what it's all about anyway.

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### Book Review

Southwest Arkansas Regional Archives (known as SARA) has many resource materials, some are to be used on the premises, others are available for purchase. One of the books that can be purchased at SARA is Sam Williams: Printer's Devil. Edited by Mary Medearis, published in 1979 by Etter Printing Company of Hope, Arkansas 71801.

The introduction explains that the term "Printer's Devil" is a person who is learning the trade of a printer. Sam Williams was a printer's devil and as he was learning his trade, he wrote "Memorabilia", without a doubt his life's masterpiece. He wrote briefly about himself as follows:

"....Saturday,, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March in the good year of our Lord 1851 found the writer

installed as a Printer's Devil in the office of the Washington Telegraph, of which William H. Etter was publisher, editor and owner."

Page 90 has reprinted copies of two advertisements that were printed in the Washington Telegraph. One is advertising rates for room and board at Washington House (example: \$15.00 board and lodging per month). The other is advertising a ball.

#### **Christmas Ball!**

A social and Dancing Party will be given at the Washington House in this place on Friday night the 24<sup>th</sup> inst.

Committee of Arrangements:

W. B. Stuart                      J. D. Skinner  
W. C. Thomas                      E. McNair

Gentlemen may obtain tickets of admission from either of the above committee, or at the door.

#### **Music by the Washington Amateur Band**

Tickets of admission for gentlemen—  
Five Dollars

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Chapter 14 discusses amusements and social pleasures. On page 91-92 there is a mention of religious worship.

The Washingtonians of the good old days were a God-fearing, church-going people as they are to-day, and at the ringing of the bells on the Sabbath, morning and evening, nearly the entire population was wont to repair to the temples of worship and listen to the preaching of the Word

Page 288 includes this article:

#### **Kelley**

One of the very early pioneers of south-west Arkansas was Elijah Kelley. He was born in Jackson county, Tenn., in 1803, and came to Arkansas with his father in November, 1815. They located on Wolf Creek, in what is now Pike county, but all that country was embraced within the geographical limits of Hempstead county when the Territory was organized. Their stopping there was purely accidental. They started out from Tennessee to go to Texas, but they became water-bound at Wolf Creek. It was a beautiful valley—a modern Arcadia—and old man Kelley, believing that he might go further and fare worse, gave up all idea of pushing on to Texas and located there. A man by the name of Halifield, who was then 70 years old, and had been living there several years, sold the Kelleys the first corn they consumed in their new home. They paid 12 ½ cents a pound for bacon the first year of their residence. There were then (1815)

just six settlers on Wolf Creek and the Antoine, and the same number in what is now Clark county. At that time Christopher Anthony, William Grayson and Stephen Vaughan were the only settlers in the country west and south of the Little Missouri. There is to-day a stream near Prairie d'Ann known as Vaughan's Creek, which was named after Stephen Vaughan. He was the first white settler in that whole region, and must have located there somewhere about 1810.

Elijah Keley had fifteen children born to him, all of whom grew to maturity and married. He has living seven or eight grandchildren, and over two hundred descendants. He was for more than fifty years a minister of the Campbellite or Christian church. He occupied many positions of trust. He was a delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1836, and outlived every member of that body except Gen. G. D. Royston. He also served in the State Legislature, and was for several years County Judge. He was a man of great personal dignity, and was endowed with the strictest integrity and the purest and simplest Christianity. He was plain and unassuming in his manners and simple in his mode of living. While he was a man of no great acquirements in learning, Elijah Kelley possessed an extraordinary fund of common sense, and was always an ardent Democrat. His brother, William Kelley, who was his senior in years, settled and lived within a few hundred yards of Elijah. He too, was a Campbellite preacher for more than a half-century. He was County Judge of Pike for several years. He was gifted with phenomenal memory, and possessed the extraordinary acquirement of being able to recite by heart the entire New Testament. William Kelley also raised a numerous family, and his descendants are scattered throughout Southwest Arkansas. William J. Kelley, who was a lawyer, and for a long time Clerk of Pike county, was his youngest son. All of these younger Kelleys were proverbial for their probity and Christianity, All of them were strict members of the church and many of the male members of the family were preachers. Rev. Samuel Kelley, at present, I believe, living in Howard county, who served in the Legislature in 1852, and in the Constitutional Convention which passed the ordinance of secession in 1861, was the eldest son of William Kelley. He, too, is a Campbellite minister, and has preached the Gospel for more than forty years. He is a man of strong practical sense and sterling integrity, and commands much respect. Until within a few years he lived in Pike county.

PCAHS PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

1870 Pike County Arkansas Printed U.S. Census by Andy Cooley & Dorothy Partain.....	\$15.00
1880 Pike County Arkansas Federal Census by Dorothy K. Partain & Linda W. Meek.....	\$20.00
18890 Census of Pike County Arkansas: A Reconstruction by Russell P. Baker.....	\$15.00
1900 Pike County Arkansas Federal Census by Shane Hill & Dorothy K. Partain.....	\$25.00
1910 Pike County Arkansas Federal Census by Shane Hill & Dorothy K. Partain.....	\$25.00
1870 Sevier County Arkansas Federal Census by Shane Hill & Dorothy K. Partain.....	\$18.50
Look At the Past: A Pike County History in Pictures by PCAHS.....	\$25.00
Crater of Diamonds: Jewel of Arkansas by Bobbie Hendrix.....	\$6.00
The Diary: Family History by Carleton Denny.....	\$3.00
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