



The first Courthouse to be built in Russellville.



The first block of West Main across from the Court House. (1902)



Mrs. Hallie Hogins Ewton as a little girl. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reese B. Hogins.

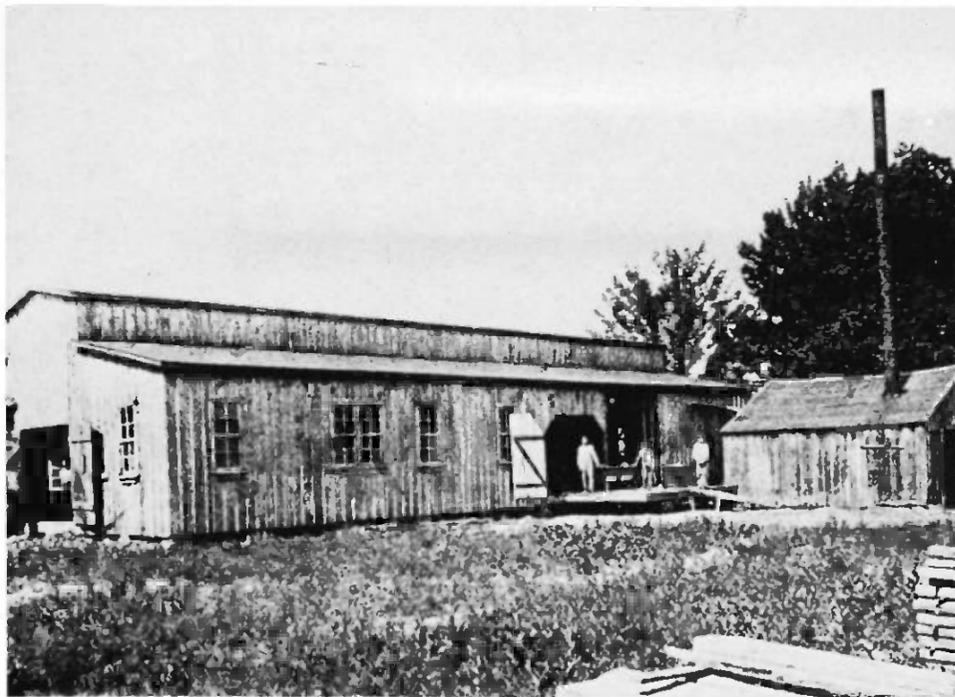


This is a view of North Commerce Avenue looking North from West Main St.

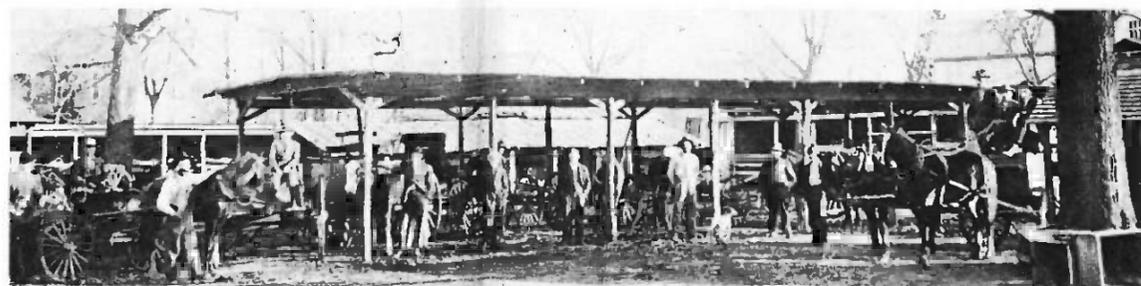
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L. to R. — Wes Bailey, Wyle Godbey, Tom Cawhorn, W.M. Lemley, Ira Darr, P.R. Lazenby, Ed Darr, Forrest Griffin, Elmer Boyd. Front wheel — W.N. Godbey



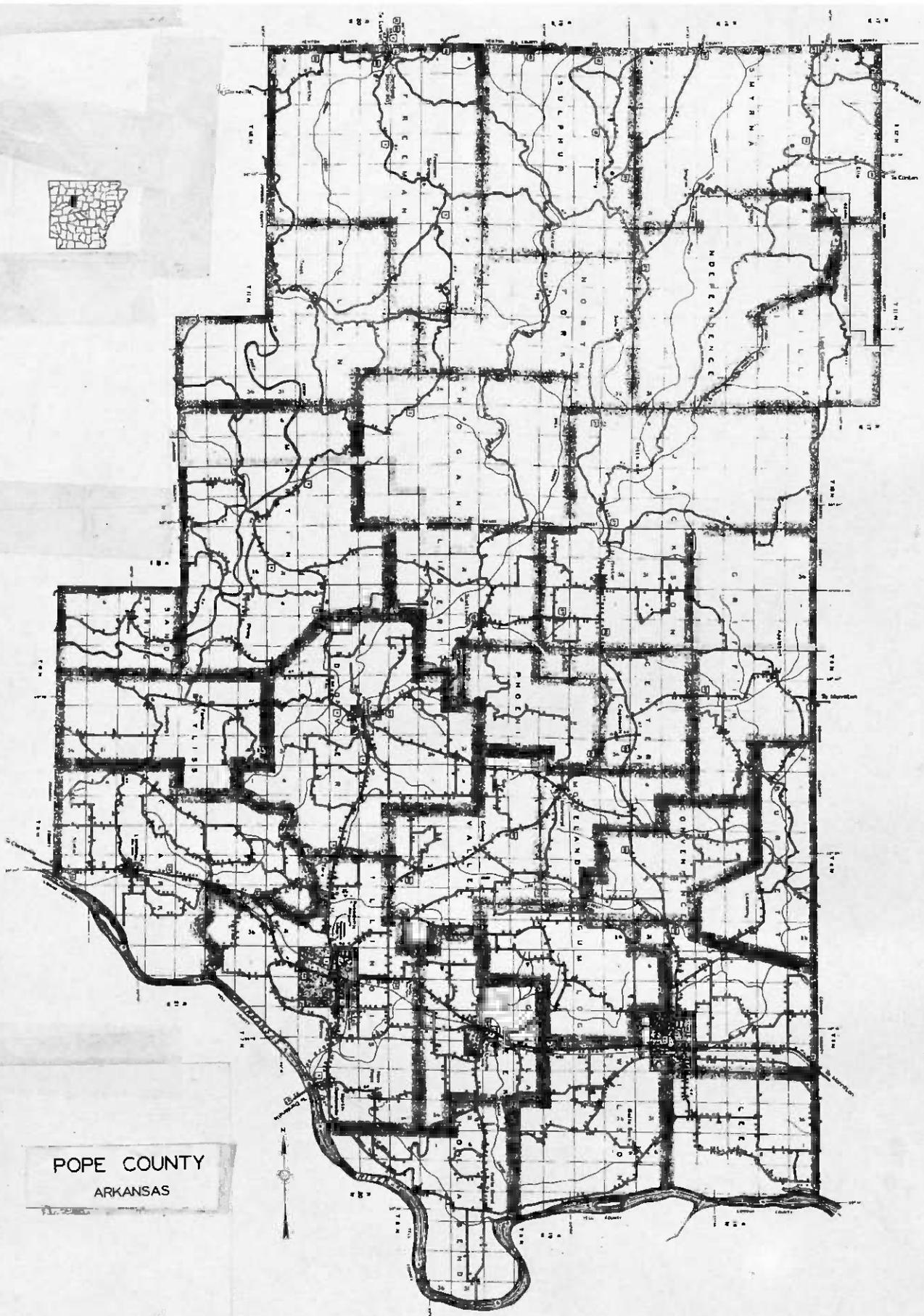
This is the Furniture Factory of the Russellville Manufacturing Co. This picture was made in 1909.



The Ferguson Wagon Yard covered the entire block across the street from the Court House in Russellville. (about 1900)



Wagons of cotton crossing Pontoon Bridge between Pope and Yell Counties.



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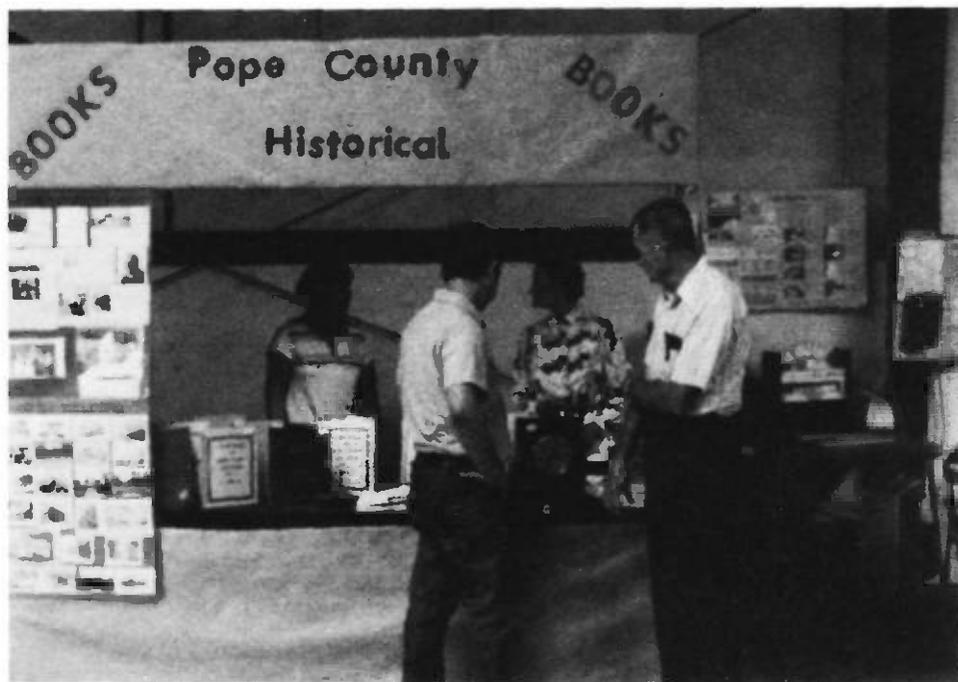
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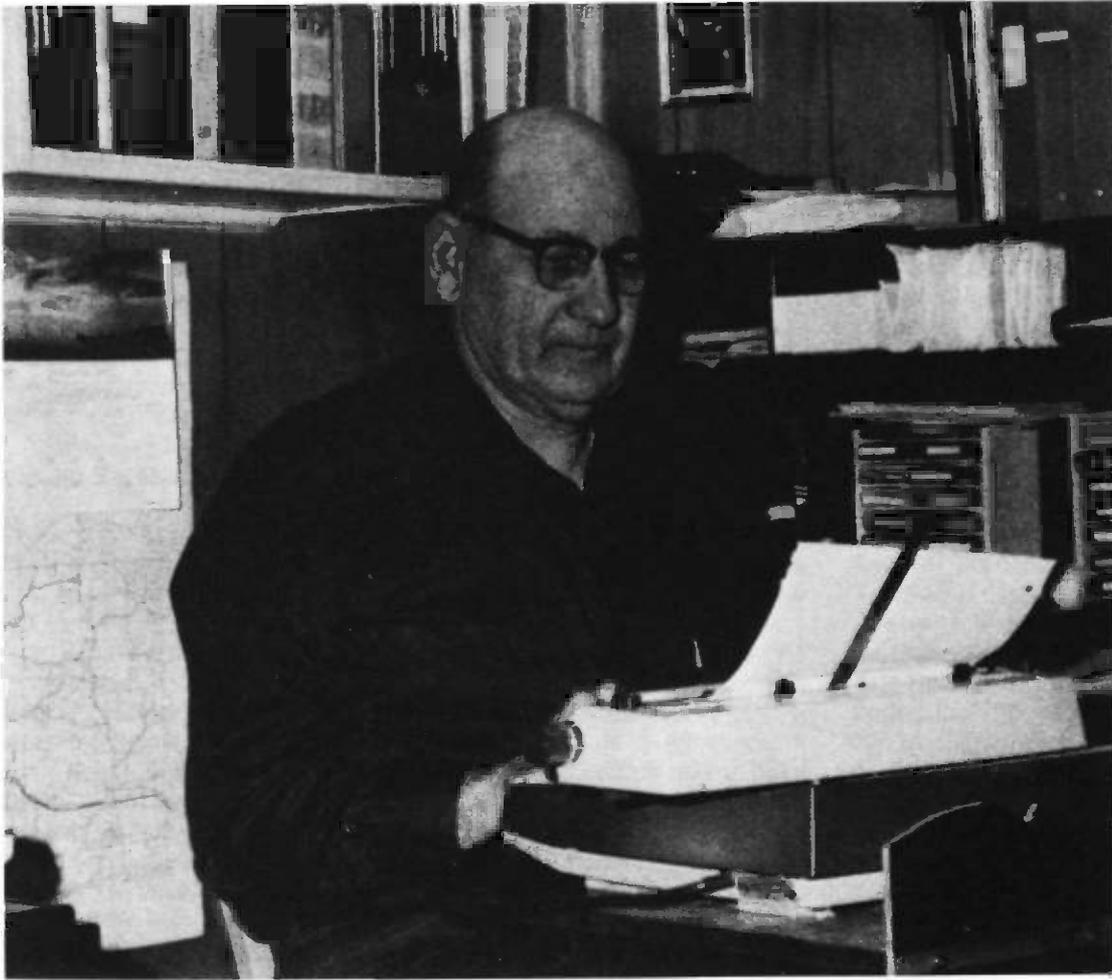
Grace Harkey — Treasurer, Pope County Historical Association.



Booth at Pope County Fair — 1978 L. to R. Anna Fields, Dennis Lowe, Mrs. M.C. Tucker and M.C. Tucker.

Pope County Historical Meeting
July 1978
Front: Mrs. Lester Finley, Mary Lois Tripp, Mrs. Marguerite Tripp, Mrs. Will D. Vance Sr., Syble Gillespie, Mrs. Fred Lynch, and Allie Wilson. Standing: M.C. Tucker, Lester Finley, J.B. Lemley, Mrs. J.B. Lemley, Mrs. Doyle Hood, Mrs. M.C. Tucker, Sharon Bell, Elmer Parette, Mrs. Obie W. Sayer, Mrs. Julia Gates, and David Vance.





J.B. Lemley at his desk working on someones family history, or some other Genealogy Report.

THE POPE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION OF RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS, DEDICATES THIS HISTORY OF POPE COUNTY TO MR. J.B. LEMLEY

Mr. Lemley has been very active in our organization for several years now, serving as our President for three consecutive years. He has also served in other capacities through the years. He was the founding President of the Pope County Genealogy Group. Serving for one year in 1969 and was again elected President of the Group in 1975 and is still serving in that capacity. He was appointed by the County Judge as the county's first Official County Historian, a title he still holds.

Mr. Lemley has written a book on his ancestor, Ephraim Lemley, and has also compiled books containing old obituaries from the old Courier-Democrat Newspapers, and copies of interviews that Mr. Lemley has made with various people in Pope County in the past few years. Mr. Lemley was instrumental in the saving of the copies of the old issues of the Courier-Democrat. He saw to it that the papers were taken to Little Rock to the History Commission to be micro-filmed for posterity.

Without Mr. Lemley's help on this history project, this book would never have been completed. It was through his leadership, in collecting the 835 family histories that are included in the "Family Histories Section," that this book was possible. He had to catalog each history and many times type the histories for the individuals who were submitting them. All of this had to be done, and much more, before the material could be sent to the publishers. For all of this we thank you and hope that this will become a monument to your name.

In the name of the Pope County
Historical Association by David L. Vance,
First Vice President and
History Book Committee Chairman.

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HISTORY OF THE ARKANSAS VALLEY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION AND THE POPE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

The story of the Pope County Historical Association, formerly the Arkansas Valley Historical Society, is an interesting account of a struggle by men and women to discover, to promote, and to preserve our local history and at the same time to keep a record of our contemporary accomplishments. Many individuals have made contributions which have been vital to the success and the continuity of the Association.

The Arkansas Valley Historical Society was organized October 10, 1948 when a small group of interested persons met and approved a constitution. Mention is made of James S. Long, a veteran U.S. Forest Service employee of this particular area; of Thomas Alfred DuLaney, Professor of History and Political Science at Arkansas Polytechnic College from 1928 until 1956; and Neil H. Bell, a public school administrator, who devoted a lifetime of endeavor toward the improvement of elementary and secondary public education in Pope County, all taking part in the planning of the Association. Women were also an active part of the Association, as a list of Charter Members shows that two-thirds of the original membership were women. Miss Mattie Brown, who taught History 21 years and was Principal 12 years in Russellville High School, made the first parliamentary motion which was seconded by Mrs. R.R. Cooper and the Constitution for the Arkansas Valley Historical Society was adopted.

The first elected officers were James S. Long, President; Fred Croom, 1st Vice-President; Mrs. John Page, 2nd Vice-President; Mrs. Floyd Henry, Secretary; Neil H. Bell, Treasurer; and a program committee was appointed, which included: Miss Mattie Brown, Prof. T.A. DuLaney, and Fred Croom.

It is interesting to note that the Arkansas Valley Historical group held regular consecutive meetings for a period of two years, but during the period from August 1950 until April 1952, no meetings were held. The fact that the group came back in 1952, reorganized and continued to meet without further interruptions indicates something of the character and determination of its members to hold together, to grow, and to publish local history.

The third individual to serve a two-year term as President of the Arkansas Valley Historical group was George Ruford Turrentine who spent 45 of his 79 years of life as an employee of Arkansas Tech. first, as Dean and Head of the Education Department, as Registrar when it became a four-year college, and finally as Alumni Executive Secretary. Mr. Turrentine was no ordinary individual. He became the Editor of the Arkansas Valley Historical Papers, the official publication of the Society. A wealth of interesting historical material was published from 1954 to 1966. Those who participated in the publication of the his-

torical and genealogical material were many, but certainly George R. Turrentine did his share of research and publication and he did not stop until his health in 1966 forced him to give up his position as Editor of the Arkansas Valley Historical Papers. Mrs. Forrest E. Gardner, for 31 years Junior High Principal in the Russellville public school system, became President of the organization in the fall of 1965 and served as President for two years. Effective December, 1966, the name of the organization was changed to POPE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION and the publication became the "Quarterly". Mrs. Vara T. Dodd, wife of Harry W. Dodd, and Arkansas Valley newspaper publisher, served as Editor of the Quarterly until early 1967 when Mrs. Elaine Weir Cia became the Editor and is presently serving her eleventh year in that position. While Mrs. Cia is a native of Pope County, she resided in Little Rock but attends most all the meetings in the County and since becoming editor of the Pope County Historical Quarterly, she has been a vital factor in the success of the organization. She has shown a deep interest in both local history and genealogy and has, in addition to encouraging others to do research, conducted a huge amount of individual research. She presently is also, the Editor of "THE ARKANSAS FAMILY HISTORICAL", the official publication of the Arkansas Genealogical Society, Inc.

One of the early goals of the Association was the securing of 300 members. While that goal has not yet been attained, the growth in membership during recent years gives assurance that it soon will be. The increase in membership has been due in a large measure to the fact that historical and genealogical information found in the Quarterly is in demand in many states outside of Arkansas.

A Small group of Pope County Historical Association members organized the Pope County Genealogical Group in the late 1960's. One of the early projects of this Group was locating the cemeteries of Pope County and then recording the information from the headstones, and later publishing the information in four volumes. Some of those who took part in this activity were: Elvin "Bob" Tripp, Marguerite Tripp, Mary Lois Tripp, Mario B. Cia, Sr., Elaine Weir Cia, M.B. Cia, Jr., Anna Page Fields, J.B. Lemley, Mary Ellen Lemley, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Jones and daughter Kathy, Mrs. Viva Turrentine Moore, Janett Wilson, Jeannette Haney, and Emmett M. Gray. Many of this same Group with the help of Laura Shull, Hallene V. Tucker, and M.C. Tucker copied from micro-film and published the 1870 and the 1880 Census records of Pope County, Arkansas. The Group arranged for old copies of Pope County newspapers to be placed on micro-film. Other publications are anticipated.

J.B. Lemley, a past president of both the Pope County Historical Association and the Pope County Genealogical Group, has produced a number of articles for the Quarterly and in addition has published at least three books. His book, "Ephraim Lemley Family of Pope County, Arkansas" is a valuable aid to genealogy. Since publishing that book in 1975, he has published two volumes of

newspaper obituaries covering the period from 1875 thru 1886, as well as the period from February 1973 through December 1973. J.B. Lemley was appointed Official Historian for Pope County by County Judge Ernil Grant in 1974.

David L. Vance, a young business man and present 1st Vice President of the Pope County Historical Association, arranged in 1968 for the reprinting of two early books on Pope County History. One of these books was: D. Porter West's "Early History of Pope County", and the other was: "The Pope County Militia War", originally published by Thomas J. Reynolds in 1908. In addition Mr. Vance published an "Early History of Pope County" which contains a large number of illustrations which add a great deal to the effectiveness of the publication.

Dr. T.C. "Piney" Page, who retired as Dean of the College of Education, Western Kentucky University in 1973, returned to Pope County to reside. He wrote "The Voices of Moccasin Creek", a history of the Page and Tate Families who came to north Pope County during the 19th century. Dr. Page's history carries the families in the 20th century. To quote Leland DuVall of the Arkansas Gazette, "Piney Page literally has spanned history from the ox-cart to space travel". Dr. Page was admitted to Arkansas Tech's "Hall of Distinction for Outstanding Alumni" in 1965. He, an avid student of local history, has appeared many times as a speaker at Pope County Historical Association meetings. Dr. Page is actively collecting and recording local history with the zeal that only a highly motivated historian can demonstrate.

S.C. Tucker, Jr. a Danville public school administrator, who has furnished the Association meetings several programs, published in 1976 a history of the Arkansas River Valley, entitled "To Sell A Good Bull".

In checking the publications of the Association over the period of its 30 years of activity, one is impressed with the continued emphasis upon genealogy and family history. While many excellent articles on local history have been published and continue to be published, the demand both from out-of-state and local subscribers, is strong for genealogical information. It may be that as time passes, the publication of history will surpass the publication of genealogy and family history but at present the race is about even between the two.

Various centennial and bicentennial celebrations within Pope County during the 1970's have served to emphasize the importance of history within local communities. In 1970 the city of Russellville celebrated 100 years of incorporation with a "From Arrows to Atoms" theme linking Indian heritage of the 19th century with nuclear-fueled power being brought into use by Arkansas Power and Light Company.

Dover conducted a three-day centennial celebration in 1970 highlighted by an historical pageant, the script written by Miss Marguerite Turner.

With the nation-wide Bicentennial of 1976, communities, towns, and churches throughout the County put on programs emphasizing

our American heritage. The city of London, in depicting the part that Scotia, Georgetown, Haddoxburg, and London played in Pope County history managed to have addresses by three of its more distinguished products from the same platform on the same day; June 5, 1976.

Former 5th District Congressman Brooks Hays, Dr. Erwin McDonald, former editor of the Kentucky and the Arkansas Baptist magazines, and Leonard Price, an educator with varied experiences, all made addresses that were taped and published in the September 1976 issue of the Pope County Historical Quarterly.

Recognizing the historical significance of old Galley Rock as an early settlement in east Pope County and its replacement by Atkins when the railroad came to the valley, the "Galley Rock Historical Association" was organized in September 1971 with its first objective to restore the Galley Rock Cemetery. Officers of the Association were: John Stroud, President; John Wiley, Secretary; and David Griffin, Treasurer. As the Cemetery was being restored, historical articles by President Stroud, Van A. Tyson, and Amye Johnson McGraw appeared in print providing more information on the early settlement on the Arkansas River, and incidentally bringing on more historical information concerning Atkins and its early citizens.

One of the stated aims of the Association was to encourage interest in history through contests in research or writing, conducted within the public schools. Possibly this aim has not been pursued as diligently as it should have been, but, some efforts have been made. In 1950 the Arkansas Valley Historical essay contest was conducted through the public schools of the area and as a result the winner, Miss Phylis Ann Petty of Paris High School received a scholarship to Arkansas Tech.

In 1975, in cooperation with the Corps of Engineers, the Association conducted a contest to find a suitable name for the new Park located near the Dardanelle Dam. Miss Jody Williams, a Gardner Junior High School student, won a \$50.00 savings bond, with the name "Old Post Road Park".

Another aim of the Association has been to place Historical Markers to indicate points of major historical interest within the County. While it may seem that the Pope County Historical Association is moving too slowly in this endeavor, the Association is making steady progress toward the goal of properly designating and marking those places.

Assisted by efforts of the Pope County Historical Association, the state Publicity and Parks Commission erected two markers north of the Marina Restaurant marking the probable burial site of Major Lovely who served as an Agent to the Cherokee Nation and the site where he lived near the Illinois Bayou west of the present site of Russellville was considered the Capitol of that Cherokee Nation. Major Lovely, who died in 1817, made land purchases in 1816 making possible the movement of the Cherokee Nation into the north-eastern part of Oklahoma. Of the two markers, one is in honor of Lovely's service of four years as

Agent to the Cherokee Nation and his burial place. Mr. Orren Hays, a member of the Marker Committee, prepared the wording for this marker. The second marker is in honor of Major Lovely's service to his country, in the Revolutionary War. Dr. John L. Ferguson, Executive Secretary of the State History Commission, came to Russellville and made the dedicatory address in July of 1967.

On October 19, 1958, Mrs. Mark Craig, President of the Arkansas Valley Historical Association, presided at the dedication of the bronze tablet placed at Potts Inn, the site of a prominent Way Station for early travel through Pope County and the home of Kirkbride Potts, an early settler who built the house. During the late 1960's three groups joined together working to get the old Potts home declared an historic site, restored and made into a museum which would exhibit the life and activity of Arkansas and the South during the mid-1850's. Those groups included the Russellville Chamber of Commerce, the Arkansas Tech Parks and Recreation Department and the Pope County Historical Association. After correspondence between Governor Rockefeller, Dr. John L. Ferguson, and The Association, a survey team visited the old Potts Inn and recommended that the building be restored. To provide a governing organization for Potts Inn, the Pope County Historical Foundation was formed with Mrs. Marjorie W. Crabaugh as Chairman in 1970. This organization has functioned well and Mrs. Crabaugh has furnished the excellent leadership needed. Federal and State matching funds were provided for the purchase of the property and for restoration, all of which has taken place. The Pope County Historical Association held its May meeting of 1977 at the Potts, Inn, and enjoyed this fine facility.

In 1969 the Association approved the placing of a marker three miles north of Dover on Highway 7 designating the site of a nearby cave as the place where the Pope County records were hidden for safekeeping from 1863 to 1865 while the Civil War was in progress and during the time that the Pope County Court House was destroyed by fire.

J.B. Lemley, President of the Association presided over the dedication of the marker on 31 October 1971. Van Brooks, whose grandparents owned the land at the time the County records were stored in the cave, gave the dedicatory address.

In December of 1977 the Pope County Historical Association placed a marker on the south side of Norman's Store, located at West Main Street and Commerce in Russellville. This marker marks the spot where 23 businesses burned in January of 1906. President Lester Finley installed this particular marker. Other markers are to be placed at the appropriate historical sites.

CHARTER MEMBERS OF ARKANSAS VALLEY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Neil H. Bell, Neil H. Bell, Miss Alta Brooks, Mrs. Walter Brooks, Miss Mattie Brown, Mrs. R.R. Cooper, Fred Croom, Mrs. T.A. DuLaney, T.A. DuLaney, Mrs. Floyd Henry, Floyd Henry, Mrs. R.B. Henry, R.B. Henry, Mrs. Floyd Hogins, Mrs. Emma How-

ard, Mrs. Ruby Livingston, Mrs. James S. Long, Mrs. A.W. Rye, Mrs. S.J. Rye, Mrs. Buford Smith, Sr., and Buford Smith, Jr.

Note: We saw one list which included Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Morton.

ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTS

1948-1950, James S. Long; No meetings from Aug. 1950 to April 1952; 1952-1954, Dr. L.M. Hammand; 1954-1956, George R. Turrentine; 1956-1959, Mrs. Mark Craig; 1959-1961, Mrs. L.C. McCracken; 1961-1963, Mrs. E.E. Henson; 1963-1965, Neil H. Bell; 1965-1967, Mrs. Guy Gardner; 1967-1969, E.B. Wilson; 1969-1971, Viva Turrentine Moore; 1971-1974, J.B. Lemley; 1974-1976, Milton C. Tucker; 1976-1978, Lester Finley.

by Mrs. Milton C. Tucker

POPE COUNTY OFFICIALS

COUNTY JUDGE: 1829-1830, Andrew Scott; 1830-1832, S.K. Blythe; 1832-1833, Thomas Murray, Jr.; 1833-1835, Isaac Brown; 1835-1836, J.J. Morse; 1836-1838, Benj. Langford; 1838-1840, B. Johnson; 1840-1842, W. Bryan; 1842-1844, Isaac Brown; 1844-1846, Jesse Mallory; 1846-1848, David West; 1848-1854, A.J. Bayliss; 1854-1856, Cabel Davis; 1856-1862, N.D. Shinn; 1862-1866, J.B. Brooks; During this term, W.A. Strickland was Judge from July 1865. 1866-1868, Cabel Davis; 1868-1872, W.T. Brown; 1872-1874, -----; 1874-1878, Frank Thach; Judge Thach died and R.B. Wilson was elected in March, 1878. 1878-1880, R.B. Wilson; 1880-1884, E.C. Bradley; 1884-1886, J.S. Linzy; 1886-1890, J.T. Bullock; 1890-1894, G.W. Berryman; 1894-1898, Wm. Thompson; 1898-1900, A.M. Gibson; 1900-1904, G.W. Berryman; 1904-1908, M.H. Baird; 1908-1912, A.D. Shinn; 1912-1916, Ira Griffin; 1916-1921,

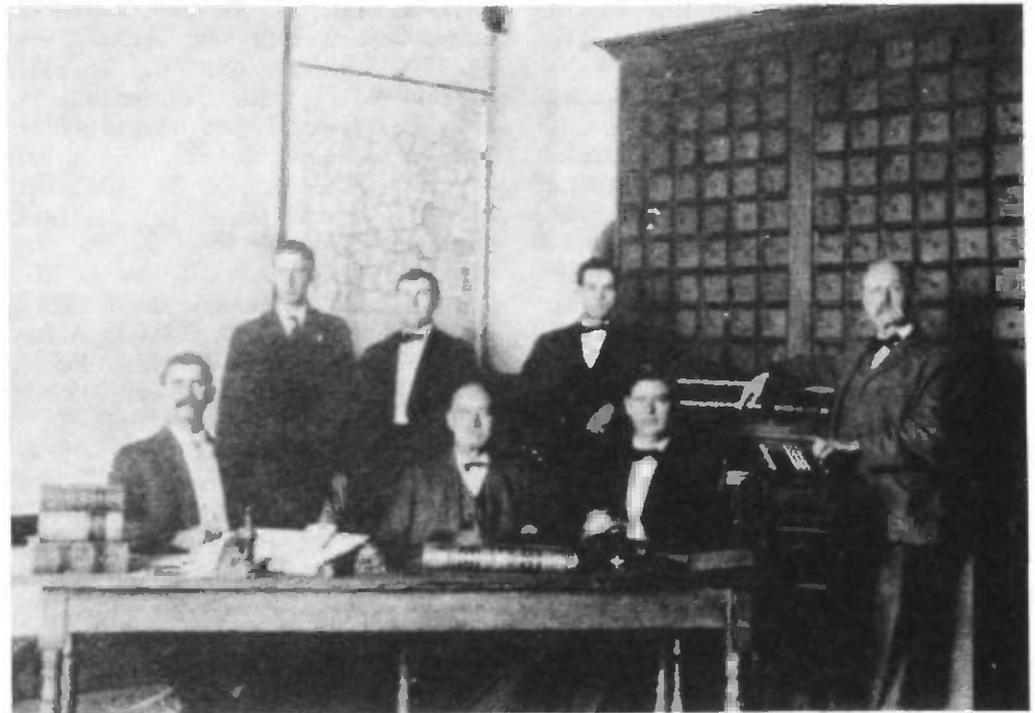


John R. Homer Scott, the son of Judge Andrew Scott and one of the founders of Dover, Arkansas. He served three terms as the County Clerk of Pope County from 1842 to 1848.

Wm. Thompson; 1921-1926, J.W. Danley; 1927-1932, J.Q. Hill; 1933-1938, M.L. Turnbow; 1939-1940, Hays Gibson; 1941-1942, J.N. Grant; 1943-1944, J.N. Grant; 1945-1946, Wallace Bullock; 1947-1954, J.V. Turner; 1955-1958, R. Whittenburg; 1959-1964, R.D. Howell; 1965-1972, Wayne Nordin; 1973-1978, Ermil Grant.

COUNTY CLERK: 1829-1830, Twitty Pace; 1830-1833, E.A. Pace; 1833-1835, R.T. Williamson; 1835-1838, J.B. Logan; 1838-1842, J. Ferguson; 1842-1848, J.R.H. Scott; 1848-1854, William Stout; 1854-1862, R.H. Howell; 1862-1868, A.J. Bayliss; 1868-1872, W.H. Hickox; 1872-1874, E.H. Poe; 1874-1876, H.A. Bayliss; 1876-1880, A.J. Bayliss; 1880-1882, W.J. Reynolds; 1882-1888, James Potts; 1888-1890, R.B. Hogins; 1890-1894, G.E. Howard; 1894-1898, T.B. Mourning; 1898-1902, J.M. Hatley; 1902-1904, G.S. Falls; 1904-1908, A.D. Shinn; 1908-1912, Ira Griffin; 1912-1914, Virgil Sewell; 1914-1916, H.V. Sewell; 1916-1921, D.A. Gibson; 1921-1925, G. Stokes; 1925-1928, Leonard Bell; 1929-1932, H.N. Spaulding; 1933-1936, Jeff Biffle; 1937-1940, J.N. Alford; 1941-1946, R. Chenowith; 1947-1950, Louise Hood; 1951-1954, R. Whittenburg; 1955-1956, Mrs. E.L. Simpson; 1957-1958, Evelyn Simpson; 1959-1964, Mrs. Ed Driver; 1965-1978, Ernest Powers.

SHERIFF: 1829-1830, H. Stinnett; 1830-1833, J.J. Morse; 1833-1835, W.W. Rankins; 1835-1844, S.M. Hays; 1844-1848, J.W. Jones; 1848-1852, J. Hickey; 1852-1854, R.H. Howell; 1854-1860, J.L. Linton; 1860-1862, D.C. Brown; 1862-1864, J.B. Erwin; 1864-1865, G.B. Fondren; During this term, W.H. Williams was Sheriff from July 1865. 1866-1868, J. Petty; 1868-1872, J.W. Stout, (J.F. Clear from March 1870.) 1872-1874, J.B. Erwin; 1874-1876, Joe Petty; 1876-1882, R.B. Hogins; 1882-1886, J.W. Quinn; 1886-1890, John R. Young; 1890-1894, W.J. Johnson; 1894-1898, S.A. Henry; 1898-1900, J.R. Young; 1900-1904, J.M. White; 1904-1908, J.M. Hatley; 1908-1910, F.M. Oates died while in office and R.Y. Oates finished his term. 1910-1912,



County officers about 1912.

R.Y. Oates; 1912-1916, J.W. Danley; 1916-1921, W.J. Chambers; 1912-1923, D.A. Gibson; 1923-1926, W. Turnbow; 1927-1928, Will Eustice; 1929-1930, J.L. Bell; 1931-1932, G.C. Nugent; 1933-1936, J.L. Bell; 1937-1940, D.A. Bewley; 1941-1946, J.S. Forehand; 1947-1950, Guy Hickman; 1951-1954, Jim Mabry; 1955-1958, Terrell P. Bishop; 1959-1962, Bob Rankin, he died while in office and his wife was appointed to fill out the term. 1963-1970, Otto Brinkman; 1971-1976, Bill Abernathy; 1977-1978, Larry Darter.

CIRCUIT CLERK: This office was combined with the County Clerk until 1890. 1890-1894, J.T. Bullock; 1894-1898, R.L. Lawrence; 1898-1902, J.A. Webb; 1902-1906, J.M. Martin; 1906-1910, M.L. Turnbow; 1910-1914, L. Ragsdale; 1914-1919, K.M. Willis; 1919-1923, Reece Caudle; 1923-1926, C.C. Wait; 1927-1930, Ed Bradley; 1931-1934, Jim Tucker; 1935-1938, Hays Gibson; 1939-1946, W.B. Langford; 1947-1950, E.J. Brigham; 1951-1962, Louis Hood; 1963-1978, Reece N. Caudle.

TREASURER: First to be listed was in 1836. 1836-1838, J.R.H. Scott; 1838-1840, D.F. Williamson; 1840-1842, D. Williams; 1842-1848, D.F. Williamson; 1848-1850, J.H. Peterson; 1850-1852, D.F. Williamson; 1852-1854, G.R. Davis; 1854-1858, W.S. Johnson; 1858-1860, D.M. Hornbeck; 1860-1864, W.S. Johnson; 1864-1866, D.F. Williamson; 1866-1868, S.R. Parker; 1868-1872, John Hughes; 1872-1874, W.L.D. Ewing; 1874-1878, S.R. Parker; 1878-1882, F.C. Falls; 1882-1884, Joe Petty; 1884-1886, George Baird; 1886-1888, Jos. Petty; 1888-1892, W.M. Peeler; 1892-1896, W.B. Young; 1896-1900, D.B. Richardson; 1900-1906, W.P. Wooten; 1906-1908, S.A. Henry; 1908-1912, D.B. Richardson; 1912-1916, Otis L. May; 1916-1921, J.B. Britt; 1921-1925, W.W. Williamson; 1925-1928, W.A. Price; 1929-1932, Elmer Boyd; 1933-1936,

F.L. Price; 1937-1940, J.T. Murphy; 1941-1944, Miss Margie Vance; 1945-1948, J.N. Alford; 1949-1952, Robert F. Hines; 1953-1958, R.D. Howell; 1959-1974, Jackson Ross, Bert Page Sr. was appointed to fill unexpired term of Jackson Ross in 1974, because of embezzlement. 1975-1978, Bert Page, Jr.

CORONER: 1829-1830, W. Garrott; 1830-1832, -----; 1832-1833, S.M. Hays; 1834-1835, S.S. Hays; 1835-1836, W.C. Webb; 1836-1838, J. Baker; 1838-1842, E. Baker; 1842-1844, R.R. Fleming; 1844-1846, M. Tackett; 1846-1850, J.S. Banker; 1850-1852, J. Bradley; 1852-1856, J.S. Banker; 1856-1860, J.A. Bradley; 1860-1862, W.A. Walker; 1862-1868, L. Macomb; 1868-1872, J.A. Bradley; 1872-1874, William White; 1874-1876, J.P. Langford; 1876-1878, C.N. Benefield; 1878-1880, J.W. Jones; 1880-1884, D.R. Grant; 1884-1886, M.A. Jamison; 1886-1888, James H. Shinn; 1888-1894, D.R. Grant; 1894-1898, J.M. Sims; 1898-1921, J.T. Odom; 1921-1925, Geo. Dodd; 1925-1928, S.R. Price; 1929-1930, Jeff Roberts; 1931-1932, J.H. Neal; 1933-1934, -----; 1935-1938, J.H. Neal; 1939-1944, Rudolph Shinn; 1945-1954, Dr. W.O. Young; 1955-1958, W. Ernest King; 1959-1960, -----; 1961-1962, Dr. W.E. King; 1963-1964, -----; 1965-1968, Dr. W.E. King; 1969-1972, -----; 1973-1978, Deward Mallett.

ASSESSOR: No Tax Assessor until 1868. 1868-1872, J.F. Clear; 1872-1874, C.E. Tobey; 1874-1876, G.W.O. Davis; 1876-1878, W.M. Peeler; 1880-1884, A.R. Robinson; 1884-1886, P.M. Austin; 1886-1890, J.A. Hickman; 1890-1894, J.I. Simpson; 1894-1896, W.M. Bell; 1886-1898, W.S. Rushing; 1898-1900, J.B. Cawhorn; 1900-1902, J.B. Turner; 1902-1904, W.S. Campbell; 1904-1906, A.O. Duvall; 1906-1908, J.W. Danley; 1908-1910, J.A. Moore; 1910-1912, J.P. Lewis; 1912-1914, B.E. Wharton; 1914-



Reese B. Hogins, sheriff of Pope County from 1876 to 1882.

1916, J.S. Bonds; 1916-1919, O.W. English; 1919-1923, E.P. Rosser; 1923-1926, J.W. Brown; 1927-1928, M.E. Colburn; 1929-1932, Jep Grant; 1933-1936, J.T. Murphy; 1937-1940, R. Chenowith; 1941-1942, J.G. McFadden; 1943-1946, Jim Tucker; 1947-1948, Bert Page; 1951-1954, Lamont Turnbow; 1955-1962, Fred Ford; 1963-1966, Floyd Johnson; 1967-1978, Stanford Lee.

SURVEYOR: 1829-30, W. Mitchell; 1830-31, G. Heron; 1832-46, R.S. Witt; 1846-52, J.H. Bready; 1852-54, J. Ferguson; 1854-60, J.W. Miller; 1860-62, J.W. Chambers; 1862-64, J.W. Miller; 1864-66, J. Bready; 1866-68, J.W. Miller; 1868-72, L.M. Hale; 1872-74, James Potts; 1874-76, J.J. Potts; 1876-82, James Potts; 1882-88, W.R. Hale; 1888-90, A.Q. Davis; 1890-1908, W.R. Hale; 1908-12, J.A. Vanzandt; 1912-14, J.M. Wait; 1914-16, W. Williamson; 1947-52, Ralph Dunn; 1953-56, -----; 1957-68, Floyd Ragsdale; 1969-1978,

JUDGES OF NINTH CHANCERY DISTRICT: J.G. Wallace, appointed. Not confirmed by Senate. Appointed again 1903. Jordon Sellers - 1912. W.E. Atkinson, April 23, 1921, appointed vice, Sellers residend; elected to January 1929. W.E. Atkinson, 1929-1936. J.B. Ward, 1937-1954. Ricahrd Mobley, September 20, 1951, was appointed to fill vacancy by death of J.B. Ward. Geo. O. Patterson, 1953-1966. John G. Rye, Appointed on September 25, 1961, due to the illness of Geo. O. Patterson. Wiley W. Bean, Appointed Dec. 4, 1961, due to the death of Geo. O. Patterson. Richard Mobley, 1963-1978.

CIRCUIT JUDGES OF FIFTH DISTRICT: J.J. Clendenin, Dec. 28, 1840; W.H. Field, Dec. 24, 1846; J.J. Clendenin, Sept. 6, 1854; Liberty Bartlett, Nov. 12, 1854; E.D. Ham, July 23, 1868; Benton J. Brown, Sept. 30, 1874;

W.W. Mansfield, Oct. 31, 1874; Thomas W. Pound, Sept. 9, 1878; W.D. Jacoway, Oct. 21, 1878; G.S. Cunningham, Oct. 31, 1882; (three terms) J.E. Cravens, elected Sept. 11, 1889; J.G. Wallace, Oct. 30, 1890 to Oct. 31, 1898; W.L. Mooser, Oct. 31, 1898 to Oct. 31, 1906; J.H. Basham, Oct. 31, 1906 to Oct. 31, 1914; Jess M. Martin, Oct. 31, 1914, died 1915. Marcellus L. Davis, Jan. 29, 1915 to Nov. 30, 1916; A.B. Priddy, Nov. 30, 1916 to Jan. 1, 1923; J.T. Bullock, Jan. 1, 1923 to Jan. 1, 1930; A.B. Priddy, 1931-38; Audrey Strait, 1939-1962; Wiley W. Bean, 1963-66; Russell Roberts 1967 and is still Judge in 1978.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS: R.W. Johnson, Dec. 31, 1840; George C. Watkins, Jan. 11, 1845; J.J. Clendenin, Feb. 17, 1849 to Sept. 1854; J.L. Hollowell, Sept. 8, 1858 to 1860; Sam W. Williams, May 10, 1860; Pleasant Jordan, Sept. 7, 1861; Sam W. Williams, July 6, 1863; John Whytock, Dec. 19, 1865; R.H. Deadman, Oct. 15, 1866; N.J. Temple, Aug. 15, 1868; Arch Young, Aug. 24, 1872; Thos. Barnes, April 23, 1873; J.P. Bevers, Oct. 31, 1873; A.S. McKennon, Oct. 14, 1878; J.G. Wallace, (two terms) Oct. 31, 1882; H.S. Carter, Oct. 30 1886; Jeff Davis, Oct. 30, 1890 to Oct. 31, 1894; C.C. Reid Jr., Oct. 31, 1894 to Oct. 31, 1898; Lawrence Russell, Oct. 31, 1898 to Oct. 30, 1902; R.L. Lawrence, Oct. 30, 1902; H.M. Jacoway, Oct. 31, 1904 to Oct. 31, 1908; W.P. Strait, Oct. 31, 1908 to Oct. 31, 1912; Sam Rorex, Jan. 1, 1921 to Jan 1, 1925; Bob Ragsdale, Jan. 1, 1925 to Jan 1, 1929; Audrey Strait, 1929-34; Lewis M. Robinson, 1935-38; R.M. Priddy, 1939-44; C.R. George, 1945-48; Robert Hays Williams, 1949-52; Edward Gordon, 1953-58; George F. Hartje, Jr. 1959-62; Jeff Mobley, 1963-70; Alex Street, 1971-78;

A.S. Hays, Oct. 31, 1912 to Oct. 31, 1916; Heartsill Reagon, Nov. 30, 1916 to Jan. 1, 1921.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE TERRITORIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM POPE COUNTY WERE: Andrew Scott, Representative, 1831; W. Garrett, Representative, 1833; Issac Hughes, Council, 1831 and John Williamson, Council, 1833.

ARKANSAS STATE GENERAL ASSEMBLY — SENATORS: J. Williamson, 1836-1851; W.W. Floyd, 1856-1859 to Jan. 21, 1861. Special session Nov. 4, to Nov. 18, 1861 and March 5, to March 22, 1862. A.M. Ward was Senator at these sessions. Ben T. Embry, 1862. At the 15th General Assembly from April 11, to June 6, 1864 and Nov. 7, 1864 to Jan. 2, 1865 and April 3, to April 22, 1865, William Stout was Senator at these sessions. At the Confederate General Assembly held at Washington, from Sept. 22, to Oct. 2, 1864, Ben T. Embry was Senator. J.E. Cravens, 1866-1867; Z. Keeton and W.W. Brashear Jr., 1868-69; A.D. Thomas, 1871-1873; J.R. Homer Scott was elected at a special election held on Nov. 4, 1873. C.E. Tobey, Nov. 1874-1877; John F. Hill, 1879-1881; B.T. Embry, 1885; G.T. Cazort, 1887-1889; J.M. Harkey, 1891-1893; G.T. Cazort, 1895-1897; Robert L. Lawrence, 1899-1901; Alonza W. Covington, 1903-1905; Jesse M. Martin, 1907-1909; A.W. Covington, 1911-1913; I.C. Burgess, 1915-1917; Lee Cazort, 1919-1921; Robert Bailey, 1923-1925; Paul McKennon, 1927-1929; Robert Bailey, 1931-1933; Armil Taylor, 1935-1937; F.D. Majors, 1939; Joe D. Sheppard, 1941-1943; Eric Caviness, 1945-1947; Bob Bailey, Jr., 1949-1953; Robert Hays Williams, 1955-1961; Carl E. Sorrells, 1963-1973; Joe Ray, 1975, still serving.

REPRESENTATIVES: 1836-37-38, M.G.H. Teevault and J.J. Moose. In 1837 & 1838, John Bruton served instead of M.G.H. Teevault. December 1838, P.H. Martin and A.C. Sadler; 1840, John Bruton and G.C. Sadler; 1842-1843, M.T. Logan and P. Tackett; 1844-45, James B. Logan; 1846, J.B. Annis & James Burton; 1848-49, J.M. Shinn & J.J. Stirman; 1850-51, J.G. Bruton and C.E. Tobey; 1852-53, J.S. Bowden & Jas. Bruton; 1854-55, James Bruton & Urn Poe; 1856-57, W.A. Barker & J.S. Bowden; 1858-59, W.A. Barker & David West; 13th General Assembly from Nov. 5, 1860 to Jan. 21, 1861, held special session Nov. 4, to Nov 18, 1861 and Mar. 5, to Mar. 22, 1862, J.S. Bowden; 1862, John McFadden; 15th General Assembly from April 11 to June 6, 1864 and Nov. 7, 1864 to Jan. 2, 1865 and April 3, to April 22, 1865, Robert White; Confederate General Assembly held at Washington, from Sept. 22 to Oct. 2, 1864, John McFadden; Nov. 1866 to Mar. 1867, C.E. Tobey; 1868-69, W.W. Brashear, J.R. Hall and H.W. Hodges; 1871, T.D. Hawkins, B.F. Taylor, N.H. Cleland; 1873, Benton Turner, Y.B. Sheppard, J.F. Stevenson; 1874, L.W. Davis, J.S. Venable, Nov. 1874 thru Dec. 1875, N.D. Shinn; 1877, Lewis W. Davis; 1879, E.L. McCracken; 1881, H. Clabe Howell; 1883, N.W. Kuhn; 1885, C.E. Tobey; 1887, W.L. Sibley; 1889, W.L. Sibley, 1891, Lawrence Russell; 1893,



Pope County Officials and Assistants
1914-15

Front L to R: Sheriff J.W. Danley; Steele Hays; Judge Jess Martin and Judge Ira Griffin. 2nd Row: Mr. Garrigus; unknown; Odus May; K.M. Willis; L. Ragsdale; Warren Williamson, and Harold Braselton. 3rd row: Horace Danley, Deputy Sheriff; Quince Hill, Deputy Sheriff; Luther Turnbow; Virgil Sewell; Coleman Wait, unknown, and Bob Wallace.

M.H. Buchanan & L. Russell; 1895, John H. Bullock, and Francis M. Hudson, Jr.; 1897, J.H. Bullock, F.M. Hudson; 1899, Tom D. Brooks, Joseph Howard; 1901, Thomas D. Brooks, James A. McCracken; 1903, Alexander M. Gibson, Edward C. Bradley; 1905, Uratus L. Meade, Ivison C. Burgess; 1907, Uratus L. Meade, James D. Hogan; 1909, H.F. Spillers, M.L. Ellis; 1911, Robt. E.L. Duvall, F.M. Hudson, Jr.; 1913, F.M. Hudson, Jr., Thomas B. Friar; 1915, Earl P. Bell, Robert Bailey; 1917, C.L. Shinn, C.W. Bell; 1919, C.L. Shinn, J.L. Turner; 1921, Raymond S. Hudson, R.M. Oates; 1923, J.H. Hurley, R.A. Caudle; 1925, Joe D. Shppard, Reece A. Caudle; 1927, Reece Caudle, Jack Smallwood, Jr.; 1929, J.H.A. Baker, J.B. Ward; 1931, J.B. Evans, J.W. Danley; 1933, John R. Rye, Neal King; 1935, Dolan Burris, John Gordon Rye; 1937, Dolan Burris, J. Leonard Bell; 1939, J. Leonard Bell; 1941, LeRoy Hickman; 1943, Dolan Burris; 1945, Dolan Burris; 1947, James K. Young; 1949-51, Dolan Burris; 1953-65, Clyde Kinslow; 1967-69, Jim Harrell, Doc Bryan; 1971, Ron Archer, Doc Bryan; 1973-77, Doc Bryan, Manuel Allison.

JOHN POPE

John Pope was the third governor of the Territory of Arkansas, being appointed by President Andrew Jackson March 9, 1829. He was born and raised in Westmoreland County, Virginia; graduated in literature, and two years later in law, and moved with his father's family to Kentucky when he was 24 years of age. He entered politics, and he and Henry Clay were made senators from Kentucky to the United States Congress. While in the Senate he married Miss Johnson of Maryland who was a sister of Mrs. John Quincy Adams. In the presidential election of 1824 he supported Jackson, voting against his brother-in-law, but took no active part in the campaign. In 1828 Adams and Jackson were again the candidates, and Mr. Pope showed his decided preference by making a canvas of the states of Kentucky and Virginia in the interest of Andrew Jackson. Governor Pope was first appointed to fill out the unexpired term of Gov. George Izard, who died in the autumn of 1828. He was appointed again in March, 1831, and served as our territorial governor until April 1835, when he was succeeded by Governor Fulton. The reason of Governor Pope not being again reappointed by President Jackson was because of the independence of Governor in daring to disagree with "Old Hickory" on the policy of the latter's administration.

Prior to the time of Governor Pope's appointment, all offices in the territory of Arkansas were appointed. He immediately took steps to have this changed, and succeeded in having all offices except Governor, Judges and Secretary elected by the people. The first legislative act signed by Governor Pope was one declaring the offices elective instead of appointive, and provided severe punishments for fraudulent voting. The same legislature

passed an act declaring all gambling contracts void; also an act imposing the death penalty for stealing horses, mules, and negroes.

Governor Pope returned to Kentucky after his term as governor expired, and was elected to congress on the "Whig" ticket, and was re-elected for four successive terms. He died in 1844 full of honors, at the ripe age of 74 years. In youth he was tall and slender, a little over six feet in height, but as age advanced he became corpulent. He was one-armed, having lost an arm by accident in a mill at the age of fourteen. He was a brilliant lawyer, had a high sense of honor, and had high aspirations, but he never allowed his ambition to swerve him in the least from his convictions of right. He descended from a noble stock. He was a first cousin to George Washington. Judge William F. Pope of Little Rock was private secretary to Governor Pope. Every citizen of Pope County can point with pride to the name we were given on November 2, 1829. "No higher lineage, no nobler blood flows through ancestral tides in this or any other country or age."

by J.B. Lemley

INDIANS IN THE POPE COUNTY AREA

In 1541, when Hernando de Soto visited Arkansas he found there were three groups of Indians living here. They were the Quapaw, the Caddo, and the Osage. The Quapaws and the Osages were closely related. They both belonged to the Dakota group of the Sioux family of Indians, and spoke similar languages. The Dakota group had first lived on the Ohio River, and long before the discovery of America by Columbus, the group had moved downstream to seek new homes. Upon arriving at the Mississippi River the Indians divided. Those going downstream were called the Quapaw, meaning "those going with the current," and those that went upstream were called the Omaha, meaning "those going against the current."

The Omaha Indians went up the Mississippi River to the mouth of the Missouri River. They went up the Missouri to the point where the Osage River flows into the Missouri, here another division took place. The group that settled on the Osage River became known as the Osage Indians, and the rest went on up the Missouri to settle in Nebraska and in the Dakotas. The Osage River had never been named until this time, and it was named after the Osage Indians.

The Osage hunted in the northwest part of Arkansas and in Oklahoma and Missouri. They were a war-like tribe and disliked very much the fact that the Cherokee Indians started moving into their hunting grounds. This caused the two tribes to become enemies.

The Osage Indians were the first inhabitants of Pope County of which we have any written record. Being a reckless and warring tribe, their raiding parties robbed and murdered white hunters, burned the villages of

other Indians, then made their way back into the mountains of central Missouri for refuge.

Pope County had belonged to the Osage Indians until a treaty was signed by them in 1808. This treaty was negotiated by General William Clark. This gave the United States the territory east of a line drawn from Fort Clark at Fire Prairie, on the Missouri River, near Kansas City, south to the Arkansas River at the mouth of Frog Bayou, near Alma, Arkansas.

The Cherokee Indians started moving into the Arkansas area in the late 1700's, long before treaties could be signed giving them certain lands to live on. As they moved in, the land they chose was part of the Osage hunting grounds. Tah-lon-tes-kee (also spelled Tol-on-tus-ky), the principal chief of the Arkansas Cherokees, came to Arkansas in about 1809 with about three hundred followers. In July of 1817 a treaty gave the Cherokees of Georgia and Tennessee land in Arkansas, in exchange for part of their lands east of the Mississippi River. Most of the land between the White and Arkansas Rivers that lies west of the mouth of the Point Remove Creek was given to the Cherokee by this treaty. This is the origin of the name "Point Remove", meaning the point to which the Indians were moved.

The Cherokees were not wild savages. They were civilized Indians, who were fast adopting the ways of the white man. They had schools, churches, and strict laws which their people had to obey. Many of their leaders had "college educations". While most of the Indians made a living by growing a little corn and hunting, a few of the Cherokees were wealthy. They owned Negro slaves and had cultivated large cotton plantations before their removal from the east.

When they came to Arkansas they did not expect to return to a savage life. On the eve of their departure from their homeland, Oo-loo-le-ka, later known as Chief John Jolly, declared they would continue to be herdsmen and live in peace and friendship with all the Indians west of the Mississippi River.

Chief John Jolly came into Arkansas with three hundred thirty-one Cherokee Indians on thirteen flat boats. They began their descent of the Tennessee River in February of 1818. In his party there were one hundred eight warriors, each armed with a new rifle, and they carried provisions for seventy days. This would have been enough, but as a result of difficulties in passing Muscle Shoals, they were much longer.

Upon the death of Tol-on-tus-ky, the United States Government recognized John Jolly as the new principal chief of the Arkansas Cherokee. He was a brother to Tol-on-tus-ky, and on his shoulders fell the burden of leading his people. The Cherokees were looked upon as intruders by the Osage, and soon after their arrival a Cherokee hunting party was killed by the Osage. This first outrage was overlooked by the Cherokees and their chiefs and principal warriors visited the Osage towns to propose a treaty. The Osage listened to the proposal, and a peace treaty was agreed upon. The Cherokees left for their own villages, and had traveled for a day or so when a small band of Cherokees were killed while hunting for game to supply them with



John Jolly, Chief of the Western Cherokees, adopted the young Sam Houston as his son.



Sequoyah, a citizen of the Cherokee Nation West, invented the syllabary of the Cherokee Nation.

provisions for their journey.

This type of treachery was repeated again and again until the Cherokees took up arms against the Osage. The Cherokee warriors, numbering about two hundred and fifty, met the Osage, who had some two thousand warriors, in battle. However, scores of Osage were slain, and the rest took refuge after an inglorious fight. Very many scalps were taken by the Cherokee, and large numbers of women and children were captured. After this the Osage were soon asking for a new peace. As a result the prisoners were released and all was fine for a few months. Then the Osages began violating this peace treaty too.

About this time a Cherokee chief by the name of Ta-kah-to-kuh, also spelled Ta-ka-to-ka, immigrated into Arkansas from the old Nation. He was a descendant of the ancient Cherokee priesthood, and was a distinguished chief and a brave warrior. He was immediately looked upon as a high chief, and John Jolly, the principal civil chief, referred to him in regard to war.

Ta-kah-to-kuh, as war chief of the Cherokees, was largely responsible for the hostile attitude of his people. His uniform answer to all arguments for peace was: "The Osage are liars, and no liar should ever be trusted. If we make a treaty with them they will break it, for they are liars. Let there be perpetual war with the Osage."

Ta-kah-to-kuh dreamed of a vast Indian confederation, west of the Mississippi River, which would control the troublesome Osage and other Indians, who roamed the prairies, murdering settlers, robbing, stealing, and burning Indian homes and villages. Ta-kah-to-kuh dreamed of having the union of tribes and nations put a stop to the practice of the white man moving in on the lands of the Indians, forming settlements, and forcing the Indians to move out.

Officers in high position and authority in the United States government were favorable to Ta-kah-to-kuh's dream or idea, and encouraged him in his efforts. The idea fitted into their plan for removing the Indians from the eastern part of the United States, thus

giving protection against the reckless western tribes and the Mexicans.

Soon after the creation of the Territory of Arkansas, General James Miller was appointed Governor of the Territory of Arkansas and Superintendent of Indian Affairs. He was instructed to bring the war between the Cherokee and the Osage Indians to a close. As a result, there were several peace councils held. Ta-kah-to-kuh refused to even go to these peace talks and the Osage refused to accept any treaty without his signature on it.

Walter Webber, a half-breed, who operated a store at his home on the Arkansas River about five miles above the mouth of the Illinois Bayou, was also a chief in the Cherokee Nation. Webber lived in ease and affluence, possessing a decently furnished and well provided house, several negro slaves, a large well cleared and well fenced farm, and both he and his nephew could read, write, and speak English. It was at Webber's store that some of the meetings were held with the Osage.

On February 10, 1820, a meeting was held with the Osage, in Webber's store, demanding that the Osage be required to pay for furs that they had stolen from the Cherokee. Also, that they should be required to surrender for atonement by death as many Osage warriors as they had killed of the Cherokees.

In the early 1820's there was about 4,000 Osage Indians living to the west of the Cherokees, and there was an even greater number of Osage living to the north of Arkansas Territory. There had been fighting going on for many years between the two tribes. In an attempt to establish harmonious relations between them, Governor Miller ascended the Arkansas River in March of 1820. Upon arriving at Cadron, in the middle of the Cherokee country, the governor was greeted by Cherokee Agent Reuben Lewis, who told the governor that a party of Osages had recently robbed and killed three Cherokees and that the Cherokees were angry and determined to launch another campaign. Lewis had persuaded them to delay, however, until he could confer with the governor. Miller instructed

Lewis to inform the Cherokees that he would counsel with them on April 20.

In the council at Dardanelle Governor Miller proposed that the Cherokees delay hostilities until he could visit the Osages and demand that they give up the tribesmen who had murdered the Cherokees in the recent conflict. With the Cherokees in agreement, Miller and four Cherokee chiefs proceeded to the Osage village on the Verdigris. The Osages refused Miller's request for the killers, declaring that "the Cherokees ought not to call on them to do justice without being willing to do justice themselves." The explained that, after several years of fighting between them and the Cherokees and their allies, the contestants had in 1818 made a treaty before Governor William Clark of Missouri Territory agreeing to permanent peace on condition that the Cherokees give up the prisoners they had during the war; but the Cherokees had not complied with this stipulation. Unable to obtain an immediate settlement, Miller arranged for the two tribes to meet at Fort Smith in the fall for the purpose of exchanging the prisoners for the killers.

Governor Miller believed that a settlement of the Indian war was "important to the safety of the inhabitants of this Territory." With this in mind, he journeyed to Fort Smith in November expecting to meet with them two tribes in an effort to make a "final settlement" between them. When he arrived at the fort, he learned that a party of seventy Osages had recently attacked a Cherokee hunting party on the Poteau, killing two, wounding one, and stealing all of the hunters' belongings. The Osages had declined to attend the council at Fort Smith, so in attempt to persuade them to abstain from hostilities, Miller proceeded to their village. There the Osages proposed as terms of peace that they retain the murderers of the Cherokees and that the Cherokees keep their Osage captives. Miller then went to the Cherokee settlement where he was unable to persuade them in the accept the Osages' terms. He then told the Cherokees that he would not "interfere with your affairs so long as you do not meddle with the persons or property of the white people."

In May of 1821 acting Governor Crittenden reported to the Sec. of War Calhoun, that the Osages had recently threatened the settlers on the "extreme frontier" of Arkansas and robbed them of "most of their cattle," some of which Crittenden understood had been returned. He had told the Osage chiefs that they must "stay at home," and they had promised to do so, but they declared that the youngmen were anxious "for revenge." Both the Cherokees and Osages were endeavoring to form alliances with "neighboring tribes." In order that "invasion and outrage," might be repelled, Crittenden suggested that pistols and swords be furnished two hundred troopers expected to be "raised at any moment to act as Minute-men." Calhoun replied in July that the weapons requested would be made available to the territorial militia.

Presumably because Major Bradford was able to prevent hostilities between the frontiersmen and the warring Indians, the militia was not brought into action. Bradford in-

formed Calhoun in November, 1821, that the citizens were tranquil and that he had not the least doubt of being able "to keep peace between the Whites and the Indians on this Frontier."

The Osages sent word to Governor Miller in February of 1822 that they desired to have peace. The governor then journeyed to the Cherokee settlement to inform them of the Osages' wish. Two large war parties, he learned, had recently set out against the Osages. Hoping to terminate the war, Miller called a conference of the principal chiefs, but they would not commit themselves beyond saying that if their warriors returned successful they might "agree to meet the Osages and try to make peace." The talk having "ended in nothing," Miller traveled on to Fort Smith, where Sub-agent Nathaniel Philbrook advised him that the Osages, now without meat and ammunition, were begging for peace. But Miller returned to Arkansas Post without attempting further dealings with the Indians.

In 1824, Webber's store burned to the ground one night after one of these council meetings. The loss was but at ten thousand dollars.

After one of the council meetings, about eighty Cherokee warriors, under the command of Walter Webber, went into the Osage country, and proceeded to their town, hoping to surprise them. Arriving at their village they found nothing but bare poles and a little corn, which they destroyed. The Osage men, women and children, had gone on their fall and winter hunt on the buffalo range. The Cherokee found their trail, and followed them for many days, always keeping scouts out in front so that they would not walk into an ambush.

After this had gone for many days the Cherokees were thrown off their guard. The scouts had all come in, and they were moving on very leisurely, when they came to a narrow mountain pass. Upon going through the pass, they suddenly found themselves in the very center of their enemies encampment. A dreadful war-whoop was raised on both sides. Soon the surviving Osage warriors fled, leaving their old men, women, and children to the mercy of the Cherokees. The Cherokee reported one hundred and fifty slain, which is a large number for an Indian fight, and they brought home seventy prisoners; consisting wholly of women and children.

This was the last actual engagement between these two tribes.

One day, soon after this Ta-kah-to-kuh agreed to go and listen to the Osage peace talk. There Chih-kil-leh, an Indian who could think of beautiful speeches, made a peace talk that stirred Ta-kah-to-kuh's heart so deeply that he wept. Before sundown Ta-kah-to-kuh agreed to make no more war. The next day the chief sadly visited the Rev. Cephas Washburn at Dwight Mission, as they were now close friends.

"I am in health," he said, "but I called to confess my shame. Yesterday I allowed myself to be overpowered by a speaker, and I cried like a woman. I spoke before I slept."

"Cannot you change your vote?" asked the

missionary.

"A man never speaks twice" answered the chief.

Ta-kah-to-kuh died in 1824, his dreams of confederation among the Indian tribes and nation were never fulfilled.

In addition to the trouble the Cherokees had with the Osage they also had bloody encounters with the Pawnee and other Indians of the "Plains" from time to time. These encounters were a result of frequent trips made by the Cherokee to the West to hunt buffalo.

by David L. Vance

THE INDIAN AGENTS

By 1813, so many Cherokees were on the Arkansas River that an agent was appointed to represent them. This agent was Major Lovely, a veteran of the Revolution, who had been an Indian Agent among the Cherokee for fifteen years and was known and respected by them. He came to Arkansas in June of 1813 and established his agency on the Illinois Bayou about a mile above where it joins the Arkansas River (near where Dwight Mission was later located). This was about the center of the Cherokee settlements. He spent the remainder of his life in the interest of the Cherokee. After his death on February 24, 1817, his widow, Persis Lovely, remained in her home for life with the Cherokee. This treaty also stated that she could have all the land she could cultivate. All other white people were removed from the Cherokee Nation.

Major Lovely had repeatedly urged the Secretary of War to station troops on the Arkansas River above the Cherokee Nation to prevent war between the Osage under Claremore, a chief of a group of Osage Indians that had emigrated to the Three Forks of the Arkansas River and settled on the Verdigris River above what is now Muskogee, Oklahoma, and the Cherokee. The Osage were stealing horses belonging to the Cherokee and there were constant reprisals. The troops were also to be used to control the renegade whites who had illegally entered the Cherokee Reservation. Major Lovely did not live to see the troops; but shortly after his death a detachment of troops pushed their way up the Arkansas River to the mouth of the Poteau, a landmark well known to explorers and hunters as Belle Point. Here they built a fort and named it Fort Smith in honor of General Thomas A. Smith, commander of the Western Department of War with headquarters at St. Louis.

As an Indian Agent, Major Lovely made an unauthorized purchase of lands from the Osage Indians, between the Arkansas and the Red Rivers, and also a tract on the north of the Arkansas River between the Verdigris River and the western boundary, established by the Osage treaty of 1808. This last tract of land was later called "Lovely's Purchase." On October 13, 1827, the county of Lovely was formed out of land not previously assigned to any county. This county did not last long, but was abolished on October 17, 1828. Most of the country had been cut off by the Cherokee

Treaty of May, 1828. The only known county record of Lovely County is in the Pope County Courthouse.

Major Lovely was succeeded by Reuben Lewis who served as agent for only a short time and resigned because of his health in 1820. He was succeeded by Col. David Brearley on May 1, 1820, who selected a site for his agency among the mighty oaks below Dardanelle Rock, a site already well known as a council ground by the Cherokee.

When Col. Brearley came to the Arkansas River area as Cherokee Indian agent, he called a conference of all Cherokee chiefs to meet under the "Council Oaks" and explained that he was going to make a census of every Cherokee on the Arkansas River. Thus the Oaks saw another great council of the Cherokee and the idea of this as a council ground became even better established.

It had been the policy of the United States to establish trading posts among the Indians so that they could sell their furs and hides for things that they needed. These posts were called factories, and the trader was called the factor. A factory was established at Spadra with Col. Matthew Lyon, a famous soldier, diplomat, and statesman as factor.

Col. Lyon, although seventy years of age, was an active and valuable man to the service, and a well suited man for his work with the Indians. It was during the Revolutionary War that he had risen from the rank of Lieutenant to the position of Colonel. Before coming to Arkansas he had helped to organize the town of Fairhaven, Vermont, and in 1801, he had moved to Kentucky and organized the town of Eddyville. In both states he had been very active in political life. Upon coming to Arkansas in 1820, he went right to work helping the Indians.

After spending more than a year at Spadra Bluff, Col. Lyon decided to make a boat trip to New Orleans. He left in February of 1822. He took with him for market, hides of buffalos, deer, and bears, furs, cotton, venison, hams, tallow, beeswax, and honey. On his return trip he brought back a fourteen hundred pound cotton gin and many necessities for barter. He returned in June of 1822, and in July he became ill, and died on August 1, 1822.

Knowing that he would not recover from this illness, he requested that a coffin be made double of hardwood timber, one box containing the other with the vacuum between them being filled with lime. The inside box was carefully lined with beaten lead.

In 1830, as he had expected, his body was taken and placed in the family vault at Eddyville. Some four thousand people attended this funeral, at which Rev. Johnson, a Methodist minister from Nashville, Tennessee, officiated. Just before the coffin was placed into the vault, the coffin was opened and Col. Lyon's face could be seen by the family and many friends. It was for this that he had planned his casket of lime and lead. For a brief minute his features were natural a life-then before their very eyes he crumbled to dust.

Major DuVall was the last Indian Agent in Pope County. He was in charge when the Cherokees were moved to Oklahoma, and he

is the one who did what settling there was done on the treaty for the removal of the Indians from Pope County.

The Cherokee were a civilized tribe. They built homes, cleared lands which were fenced, raised crops, including cotton, owned slaves, cattle, horses, hogs, and other stock. Cephas Washburn states that their homes compared favorably with white settlers' who were their neighbors south of the Arkansas River. Many of the chiefs and head men of the Cherokee were half breeds, intelligent and politically minded.

In 1828 when the Indians were moved into their permanent homes in Oklahoma, they had to leave their cleared, fertile fields of Pope County. It did not take long for the white people to take over the old Indian homes and farms. As soon as the Indians left, many white people came in and took up where the Indians had left off.

by David L. Vance

MYSTERIOUS NORRISTOWN MOUNTAIN

One of the largest Indian burial grounds on the entire continent extends eastward from the foot of Norristown Mountain for miles along both sides of the Arkansas River.

When the Cherokee Indians moved into Oklahoma they asked the "Great White Father at Washington" to allow them to retain one small strip of land in Arkansas.

They would not say why, but they included in their request Norristown Mountain, and a narrow strip extending eastward along the shore of the Arkansas River. This was granted and for nearly a century they held title to this land, although few Indians remained in the vicinity.

Every year many tribes of Cherokee from the west returned to the great Dardanelle Rock. Protected from the prying eyes of the white man on one side by the river and by the mystery mountain on the other side, they held their ancient tribal ceremonies.

For years and years they came, to drink from fresh water springs of the mountain, but gradually the river took its toll on their campgrounds. One pioneer asked one of the Indians the meaning of their annual pilgrimage, but was met with the typical rebuff: "That's a secret no d--- white man will ever know."

One old squaw, many years later, said, "If the white man knew what is in Norristown Mountain, their horses would wear silver shoes!"

Whether the Indians came to search for a treasure is not known, but it has been long believed that such a treasure does exist.

Mrs. Persis Lovely told Jacob Harkey, an early pioneer, who built the second cabin of the white settlement just below Crescent Mountain, "I can stand in my doorway and see the grave of a chief who was buried with half a bushel of silver beside him." When the settlers asked her to show them the grave, she refused saying, "I cannot tell you. You'd do just what any other white man would do — go and dig it up!" So, it was believed that

Mrs. Lovely feared Indian revenge, if she divulged what she knew.

On a huge rock near Russellville, called Cagles' Rock, is a great lizard, painted in vermillion ochre, with numerous bits of Indian picturewriting on each side. The rains of the ages have beaten down upon its gaudy coloring, and yet it remains unfaded. There is no other such mark for miles, and treasure-hunters have dug diligently all around in the area.

In about 1926, a half-breed Spanish prospector came quietly into Russellville. He employed two negro helpers, and from an old chart, located a certain grave in a lonely spot about three miles from town. They worked at night, and finally, while a dim lantern cast eerie shadows above the departed spirits of the Red Man, their picks actually struck the clinking coin.

After removing the money, they swore to secrecy. The half-breed telling them of rewards they should receive when his employer saw what they had found. A white man owned the negroes each receiving their share.

The Spaniard told them not to tell anyone about their find until he returned, for perhaps their employer would pay them to dig further. The helpers agreed, the Spaniard left and has not been seen since. After a period of time these workers told their story, but the true mystery of the treasure, whether it was silver ore, or whether it was Spanish money, is still to be unravelled.

by David L. Vance

EARLY HISTORY OF POPE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

Pope County was formed principally from Conway County and created as a County on November 2, 1829, seven years before the Territory of Arkansas became the State of Arkansas in 1836. Then the temporary County Seat was at the home of John Balingier on the Arkansas River near Hon. John R. Scott's farm, known as "Scotia." The courts were also held at his place during 1829-1830.

Another early Court was held at the old Dwight Mission on the Illinois Bayou.

In 1830, the County Seat was established at old Norristown and remained there about ten years. But no county buildings were erected there.

The first Court House was built in 1840 when the County Seat was moved to Dover. It consisted of a log structure that was used until it burned during the time of the War between the States. Then the courts were held in Churches, until the erection of a brick court house on the Town Square at Dover. It was later sold to the Town of Dover for \$100.00, to be used as a school.

The County Seat was then moved to Russellville. The date — May 16, 1888.

But I am getting slightly ahead of my history.

The prairie, which is now Russellville, was settled in 1834 by P.C. Holledger, who built the first house. The house was purchased the following year by Dr. Thomas Russell, grandfather of Miss May Russell. This house was located east of Mrs. J.F. Hogins' home, (Editor's Note: today this is the location of the Shinn's Funeral Home.) Mrs. Hogins being another Russell granddaughter, where the red brick house that is now the Jack and Jill Nursery stands today (Editor's Note: today this is the location of the First Federal Savings and Loan of Russellville.) That is, the corner of Main and Houston Streets.

Russellville was named for Dr. Thomas Russell. There is quite a story connected with the naming of our town. It seems that after the Mexican War of 1846-47 Mr. Jacob L. Shinn returned home and opened up a small store. Shortly afterwards a number of neighbors from the Settlement of this prairie casually met and the question of a name for the town arose. Mr. Shinn's friends claimed the name should be Shinnville upon the grounds of his having the first store, Dr. Russell's for occupying the first house. The vote was taken and the results are now history; hence, Russellville.

Incidentally, this same Mr. Jacob L. Shinn donated all the land for the building of our Court House, making that one of the deciding factors in moving the County Seat to Russellville.

Russellville became officially incorporated as a town on June 7, 1870.

In one of Dickens' novels a character says, "Events of later date have floated from me to that far off shore where all forgotten things shall reappear, but this stands like a high rock in the ocean."

And so it is with all of us.

Most of the things that will be said here are my high rocks in Memory's Ocean, and the others are things that some one else remem-



This is the first house to be built in the valley. It was built by P.C. Holledger in 1834. It was purchased the following year by Dr. Thomas Russell.



Dr. Thomas Russell, the man that Russellville is named after. He was the owner of the first house in the valley.



This is a picture of Mr. J.L. Shinn, the man that opened the first store in Russellville.

bered as happenings in our town.

Back in the days when the geography we studied in school said that Arkansas was a State of undeveloped resources, we were taught to give the boundaries of the different countries of the world, and of the States of the Union.

Perhaps the younger generation would like to know where the east, west, north and south limits of Russellville were back in the 1880's.

A rail fence zigzagged across Main Street just west of where Mrs. R.E. Weedon lives (Editor's Note: this is where Taylor's Flower Shop is today.) and stretched from the old Ouita Road south to Bradley Lane.

This enclosed a large tract of uncultivated land known as White's field, and beyond the town branch in the west end, the only house in sight was the Cox home, nestling among some oak trees. This Cox home was just north of the big brick house that Mr. W.J. White built many years later, facing on West Main Street. Dr. Charles Wilkins now resides in the old White home. (Editor's Note: the White home has been restored, and placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Dr. now lives in this house.

On the extreme south of town was the McKeever Springs road but there was another large open field this side of the road.

In those days Glenwood was Long Street and it did not belie its name since it reached from Main Street to the McKeever Road.

Back of Long Street, in part of what we call Negro Town today, there lived two white families, the Claytons and the Allens. What these families did for a livelihood, I do not recall, but one of them went by the name of "Squealing" Allen. Why is your guess.

Negro Town then was across the branch and farther to the southwest, and not nearly so large as today. And too, a few of the negro homes were scattered among the white residences. Charley May, our town's only barber in those days, lived on West "B" Street. Bar-

bering back then was a negro's job.

Bordering Long Street were scattered houses extending out six or seven blocks and here lived families whose names are almost unknown today. So quickly a few generations pass and the family name is gone. The Moseleys, Bonds, Millers, Erwins, Wyatts, Thatches, Youngbloods, Lattas, Lukers, and Roaches, all prominent in helping to build out town. There were merchants, teachers, doctors, and preachers.

River Street was part of the county road that ran from Dover to Norristown on the river, and so its name. Norristown Mountain, now, is better known as Skyline Drive. River Street is now Denver, and on the corner of Main and Denver was our first mercantile store, that of J.L. Shinn.

The site of the old Post Office on South Denver was the J.L. Shinn home almost from the days of the War between the States.

A grove of trees, oak and sweet gum, stretched south to where the Joe Faulkner home is today and a few houses were scattered among them, in one of which I was born.

The road, South Arkansas, to Dardanelle was Oak Street, until at the Charley Howell home it became a narrow lane, called Berryman Lane for Squire Berryman, who afterwards was a County Judge.

Across the street east of the old Sherman school site (Editor's Note: this is where the Post Office is now located.) was the Jamison home, and facing this on the north was the Baird home. Another field covered the rest of the ground east until some northern capitalists came in and built the Melrose Cotton Mill, part of which still stands, and, at one time, was the Hedge McClanahan Ice Plant. At present there is a laundromat located in the building. (Editor's Note: All of this building, except the laundromat, has been torn down now.)

This Mrs. Jamison was an ardent temperance advocate, and organized the children in a "Band of Hope" that she conducted on Sunday afternoons.

For years, Mr. M.H. Baird was one of our outstanding teachers, and later was elected Justice of the Peace and called Judge. He was a Confederate Veteran, and on occasions back in those days, often came out in full regalia of the Confederacy.

Southeast of our town the Rankins, Cagles, Loves, Albrights and others had country homes and large farms.

All north of the railroad was country except for a few houses scattered here and there.

Just across the track on Arkansas Avenue, where the Bibler Bros. Lumber Company is today, was the home of L.M. Smith. (Editor's Note: this is the Southeast corner of Arkansas



This is a picture of the J.L. Shinn Store at the Corner of West Main and South Denver Avenue. The store faced to the North on the Southeast corner. This picture was made in 1888 of his second store. The original store was a frame building that was replaced later by this building.

Ave. and "D" Street.) His son, Dr. R.L. Smith, promoted the building of St. Mary's Hospital. On the opposite side of the road from the Smith home stood a grist mill, a planing mill, a cotton gin, and a wool carding mill, all owned by L.M. Smith.

Farther to the east beyond the old Crawford Memorial School, the Dr. Harkey country home stood. He was the father of the late Mr. Ed Harkey and the grandfather of Dr. Don Harkey. It was in connection with this home that Russellville's first tragedy, that I can remember, occurred.

One night, the wedding of one of the daughters was to take place in the home, and a group of people from town were driving out in a wagon, drawn by a pair of mules. The mules became frightened and ran away, upsetting the wagon and killing a Mrs. Peeler.

In those days, for a small town of less than two thousand inhabitants, Russellville had several small industries.

The L.M. Smith mills have already been mentioned, as has the Melrose Cotton Mill. A wagon and plow factory, with a capacity of some four hundred wagons a year, stood on the corner of "B" Street and El Paso, and was owned by Luker and Davis. Above this shop was a large hall for public entertainment and here stock companies performed such classics as East Lynn, Ten Nights in the Bar Room, Camille and other such heartrending plays.

Also, there was a noted pianist, a negro called "Blind Tom", who played entirely by ear, and was considered quite a marvel.

Another industry was a canning and evaporating plant. A large foundry and machine shop was owned by the firm of Brown and Settle.

Even in the 1880's we had a bank. W.G. Weimer established a private bank in 1887. Later, Mr. T.M. Neal, grandfather of Mr. Harold Neal, took it over and in 1890 it was reorganized by a stock company and its capital increased. This is our oldest bank and today is called The Bank of Russellville. The Peoples Exchange Bank was organized in 1890.

Our public school system was founded in the 1870's. Before the public school was founded, short term private schools were taught from time to time by different teachers, usually a three or four month term.

A one room log building stood east of the present Millard-Henry Clinic, and was used for a school. (Editor's Note: this is referring to the old Clinic Building, across Main Street from the 500 Building, that the Pope County Health Dept. uses.) A couple by the name of Haddock taught here. They were from North of the Mason-Dixon Line — from the state of Iowa.

J.T. Whorton was also one of the teachers. He, too, was a Yankee from Indiana, and an aunt of mine was one of his pupils. Afterwards, to the consternation of her southern kin, she married him, and all her days called him "Doodle."

The first minutes of our public school show that when the school board members were ready to purchase ground for a permanent location, quite a bit of wrangling took place.

But finally, in 1878, they bought the block of ground where the Old Sherman School stood from J.L. Shinn for \$1,400.00. This included a one room building that had the dignified name of Russellville Male and Female Institute.

Some time in the 1880's Professor Jones was principal of the school and it was under his tutelage that our town had its first high school graduating class, consisting of three members: the Misses Ella Bonds, Bird Caldwell, and a Mr. Patrick. There were no other classes to get diplomas until 1893.

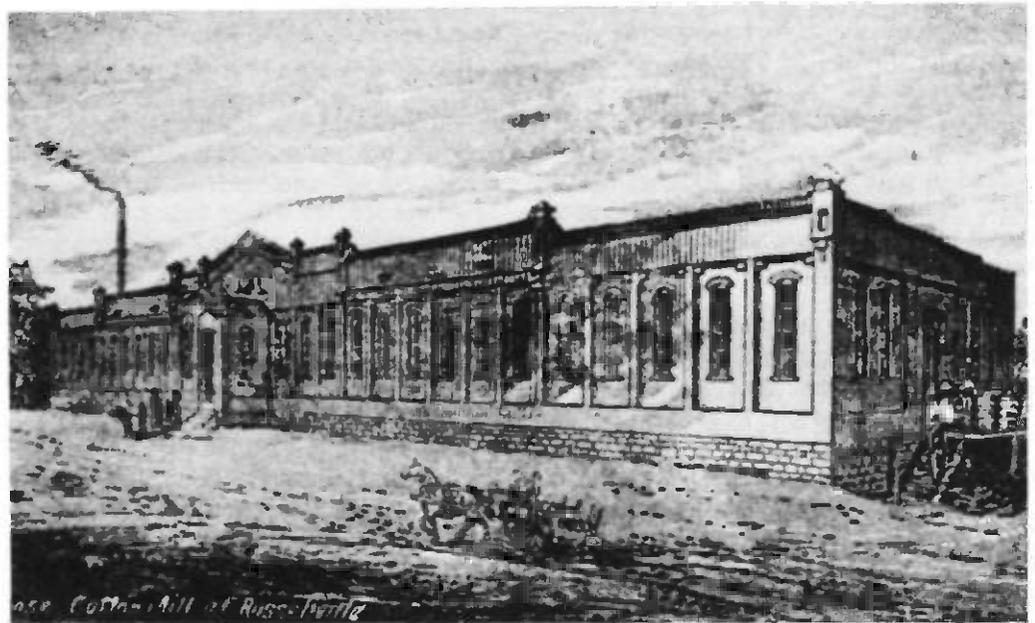
Professor A.E. Lee became superintendent in 1889, and started a four year high school course. Ethelyn Deshong, Fanny Rankin, and John Ewton finished under Mr. Lee in 1893. From then on, every year has seen a class graduate.

It was this same Mr. Lee who started our town's first collection of books as a high school library. These books were the classics

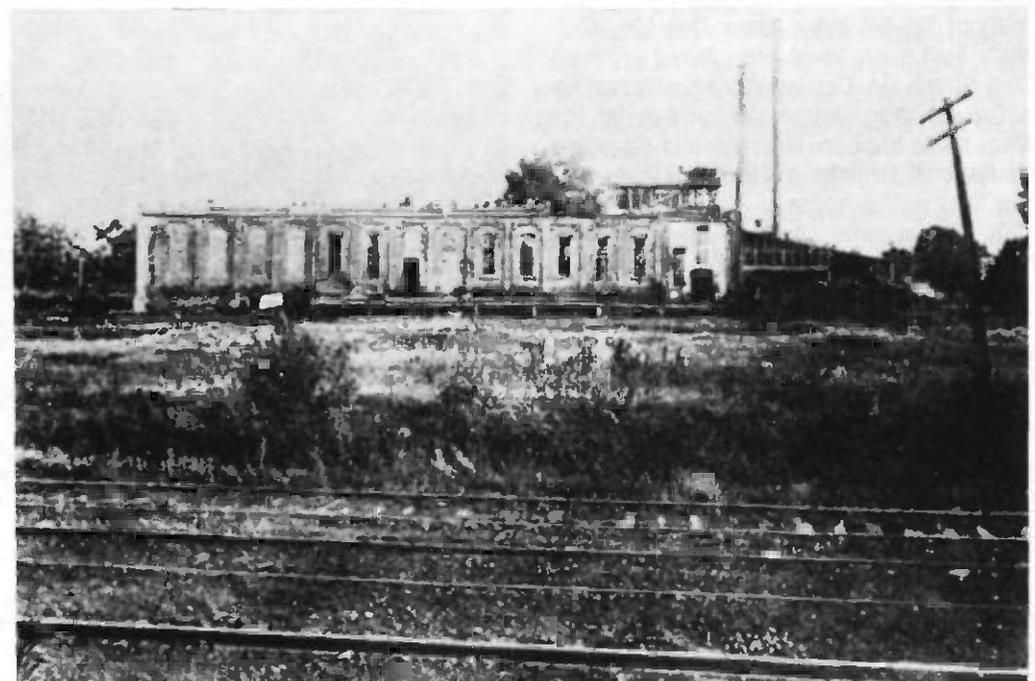
that were required reading in the English classes, also the poets and quite a few novels, more or less modern for the 1890's.

Some years later this small collection was turned over to a group of women who were library-minded, and were placed in Wiggs Drug Store. The books were shifted from one place to another until World War I came on, then they were sent to Camp Pike, along with many more that were collected from Pope County.

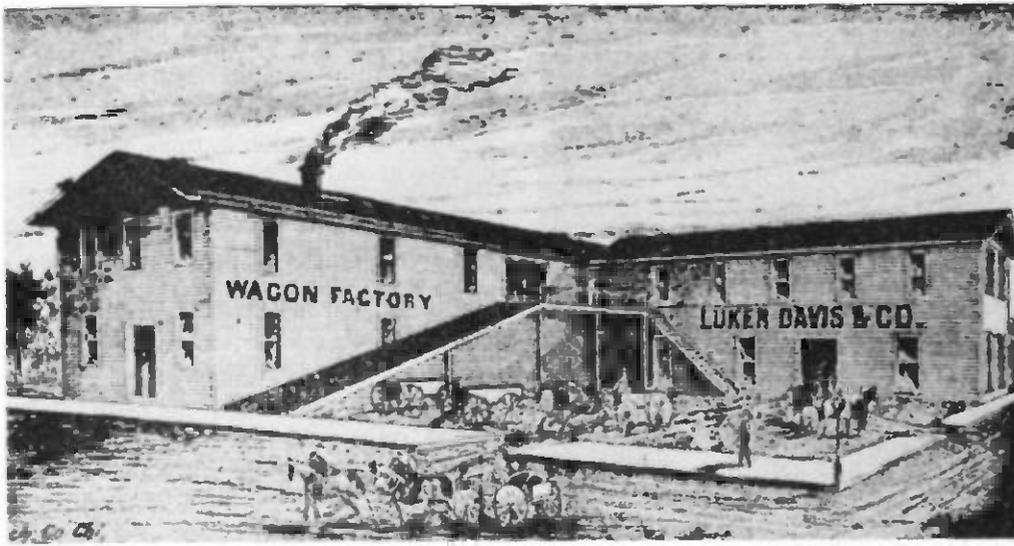
At one time much enthusiasm was aroused over getting a Carnegie Library, but the project fell through for lack of a donor public spirited enough to donate ground for the building. After the war the books we had cast upon the waters came back to us fourfold. Several boxes were sent to us and there too were knocked around from pillar to post, until during Mr. W.L. Hurie's ministry, they landed in the Central Presbyterian Church and were there when Bill Hodgson came along as pas-



Melrose Cotton Mill in 1887, located on East Second Street.



Russellville Ice and Cold Storage Plant in 1909. This is the back of the old Melrose Cotton Mill.



The Luker Davis & Co. Wagon Factory stood at the corner of "B" and El Paso Avenue. Above this factory was located a large hall for public entertainment. Here stock companies performed such classics as East Lynn, Camille, and Ten Nights in the Bar Room. (1888)



This was the Russellville Public Library for many years, until the new building was built that is used today. This little building is still used by the library for storage. This building faces North in the first block of East 3rd Street.

tor. He wanted them put in circulation, so, belonging to the Lions Club, he enlisted the support of that organization. the rest of it is history, you know, for this was the beginning of our little Public Library. (Editor's Note: this is the little building just west of our new Library.)

Like most country towns, we had board sidewalks to trip over. These probably were laid in the early 1880's, but I cannot say when our business district laid flagstone walks, but, in time, many residences laid them too. Even today, a few of these rock walks are still scattered about town.

About 1908, a sidewalk improvement district was formed, and concrete walks laid over most of the town.

Another early relic of village days were two public wells for the convenience of people

who came to our town to do their trading. These were in the center of Main Street, one where Commerce bisects it, and the other at Denver and Main. Both had old fashion hand pumps and wooden troughs were along the side, so the horses could be watered.

Street lamps were in the downtown area, and these were coal oil lamps that a lamp lighter took care of night and morning, lighting and extinguishing them.

Electric lights did not come to our town until the 1900's.

At the turn of the century Mr. John Smallwood came from Iowa and established our first bottling plant. A while later he built an electric light plant and also an ice plant, both located close to the railroad about where the Will Guest home is today.

A Courier-Democrat of June, 1901, carries

a story that one of the C-D reporters was coming along Main Street when he heard someone yelling like a Comanche Indian. He stopped where a man, J.A. Smallwood, atop a pole, was stringing electric light wires, and doing the yelling. When he inquired as to why all the noise, he was told "It's a Boy."

So Attorney Jack Smallwood and Russellville's electric lights arrived on the scene about the same time.

Another "first" in our town was the picture show of the old silent days, that was a project of two hometown boys, Bob Howell and Esco Butler. It was a town joke that these two pioneers of the movies did not agree on the pronunciation of their product — one spoke of the "flims" and the other called it "filems."

Our town has always been blessed with churches.

Directly after the first settlers came to this little valley, history tells that the Methodist established a church here. In 1839 a band of people persuaded a Rev. Emmett, who was holding a revival at Norristown, to come and preach a few times for them, and from these services came the Methodist Church.

Seven acres of land were donated by James Madison Shinn, who became a Methodist Minister, for a church and cemetery, where Oakland Cemetery is today.

In 1873 the South Methodist Church was organized, and their first building was erected on the present site of the First Methodist Church.

In the early days of the churches the architecture was very much of the same style, one long room with a steeple that held the bell over the main entrance. The churches also were all painted white.

At the corner of South El Paso and West Fourth Street, directly west of the Joe Goodwin home, was the North Methodist Church.

This building was sold to the Butlers and turned into Russellville's first commercial laundry. The North Methodist then built on West "B" Street, and after this building was destroyed by fire, the congregation built a brick church on the corner of Main and El Paso. In the late 1920's, after W.J. White's death, this church disbanded.

In 1893 the Baptists organized and built on the present site of the First Baptist Church and have been there ever since.

The First Presbyterian Church was an offshoot of the old Shiloh Church, as the charter members were for the most part people who had moved into town. It was established in 1871, and was originally a Cumberland Presbyterian Church. It was located on the east corner of the block across Main Street from the Forestry Building. The church was later moved to Denver and Main Streets and today is the Central Presbyterian Church.

The Christian Church was organized in 1882, although the building was not erected on the present site until 1886. There was a cemetery on these grounds, but what became of it or what cemetery it was, I do not know.

All fo the other churches in our town are of later origin.

We did not have hot dog stands but we did



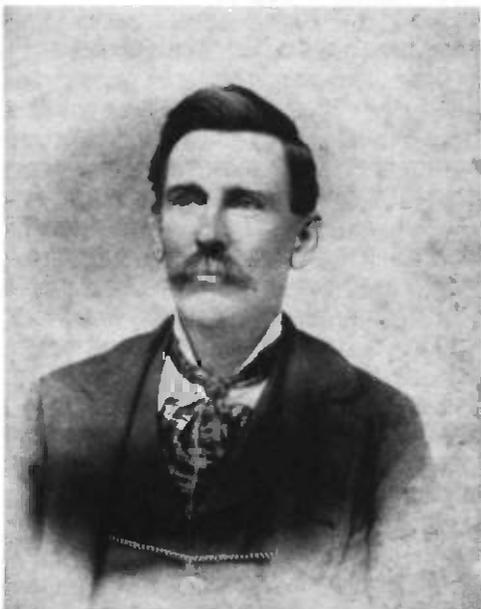
White House Hotel on North Denver. Across from the depot, in 1909.

have "greasy spoons." And we were blessed with first class — for those days — hotels, restaurants, and ice cream parlors.

About where the pool hall is on Main Street, the Judds lived in a two story frame house. They may have kept boarders, but at least Mrs. Judd fed folks. Every day at noon she would come out of her front door and ring an old fashioned dinner bell, loud and long.

It was at Mrs. Judd's house where I first came in contact with death. Professor Josiah H. Shinn, who later wrote a history of Arkansas, was superintendent of our public schools, and his family lived at the Judd home. His daughter, Gracie, was a classmate of mine, and she died at Mrs. Judd's house. Her classmates marched from there to the cemetery, the girls dressed in white, and all of us with a black band on our arm.

On the corner where the Central Presbyterian Church is today was a big barny two story building, called the Barlow Hotel, and on the site of the American Legion Hut was the White House, kept by Mr. and Mrs. Henry White, and later, by Mrs. White's son, Edd Bernard.



Dr. W.H. Hill of Russellville, Arkansas.

This was so close to the depot that it was the stopping place generally of the drummers.

Hall's Hotel, kept by Mr. and Mrs. Hall, parents of Jonah Hall, was where West's Department Store is now. (Editor's Note: this is the Northeast corner of Main and Denver Streets) Later, it was destroyed by fire.

North Denver Street, in those days, was not a dead end street, and just across the track from the station was another large two story boarding house, kept by the widow Buck. This was patronized mostly by the railroad men, the brakeman, and construction gangs.

Russellville doctors in the two decades before 1900 were Drs. Harrell, Hill, Yancey, Pruitt, and Harkey. The one dentist in those days was Dr. Wyatt.

Dr. Hill's small frame office stood where Shepherd's Jewelry Store is today, and it was here I saw Russellville's first telephone.

Dr. Hill's home was on Commerce, the present site of the Kroger Store, (Editor's Note: this is at the Northwest corner of Commerce and 3rd Streets.) and the doctor stretched a private wire from tree to tree from his office to his home. It was something to both see and hear in those days.

Our town still has a few old land marks and some buildings here that are old that have been remodeled or veneered till they bear little resemblance to the originals.

On Main Street, where the Williams & Lowery Clinic now stands, was a small cottage that most people spoke of as the Drummond Cottage because when Dr. Drummond came to Russellville, with his bride, they bought the house and lived in it. Back in the early 1870's, a family by the name of W.C. Renfrow lived there. This Mr. Renfrow was appointed by the President of the United States as the first governor of the Indian Territory.

Another landmark lately lost was the old Judge Davis law office. It was located where the law office of Williams and Gardner stands today. In this old law office of Judge Davis was where young Jeff Davis, Pope County's only Arkansas Governor, hung out his law shingle. This building had another historical

connection. It was originally build as a law office for Mr. James Potts, and J.P. McArthur, the carpenter who built it, said that Kirkbride Potts, the father of James and the man who gave Pottsville its name, paid for the building in gold dollars.

Out at what was called Prairie Grove, because of the stand of lovely trees, was the home of Capt. J.M. Harkey, the grandfather of Mr. Wallace Bailey. This place has been remodeled but it still stands among its beautiful grove of trees.

The only unchanged landmark still standing in Russellville is the old home of Dr. G.W. Harkey, which is located to the northeast beyond the old Crawford Memorial School. These two Harkey Brothers druggists and doctor made many contributions in helping to make our town what it is today.

The modern improvements in Russellville began at the turn of the century, but then that's another story.

By Miss May Russell (deceased)

BANKS OF POPE COUNTY

The history of banking in Pope County is long and varied. It began about 1887 in the back of Weimer Drug Company. The bank, known as Weimer Savings Bank, was the first along the railroad with the exception of those at Little Rock and Van Buren.

Since 1887 there have been eleven more banks established in Pope County. Only four of these remain: Peoples Bank and Trust Company, established in 1890 as Peoples Exchange Bank, The Bank of Atkins, established in 1895, First National Bank of Russellville, established in 1897 as the Bank of Russellville and The Bank of Dover, established in 1905.

Below are listed the banks in order of their incorporation:

(1) Weimer Savings Bank — founded by W.G. Weimer about 1887. Weimer was a native of Johnson County, Arkansas, and a graduate of Vanderbilt University of Nashville, Tennessee. In 1884 he began a drug business in Russellville. It is believed he had a large safe and began letting people keep their valuables there. So in 1887 he began the Weimer Savings Bank in the same building as his drug business. This bank went out of existence in July, 1890, when he incorporated and became known as the Citizens Savings Bank.

(2) Peoples Exchange Bank — incorporated on March 22, 1890. Changed to Peoples Bank and Trust Company on January 8, 1963. The bank began with a capital stock of \$28,000.00 divided into shares of \$25.00 each. The first officers were R.J. Wilson, President; John M. Harkey, Vice-President; and John W. White, Cashier. The original stockholders were as follows: J.M. & N.J. White, 400 shares; R.J. Wilson, 200 shares; C.S. McKinley and J.M. Harkey, 160 shares each; John W. White, 120 shares; M. Jacobson, W.H. Hill, Jas H. Perry, and Wooten & Oates, 20 shares each. Today the People Bank has about 265 stockholders and assets of \$52,234,000.00.

(3) Citizens Savings Bank — incorporated

on July 19, 1890, located in Russellville. This bank was formerly known as Weimer Savings Bank, and when it was incorporated it took on the name of Citizens Savings Bank. W.G. Weimer was the largest stockholder. The bank started with a captial stock of \$50,000.00 divided into shares of \$25.00 each. This bank lasted only a few years. The first officers were as follows: G.W. Harkey, President; R.F. Roys, Vice-President; and W.G. Weimer, Cashier. The original stockholders were as follows: W.G. Weimer, 680 shares; J.A. Potts, 240 shares; J.T. Fowler, J.N. Harkey, and J.M. Harkey & Bro., 200 shares each; Forrest Turran & Co., 80 shares; T.C. Smith, Love & Roys, A.M. Sasbee, H.P. Barbee, John J. Rye, J.N. McCarthy, and D.M. Blackburn, 40 shares each; J.N. Nealy, 32 shares; E.H. Howell, D. Bolinger, J.S. Pollock, and T.D. Whiteside, 20 shares each; C.N. Woods, and George P. Frye, 4 shares each.

(4) First National Bank of Russellville — on June 13, 1891, the U.S. Comptroller of Currency authorized the First National Bank of Russellville to commence the business of banking. The first officers were as follows: T.J. Russell, President; A. Bernard, Vice-President; J.E. Battenfield, Cashier. This bank was dissolved in 1897 and is believed to have been taken over by the Bank of Russellville because the first meeting of the Bank of Russellville was held in the offices of the First National Bank. The minutes of the Board of Directors are still in tact and kept by the Bank of Russellville.

(5) The Bank of Atkins — The Articles of Agreement and Incorporation were filed in the Pope County Clerk's office on September 20, 1895. The first organizational meeting was held in the office of E.A. Darr. Captial stock of \$25,000.00 was authorized with \$12,500.00 actually paid in at \$25.00 per share. The first officers were as follows: E.A. Darr, President; A.J. Sisney, Vice-President; and J.M. Barker, Jr., Cashier. The original stockholders were as follows: J.M. Barker, 200 shares; E.A. Darr, 100 shares; A.J. Sisney, 60 shares; L.D. Ford, 20 shares; M.F. Cleveland, 15 shares; F.P. Hurvey, J.E. Darr, Paul Russ, J.F. Burris, Dickinson Drug Co., J.L. Bell, J.M. Vandell, Montie Fraunthal, W.M. Lemley, 10 shares each; E.A. Darr, Trustee, 6 shares; J.W. Dickey, 5 shares; J.A. Westfield, 4 shares. As of December 31, 1977, the Bank of Atkins had a total of over \$8,094,000.00 in assets.

(6) The Bank of Russellville — The Articles of Association were filed in the office of the Secretary of State on December 23, 1897. The first organizational meeting was held in the office of the First National Bank of Russellville, which it took over. On January 28, 1974, the Bank of Russellville changed its name to The First National Bank of Russellville. The officers were as follows: L.M. Smith, President; R.C. Brown, Vice-President; and T.M. Neal, Cashier. The original stockholders were as follows: T.M. Neal, 320 shares; L.M. Smith and M.R. & J.H. Craig, 40 shares each; L.C. Brown, 16 shares; T.J. Smith, 10 shares; Robert L. Smith, 4 shares; T.J. Russell and W.M.



Weimer's Savings Bank was in this Drug Store. This picture was made in 1887.



Peoples Exchange Bank Building, showing the Post Office in the back, and the band stand to the far left, in Main Street.



The inside of the Peoples Exchange bank in its early days of operation. Mr. L. B. McClure is the second man from the left.



Peoples Bank and Trust Company's present location on South Commerce.



BANK OF ATKINS - 1895

L to R — J.M. Barker, Sr., Cashier; E.A. Darr, President; A.J. Sisney, M.F. Cleveland, Mortie Tranthaul, J.F. Burris and Paul Reiss, Board of Directors.

Hillis, 1 share each. On December 31, 1977, the bank had grown to total assets of \$50,882,000.00.

(7) Merchants & Farmers Bank — located at Atkins and incorporated on July 29, 1903. The first organizational meeting was held in the office of Brooks and Hays. The first officers were as follows: J.A. Bost, President; W.A. Montgomery, Vice-President; A.J. McCollum, Secretary & Cashier. The stockholders were as follows: A.J. McCullum, 300 shares; A.J. Sisney, 54 shares; J.A. Bost, 48 shares; W.A. Montgomery, 45 shares; A.M. Hammons, 18 shares; L.D. Ford, Sr. and B.F. Harris, 15 shares each; V.E. Gillette and J. Westerfield, 12 shares each; J.T. Johnson, 9 shares; W.F. Turner, J.F. Burris, Bradley Bros., H.C. Bledsoe, W.T. Cook, R.E.L. Duvall, D.H. Colquette, H.F. Fix, Eliza Dalton, Reece Alewine, and Cook & Turner, 6 shares each; A.L. Swinny and W.L. Mitchell, 3 shares each. The Merchants & Farmers Bank was closed by the State Bank Commissioner on March 23, 1939.

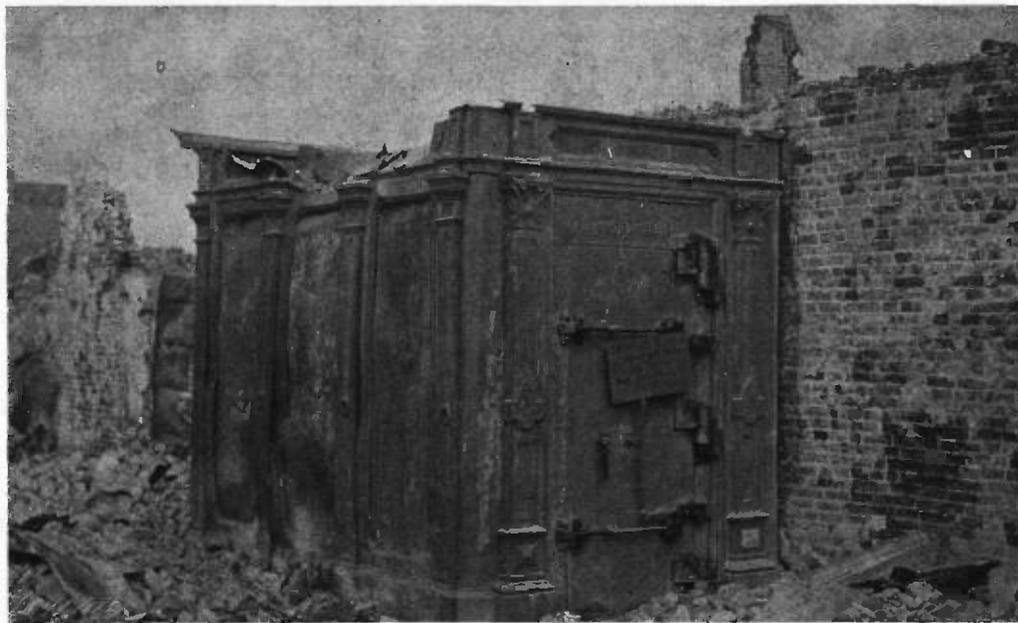
(8) Bank of Dover — The Articles of Agreement and Incorporation were signed on June 19, 1905, in the office of W.A. Baird in Dover. The amount of capital stock was \$10,000.00 with \$5,000.00 actually paid in by the stockholders at \$25.00 per share. The first officers were as follows: W.A. Baird, President; W.H. Poynter, Vice-President; and B.B. Stephens, Cashier. The original stockholders were as follows: Ike C. Adair & B.B. Stephens, 200 shares; W.A. Baird, 64 shares; W.M. Simpson, 60 shares; W.H. Poynter, 40 shares; W.D. Eakes and J.B. West, 10 shares each; S.L. Poynter, Ed Truett, C.K. Campbell, and E.C. Bradley, 4 shares each. As of December 31, 1977, the Bank of Dover had total assets of \$10,532,773.46.



Peoples Exchange Bank in the center, across the street from the Bank of Russellville, at the far left. Note the wooden sidewalks across the streets. This picture is of Main Street looking East from just West of the intersection with Commerce Avenue.



This picture shows the Bank of Russellville in the center of the picture. It was taken from in front of Capt. Wilson's store looking East on Main Street to the right and North on Commerce to the left.



The vault of the Bank of Russellville just after the fire in January of 1906. The sign on the door tells everyone that the bank is open for business in the old Post Office Building. Also the name of the First National Bank is noticeable over the door. This is because the Bank of Russellville was using the old First National Bank Building. (January 16, 1906).



Mr. T.M. Neal beside the vault of the Bank of Russellville after it was reopened after the fire in 1906. (January 16, 1906).

(9) Pope County Bank — The Articles of Agreement and Incorporation were signed in the office of Brooks Hays on the 27th day of August, 1909. The amount of capital stock was \$25,000.00 divided in shares of \$25.00 each. The first officers were: H.W. Patrick, President; R.L. Smith, Vice-President; and R.W. Ferguson, Secretary & Treasurer. The first stockholders were as follows: State Investment & Trust Company, 200 shares; R.W. Ferguson, 160 shares; J.M. Neely, J.M. Martin, A.S. Hays, J.C. Bonds, G.T. Brown, and R.L. Smith, 40 shares each; L. Whiteside, 30 shares; H.W. Patrick, Gladys Shinn, W.M. Swilling, T.D. Brooks, Van Boswell, S.A. Henry, W.S. Bell, M.A. Patrick, T.D. Hamilton, J.O. Oates, and Falls & Son &

B. Sinclair, 20 shares; G.E. Taylor, L.D. Berryman, Will Rankin, J.J. Martin, A.J. Livingston, C.W. Dodd, and E. Stovekin, 10 shares each; H.L. Bernard, G.C. Nugent, D.M. Hays, and Sam Davis, 8 shares each; M.C. Baker J.H. Ganner, Labe Howell, Charles Rankin, J.A. Carr, J.M. Tate, Charles Wilson, George Bernard, W.H. Eustice, and N.A. Crawford, 4 shares each; J.G. McFadden and A.J. Simpson, 2 shares each; R.H. Gardner, Sam Redding, J.G. Williams, and Gary Gardner, 1 share each. The Pope County Bank consolidated with the Peoples Exchange Bank (now the Peoples Bank and Trust Company) on May 18, 1919.

(10) Farmers and Merchants Bank and Trust Company — located at London, Arkan-

sas. The Articles of Agreement and Incorporation were signed in the office of L.G. Martin on November 3, 1911. The amount of capital stock was \$10,000.00 of which \$5,000.00 had been paid at \$25.00 per share. The first officers were as follows: L.G. Martin, President; W.H. Garner, Vice-President; and W.A. Wall, Secretary & Treasurer. The first stockholders were as follows: W.B. Wall, 100 shares; L.G. Martin and Mrs. Helen Wall, 40 shares each; G.R. Martin, R. Himes, and Dr. A.W. Rye, 4 shares each; W.H. Garner, B.W.



First National Bank of Russellville's present location on South Denver.

Porter, J.N. Martin, and W.A. Bennett, 2 shares each. Farmers & Merchants Bank & Trust Company was ordered closed by the Bank Commission on May 19, 1924.

(11) Citizens Bank — located at Pottsville, Arkansas. Articles of Agreement and Incorporation were signed in the office of Falls & Son on April 4, 1913. The amount of capital was \$15,000.00 at \$25.00 per share. The first officers were as follows: R.O. Morton, President; J.B. Sinclair, Vice-President; and Roy Falls, Secretary & Treasurer. The original stockholders were as follows: J.B. Sinclair, 40 shares; J.H. Oates, 24 shares; A.H. Boggess, R.O. Morton, J.V. Allman, Roy Falls, T.A. Matthews, E.H. Teeter, and E.R. Jones. The Citizens Bank was closed by order of the Bank Commissioner in 1965.

(12) Farmers State Bank — located at Russellville, Arkansas. Articles of Agreement and Incorporation were signed in the office of Robert Bailey on July 19, 1919. The amount of capital stock was \$50,000.00 divided into shares of \$25.00 each. Farmers State Bank was changed to Farmers Bank & Trust Co. on November 14, 1924. The first officers were as follows: A.D. Shinn, President; W.L. Oates, Vice-President; J.A. Clifton, Secretary; and A.N. Falls, Cashier. The original stockholders

were as follows: R.Y. Oates, 217 shares; W.J. Chronister, 140 shares; A.D. Shinn, 120 shares; W.L. Oates, 80 shares; J.R. Robinson and Mrs. M.R. Craig, 60 shares each; L.E. Trest, J.F. Keeton, W.P. Dale, K.M. Willis, C.L. Gardner, S.R. Wells, Burr Walthal, J.L. Talkington, E.L. Talkington, Mrs. Mount Anderson, Mrs. R.W. Ferguson, J.R. Rankin, Van Boswell, and Mattie Boswell, 40 shares each; Robert Bailey, 28 shares; J. Gardner, 26 shares; Bunn Bell, Roy Falls, J.A. Kinger, D.H. Rackley, Mrs. A.M. Vaught, E.H. Shinn, G.K. Rogers, M.E. Torrence, J.A. Clifton, W.S. Teeter, Lucile Drummond, R.Y. Oates, Mattie Luker, J.M. Light, J.A. Rackley, Mrs. Bob Bowen, A.N. Falls, Ben Vaughan, S.J. Whitesides, Charley Howell, D.H. Rackley, and J.R. Howell & Sons, 20 shares; W.R. Hagins, 12 shares; Sue Falls and Ollie Merle Brown, 10 shares each; George Ashmore, 8 shares; Mrs. R.Y. Oates, 5 shares; Anna Williams, Grace W. Thorpe, Mrs. Burt Reynolds, Mrs. Sibyl Bailey, Craig Bailey, Robert Bailey, Jr., Alta Brooks, C.M. Richmond, Will D. Vance, Mallie Harris, and W.L. Oates, four shares each. The Farmers Bank & Trust Company was closed for liquidation on December 3, 1931.

By Bert Page Jr.

NEWSPAPERS IN POPE COUNTY BEFORE 1920

ATKINS. In July of 1877 the Atkins News was started by C.O. Bell. This paper passed through several owners, among them were: Ernest Jennings, O.C. Ludwig, J.E. Joiner, W.W. Gill, and J. Wollem. In 1882 the name was changed to the Pope County Reflector with W.W. Gill serving as the editor for some time.

The Atkins Mail was being published in 1889-90 by Eugene Moore.

The Atkins Chronicle was established in 1894 by George L. Parker. It was sold in October of 1898, to W.F. Turner. Mr. Turner continued to successfully publish this paper until November 9, 1917, when he sold it to Ardis Tyson. Hugh Matthews was associated with Mr. Tyson in 1920, but sold his interest to Mr. Tyson in 1921.

DOVER. The Dover Transcript commenced publication in 1870, with C.R. Isham and A.J. Bayless as publishers. I am not sure how long this paper was printed.

LONDON. In 1886, the American Puzzler, devoted exclusively to puzzledom, was started at London. Its editors were R.L. Blakely, London; O.C. Ludwig, Clarksville; and E.E. Smithee (son of Col. J.N. Smithee), Santa Fe, N.M. Its size was only 6 x 9 inches, but its contents were said to be of a high order and instructive to devotees of mystic lore. It did not succeed, however.

RUSSELLVILLE. The Weekly Herald began publication on December 8, 1870, with Joseph H. Battenfield and James K. Perriman as the publishers. They continued until January of 1871, when B.W. Cleaver purchased Mr. Perriman's interest. The partnership continued for a short time, and then Mr. Cleaver became the sole owner. The paper a Republican paper, suspended publication on July 13, 1871.

The Weekly Tribune was founded in March of 1871, by J.H. Battenfield. This paper was published every Saturday, and is said to have been printed in St. Louis, Missouri. This paper stated that it was the "Official Organ for Pope and Yell" Counties. The terms were \$1.00 for one year, \$.75 for six months, \$.50 for three months, and \$.05 for a single copy. In the summer of 1871, the Tribune purchased material of the Weekly Herald. In January of 1872, the office of the Tribune was burned during the "Pope County Militia War." The newspaper was revived after a few months' suspension, as a non-partisan paper. The Arkansas Gazette, on January 14, 1873, stated that the Russellville Tribune was now back in business. Mr. Battenfield and B.F. Jobe were the editors at this time. By the Fall of 1873, Mr. Jobe had bought out Mr. Battenfield and was the sole editor, and it was continued as a Democratic paper, until it was reorganized in 1875.

In early 1875 a group consisting of J.L. Shinn as president, George E. Howell as vice-president, J.F. Munday as secretary, and M.L. Baird as treasurer, began the Russellville Democrat with James E. Battenfield as editor and B.F. Jobe as the business manager. This Mr. Battenfield was a brother to Joseph H. Battenfield, that was mentioned earlier, and Martha Battenfield, who married J.L. Shinn — the president of the paper. The Democrat put out its first paper on January 28, 1875. In 1881, Mr. Battenfield retired and was succeeded by B.F. Jobe and John R. Homer Scott as the publishers. They were succeeded by W.L. Morris in January of 1883, and J.F. Munday followed Mr. Morris as publisher in February of 1884. In 1885, B.F. Jobe again became the publisher, and in February of 1894, his brother, John R. Jobe, of the Searcy Beacon, became associated with him. Later B.F. Jobe moved to McAlester, Oklahoma, leaving John as the editor and publisher. Thomas Elmore Lucey was connected with this paper in 1895-96. Mr. Jobe remained with the paper until 1897, when he sold his interest to J.T. Bullock & R.L. Lawrence.

The Arkansas Evangel, edited by Elder B.R.



This is a picture of the Southeast corner of West Main and South Boulder Ave. This was the location of an early bank in Russellville, note the sign that reads, "War Savings Stamps."



Atkins Chronicle — W.F. Turner, Owner & Editor. W.F. Turner, Far Left. Columbus Turner 3rd From Left.



"Courier-Democrat" office about 1905 with the staff being (seated left) Mr. Oldham, owner; "Ann Jenkins," Miss Walker, Willie Rollow, another Miss Walker, Clyde Ragland, foreman, Rev. Eakes, pastor of the Southern Methodist Church, and Arthur Livingston, editor.

Womack, was moved to Russellville from Dardanelle, Arkansas, in March of 1882. The Evangel was moved to Morrilton in January of 1898, and later moved on to Little Rock where Rev. M.D. Early became interested in the publication.

Our Paper, a bi-monthly, in the interest of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, was started by the Rev. H.P. Milner on January 1, 1884.

On January 15, 1884, Prof. Josiah H. Shinn founded the Arkansas Teacher, a monthly that he published in Russellville.

The Revivalist, a religious monthly, was started by Rev. H.B. Milner and W.M. Robinson, in June of 1885, but it too did not last long, as it was suspended on January 1, 1886.

The Siftings was published for a short time, and ended publication on January 1, 1897.

The Courier was established by C.B. Oldham and T.B. Mourning in 1897, and was consolidated with the Russellville Democrat in September of 1898. Mr. Oldham and Mr. Mourning becoming the publishers of the consolidated paper under the name of the Courier-Democrat. In August of 1903, J.A. Livingston, who had learned the printing trade at Conway, Arkansas, and was the foreman of the Courier-Democrat, purchased the interest of Mr. Mourning, and in May of 1905, he purchased the interest of his partner, Mr. Oldham, becoming the sole owner of the paper. In 1909, a daily edition of the Courier-Democrat was started, but after five years it was suspended, in 1914, at the outbreak of World War I. The Weekly Courier-Democrat was continued by Mr. Livingston until August of 1920, when he sold a half interest to Todd Ellis, formerly one of the publishers of the Herald and Democrat of Clarksville, Arkansas.

The Pope County Record was started in 1900 with C.W. Dodd as publisher. It was changed from a weekly to a semi-weekly on January 1, 1909. In December of 1912, Mr. Dodd sold to Clyde Ragland and Tom E. Wrenn, with Mr. Wrenn as the editor. W.C. Ragland later became the editor and publisher. The Record suspended publication in December of 1918. The plant and goodwill being purchased by the Courier-Democrat and the Tribune.

The Weekly Tribune is the second newspaper to bear this name in Russellville. It was established in 1915, with C.W. Dodd & Son as its publishers.

By David L. Vance

EARLY TRANSPORTATION

The earliest means of transportation was by boat. Arkansas is better supplied with natural highways than most states, and the Arkansas River is the largest. It was navigable for about 600 miles, however, it was almost impossible to go past Fort Smith in the winter months.

Wide sand bars along the greater length of the river in Arkansas affected good facilities for upstream traffic, either by polling or cordelling. About six or eight miles a day was average for upstream traffic before steamboat days.

Because the land was all wilderness, river transportation was the only means of travel for the first white settlers and most of the early settlements were along the banks of streams.

The keel boat and the flat boat were the ones that brought the early settlers to Arkansas. After the Louisiana Purchase in 1803, men came into this new area with their families to claim land, cultivate it and make homes.

The keel boat was made of heavy timbers and constructed so as to take the shock of collision with a submerged log or other obstruction. They varied in size from 40 by 7 ft to 75 by 9 ft. One steerman and two men at the sweeps could navigate the boat down stream, but upstream navigation was differ-

ent. The cost of building a keel boat was about \$3.00 for each foot of its length.

In the spring of 1822, the keel boat "Robert Fulton," which made regular trips on the Arkansas, made three trips from the mouth of the White River to Fort Smith, carrying freight and passengers. The keel boat, "Arkansas" in 1819 was fitted to accommodate the first Territorial Governor of Arkansas, James Miller, on a trip to Fort Smith.

So great was the west that the population of Arkansas Territory grew from 14,276 in 1820 to 30,380 in 1830 and 97,574 in 1840. Soldiers land bounties affected settlement also. Congress paid its' soldiers of the Revolution and war of 1812 in land. Pope County got her share of these early settlers.

Dwight Mission lent impetus to Arkansas River transportation. Several quotations in old Gazette files describe steamboat service to Dwight and we find that some of these boats were owned and operated exclusively for the mission.

The first steamboat to ascend the Arkansas River was the "Comet." She arrived at Arkansas Post in the evening of March 31, 1820. Captain Byrns was in command and made the trip from New Orleans in eight days or 149 running hours.

The first steamboat to reach Little Rock was the "Eagle." She was on her way to Dwight Mission — 130 miles from Little Rock with freight for the mission. She arrived in Little Rock on March 17, 1822 and soon proceeded on her way. She was grounded within twelve miles of the mission and forced to unload her cargo in skiffs. She passed through Little Rock on March 19, on her return to New Orleans.

In 1822, the steamboat "Robert Thompson" made four trips from Steubenville, Ohio, to Fort Smith with Army supplies. On her return trip she carried 300 ton and was pulling two twenty foot keel boats in tow.

Very little romance is found in the story of the steam boating before 1840. Rather it was a story of stout hearted men and women who were willing to endure the hardships and poor living for the adventurous new way of life in the wilderness. However, the development was rapid, and except for the Civil War years, there was a period of fifty years when life was gay and luxury abounded on the river steamers. Negroes did most of the hard work, and the upper classes especially, "lived it up" in exciting trips to Natchez and New Orleans and other cities on the Mississippi.

by J.B. Lemley

ROADS, FERRIES AND BRIDGES

Even though the earliest means of travel in to Arkansas Territory and in to Pope County was by river traffic, all of the early settlers of Pope County, didn't travel by river but many of them came in wagons pulled by oxen, horses, or mules. At the time they didn't have access to any roads other than Indian trails, and usually followed the hills and ridges to

avoid the low lying areas. After a community was established they began to make some kind of arrangements to build a road to connect with another community. Soon after the county government was formed, petitions were made to the county court for the building of a road.

Until the Civil War came along, there were very few roads, but immediately after the war, the County Court was petitioned for many roads across the county. The Court would appoint three men as "road Viewers" to look the situation over and see if the road was feasible or not. They would in turn report to the Court at its next session.

Following is a typical Road Petition, although most of them were considerably longer than this one which was filed in 1858.

We the undersigned citizens of Pope County, Wilson TWP, would respectively represent to your Honorable body the utility of a public road leaving Galley Rock road at or near M.T. Beasons to the stage road near Lossen Torrents, running with the mill road from lower Gumlog settlement as stage route is now being started from Desard to Fort Smith. Will be necessarily compelled to travel that route. Your honorable body will therefore make an order for said road and appoint an overseer thereon and your petition is duty bound will ever pray. Signed by: J.L. Wilson, W. W. Stepp, R. Wilson, I.P. Copeland, I. H. Copeland, T.A. Tyson, I.C. Gooch, N.W. Copeland, I.L. Borody, M.T. Beason, I.T. Owens, A. Griffin, William R. Spruce, and Lemuel Bowers.

The Old Military road, or "wire road," was completed in 1823. Congress authorized the survey and opening of a public highway from Memphis by way of Little Rock and Fort Smith to Fort Gibson in 1821. From Little Rock this road passed through Cadron, Lewisburg, Point Remove, Dwight, Scotia, Spadra Bluff, Johnson, Ozark, Pleasant Hill, Cotocoton, and Van Buren. Traces of this old road are still to be seen. Highway no. 64, follows the old route in many places, and county roads run along its course in other sections.

In January, 1880, there was a move to build a "turnpike" from Russellville to Harrison. Men of Little Rock, Harrison, and Russellville had joined together to make the road possible. A board of directors had been elected and an engineer was to proceed at once to determine upon the shortest, best, and most advantageous route.

A letter to the Democrat, dated January 22, 1880, W.C. Ford says: "It will be seen then, that upon a most reasonable calculation, half million dollars worth of trade and commerce will be a certainty brought to Russellville and Little Rock by this road, and at the same time the people bringing it will be accommodated with a better road than they now travel to Springfield, and at the same time come where they wish to come, within their own state."

For many years the county did what work there was done on these early roads. Each township had a road overseer to look out for the interest of the roads in his district or township. He was appointed by the County Judge but was later elected by the people. As reported in the neighborhood news of the

county papers, "the roads weren't too well kept."

A law was passed in 1917, by the Arkansas General Assembly, to give the counties a right to ask for State aid on their roads, so in October 1917, the Pope County Court ask for aid on a road beginning at a point on the South boundary of the National Forest Reserve between Sec. 8 and 17, T10, R20, extending in a southerly direction by way of Dover to Russellville, Arkansas, thence in an easterly direction by way of Pottsville and Atkins to the east boundary line of said county to a point near the northeast corner of Sec. 25, T7, R18, and from the corporate limits of the Town of Atkins in a northeasterly direction to a point in Sec. 14, T9, R18.

The highway was known as the Dover, Russellville, Atkins and Appleton State Highway and Post Road. W.T. Bledsoe of Atkins, W.J. Higgins of Russellville and F.E. P. Brooks of Dover were appointed commissioners of said road.

It wasn't but a few years after the roads became state roads that the road now known as #64 was blacktopped from Conway county line to the Johnson county line. Then, in 1926, the road was rebuilt from Russellville to Dover and was also blacktopped. This was a great improvement over what they had before and the people of Dover were proud of the fact that they were on a good improved road. They considered it a great opportunity for the merchants of Dover to get trade from the north part of the county.

At different times, part of the county system was taken into the State system and now we have quite a number of state roads in the county. Too, the blacktopping of the county roads have given the people in the country a good road to travel to Russellville.

In the 1970's the State and Federal Government built a series of highways across the country and one such road known as Interstate 40, passes across Pope County, parallel to Highway #64. This is a vast improvement to what the early traveler in Pope County had to travel on.

After the early pioneer began to get roads to travel on, he was still hindered by the lack of bridges on the larger streams. The Arkansas River, Illinois bayou and Piney creek all had a ferry and in 1859, Point Remove Creek also had a ferry. The Arkansas River had a number of Ferry's and at times there would be rivalry between the ferrymen. The County Court set the rates and on Jan. 28, 1857, R. Cunningham filed a petition for a ferry at Galley Rock. He put up a bond of \$500.00, and the rates to be charged were as follows, to wit: each wagon and four horses, \$1.50; wagon and two horses, \$1.00; carriage and one horse, 75¢; two wheel carriage and one horse, 50¢ each man and one horse, 25¢; each horse and cattle, 10¢ each; a footman, 10¢; and for each sheep or hog, 05¢.

And be it further ordered that when the water is bank to bank that double the ferrying rates be allowed, and that a tax be levied at \$3.00 for said privilege.

In 1884, J. L. Shinn was running a ferry from Pope County to Dardanelle and had bought a steamboat. He was doing a good

business so to protect their own ferryman, the Yell County Court charged Mr. Shinn one hundred dollars per year for a license and he had to give a five thousand dollar bond, while another claimant to a ferry at the same place was fixed at a respectively twenty-five dollars and a one thousand dollar bond. In Pope County, Mr. Shinn only paid \$25.00 for a license.

The Grand Jury in Yell was persuaded by the local ferryman, to bring some indictments against Mr. Shinn, alledging detention of parties at his ferry, etc. He received a change of venue to Pope County, and was tried at the April term of court and was acquitted. Yell county had to pay the Court Costs and the Democrat suggested that "Yell County should have learned a lesson."

In January, 1891, there was a petition to the Court for a Toll Bridge license by the Dardanelle Pontoon and Bridge and Transfer Company. J.L. Shinn owned the land on the north side of the river, and was still running his ferry so he petitioned against the bridge license, so they wouldn't have access to the bridge. His petition was dismissed and he appealed to the Circuit Court. Judge Wallace granted an injunction restraining the Dardanelle pontoon company from using the land on the north side of the river as an approach to their bridge. After the injunction, a bill authorizing the construction of bridges across rivers became law and then Judge Wallace set aside the injunction. Mr. Shinn then sued for damages and it was taken to Conway County, on a change of venue. They awarded him \$5,000.00 for his land but both parties took it to the Supreme Court, Mr. Shinn alleging insufficiency of damages, the Bridge company claiming the award too excessive. "The only surprise in the verdict (according to the Democrat) is that Mr. Shinn did not get damages equal to the full worth of his ferry. He is clearly entitled to that much." The Supreme Court affirmed the lower Court in October of 1893.

The pontoon bridge served the two counties of Pope and Yell for many years. It was not a free bridge as prices were set and each person had to pay according to his load, the same as a ferry. During its existence, the pontoon bridge was washed out four times and had to be rebuilt. In 1927, a free bridge was authorized by the State, and was built, being dedicated on Thursday, January 17, 1929. This served the purpose until the new bridge, in connection with the Kerr-McCellan Navigation System, was built.

It was in the late 1800's when they began to build bridges over the streams of Pope County. In 1891, the County Court, having decided to build one bridge a year, advertised for bids on a bridge to be built across the Illinois bayou, one mile west of Dover, on the Clarksville road. The first bridge across the bayou west of Russellville was built near the Ouita mines in 1892. A bridge across Piney was built in 1904, across Hacker on the Atkins and Appleton road, in 1905 and a petition for a bridge across the bayou at Scottsville was presented in December of 1905.

As migration continued to the west, it soon became necessary to build a railroad to serve

the needs of the people. The route for the Fort Smith and Little Rock railroad was surveyed before the Civil War but with the coming of the war, the building of the road was delayed. The railroad was finally built and reached Russellville from Little Rock in 1873. This was a great boom to Pope and surrounding counties and served the purpose for many years with that being the best transportation for the hauling of freight. With the coming of the better highways, the trucking industry took over a lot of the railroad business.

During the early period there were quite a number of surveys conducted for the purpose of building railroads in and through the county. The Dardanelle-Russellville Railroad was built in 1883, and has been a great asset to both towns. Other railroads that were discussed and in the planning stage failed to materialize so today there are only two railroads in the County.

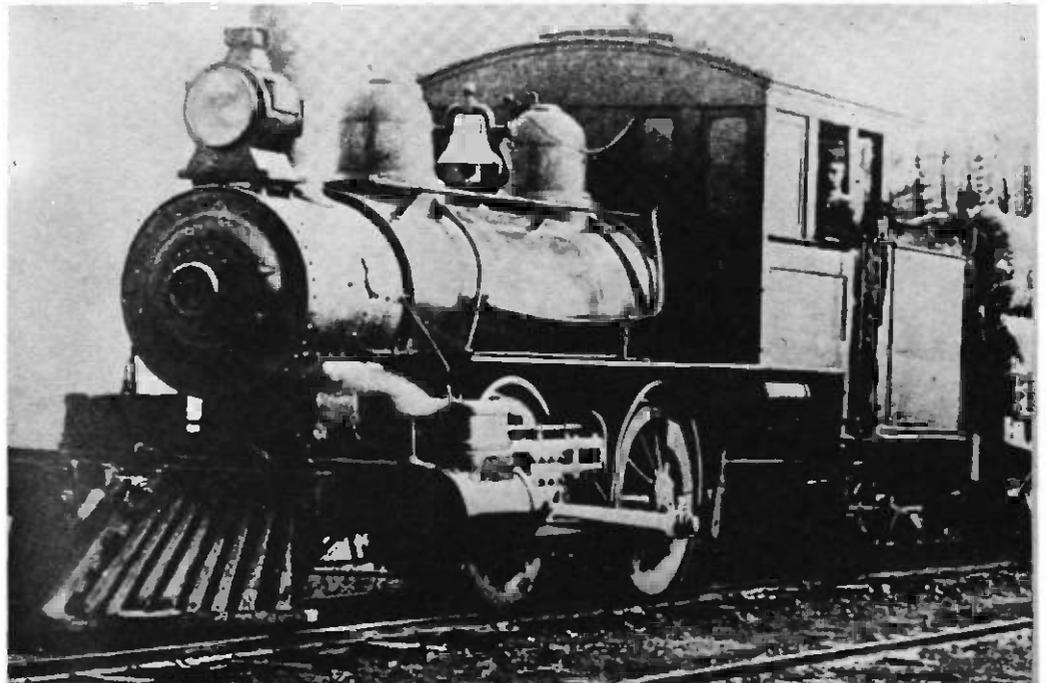
by J.B. Lemley

RAILROADS OF POPE COUNTY BUILT AND NOT BUILT

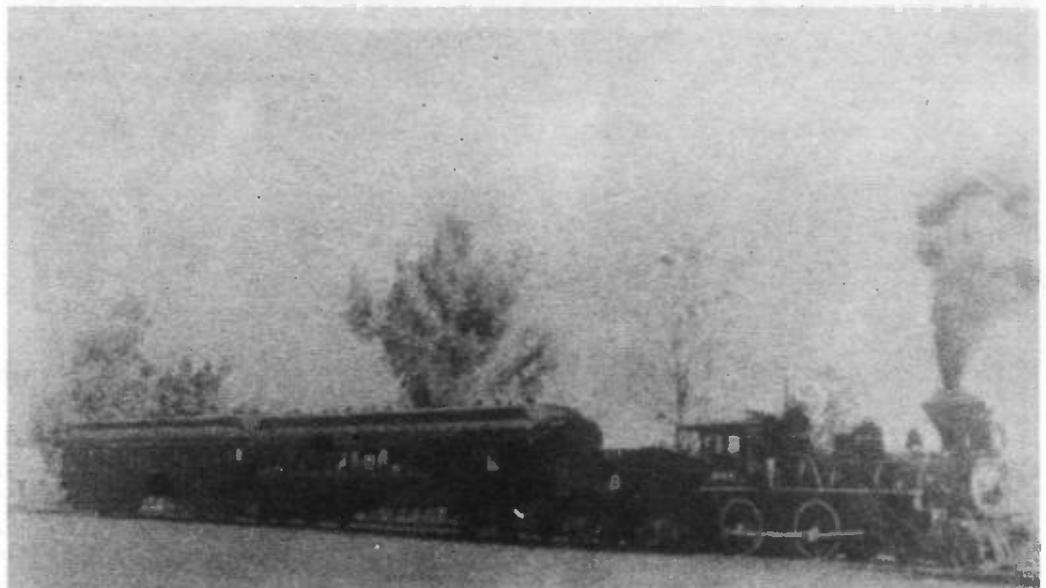
In dealing with the subject of railroads in Pope County, there is much more to be said concerning the railroads that didn't get built than the ones that did get built. It shows the interest of the people of the county in trying to secure better means of transportation than the horse drawn wagon and buggy.

In 1853, the first railroad meeting concerning the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railroad was held in Dover. A survey was ordered and made between the two points. The Civil War stopped the project and nothing was done until after the war. When the railroad was completed in 1876, for some reason it went by Russellville instead of Dover and this was a blow to the citizens of Dover.

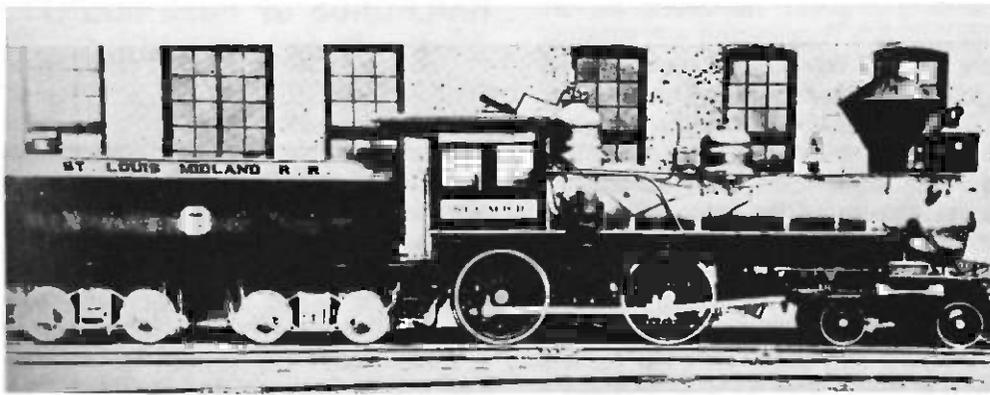
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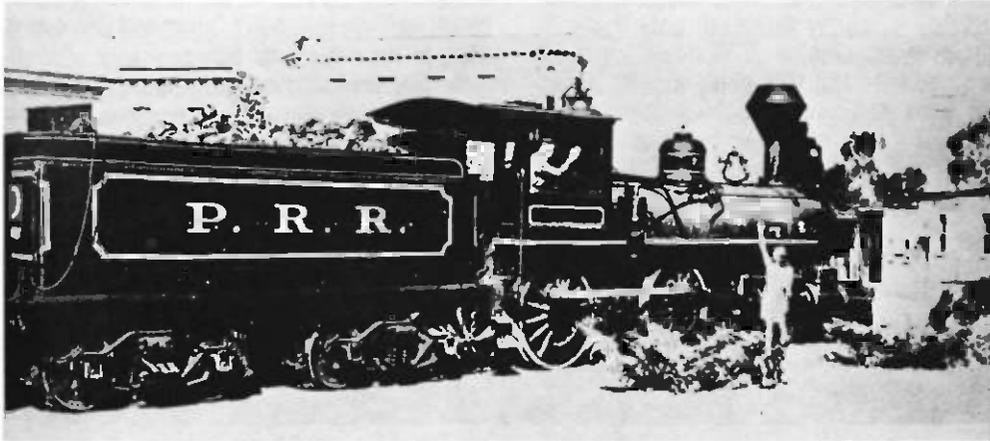
D&R #7 (0-0-4) pulling a load of cotton.



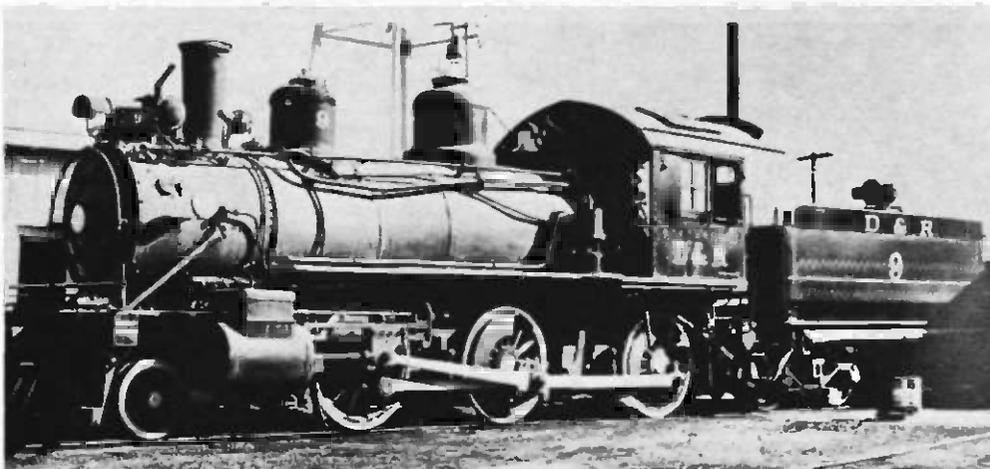
D&R #8. This engine was built in 1888 for the Ft. Worth and Denver City. It pulled the first troop train from Arkansas to the Spanish-American War. In 1938 it was rebuilt for the 20th Century Fox movie "Jesse James". It has also been used in other movies and on TV.



D&R #8 as it looked outside the North Little Rock Shops, after it had been overhauled and repainted. The changes included: a new name of St. Louis Midland R.R., a fake square "oilburner" headlight with an electric light bulb inside, and a fake diamond hood was added to its regular straight stack.



D&R #8 as it looked in Hollywood.



D&R #9 (2-6-0) This engine was rebuilt in North Little Rock and they used the cab from D&R #11.



D&R#10 was purchased in 1956 by the Civitan Club of Shreveport, La., for a permanent display at the Ford Park.

ernment of Pope County, there were vast timber reserves north of Dover and it seemed more than likely that the railroad would go from near Lewisburg in Conway County to Clarksville in Johnson County, by the way of Dover. Russellville only had a few houses in 1853, but soon after the war began to grow and some of the more influential men of the County lived in Illinois and Galley Townships. It is presumed that John R. Homer Scott, J.L. Shinn, and others had a lot to do with the railroad coming through Russellville instead of Dover.

Even though the town of Dover didn't get the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railroad, they didn't give up for in February of 1875, the citizens of Dover met in the courthouse to consider the practicability of building a railroad from Dover to Russellville. Officers were elected and on motion a committee was appointed to confer with the Fort Smith and Little Rock Company, consisting of Capt. J.R.H. Scott, W.I. McClellan, and J.C. Rye and they were to report their action to the next meeting. Another committee was appointed to contact all business men of Dardanelle and Russellville and the committees were to report their actions on the 4th of March, 1875. P.J. Rollow was President of the meeting and J.C. Rye, Secretary.

In the 1880's and 1890's, railroads continued to be the talk of the community. A railroad was being surveyed from Springfield, Mo., to Hot Springs, Ark., by way of Harrison, Nogo, on down the East Fork of the bayou and into Russellville.

This railroad was thought to have the backing of the Kansas City, Memphis, and Birmingham railroad which was a strong and powerful syndicate and with all probability would be built.

In March, 1891, an article dated from Kansas City, Missouri, reported that the railroad was being constructed by New Orleans and Northwestern. It would run from Harrison to Russellville and then to Little Rock and make connections there for New Orleans.

In July, 1876, the first Passenger Train from Little Rock to Fort Smith made its' inaugural trip and John R. Homer Scott boarded at Russellville for the trip to Fort Smith. He reported that no accidents occurred on the trip, except Conductor Buskerner got his ankle sprained and Mr. Raleigh lost his watch.

In April, 1881, a survey was made from Springfield, Missouri, to the Arkansas River by way of Harrison, Dover and Russellville, a distance of 199 miles. The Harrison Times reported that they were sure the work would be commenced on this route at once.

In June 1881, articles of incorporation for a new road from Russellville, called the Arkansas Pacific Railroad Company, were filed in the office of the Secretary of State. The road was to run from Russellville to Dardanelle, Danville, Waldron, and thence to the Indian Territory. The directors were: J.H. Cinverse, F. M. Weld, Eliza Atkins, F.G. Dexter, W.D. Slack, Theodore Hartman, J.W. Gay, S. F. Clark, and D.E. Jones.

The state law governing railroads requires them to file an annual report of the year's

operations at the beginning of the year. This law had not been complied with but in January of 1884, "The Midget Road" Dardanelle and Russellville, filed a report for the few months of operation as it had been completed in August of 1883.

In February of 1884, a prominent citizen of Cleburne County, Mr. W.G. Gray, wrote to Hon. W.N. May of Dardanelle and told him there was a good chance for a railroad to be built from Jonesboro, to Russellville and Dardanelle via Cleburne County. The officials of the Kansas, Springfield, and Memphis road made the proposition to build the road providing the people along the line would take the proper interest. They were looking toward the timber and coal beyond the Arkansas River.

In 1895, the citizens of Dover were talking of an interurban Railroad to be built and run by electricity, which would be furnished by a dam that was to be built on the Illinois bayou. The dam was finally built but the railroad wasn't.

In 1903, they were again talking about the interurban railroad from Dover to Russellville and Mr. W.A. Baird of Dover, representing the men on this end of the line, started for Boston to close the deal. It is not recorded what happened but the railroad wasn't built this time.

In 1907, they were again talking about the electric line and the promoters were in Russellville looking around for terminals to locate a station. The vacant property in the rear of the White House had been offered to the company and they had the proposition under consideration. This was across the street from the present Missouri-Pacific station.

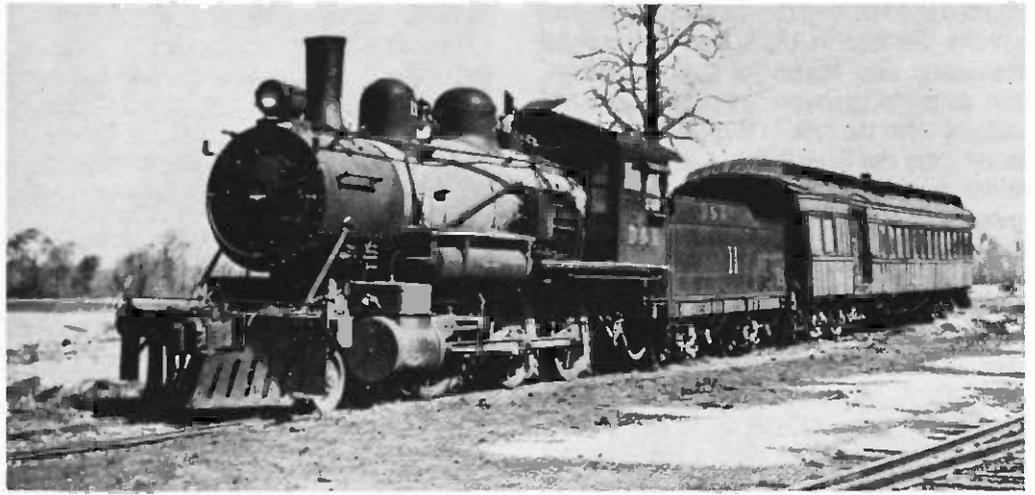
The idea was reported to come in from Dover across the railroad at the street crossing by the Big Shanty and would make it very convenient for the traveling public. The Big Shanty was located at the corner of El Paso and the railroad on the railroad property.

In February of 1912, the Atkins Chronicle was promoting for a railroad running from Atkins to Appleton and then to Clinton. They thought the time was right and that a railroad could be constructed at nominal cost.

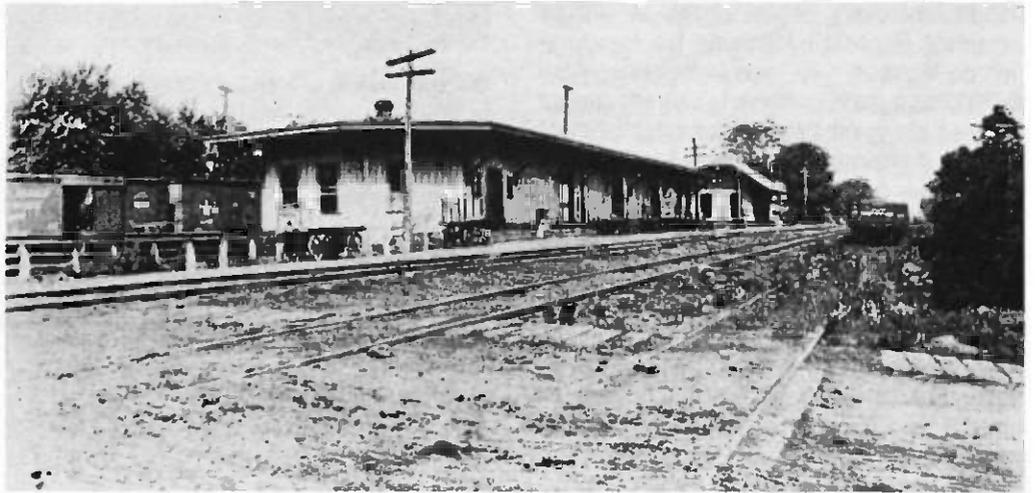
In February 1912, a city ordinance was passed granting N.Y. Yore, his successors and assigns the right of eminent domain through the city of Russellville, for the purpose of constructing and operating a railroad system through any part of the City, east of Oak Street (Arkansas Ave.). The franchise was for the proposed Russellville, Dover and Northern Railroad.

Mr. Yore had been in Russellville and Dover for several days and reported that the soliciting committees were meeting with good encouragement.

A road connecting the two towns had been talked for several years and it was thought that it would prove a good thing for both Russellville and Dover. The construction of the Roads meant that over 200,000 acres of hardwood timber would be opened up in the country along the line and north of Dover. The opening of the road would not only benefit those interested in timber but would be of valuable asset to the farmer in getting their agriculture products to market much easier



D&R #11 was built in September of 1901 and was scrapped in 1955.



This picture taken from Arkansas Avenue in 1909 shows the freight Depot in the foreground and the old Passenger Depot in the background. Also note the tracks on the back side of the Freight Depot where the boxcars are sitting.



This picture shows the Russellville Depot and part of the White House Hotel can be seen between the posts at the left.

and quicker than the present means afforded.

All but two of the above mentioned railroads are railroads that didn't get built. In the days before the automobile and good highways, the citizens of Pope County were on the lookout for better means of transportation which was needed very badly. For some reason or other these railroads didn't materialize, even though the highways that we now have, were several years away. Even after the building of the highway from Russellville to Dover, there was still talk of build-

ing a railroad to Dover to bring out the hardwood and pine timber of the mountains in the northern part of the county. With the coming of the better trucks and automobiles, this never became a reality.

The Capitalist's who were doing these surveys were also looking out for their own welfare. So, with the protection of their own resources in mind, they didn't find it profitable to build any of the mentioned railroads.

However, the Little Rock and Fort Smith which was surveyed before the Civil War and

finished in 1876, and the Dardanelle and Russellville, finished in 1883, have both served the county well. Millions of feet of hardwood and pine timber have been processed and shipped from the rails in Russellville, and for many years the D. & R. hauled coal from the mines south of Russellville and carried passengers to and from the mines and on to Dardanelle.

The people of this generation take the railroads for granted, but for the people who lived fifty and seventy-five years ago, the railroad was a great asset.

by J.B. Lemley

SHILOH C.C.C. CAMP

The Civilian Conservation Corps, first of the national recovery organizations set up by President Roosevelt following his inauguration on March 4, 1932 was launched on April 5, 1933 as a move to alleviate distress caused by unemployment through the establishment of a great chain of camps where young men would work on forest and park conservation projects. At the time the CCC was initiated, the sponsors of this new venture in social relief stated that the objectives were to give jobs to hundreds of thousands of discouraged and undernourished young men, idle through no fault of their own, to build up these young men physically and spiritually and to start the nation on a sound conservation program which would conserve and expand our timbered resources, increase recreational opportunities, and reduce the annual toll taken by forest fire, disease, pests, soil erosion, and floods.

Camp Shiloh became a part of this great social movement on June 30, 1935 when a "small cadre of eight boys under the direction of Lieutenant Foster arrived at the camp-site, three miles north of Russellville." They found here an old field, strewn with waste lumber and overgrown with weeds which was hardly encouraging to this small group of young men. The only buildings completed at this



CCC boys working on a drainage ditch and pond.



Shiloh CCC Camp north of Russellville.



CCC boys working in the seedling beds for the forest service, located at Arkansas Tech.

time were the barracks and the mess-hall and there were "no lights; no water; no dishes; and a few of the boys were without cots."

"On July 1st, fifty-five boys reported, dozens more on July 2, and at the end of the day on July 5 there were 212 boys in camp." The officers in charge were: John C. Foster 1st Lt., FA-Res. who came with the cadre from Sand Gap as Commanding Officer; a Lt. Harris served as second in command in charge of the construction of the buildings and who was relieved August 3rd by Lt. Lauritz Pederson; Dr. A. G. Coleman served as camp surgeon for the first three months; and D. O. N. Lackey, Project Superintendent, arrived on July 8 and organized the Soil Conservation forces. They directed the building of the truck sheds, garage and S.C.S. office. Mr. A. L. Whitten reported on August 27 as educational advisor and began the educational program.

"By the middle of October, the transformation of the camp area had been effected and instead of the camp site resembling 'Nature in the Raw', it had the appearance of a model community. Gravel walks lined the camp

grounds; well-constructed barracks housed the happy men and boys; a well-furnished recreation hall offered moments of refreshing relaxation; and every where eager-faced boys mingled in friendly but orderly fashion as they went about the duties in their new home."

The first field work began on October 17 when seven trucks moved out of the camp to five different projects in the area. "The men put themselves into the work with much eagerness and determination . . . and the engineering and mapping crews are hard pushed to keep work outlined for the industrious enrollees."

When this writer arrived at the camp in June of 1938 it was well established and continuing the work it had begun. Camp Shiloh, referred to as Company 3784, Civilian Conservation Corps, had the Soil Conservation Service as the using organization and the chief work consisted of improvement of the farmlands in the area. The using service would contract with the local farmers for the men to work on the farms. The work consisted of terracing the hillsides, preparing

meadow strips, a wide drainage ditch that could be mowed for hay, sodding pasture land, building stock ponds and fencing. All of this work was directed toward the conservation of the soil and the general improvement of the appearance of the farms. The men were hauled to the work sites by trucks and lunch was served in the field. This routine, by the summer of 1938, was a continuing process.

Two organizations contributed to the operation of the camp. The "using service", the Soil Conservation Service, arranged for the work projects, and the Army had charge of the personnel. It should be noted here that the camp was not military in any manner, and, as the name implies, the men were considered civilians. However, there remained the need for camp organization and maintenance and the Army seemed to do an adequate job of this.

A small group of young men, detached from the camp at Lost Corner and assigned to the Forest Service, called the "college crew" attended Arkansas Tech three mornings per week and earned nine hours credit per semester. This group worked at the Forest Service Nursery, then located where the Tech Science Building and dining hall stands today, on the afternoons of the school days and at the Long Pool recreation area on the other days. The Forest Service Nursery grew pine seedlings for the replenishment of the forest lands, and during the summer of 1939 produced five million which were baled and shipped to locations where they were needed. Trucks from as far away as Mississippi would come for these trees.

Camp Shiloh fulfilled its purpose of building "young men physically and spiritually and to start the nation on a conservation program." It offered an opportunity for these men to have useful employment and to grow in self-confidence and to learn how to work with and relate to other persons.

by Lewis Billings

Note: Early dates, names and quotations taken from, "Memories of the Civilian Conservation Corps", a publication by the camp. The remainder from the personal experiences of the writer...

THE BLACK SADDLEBAGS

James William Booher was born in Kentucky in 1843 to Benjamine Booher. He came to this area before the Civil War, married the second time to Mary Ann Shinn, daughter of Littleton Cranfield Shinn and Nellie Shinn. We believe that the grandfather of James William Booher came from Scotland with another brother who migrated north to Wisconsin. The brother who settled in the South had seven sons.

Children of James William and Mary Ann were Mary Ellen, John William, Jess Littleton, Albert Dudley, Angeline, Lavina, Sarah Emma, James Thomas, Dora, Robert Henry Nolie, in that order. The son of Angeline was adopted after her death and lived to be 21 years old. Both are buried in the Booher Cemetery.

James William and Mary Ann Booher were respected in the community of Mill Creek, which had previously been called Santos, Arkansas. James Booher was a great believer in "what you do being worth more than what you know." But he wasn't satisfied to just sit and grumble about the sick; he wanted to help them. His career started as a male nurse. When someone in the community became seriously ill, their folks called him by sending a messenger by foot or horseback to "fetch" Doc Booher. This whetted his appetite to become a real medical doctor.

His knowledge of medicine was learned through the reading of sixteen or so medical books and more than one trip into Indian Nation or Oklahoma Territory. He made trips to Spiro, Brokenbow and Antlers, to read and practice medicine with another doctor named John Maddux. Some say Maddux was also a self-educated doctor. As Doc Booher's experience increased, his practice grew.

In those days a trip to the doctor in Russellville took a good long time. The road to Russellville from Mill Creek was over south of where it is now and followed the bayou from Dwight Mission on northeast across Highway 64, and on to a bridge across the bayou and followed along the south side to almost Ouita and then crossed the railroad and proceeded into town to about where St. Mary's Hospital is now located, then came over to the street in back of the hospital and on to town. Following this route by wagon and team was an event in the lives of the families of the community. But when sickness struck, "Doc Booher" was the closest doctor.

He no doubt saved the lives of many, although we have no actual records of either his successes or his failures, only the word of many who still remember the old black saddle bags and Old Dolly his mare.

Their description of the jovial, stocky, red-bearded, sandy mustached man who had a know-how for curing ailments not even pinpointed in the medical books he read, (for they were in the minds of some of his patients) has a ring of reality and truth.

Laughter came easy for Doc Booher for his philosophy was that a good laugh could cure the mulley-grubs pretty fast. His store of tall tales was part of his potions. He was a big tease. All the little girls, who are senior citizens now, can tell you how he used to untie their apron strings whenever he passed within the length of his long, hairy arm of any of them.

This man who could laugh so easily was a hard taskmaster with his own children. They were disciplined hard when it was needed and some thought when it wasn't needed.

His children helped with the care of the homestead. The girls worked in the fields as well as in the house.

Neighbors helped neighbors at hog killing time of the year in the killing of the hogs, but the working up of the meat was mostly woman's work. Sausage was ground and packed in corn shucks with the ends tied and then hung up in the smoke house. Doc's smoke house was on the west side of the house and was 16 x16 feet. Within those roomy walls was hominy in a keg, kraut and sorgum in

barrels, and even a 40 gallon barrel of lye soap, made from the fat drippings. Hams, shoulders, sides, and bacon were hung from the rafters and jowls were saved to cook with green beans.

Souse meat made from the hog's head was a never-to-be-forgotten delicacy. Here is the way it was made: cook the heads and feet of the hogs until the meat falls off the bone, season with salt, red pepper, and sage, mix well and put in a crock with a weight on the plate or board to press all the juice out. When it jells it is sliced for use at lunch or supper. Some like it made with vinegar.

Mary Ann Shinn Booher kept a neat house. Her table was always set at all times with the plates turned down and the whole table covered with a mosquito net. Her dining room floor, as were all the floors in her house, was scrubbed with a shuck mop end lye soap as thick as molasses, then rinsed and dried. She had mirrows hanging on all walls above the washstands. As she passed through a room, she would glance into the mirrow and smooth her hair or dust the puff of cotton across her nose that took the shine off. Her one failing was her slowness to get things done. Many times she would be 9:00 o'clock at night getting the supper on the table.

The handsome house that Doc Booher and his family lived in was built by Henry Thompson, who was the father of Fred Thompson, owner of Thompson's Shoe Store for many years, and was a second cousin to Doc's children. This big house was considered quite a fancy "doo-dad" house with its trim and upstairs porch. It was the center of the community, not because of its location but because of its occupants.

The house consisted of a 16 x 18 living room or parlor with a fire place, which contained a bed, wash stand, center table, and dresser with marble tops, a pump organ, rocking chair, and a handsomely decorated library lamp with an automatic spring extension. The shade and fount was elegantly decorated with a flower design on tinted background, an extra heavy gold lacquered frame, and the shade band was trimmed with 30 elegant cut glass pendants, which all cost the handsome sum of \$4.90.

To the west of the parlor was a 14 x 16 foot bedroom-living room with another fire place. Incidentally, when the wind blew from the west the smoke came into the house and when it blew from the east, it still came into the house. This bedroom contained two beds, a washstand, and a place for medical books near the fireplace.

All across the front of these two rooms was a front porch. The north door of this room led to a porch which was the only entrance to the kitchen or dining room and stairway room. In later years this porch was enclosed and made a second kitchen. A porch ran along the east side of the dining room and stairway room and formed an "L" to the north of the living room or parlor.

Doc Booher kept records in a rather haphazard fashion. His accounts were destroyed when his widow died in 1921 and other valuables were lost or sold. Some remember that he kept account of the births and

the payments made in commodities such as corn, hams, shoulders, bacon, etc. Some were paid for with work in the fields, and some very respectable people in Russellville were never paid for at all, or so I was told. His charge in money for a baby, whether it was a boy or a girl was \$5.00, but he collected very few dollars as payment.

Doc Booher lived in an era of the "Princess World Famed Hair Tonic Restorer;" however, neither he nor his wife had any need for this product as they both had luxuriant heads of hair.

When Doc was called to come to a neighbor's house, he saddled his old white mare Doll, or Frank, his old plow horse, who was a lay-down-on the job sort of steed. But they would take a steady pace with his black saddle bags filled with medicine. The little leather lackets had viles or fever powders, and other medicines. He would take his knife and measure out a certain amount into papers and each paper contained one dose of the medicine. He carried earache drops, bismuth, paragoric, calomel, quinine, castor oil. Turpentine and mercury were also part of his medications.

In the words of some of his patients who remembered, "He knowed how they should be taken care of." Sometimes he even gave sugar water or pure soda for someone who

knew he was sick but wasn't.

Ezra Shinn tells me that Doc once took a young woman into his home, named Mary Lou, and kept her for a period of time, he don't know how long. Doc said, "I'm going to keep her until I cure her." We could find no record of when and if she was cured, but it shows you the dedication of this man.

Doc Booher told a neighbor, Uncle Silas Shinn, where he had buried enough money to put him away. After his death in October, 1915, Uncle Silas told Doc's wife about the money and where it was buried. They went to the potato house just west of the house, and dug and dug and dug, but could find no money. Uncle Silas asked them to dig just a little deeper in a certain spot, which they did, and there was the tin box with exactly the amount to bury him, which we believe was \$18.00.

by Geneva Taylor Booher

POPE COUNTY TOWNS & COMMUNITIES & HOW THEY WERE NAMED

APPLETON

When the first Post Office was established,

June 12, 1879, in a Drug Store, the first business in present Appleton, there was an apple orchard surrounding it. So when a name for the Post Office came up, it was suggested that it be called Appleton, from the Apple Trees. Therefore Appleton came into existence.

Note: Courier-Democrat Centennia Edition in 1936.

ATKINS

A railroad which was to connect the towns of Little Rock and Fort Smith, was begun in 1870. It was completed to Perry Station, three miles east of Atkins in 1871, where work stopped because of lack of funds. At this stage, Elisha Atkins, a Boston, Mass., financier, stepped into the breach and under his direction construction was resumed. The first town, Atkins, established on the new road, following the resumption of work, was named in his honor.

Atkins was platted as a town on December 29, 1873, incorporated October 30, 1876, and J.E. Darr became the first Mayor on January 5, 1877. W.H. Mourning, Marshall, and W.H. McCullough, recorder.

Note: Taken from the writings of Mr. Neif Bell, of Russellville. (Now deceased.)

BOILING SPRINGS

Boiling Springs was named by Rev. Maylon Bewley who established a Methodist Church



Street scene in early Atkins. (1878).



First Bank in Atkins.



Inside of Darr's store at Atkins in 1910.



Inside of Darr's store at Atkins in 1910.



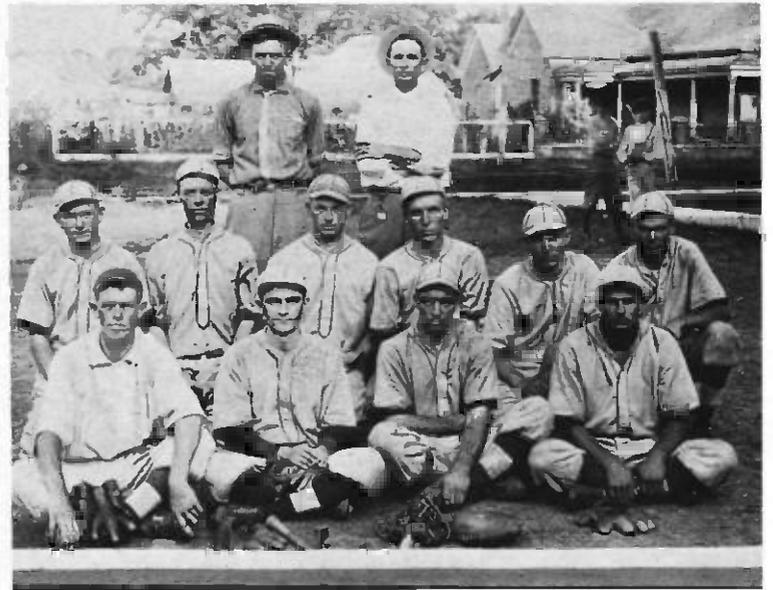
Bledsoe Home in Atkins.



Bledsoe Drugstore, Atkins, Ar.



Godbey Business in Atkins.



Baseball Team of 1915, Crow Mountain. Front Row: Tom Joiner, Guy Butler, Henry Minor, Cicero Owens. Second Row: Wayne Bowden, Birgil Harkey, Raymond Hudson, J.N. (Newt) Alford, Roy Bowden, Joe Jones. Standing: Managers: Rayburn Fry, L.E. Carmichael.



Train load of cotton from Atkins, Ark.



Will Lemley residence in Atkins.



Emma Mathis, Walton Hogan and Xula Johnson of Atkins.



Distant view of Caglesville, Arkansas, located between Moreland and Hector.



F.M. Hudson & Son at Cross Plains about 1890-91.



Strickland Brothers Store
Economy, Arkansas

there in 1832, because water seemed to just boil up out of the ground for no apparent reason and created a pretty good size branch.
Note: Methodist Centennial.

BUTTERMILK

The Cumberland Presbyterian Church had

established a church here in 1840, in a log cabin. Some years later a rough boxing plank house was built. After it was completed, the people met and gave it a white wash job. That night it came a big rain, and the next morning someone exclaimed, "It looks just like BUT-

TERMILK". So ever since that time it has been BUTTERMILK.

Note: C.P. Journal.

CAGLESVILLE

Caglesville took its name from N.P. Cagle, who operated mills there. Note: Courier-Democrat 1930.

DIAMOND

At the time a Post Office was suggested at this place some one said, "That would make the mail route in the shape of a diamond." Johnson Horn, who became Postmaster, then suggested Diamond to the Post Office Department, and they accepted it because Arkansas had the only Diamond Mine in the United States, stating that "It would be a diamond in the rough."

Note: As told by Johnson Horn, who died in 1959, at the age of 93.

DOVER

Stephen Rye, who came to Pope County, Arkansas from Tennessee, in 1832, and was the first Blacksmith to weild a hammer in western Arkansas, helped survey the line between Pope and Johnson Counties, when the division was made. He laid out and built the town of Dover, the county seat of Pope County for many years, and named Dover after his home town in Tennessee. (Dover, Tennessee).

Note: From the Courier Democrat, July 6, 1905, as told by his son, J.C. Rye.

FREEMAN SPRINGS

Two brothers, Levi Freeman, born in 1809 in North Carolina and Gwen Freeman, born in 1807 in North Carolina, came to the Boston Mountains in northern Pope County, Arkansas, in the 1850's and settled near an unusual Spring. More Freemans came and their sons grew up near there. In the latter part of the 19th century this place became famous as a health resort with people coming from Dover, Russellville, Little Rock, Fort Smith, Clarksville, etc., to spend the summer. Usually, just the women and children spent the entire summer and the men coming on week-ends. It was known as Freeman's Springs as the Freemans lived by the spring. These visitors wanted mail, and when a Mr. Crow secured a post office it was named Freeman Springs. It remained a popular summer resort until the 1920's.

Note: As told to Bob Tripp by P.T. Freeman of Dover, Arkansas, in the summer of 1971.

Mr. Freeman was 85 years of age but is now deceased.

GABRIEL

Gabriel Post Office was named after the first settler in that part, Gabriel Curtis. He was called Gabe Curtis.

Note: As told by John L. Sanders, former Mayor of Hector.

GLASS VILLAGE

Glass Village was a trading post, perhaps the first in what is now Pope County. Located on Hacker Creek and took its name from an Indian Chief by the name of Chief Glass. Glass Village was one of the first post offices in Pope County. The Old Stage Coach Road ran through Dover, Glass Village, and on to Clinton from Clarksville.

Note: Information from E.B. Wilson in



A vigilante group called the "Regulators" in the Economy Community, about 1905. Seated: John H. Burnett, Ira Burnett, Earnest Burnett, Will Smith and Ira Nichols. Kneeling: John Reed, Ira Brown, Walter Reed, George Bennett, Tom Brown, Neal Burnett, Thomas Burnett and Henry Reed. Standing: Wiley English, Henry Nichols, Ira Pollard, Floyd Hayes, Ben English, John Alewine, Bill Burnett and Bob Griffin.

Pope County Historical Quarterly and also J.B. Lemley in Pope County Historical Quarterly, June, 1971.

GRANNY'S GAP

An old lady called GRANNY and well known by all the people, was making a trip across the mountain, as she was making the trip she stayed at the GAP over night, and ever since that time this place has been known as GRANNY'S GAP.

Note: Dover Times, July 22, 1926, as told by Harry Poynter, a Civil War Veteran.

GUNTER MOUNTAIN

Gunter Mountain, received its name from the first settler on the mountain, H.E. Gunter. Mr. Gunter came to Pope County from Tennessee.

Note: Simms, in the Courier-Democrat.

HECTOR

Hector, before there was a post office, was known as "The Plain". Hector came into existence in 1888 when Henry Jefferson Mayo, an operator of a store in the vicinity, Zachariah Sinclair, a farmer, and I.N. Cagle, Postmaster of Caglesville, secured a post office for Hector.

Mr. Mayo wanted the post office named Avondale after his former home town of Avondale, Indiana. As the post office was put in on a trial basis, it was called Avondale for the first six months, and Mr. Mayo was appointed Postmaster.

However, Mr. Mayo, being of different political belief, from most of the Citizens, met with opposition.

The local Citizens suggested Snider, after Dr. Snider, the first Doctor in Hector; Wheeler, Wootenville, and Grindersville after early settlers of the region, and Greenville after Green Caudle, who had operated the first business, a Tan yard.

The opposition to Mr. Mayo finally settled on Greenville as a name. However the U.S. Post Office Department had grown tired of the

controversy, and had asked President Grover Cleveland for a name. The President suggested Hector, after his favorite Bull pup and so it was named Hector.

Mr. Mayo became angered because he did not get Avondale as the name for the new post office, resigned the postmastership and moved his store to Moreland.

Then, H.P. Lawley was appointed the first postmaster of Hector. The Post office was located in his home, the old Green Caudle home place. The mail at that time came from Russellville to Caglesville twice a week and Mr. Lawley walked to Caglesville, 6 miles twice a week to get the mail for Hector, free of charge. The application stated that the office would serve between 700 and 800 people.

Note: This information is from the National Archives and Records Service, Washington,

D.C. and J.H. Hurley and Dr. A.C. Linton, both now deceased.

LETA

When the people of the community of Leta wanted a Post Office which would be an extension of the mail service from Appleton, a postal inspector was sent of Appleton to check on this. He told Dee Montgomery, who was postmaster of Appleton at the time, "If we put in a new Post Office, we must have a name," and asked Mr. Montgomery to suggest one which would be short and easy. Dee Montgomery answered, "I have a young daughter at the house named Leta, how about Leta?" The inspector snapped his fingers and said, "That's it!" and so it was.

Note: From Emmitt Gray's Family History and Research. (Emmitt is now deceased.)

LOST CORNER

Lost Corner Post Office had been called Okay, but because there were two Okay Post Offices in Arkansas, George Napier, the postmaster at the time, was asked to suggest a new name. So, Mr. Napier suggested Lost Corner, because of its lost position in the woods and mountains. The Post Office Department in Washington, D.C. accepted the name.

Note: Information from Bob Tripp's own knowledge.

LONDON

London was first called Haddoxburg, but when the post office was built and John McClure named Postmaster, he had the name changed to London. He later added a stock of goods and operated the first store in London.

Note: Courier-Democrat Centennial Edition, September 3, 1936.

MOCCASIN GAP

About the time white people began to come into this country and at the same time the Indians were being forced to leave, an old Indian Chief, forced out of this country by the white people, went to this Gap and had his moccasins burned; and ever since that time the place has been called "Moccasin Gap."

Note: Dover Times, July 22, 1926, as told by Harry Poynter.



Moreland Band — 1912-1915 — Top, LtoR: Marion Burris, Boyd Nichols, Jim Johnston, Will Roberts, Herman Hudson. Bottom Row — John Eakin, Richard Roberts, Oscar Gray, Chester Kinder, Elton Matthews.



Wives and Sweethearts of Moreland Band 1912-1915. Top: L. to R. — Jewell Chronister, Hattie Hudson, Leona Chronister, Bessie Turner, Elsie Hudson, Stella Matthews, Addie Duvall. Bottom Row — Eva Eakin, Nora Duvall, Bess Matthews, Louvina Johnston and Trelie Kinder.



This house is believed to have been south of Pottsville.

MORELAND

When the old Stage Coach line first came from Clarksville, by way of Dover, Gravel Hill, and Glass Village to Clinton, many people began to travel it. As more people came over the hill (Gravel Hill) someone stated, "We are going to need more land," and the name stuck in the minds of the people. So when the Post Office was established the name Moreland was used. The Post Office was first on Gravel Hill and was gradually moved to its present site. Before that time Moreland (where it is today) was known as Cross Planes, and was used as a DROP STATION for

mail from Glass village.

Note: As told to Bob Tripp by Rev. F.M. Hudson, Jr., a lawyer and Pope County Representative to the Arkansas Legislature, who spent his life at Moreland, and died October 3, 1949, at the age of 85 years.

POINT REMOVE CREEK

A Treaty concluded July 8, 1817, gave the Cherokee Indians of Georgia a Tract of land in Arkansas. Most of the area between the Arkansas and White Rivers and west of the mouth of Point Remove Creek became the property of the Cherokees by provision of the Treaty. This was the origin of the name "Point

Remove" meaning the point to which the Indians were removed.

Note: Courier-Democrat Centennial Edition, Sept. 3, 1936.

POTTSVILLE

One of the first white settlers in Pope County, after the County was formed in 1829, was Kirkbride Potts, who came to Arkansas from New Jersey. He settled on a little stream, south of Crow Mountain, called Galley Creek, after an old Cherokee Village, north of the Arkansas River, the "Galley" established by Chief Galley. About 1858, Mr. Potts hauled lumber from Cagle's Mill and erected a house which is now one of the prized old Colonial houses of the South. The village became known by two names, Galla Creek and Potts Station, named in honor of its founder. Mr. Potts kept the Post Office in his home and also maintained an INN. The name POTTSVILLE was given the place through the efforts of James Potts, one of the eleven children of Kirkbride Potts, in honor of his father.

Note: Courier-Democrat Centennial Edition, September 3, 1936.

PISGAH

The Associat Reformed Presbyterian Church of Pottsville was organized Jan. 29, 1853, at what was then Potts School House about one mile west of the present Pottsville. The church was named Pisgah because many of the settlers and charter members came from a Church of that name, near Kings Mountain, North Carolina. Today, there is the large Pisgah Cemetery at this place.

Note: Daily Courier Democrat, Jan. 26, 1973.

ROCK SPRINGS

Rock Springs took its name from the number of small springs flowing from ledges of rock near by.

Note: Information was given to Dr. A.C. Linton, by John Craig, 83 years of age in 1947, as told to him by his father, William Craig, one of the first settlers, and a charter member and a ruling elder in the Rock Springs Cumberland Presbyterian Church established in 1861.

RUSSELLVILLE

There is quite a story connected with the naming of Russellville. One group wanted it named Shinnville after Jacob L. Shinn, because he had the first store, and another group wanted it named Russellville after Dr. Thomas Russell, as he occupied the first house. A vote was taken and the results are now history.

Russellville, Arkansas was incorporated in June, 1870, and Centennial was celebrated June 20, 1970. (Note: This information is known history.)

SCOTTSVILLE

Scottsville was named after the Scott Family, early settlers there, after being called, "Rocky Point", "The Level," "The Lousy Level," and "The Levey."

Scottsville Post Office was established July 1, 1874, with Edward McCracken, as the first Postmaster.

Note: Courier-Democrat, April 11, 1907.

TREAT

Treat was named after "Uncle Polk Treat" who settled many years ago on Indian Creek,



The Polly Mobley Home near Scottsville.

where Treat is now located. One of the older Treat's was a doctor.

Note: As told to Bob Tripp by P.T. Freeman, 85 years of age in 1971.

WALNUT GROVE

A log church building was erected on Darr Creek 2 miles Northeast of Hector and a Free Will Baptist Church was organized here in 1889 by nearby residents, who, for the most part had been members of the Oak Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church near Welcome Home, and the Baptist Church at Forks of the Creek. When a name became necessary for the organization of the Church, Walnut Grove was suggested, because the log structure was located in a grove of walnut trees. The Church building has been moved twice since 1889 and a very large cemetery of the same name is located near its second site. It is now located on the road between Hector and Appleton about 3 miles east of Hector.

Note: As told to Bob Tripp by Rev. J.D. Coffman, a Free Will Baptist Preacher for 50 years.

by Bob Tripp

POPE COUNTY POST OFFICES' — BOTH PAST AND PRESENT

Aggie Station — Now Arkansas Tech. It was established on April 18, 1924, and later discontinued.

Allegan — The name of Maple was applied for, but they received Allegan. This office was near Davis Chapel, south of the present Gum Log.

Appleton — Application was made in May of 1879 for this post office. It is twenty miles northeast of Russellville on Highway #124.

Atkins — This office was established in September of 1873.

Augsburg — The post office was established in March of 1884, but was later discontinued. It was located five miles north of London.

Bayliss — This post office was located northwest of Augsburg. It was established in December of 1894.

Bolesville — The application for an office to be northwest of London, near the county line, was made in March of 1871.

Caglesville — This post office was established in 1879, northeast of Moreland on Highway #124.

Chopin — This was established in 1898, in Section 7 of Township 11 North, Range 19 West, which is northeast of Simpson, and four or five miles north of Freeman.

Corat — The application was made for the name Hudson, but they received the name Corat.

Diamond — This post office was located in the Southwest Quarter of Section twenty-one of Township 11 North, Range 17 West, in 1906. This location is in Conway County, but like most post offices near the county line, they would be in one county for a while, and then in the other county for a while.

Dover — The application for the Dover post office was made in June of 1854.

Economy — The application was made on March 22, 1890, and it was located northeast of Atkins.

Ella — It was established in Van Buren County, but moved into Pope County south of Tilley. This office was also known as Adaysville. It moved back and forth across the county line.

Falerno — The application was made in July of 1898 for the name of Hays, but they received the name of Falerno. It was located near the Rushing community.

Famous — The application was made for the name of Cisco, but they received the name of Famous instead. It was located about three miles west of North New Hope.

Freeman — It was established on October 5, 1880, in the Southwest Quarter of Section twenty-five, Township 12 North, Range 17 West. This post office moved several times and was re-established in 1920 in the vicinity of the present Freeman Springs.

Gabriel — The application was made for Wade, but Gabriel was established in 1901. It was located on the middle fork of the Illinois Bayou, about 8½ miles northeast of Hector.

Galley Creek — A little south of the present town of Pottsville.

Galley Rock — Located south of Pottsville, on the Arkansas River, this post office was established in June of 1869 and re-

established in 1885.

Geesville — Located about 8 miles north of Hector, its application was made on February 1, 1869.

Georgetown — It was established one mile northwest of London in 1867.

Gip — This was located three miles west of Moreland on Gravel Hill. The application for this post office was made in February of 1902.

Glass Village — In 1878, this post office was located in Township 7 North, Range 18 West. This office was moved around considerably from the low water bridge on Point Remove, west as far as Buttermilk and to one mile east of Appleton.

Griffin — The application was made in June of 1885 and the post office was located on Hacker Creek, three miles North of the low water bridge on Point Remove Creek, near the Ford Cemetery. In 1886 it had been moved about one mile southeast of the previous location and was in the Northwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 8 North, Range 18 West.

Gum Log — Established on July 7, 1858, it has moved around some, but always in the present community of Gum Log, northeast of Russellville.

Hector — The application was filed in February of 1888 for the name of Avondale, but the name of Hector was given instead.

Hogan — This was located seven miles southeast of Atkins.

Holly Bend — The application was made to re-establish Galley Rock, but the name of Holly Bend was given instead. This was in 1890. The location was six miles south of Pottsville.

Howell — This was established in 1838, near the present site of Chickalah, which is now in Yell County.

Huffs — This was located southeast of Freeman.

Isabelle — They applied for the name of Morris Valley in 1874, and it was located near the present site of the Mt. Vernon Free Will Baptist Church on Pea Ridge.



Russellville, Arkansas
Post Office Force in October 1904. Sam Davis was Postmaster, Aisey Smith and Rev. Bainbridge, were clerks. Carriers were Sam Watson, Jim Bowen, George Winn, Holland Rozzell and Chas. Bailey.

Laurel — It was originally established in 1883, 8 miles northwest of Freeman and was re-established in 1889.

Leta — They asked for the name of Leachville, but received Leta. It was located about a mile south of Walnut Grove Church between Hector and Appleton.

Liberty — The records do not show the location for this post office, but R.S. Bewley was the Postmaster that was asking for the office to be discontinued.

Lloyd — It was located in the vicinity of Ouita, and was established by Charles Gates, the manager of the Ouita Coal mining company, who served as its Postmaster. It was established in July of 1892.

London — The application was made in October of 1877.

Lone Poplar — This office, which was located 4 miles east and 1 mile south of Atkins, was established in August of 1872.

Lost Corner — The application was made for the name of Okay, but they received the name Lost Corner in August of 1919. It was located 10 miles north of Appleton.

Lotta — It was established in January, 1899, on Moccasin Creek, two miles southeast of Treat.

Lyman — In July, 1867, this post office was on Crow Mountain, near the present Mars Hill.

Mill — This post office was established in 1914, 12 miles North of Scottsville and 3½ miles Southwest of Raspberry.

Mill Creek — This office was established in 1874, about 5 miles west of Russellville.

Moreland — The application was made in 1869, and was an office in 1870.

Murphy — This office was located southeast of Pleasant Grove.

Nogo — The office was applied for in 1896, and was located near the present Nogo Community.

Norristown — This office was located near the Dardanelle Dam. The application was made in 1870.

Northwood — It was established in September of 1889 on the East Fork of the Illinois Bayou, 4 miles East of Gabriel and 3 miles southeast of Nogo.

Okay — This post office was established in 1903, 1 mile South of Lost Corner.

Quitaville — The Application was made for Ouita in 1876, near what was the Ouita community on the Marina Road and in the lake.

Pearl — This post office was located 3 miles northeast of Hector.

Pelsor — The application in 1922, asked for the name of Sand Gap, but they received the name of Pelsor. However, the name of the community was never changes, and today it is still Sand Gap (Pelsor Post Office).

Perry Station — This was established in 1872, 4 miles east of Atkins. This was at this time the western terminus of the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railway.

Potts Station — Formerly Galley Rock, this office was established in 1873.

Pulaski — This office was discontinued because it was at the same location as Atkins.

Raspberry — This was located 4 miles South of Ben Hur and 2 miles northwest of Smyrna.

Retta — Located 4 miles northeast of Hector, the name was later changed to Pearl.

Rocky Hill — This was established in 1854, on the Dover to Yellville route, 4 miles north of Scottsville.

Ross — This office was established in 1891, 3 miles north of North New Hope.

Russellville — This post office was established in 1856, 3½ miles north of Norristown, and 17 miles East of Pittsburg.

Santos — This office was established in October of 1884, 3 miles southeast of London or about 6 miles west of Russellville.

Scotia — This office was applied for in 1867, and was located about 2 miles southwest of London on the Arkansas River.

Scottsville — This post office was established in 1874, 5 miles northeast of Dover.

Sigsbee — This office was applied for in 1898, near what is now North New Hope.

Silex — Located on the Clarksville to Mt. Judea route, west of Booger Holler, this office was established in 1881 at the Strong and Bailey's mill on Piney Creek. They received mail twice a week at Silex.

Smyrna — Located 13 miles north of Hector, this post office was applied for in 1888.

Solo — Located 5 miles North of Hector, this post office was applied for in 1898.

Tag — Located 8 miles Northwest of Hector, this post office was applied for in 1901.

Taral — This post office was applied for in 1895. It was also known as Baker's Creek, but was discontinued in 1909 and put on Route 4, Russellville.

Terryville — Named Terrytown in 1893, this was located in the west part of what is now Russellville, near the Delphia Cemetery. This post office was discontinued in April of 1895, as no one wanted to be the Postmaster.

Tilly — This office was located in the Northeast part of the County on Highway #27.

Treat — They applied for the name of Neppy and received the name of Treat in 1898.

Turnerville — This post office was established in 1896, about 1½ miles Northeast of Pleasant Grove on the Broomfield Road.

Victor — This office was established in 1918, about 3 miles East of Freeman.

Volney — This office was established in 1908, about 1¼ miles North of where Highway #124 leaves Highway #105 toward Appleton.

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APPLETON

No history of Appleton, Arkansas, would be complete without first telling of the early arrivals to the Eastern part of Pope County, and of the community they first lived in. There was an Indian Chief by the name of Chief Glass, who lived a few miles south of the present town of Appleton, on Hacker Creek and had a salt works there. The first white settlers began to settle north of there and their community became known as Glass Village.

In 1856, a group decided to organize a

church close to a spring which is in Appleton, and called the church, Sulpher Springs Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Appleton, as a town was still non-existent.

No one knows just what year it was, but a drug store was the first store to open in the Sulpher Springs area. This store may have housed the first Post Office which was established, June 12, 1879. Several stories about the name Appleton have been told. One is, that the first store was built in the apple orchard of Reubin Rankin. Both of these may be correct as the Post Office may have been in the drug store. It is said the Post Office Department, in looking for a name, suggested this one because of the good quality of apples that grew in the orchard. Anyway, we know it was named after a fruit that was grown in abundance in the area.

Gregory Hawkins, was the first white man we have record of moving to the area. He was born in Smith Co., Tenn., came to Conway, Co., Ark., in 1830. At this time, that area was in Conway, Co. Richard Griffin, with his family, came to Arkansas in 1832. They settled south of Glass Village, taking up quite a lot of land. The community in that area has been known through the years as Griffin Flat. The township, including the area around the Sulpher Springs was named after Richard Griffin, Griffin Township, Pope County. A short time later, Robert Rankin came from Tennessee and settled close by. Ephraim Lemley, came from Alabama, and took up land bordering on the west of Richard Griffin. This was in 1839 as he had spent the first year in Arkansas at Old Lewisburg, near Morrilton. The land that Mr. Griffin and Mr. Lemley, settled on was given to them by the government as they had taken part in the War of 1812. Other early arrivals were the Poe's, Bruton's, Lawrence's, Cawhorn's, Hill's, Boland's, Tate's, Hillis', and many others.

The Poes and Rankins were related by marriage and it wasn't too long before there were marriages between the Griffin's, Lemley's and Rankin's as all of them had large families.

During the early days, most houses were made of logs. Later, they would be weather-boarded or the cracks filled with mud and maybe some kind of siding put over the logs on the outside. In 1846, Joe S. Poe built a log house about a half mile east of the Sulpher Springs area. It was a large two room affair with a hall in the middle. There was a large fireplace on the east end of the house. In 1906, the house was remodded. The room on the west side was taken off and the room on the east side was rebuilt around the logs. That is, siding was put on the outside and it was walled on the inside and papered. The fireplace was made a little smaller on the inside and a new mantle put in. The room was made into a living room. There was a cellar built under the room when it was built in 1846, and still is that way today. The house still has furniture in it and was the home of Jeff Lewis for many years, then his son Emmett Lewis and now belongs to William Everett Lewis, a grandson of Jeff. Mrs. Emmett Lewis just recently passed away and had lived there since the passing of her husband. The original mantle for the fireplace that was first built in 1846



Original Town of Appleton. Hallie Bartlett was standing in the front door of Brant Store.

is in the smokehouse today.

During those days when a house was to be built they would have what they called a "log raising". The families would gather to the appointed place and the men and boys would cut logs for the house, while the women and girls would prepare the meals.

According to our standards today, their homes were very primitive. They lived off the fat of the land, that is, what they could grow, including cotton, wheat, corn, also animals such as goats, sheep, geese and chickens. The geese served as two main purposes; first as feathers for their much needed feather beds, and second, they would graze in the cotton patch, keeping it clean of all grass.

A number of humorous stories could be told of the happenings of the day. One such story, involves J.L. Lemley. While he was a lad of a boy, he went visiting one night, taking with him his night shirt, which was proper for the day. When he retired for the night, he placed his trousers between the cracks of the logs of the house. When he awoke the next morning and looked for them, he found that they had been eaten by a goat. Needless to say, a very embarrassed lad ran home in his night shirt.

As previously stated, the first church in the community was the Cumberland Presbyterian church, established at Sulpher Springs on March 21, 1856. Rev. W.W. Strickland was the mod. and Bros. John M. Poe, J.S. Poe, Rubin B. Rankin, and A.L. Rankin, were elected Elders.

The first C.P. church in Griffin Township was at Glass Village. The area near Appleton began to be more populated, so it was decided to establish a church in the area. It was established in 1856 near a spring and was called Sulpher Springs. The spring was just east of the present church building.

They always had a camp meeting at Glass Village and did so until 1902, always in September. The ATKINS CHRONICLE on Friday, August 30, 1895 read: "The camp meeting at

Glass Village, Sunday, was well attended and some excellent sermons preached. During the services a severe wind and rain storm arose, blowing down several trees, one of which badly injured a horse. A large delegation attended the meeting from Atkins."

It is said the Rev. W.W. Strickland, first moderator of the Sulpher Springs Church, believed in strict order while he was preaching. During those days there were a lot of ruffians and it was nothing unusual for Rev. Strickland to ask the boys to behave and if they didn't, he would walk back and slap or hit them with his fist and keep on preaching.

There was another C.P. church a few miles northwest of Appleton on the Hector road during the early days, but after the Civil War, politics got so hot in the church that the church split and most of the members transferred to Appleton. The church soon disbanded.

The first building was a log building. Later they built a frame building in 1872, and the third building was built in 1912. About the time they built the last building, the Methodists had built a church on Main Street. While the Cumberland's were in the act of rebuilding, they worshipped with the Methodists. The cemetery was probably started here soon after the church was established. It is a large, nice kept cemetery. There is only a rock marker but it is known by some of the residents.

Some time in the early 1900's, the Nazarene's held a big revival northwest of Appleton and several of the Appleton folk joined them. The church didn't last too many years, neither did the Methodists. The Assembly of God had services for a while during the 1930's where the Methodist church had been. Now, there are only two churches in Appleton, Cumberland Presbyterian and Church of Christ.

A town growing up in the wilderness of the 19th century and especially during the days of reconstruction after the Civil War could tell many a tale of hardship. The many residents who remained at home had to hide their cattle and horses from the troops of both North and South. Also, any grain from their crops had to be hidden and any young man who wasn't in the service had to hide any time he knew the Army was near.

The community was divided in its opinions as there were men from there who fought for the South and also the North.

Ephraim Lemley, had a slave during the war who had a son, 12 or 14 years of age. One day the Northern army came by and took him with them to do their chores. She was very sad, fearing she would never see the boy again. One day after the war, while washing clothes outside the house, she happened to look up and saw her son coming across the field. It is said that she could be heard screaming all over the community. This boy, whose name was Thomas, became a Baptist preacher, later moving to the Atkins bottoms using Lemley as his last name.



A sawmill at Appleton about 1900.

Appleton was incorporated in 1892, a few years after the first Post Office was established. The original map shows 29 square blocks with nine streets; Stone, Pine, Main, Tate, Burris, Buckeye, Cherry, Mill, and Kuhn. Today, part of the streets are there, but I doubt if anyone could name them.

In 1882, Phillip N. Austin, was elected County Tax Assessor, but due to the trouble between the residents of the County and the appointed Northern officials, he decided not to go to Dover to take up his new duties.

The town had begun to grow soon after the war. One of the first things established was a wheat mill. This was very important to the livelihood of the people. People would come for miles around to get their wheat ground, sometimes having to camp for several days before getting waited on. The wheat mill was run by a steam engine from a steamboat. It was so large that they also had a grist mill and cotton gin running off the same engine. It had been hauled from the Arkansas River by two yoke of oxen.

The following is a report from the National Archives to Congressman Brooks Hays in answer to a request by Ed Wilson.

The records of the Post Office Department show that a post office was established at Appleton, Pope County, on June 12, 1879. Listed below are the names of the postmasters who served at Appleton and the date of appointment of each, as shown in the records of the Post Office Department now in the National Archives and in records still maintained by the Department: Charles W. Lawrence, June 12, 1879; Isham L. West, April 14, 1880; Nathan W. Kuhn, August 19, 1880; F.D.E. Montgomery, June 16, 1886; Charles L. Brant, July 22, 1886; John G. Burris, October 24, 1889; Charles L. Brant, April 5, 1893; William R. Hubbard, February 14, 1898; Fernando D.E. Montgomery, February 16, 1900; Jersey E. Jones, August 15, 1900; Richard B. Burris, September 5, 1901; George W. Burris, January 10, 1903; Carroll Arthur, December 26, 1908; John T. Spears, April 12, 1911; Philander M. Voss, September 11, 1911; Leroy C. Bartlett, February 3, 1915; Leah Lemley (W.D. Bartlett acting), July 13, 1918; J. Allison Jones (acting), February 25, 1921; Albert S. Wiley, December 13, 1921; Mrs. Orine Boland (acting), September 13, 1938; and John A. Jones, November 22, 1938.

Other postmasters not shown on this list are: Charles McGowan, and James H. Morris, who is the present postmaster.

At one time, Appleton had the distinction of having two rural mail routes and two star routes running from the post office. The first rural mail carrier was Jim Bruton. Later Tom Spears carried for a while and Blaine Spears started carrying in 1906 and retired in 1936. Leo Strickland carried for a while after this, then the Appleton rural route was consolidated with the Atkins route.

When Appleton had hit its peak around the turn of the century, there were four business houses, one drug store, one hotel, two saw-mills and a planer mill, as well as a gin, grist mill, and wheat mill. There may have been others. It was estimated to have a population

of between 500 and 600 people.

There were several doctors who lived at Appleton from the beginning until the people began to move to the city. Richard Griffin had several sons who made doctors. Dr. John L., lived his life in Appleton, but two of his brothers moved to Texas. There was a Dr. John Bruton, who quit practicing after a few years because of believing he was called to preach, so he entered the ministry. There was Dr. T.L. McCarley, Dr. John G. McAdams, Dr. Lowrey, and Dr. P.M. Tate.

The first school to be built was just east of the Cumberland church, near the Sulpher Springs. There have been four school buildings and the last one, built in the 1930's by W.P.A. is still standing, although it is not in use as a school. The district has been consolidated with the Hector District and the pupils are bussed there. The building is used today as a community building.

Nathan Kuhn was one of the early school teachers. In 1870, the District had \$514.60 to operate the school and they spent all of it. F.D. Montgomery and J.L. Burris were the teachers and they received \$20.00 per month each. J.L. Burris, later became U.S. Marshall and was a hard one, especially on the moonshiners which were numerous in those days. One night someone saw a light in his window and took a shot at it hoping to kill Mr. Burris. The bullet hit the window sill and the man in the room wasn't Mr. Burris, but Dr. McCarley.

Other school teachers have been: Bart Tucker, Arlie Morris, Miss Imogene Hamm, Lee Hamm, Mock Koonsey, Fay Spears, James L. Montgomery, Elect Richardson, Emma Mathis, Mae Poteet, and J.W. Blackwell. Miss Ruth Burris and Ed Wilson were the teachers when the school was closed. Mr. Wilson then retired after a lifetime of teaching in the schools of Eastern Pope County.

During Mr. Wilson's teaching days he was always interested in history and too, having been raised in that part of the County, knowing so many people, he has a good knowledge of what has happened from the beginning of the first settlers in Griffin Township.

Some of the school board members have been: W.E. Mathews, 1895; J.L. Lemley, 1892; F.M. Lemley, 1891; J.W. Stokes, 1885; L.D. Montgomery, 1885; J.S. Canerday, 1885; Sam Andrews, 1892; A.D. Lawrence, 1886; J.W. Blackburn, 1900; A.J. Lemley, 1903; W.O. Hill, 1905; W.L. Bartlett, 1909; F.E. Wilson, 1911; L.B. Montgomery, 1913; J.W. Gilbert, 1915; W.D. Bartlett, 1917; Buel Lawrence, 1952, and Opal Bartlett, 1962.

The first Masonic Lodge #398 (could be another number) was organized on October 25, 1881. Officers were: J.M. Hinkle, W.M.; R.S. Adcock, R.S.; P.H. Spears, J.W. the following were charter members: Shadrack Jones, N.W. Kuhn, J.L. West, J.J. Hillis, B.D. Hillis, N.W. King, J.W. Bruton, W.J. Baccus, F.M. Lemley, A. Thompson, F.N. Hopkins, A.J. Wiley and T.J. Richardaon.

Before the time of establishing the post office at Appleton, the people of the community had to get their mail from Glass Village. The

first lodge was also at Glass Village, this being the Poe Lodge #182, chartered November 6, 1866, with officers: J. Marshall, W.M.; L.D. Ford, S.W.; and R.T. Burns, J.W.

There are four main cemeteries near Appleton that have been used since the early days. The Kinslow or Rankin Cemetery, which was on the back side of the Rankin farm, about a mile west of Sulpher Springs. It is a large cemetery but hasn't been used for better than fifty years. Robert Rankin and wife and two children are buried there with rock markers but names carved on the rock. Lately markers have been put on their graves. Ephraim Lemley is also buried there and many others who only have rock markers at their grave. Robert and Isabelle Rankin had a son who was hunting one night with a cap and ball rifle. He fired at a coon and in his haste to reload he dropped the hot shell into his powder horn and it exploded, burning him to death. This was in 1847.

The Ford Cemetery is south of Appleton and is still being used. Gregory Hawkins was buried there in 1876. Richard Griffin was buried in 1862. The Wiley Cemetery is about a mile north of the Appleton cemetery and is mostly a family cemetery still in use.

The members of the Cumberland church have always been active and since the organizing of the Pope County Singing Convention, they have been the host numerous times. Years ago, the churches had organized a Sunday School Convention and Appleton was the host a number of times, also host of the State Sunday School Convention one time. During the days of singing schools, there were no doubt hundreds of them held in the area for they were people who enjoyed good singings.

Time and tide waits for no man and most of the older generation have passed on, but fond memories still remain. There are still several buildings and signs of where others were, reminding a person the Appleton was once a flourishing community.

by J.B. Lemley

THE BANK OF DOVER

In 1905 the first bank in Dover was opened in the old Courthouse on the City Square. The first bank in Dover was a branch of the Kentucky Bank. Two years after the Bank began operation, it was purchased by W.A. Baird and moved from the Courthouse to the Campbell Building owned by R.C.K. Campbell. The first employee of the Bank was Mac Williams and the first Board of Directors included: W.A. Baird, Dr. C.K. Campbell, Bill Simpson, and West Moses.

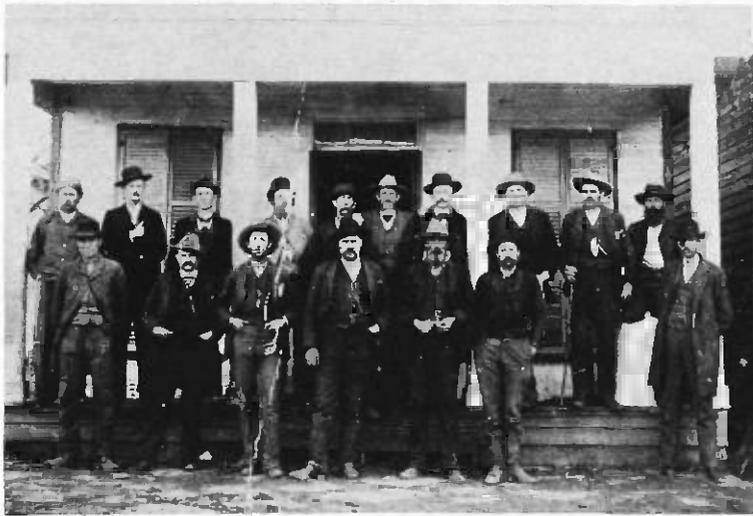
In 1907 J.W. Jarrett became the Cashier of the Bank of Dover, a position he held until 1921, when he was replaced by L.J. Lemley. The Bank was moved to its present location in 1923. In 1924 John E. Moore joined the Bank as a stockholder and Director and Mr. Moore has continued to be a Director since that time. During the depression years the Bank, as was the case with most banks of the period,



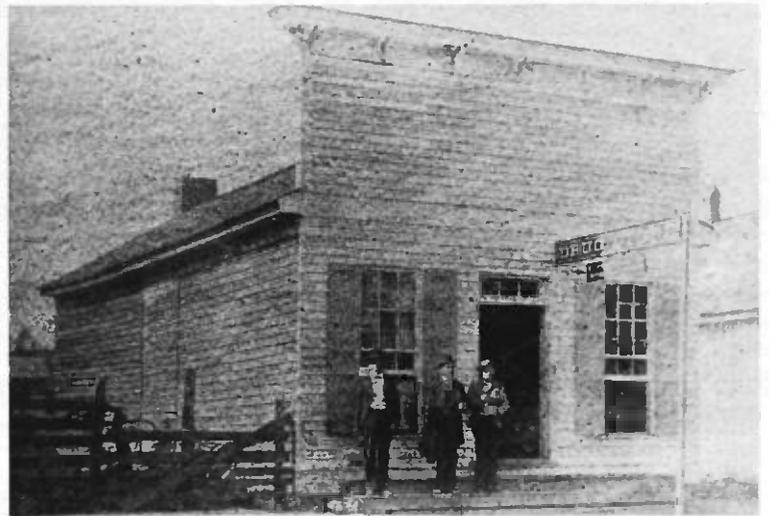
This is the Pope County Court House that was built after the Civil War. It was located on the town square in Dover. It was later used for a school and then torn down to make room for a new school building.



Pope County Jail at Dover.



This is a picture of some early citizens of Dover standing in front of Dr. David Ruff's Office. The office was built in the early 1880's, just East of the Drug Store that is in another picture.



The picture of this Drug Store on West Water Street in Dover was made before 1880. The office of Dr. Ruff was built where the fence is at the left. That office was built in the early 1880's. This faced North and the town square.



Local men outside the "Beehive" in Dover. They are from left to right: Dr. C.K. Campbell, W.H. Poynter, Unknown, Judge Bradley, William Simpson, Sr. Unknown, W.W. Eakes, W. Cox, John B. West, Dr. Ruff, Dr. Clutts, William Simpson, Tom West, W.A. & Porter Baird, John Neal, Rufe Smith, Dr. Ed Truitt, and Bob Ellis.

showed little growth. L.J. Lemley left his position as cashier of the Bank in 1939. After a few changes in the position of cashier, W.M. Wallace became the Cashier and head of the Bank of Dover in 1949 and retained that position until he retired in 1975.

By 1957 the Bank of Dover still had only

three employees, W.M. Wallace, C.L. Poynter and Bettye Barton. As the City of Russellville began to secure industrial plants with a corresponding increase in jobs available, more people moved to the Dover area and more money was placed into circulation. The increase in wages and salaries during the

sixties put more money in the banks. The total deposits in the Bank of Dover on May 30, 1968 amounted to \$1,961,000. In 1969 a branch of the Bank of Dover was established in Hector. By 1973 the deposits in the Bank had reached the sum of \$4,611,000. By this time several new employees were added to the Bank so that by May of 1978 the Bank of Dover had 23 employees. C.L. Poynter, a long time employee of the Bank of Dover, became executive head of the Bank in 1975 but resigned in 1977 to go into the real estate business.

Tom Hargis of Russellville became Executive Vice President in 1977 and Stanley Smith became Vice President. The present assistant vice presidents are: Bettye Barton, Joyce Churchill, Mary Martin, and Robert Dale. The present Board of Directors is: David R. Bewley, T.C. Campbell, Bill Harms, Stanford Lee, John E. Moore, Tom Hargis, and Richard Mobley. Presently the deposits in the Bank of Dover exceed \$11,000,000 and the future for the Banks looks brighter than ever.

by Bettye Barton & Mary Martin

THE DOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The City of Dover suffered a number of disastrous fires before it was able to organize and equip a fire department. During the Civil War, while Dover was the seat of the Pope County government, the Court House burned. On February 15, 1930, a fire destroyed the major part of the city business district. On the First Day of January, 1942, the Dover High School building was entirely destroyed by fire, the estimate of loss being \$35,000 and the insurance in force being only a meager \$10,000. A major impediment to the organization of a fire department in Dover has been the absence of city water. Dover did not have a municipal water system until 1963.

In 1948 a group of town leaders in Dover devised a plan to raise money for the purpose of purchasing firefighting equipment for the

city. Homeowners within the city limits were assessed from \$5 to \$25, depending upon the value of property and ability to pay. With the funds raised a one-ton Chevrolet truck was purchased along with a 750 gallon capacity steel tank and a pump which would be used to provide the needed pressure for firefighting. Ivan Pullen was maintenance supervisor for Dover Schools and Delmer Boley was a part-time veterans instructor and in charge of transportation maintenance. After work hours these two men would return to the Dover School shop and provided the city of Dover with many hours of free labor in mounting the tank upon the truck. Possibly others helped with the work but the major part of this work was done by Ivan Pullen and Delmer Boley.

By 1949 the directors of the Bank of Dover had employed W.M. Wallace as the administrative head of the Bank. Mr. Wallace helped to organize the Fire Department and became the first fire Chief serving until 1967. The up-

keep of the Dover firefighting equipment was the responsibility of Ivan Pullen. Mr. Pullen was also employed to keep the Dover Water Department in operation as long as his health would permit him to work.

An inventory of firefighting equipment in the City of Dover taken on December 24, 1953 included: one firefighting tank truck with 500 feet of hose, valued at \$3,500 and a \$1,500 building in which the truck was housed.

The coming of a municipal water system in 1963 materially aided the Dover Fire Department in its effectiveness. In 1968 a new and more modern fire truck was purchased and the old one sold. By 1975 the new Dover City Hall was completed which houses the fire equipment, the Dover Library, and the city offices. For the past three years, Fred McCain has served as the Chief of an efficient Dover Fire Department.

by M.C. Tucker



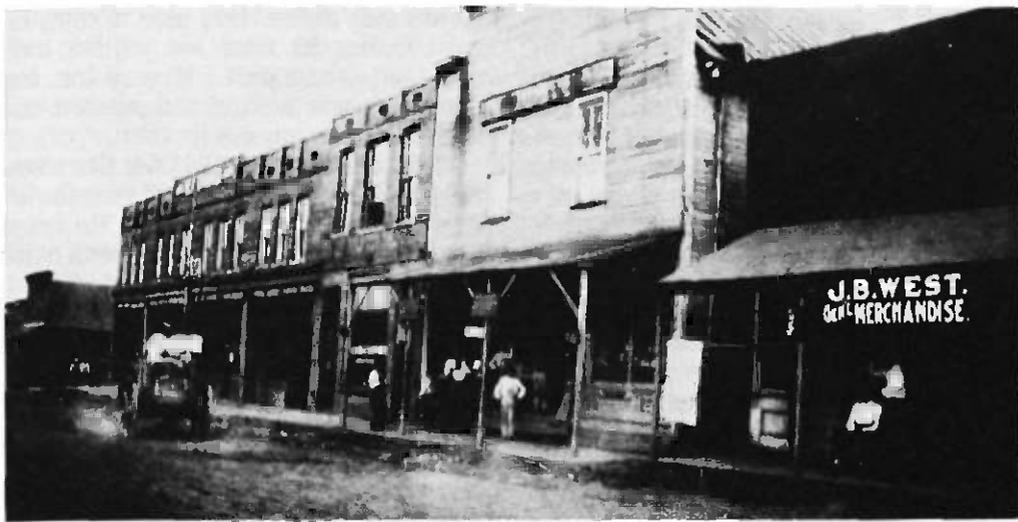
This picture was made by Dto Eudy in 1911 from the second floor of the school that sat on the town square. The D. Porter West Home is at the lower left hand corner of the picture. His son, Tom's, house is next door to the right, and the 3rd house D.E. Eakes. The house behind Mr. West's house is that of a Mr. Fowler. The store in the lower right corner was the Dudley Jaymes Store. This picture is looking to the Northwest from the town square.



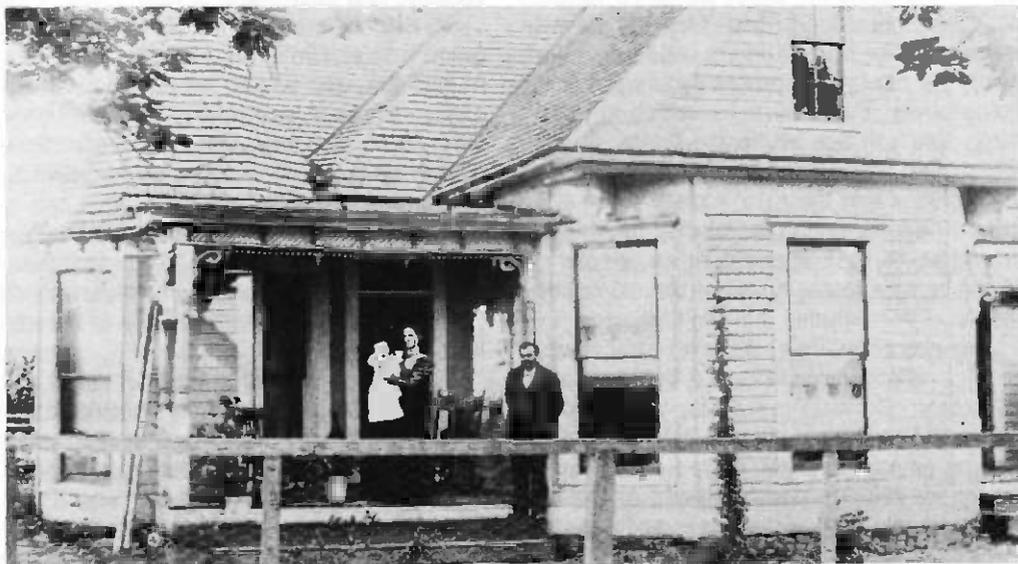
This picture was made on Highway #7 looking South from Water Street. The buildings burned on February 15, 1930. (1920)



This picture is made from Highway #7 looking West on Water Street, on the South side of the Town square. The buildings burned down in a fire on February 15, 1930. (1920)



These are the buildings on the East side of Highway #7 as you come into Dover from Russellville. The large Baird Building (with wagon in front) is said to be the first brick store building to be built North of the Railroad in Pope County. It was built in 1909. The rest of the buildings burned in the fire on February 15, 1930. These were from left to right: The Bank of Dover, which had moved before the fire, Dr. C.K. Campbell's office was over the bank, W.D. Eakes' Drug Store, with the Masonic Hall upstairs over the Drug Store, then there was a small alley with a stairway to get upstairs, and then the J.B. West Mercantile Store. (1920)



The Will Simpson Home on West Water Street in Dover. The house is in the first block facing North.

FAMOUS

If one were to turn off Highway 7 North onto Highway 333 and go west to London or to Lamar, he would not realize that he had passed through the former community of Famous. All that is left now of the community is the old Moore house; and it will not be there much longer.

This rambling old house, consisting of several broad porches and seven large rooms, has been added onto several times, but the original part of the house is more than one hundred years old. The house was built by John Thomas Moore and his wife Darcus Isbell Moore, and he was the owner of the store and post office called Famous. During the time John Thomas lived at Famous, there were several houses and a Baptist church.

The post office was in the store and received mail twice a week from Piney Station. People in the surrounding communities came to the store for their mail.

The store was a general merchandise store

containing everything from snuff and tobacco to patent medicines and clothing. In 1903, John Thomas and Darcus sold the store to their eldest son, John Amos Moore, and they, along with their two unmarried daughters — Cassie and Phoebe — moved to Cabin Creek (Lamar), Arkansas, and started a new business. John Thomas' two other daughters and his three sons had already married and were living in the Famous Community. John Amos Moore and his five children had moved in with his parents after the death of his wife — Dora Alice Pless.

When the senior Moores moved, John Amos, along with his thirteen-year old daughter, Bertha Ardelia, who became house keeper, cook, and nursemaid for her brothers and sisters, began adding new business to the community. He added a cotton gin and grist mill which were used by people within a ten-mile radius. John Amos' brother, Anderson, helped keep the store, but in 1919, Anderson and his family moved to Vancouver, Washington. Later in 1923, John Amos moved to Guthrie, Oklahoma, and went into

the grocery business. He sold the business at Famous to his younger son John Elbert (Ebb) Moore.

Before John Amos went to Guthrie, Famous had ceased to be a post office because of the 1912 establishment of the rural free routes, and mail was thereafter delivered from Dover. People no longer needed to come to the store for their mail.

When John Elbert (Ebb) took over the business, he enlarged the store by adding a full line of hardware, increasing the grocery selection, and adding piece goods, shoes, and clothing. He also added a sawmill and a planer to the existing gin and grist mill. He built new houses on the property, and hired several families to work on the large farming operation with the gin, sawmill, and planer. The store and the businesses lost the name of Famous and became known as Mooretown. During the next twelve years, from thirty to forty people lived in the six houses on the original forty acres.

In 1934, John Elbert and Ed Bradley bought the Dover Mercantile, known in those days as The Brick. One of John Elbert's widowed sisters, who lived in the Moore house, Mae Moore Hlnk, helped run the store in Dover. His other widowed sister, Bertha Moore Rollow, ran the store at Mooretown. By the time of World War II, the cotton gin, the sawmill, the planer, and the grist mill had been moved to Dover, and the store at Mooretown had been discontinued. The houses on the property had either been moved away or had been torn down. Now, all that remains of the once thriving community are the old house and the foundation stones of the other houses, the gin, the sawmill, the planer, and the grist mill.

by John Rollow

GLASS VILLAGE

Glass Village was first located about five miles south of Appleton on the Atkins-Appleton road. It was a little west of the present road over on Hacker Creek. It was in the general area of what was called Griffin Flat, and was named in honor of Chief Glass of the Cherokee Tribe that lived there. Chief Glass stayed in the area after the Cherokee went to the Indian Territory. He attended the Primitive Baptist Church that had been established at Glass Village. The first Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Griffin Township was established at Glass Village.

The first Masonic Lodge in Griffin Township was established in Glass Village, called the Poe Lodge #182, chartered November 6, 1866, with officers: J. Marshall, W.M.; L.D. Ford, S.W.; and R.T. Burns, J.W.

The first mail route was established from Lewisburg, on the river south of Morrilton, to Old Glass Village, on September 14, 1835. A Mr. Webb was the first carrier. The location at that time was near the Old Salt works of Chief Glass, on Hacker Creek. It only stayed there a few years and then was moved. The first route was authorized by the Territorial Legislature.

For a number of years, Glass Village was in

Conway County, but in 1872, the Pope-Conway line was definitely established and Glass Village was in Pope County. However, as a lot of the early Post Offices close to the line were kept in the home of the Postmaster, the office would shift back and forth across the county line. When William Griffin was Postmaster, he was living near what is now Buttermilk about a mile northwest of the original site.

A post office was established at Glass Village, Conway County (formerly Pope County), on January 20, 1848. It was discontinued on May 17, 1867; re-established on February 28, 1868, and discontinued on October 9, 1882, with its mail thereafter sent to Appleton. The following are names of the postmasters who served at Glass Village and the date of appointment of each: William R. Turner, January 20, 1848; Robert L. Burns, December 7, 1858; William Griffin, February 25, 1859; Reuben B. Rankin, September 13, 1860; Eli M. Thomas, February 28, 1868; Lewis Sweten, August 25, 1870; John W. Williams, October 25, 1872; Charles W. Lawrence, October 16, 1878; Benjamine D. Hillis, December 27, 1878; James H. Baker, June 5, 1879; Jefferson G. Field, May 14, 1880; and John N. Cannon, January 24, 1881.

A site location report of May 23, 1868, from the postmaster at Glass Village to the Post Office Department shows that the office was located in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 13, Township 9 North, Range 18 West. This is on the County line, east of Appleton.

by J.B. Lemley

A TRIP THROUGH GRIFFIN FLAT WITH MR. ED WILSON

(NOTE — Mr. Ed Wilson, now of Hattieville, is a retired school teacher, who spent most of his life in the Eastern part of Pope County, from Griffin Flat to Appleton. He now lives about one-half mile across the County line in Conway County. This story was taped by me while driving from his house to the Buttermilk community which is west, across Hacker from Griffin Flat.)

Henry Amborse Beeson, settled all this, settled all this land. He is the man who used to go down and talk to Old Chief Glass. I know this is true, for my step-grandmother told me this when I was in my teens. Beeson was part Cherokee himself and Chief Glass was a full blood Cherokee. We had one writer who claimed he was something else, but he wasn't. I thought about writing to Washington to get the information myself, but never have. Chief Glass left here before he passed away. He was probably born about 1800. There was something about Chief Glass that caused them to let him stay here after the Indians left. All the white settlers knew him for he roamed all over the mountains from here over Pea Ridge and Crow Mountain. He must have been a good Indian. There was no doubt that some of the white settlers were here before the Indians moved out, for some of them

were here in the early 1830's.

In the early territorial days, there was evidently a trading post at the Old Glass Village for tradition points that way. It was a point of trade and continued to be a point of trade of merchandise until these other towns sprung up.

Now, Griffin Flat is one of the oldest settlements in this part of the state. Old Uncle Richard M. Griffin, was the one who settled that. The Carrolls came early, then the Burnetts, Wilsons, then the Rankins in '38. Where the low water bridge is on Point Remove, was a ford as far back as we have any knowledge and was known as the Burnett Crossing. (The wagon road can still be seen) Old Aunt Ollie Burnett lived right on the bank of that thing, not over fifty feet from the bridge. She had a log house there. Of course they built there for water. What makes me remember it so well, is that I have heard them tell about it coming one of the big overflows and she had to go in the house or leave, and she couldn't leave for the water was already up so she went in. Water came up in the house so she went to bed. She just stayed with it just like the old timers had to do. She would put her foot out to see if the water was going down. Those Burnetts settled in there early. You can see where the house stood. When they first graded this road, the rocks were graded into the road. (Jonquils are still growing and blooming there) Just before we cross Hacker, there is an old Indian cemetery. Might be able to see some of the old bones that have been graded into the road.

This was called Point Remove, for that was the line where the Indians had to move to. I have been all over this land for I was raised here and know every bit of it. When it would get dry enough to plow, we would start and would see things from the graves of the Indians. People have picked up everything the

Indians ever owned. They used to come for miles looking for relics and anything they could find. I have picked them up too, and threw them in the creek and anywhere else for I didn't have any use for them.

We'll go down where Old Chief Glass lived and stop a few minutes, I don't think the fellows would care for us to stop. (The house was about a quarter of a mile southeast of the ford, on a hill to the right of the road.) He built a house that wasn't altogether Indian type. (Quoting my grandmother, again) It stayed there for a long time after he was gone. I don't know what became of him, unless he later went to Oklahoma. About 1836, he was a member of the Old Glass Village Church, for that was where it got its name. Must have been a pretty good old Indian. It was a Cumberland Presbyterian Church, the only church that was ever in Griffin Flat.

On up the creek, we come to some land that is still in the Griffin hands. Belongs to Cleo Cheek and his folks. It has been passed down from old Richard Griffin. He was real wealthy, and owned lots of land.

Just before crossing the low water bridge (on east side of Point Remove) there is a track of land that was cleared before the Civil War and is still in use today and is still pretty good land. I have seen a lot of the land around here cleared off two or three times but is grown up again.

It kinda amuses me but the rest of the Burnett's have never been able to connect themselves to Old Aunt Ollie. She must have been a widow at that time and was one of the earliest ones here.

(Mr. Wilson pointed to the boundaries and corners of the property of different persons.) There was at least three acres of the cemetery. I have forded Hacker when it (the water) came to the wagon bed. All this was Griffin land on both sides of Hacker for the next mile.



The Robert Ashmore home in Griffin Flat — 1978.

I don't know why, but this field was always called the Granny Patch. My grandfather came back here after the Civil War, with an old broken down horse that they had given him after he got out of prison, had to lead it all the way. He put in a corn crop and the old horse died so he made the corn crop with a hoe. He had no money to buy another horse. William Griffin was a close friend of his and an Army Officer. Don't guess I ever told you, but William Griffin was a Captain, himself, in the Confederate Army. I know he was for I have seen his old sword. He helped grandfather a lot. He had a hard time.

What makes me know so much about the merchandise coming from Lewisberg and Galley Rock, to Glass Village, was all the old papers that was owned by the Griffins that William had bought. He was a merchant himself. And do you know that George Griffin, burned most of those papers when he left here. He had my grandfather's commission as Captain in there. (Showed us the Bob Ira Griffin place that he had hired from his grandfather, along with a 16 year old negro slave girl that was very valuable then.) The Civil War took that all away from him. (Then showed us where he was born and then the John Moore place.) John Moore had married Richard C. Griffin's daughter.

William Griffin, put up several buildings in the area with slaves. One of them was a big double log house with big rooms. He had some money. He didn't have the opportunity to be as wealthy as some of the others. The west side of Hacker at that time seemed to be the center of the community. The Old Glass Village church was over there and established in 1836. Sam Wilson lived over there, later Dr. Whiteside and old man Bob Johnson lived there later, but it was mostly Griffin property. Bob Johnson's wife was Maggie and she is buried at Ford Cemetery. They had two children to live to be grown, Willie and Lucy. The McCarley's lived on that side, their house wasn't but about a quarter of a mile from Old Glass Village and they had rent houses themselves. Wash McCarley lived there and John McCarley, before moving to Atkins. It remained the center of the old community.

The Masonic Lodge was established there in 1865. That was an old log building and it remained until Finis Wilson started to school for he told me so. My grandfather, Capt. P. M. Austin taught there before and after the Civil War. His first wife was Missouri Gordon. He bought or whatever, just across the road, east, from Glass Village and lived there during the war. One day during the war, grandmother was at home with the two babies when an old bushwhacker who was a big coward, walked in and told her to go upstairs with him. She told him to go by himself, but being the coward he was, he wouldn't go but left. Mary Wilson stayed with her some. Grandpa kept Joe Wilson during the war and even after the war. Finis and Gully Wilson lived with them. Now, Finis Wilson, never did have a house on this side of the creek until after the war when he was big enough to build it himself. His parents died before the war and so did Joe Wilson's. Grandpa kept them. He was goodhearted.

(Passed the salt works road and the James Griffin place.) James Griffin married a Gray and then a Jones. The whole family died out there so my mother told me. He had 80 acres here. Finis Wilson built a place after the Civil War on the east side of the creek. People went to the hills to get away from the mosquitoes. Dr. Griffin had learned through his studies that mosquitoes didn't stay on the hills like they did in the flat land. (Passed what was the Wilson property.) Sam Wilson bought Bulley Wilson's share and he also got his wife's share, Missouri Tennessee Wilson, through the birth of a child that lived a few hours longer than she did. This was W.J. Ashmore property, they moved up here in the '80's and built that rock fence. They used to live in the bottom when Bob Ashmore got shot. John Whitenburg shot him accidently.

I played all over this place, used to go down to the old salt works when a boy. Had a nice ford there, called Salt Works Ford. The '57 flood ruined it. People came for miles around during the war to get salt and camped for days. They dug a well and would boil a pot of water and get two or three cups of salt to that. That is where John Nichols lived. He was one of the old pioneers, but came later than the Griffins.

Some of the Wilson's, Mitch and two others, and Bob Ira Griffin, walked to Dover to enlist in the Army. He was 16. I've heard him laugh about his aunt, Mrs. Jim Wilson, making him a suit of clothes out of black sheep and dyed it and that is what he wore when he went to the army.

The Primitive Baptist was on across Hacker. I never did ask if William Griffin was a Baptist, but Bob Ira and some of them used to go there and would have a big foot washing. I wouldn't be surprised if they weren't Baptists. Ephraim Lemley and William Griffin's wife and my mother used to go there. They had some good times there.

There has never been but one church in Griffin Flat and that was the Old Glass Village church which was torn down in 1907, and moved over into Griffin Flat and rebuilt it, still a two story. The Masons owned half of it and it remained there until in the 1940's. My folks, daddy, mother, sisters, first wife, and I were all converted there. Joe Wilson's daddy was an Elder there in the Glass Village Church when it was across the creek. Moses McCarley had a son who made a preacher and they said he was a forceful preacher. My great-grandfather, Weatherall Anderson Wilson, who is buried at Oakland, preached there lots of times. He used to come up here at Appleton after it was organized. Uncle Rube was a member, but wasn't an Elder until they were organized at Appleton.

The Old Glass Village Post Office was located where the Postmaster lived. The mail was just brought every so often, wasn't regular. When William Griffin was Postmaster, I don't know if he lived near Buttermilk or just where. He had a store at Buttermilk. It never stayed in the Flat too long. It was east of Appleton the last time it was established.

The Glass Village congregation stayed in the Flat until the 40's, I believe, 1942. Grandfather Austin, a Mason, was secretary of the

Poe Lodge for many years. After the church went dead, the Presbyterians had to take over. The land went back to the heirs and the church was sold to the Freewill Baptists and it is at Sweet Home, now. The Poe Lodge was taken from there and moved to Jerusalem in the early 20's and stayed there until the 30's. It died for lack of members paying.

The last Pope County Singing Convention in the Flat was in 1914. When my dad was a young man, Joe Wilson, taught singing schools and wouldn't charge them anything. They used to give banners for the community who had the best singers. The Griffin Flat singers wasn't called Griffin Flat but the Palmento Singing class. In 1895, the Pope County Singing Convention was at Cross Roads and my daddy was a delegate to that.

Doode's Ridge was the name of school District #103. It is Thompson Chapel, now. The Freewill first tried having church there but there wasn't enough of them. The Assembly of God, I believe, first started in a brush arbor, just before WWI and got a good start and when the school was consolidated with Appleton, they let the Assembly of God have it. They have been going pretty good, but are a little weak now.

The Burnett's, McCarleys, Griffins, Burris', and Lemley's, were the ones who bound us to this land. At one time they had a Glass Village Academy. Grandfather taught there. Let's see, Susan Dalrymple went there, George W. Burris, some Tuckers from Conway County, they came from all around for they taught high school there. (By this time we had passed Appleton, then in the Buttermilk community where the Lemley's settled. This was across Hacker from Griffin Flat.) There was a house here where once a small child fell off the high porch and broke its neck. They started to Ford Cemetery but the creek was up so they buried it on the bank. The grave was kept for many years. (We climbed Lemley Mountain on to Dolan Burris', our destination.)

by J.B. Lemley

GUMLOG

Land for the Gumlog school was donated by "Little Bob" and Preshia Ashmore. Miss Goldie Burns taught grades 1, 2, & 3 and Mr. Haynie Buchanan taught 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8. A large gum tree had been cut near one side of the creek and fell across the creek and used for a foot log and thus the name "Gumlog." The name was always spelled Gumlog, although the highway sign says Gum Log. Gumlog is proper. The playground consisted of two large trees on each side of the creek with large grape vines in them. At recess they would swing from one side of the creek to the other. In warm weather they would build sand castles in the sand. Health problems weren't stressed so strong then as now so when any person needed a drink of water they got down on their knees and drink from the creek.

The community of Gumlog was comprised of the school, the Center Point Church which was owned by the Cumberland Presbyterian

Church but used by other denominations who lived there. There was also a general store and a Post Office.

by Mary June West Young

HECTOR AND BOILING SPRINGS

One of the first settlements in Pope County was the Boiling Springs community which was located about a mile west of where the city of Hector now stands.

A large camp meeting was held at Boiling Springs in the early 1830's. As an out growth of this meeting, the first Methodist church in Pope County was established by Rev. Mahlon Bewley and his four preacher sons: John M., Robert, George, and Nelson. The church was organized and a log building erected in 1832.

Rev. Bewley is also credited with naming Boiling Springs. The name was given because the water seemed to just boil up out of the ground for no apparent reason and created a pretty good size branch. Boiling Springs is also called Boiling Springs Campground and by some simply Campground.

Rev. Mahlon Bewley opened the first school in the area. The school was first held in his home and later in the church building. Teachers were Rev. Bewley, his son, Robert, and his son-in-law, Ben Langford.

Over the years, the center of settlement shifted from the Boiling Springs area to Hector.

The first business established at Hector was a tannery which was operated by Green Caudle. Other businesses soon followed. The U.S. Government operated a whiskey distillery where the grade school is now located. Dr. Peter Snider opened an office and a drug store where he made most of his own medicine. Dr. Alfred A. Sherrald also practiced medicine in the area. Cotton was the money crop and several gins operated in or near Hector over the years. One of the first was located on the west side of the road more or less in the middle of town. It was run by Jim Webb and Henry Llewellyn.



Hector, Arkansas
Main Street — 1908

By 1885, the community was flourishing and Mr. Hemp J. Mayo, owner of a local store, undertook to secure a post office for Hector. His efforts succeeded, but the new post office was in need of a name. Mr. Mayo wanted the new post office named after his home town of Avondale, Indiana. His political views differed from most of the citizens and this notion met with considerable opposition. Other names suggested included: Snider, in honor of Dr. Peter Snider; Wheeler, Wootenville, and Grindersville, after early settlers; and Greenville, after Green Caudle. The Post Office Department finally grew tired of the controversy and asked President Grover Cleveland to suggest a name. He chose the name Hector in honor of his favorite bull pup, and so it was, and so it has remained. Mr. H.P. Lawley was appointed as the new postmaster, and the new post office was located in his home.

As Hector continued to grow, the citizens became more concerned about the education of their children. School was held in the summer of 1889, under a gin shed owned by

J.M. Webb. Shelby Newton was the teacher.

As was true in most communities, the church people were responsible for the first school building in Hector.

The Primitive Baptist had been worshipping in a building near the Old Baptist Cemetery, but when the post office was established at Hector, some of the congregation wanted to move closer to town. In the summer of 1890, John H. Hickman donated lumber for a church house and Will Ross paid Jim Webb and D. Lewis to erect a new church building. It was located across the road from the present elementary school. The building was 40 feet by 30 feet with two doors, one for the men and one for the women and children. Later a long room was added across the north side of the original structure giving the building a "L" shape.

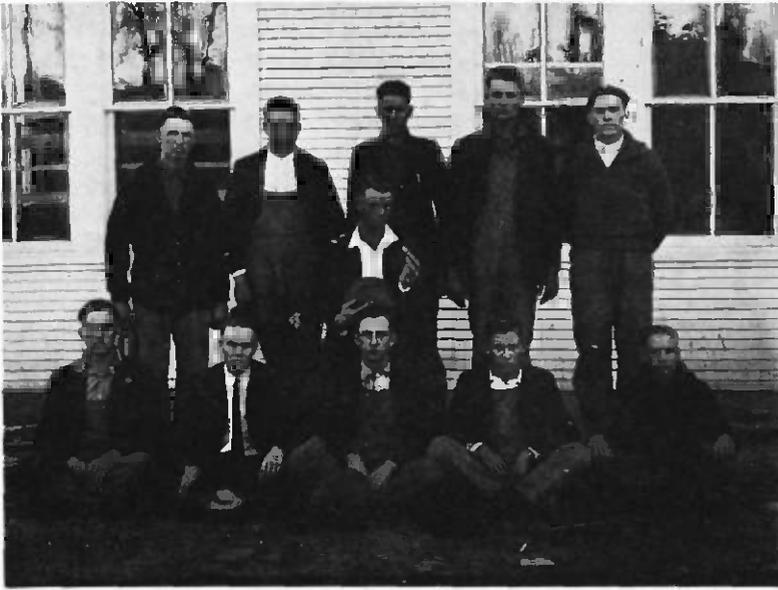
The building was used for worship by three Baptist groups, the Primitive Baptist, the Missionary Baptist, and the Freewill Baptist. All took a Sunday about having a visiting preacher. The first school term was held in the building in the winter of 1890-91. How-



Arbor at Boiling Springs Cemetery near Hector where Camp Meetings were held.



Building a road through Hector in 1912.



Hector Basketball Team



Crowd at Camp Meeting near Hector, Arkansas in 1929.



At Hector, Arkansas 1912 — Warren Sinclair, Leonard Hurley, Vernon Voss, Millus Tripp, Maud Turnbow, Unknown, Bud Sinclair, Dr. A.C. Linton, Larkin Davis, W.L. Hurley, Uncle Jackie White, Probably John Langford, Leo Voss, Mrs. Ada Voss.



The J.J. Churchill Cafe and the W.L. Kinslow General Mercantile Store.



Price Store at Hector after cyclone of 1908.



Hector, Arkansas, Main Street. — 1912

ever, it was not until 1920, that the building came under the control of the school district.

By 1922, the school had completely outgrown the old building. In the summer term of that year, the boys of the upper grades walked to Newton Springs to school and the Hector school district paid their tuition of \$1.00 per month. In the 1922-23 term, the upper grades had classes in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and in the summer of 1923, classes were held in the Assembly of God Church.

The patrons of the school district felt something had to be done about this situation. W.L. Hurley called a meeting of interested citizens. At this meeting, Paul Llewellyn, W.L. Hurley, B.A. Webb, A.M. Reed, and R.A. Rowland were appointed as a building committee. The committee asked for donations and enough money was received to erect a two-story building, 48 feet by 50 feet. All labor was donated with the exception that Author Hudson was paid \$50.00 per month to

POTTSVILLE, ARKANSAS

On March 17, 1897, twenty-seven people at Potts Station, Arkansas, filed a request that their town be incorporated. In 1828, this place was described as an area of woods, cane brakes, and tall grasses. By 1860, only a small part of the land from Crow Mountain to the river had been cleared for use.

In the early 1820's Kirkbride Potts, a native of New Jersey, had moved via Pennsylvania to Missouri. How long he stayed there is not known, but he was in Pope County in 1828. He established a dwelling on some land that he homesteaded at the foot of Crow Mountain, and returned to Missouri for his bride, Miss Permeia (Pamelia?) Logan. The family lived for 25 years in the first house that he built, and he homesteaded a large tract of land at the site of the present Pottsville. While living at the first location, he used slave labor to cut timber and haul it to Mill Creek to be sawed for use in his new home. The bricks used in the chimneys of the nine fireplaces were made at the homesite. The house was seven years being built. Mr. Potts had made several trips to California during this time, and evidently others had gone with him, perhaps to help drive cattle to sell there.

Mr. Potts was the Indian Agent at this place. Several wagon loads of Indians being transferred to the Indian Territory spent the night in a large stockade that had been prepared for the protection of animals.

There were 24 names listed in the 1840 census, but few of them are names of families here now.

In 1850, Daniel Gilmore owned and operated a steam-powered cotton factory, employing nine women, and annually producing 22,500 pounds of cotton thread. V.A. Clark operated the largest saw mill in Pope County.

In 1851, several families moved from Gaston County, N.C., and settled in the Galla Creek Community. Soon other groups came too. In 1854, the family of Gregory Sinclair came. He was a native of Tyrone County in Ireland who came by boat to Charleston, S.C., and then through Tennessee to a farm near Pottsville.

Pope County furnished most of its qualified men to the cause of the South during the Civil War, though there is no complete listing of those who served in the war.

Federal troops occupied Pottsville for several days in 1864, and roamed the area, confiscating cattle, horses, mules, and other livestock, forcing the slaves to ride the mules, telling them that they were free anyway. One family was robbed seven times in eighteen months, one brother being wounded by the robbers. Three others were killed when soldiers discovered them shelling corn in a barn. Some families moved to Texas to escape the marauders, but when they returned they found that they had fared little better than the ones who remained.

The railroad that came through in the 1870's drew people away from the Galla Rock and Holla Bend areas. Galley Rock had been a settlement of 300 Osage Indians at one time.



The H.A. Dalrymple Store at Hector in 1912.



A street scene in Hector.

be foreman of the job. The ladies of the community held box suppers and pie suppers to equip the school with modern furniture and a new piano.

School opened in the new building in November 1923, with Paul Llewellyn as principal, Miss Marjorie Mathis as Intermediate teacher, and Miss Lois Hurley as primary teacher.

Up until this time, classes had gone only through the 6th grade level. It was decided to add one grade each year until a high school level was reached. In 1925-26, there were nine grades and Autry Newman was employed as the first superintendent of Hector High School. The following year, O.G. McCarroll was employed as Hector's first agri teacher, Miss Ilah Forest became the first home economics teacher, and Eskel Horn was hired as the first basketball coach.

In May of 1929, Hector High School held its first commencement exercises. Members of the first graduating class were Dobson Hickman, Elvin W. "Bob" Tripp, Glenn Chambers, Verna Jo Criner, Mildred Hale,

Willie Reed, Bernyce Stutts, Sybil Bullock, Hazel Johnson, Joe Garrigus, Floyd Churchill, Odis Churchill, Raburn Linton, and Murriel Hale.

Hector School continued to grow through consolidation and during the years of 1930-33 had about 600 pupils, which is about the same number of pupils in school at Hector, today.

The old two-story building is gone now and the present school consists of the high school building which was constructed in 1933, and an elementary school, a middle school, a gymnasium, a home ec building, and a shop building, all of which have been built since the high school.

During the 1960's, Hector became the official name of more than just a post office. Community leaders felt the town should incorporate, so Hector now has a mayor and town council. Those who have served Hector as mayor are the late John L. Sanders, the late Bob Tripp, Rev. Loyal Blalack, and Mrs. Bob Tripp.

by Mary Lois Tripp

The town has never had a very large population, but it has always been interested in bettering the life of the people through education, religious interest and pride in community achievement. At one time there were four churches in the center of the town, all standing within 150 yards of each other. There were two Methodists, one Baptist, and one Presbyterian. The two Methodist churches merged, leaving three in that area, but an Assembly of God Church was added on the north side of town, and a Church of Christ on the west end.

People once came from miles away to the "Old Camp Meetin" place between the mountains on Galla Creek, and the spot was long used for baptismal services by near-by churches. Since 1922 there have been Union Revival Services and Vacation Bible School, sponsored always by the Methodists and Presbyterians, with the other churches joining in whenever they desire to do so.

The economy, mainly agricultural at first, began to support various other businesses in town. Potts Inn was one of the principal stops on the "Old Country Wire Road". The Butterfield Stage made regular stops. Her passengers stayed overnight, making connections with other stages.

Store, Beatty's Grocery & Drug Store, and the L. Adams store.

Postmasters following Mr. Potts were: Charlie Martin, Guy Oates, John Rackley, Argus Robertson, Lady Evelyn Weatherton, and George Kirkbride Potts, the present postmaster.

Other stores were J.D. Ragsdale, The Farmer's Mercantile, Oates Brothers (W. Leslie, J. Harvey and T. Monroe), The Falls Store, Falls and Sinclair, Ed Baker, S.M. Shue. E.H. Keener, Argus Robertson, Walter's, Pryor's Barber shop and Herman Keener.

J.F. Henry and Sam Owens had the more modern drug stores. There have been several doctor's offices, though it was said of some of them that the offices were seldom used, because the doctor was out seeing the patients at home. The doctors were; Dr. R.H. Gardner, Dr. L.T. Ragsdale, Dr. R.M. Jean, Dr. C.R. Teeter, and Dr. L.L. Irvin.

In 1882; there was a petition for a separate school district from 33.

Businesses have been added to the north of the railroad in the last few years. Vick's is a general store, there is Russell Bros No. 4 Furniture store, Herwig Lamp Manufacturing plant, a nursery, a lawn products outlet on the

POTTS INN ON GALLA CREEK

Potts Inn in Pottsville, Arkansas, is perhaps the best preserved stagecoach station on the Butterfield Overland mail route between Memphis and Fort Smith. Kirkbride Potts began construction on his home in 1850, and after eight years of construction, using slave labor, the house was finally completed in 1858.

Kirkbride Potts was born and educated in Pennsylvania. He came to Missouri as a youth, living there for several years before coming to Arkansas Territory in 1828. He first built a two-story log house for his bride, Pamela Allison Logan, on 160 acres of land on Galla Creek at the foot of Crow Mountain. This home became a mecca for travelers and a stop for early stagecoaches.

To Kirkbride and Pamela Potts were born eleven children. Kirkbride Potts made three trips to California. The first trip he panned for gold, having only moderate success. The next two trips were made several years apart, as his money ran low. On these two trips he drove large herds of cattle out to the hungry miners, reasoning that money from the sale of the beef was a quicker return than panning for gold. Kirkbride decided after the first trip to California that he needed to build a more fitting home for his large family. Slaves cut the timber and hauled it with oxen to Cagle's Mill, north of what is now Russellville, to be sawed into lumber. Slaves also made brick for the masonry and did most of the construction work. It required eight years from the time the lumber was cut and the bricks hand molded and baked until the building was completed. All lumber was dressed by hand. Marks of the plane bits are still in evidence.

The home, which was also a stagecoach inn, is a two and one-half story main building with a one-story ell to the rear. The ell contains the kitchen, a breezeway and porch. At the front is a two-story portico supported by four columns. Halls, twelve feet wide, ex-



Home of Dr. R.H. Gardner — Pottsville, Ark. Built in the 1880's and called "The House of Seven Gables."

The first store was built by an organization of farmers and Bob Harkey. William Ferguson was manager of the next store. John Rushing's store was located west of the railroad on the north side of the street. Rushing's general store had everything that one needed — whiskey by the pint, quart, gallon, or keg, calico, Beeswax, axlegrease, seed; brown sugar; horehound candy; green coffee; shoes; and Flour.

Other Business names were: The Co-op or Grange, the C.H. Boggess Business (later A.H. Boggess), Ragsdale's Place, The Citizen's Bank (1913), the second Post Office was across the street, later Towell's Drug

west, and a cafe and trailer park on the east.

For years, there was confusion because the station was "Galla" and the Post Office was Pottsville. Woe betide the person who tried to buy a ticket to Pottsville, or mail a letter to Galla, until finally both are Pottsville.

The main highway no longer goes through the town, but the opening of the River Road connecting it with Sweeden's Island Recreation area, and the Wildlife Management area, as well as the Port of Dardanelle keeps Pottsville from being a quiet little hamlet shut off from the rest of the world.

By Julia B. Oates



Joseph Potts on April 26, 1888.



Potts Home in Pottsville.

tended through the building on both floors. Each of the eight rooms, averaging twenty feet square, opens into these hallways. Each room is a corner room and each has its own fireplace. The stairway rises from the lower hall with wide treads and easy risers. The kitchen, being seventeen feet by twenty feet, has a larger fireplace for cooking.

The out buildings were numerous. There was a huge barn with stables for the horses of the stage line; a stagecoach house, saddle house, cow barn, smokehouse, slave cabins, and a well house with vats for crocks of milk and butter. Old maps indicate there were fourteen buildings in all, located near the old home.

Many notable people, enroute up and down the Arkansas River Valley, made it a point to get to Potts Inn to spend the night. Albert Pike and the lawyers who "rode the circuit" from circuit court to circuit court were frequent visitors. Governors, military officers and Cherokee chiefs shared the hospitality. Robbers also visited the home on occasion and a door still bears evidence of their efforts to break into a locked room. The coming of the railroad in 1873 marked the end of the stagecoach era, but the home was still a "house of public entertainment" for many years.

There is a story told in the family that late one afternoon Kirkbride Potts was sitting on the veranda when a wagon train and horsemen appeared. One wagon was guarded by a man on the seat with a driver, who had a rifle across his lap. Horsemen, armed with rifles, rode on either side of this wagon. A dignified Cherokee alighted and asked permission to place some kegs on the porch for the night and to camp on the premises. Permission was granted and the kegs were lined up on the porch like watermelons. James Potts, an eight year old son of Kirkbride Potts, and some little Negro boys found it great sport to ride these kegs as small boys will. James learned later that the kegs were filled with gold coins which had been paid to the

Cherokee for their lands in Georgia, Tennessee, and Alabama.

The first room on the left as you enter the hall, from the front door, was the public room. Here the prominent families of Little Rock and Memphis, fleeing the yellow fever epidemics held their literary and social evenings. Here, also, the girls of the Potts family were married.

The huge floored attic reveals the sturdy construction and explains why the house has withstood over a century of storm and stress without sagging floor or roof. The frame is fitted with mortise joints and held securely with wooden pegs. Plates, purlines, rafters, and beams are of straight clear lumber; carefully fitted and securely fastened. Nails used in construction are square cut nails of the period, which is another explanation of the endurance of the building. The original floors,

doors, windows, and the plaster over hand-hewn laths are a tribute to honest workmanship and quality material.

The Pope County Historical Foundation arranged to buy the property from the Pott's heirs in 1969, but the final payments were not made until 1970. The Deed is in the name of Pope County, but the house is managed by a Board of 15 County citizens who have expressed an interest in the buying, repairing, and furnishing of the house, and the maintaining of the two acre property that the house sits on.

The Potts House is listed on the National Register of Historical Places, and as such, is able to receive Federal Grants toward maintaining the house.

THE WILLIAM BROOKS MEDICINE COMPANY

William Brooks, a native of Russellville, established his medicine business in 1887. He was the sole owner and proprietor, and under his efficient management the business became recognized, not only in Arkansas, but throughout the South and the West. The firm established an enormous business on the "Quality of Goods" and "Satisfaction or Money-refunded Plan." He operated both in and out of the state through the usual commercial channels and his remedies were recognized by drug jobbers, retailers, and consumers everywhere as being the highest quality of goods that money and skill could produce. The following are the remedies that they manufactured: Laxative Chill Tonic, Vegetable Liver Medicine, Sarsaparilla Compound, Iron Peptol, Favorite Female Prescription, Cranium Hair Food and Dandruff Cure, Ko-Ca-Ama, Bears-Foot Compound, Bears-Foot Plasters, Electric Oil, Baby Bowel Balm, Medicated Bears-Foot Oil, Tu-Ber-Cu-Line. Laxative



Jefferson Street; Russellville, Ark.

This is a picture of the 200 block of North Commerce Avenue (then Jefferson Street) looking South from the Railroad. The store on the left is the Wm. Brooks Medicine Co. Next is the Patrick-Leonard's Hardware and Furniture Store. The J.M. White & Son Mercantile Store is at the right.

Quinine Tablets, Worm Killer, Blackberry Compound, Bromodine, Extract Jamaica Ginger, Standard Eye Tonic, White Cream Eye Salve, and Little Liver-Root Pills.

By David L. Vance

JEFFERSON DAVIS

Jeff Davis was elected Governor of the State of Arkansas in September of 1900 and was the first person to ever hold that office for three terms in succession. He was only the second governor to be a native of the State of Arkansas, being born near Richmond, in Little River County. He moved to Dover, in Pope County, with his father at the age of seven. They later moved to Russellville where he grew to manhood. He was admitted to the Arkansas Bar at an early age and began his practice of Law in Russellville, in the building that Kirkbride Potts had built for his son, James Potts, to practice law in.



Jeff Davis Law Office — where Williams-Gardner office is now located.

He was elected Prosecuting Attorney of the Fifth Circuit District in 1890, and was re-elected in 1892. In 1898, he was elected to a two year term as Attorney-General of Arkansas. Governor Davis was elected to the United States Senate a month after he left the office of Governor. He was re-elected to the Senate in 1912 for a second term, but he died before this term began.

It has been said that he was the most beloved man, and at the same time, the most hated man in all of Arkansas. His enemies denounced him as a demagogue and disturber; a destroyer of reputations. But his worst enemy never accused him of dishonesty or corruption.

By David L. Vance



Main Street in Russellville, looking West from Arkansas Ave. The Court House is at the right and the flag pole was erected in 1918 at the intersection of Main and Commerce Ave. Leander Quinn is sweeping the Street as he did for many years.



Main Street in Russellville looking East from Denver Ave. The J.L. Shinn Building is at the right and the tree next to it is where the Ritz Theater Building was built. In 1912 the lot at the left was built on. This picture was made in 1909.



This picture of West Main Street in Russellville was made sometime before 1906. The buildings on the extreme left burned in the fire in January of 1906. The picture was made at Commerce looking East on West Main Street.



Russellville Main Street looking East from the middle of the 300 block. The top of the tower of the Court House is in the center and the tower of the Christian Church is thru the trees to its right.



Main Street of Russellville looking East from Denver Ave. The buildings at the end of the street burned in 1957.



Carnival in the middle of Main Street at the corner of Denver looking East.



This is a view of West Main Street looking East from Denver Avenue. (Probably Mid-1920's).



This is looking North on Jefferson Street, now North Commerce Ave. (1909)



Looking East from Denver on Main Street in Russellville.

THE ELECTRIC INDUSTRY HISTORY OF RUSSELLVILLE AND POPE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

Citizens of Pope County became interested in the use of electric current about 1898. We found that Mr. J.C. Faulkner, the father of Mr. Joe Faulkner, was probably the first Pope County citizen to install a light plant. No doubt, this was a very small unit for his own use.

Mr. J.M. Smallwood established a small plant here in Russellville for public use about the year 1900. In 1905 the late Alphonse Brewster of Pine Bluff constructed a hydro-electric plant on the Illinois Bayou north of Russellville. The first Dam was an earthen structure with a concrete sluiceway to carry the impounded water down through two waterwheels. Two small generators, 270 H.P. each, located at the end of a shaft extending up from these waterwheels, producing the electric currents. Mr. Brewster was not an engineer, and did not take into consideration the amount of stream flow, which limited the operation of his plant to about one third of the time. The Dam itself sprang leaks and began to seep around the edges and underneath to the extent that repairs became very expensive. Eventually by 1915, with rains and floods, the Dam gave way completely, and the plant became useless.

The first franchise to operate electrical facilities in the city of Russellville was given to the newly organized Russellville Light and Water Company on the fifth day of May, 1910. This company built lines from Russellville plants through Bernice mines to Dardanelle. This line was the first instance of interconnecting two cities in Arkansas. The franchise was granted for fifty years, and a maximum of twenty cents per KWH with a minimum monthly charge of one dollar. The service hours usually were from dusk until dawn and construction methods, compared with modern technique, would be considered crude. The construction transportation was that of the mule and wagon type, which for that period of time was adequate.

A new franchise was granted to the Arkan-

sas Light and Power Company, predecessor of Arkansas Power and Light Company, on April 10, 1916. This company acquired all the plants and distribution systems of Russellville, Dardanelle and Morrilton during the later part of 1915. Larger generating capacity was installed in most of the existing plants and a new plant was established at Bernice mines. They also built a 33,000-volt transmission line from Russellville through Atkins to Morrilton during the year of 1916. They also replaced the lines to Dardanelle with a new 13,000-volt line. These local plants in this area used coal from mines in the vicinity for fuel. The coal supply at that time was abundant, and we are told that the quality was that of a pure anthracite.

These early public service companies had many obstacles to overcome, and possibly the greatest one was that of getting people to accept the use of electricity in their homes. For example, as late as 1916, there were less than 450 electric customers in the city of Russellville, when its population was about 4500.

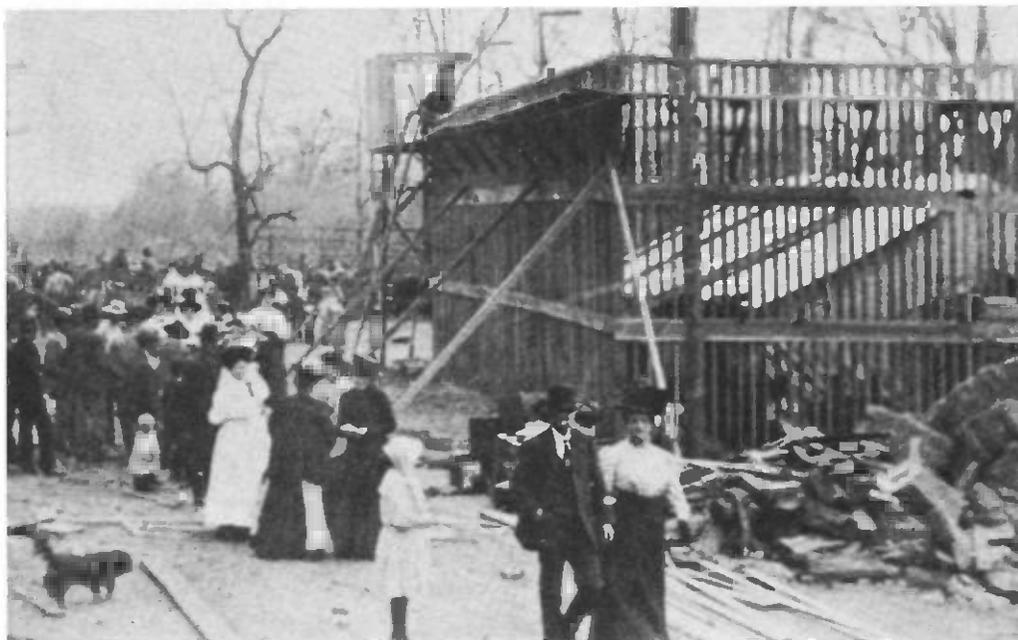
There had been no attempt to rehabilitate the Russellville Dam on the Illinois Bayou until 1923. In this year the Arkansas Power and Light Company, under the leadership of Mr. Harvey Couch and a group of his associates, restored the Dam, making improvements to eliminate the seepages and installing new generators in the power house. On June 6, 1923 there was held at the Dam a large celebration advertising the "Russellville Hydro-Electric Opening". By this time, with all the other steam plants in operation, the old hydro-plant's operation was limited to peak periods only.

Arkansas Power and Light Company acquired these properties in 1926. From that date down to the present, Russellville and Pope County areas have experienced growth and progress.

During the period beginning in 1927, the local systems of the Russellville area was supplied from two sources of generation. The plant at Bernice mines had been abandoned and there remained the hydro-plant on the Illinois Bayou and a steam plant located at what is now West "D" and North El Paso Avenue. Together these two plants could supply about 1200 KVA into the system. The progress during the 1930's, as was in all areas of the depression years, seemed at times to be at a standstill. The electric industry did survive these most difficult times, and emerged in the late 30's as a rapid-growing industry.

During the second world war years (from 1941 to 1945) system-load growth was almost more than the company could keep pace with. The largest handicap during this time was that of securing materials and supplies. Construction crews used inferior grade or improvised materials to meet the demands for more and better service.

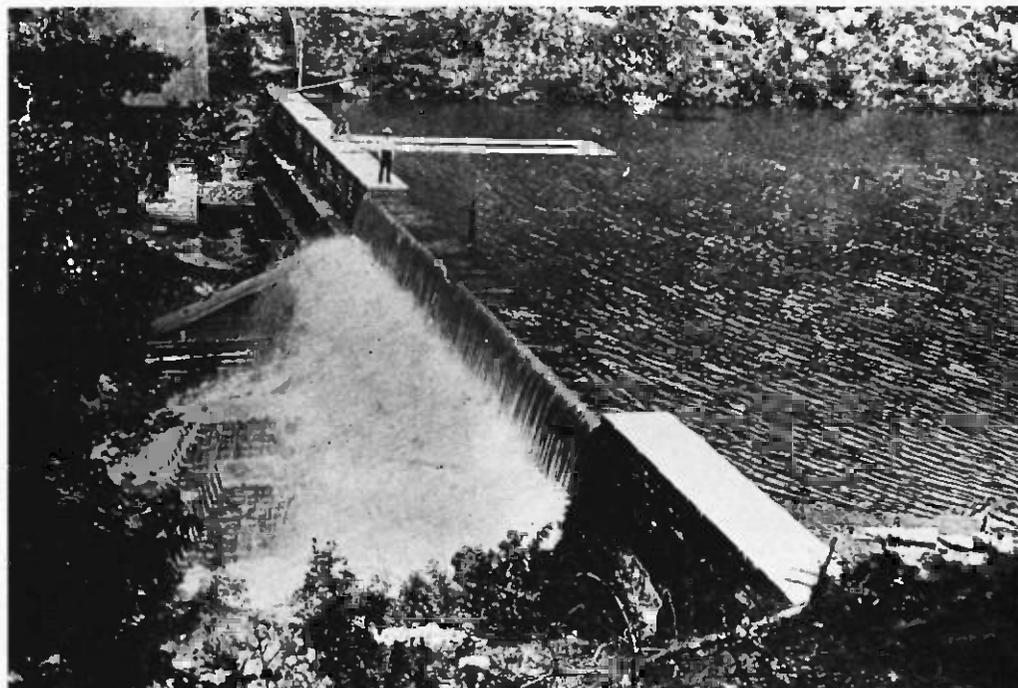
In 1946, the local systems were integrated into the Arkansas Power & Light transmission system which greatly improved the electric service. This was done when it became apparent that the local plants would soon become inadequate and costly to the users of electric



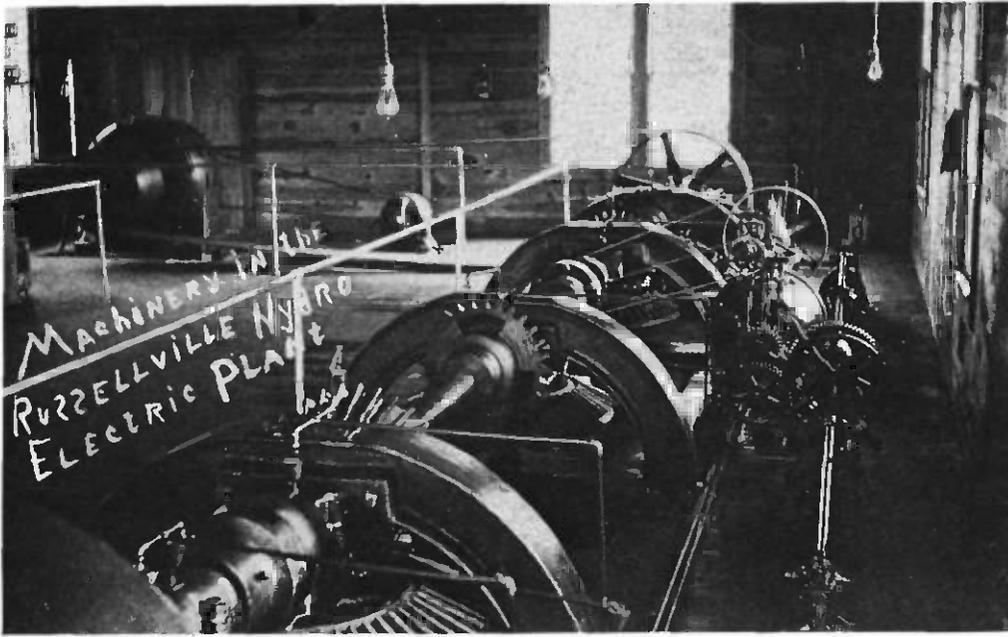
Stockade for the convict labor that built the Water Works Dam north of Russellville.



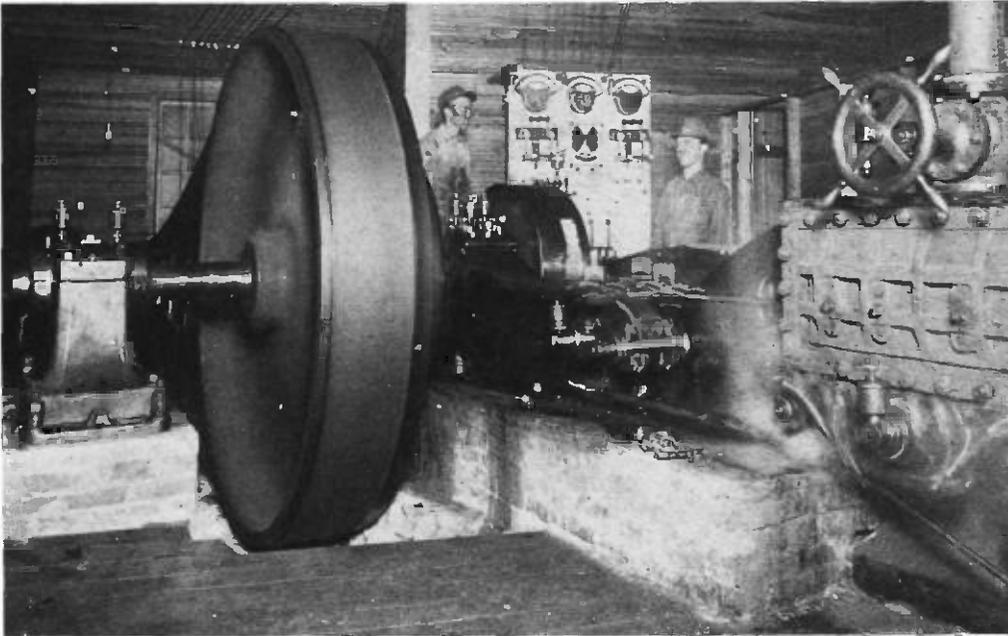
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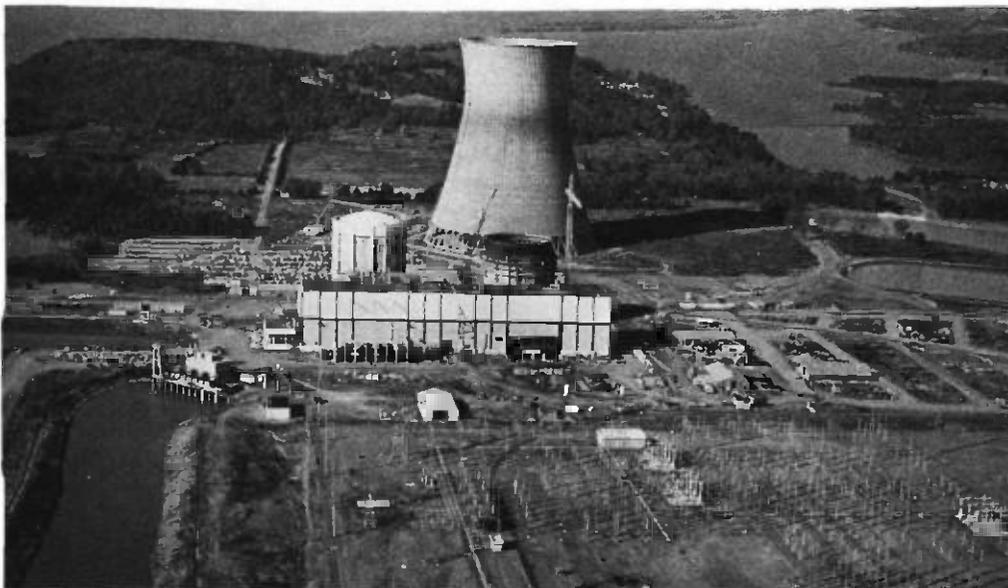
Russellville Water Works Dam. The largest dam in the state when built in 1910.



Turbines inside of Powerhouse at Russellville Dam in 1912.



Inside of Russellville Light and Power Plant before 1920. Building at the corner of West D and North El Paso.



This picture shows Arkansas Nuclear One under construction just West of Russellville. Unit One is in operation at this time and Unit Two, as shown in the picture on the right, is still under construction. The lake in the background is part of Lake Dardanelle.

current in this section. The old hydro-plant lasted through the war years, but was sold to the Russellville Water Company in 1946. It was still useful for a reservoir of good water for consumers in the Russellville area.

The distribution system in Russellville just prior to 1950 was a 3-wire 2300-volt radial system. In 1948 a new supply station was constructed east of Russellville, and this system was converted to a 4-wire 4160-volt distribution system. Feeder circuits out of this new 10,000 KVA sub-station served both rural and urban customers. One of these feeders connected with a 3,000 KVA capacity station located at the site of the old steam generating plant, near the heart of the city, known as the city sub-station.

In 1951, all development, rural and urban, seemed to follow a steady growth and at an accelerated pace. By 1952 all of the communities throughout the county enjoyed electric service with a much improved dependability. A slump in the economy prevailed in this area during the next two years, brought about by prolonged droughts. The Arkansas Power and Light Company needed a rate increase to compensate for loss of revenues. Its petition to the Public Service Commission was denied for an increase in 1954. That was an election year, and the issue became involved in politics among most of the candidates running for public office that year.

The period from 1955 to 1960 saw many changes which was shown in the economy of all this community. New appliances were added to old residences and the new home-building programs were being accelerated. A few small industries were established in Russellville. Probably the one thing that seemed to be predominate during the early part of this period was the production of broiler chickens. This operation was a lucrative one for both growers and processors. Many of the broiler growers made use of the electric power in infrared and slabheat brooding in the cooler months of the year. The broiler business brought allied industries into Russellville, such as feed mills and poultry-processing plants. The payroll that accompanied such enterprise was quite large for a town of this size. (The population in 1960 was 8,900.)

Another boost to the economy came with the news that a hydro-electric and flood-control dam was planned for the Arkansas River near here. The United States Corps of Engineers announced their plans for this project, which was known as the Dardanelle Lock and Dam Project, in the early part of 1957. Construction started on the lock in the fall of 1959 and it took six years for completion. The water impounded at the Dam created a large lake, and recreational facilities.

In 1962 the east-Russellville sub-station capacity had to be increased due to the expanding electrical load in the Russellville area. It was increased to 30,000 KVA capacity. The transmission voltage was also increased from 115,000 to 161,000 volts. There was evidence that the distribution system serving the city was becoming overloaded and was converted from 4160 to 13,000 volts.

The first modern equipment for line con-

struction was put in service during 1961. A new swivel derrick truck that bores the holes and hoists the poles in place was a new and revolutionary labor-saving piece of equipment. Since that time all of the equipment has been replaced with this new mechanized type of construction machinery.

The city of Russellville still owned the Whiteway street lighting facilities in 1962. This system was a series circuit and was becoming inadequate for the times. The city council sold the system to Arkansas Power and Light and it was converted to a modern and up-to-date whiteway by 1963.

During the period from 1960 to 1965, all electric and gold medallion homes were being constructed. More Industries were moving into this area. Firestone Tire & Rubber Company established a tube-manufacturing plant here in 1964. Morton Frozen Foods (a division of Continental Baking Company) constructed a plant here in 1965. The east-Russellville sub-station reached a peak load of 27,500 KVA in the summer of 1965. To alleviate this condition, a new 20,000 KVA station was constructed between Russellville and Atkins.

It was in 1965 that A.P.&L.'s new office and service building was dedicated. The structure, located at Fourth and Knoxville Avenue, was built to meet the increasing needs of the growing Russellville area. It cost \$300,000 and covers a floor area of approximately 16,000 square feet.

For future needs and to further alleviate our East-Russellville sub-station load, a third supply station was constructed just south of the city. The capacity of this station was 30,000 KVA, and was completed and put into service during the early part of 1968. This brought to a total of 80,000 KVA of capacity available at that time in the Russellville area. Service had been extended to 11,400 customers. These customers used 143 million kilowatt hours of electric energy during that year. To serve these customers, Arkansas Power and Light Company built more than 835 miles of distribution lines throughout the county.

Arkansas Power & Light Company's Arkansas Nuclear One Steam Electric Station, by now a familiar landmark on the Pope County skyline west of Russellville, was conceived in the 1960's as the best option to provide future electric energy needs at the lowest cost to consumers.

In view of the Arab oil embargo of 1973 and the nation's growing realization of the vulnerability of its foreign-based energy supplies, the decision to "go nuclear" proved to be a wise one indeed.

Plans to construct the nuclear station were announced on June 3, 1967 and in December 1968 the old U.S. Atomic Energy Commission (now the Nuclear Regulatory Commission) granted a construction permit for Unit 1 at the station. In May 1970, AP&L announced the construction of a second unit on the site.

Unit 1 is capable of generating 836,000 kilowatts of electric energy and Unit 2 is expected to generate 912,000 kilowatts, for a combined generating capability of 1,748,000 kilowatts.

The enormity of this energy source is better

understood when you realize that in the early days of electric usage in Arkansas whole towns were served by a 6 kilowatt generating unit!

After the lengthy and exhaustive regulatory approval process was completed, Unit 1 passed its startup tests and began commercial operation on the Middle South Utilities, Inc., interconnected system in December 1974. At the end of December 1977, Unit 1 had generated more than 14,745,911,000 kilowatt hours of electricity and saved the equivalent of 24 million barrels of expensive fuel oil. Overall, it is estimated that ANO-1 has saved AP&L's electric energy customers more than \$250 million since it began operation.

The success of Unit 1 has tended to overshadow construction activities at Unit 2. Built adjacent to Unit 1 on the north, both units will eventually be operated by a common control room and staff. Unit 2 is now more than 93 per cent complete. Fuel loading is scheduled for June 1978 and commercial operation is expected in late 1978.

Unit 1 utilizes a flow-through cooling system using water from nearby Dardanelle Reservoir via a system of inlet and outlet canals. Since 1968, AP&L has conducted surveillance of the thermal, chemical and biological status of Lake Dardanelle to determine if operation of the unit has any effects on the lake environment. So far, none of these research projects have detected any significant effects of plant operation on the lake. In fact, as the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission biologists predicted even before the station was built, the warm waters of the outlet canal attract game fish and produce "hot" fishing in the cold weather months. Outdoor Life magazine published a complimentary article about the superior fishing in the outlet canal at ANO-1 in its January 1977 issue.

The second unit, to ensure that environmental safeguards are met, utilizes a natural draft cooling tower for reactor cooling. This imposing structure often intrigues tourists on nearby Interstate 40 even more than the generating units.

And, while it may not seem like it, Arkansas Nuclear One was purchased at a bargain

price. It is expected that AP&L will have invested more than \$680 million in both units by the time the station is in full operation. However, to build an identical nuclear station today would cost an additional \$1 billion — if a utility could afford to build one at all.

Arkansas Nuclear One, and its dedicated employees, have become an integral part of Russellville and Pope County. It is home and many of them have turned down opportunities to move elsewhere because they enjoy the social, cultural and recreational opportunities Pope County provides.

Arkansas Power & Light Company now employs more than 265 permanent employees at Arkansas Nuclear One, not counting the 40 or more "temporary" employees who are based elsewhere but spend a large portion of their time working at what is affectionately known simply as "ANO." And this does not include the large numbers of skilled engineers and tradesmen employed by Bechtel Corporation, the engineer-constructor on the project, and the sub-contractors they hire. These people will eventually move on to other projects when the station is completed, but the AP&L staff will remain.

AP&L, therefore, is a sizable Pope County industry in itself, with an annual payroll of approximately \$3.5 million.

AP&L is also the county's largest taxpayer. When ANO construction began in 1968, taxes for that year were actually paid in 1969 and totaled \$53,013.47. By 1972 the taxes paid to the county had exceeded one million (\$1,652,302.03) and in 1977 the total tax paid was \$6,772,695.28.

And, with an estimated useful life of more than 30 years, Arkansas Nuclear One is expected to continue to generate electric energy to help meet Arkansas' needs until well into the 21st century.

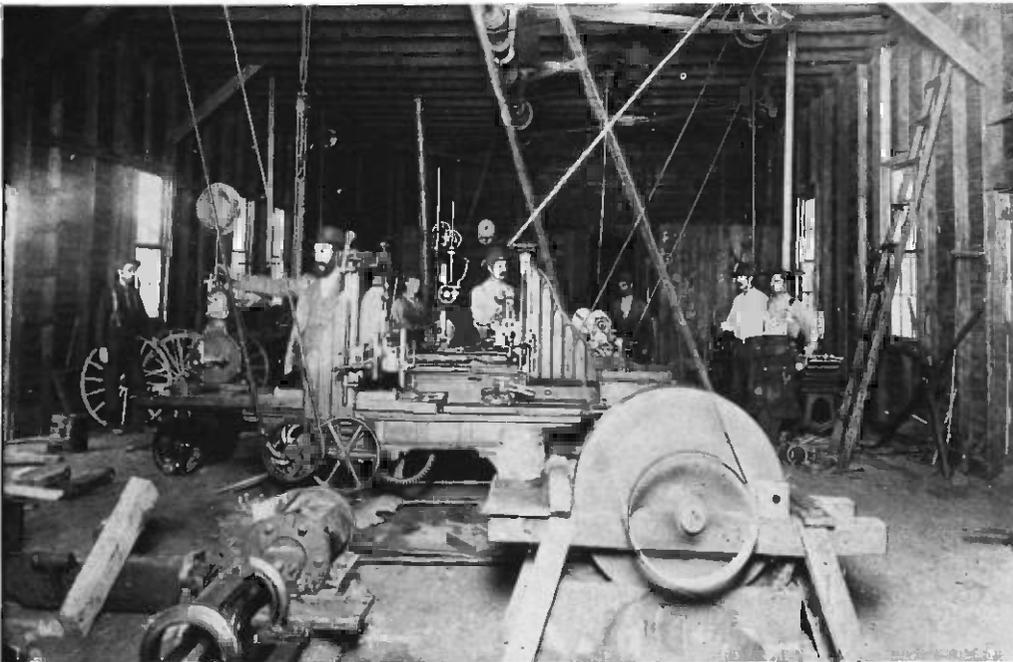
The construction of Arkansas Nuclear One Steam Electric Station is a historic milepost in the economic development of Pope County, Arkansas, and the entire Southwest. by J.C. Park (1950), Revised by Irvin Emmert (1968), and Submitted by Ernie Deaton (1978)



The foundry at the Saurman and Ball Machine Shop. This was later known as the Ball and Guest Machine Shop or the Russellville Iron Works. In the picture Mr. Saurman and Mr. Ball are the ones with the mustaches and the lad at the right is Will Guest. This picture was made in 1896.



Russellville Iron Works About 1900. Saurman and Ball owners with the mustaches.



Russellville Iron Works at the corner of West "D" and North El Paso Ave.



The Lumber Yard of J.J. Shoptaw in 1909.



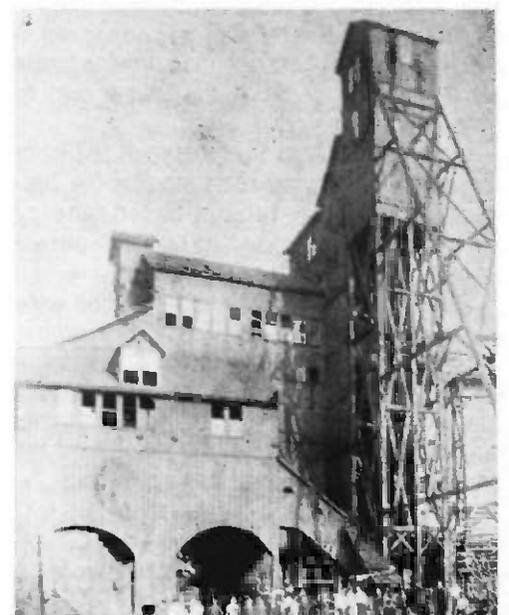
The original St. Mary's Hospital as it looked in the 1920's.



Warren Brothers
Russellville, Arkansas



U.S. Forest Service Building 1978.



One of the Coal Mines south of Russellville.



Capt. R.J. Wilson, born in a home near Russellville in 1835, owned and operated the R.J. Wilson Mercantile Store in Russellville for many years and was the founding President of the Peoples Exchange Bank of Russellville.



Pope County Court House at Russellville built in 1888.



Oscar Hugh Wilson, the eldest son of Capt. R.J. Wilson. He originally worked in his father's store in Russellville, and later he devoted his time to supervising his extensive farm interests.



The present Pope County Court House at Russellville, as it looked when it was first built in 1931, at a cost of \$150,000.00.



Captain R.J. Wilson first opened a store in Norristown, just South of Russellville, in partnership with a Mr. Tobey, of Maine. When the Railroad was completed through Russellville, Capt. Wilson moved his store to the Southwest corner of West Main and South Commerce, facing it to the North on Main St. This is a picture of the Russellville store.

THE RUSSELLVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Prior to 1905, Russellville had no organized fire department, but depended upon bucket brigades, composed of whoever would volunteer, to protect the town against fires. According to articles found in the files of the Courier-Democrat, the department was organized in the fall of 1905, with Dr. R.L. Smith, former chief-of-staff of St. Mary's Hospital, Russellville, as fire chief, and with a force of more than thirty members.

Following organization of the department, what was regarded as "complete equipment", costing the then staggering sum of \$850, was ordered by the city council. Included were "a hand engine, hook and ladder truck (horse drawn, of course), ladders lifting poles, pull-down hooks and chains, pike poles, grabs, dray poles, fire axes, crew bars, 400 feet of hose, two dozen rubber buckets, etc."



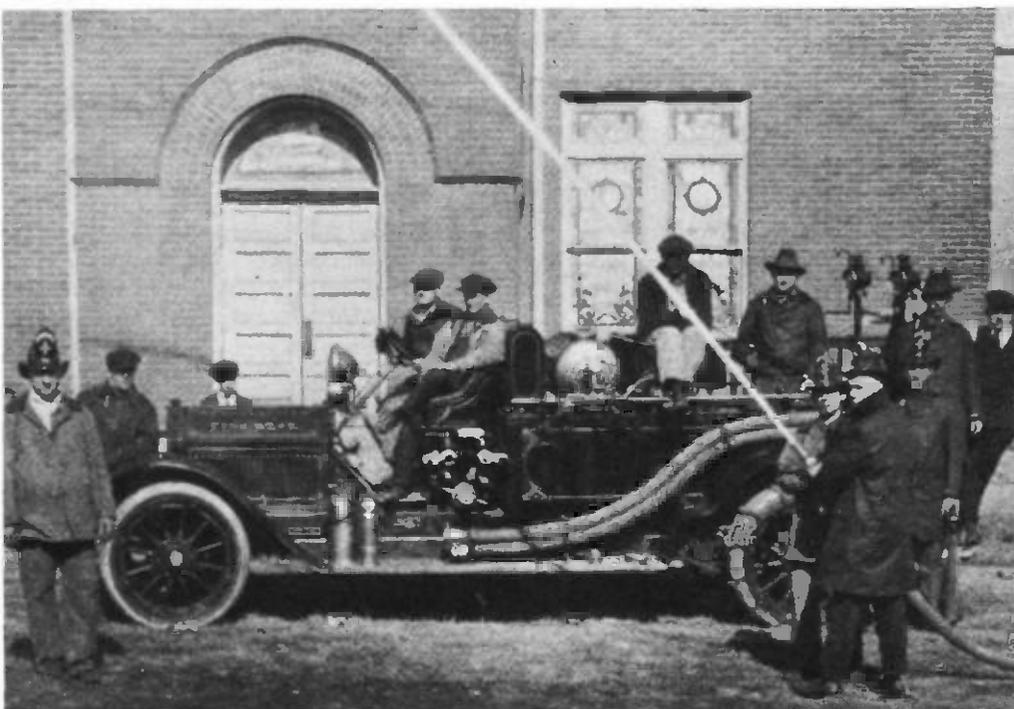
The aftermath of the January 1906 fire looking Northeast from in front of the old Ritz Theater building. The old band stand is at the right in the middle of intersection of Main Street and Commerce Avenue.



The ruins of the City of Russellville after the fire of January, 1906. This picture is looking Southwest from the old Henry Bros. Mule Barn in the 100 block of West "B" Street.



Fire department personnel testing the water pressure before the city accepts the system, about 1910.



Members of the Russellville Fire Department in 1922 were (left to right) Vern Griffin, Roy Rollow, Freddy Robinson, Jess Butler, M.C. Hickman, Gus Howell, Pate Reed, Pete Davis, Vester Lemley, Homer Herrion, O.D. Anthony, and Riley.

Rubber buckets were quite an asset to bucket brigades, since they could be thrown from burning house tops for refilling, without damaging them.

Before the newly organized fireman had time to reach a peak of efficiency, Russellville's first and to date only major fire occurred. On the night of Monday, January 15, 1906, fire wiped out almost three entire blocks of down-town business houses. The loss was estimated at \$250,000 of which only about 40% was covered by insurance.

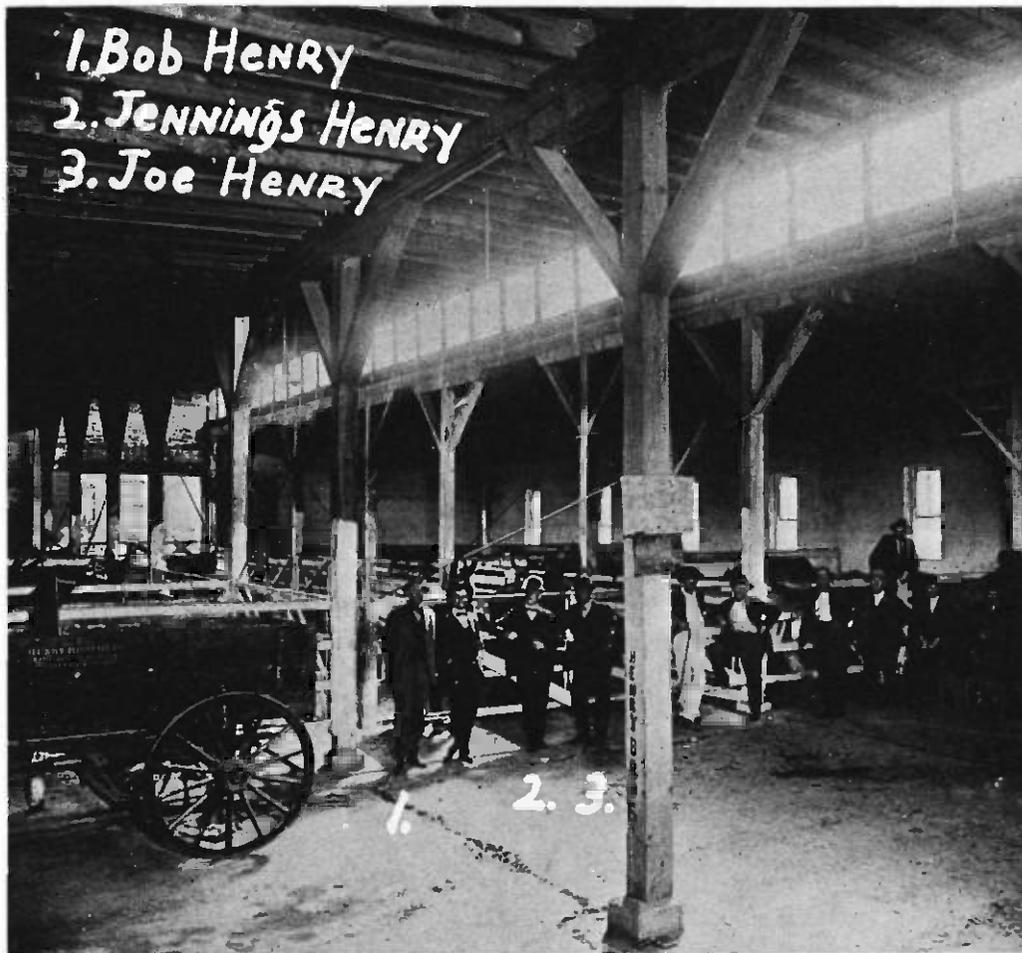
Russellville thus learned "the hard way," the importance of having a fire department. Regular weekly drills were started for the firemen, and additional equipment secured. On the ashes of the fireswept area, bigger and better buildings were erected, increasing the fire department's responsibilities.

It was not until 1915, however, that the city of Russellville bought its first gasoline driven fire truck, a 1915 American La France Type 10 at a cost of \$5,350. This truck was used until 1937 when it broke down during a fire. A second American La France truck and pumper was purchased in May, 1925. In 1937, an International 500-gallon combination pumper, hose and ladder truck was purchased by the City Council at a cost of \$3,500.

This up-to-date fire equipment along with the able volunteer fire fighters supported Russellville's fire protection needs through the years, including World War II. On May 27, 1945, two war surplus fire trucks were purchased by the City Council. One was a 1941 Ford 500-gallon pumper and hose truck and the other a 1940 Mack 500-gallon pumper and hose truck. These trucks were purchased through government surplus and delivered from Dallas, Texas, to Russellville by Aldermen Burl Harris and Woody Mayes. The two units were put into service May 29, 1945.

Early in 1957, members of the Russellville Fire Department began working on specifications for a new Class A fire truck with a pumping capacity of 750 gallons per minute. The City Council approved purchase, and delivery of a new 1957 International truck was made on June 26, 1957. Firemen Robert S. Rankin and Bobby Bowden picked the truck up in Anderson, Indiana.

Another 750-gallon pumper was purchased in 1963 bringing the pumping capacity of the department to two 750-gallon pumpers and one 500-gallon pumper.



Inside Henry Brothers Barn.

With the rapid growth and expansion of the City of Russellville and the Arkansas River Valley following the construction of Dardanelle Lock and Dam, the need for additional equipment was anticipated and plans were started which would lead to getting the equipment and which would help lower the fire insurance rates for the residents of the city. Plans called for improvements in the water system, full-time firemen, and additional fire equipment. Improvements were carried out by the Russellville Water Company, additional full-time firemen were employed, and a New 85-foot Aerial Fire Truck was purchased. Recently, there has been purchased two 1973 1,000-gallon pumpers, one an American La France and the other a Boardman. In 1977, a new station with modern facilities for the firemen and large enough to hold the equipment, was built.

The Russellville Fire Department also maintains a first class Rescue Unit, rolling with a 1968 GMC panel truck equipped with all the latest devices used in rescue work and life saving. This equipment was placed at the city's disposal through the thoughtfulness and concern of the late Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Mathews.

Since the organization of the first Russellville Fire Department in 1905, twelve men have served as Chief of the department with Dr. R.L. Smith being the first. Following Dr. Smith was O.M. Wilson, Vernon Griffin, Walter Wilson, J.L. Butler, J.W. Holbrook, M.C. Hickman, Allen Hoffman, Vester Lemley, J.F. Colney, Raymond Follow, and David L. Sacrey, Sr., the present fire chief.

The Russellville Fire Department consists of nine full-time firemen and sixteen part-time paid members.

Russellville firemen attend weekly drills, meeting each Monday night for practice sessions on all phases of firefighting. Each year the Russellville Department hosts the Arkansas Regional Fire School for Russellville and surrounding towns in the Arkansas River Val-



Crowd waiting for Troop Train, World War #1.

ley, conducted by instructors from the Southwest Fire School, Camden, Arkansas.

Russellville firemen are active in fire prevention programs and building inspections which help keep Russellville's fire losses to a minimum.

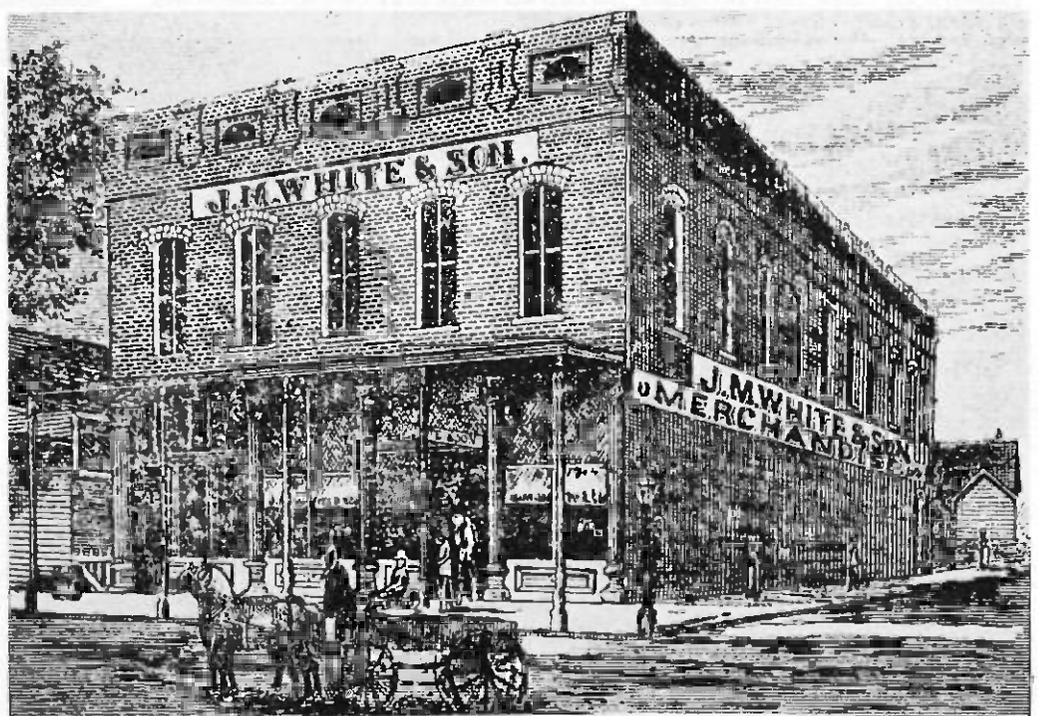
by J.B. Lemley

FIRESTONE INNER TUBE PLANT

Russellville was selected by Firestone and Rubber for the site of their inner tube plant about fourteen years ago. They employ about 340 employees and turn out about five million tubes a year, for a total of 55 million tubes in the first 13 years of operation, thru last Fall. Actual plant output varies from 10,000 to 18,000 tubes per day, from 13-inch passenger car size to the big ones for rear wheels on rice tractors and earth-moving equipment.

The Russellville plant is the only Firestone plant that turns out only inner tubes. The Firestone brand and other "private" brands such as Shell, Union 76, Montgomery Ward's, and half a dozen others are produced.

by David L. Vance



The J.M. White & Son building on North Jefferson, now North Commerce. It faced East on the Southwest corner of West "C" and Commerce. (1888)



The inside of Hood's Drug Store and Ice Cream Parlor about 1900.



Inside of Hood's Drug Store in the Mid-1920's.



The Palace Hotel was built in 1896 by J.M. Tucker. It had thirty-two large sleeping rooms and a spacious dining room for thirty-eight people. This hotel was located on the Northwest corner of West "B" Street and South Denver Avenue. It faced to the East.



The inside of S.M. Duffie's Store in 1894. This store was located in Russellville, Arkansas.



Club House at the Russellville Country Club.

FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN OF RUSSELLVILLE

First Federal Savings & Loan of Russellville was founded in 1933 under the leadership of A.J. Mathews, who served as the first president. It was first located in the offices that are now used by the City of Russellville for City Hall. First Federal later purchased the property on West Main Street that was the location of the first home in Russellville. They tore down the two story brick house that had been built in the late 1890's to replace the old Russell Home, and built a fine new building to house their growing operations. They are still in this building, and are presently adding an addition on in the back.

First Federal, the oldest Savings and Loan in the Arkansas River Valley, has grown with Russellville. This growth has been made possible by the many customers of First Federal taking advantage of the many services that

they have available. First Federal has an investment of over \$22,000,000 in Russellville in the form of loans to people for home ownership, and this figure increases daily.

Mr. Mathews served as President from 1933 to 1935, followed by E.W. Hogan, from 1936 to 1937. E.F. Walthall was President from 1938 to 1942, T.R. Rye from 1943 to 1946, J.P. Harrod from 1947 to 1956, Mrs. A.D. Mathews from 1957 to 1969, and Floyd Ragsdale from 1970 to present.

by David L. Vance

GAY NINETY SOCIAL CLUBS

The "Gay Nineties" must have had its origin in early Russellville. The young people of the late eighties and nineties were indeed gregarious and active, with social, civic, and study clubs abounding in both the masculine and feminine circles. So many charming old pictures remain today to tell the silent stories of their many youthful activities.

One of the earliest young men's organizations was The Crescent Club — A downtown second floor room was their meeting place and a general "hangout" for this lively group. An organ furnished the background for group singing, so popular in those days. A small library of books furnished endless hours of reading, also a number of games, e.g. chess, checkers and whist gave much pleasure to those young men on long winter evenings.

The incomplete roster of charter members was as follows: Jonah and Oscar Hall, Mark Patrick, Joe and Bob Bonds, Henry Howell, Bob Lawrence, Edward Buck, Louis Kelzer, John Ewton, Mark Hillis, Will Gooch, Walter Henry, Charles Nugent and Elmore Lucy.

A beautifully printed "Christmas 1896", Crescent Club's annual greeting in verse toasts the "Southern girls" of a "sister club" so well known as The Star Club. These two organizations had lavish evening social functions from time to time well into the early nineteen hundreds. One event was a harvest dance held in the Old Opera House at the foot of Main Street at Oak (later Arkansas Avenue). A lighted crescent moon and star hung above shocks of corn to give the feeling of a genuine corn field. Formal cards were issued for the occasion.

Picnics were held on Mt. Nebo with The Star Club as the hostess group. It was not at all unusual that many of Russellville's happiest family groups grew out of these pleasant "happenings".

The Star Club had sterling silver stars hanging from small chains as their club pin "mezpah" on one side and the member's name and date of initial membership on the other. Plays and pageants resulted from the energies of this lively group. One presentation was the "Capture of Cupid", put on at Valentine's, with each member draped in a Grecian robe and a small girl as Cupid caught in white satin ribbons. A series of pictures still exist showing The Stars at different stages of life, always loyal to each other and to the club's high ideals.



These are the charter members of the Crescent Club of Russellville in 1895. They are: (1) Elmore Lucy, (2) Charles Nugent (3) Walter Henry (4) Unknown (5) Will Gooch (6) Mark Hillis (7) Unknown (8) John Ewton (9) Louis Kelzer (10) Ed Buck, on couch (11) Unknown (12) Unknown (13) Bob Bonds (14) Bob Lawrence (15) Henry Howell (16) Joe Bonds (17) Mark Patrick (18) Dr. Oscar Hall (19) Jonah Hall.



This is an early picture of the Star Club taken about 1896. The ladies are: First Row, left to right: Lucy Brooks (Hamlin), Kate Lloyd (Patrick). Second Row, left to right: Ida Smith (Smallwood), Elsie Torrence (Smallwood), Sally Young (Bonds), Mae Love (Hayes), Florence Brown (Bonds), Selma Brooks (Baker), Hallie Hogin (Ewton), Sally Settle. Third Row, left to right: Floria Perry, Maggie Hyatt, Emma Hogin (Fawcett), Lillian Brown (Perryman), Mollie Young (Henry).



Star and Crescent Clubs joint picnic on Mt. Nebo in about 1890.



The San Souce Club in about 1906. They are from left to right: Annie Ferguson, Lucy Brooks (Homlin), Ruby Irwin (Livingston), Lora Ferguson (Walraven), Mary Walker (Vore), May Young (Thomas), Mattie Luker, Lilly Luker (Shinn), Anna Jenkins (Henry), Ida Lloyd (Williamson), Veana Smith, Mariam Henry, Alta Bradley (Orr), Alta Brooks, Selma Brooks (Baker), and Sue Dodd (Henry).



Some Russellville Ladies at a Meeting: Bottom Row, left to right: Mrs. Avery Shinn Sr., Mrs. Lawson McGee, Eupha Hixon (Boswell), Miss Mattie Leuker, Miss Lela Jane Bryan, Mrs. Charles Warman, Mrs. Ollie Cowan, Miss Margie Vance (Messenger), Miss Mae Russell, Unknown, Unknown. Second Row, left to right: Mrs. L. Gardner, Mrs. Irene Howell Swilling, Unknown, Unknown, Miss Jewel Hill. Third Row, left to right: Mrs. Niles, Miss Jeanice Falls, Mrs. Genevive Harmon, Mrs. Hugh Napier, Mrs. Fred (Edith) Bradley, Mrs. Charles Sheppard Sr. Fourth Row, left to right: Unknown, Unknown, Marjorie Crabaugh, Mrs. Milby Simpson, Unknown, Unknown, Mrs. Granville Cook. Fifth Row, left to right: Ellen Jane Cowan (the daughter of Ollie Cowan), Mrs. Slick Gerin, Unknown, Mrs. Mark Craig, Mrs. Moore. Sixth Row, left to right: Unknown, Unknown, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Dorothy Lowery, Mrs. Hazel Thrasher.



Chamber of Commerce Banquet at old Ark Tech Dining Hall (about 1925).



Russellville Ladies: Front Row, left to right: Mrs. Genevive Harmon, Mrs. Granville Cook, Hazel Thrasher, Eupha Hixon, Mrs. Niles. Back Row, left to right: Miss Mattie Leuker, Miss Margie Vance, Miss Mae Russell, Miss Lela Jane Bryan, Mrs. Ollie Cowan, Hellen Jane Cowan (daughter of Mrs. Ollie Cowan), Mrs. Moore, Unknown, Mrs. Warman.



Russellville Men — Front Row, left to right: Bob Henry, Sam Neal, Edd Harkey, L.D. Berryman, M.D., Bud White, R.M. Oates, Bob Ferguson, Mark Patrick and Bob Harkey. Back Row: Prof. Crawford, Mr. Reynolds, Tom Brooks, Luther Turnbow, Dr. Caison, L.B. McClure, and O.D. Stark.

The last picture was taken about 1948. The first one was made around 1895. The local young ladies in the Star Club picture are: Lucy Brooks, Kate Lloyd, Ida Smith, Elsie Torrence, Sally Young, May Love, Florence Brown, Selma Brooks, Hallie Hogin, Sally Settle, Flora Perry, Maggie Hyatt, Emma Hogin, Lillian Brown, Mollie Young, Carrie Bell, Lillie Settle, and Daise Baird.

A few years later, The San Souci Club was organized. It held its meetings in a club room equipped with a real "gym". This group thoroughly believed in exercising and keeping fit. The quaint bloomers and middy costumes allowed freedom for athletic endeavors, while maintaining unending "old-fashioned" talk sessions along the sidelines. The picture of this group was made about 1906.

Those local bells appearing in the picture are: Annie Ferguson, Lucy Brooks, Ruby Irwin, Lora Ferguson, Mary Walker, May Young, Mattie Luker, Lil Luker, Anna Jenkins, Ida Lloyd, Veana Smith, Meriam Henry, Alta Bradley, Alta Brooks, Selma Brooks, and Sue Dodd.

On the strictly intellectual side of early Russellvillites, the minutes of The Shakespeare Club remain to bear mute testimony of pursuits of cultural enrichment. This mixed group of both young men and women met in homes of members and studied the plays and sonnets of William Shakespeare. It was recorded that roll call was answered by quotations from the bard. This literary group was



The first soda fountain in Russellville was owned by J. C. Faulkner and Jack Sheaffer. It was destroyed in the 1906 fire.

popular with both ministers and teachers, along with those seeking to broaden their skills in literature.

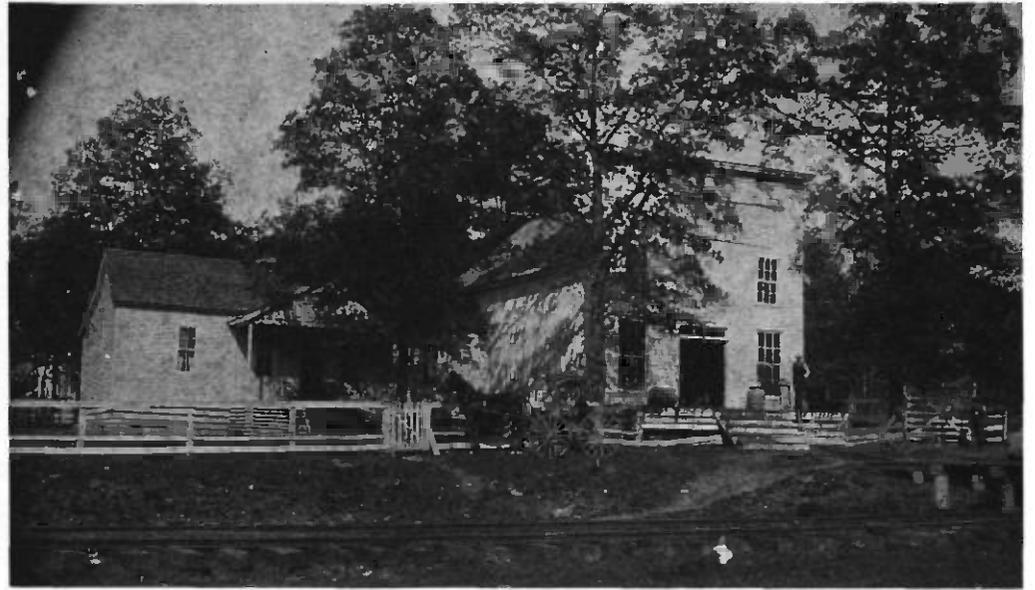
A 1913 list of club members of The Beau-Not Club, a "spinsters" group and seemingly a "pure fun, stitch and chatter" club, read as follows: Bary and Nell Pullock, Selma and Lucy Brooks, Lula Bryan, Lucy Clark, Hattie Davis, Annie Ferguson, Elsie Hamblin, Mary Hardin, Dulca Hill, Bertha and Etta Light, Mattie and Virgie Luker, Iva Logan, Martha Perry, Nola Rankin, Mildred and Florence Shoptaw, and Nell Wells.

by Rebecca Stowers.

THE HARKEY SADDLERY CO.

The Harkey Saddlery Co. was founded in 1885 by Robert L. Harkey who was nineteen years of age at the time. Young Harkey was a medical student at Transylvania College of Lexington, Kentucky. His father, Dr. George W. Harkey, a family physician and a preacher of prominence, had a mortgage on a small harness and shoe repair business and whose owner died leaving Dr. Harkey in possession of a business of which he had no knowledge of, nor ability to operate. He persuaded young Bob to take over the operation of the business until such time he could dispose of it. At that time the harness and leather goods were very much in demand and young Bob agreed to operate the business until a suitable buyer could be found. Business became so good that no great effort was made to find a buyer.

As time went on, young Bob set aside his career in medicine and devoted his time to the promotion and advancement of the harness and shoe repair business. Around 1924, The



Store and office building at Ouita, Arkansas when the coal mines were operating there.



WADE CAFE — North Commerce, Russellville, Ark. in 1911. Mr. Canerday, his daughter, Enoch Wade and Joe Wade.

Harkey Tannery and Mfg. Co., a subsidiary of Harkey Saddlery Co., was founded and leather was manufactured for use of the parent firm as well as for other outlets.

He was assisted in the operation of the firm by his sons, Robert E., George, and John F. Also assisting was an expert harness maker by the name of D.E. Stearns.

The firm was disposed of in the 1950's to outside interest.

by Walter A. Harkey



This is the Trademark that was used by the Harkey Saddlery Co. of Russellville, Arkansas. This emblem was stamped into the leather goods that were produced at the Saddlery.



Looking West up Main St. from the one hundred block of Main (before 1906).

INTERNATIONAL SHOE COMPANY

The story of the work that went into the location of a branch of the International Shoe Company at Russellville began prior to the end of World War II, when the late A.J. Mathews, a local business man, was thinking of the economic condition that the ending of the war would bring to this area. He contacted the late H.E. Jenkins, then executive president of ISCO, asking if the company would consider Russellville as a location of a branch plant.

Jenkins submitted the proposition that Russellville citizens should contribute \$100,000 toward the erection of a building that would meet the specifications of the company. The Chamber of Commerce and the business community decided that a profit-sharing corporation, Russellville Industries, Inc., with an authorized capital stock of \$200,000 would be set up, and \$102,000 of stock was purchased during 1946.

Work was begun in September of 1946 on a one-story brick structure, 200 feet by 200 feet, with 40,000 square feet of floor space. At completion, the plant and equipment represented an investment of about \$750,000.

So it was on September 1, 1947, the first major industry for Russellville began operations. The first shoe manufactured was a juvenile dress cement, in the preteen age, under the brand name of Poll Parrot, Weatherbird, Red Goose, J.C. Penney, and special orders under merchants' brand names. In 1978, the plant is producing women's casual under the name of Personality and Miss Wonderful.

L.J. Cartwright was the first Plant Superintendent, serving in that capacity for 16½ years. He came from the Sullivan, Missouri, plant, and was transferred to the Conway factory in March of 1963. He is now retired and returned to Sullivan, Missouri.

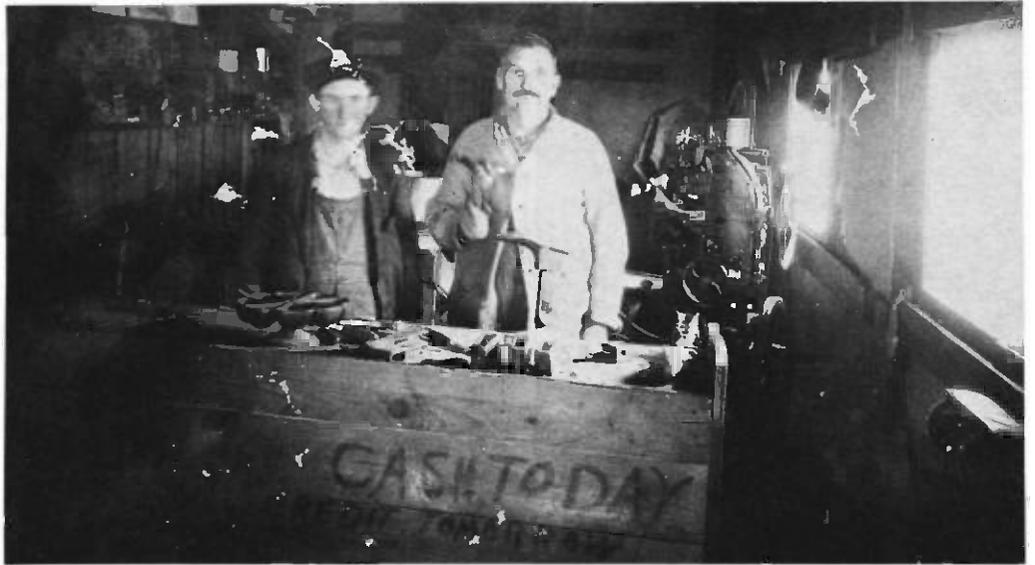
Alfred T. Gray of Mt. Vernon, Illinois, succeeded Cartwright as Plant Superintendent. He is a son of Byron A. Gray of St. Louis, former chairman of the ISCO board. Mr. and Mrs. Gray live at Russellville.

Jerry F. Thomas of Salem, Missouri, succeeded Gray in August of 1971. The Thomases live on Route 1, Dover. Son Danny is employed in the Maintenance department and a daughter, Mrs. Dian Hedrick is an office clerk.

Dean Dlugosh, a Johnson County native, was employed in Cutting on April 28, 1961. Subsequently, he was transferred to Fitting as assistant foreman. He was moved to Conway as Fitting room foreman, and when the Conway factory was closed he returned to Russellville as Assistant Plant Superintendent. Mr. and Mrs. Dlugosh have one son.

R.E. Silvy was the first office manager, being transferred from the Perryville, Missouri, plant. After 28 years with ISCO, he resigned to become administrative assistant for the Clarksville Shoe plant.

There were several interim office managers as follows: E.E. Spreckelmyer of Eldon, Missouri, Gorman Smith of Russellville, and Mrs.



HICKMAN SHOE SHOP — On Northside of Russellville. T.J. "Red" Hickman and Robert F. Hickman. Motto: Cash Today, Credit Tomorrow.

Ann Burnett, now living at Clarksville. Melvin R. Brown of Missouri was office manager until July of 1975 when he was succeeded by Charles Laird of Sikeston, Missouri. The Lairds live at Dover, and they have one son.

Louis Klosterman of Missouri was Fitting room foreman for several years, being transferred to the Chester, Illinois plant as foreman. He was killed in a car accident about 10 years ago. Raymond Johnson was hired in Fitting as belt boy on August 28, 1947. He was promoted to assistant machinist, head machinist, assistant foreman, and on June 1, 1966, was named foreman. He left the company in October of 1974 to be self-employed at Russellville. Succeeding Johnson was Mrs. Mildred Shinn Findley, who was employed as a machine operator and floor lady and instructor before moving up to the foremanship. She is the first woman at the local plant to receive this type of promotion. Husband Ozro C. Findley is a long-time operator in the Lasting room.

Kirk Cochran, a native, is Stock Fitting room foreman, having worked on most of the machines in his department. Cochran and his family live on Route 4, Russellville.

Lawson Geibe, of London, was an early Lasting room foreman. He was succeeded by Lelus Cochran, a machine operator, who ter-

minated on February 1, 1963, to become self-employed. C. Edward Jones, employed on March 29, 1949, as service boy and was promoted to instructor and assistant foreman before being made foreman. Jones left the company in 1969. J.B. Hutchins, assistant foreman, assumed the foreman's job. He and his family live at Russellville.

J.D. Crites of Russellville was employed in the Making room on December 29, 1947, as a machine operator, he was named foreman in July of 1962. He terminated for other employment. The Making and Bottoming rooms are combined, under the foremanship of Earl D. Cole, who succeeded Hurley Pack, who asked to go back to machine work. Cole lives at 206 S. Frankfort.

Anthony Rackers was named Packing room foreman in early 1962, coming here from Jefferson City, Missouri. He succeeded Ancil Church, who had been foreman for 15 years. Rackers had previously worked at Batesville, Arkansas, West Plains and Eldorado Springs, Missouri. He and his family live at Russellville. Mrs. Louella Johnson, a long-time employee, is assistant foreman. She and her family live in the Mill Creek community.

Mrs. Ardelle A. Gray reported for work on the first day of operations as supervisor of the Personnel department. She retired in the fall



Main Street in Russellville looking west from Arkansas Ave. in the early 1930's. Note the parking in the middle of Main St.



A parade going North on North Commerce. This picture was taken from "B" Street. Leonard's Hardware Store is located at the left of the picture.

of 1971 because of the illness of her late husband. During World War II, she was employed by the DuPont Company as secretary to the personnel supervisor at Hanford, Washington, and at Orange, Texas. Mrs. Gray lives at Russellville.

Mrs. Lillian Johnson, Fitting room clerk, succeeded Mrs. Gray as personnel supervisor. She is the former Miss Lillian Howie, and is a native of Russellville.

The factory completed 30 years of service on September 1, 1977.

by Mrs. Ardelle A. Gray

LEONARD'S HARDWARE

Leonard's Hardware Store is now the oldest retail store in Russellville, since the closing of the New Store in January of 1977. Leonard's was established in 1902 as the Patrick-Leonard Hardware and Furniture Store by H.W. Patrick and Jesse F. Leonard. The store was located at 216 North Jefferson Street (now Commerce Avenue). In 1912, John W. Leonard, son of Jessie Leonard, joined the firm.

In 1914, the partnership of Patrick and Leonard was dissolved, and Mr. Patrick opened his own store on Main Street. The Leonards moved their store to 118-120 North Commerce; and continued to operate there until 1929, when the furniture part of the store was sold and the remaining hardware portion of the store was consolidated into the 118 North Commerce location. The store has continued at this location until its recent expansion of including 116 North Commerce into the store. Also the buildings across the street are being added at this time for additional space.

John Leonard continued to run the store after the death of his father in 1943. Mr. W.O. Tibbels, the husband of the former Miss Jeannette Leonard and a daughter of Mr. John Leonard, joined the store in December of 1945. John retired in 1955 and his son, John Paul Leonard, joined the firm. Mr. Tib-

bels retired in January of 1977 due to ill health. Mr. Tibbels sold his share of the business to his daughters and their husbands. They are Mr. and Mrs. James Larry Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Jim E. Parker. Both Mr. Smith and Mr. Parker have been working in the store for several years now.

By David L. Vance

M-K GROCER COMPANY, INC.

M-K Grocer Company, an independent wholesale grocer selling to retail stores and institutions, has been in business for fifty-one years. The business was started in Conway, Arkansas, by Will Ketcheside and Wiley Mosley in 1927. The firm name comes from the last names of the founders. Will Ketcheside bought out Wiley Mosley in 1939, but the business continued to operate under the M-K Company name.

John Ketcheside, a brother of Will's joined the firm in Conway in 1939. Branches of the



M-K Grocer Co., Inc. of Russellville, Arkansas located at the Railroad on North Commerce Ave.

firm were opened in Little Rock, Morrilton, Leslie, and Russellville.

The Russellville office of the company was opened in August of 1944 and is still in active operation. The other branches have closed throughout the years, making the local firm one of the last twenty-five or thirty independent wholesale grocers in the state.

Mr. John Ketcheside is still active in the business as the Chairman of the Board of Directors and his sons, John Ketcheside, Jr., Charles Ketcheside, and Don Ketcheside continue the operation of the business.

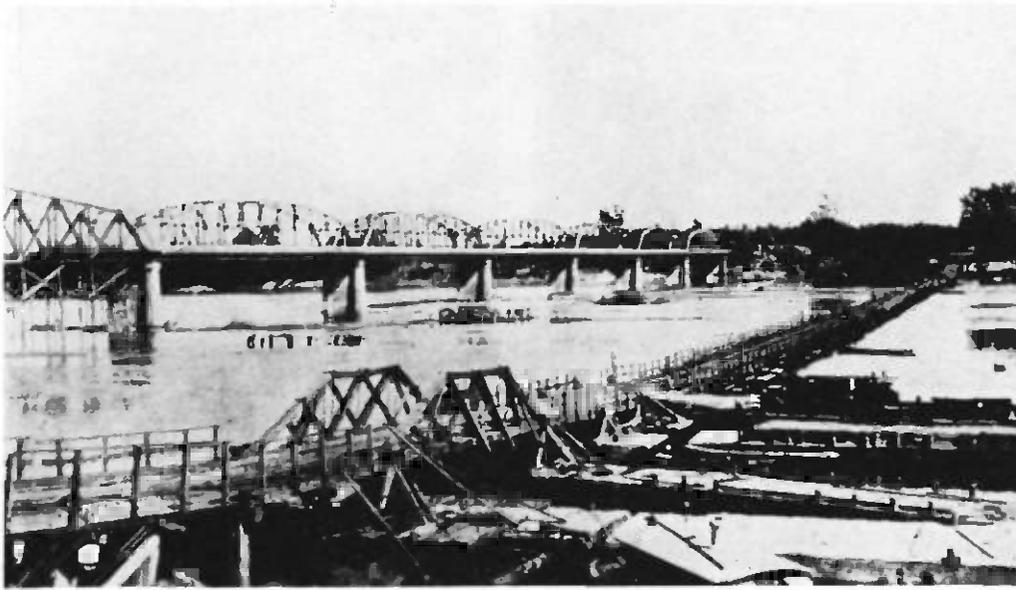
by Charles Ketcheside

PONTOON BRIDGE

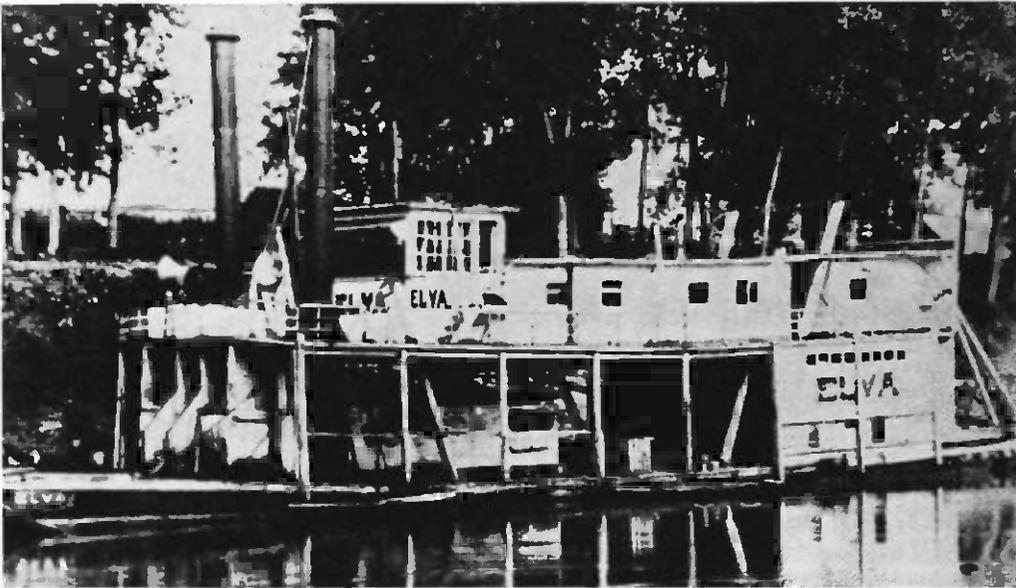
Some say there was a pontoon bridge connecting Pope and Yell Counties at Dardanelle as early as before the Civil War, but I am not sure what happened to it. The last pontoon bridge was built in the years 1890 and 1891, and was first used on April 1, 1891. The bridge was 2,208 feet long and eighteen feet wide, making it the longest pontoon bridge in the world across a moving body of water. The bridge was supported by seventy-two pontoon boats and was held in place by heavy



The Pontoon Bridge with Dardanelle on the far side.



This is a picture of the old Pontoon and the new bridges. This was taken from the Dardanelle side of the River while the new bridge was being built. (1929)



The Elva is one of the five ferries that were used during the life of the Pontoon Bridge.



During flood time the steamboat, the "City of Dardanelle", would serve as a ferry.

wire cables which were anchored to seven towers placed at intervals across the river. There were thirteen sections to the bridge and the bridge could be taken apart if the water got too high. They had a specially constructed steam boat to do the towing of this bridge.

Just thirty days after the opening of the bridge to traffic, a sudden rise in the river almost destroyed it, causing the owners to sell their bridge for fifteen cents on the dollar, which consisted of quite a loss, considering the fact that the bridge cost twenty-five thousand dollars to build.

In 1892 the bridge was owned and operated by the Dardanelle and Russellville Railroad, but for the last eighteen years of its existence it was owned by the McAlister Fuel Company. From the time this bridge was built until it was torn down, it was managed by Capt. Richard Keilch, and during this time five steam boats were used: Mary Morgan, Drew, Gauge, Elva, and the last one was the City of Dardanelle.

Capt. Keilch worked day and night watching his bridge. Twice the bridge was blown down stream, and Capt. Keilch remained on the bridge and landed the pontoons, along the river banks with the aid of a crew of helpers.

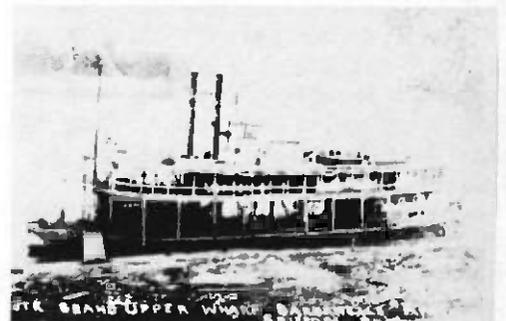
Once in 1919, during a heavy snow storm thirty-six of the pontoons sank and it required the assistance of a large crew of men to get the bridge back in operation. In 1928, the bridge was torn from its moorings by a sudden rise in the river and more than forty pontoons were swept down stream, one of them carrying a pile driver on it.

By this time the new steel bridge was nearing completion and the bridge owners decided to abandon the bridge and use the ferry boat until the new bridge was finished, but negotiations were made with the Arkansas Highway Department and State aid was obtained in repairing the lost boats and the bridge was rebuilt in four weeks.

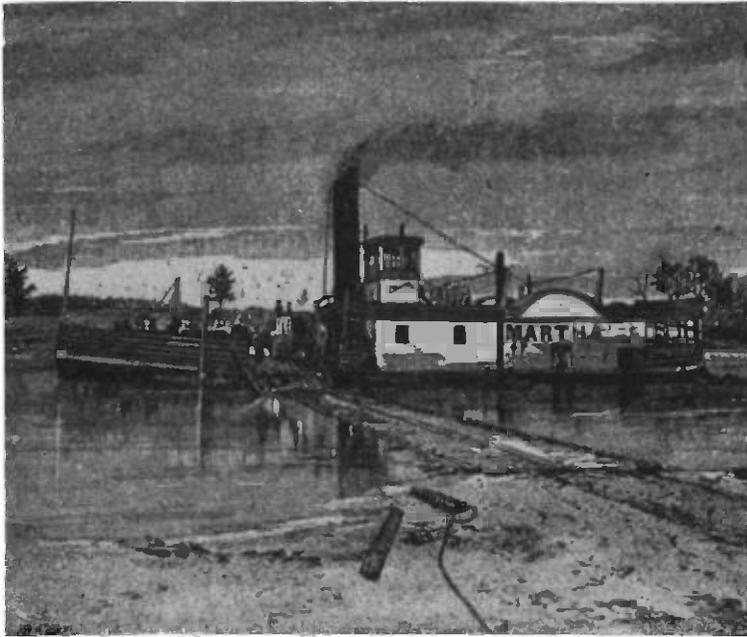
Ten men were needed to operate the bridge at low water, but it took about twice that many men to handle the pontoons when the river was at flood stage. It has been estimated that the bridge was taken down at least once a year in every year, except one, since the bridge was built.

In 1929, when the new steel bridge was completed, the cost of construction was divided equally between the bridge districts in both Pope and Yell Counties. In 1936, however, the burden of paying for the bridge was taken over by the State of Arkansas.

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One of the last packets from Little Rock to Dardanelle, Arkansas.



Ferry activity on the Arkansas River near Dardanelle in the 1880's.



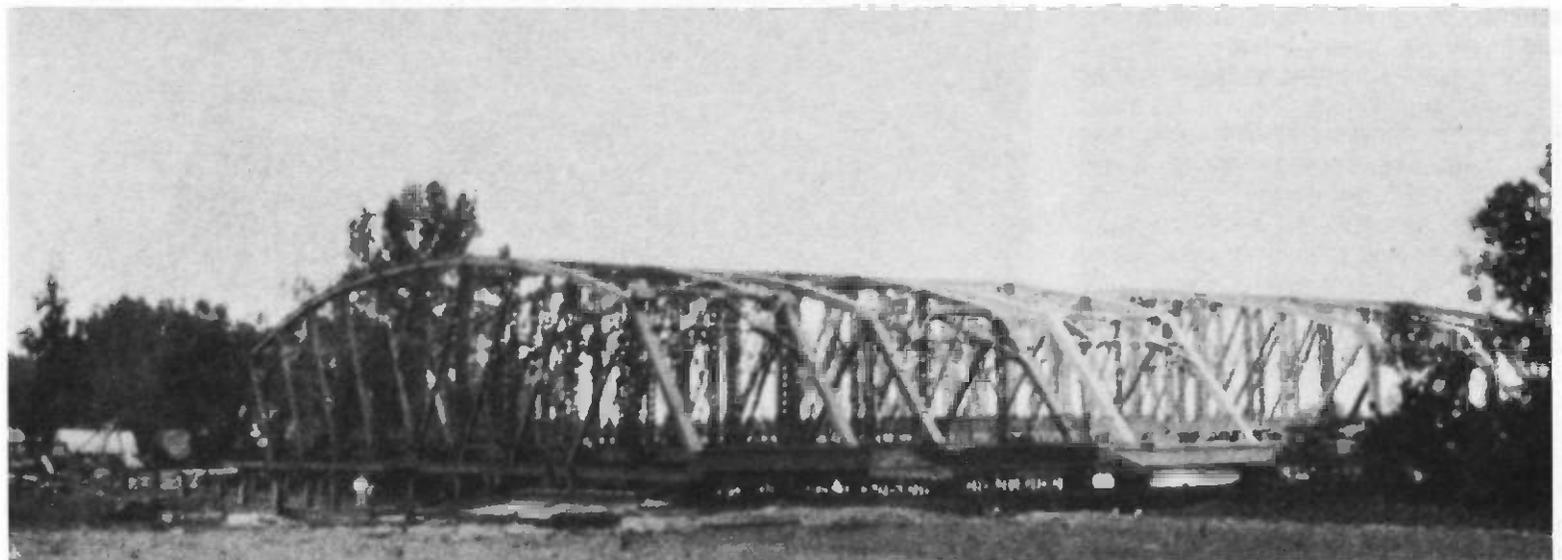
This is the first span of the new bridge that replaced the Pontoon Bridge. After being built on the river bank, the span was floated into place on barges, the water was pumped into the barge and the span would rest on its piers. The barges would move down stream and the water removed. Then they returned to shore for the next span. (June 11, 1928)



Spans are being lowered onto the piers after being assembled on the river bank and floated to midstream.



The formal opening of the steel bridge on Highway 7 between Russellville and Dardanelle. The ceremony was held on July 4, 1929.



In 1928, the bridge was assembled on the river bank on a specially designed trackway and then floated to the midstream spans.



Main Street looking West from Boulder Avenue in the 1950's.

RUSSELLVILLIAN AT THE TSAR'S COURT

Josiah Hazen Shinn (1849-1917) was born in Russellville. He attained prominence as an educator, particularly in the role of establishing normal schooling which was an economical and rapid way of training qualified school teachers in a poor and backward state. His expertise became widely known. In 1893, he supervised the Arkansas Pavilion at the Chicago Fair, as well as serving as advisor to the Russian exposition. Because of skillfulness as an advisor and his renown as an educator, Professor Shinn was invited by the financial genius and great liberal Sergius Witte, then serving as Finance Minister of Tsar Alexander the Third, to come to Russia. There he was to assist in establishing a curricula for students and training program for teachers in the newly established public schools of that country. He was also to write a good and simple History of Russia to serve as a text book upon the model of his History of Arkansas, long used as a textbook in his native state. The course of his study in Russia was two years: 1893-1895, and the honors which he received were numerous. Some summary of his years there, of his honors, and friendships appears below.

The Imperial Command of Tsar Alexander the Third summoning Shinn to his Court reached the professor at Mill Creek, near Russellville, where he was visiting. It was written in French, the language of the Court, and was accompanied by a silver icon of Our Lady of Kazan (holy picture). On the following Sunday, these objects were displayed in the Christian Church for the inspection of the whole community. Some days later, Shinn departed for New York where he boarded a German ship bound for Hamburg. His passage was uneventful and he arrived in the German University town of Goettigen where a family connection Dr. Webb, had just received his Doctorate in the faculty of Medicine, and who was a fluent linguist. Dr. Webb was intending to establish a medical practice among the considerable German population in

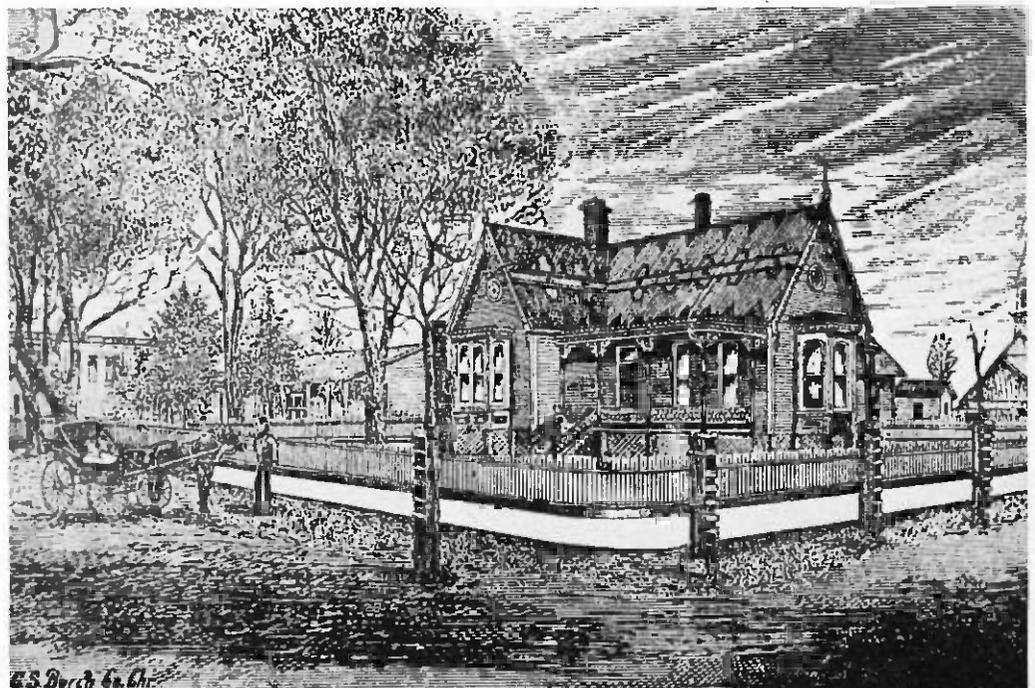
the Russian capital. These gentlemen, accompanied by a dog "Prince" arrived in the Russian capital to learn that the Tsar had died suddenly at his palace in the Crimea. Due to the expected influx of royalty to attend the long and solemn funeral rites for the emperor, the court chamberlain installed them in ten rooms of the grand Hotel Angelterre instead of one of the palaces, with profuse apologies for their accommodations. Although not housed with the royalties, these Americans were included in all the ceremonies of the last Tsar to be entombed in the Romanov Mausoleum of the Fortress of Sts. Peter and Paul, on an island in the River Neva. After the end of the period of court mourning, the new Tsar Nicolas the Second received Professor Shinn in the Throne Room of the Anitchkov Palace which was the residence of his mother the Dowager Empress Marie. On this occasion the Tsar spoke in French and in English, inquiring whether there were any wild bear in the State of Arkansas, and presented Shinn with a silver watch engraved with the Imperial



This is a picture of Professor Josiah H. Shinn. He wrote at least two histories of the State of Arkansas, one on the American History, and went to Russia to write a history of that country at the invitation of the Tsar of Russia.

Arms.

Shinn devoted many months to his historical research in the archives of St. Petersburg and Moscow, making notes for his proposed history. Other than his friendship with Count Witte, two other eminent Russians who became close friends to Shinn were a Grand Duke, uncle of Nicolas, President of the Imperial Historical Society, under whose sponsorship he was inducted into membership in this august society. The other friend being Dr. Peter Alexandrovitch Badmaev, physician to Tsars Alexander, the Third and Nicolas, the Second. Both of these gentlemen were later shot in the Bolshevik revolution. (The famed writer Maxim Gorki interceded for the life of the Grand Duke to Lenin due to his greatness as an historian to which Lenin replied: "What use has the revolution for historians?") When the guards came to take Dr. Badmaev (1919)



Home of Josiah H. Shinn in Russellville, Arkansas.

to shoot him, they wept to kill so good a man. "Sic transit gloria.")

When the Russians participated in the Chicago Fair in 1893, among their awards was a first prize in excellency of manufacture of surgical instruments, an award placed in Shinn's custody and yet sought by the National Archives of the U.S.S.R. Upon his departure from their country, the Tsar of All the Russias presented a gold Icon of "Chritos Pantocrator" to Shinn to ensure a safe journey away forever from that strange "Christ as Judge" distant country.

The last days of Professor Shinn were passed in Washington, D.C. where he was Messenger of the House of Representatives, and where he passed many hours in research in the Library of Congress. He died unexpectedly in that city September 2, 1917. His only son, Roy Longworth Shinn died suddenly in Washington in 1930, prior to a journey to the new Communist Russia. His wife Mildred Williams Shinn died in Washington in 1932. The disposition of his awards, research, manuscripts, and other treasures is unknown to this author despite a diligent search. A copy of the Shinn family data as recorded in the Williams Family Bible was given to this author in 1950 by his uncle J.D. Williams, whose sister married Professor Shinn. No one knows the fate of Dr. Webb during the Russian Revolution. A well known emigre writer George St. George of Paris, France, told this writer of the fate of Dr. Badmaev, in 1968. The archives of Badmaev were carried to Moscow and sealed from public inspection. The award for excellency has never been found.

Pope County probably has few records and little memory of her distinguished son Josiah Hazen Shinn, but "Prince" may yet survive in an old painting by Miss Libby Granger (1867-1944), once possessed by Miss Norma Davis of Russellville. Mrs. Mildred Williams Shinn was the art teacher of Miss Granger and "Prince" a model for this painting. He may still stand rigid with his bird in his mouth as when first set to canvas. When Miss Libby was carrying this painting home from the Shinns, Judge Jeremiah Wallace met her at the railroad crossing and offered her ten dollars for this painting, but was told she would have to get permission of her father to sell it, which was never done.

Josiah Hazen Shinn was buried at Roselawn Cemetery, Asher Ave., Little Rock.
by Joe T. Meek

SUGAR CREEK CREAMERY

Breakstone Sugar Creek Foods, once a division of Kraft, became a part of the Beatrice Foods Corp. in March of 1977. Sugar Creek recently completed twenty-five years of service in supplying Dairy Queens with ice cream mix, and they have been supplying the Tastee Freeze chain almost that long. The two drive-in chains pioneered the creamy, soft vanilla ice cream now sold from fancy swirling machines into cones, banana splits and other goodies sold all over America. The mix comes

from Sugar Creek, and in the Mid-South, comes primarily from the Russellville plant at a rate of a million gallons a year.

Sugar Creek has been in business in Russellville since 1941, and is one of the area's oldest industries.

Production of real butter is another big item with Sugar Creek, and it is sold two ways: the little pats restaurants serve, called "reddies", and in quarter-pound sticks packaged four to the carton. These latter are sold under labels of many grocery and dairy chains such as IGA, Kroger, and others. Between five and six million pounds are sold out of Russellville each year. The Russellville plant has a staff of sixty-five employees.

There are twelve refrigerated tractor-trailer rigs hauling out of Russellville, serving seven regular delivery routes in addition to special runs and deliveries.

The reddies run off the line at Sugar Creek to the Tune of about two million a year.

Getting all this done requires a great deal of

hand labor. Immense mixing, Pasteurizing, holding and other types of vats must be cleaned after each run, and sterilized before operations begin the next day.

Huge stainless steel churns turn the butter, and it is scraped out by hand, loaded into 68 pound packs and allowed to cure in refrigerated walk-ins. The blocks are then ready for transformation into reddies or sticks for packaging and shipping, meanwhile another batch is a-churning. The milk residue from the butter is kept in outside tanks and sold. There is little waste.

The Russellville plant sells in an area west to Houston and Dallas, Texas, east to Pensacola, Florida, and north into southern Missouri.

Few people in Russellville are aware of what is in the old building on the northwest corner of North El Paso and "C" Streets because few Sugar Creek products are sold in local stores under the Sugar Creek name.

by David L. Vance



An early day fishing trip and picnic for the whole family, and friends.



The Bramlet House, Northwest of Russellville.



Bell Williamson home, north of Russellville where the Freeway is now just south of Scottish Inn.



This is the front of the Rollow Carden Home at 600 South Jefferson (now Commerce Ave.) as it looked before the bay windows were replaced.



This was the home of the Rev. Cephas Washburn, and it was in this house that his son, Edward Payson Washburn, painted the original painting of the "Arkansas Traveler." The house stood just to the North of the Washburn Cemetery that is located on the North side of the road leading to the Dam from Highway #7 South, on the Russellville side.



The Rollow Carden Home at 600 South Commerce Ave. This house faces East at the Southwest corner of Commerce and 6th Street. (1978)



M.R. Craig home on Jefferson St. in Russellville.



H. Clabe Howell home that stood where the Forestry Building now stands on West Main Street.



The Williamson house that was located where Old Main is at Arkansas Tech faced the road to the West of the building. (Before 1909)



This was the J.J. Hogins home on West Main at the Northwest corner of Main and Houston Streets. Mrs. Hogins was a granddaughter of Dr. Russell and his doctors office had one time set in what was later her front yard. This is now the location of the Shinn Funeral Home. (1970)



This two story red brick house was built on the Northeast corner of West Main and North Houston, facing South. This is the house that replaced the Dr. Russell Home in the late 1890's. This house has been torn down to make room for the First Federal Savings & Loan. (1970)



A home at 900 West "B" Street in Russellville. (1970)



John White Home on West Main under construction by O.S. Nelson. (1916-17)



This used to face North at the Southwest corner of West "B" and North Glenwood Ave. (1970)



This is the residence of R.F. Roys on South Commerce. The house faces West on the Southeast corner of South Commerce and West 6th Street. (1978)



This is the home of Mr. Faye Bullock at 607 South Commerce Avenue. The house faces West in the middle of the block. (1978)



This house was built by Oscar Wilson, the son of Capt. R.J. Wilson, and was later bought by T.M. Neal for his home. It faces East on South Denver Avenue, just across the street from the Methodist Church parking lot. (1978)



This is the R.L. Smith home that faced North at the Southeast corner of 4th and South Boston Ave. (1970)



This is the home of Capt. Robert James Wilson. It faced East on the Southwest corner of West Third and South Denver Avenue.



The Van Moores Home at the Northwest corner of South Commerce and 6th Street. The house faces East. (1978)



The home of Vestal Boswell at 514 West "B" Street facing South at the Northeast corner of "B" and North Fargo Street. (1970)



The W.J. "Bud" White house under construction on West Main Street, before World War I. It was built by O.S. Nelson.



This is the W.J. "Bud" White House after being restored. (1978)



The William Brooks home on So. Arkansas Ave., at the West end of East 4th Street. This house burned in the early 1960's.



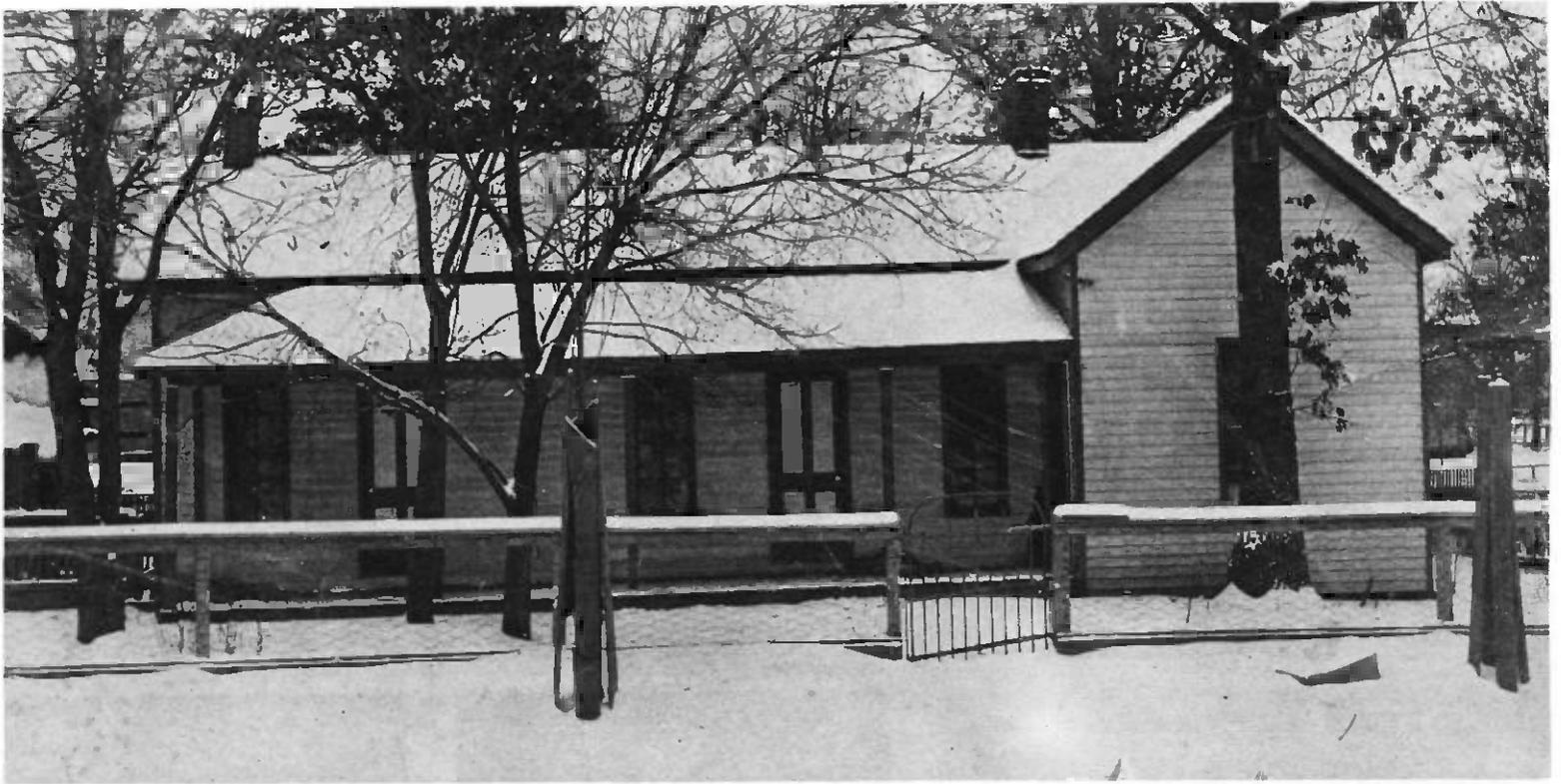
This is the home of Judge A.P. Priddy on East 3rd Street and Erie Avenue. This house is at the South-west corner of the intersection. (1970)



The Judge Wallace Home at 521 East "D" Street. This house faces South at the Northwest corner of "D" and Frankfort Ave. (1978)



The Judge J.T. Bullock Home at 913 West Main St. in Russellville.



This is thought to be a picture of an early home of Judge J. T. Bullock on the east side of North Arkansas Avenue, just South of the Railroad Tracks. This may be a side view, as seen from the Railroad.



House at corner of E. 2nd & N. Cleveland. First house in Russellville built with a double outside wall. Built for Prof. Crawford about 1912.



This house is at the Northwest corner of West "B" and North Fargo Street. The house faces South. (1970)



This was the residence of Dr. R. M. Drummond. It is said to be the first brick home to be built in Russellville. The home stood facing South at the Northwest corner of West Main Street and North Glenwood Avenue. (1909)



This is the home of Judge R. B. Wilson. Built in 1902 and 1903. The house still stands facing North at the Southwest corner of East Fifth St. and South Cleveland Ave. (1909)



This house, the home of T. M. Neal, was built in 1903 on West Main Street across the street from the Central Presbyterian Church. Rye Motor Company is located on this lot now. (1909)

SCOTIA

Scotia was the first location to be chosen for the county seat of Pope County. It was located about two and one-half miles below the mouth of Big Piney, on the north bank of the Arkansas River. This was only a temporary location; so there never was a courthouse built. The home of John Bolinger was used as the seat of justice until an election for Commissioners was held that located the county seat permanently. The place they selected for the purpose was Scotia, the residence of Judge Andrew Scott, which was the next house to Bollinger's in the neighborhood settlement, and was made the county seat in 1830.

Judge Andrew Scott was an early resident of the county. He settled here in 1828 on a farm, which he named Scotia. The land was purchased from an Indian named Mackey (McKay), and afterwards it was repurchased from the United States.

In 1819 President Monroe appointed General James Miller the first governor and Robert Crittenden the first secretary of the newly formed territory of Arkansas. He then appointed three judges of the Superior Court, and these constituted the government of the new territory. Judge Scott was one of these three judges who were appointed by the President.

The first Superior Court of Arkansas, which convened from July, 1819, to January, 1821, was made up solely of Judge Andrew Scott. Although Charles Jouett and Charles Letcher had also been appointed to the bench, they left the state soon after the government was set up. This left only Judge Scott to run the court.

One evening in May of 1824, Judge Scott, while judge on the Superior Court, was playing cards at the home of a most attractive young lady. With them was Judge Joseph Selden, another judge on the high court, and

his date for the evening.

In the middle of the game Judge Scott's partner jokingly said, "Judge Selden, we have the tricks and the honors on you." To this Judge Selden warmly replied, "That is not so, madam." Judge Scott was a man with a high sense of honor, and he turned to Judge Selden and said haughtily, "Sir, you have insulted a lady, and my partner, and you must apologize for your rudeness."

Judge Selden declined to do so. He insisted that the lady had said what was not true, and that he had merely told her that fact. Judge Scott seized a candlestick, which was standing on the card table, and hurled it at Judge Selden. Parties who were present interfered, and prevented further difficulty at the time.

A few days after the occurrence, Judge Selden sent, by hands of Judge Scott, an apology to the lady, which was accepted; and the matter was thought to have been settled. But the intermeddling of pretended friends, who were industrious in bearing tales to Judge Scott and Judge Selden, succeeded in reviving the quarrel, which resulted in Judge Scott sending Judge Selden a challenge to fight a duel.

The duel took place on Mississippi soil, opposite Montgomery's Point, at the mouth of the White River. Judge Selden's second was Robert C. Oden, and Judge Scott's second was Dr. Nimrod Meniffee, who acted also as surgeon. Pistols were used at 10 paces. At the first firing Judge Selden was killed.

When Judge Scott's second term expired in 1827, he was nominated by the President for a third term. But the friends of Judge Selden, however, succeeded in the Senate of the United States in having his appointment not confirmed. The bar of Little Rock, at a public meeting shortly after this act of the Senate, passed a series of resolutions condemning the Senate for its action and commending Judge Andrew Scott for his ability, cleanness, and character. He was designated as the leading judge of the Superior Court of Arkansas. This terminated his connection with the Superior Court bench, but he was at once appointed by Governor Izard as judge of the First Circuit Court of the Territory. He held this position until 1831, when he retired to his plantation at Scotia. He represented Johnson and Pope Counties in the Constitutional Convention of 1836, and was a member of the Territorial House of Representatives from Pope County in 1831. He acquired a fortune in private life and was at all times one of the most distinguished citizens of Pope County.

Upon his retirement to Scotia he became the county's first County Judge.

In about 1830 Judge Scott secured a post office for Scotia and Twitty Pace, who was the first clerk of the county, was named postmaster. Alfred E. Pace succeeded him after his two year term, and Alfred E. Pace was followed in turn by Laban C. Howell. Scotia was the second post office established within the present limits of Pope County, being preceded by Dwight Mission in 1823 with Cephas Washburn as postmaster.

Scotia was located on the old military road, or "wire road," which was completed in 1823. Congress authorized the survey and

opening of a public highway from Memphis, Tennessee, by way of Little Rock and Fort Smith to Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, in 1821. From Little Rock this road passed through Cadron, Lewisburg, Point Remove, Dwight, Scotia, Spadra Bluff, Johnson, Ozark, Pleasant Hill, Cotocton, and Van Buren. Traces of this old road are still to be seen. Highway No. 64 follows the old route in many places, and country roads run along its course in other sections.

This old military road was an important line of communication in the early days of Arkansas. Stagecoaches had regular runs on it, and the troops and supplies for the garrison at Fort Smith and Fort Gibson traveled it. Thousands of Indians from the Cherokee Nation east passed along this road when they migrated from their homes in Tennessee and Georgia to their reservation in Oklahoma.

Georgetown is another name sometimes associated with Scotia. When the railroad came through the county a flag station was located on one corner of Judge Scott's old farm, near Scotia, and this station was called Georgetown. Other towns along the line grew rapidly and drew residents away from Scotia, and the Georgetown station was finally abandoned. The present community of Georgetown is not at the site of the old "town" of Scotia.

The only thing left to carry the name of Scotia is a railroad siding in the area just west of London.

by David L. Vance

ST. MARTIN

In 1837, Bennett H. Martin, John Macbeth, John Wilson, J.H. Newman, and Judge Andrew Scott advertised the sale of lots at the town of St. Martin on the north side of the Arkansas River, seven miles above the mouth of the Illinois Bayou and just below the mouth of Big Piney Creek. These gentlemen stated in their prospectus that the site they had chosen was the only one on the Arkansas for a great town, and they confidently expected St. Martin to be the "London of Arkansas".

There was never a plat filed in the Pope County Courthouse showing the layout of the town. However, two deeds were recorded to lots in St. Martin. One deed is recorded in Deed Record Book B, page 34. It was from Bennett H. Martin and John Macbeth to Virginia T. White for Lot 8 in Block 6, containing $\frac{1}{4}$ acre of land. The date on the deed was April 17, 1838, and the lot cost \$100.00. The second deed is also from Bennett H. Martin and John Macbeth, but this time it was sold to B.H. Zachry. It too was dated in April of 1838, and it was for Lots 5 and 6 in Block 5. The price this time was \$650.00.

Norristown was developing, Dover was being formed, and Scotia sprang into existence; all these things, coupled with the running of the roads too far away, left St. Martin to the rear. Today nothing is left, if in fact, there was ever anything built at St. Martin. All too often the best laid plans go astray.

by David L. Vance



Judge Andrew Scott, the county's first County Judge.

TILLY POST OFFICE

The first Postmaster of Tilly, Arkansas, in Pope County was Willie Dawkins. The Post Office was established in the year 1919. He sent a letter to Washington, D.C. suggesting they name the Post Office after his son, Dahloegah, which was an Indian name. Washington wrote back saying this was too hard to spell, suggesting he send in another name. Mr. Dawkins was quite 'put out' about this and said — Oh well! We will name the Post Office Tilly. There was a comic strip in the newspaper at this time by the name of Tilly the Toller. He said everyone would know how to spell Tilly.

The second Postmaster was French Stump, the third was Edith Warren.

Avis Fountain was the fourth Postmaster and is still holding this position. Avis accepted this position in April, 1943, and has now been Postmaster for 35 years.

Fay Fountain, owns the property that Willie Dawkins homesteaded. His home sets in the same place as Mr. Dawkins store and the Tilly Post Office.

The school in Tilly was named Union Hill and it went through the eighth grade. It was consolidated with Hector School District in 1950. The school building at this time, is still standing and a well kept building.

Alfred and Avis Fountain have owned and operated Fountain's Grocery and Exxon for 39 years. They started this business in July, 1939.

Alfred and Avis Fountain are now and have been operating a Buying Station for Atkins Pickly Company since early 1950's. At the time they started the 'pickle business' the shed was located at the end of their store. They were buying two large truck loads of cucumbers each day. The 'shed' is now lo-

cated behind the store. They only buy about a pickup load a day now. Times have changed!

The Tilly community got their first electricity in 1953. Alfred and Avis Fountain bought one of the first television sets in the community, this being in early 1955. They put their TV in their grocery store and all the people around would come to watch TV each night.

The Tilly Missionary Baptist Church was organized in December, 1961. Alfred Fountain was very dedicated to this church. In the summer of 1961, Alfred and his son Charles furnished most of the materials and their labor to help build this church building. Friends and members helped with this building in various ways. Fletcher and Emmett Godfrey were carpenters 'by trade' and were a big help in this. Aunt Alzina Fountain gave encouragement in this project. She spent a lot of her time there, helping when she could.

Tilly got their first telephones in 1965. Highway 27, which comes through Tilly was paved in 1972.

TURNERSVILLE POST OFFICE

The geographic site of the Turnersville Post Office was in the Northeast Quarter, Section 34, Township 10 North, Range 20 West, about 8 miles north of Dover and five miles west of Scottsville. Turnersville Post Office was established on March 23, 1896, and the immediate area had a population of 25.

James Polk Turner was Turnersville's only postmaster. He was a Confederate veteran who came to Pope County from Bartow County, Georgia in 1871 with his wife, Sarah Cox Turner and their children. The Turners with numerous relatives came by boat to Dardanelle. James P. Turner operated a commissary, a library, and the post office all within

the building in which he resided.

Wm. Ira Rentfro, a nephew of James P. Turner, was born in 1890 near the site of Turnersville Post Office. He recalls numerous trips, on foot, to the post office to get the family mail, and pick up items the family needed from the commissary.

S.E. Young operated a sawmill along with a grist mill on the creek near the Turnersville Post Office around the turn of the century. The County newspapers of that time report a large volume of lumber being milled and hauled away from the mill by wagons.

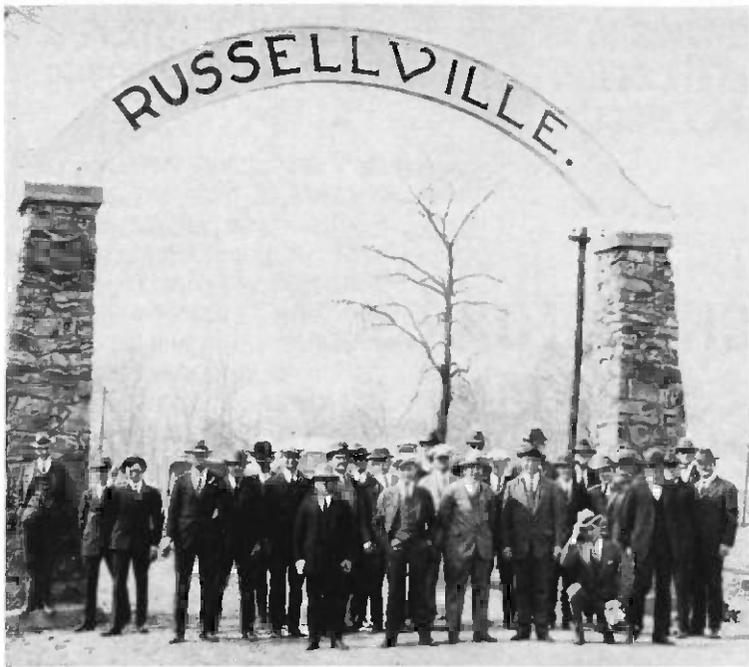
Henry Johnson was awarded the contract for carrying mail between Turnersville and Dover on Tuesday and Friday of each week. Later deliveries were made on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of each week. Johnson didn't carry the mail himself, but employed Pless Looper, a crippled man, to carry the mail on horseback.

It was said that when Pless was about 30 years of age he made a trip to Dover on an extremely cold day and in preparation for the return home he visited a local saloon for fortification to face the cold north wind. When he arrived at the Old Lake Grave Yard, instead of going around the south end of the Lake where the wagons forded the Illinois Bayou, Pless decided to take the most direct route and reigned his horse into the Lake forcing him to swim across it. When Pless arrived home, he could not dismount until his wife had cut his shoes loose from the stirrups. She helped him into the house and placed his frozen feet in warm water which was the wrong treatment for frostbite. Later the Doctor amputated his toes and a part of each foot. Pless was still able to walk with the aid of a cane and to ride a horse to carry the mail until the Turnersville Post Office was closed on November 13, 1905.

By Mrs. M.C. Tucker



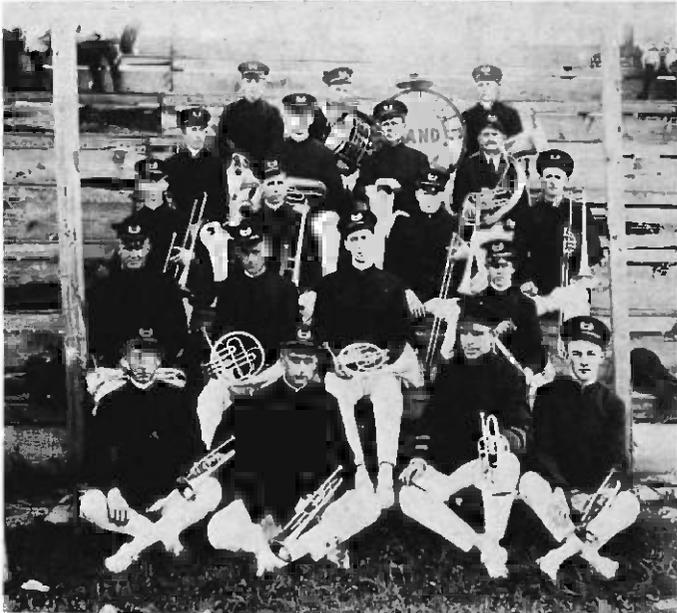
This is a street scene of West Main Street showing the Ganner House on the far left and the Bud White House on the far right. This picture was made before World War I.



The Gateway into Russellville from the East in what has been known as the big curve.



President Theodore Roosevelt stopped in Russellville on his Presidential Tour of the country.



This is an early picture of a Russellville Band. They are from left to right, First Row: Charlie Howell, Hardy Brown, Mr. Reed (the instructor), Sam Davis Jr., Second Row: Warren Williamson, Elton Mathews, Lewis Bentley, Clarence Williamson, Third Row: Clarence Linton, Bill Renfrow, Fred Thompson, Herman Steuber, Fourth Row: Unknown, Unknown, Van Boswell Sr., Mr. Vandergaten, Fifth Row: Unknown, Roy V. Jackson, and John W. Vance.



First Regiment Band of Russellville — Before World War I. Bottom Row, l to R. — Oscar Wilson, Walter Wilson, R.H. Bonds, Hardy Brown, J.C. Faulkner, and Harold Ganner, the barefoot boy standing on seat who was "The Mascot." 2nd Row — M.A. Walker, unknown, Geo. Bernard, Louie Tucker, Bob Ragsdale, Robt. Taylor. 3rd Row — Guy Gardner, Tom Rankin. 4th Row — Van Boswell, unknown, Virgil Sewell, John Ganner, Bob Bonds, Will O. Vance. 5th Row — Franz Rickaby, S.J. Reed, Mack Hale, Dick Newport, Dr. A.J. Caisson, Will Guest, W.J. Peterson, A.J. Simpson.



Bond Drive in Russellville during WWI. Tables set for barbecue from Main St. north.



Crowd Waiting for Troop Train World War #1.

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APPLETON CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Appleton Cumberland Presbyterian Church was organized on March 23, 1856. The church had its' origin in the old Glass Villiage congregation at Griffin Flat. The Sulphur Springs church which became the Appleton Church, branched off when more settlers came into the area. Early membership of the church were principally from Poe, Rankin, Lemley, Montgomery, Lewis, and Bruton families. The first Elders were: A.L. Rankin, John M. Poe, Joe S. Poe, and Reubin B. Rankin. There were 35 charter members. Church records show that servants along with their owners belonged to the church.



Appleton Cumberland Presbyterian
Church

The present church building was erected in 1912. Elders at this time were: W.J. Lewis, L.B. Montgomery, G.F. Rankin, and E.E. Wilson. Aaron Kinslow was the pastor. Church records show W.J. Lewis served the church as stated clerk from 1897 until his death in 1933.

On March 23, 1975, the 119th anniversary of the church was held with a dedication service for new Sunday School classrooms that had been added to the rear of the building. Elders at this time were: Otto Ingram, Noel Melton, W.E. Lewis, Ed Wilson, Covey Bartlett, and Noel Tyler. John Paul Jones was Pastor.

In January, 1977, the Appleton C.P. women along with the entire church started a fellowship building in memory of a member, the late Mrs. Lorene Tyler. Elders serving at the present time are Ed Wilson, Willie Drew, W.E. Lewis, and Covey Bartlett. Redmond Eubanks is the Pastor. Descendants of the early church are still members of the church today.

by Sue Bartlett

ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH — RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS

The Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church was organized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R.M. Oates, 608 South Commerce, on April 21, 1893, by Rev. W.W. Orr and the Rev. Monroe Oates, of Pottsville, Arkansas. The following were Charter members: Mr. William Rowan, Mr. and Mrs. S.R. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. W.R. McArthur, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Rowan, Mr. and Mrs. R.M. Oates, Mrs. J.B. Wells, Mr. A. Henry Ferguson, Mr. W.L. Oates, Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair Bell, Mrs. Hannah Wells, Mr. Warren Ferguson, and Mrs. Nancy Oates.



The original building of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church of Russellville. This building was built in 1894 on the southwest corner of West Second and South Commerce Ave.

A small frame building was erected on the present site in 1894. Several pastors were supplied until 1896: Revs. Douglas Smith; Pressley; Strong, who was principal of the high school for three years; Snipes; and Baird. In 1925 a beautiful buff brick church replaced the original church, which was too small. At this time Dr. W.H. Miller pastored a few months, then Rev. R.C. Kennedy came in late 1925. In June of that year Rev. John L. Boyd came and served thirteen years. During his ministry the church grew and the new building was dedicated on November 26, 1927. Rev. Thomas McDill, Jr., Rev. R.E. Huey, Rev. Larry Gregory, and Rev. J.P. Rodman were the pastors over the next ten years. For more than 30 years the leaders of the church sponsored a annual Harvest Supper. Two outstanding ministers in the synod who were reared in the church were Rev. James Ragsdale of Tampa, Florida, (now retired and living in Russellville) and Monroe Oates, who came to Arkansas from Pisgah, North Carolina, in 1867.

Judge Andrew Henry Ferguson, who passed away February 7, 1958, was the last surviving charter member of this church.

ATKINS METHODIST CHURCH

The Atkins Methodist Church was organized in 1868 in a log store belonging to William Reynolds, located where the Cleo Cheek home now stands. J.A. Bost and a Williams were among the twenty-five or thirty charter members. We have no other records, but we do know that Mr. and Mrs. William Reynolds were the parents of ten children, and that all ten children, including the parents were charter members. Rev. W.T. Thompson was a grandson, and Rev. Jeff Davis was a great-grandson of this same Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds.

In the early 1880's, Mr. and Mrs. A.M.



This building was built in 1925 to replace the frame building that had become too small. The same location was used for both buildings.

Gibson moved their membership from Old Galley Rock to Atkins. There are many descendants of this family living in Atkins today who are active members. Judge A.M. Gibson was Superintendent of the Sunday School for 18 years and did not miss a Sunday. In all he served 36 years. Mrs. Sam Gibson was also a charter member of the Methodist Church and a lay leader. Mrs. L.L. Evans' family were Methodist and he served as Sunday School Superintendent for 24 years. The Sibleys, the Hugheys, the J.M. Barkers, the McCollums, and the Hillises were members. Dr. W.A. Montgomery and family were members. The first Junior League was organized in 1895. Many other prominent families of Atkins have been members of this church.

ATKINS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Atkins Presbyterian Church was organized in 1879, or in the early part of 1880. It became a U.S.A. Church in 1904, going back to the Northern Presbyterians. Some of the early members were: the L.D. Ford family, the J.P. Hervy family, the John Nickles family, the John C. and E.A. Darr families, and some of the Scarlett family. Some of the early ministers were Mr. Bruton, father of Mrs. Nettie Bruton; Mr. Holcomb; and Mr. Logan. Rev. Landers was part-time pastor at the time the present church was built, which was in 1908. The first building was on Dover Street, one block east of the present building, and was a frame structure. L.D. Ford moved from Ford's Chapel, northwest of Atkins in 1876. The Darrs and Scarletts moved from Old Galley Rock soon after the building of the railroad in 1873. The first church was a Union organization in the old Methodist Church. Prof. Birney, Superintendent of the School, was also Superintendent of the Sunday School

THE BELLS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Located 3 miles Southwest of Atkins, Pope County, Arkansas

On August 7, 1876, Warren M. Bell and Sarah Eliza Darr Bell, husband and wife, in consideration of the love they had for the cause of Christ, and from an earnest desire to promote his heritage on earth, gave two (2) acres unto Alfred R. Robinson, Alfred R. Grigg, Julius F. Reed, W.P. Lazenby, and Phillip W. Austin, Trustees appointed by the Quarterly Conference for the Galla Rock Circuit, Lewisburg District of The North Arkansas Annual Conference of The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and to their successors in office forever. In trust that said premises shall be used, kept, and maintained as a place of Divine Worship for the use of the Ministry and Membership of The Methodist Episcopal Church, South; subject to the discipline, usage, and ministerial appointments



Bells Chapel Methodist (Atkins)

of said church as time to time authorized and declared by The General Conference and Annual Conference. The Church was called Bell's Chapel, and the community derived its name from the church.

Ministers serving this church included: The Reverends: Massey, Coward, John Glass, Robinson, Boyler, Alva E. Goode, Weaver, Sherman, Stuart, John Villines, Robertson, D.H. Colquette, Gillmore, Gossett, Stewart, and Joseph P. Calloway.

In 1906, the membership roll numbered 72. Of these, two persons are still living — Mr. Roy Faucett, age 92, and still a member of the Bell's Chapel United Methodist Church, and Mrs. Myrtle Austin Alewine, who resides in Conway.

The congregation decided to erect a new church and at a different location. The new location being nearer to the center of the Bell's Chapel community, which is still the location of the present church.

On January 10, 1925, the property was deeded back to the original owners, Warren M. Bell and Sarah Eliza Darr Bell, by the Trustees then in office — Ernest Reed, L.D. Austin, and J.W. Whitesides.

At this time, members of The Methodist Episcopal Church (North) in Bells Chapel discontinued use of their church. The (Union) Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in Bells Chapel in 1868 by The Reverend I.C. O'Barr, who was a member of the Missouri Conference. The "Union Church" was of the Missouri Conference and in the Arkansas District.

When organized the church was on the Dover Circuit — a circuit which covered the Methodist work of one charge in an 80 mile radius of Dover.

Some members choose to worship in services with The Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Officially, the two churches merged into — "The Methodist Church" in 1939.

Ministers serving the church at this new location included: The Reverends: W.J. Williams; E.B. Williams, 1927-1929; E.B. Wilson, 1934-?; Grover Southerland, 1938-1939; Irl Bridenthall, 1939-1941; Raymond L. Franks, 1941-1942; Claude Harvison, 1942-1944; J.E. Linam, 1944-1946; Frank Shell, 1946-1951; Williams Hightower, 1951-1955; Elsworth Watson, 1955-1958; Muriel Peters, 1958-1960; John Braden, 1960-1961; Von Dell Mooney, 1961-1963.

In June 1957, Rayburn Jackson, a member

of our congregation, entered the ministry. He has served churches in The North Arkansas Conference. Since his retirement in June 1976, Reverend Jackson and his wife, Lucille, are worshipping again at The Bell's Chapel United Methodist Church.

In September 1964, the present building was started. In January 1965, we began our worship in the new building, which was paid in full in July of 1966 by donations from the congregation, former members of the church living in other cities, friends of the church, and a lot of "free" labor.

Reverend Billy Vernon Dennis was pastor during the period of our building program. Ministers following him have been:

The Reverends: J. Frank Hamm, 1966-1967; D. James McCammon, 1967-1970; David Utley, 1970-1971; Muriel Peters, 1971-1973; Von Dell Mooney, 1973-1978; and David Scroggins, 1978 to present.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN POPE COUNTY

The first Catholic missionary came to what is now Arkansas in 1541. Hernando DeSoto, with 620 picked men including some priests, came through this area. They left Florida on DeSoto's famed march through the wilderness. They crossed the Mississippi River at what is now Helena and marched through northwest and central parts of Arkansas.

Some French priests came with explorers from Canada — the most notable being Father Marquette who visited Quapaw Villages on the Arkansas River in 1673.

Then the famous LaSalle in his voyage in 1682 to discover the mouth of the Mississippi landed at a Quapaw Village. In writing about Quapaw Indians, a Father Membre said, "They are a lively, civil, and generous people, very different from the cold and taciturn Indians of the north."

In 1687 a party of Frenchmen arrived at Arkansas Post with a priest to tend to their spiritual needs.

Then in 1689 an agreement was entered into between Tonti and the Jesuit priests of Canada granting them a site for a mission at Arkansas Post, the grant including several thousand acres on both sides of the river. For their part of the bargain, the Jesuits were to



Catholic Church, Atkins, Ark.

"erect a cross 15 feet high, instruct the Indians and encourage agriculture by planting wheat." This was the first active, permanent establishment of the church in Arkansas.

The diocese of Little Rock, comprising the State of Arkansas and the Indian Territory was created in 1843 with Rev. Andrew Byrne of Ireland as Bishop. He died in 1862, and was not replaced until after the Civil War.

The replacement was Bishop Edward Fitzgerald, also a native of Ireland. It was through Bishop Fitzgerald's efforts that arrangements were made with the Fort Smith and Little Rock railroad, which was just laying its tracks, to deed large tracts of land to German and Polish immigrants. This was in the late 1870's . . . and this is when the Benedictine priests came to Subiaco from Germany and Switzerland.

At about the same time (1878) the railroad, wanting to colonize this part of the country, offered 100 acres of land at Shoal Creek for a convent of nuns. (Surmising, we suppose, that immigrants could better be persuaded to come to this area if they knew there would be priests and nuns there.) These nuns also came to this country from Switzerland and Germany. The convent was later moved to Fort Smith and nuns from St. Scholastica's Convent have taught and nursed in this area ever since.

A Father Matthew, Benedictine from Subiaco, served this area as a missionary and probably conducted the first services at Atkins . . . until 1878.

In the year 1878, a Father Brem, born in Switzerland, arrived here from Ohio, and what is still known as the Nottenkamper was the place the first service was held. There were about fifteen families here in Atkins then . . . all very poor. In the fall of that year (1878) through the assistance of the railroad, they built a small frame church having received a plot of ground and some money from the railroad people.

Father Anton Jaworski, undoubtedly from Poland, came to take over the parish on 1879. He remained until 1880. He didn't stay long and a number of priests (or missionaries as

they would be known now) came for short periods. It must have been about this time that the colony of Germans arrived, since records say the church grew to about 60 families in 1881 and to 90 families in the following year (that's about twice the size of the present Atkins parish).

Father John Otten came in the fall of 1881 and remained until 1884. During this time the parish continued to grow for the next five years.

There was no appointed pastor for the next three years, with priests coming from Morrilton or Conway about twice a month for services.

Father Schultz was pastor here from 1890 to 1896 and succeeding him from 1896 to 1902 was a Father Schlessler. Those were lean years for those first pastors and it has been said they had to go to Conway or Morrilton to get something to eat to keep from starving to death. The people, too, had such poor success that many of them left for other parts, especially Canada.

Father Olfen came in 1902 and stayed two years. Father Schlessler returned for a year and then Father Olfen for two more years. From 1905 to 1907 Father Aloysius Schmitt was the Pastor.

In 1907 Father Charles Trefney moved from the Bohemian settlement near Dardanelle and took over the reins at Atkins, making Dardanelle from then on a mission. Father Jenne was pastor from 1909 to 1912. He was succeeded by Father Truemper, he in turn by Father Tynin who was here from 1914 to 1916. Father Otto Loeb came in 1916 and stayed for eight years until 1924. He was succeeded by Father Butterbach. Father J.C. Feldcamp came in 1926 and was pastor until his death in 1945. Short pastorates were held then by Father DeClerk, Father Joseph Laughlin, Father Strauss, and Father Karnes before the present pastor, Msgr. Francis J. McKee, came some twenty years ago.

The first church, built in 1879, was known as St. Fidells. Peter and Mary Barzen was the first couple married in the church. This took place in 1880. This frame building was later used as a school and hall after the present

building was erected in 1898. It was dedicated by Bishop Fitzgerald. George Ehemann and Barbara Mueller was the first couple married in this new church which was then and still known as the Church of the Assumption.

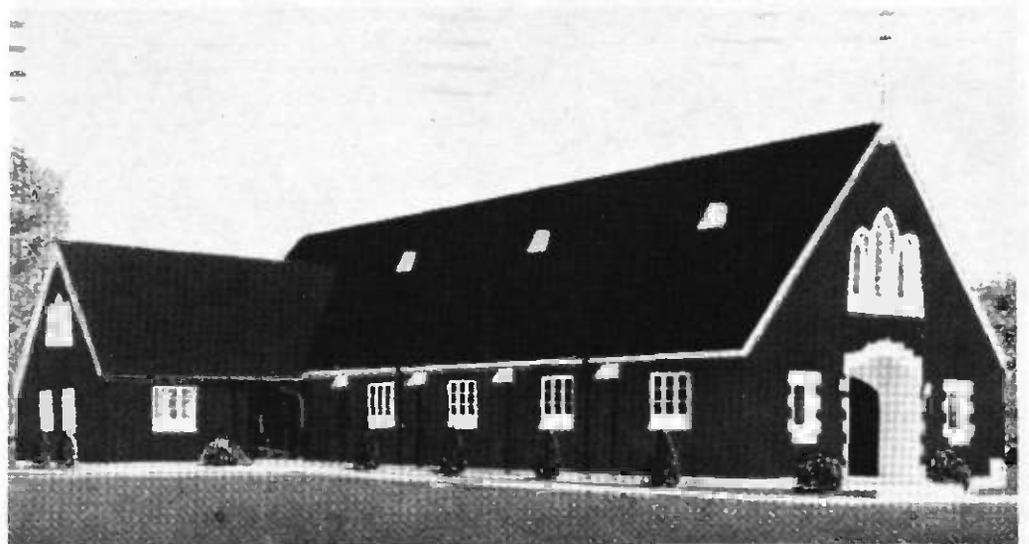
In the 1930's a house was bought from the railroad, which had been used as quarters for the section foreman or agents, and moved to the church grounds to be used as a school. The original building was kept for a hall or meeting place, Both of these frame buildings were replaced about twenty-five years ago by a brick combination school/hall. The school was disbanded about fifteen years later.

The first rectory (home of the pastor) was built in 1880, replaced in 1922 by the one still being used, although it has been remodeled several times since it was built.

A home for the teaching sisters was built in 1889, and replaced in 1912. This one served that purpose until the school was closed, at which time the house was sold and moved away.

The Catholic Cemetery is located about one mile south of the Town of Atkins. One thing of interest about it is that there is one grave that lies north and south instead of east and west. It is in the older part of the cemetery and no one can explain why it lies in the opposite direction. I have heard that back in the old days a person whose life was taken by the state was buried this way, but I am sure this was not the case here.

As we mentioned, Father Tynin came to Atkins from Dardanelle. It was served by the priest from Atkins as was the church at Sunny Point, later to become Russellville's St. John's Parish. The first service at Sunny Point was held in the home of my uncle and aunt, Matt and Molly Gillespie, parents of Syble Gillespie and Hazel Little. The first church was built on land donated by the Gillespies. It was written in 1925 that "as soon as possible the church will be moved into the city in order that Russellville may have a church there." That "soon as possible" amounted to about thirty years when a new church was built in Russellville and named St. John's. Father Rudolph Maus was pastor at the time this church was built. He was the



St. John's Catholic Church
Russellville, Arkansas

first regularly assigned pastor of the Russellville Church and he lived in the rectory at Atkins while the church/rectory was being built in Russellville. A pastor's home has been built since then, as well as a combination school/hall, which was named the Archbishop O'Brien Hall.

When Father Maus was assigned the pastorate in Russellville, he was also given this Dardanelle church as a mission. There, also, a new church has been built in town replacing the one in the Bohemian settlement southwest of Dardanelle.

I believe there have been only four other priests here since Father Maus was transferred. They are Father William Kordsmeier, Father Thomas P. Reynolds, Father Joe Lauro, and the present pastor, Father Louis Stemac.

CAGLESVILLE CHURCH

The church was established about 1885. It was first called the "Baptist Church of Christ of Caglesville." The first moderator or pastor was Eld. J.K. Broadway. The first clerk was D.N. Grant. They served until 1891 when Eld. W.P. Gillum was elected as pastor and W.H. Brown, clerk. The next pastor was Eld. J.H. Edwards. In 1896 Eld. J.B. Ingle was chosen pastor and J.R. Warren, clerk.

The first record of the church being called "Caglesville Missionary Baptist Church of Christ" was in September, 1914, and shows Eld. R.L. Loyd as pastor and A.W. Riggs as clerk. At that time, fifty-four members were listed on the church book. R.C. Horton was next clerk and served until 1919. The next pastor was Eld. C.L. Boyd. Jeff Biffle served as church clerk for some time, then L.R. Hopson was elected and served as long as the church was an organized Missionary Baptist Church. Eld. H.L. Bowers, S.L. Prufeit, and Tom Payne were listed as the last pastors.

It is interesting to note by the records that some of the members got into trouble with the church. A committee would be appointed

to talk to them, and get them to mend their ways. If they did not, they were excluded from the church.

The church was active until 1934; then, for a short time, there were no church services. A Sunday School was organized and Bro. Claud Overby was chosen as pastor. He served nine years. Since that time, the church has been remodeled and has been active as a community church with many different pastors.

A number of men have entered the ministry from the Caglesville Community Church including Dewey Kinder, Tom Kinslow, Tommy Brashears, Raymond Kinslow, Lytle Hallum, Clyde Kinslow, and Vester Hendrix. There are possibly others that we do not have on record.

CEDAR GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

The first prayer meeting was held at the home of John Garrigus on May 26, 1941. On Friday, May 30, about twenty people met and cleaned off one acre of land donated by Mr. & Mrs. Claude Allison to build a brush arbor and later constructed a building. The number of people who participated by families are four Garriguses, two Pattons, five Allisons, four Bakers, Four Wootens, and Elanore Karns. The arbor was completed by Saturday, June 7, for a prayer meeting. Mrs. Sadie Allison organized Sunday School on June 8 in the afternoon at Cedar Grove. She served as pastor until the church elected one. There were 53 persons present the first day.

The first revival was held under the brush arbor on July 6, 1941. Melba Osburn and Orville Cooper, her brother, were the evangelists. The revival lasted until July 22. Twenty-one people were saved, four were filled with the Holy Spirit and eight were baptized in water at the bridge on July 20.

The first service in the church house building was held on Saturday, May 23, 1942.



Cedar Grove Sunday School — Aug. 2, 1942
Lyndal Allison sitting on ground. Left to right, front row — Velma Allison, Elsie Helton. 2nd row — Lavada Baker, Ruby Jean Wooten, Sadie Allison, Gwendolyn and Euna Lee Garrigus, Batton. 3rd row — Irene Allison, Dorothy Wooten, Don Wooten, Dortch girl, (on steps). 4th row (standing) Edna Wooten, Jessie Garrigus, Maggie Baker, Flora Allison. (children on steps) Floy Baker, Ina Jay Garrigus, Floy Helton, Shirley Helton, John Coyd Garrigus, Margaret Baker. (men standing) Roy Clayton, Harry Baker, Claude Allison, Patton man.

Flora Allison played the organ in the church the first time on June 14.

Quilting became a regular Wednesday activity for the women of the church on December 1. Prayer meeting was scheduled for each Saturday night at this time. The siding on the church house was completed on October 16, 1943. On June 14, 1944, the dedication of the Cedar Grove Assembly of God Church building was held. Bro. Virgil Price was the pastor at the time. J.A. Higgins, Presbyterian, officiated the dedication. Bro. Virgil Price resigned as pastor of Cedar Grove Assembly of God on January 20, 1944. On February 3, Mrs. Sadie Allison was appointed pastor. The first Women's Missionary Club at Cedar Grove was organized by Hattie Jordon. Luther Hankins conducted the first Daily Vacation Bible School at the church June 24 through July 5, 1944.

On August 18, 1944 Mrs. Allison's appointment time was over. Johnny Clayton served as pastor at Cedar Grove from January 15, to August 10, 1947.

Raymond Tackett served as pastor for the fiscal year 1948 and 1949. Lloyd Collins was elected pastor at Cedar Grove in July 1951. He resigned on December 30 of that same year.

Thurman Hill served as pastor for the fiscal year 1954 and 1955. Lawrence Hepp was elected pastor for the fiscal year 1957. The pastors who served Cedar Grove Assembly of God Church after that are listed in the order they served: Rev. Everett Roach, Rev. Henry and Sadie Allison Wright, Wesley Stevens, Dewey Dill, Loyal Blalack, Neal Turney, Acting Pastor, Homer Larue, Lloyd Collins, William Dickson, Vernon Ahrens, and Roy Robertson who is currently serving.

On April 27, 1952, the children of the church began putting coins for World Missions in a pennybank made like a churchhouse. This song is sung by the members to this day as the children put in their pennies:

From all the dark places of earth's heathen races,



Caglesville Church
Spring of 1945



Cedar Grove Assembly of God Church 1943

Oh, See, how the dark shadows fly.
 The voice of Salvation awakes every nation.
 Come over and help us, they cry.
 The kingdom is coming, Go tell ye the story.
 God's Banner exalted shall be.
 The earth shall be full of His knowledge and glory.
 As waters that cover the sea.

CENTER VALLEY METHODIST CHURCH

This church was built on land donated by Uncle Lee Ewing in 1874. The first church built was hewn logs pinned together with wooden pegs. School was taught in the same building. Mrs. Sam Davis' mother, Aunt Polly Brown, was a charter member. They had preachers named Cup Church and O'bar. Some of the members were Oliver Hamilton, Cup Smith, Alsie Smith, Charlie Bowden, and Major Webb, who was the grandfather of Mrs. Clark Reasoner of Russellville. A second church, a frame building, was erected. It was demolished by a storm and soon the present church was built. An arbor, which stood for many years, and under which many Camp meetings were conducted, was for a long while the community center.

This Camp Ground was widely known, and several interesting stories have come out of it. One amusing incident, as told by M.E. Colburn, happened about 1910, during the daytime. His oldest son was about two years of age and was standing on the bench beside him. They had taught the boy to bray like a mule. Well, during the middle of the sermon, a mule brayed so the boy brayed as loud as he could. Of course, this was very distracting and very embarrassing for the father.

The Pope County Singing Convention was organized here in 1887. A number of preachers came out of these camp meetings. The story is told of the Rev. F.M. Hudson who was converted as a result of a meeting at the Camp Ground. He lived at Moreland and had started home one night and got to the hill just east of Center Valley when he stopped his horse, knelt down on the side of the road and accepted Christ as his Saviour. He became a great preacher and lived to be 85 years of age. He spent his last few years in Oklahoma and during his last days, he made the request that when they took him to Moreland to bury his remains that they would stop the hearse at the top of the hill for a few minutes of silent prayer for he held that place sacred. So it was in October, 1949, that his wishes were carried out.

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF RUSSELLVILLE

Less than a year after the founding of Russellville, Central Presbyterian Church was organized as a Cumberland Presbyterian Congregation by Reverend Collins J. Bradley, Sr. The original group consisted of 13 members with Alva Russell as Clerk of the Session. Mrs. Mary A. Russell donated the site for the first building at what is now 600 West Main Street.

December 30, 1872, the church minutes show that a building committee was appointed to "raise funds and superintend the construction of a house of worship." The next reference to the building is in the minutes of the session for August 11, 1874 which says, "The session met in the church house."

The present site of Central Presbyterian Church was acquired in 1899 and a brick

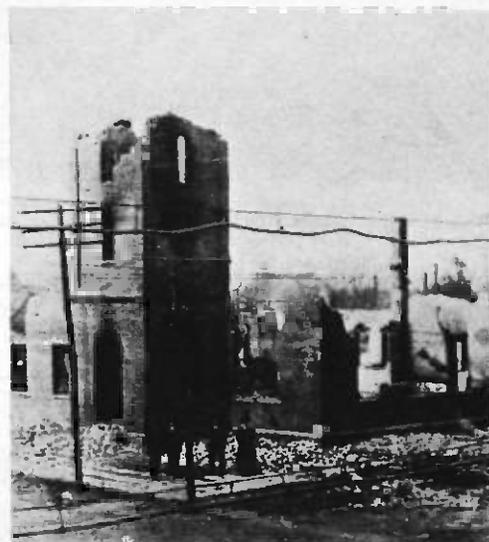
building was erected there. The first services in this building were held in late July 1900.

May 24, 1906, the General Assembly, meeting in Decatur, Illinois, declared a union and reunion with the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. The local church concurred in this action at a meeting of the session October 2, 1906. Some members and some churches did not agree to this action and remained Cumberland.

A fire, starting in the Buck Hotel just north of the church, destroyed the church January 1, 1908. The congregation decided to rebuild immediately on the foundations of the burned building. By December they had occupied the new building.



The first Presbyterian church building in Russellville. Located in the 600 block of West Main where the Green Stamp Store is. This building was built in 1871.



The Central Presbyterian Church lost its building to fire on January 1, 1908. The building was only 7 years old. The fire started in the Buck Hotel, located just behind the church on Denver Avenue.

Washburn Memorial Presbyterian Church (U.S.) merged with Central Presbyterian Church in October of 1911.

In 1925 the congregation decided to add a



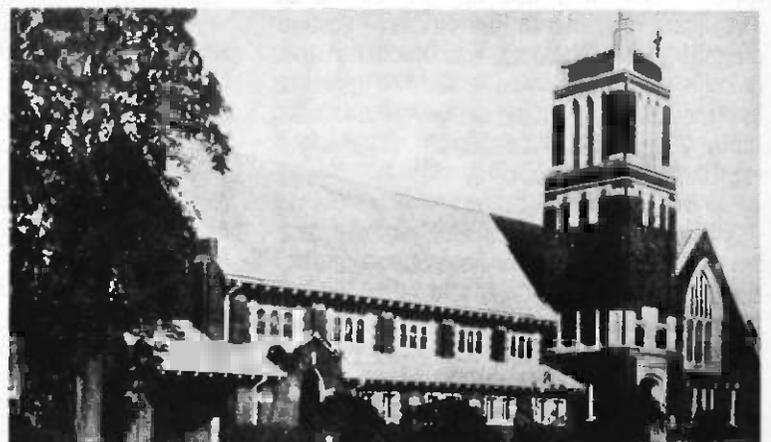
The congregation of the Central Presbyterian Church moved into this building in 1899. It was the first brick church building in Russellville. The Buck Hotel is shown at right of the picture, just behind the church.



Men's Bible Class of the Presbyterian Church in 1915. Judge J.T. Bullock, teacher.



By December, 1908, the congregation of the Central Presbyterian Church had moved into its new church on the same location as the one that burned. The church added a new sanctuary to this building in 1925.



Central Presbyterian Church
Russellville, Arkansas

new sanctuary to the church. This sanctuary, our present one, was dedicated November 24, 1925.

The Russellville Methodist Episcopal Church was dissolved in October of 1929. A number of members of the congregation of that church united with Central Presbyterian Church. Reverend C.F. Green, former pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, became the pastor of Central Church.

On March 22, 1952, a fire caused extensive water and smoke damage to the church school section. That night the session met to begin plans for repairing the damage. Since a great deal of repair work was necessary, fairly extensive remodeling was done to the church school area.

As the town of Russellville grew, so did Central Church. Early in December of 1962 the session purchased the building north of the church. This was immediately put to use by the high school and junior high school classes of the Church School. This is the building which is now called the Annex.

Still feeling the need for more classroom space, alterations and additions were planned for the church. March 20, 1966, dedication services were held for facilities that had been altered or added during the preceding year. These changes included lengthening the main sanctuary and putting pews in the addition, and in the balcony, changing the old pastors study into a library and adding an office, study, and increasing the size of the choir room; complete remodeling of the education building for better classroom service; the addition of a new childrens department north of the existing building; covering the walk to the annex; and air-conditioning the main building. In 1970 the annex was air-conditioned.

After this remodeling was planned, the northwest part of the block on which the church is located was offered for sale. Looking toward future needs, Central Church purchased this property which was occupied by five rent houses. These houses have been moved to provide parking facilities for the Gardner-Mobley-Lovell Clinic and the church.

Central Church faces its second hundred years hoping to be able to continue to provide a place where man may worship God and a place where, with Gods blessings and leadership, mankind may be helped.

THE DOVER ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

The Dover Assembly of God Church was established in the early part of 1945. The burden for a church in Dover was placed upon the hearts of two women ministers: Mrs. Beulah Eubanks and Mrs. Connie Vann. They rented an old store building on Main Street from Mr. Eb Moore and worked hard cleaning the place out so that church services could be conducted. A Sunday School was organized and the ladies took turns preaching to the congregation. They pastored for a period of two years.

The first summer Rev. U.L. Gray, a teenage evangelist, held a good revival. Several souls were saved and after the revival, special services were held for those who wanted to join the Church. About fifteen joined at that particular time and of those joining, four charter members are still living who are: Mrs. Sarah Hollabaugh, Vera Poynter, Betty Wilson Barton and Blanche Lewis Jones.

Late in 1946 Mrs. Beulah Eubanks approached Mrs. Tom West about buying the property on the corner of Camp and Elizabeth Street as the site for a church building. The congregation had saved up \$300 but Mrs. West was asking \$400 for the lot. Mrs. Eubanks borrowed \$100 from Mrs. Maude Turner and payed for the property. The ladies of the Church quilted for the public for as little as \$2 per quilt to pay back the \$100 on which no interest was charged.

The first church building was erected in the early part of 1947. All of the labor was donated from different workers. Rev. Judge B. Lindsey was pastoring the First Assembly of God Church in Russellville. He sent some of his members to help on the construction of the Church. The main carpenters were: Rev. Ben Collins, and a Bro. Price. The Arkansas District Council sent Bro. Theodore Whittington to be our pastor when we moved into the new Church as we didn't have a Board of Deacons at that time to elect a pastor. Other

pastors that followed Bro. Whittington were: Bro. and Sister Paul Smith, Johnny Clayton, Bro. and Sister L.E. Hepp, Marion Ballard, John David Craig, Eugene Dunn, A.C. Booher, Everett Hogan, Charles Kendrick, Bro. and Sis. Kenneth Caldwell, Norman Chenowith, Jessie Millard, and our present pastor, Rev. Arlin B. Elmore.

By the late 1960's a building fund was started as it became evident that the congregation needed more space for a larger building and more parking. We sold the property to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chronister who live in the old parsonage but built a fruit and vegetable market on the site of the original church. We bought a larger lot on Market Street in the south part of Dover from Jack and Bill Berry paying \$1,800 for it. In the early spring of 1970 the site was leveled off and construction was started on our present church building. Morris Ray Gibson and crew along with Edward Jones poured the cement floor for the new building, donating all of their work and labor.

A.G. Barton and his construction crew built the structure of the Church. The members worked at night to finish the inside. Very little expenditure was made for labor on the Church building. We are very proud of the finished building which has high ceilings with exposed beams, carpet throughout the auditorium and has padded pews. The seven Sunday School rooms, the pastor's study, and the nursery, all have carpets. We have two large over-flow rooms, two rest rooms, along with central heat and air, and a public address system.

First services were held in the new Church on July 3, 1970. Rev. Kenneth Caldwell was our pastor at the time of the move from the old church to the new. The pastor and his family had to live in a mobile home for over a year until a parsonage could be built. It is a four bedroom, two baths, living room, kitchen, utility room home with a carport.

The Church building was payed off just eleven months after we moved in. We purchased additional property just south of the Church from O.C. Jacobs for \$2,000 and constructed a fellowship hall. It has a large area for the

C.A. service with a complete kitchen and serving area. The Jacobs addition also gave us more parking area. The ladies of the Church still meet each Tuesday at the Dover Community Center for all day quilting with a pot luck lunch at noon. They have helped to defray the cost of many projects that come up in the Church. We have a church bus that runs each Sunday morning to pick up those who need transportation to church. The bus is also used to take the young people once each month to Russellville for services at Stella Manor Nursing Home, and for transportation to the monthly C.A. Rallies.

By Bettye Wilson Barton and Blanche Lewis Jones

THE DOVER CHURCH OF CHRIST

The Church of Christ was begun in Dover in the year 1930 in a rented building. It continued in that facility for a period of three years, after which, assembly was discontinued.

In the year 1946 a small group began to meet in a private home which was located where the present church building now stands. The congregation made steady growth and in the year 1973 a new building was constructed at the east end of Water Street.

by Tom Shoptaw

THE DOVER METHODIST CHURCH

The First Methodist Church was organized in Dover, Arkansas, on April 10, 1859, by the Rev. L.J. Reynolds. The presiding elder was John M. Bewley. Mr. David D. Porter West was elected Sunday School Superintendent. It was assigned to the Dover-Clarksville Circuit. The charter members were: W.E. Jamison, John Rye, George W. Jamison, Dan C. Brown, Kate West, Kate Holland, John A. Clark, Annie Dickinson, D. Porter West, Alvie Young, Nancy L. Moring, Phoebe James, Dora Bayliss, Sally Adams, R.B. Hogins, Dell Brown, Betty Holland, Betty Wellington, Lou Cornell, Molly Lyn, Molly Jamison, Maggie Reynolds, and Lamer Hail. The Charge Secretary was F.M. Woods, and the Stewards were: W.E. Jamison, M.P. Dickinson, John W. Neal, D.C. Brown, John Hail, John Young, and William Evants.

While some churches are self-governing and can employ or release a minister when the congregation or governing board chooses, the Methodist Church is highly organized and this feature of the Methodist Church may have been a factor in the continuity of the Dover Church. The Methodists were divided into districts with a presiding elder or a district supt. at the head of each district. A number of districts form a conference which meets annually to conduct business. The whole Methodist Church sends del-



Dover Assembly of God Church in 1947

legates to a General Conference which is held every four years and where rule changes can be made in the "Church Discipline." Dover Methodist ministers have been furnished by the Annual Conference since the formation of the Church. The Conference Journals at Hendrix College provide us with the names of the Dover ministers since 1857. While one minister served the Dover Church for 6 years, (B.E. Robertson, 1940-46) the average tenure of a minister in the Dover Methodist Church during the past 100 years has been about two years. The paying of a minister and at the same time paying Methodist conference claims 100 years ago in a rural area like Dover was no easy task. In 1870 a Committee of the Dover Methodist Church assessed 17 individuals within the Church a certain amount to pay the minister. One merchant was assessed \$20 while the lowest assessment was \$3. As the 1870 assessment operated, it had 7 business men paying about 60% of the pastor's salary. We know that the Dover Methodist Church had difficulty paying a minister because Dover shared its minister with other churches in the area. At one time the minister was shared with the Pottsville Church. Later London shared a minister with the Dover Church. At the present time Dover Methodist people share their minister with St. Paul (Gravel Hill) and Moreland. At times in the past the minister supplemented his salary from the Church by teaching in the Dover Schools. Church rules have since that time discontinued this practice.

In 1927 the Dover Methodists began construction of the present church building. The building committee was Mr. Murl Turner, late husband of a faithful member, Mrs. Maggie Turner; Mr. Robert Hicks; and Mr. John J. Eudy. On May 1, 1930, Dr. E.T. Wayland, the District Superintendent, presided over the dedication of that building, a frame one. During the 1930s the pastors home in Dover was sold and the receipts applied on the church debt (The pastor was living at Pottsville). About 1942, a parsonage was purchased on North Elizabeth St. During the 1960s a south wing was added to the Church to provide more room for church school and space for church socials. By 1970 a brick home for the pastor was constructed just west of the church. About 1973 other improvements to the church building were made such as new wall-to-wall carpets, central heat and air, brick veneer for the entire building, and landscaping of the grounds.

Many outstanding individuals and families have at one time or another provided distinctive leadership and services to the Dover Methodist Church. It would be an injustice to name some of them without the risk of overlooking others of equal merit.

by M.C. Tucker

EAST POINT BAPTIST CHURCH

The East Point Baptist Church was organized in 1872, in the Green Point school building. One of the oldest Churches in Pope County, it is located 11 miles northwest of



East Point Baptist Church

Russellville in the East Point Community. The church was known as Green Point and met in the school building and under brush arbors until the first church building was erected in 1882, on land purchased from John Smith for the sum of \$5.00. This land was located on the east point of a mountain and east of the school so the church became known as East Point. The first building, a one room frame structure, was located on the east side of the road from the present building and was south of the large oak tree which now stands near the front of the cemetery. As far as is known a Bro. Hudspeth and Bro. Moody were pastors from 1872 until 1893. All of the early church records were lost several years ago when a fire destroyed the home of the Church Clerk. When the Rachel school burned in January, 1928, it became necessary to use the church building for school until summer of 1929. In the early days of the church the people would come by buggy or foot, and the worship service would find the men sitting on one side of the building, the women on the other and the children would often be asleep on a quilt spread on the floor.

On July 15, 1930, a working was held and the old Church building was torn down, nails pulled and lumber stacked, all in one day, with the men, women and children all helping. A large one room structure, the basis for the present building was started within a few days and contained much of the lumber and the pillow rock from the old building. As this was during the depression, the work was done by voluntary labor and money was donated by those interested in seeing a new building erected. To help raise the money many of the members gave money they received from selling cream, butter, eggs, and other farm produce. The women of the church pieced a quilt and would embroidery a name on it for a 10 cent donation. The quilt was sold to the highest bidder, Mrs. Louise Rachel Holt, for ten dollars and is now owned by her niece Mc Helen Hickey of Little Rock. During the construction, services were held under the large oak tree in the cemetery and in a brush arbor just south of the present building. This building has been added to and remodeled several times and is now a modern Church building. The parsonage was built west of the Church in 1957-58 under the leadership of the Pastor, Rev. Glenn Kauffman.

The Rev. R.L. Loyd served the Church as pastor longer than any other minister. Called

by the Church in 1918 he served until 1944 except for a short time due to illness. He lived at Dover and rode a horse or drove a buggy the 15 miles one or two weekends a month when preaching services were held on Saturday night and Sunday. One year he received \$23.00 as salary.

The Church has supported a full time Pastor since the early 1950's and is one of the stronger rural churches of the Southern Baptist Convention.

On October 22, 1972, an all day centennial celebration was observed with many former members, Pastors and friends attending. Each year on the second Sunday in May the Church is host for an all day mothers day and homecoming services. This is also decoration day for the East Point Cemetery which has close to 800 graves and is one of the largest rural cemeteries in the county.

by Nilene Rachel

EDWARDS CHAPEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The church had its beginning just after the war between the states, around 1867 and 1868. It was organized by a white minister, Pope Keley. The location was Coal Springs, near old Dwight Mission, which is at present on Highway 64 west of Russellville. Both white and colored people made up this congregation. Later on Dr. Harkey came on the scene, and the church grew under his leadership for some time until the people began to move here and there. After this, the church was moved to Ouita, at the foothills of Norristown Mountain on land that was donated by the Edwards, namely, Charlie, Pink, and Henry Edwards. It grew here on the edge of Norristown Mountain for a long time under the leadership of Elder Smith, Madlock, Guiden, Martin, W.T. York, M.M. Bostick, Hervey, T.R. Moore, Armstrong and many of the national workers and visiting preachers. Around this time the church had a good membership and was functioning in all parts of the church program.

During the 1930's, the church split and the greater part of the members went to the Church of Christ. There were 12 members who remained in the old church, Edwards Chapel Christian Church. They continued having Bible school and a missionary society meeting.

On July 12, 1939, the state evangelist called the church together and plans were made to purchase a lot for a church in Russellville. The evangelist, W.M. Martin, visited the church often. Trustees were appointed for the church as follows: J.H. Woodard, General Chairman; Sallie Woodard, Secretary; Mary B. Franklin, Secretary-Treasurer. The lots were purchased from Attorney Steele Hays and Attorney Priddy. They were located in the Lueker Addition, Block 24, lots 5 & 6, of Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, on the corner of West Second and Independence Street.

FIFTH AND GREENWICH CHURCH OF CHRIST

The Church of Christ in Russellville met in public assembly for the first time in 1929 in the old Pope County Court House. J.N. Armstrong, who at that time was president of Harding College at Morrilton, was instrumental in establishing this congregation. Homer Wade was one of the teachers.

The next place of worship was in the old North Methodist Church building, which was later purchased by the Gardner-Pate Funeral Home. During this period of several months, the services were conducted by Harding College students, including Homer P. Reeves, Edwin Hughes, Arthur Graham, Charles Whitfield, and Roy Whitfield. Mrs. Myrtle Rowe, a teacher at Morrilton, provided the transportation. These young men helped in building a tabernacle on the lot back of the present church building.

During the time that the tabernacle was under construction, the church met in a building at 10th and Hartford, which has been turned into a Community Center. Construction of a white frame building at 5th and Greenwich began in the summer of 1926. To this building with auditorium and two classrooms were added four more classrooms and a church office in the spring of 1950.

Among the early members of the church were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Eulas Ussery, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Merrett, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Harden, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pemberton, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moore, Fred Moore, Jr., Mrs. W.M. Peyche, Mrs. A.B. Tate, Dr. A.B. Tate, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ed Shoptaw, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ham, Wincie LeFan, Mrs. Stella Chronister, Mrs. J.D. Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Minor, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Baker, Mrs. Lucy V. Roberts, Mrs. Eva Ford, Mrs. Wealthy Anges, and Mrs. Isaac Pemberton. Luther Minor led the congregational singing for many years.

Among the evangelists who preached here in the early days of the church were R.H.

Johnson of Morrilton, J.C. Dawson of Conway, Claude Rogers and B.F. England. In 1939 E.R. Harper, then of Little Rock, preached here in a gospel meeting which resulted in 35 additions to the church.

The first regular minister was J.L. Calvert, who came in June 1941, and continued his work until June 1942. Mr. Calvert had also preached here previously in gospel meetings. In October, 1942, Lucian M. Farrar began preaching here and continued his work until September, 1945. He was followed by John Teel and Evert Pickartz. In September, 1948, Lucian M. Farrar resumed his ministry here which lasted through January, 1953. During this time the elders of the church were Homer Gibson, Charles V. Langford, Luther Minor, Chester Rachel, John R. Smith, and Dr. A.B. Tate. The deacons were Hershel Bennett, Emmitt Douthit, Jasper Howard, E.O. Phillips, and Marion Phillips. The congregation had about 200 members at this time.

Orman Henderson was the preacher from February to September in 1953. Fred H. Williamson began working with the church in January, 1954, and continued to the summer of 1955. He was followed by George Elkins (1955-57), Joe Risener (1957-58), Vernon Turner (1958-60), Lloyd Spivey (1960-62), G.L. Peters (1962-64), Bernie L. Vines (1964-65), Harrell D. Davidson (1965-72), and Harry P. Anderson (1972-74). Royce Martin of Morrilton worked with the church from January 20 to July 28, 1974. Lucian Farrar, Jr. began preaching for the congregation in August, 1974.

In April, 1955, the present red brick church building was completed on the site of the old building, which was torn down in the fall of 1954. The communion table and pulpit stand of natural oak were made and given to the church by B.G. Hogan and Paul Hogan. The baptistry scene was painted and given by Lucian M. Farrar, who was living at Conway at the time. The auditorium will seat about 300 people. On the building committee were Truman Shinn, Arthur Smith, S.A. Walker, Jasper Howard, and Norman Crouch. Capacity crowds were filling the building when a new congregation, West Side, was started in 1962.

In 1965 five additional classrooms were added to the church building making a total of 14 classrooms and two nurseries. Serving as elders at that time were Gilbert Casey, Adam Gibson, and Bill Lewis. The deacons were Charles Fowler, Audie Olham, Hank Rook, Truman Shinn, and Gene Tanner.

In 1976 the church building was redecorated with new draperies; wall to wall carpets; new lighting and a new suspended ceiling in the auditorium and front rooms; the wall, woodwork and pews refinished; and cushions added to the pews. The church also acquired two lots east of the church building to be used for parking.

The elders of the church at the present time are Douglas Fortenberry, Bill Lewis, and LaVan Shoptaw. The deacons are William Harris, James Skelton, Ott Talkington, and Cecil Wade. Billy Lewis is the regular song leader.

by Lucian M. Farrar and L.M. Farrar, Jr.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD OF RUSSELLVILLE

It was in April, 1914, when Rev. E.R. Fitzgerald, with his family, moved to Russellville, Arkansas, to begin the task of establishing a full Pentacostal church. A group of preachers of the Holiness faith had met in Hot Springs, April 2 through 12, and organized a new movement which was named, "Assembly of God." Rev. E.R. Fitzgerald and Rev. L.L. Riley attended this organizational meeting.

Rev. Fitzgerald had already held a meeting at London, Pope County, but had very little success. He put up a tent on what is now East G Street, about the middle of the 200 block, just east of the present church. There were a number of preachers who came to help in the meeting, including Rev. and Mrs. L.L. Riley who were pastoring a church at Havana, Yell County, Arkansas. One of the biggest attractions of the revival was the preaching of the "girl" preacher, Miss Dollie Drane, who had no education but was mighty, under the Power of God. She later married Rev. H.E. Sims and both preached for many years.

Mrs. Nora Journey soon joined the group and later, Rev. and Mrs. Mitchell Baker joined them. The revival which was started in April, lasted almost continuously for eight months. A house had been rented, and most of the preachers and their families stayed there.

The early church and Sunday School records have both been lost but the first Sunday School was organized the fourth Sunday of August in 1914. The concrete block building that stood at the Northeast corner of N. Boston and G Street where the parking lot is now located, had already been started as they knew they would have to have a place of worship when cold weather arrived. At the organization of the Sunday School, there were 62 present, with Alex Lemley as Sunday School Superintendent; W.V. Taylor, Secretary; Woody Bonds, teacher of the Bible Class; Mrs. S.J. Braselton, teacher of the Young People; Mrs. W.V. Taylor, childrens teacher, and Mrs. Ernest Lemley, beginners class.

The first service was held in the new building on Thanksgiving, 1914. The first deacons were: Dave Richardson, Alex Lemley, and W.C. Turner. For many years there were only three deacons. Mr. Richardson and Mr. Lemley, didn't remain as deacons very long but W.C. Turner, remained a deacon until in the late 1930's, when he moved to Tulsa, Okla. Ernest Lemley was the first secretary-treasurer and was elected deacon in 1917, and remained in these capacities until his death, in 1955. W.V. Taylor was elected Sunday School Superintendent before 1920 and served in that position until his death in 1937.

Rev. E.R. Fitzgerald was the first pastor and served until 1922. Rev. Fred Lohman then served for one year, Rev. M.M. Pinson of Phoenix, Ariz., served for a year, Rev. and Mrs. Myer Tan Ditter served for a year and in 1925, Rev. L.L. Riley was elected and served until 1938. For a short period, the church was without a pastor, and Rev. Riley came back



First Building of the 5th and Greenwich
Church of Christ



First Assembly of God Church
Russellville, Arkansas
Present Building built in 1963

for a while and in 1940, Rev. Frank Beard, of Mississippi, was elected as pastor and served for two years. Rev. J.W. Higgins of Oklahoma came to pastor in 1942 and remained three years. While he was pastor, Rev. J.B. Lindsey, an evangelist, held a meeting and after Rev. Higgins resigned, Rev. Lindsey was elected and after some persuasion became pastor and remained until 1953. Rev. C.G. Owens was pastor until 1955, then Rev. J.C. Dickinson for four years, Rev. J.W. Farrell for six years, Rev. Tommy Parker until 1973, then Rev. J.B. Lindsey returned and is still pastor.

During the 1920's the church began to grow and was well known all over the United States for it was one of the first Assembly of God churches organized. For this reason, a lot of nationally known preachers held services there. Rev. Watson Argue of Canada and Rev. Smith Wigglesworth of England both held a revival in Russellville.

The first building that was built in 1914, began to be too small so in 1935, Rev. L.L. Riley started building the church across the street. This building also became too small and inadequate so in 1962, Rev. J.W. Farrell built the present church at 124 East G Street.

Soon after World War II, Russell Horn and Jerald Shephard of Russellville, began to talk about putting in a radio station and they received a lot of help and encouragement from Rev. Lindsey. So, as a favor to him, he was offered the 11 o'clock hour on Sunday morning for the church broadcast and the church is still on the air at that time each Sunday morning.

At different times in the Sunday School Department there have been large drives for a large crowd for Sunday School and in 1932, at the end of a eight week revival, there were 1662 in Attendance. The average for all departments now is 620, each Sunday.

By: J.B. Lemley

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ATKINS

The First Baptist Church of Atkins attributes its origin to the Golden Hill Church at Galley

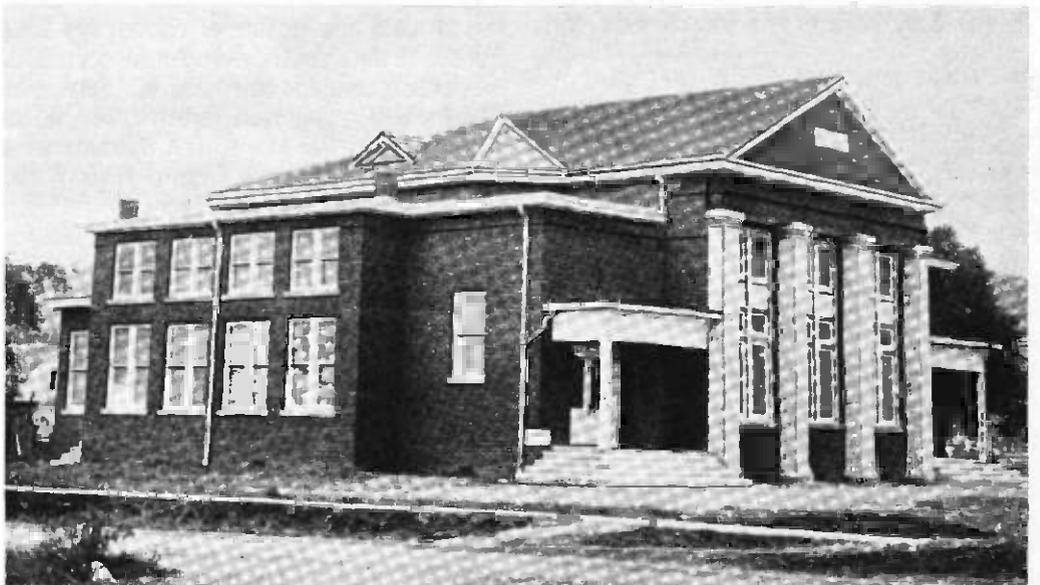
Rock, Arkansas. Abstracts show the church purchased four lots in Block H on Main Street at Galley Rock in the 1860's.

Bro. Crawford pastored the church at Galley Rock for several years before Rev. John Bledsoe became the pastor. He was a circuit riding preacher.

The church was re-organized at Atkins 1875 or 1876 with fifteen (15) charter members. On January 11, 1878, a warranty deed was issued by the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railway to D.J. Warren and P.H. McReynolds, Trustees of the Baptist Church of Atkins. The church's first building was erected soon after the land was purchased.

A division of the church resulted in 1911. The Grace Baptist Church being the new church and was affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention. The remaining church known as General Association Church was a Missionary Baptist Church. After much work the two were re-united and became the First Baptist Church and affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention.

On March 19, 1919, a finance committee was appointed to build a new church. The foundation of the church was laid and work started. The corner stone was laid August 6, 1922.



First Baptist Church
Atkins, Ark.

On May 20, 1925, a building committee was appointed for a parsonage. The foundation was completed in August, 1925.

In 1957, and again in 1964, new educational facilities were completed. This makes a total of three (3) buildings besides the parsonage.

Rev. Henry Davenport, Pastor and members of the church were instrumental in beginning a mission at Hector, Arkansas in August of 1965. The mission is now a church and a member of the Dardanelle-Russellville Association as is the church at Atkins.

On April 1, 1973, stained glass windows, new upholstered pews, carpet and remodeling work on the church structure were dedicated with Rev. W.H. Jenkins as pastor.

by Euletta Bowden

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS

On September 10, 1873, about fifteen persons, who were members of Missionary Baptist Churches before moving to Russellville and vicinity, gathered at the home of either Mrs. Maggie Spillers or Mrs. Austin Luker, the record does not say which. Under the leadership of Rev. W.W. Crawford they organized into a regular Missionary Baptist Church of Russellville, which was the official name for about 60 years when the name was changed by vote of the church to First Baptist Church of Russellville, Arkansas. No record was made of the charter members. No record was kept of this organization, but from the records of the meeting, the following were members: Men — J.B. Stafford, S.J. Wright, J.R. Duke, W.M. Peeler, R.O. Morton, J.M. Gray, W.M. West, and T.W. Spillers; Women — Mrs. Maggie Spillers, Miss Agnes Spillers, Mrs. Austin Luker, Mrs. Sue Deaton Perry.

Rev. W.W. Crawford was called as pastor. The time set for meeting was the third Sunday in each month and the Saturday before at two p.m. The pastor's salary was fixed at \$2,500.00.

The church has had many pastors — some remembered and some forgotten. Only two have served more than ten years and they are the ones whose imprint has counted most on the life of the church. They deserve special mention: D. Clyde V. Hickerson and Fritz Goodbar.

The growth of the church was slow at first. It was more than twenty years old before they had a hundred members. Today they have nearly 1300 members.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF RUSSELLVILLE

The Christian Church was founded in Kentucky the result of a merger between two groups: The Disciples whose leader was Alexander Campbell and the Christians whose leader was Barton W. Stone. Both these men had Presbyterian backgrounds. Meeting in Lexington, Kentucky, the two groups merged on January 1, 1832. Since 1832 the Christian Church has gained in membership in the United States and Canada to approximately one million members. In 1968, the Christian Church meeting in its General Assembly officially adopted the name "The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the United States and Canada".

The First Christian Church in Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, was officially founded fifty years after the denomination came into existence, on January 29, 1882. However, for some two years prior to this time a group of Christians including: Dr. G.W. Harkey, Dr. J.M. Yansey, Dan Dyer, Yansey Rozzell, Mrs. N.C. McAlister, and others met for worship with Captain J.M. Harkey and his family in their home at Praire Grove. Dr. J.M. Harkey brought the morning sermon while J.L. Shinn met with groups for worship in other towns around Russellville.



First Building of the First Christian Church of Russellville.



The Russellville First Christian Church in 1897. The chandelier, hanging from ceiling is a gas light chandelier.

During these early years there was exhibited a great deal of cooperation between the local churches. The Baptist Church in Russellville had a building with preaching two Sundays a month with Sunday School every Sunday. The Christian Church asked if they might hold worship on the two Sundays the Baptist did not meet and if they could hold Sunday School in the afternoon. The Baptist graciously consented. This was around 1880.

The following is an exact copy of the original minutes when the congregation met to officially organize as a Christian Church. The old style spelling is retained: The Brethren and Sisters met at the Masonic Hall on the 29 day of Jany at night 1882. To organize Christian Congregation. S.R. Ezell being present where upon lot were cast for Elders and fell on J.M. Yancy and T.C. York. Lot where then cast for Deacons and fell on J.L. Shinn and J.S. Church who were duly ordained by Els. S.R. Ezell and G.W. Harkey and received lectures and admnsions ever walk and act as such. J.M. Harkey was appointed secretary and treasurer.

First Christian Church during these early years held frequent picnics in a grove of trees owned by J.L. Shinn. This property was donated for the first building in 1886. A Philadelphia architect was employed, J.D. Price, with J.M. Haney, James H. Shinn, J.W. Pruitt and Josiah H. Shinn on the Building Committee. The church did not, however, have a baptistry. Captian Haney and his son Carl Haney owners of the Melrose Cotton Mill arranged a baptistry at the west end of the mill. Through their individual oversight the baptistry was filled and heated as needed.

It is an interesting side note that prior to the erection of the baptistry, baptisms were conducted in local streams. After the erection of the baptistry, debate was conducted on the question concerning heated water for baptisms. Did warm water for baptisms constitute hearsy?

The first wedding was held in the new building on November 17, 1886. The couple was Miss Lucy Harkey and J.L. Tucker.

Rev. Dale was pastor of the church during the building program. He was the first minister in the new structure erected in 1886. During November 1886 he closed out his ministry here and Rev. J.A. Stevens was called. During this period the church was heavily in debt. During Rev. Stephens ministry help was provided in the area of finances and the moving of the baptistry from the cotton mill into the church. This first baptistry was located in the center of the chancel just back of the pulpit. In early days, prior to city water, the baptistry was filled via the city street sprinkler.

The first parsonage was located where the present educational building and fellowship hall now stands. The original parsonage was built in 1892 and the congregation called J.B. Wright, a graduate of Transylvania College, in Lexington, Kentucky, as their minister. During the twenty-nine year period from 1892-1921 the following ministers served this congregation: H.F. Lahr, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Duffie, Glen McWilliams, Mr. Small, Marian Lane, C.C. Cline, F.B. Elmore, Mr. Marley, O.G. Blackwell, Mr. Purvis, M.M. Blair, and Mr. Montgomery.

In 1921 George W. Patterson began the longest ministry in history of the church. He served from 1921-1933. At the beginning of his ministry the church building was still the white frame building built in 1886. The white frame building still stands today, however it cannot be seen any longer. In 1925 the brick-veneer was added along with a basement and five classrooms. This brick-veneer building still comprise the sanctuary part of the present structure.

In 1933 a celebrated minister by the name of Leslie G. Smythe began his ministry at First Christian Church. His ministry lasted approximately one year due to his un-timely death. Rev. Smythe was a celebrated physical education instructor whose constant attention to diet and proper exercise resulted in such feats as pressing 200 pounds in a "one-arm bent press", supporting 800 pounds on his neck in a "wrestler's bridge". George attained scholastic honors as a student at Texas Chris-

tian University, Fort Worth, Texas, where he maintained an "A" for the four regular and four summer sessions he attended.

Following a six month interim ministry by E. C. Mobley, John A. Morris began his ministry at the church. During his ministry from approximately 1934-1937 the interior of the sanctuary was remodeled. The baptistry was moved to the rear of the chancel area and drapes were added to the baptistry opening. The communion table was brought upon the chancel and located in the center. These two changes in 1936 are still the focal point of the chancel area today.

Prior to December 16, 1934, Rev. Homer W. Haislip arrived in Russellville to begin his pastorate. Haislip was a Tennessean by birth. Prior to arriving in Russellville he served the Christian Church in Okemah, Oklahoma, for three years. Rev. Haislip was granted his A.B. degree from Johnson Bible College in Tennessee; B.S. Litt. Eugene Bible University, Eugene, Oregon; M.A.B.D. degrees from Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma. Other ministers following Rev. Haislip were Rev. Hembree, Rev. Payne, and Rev. Perry L. Stone.

It was under the leadership of Perry L. Stone that the First Christian Church as a congregation began the laborious task of collecting its history. Prior to this period the records are silent. Mrs. Ed Harkey was appointed the task of assembling as much information as possible into a historical sketch. She wrote many letters to former ministers and families across the United States, securing the information which we have to date.

Rev. O. Glenn Crosby was minister here from September 25, 1947 to August 29, 1954. It was noted that on January 17, 1954, the debt on the present educational building was explained as follows: "We have raised and paid so far \$12,327.19 and the total cost of the building is \$20,053.80. We would like to raise all or as near all of the \$7,726.19 by and on Dedication Day, January 31." It was noted January 31 the total debt was reduced to \$2,400.00.

The ministers since Rev. Crosby's resignation on August 29, 1954, are as follows: R.D. Chambliss, followed by B.J. Nesbitt, Jr. who served until sometime in 1962. Rev. Charles Cody came and served until January of 1967. Charles since leaving Russellville has served churches in Ozark, Newport, and currently is serving the Christian Church in Berryville, Arkansas.

Rev. Nolan Pierce followed Rev. Cody, and served the Russellville church from June

1967 to 1972. Nolan was the father of three children. He is currently serving the Christian church of Broken Bow, Nebraska. During Rev. Pierce's ministry here, the First Christian Church was sharply divided between those who desired to practice "Open Membership" and those who desired to remain a "Closed Membership" congregation. This deep division was unhealable and the congregation split and the Boulder Avenue Christian Church was formed, leaving those at First Christian who were Disciples and who desired to continue their commitment to parent denomination. The split however reduced the size of the First Christian Church and it has never been able to recover from the great emotional traumas.

Rev. Pierce was followed by Rev. Gil Hogue. Gil is a native of Arkansas. He was born and raised in Weiner, Arkansas, where his parents are active in the First Christian Church there. Under their influence and the influence of Rev. Norman Prose, upon graduating from high school, Gil attended Phillips University where he received his A.B. degree and attended the graduate Seminary at Phillips receiving his M. Div. degree.

Gil returned to Arkansas prior to June 1977 and appeared before the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Arkansas Ordination Council to be interviewed for ordination. He was later ordained in the First Christian Church in Weiner, Arkansas. Following his ordination Rev. Hogue accepted the call to First Christian Church, Russellville, his first pastorate out of seminary. Since leaving Russellville, Rev. Hogue has served as Associate Minister, First Christian Church, Hot Springs, Arkansas. He is currently serving as minister of the First Christian Church, Newport.

On August 1, 1977 Rev. Lester H. Beaman accepted the call to begin his ministry in Russellville. Lester is a native of Oklahoma and prior to entering the ministry he served three years in the US Army, and worked as an electronic technician in Fort Worth, Texas. Rev. Beaman received his B. Th. degree from

Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Oregon; M. Div. degree from Lexington Theological Seminary, Lexington, Kentucky. He was ordained in the Bethany Christian Church, White Settlement, Texas. Lester has served Christian Churches in the following cities in Arkansas: Forrest City, Searcy, and Pine Bluff.

By: Rev. Lester Beaman

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS

In the year 1839, a colony of people came to Pope County from North Carolina, and they were mostly one big family. There was no Russellville here then. The country was a beautiful rolling prairie. These people persuaded a minister by the name of Emmett, who was holding a revival meeting at Old Norristown to come over and preach a few times for them under an old oak tree in what is now Oakland Cemetery. Then he organized a Methodist Church with a few members — the Howells, the Maddoxes, the Hollingers, the Harkeys, the Brookses, and the Shirms. Out of this Shinn family came a Methodist preacher, James Madison Shinn. They had several Camp meetings around this little church. Seven acres of land was donated and set apart for this Church and the adjoining cemetery by James Madison Shinn.

In 1844, the Methodist Episcopal Church officially divided between the North and the South. In Russellville, a "North Church" was established in about 1874.

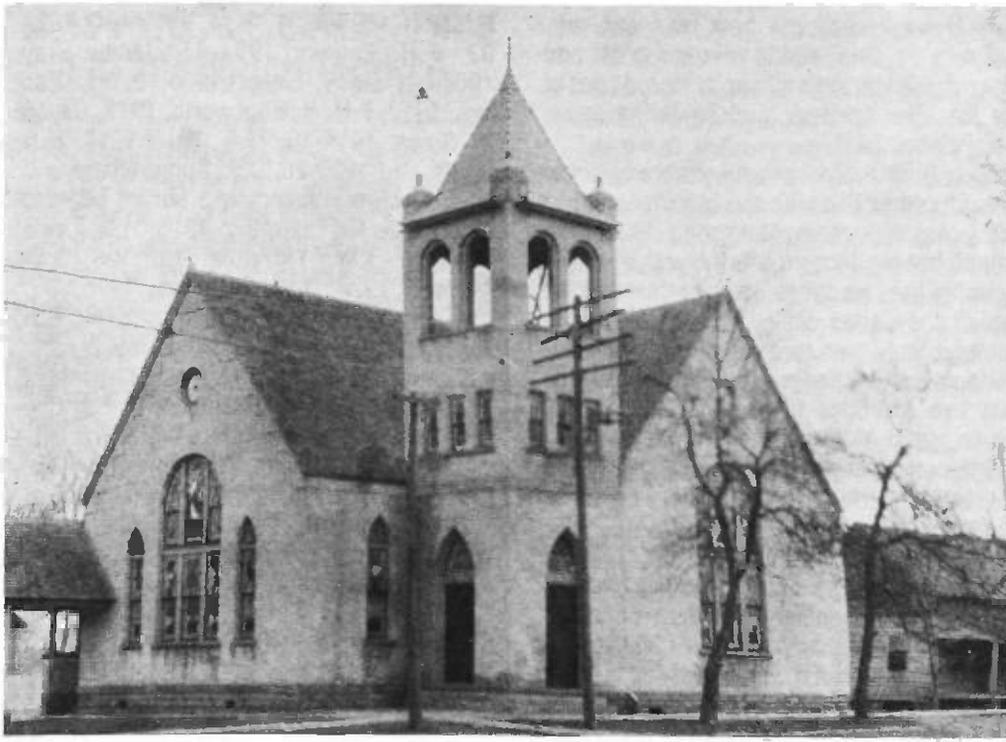
The Methodist Episcopal Church South was organized in 1873, in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church on West Main Street in Russellville. They kindly let the Methodists use their church one Sunday each month, and all had their Sunday School together until the Methodists built their first frame church in 1873-74. It stood on the same place which



First Christian Church of Russellville in 1944. Same building used today.



Combined Choir of Methodist and Presbyterian Churches for a revival meeting in Russellville about 1900.



An early building of the First United Methodist Church of Russellville.

the present church stands today. The church was at first in a circuit: Dover, Russellville, New Hope, Galla Rock, Holla Bend, and Old Norristown. The next conference made Russellville a station and they had their own pastor. J.B. Erwin was the first Sunday School Superintendent. He was followed by J.F. Munday. Four sessions of the annual Conference have been held with Russellville Church, in 1878, 1891, 1905, and 1929.

By 1905 there had been six hundred and fifty names enrolled on the church register. Of these, fifty-three had died, five had been expelled, forty had been dropped on account of being lost sight of, thirty-five had withdrawn, two hundred and eighty-six dismissed by letter, leaving about two hundred members in that year.

In 1905, when L.H. Eakes was pastor, the new white brick church was erected, on the same lot upon which the white frame church was built. T.M. Neal was Chairman of the building committee. The cost was \$8,000. The corner stone was laid in the spring with Rev. J.M. Hughey being Master of Ceremonies. The conference met here in November of the same year with Bishop Key presiding. J.H. O'Bryant was assigned as pastor. There were only two superintendents of the Sunday School in the next 24 years, they were: John A. Bayliss and Van A.R. Moores.

The last year of the pastorate of J.B. Stevenson, the need of a more commodious structure was realized, and in 1928 plans were well under way with J.P. Almand as architect and Mr. G.F. Herschel as contractor. The church was completed in 1929, and the North Arkansas Conference held here that year. Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Mathews gave the lovely Maller Organ to the church. L.B. McClure was chairman of the building committee.

In 1956, the First Methodist Church saw the need for a second Methodist Church in Russellville, and the Board voted to support

the organization of the Wesley Methodist Church. This new church first met for a short time in the Methodist Student Center on North El Paso, but within a short time had grown to the point they needed a building of their own. With the help of the first church, they bought the old Cumberland Presbyterian Church on North Arkansas Avenue. Later, they built a new church in the 300 block of North Yuma.

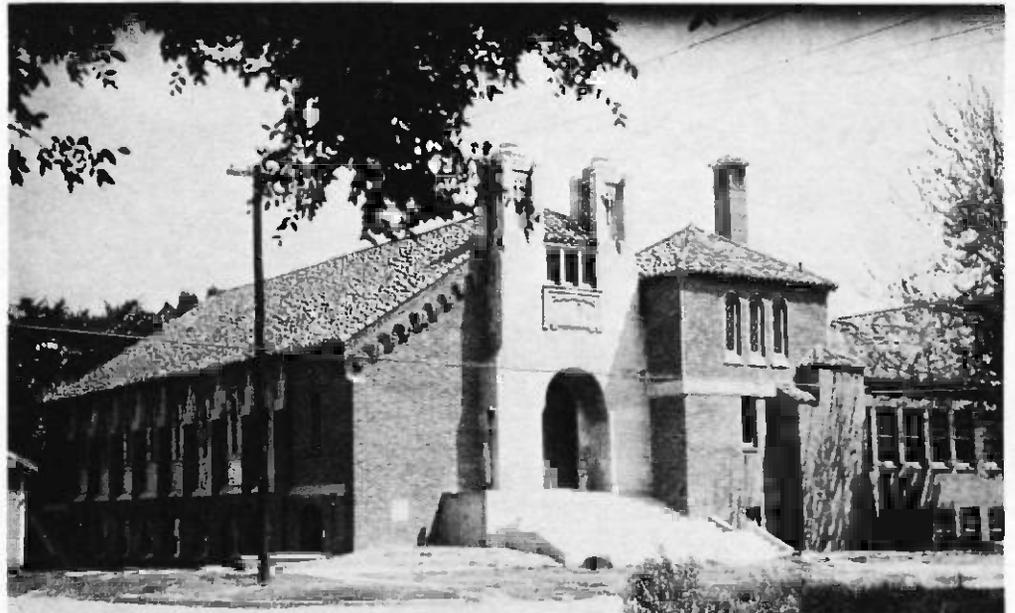
In June of 1966, a new parsonage was completed at 1815 West Third Street. The old parsonage was used for a short time as classrooms for adult Sunday School classes. This old building had originally been built as a Sunday School building for the white brick church, and was used for church services while the present church was under construction. The building originally sat just east of the

white church. It was later moved to the corner where the Educational Building now stands and it was remodeled into a parsonage.

On October 8, 1967, ground breaking ceremonies were held for a new Educational Building. The building was constructed on the site of the old parsonage. On July 11, 1968, the church purchased the two lots just south of the main church building from the Gardners. In December of 1971, the remaining property on the southeast corner of the block was purchased. This gave the church the full block to be used at some future date, as the church sees fit.

List of pastors with approximate dates: William J. Dodson, 1873-1876; C.W. Myatt, 1876-1878; J. Haynes, 1878; W.H. Corly, 1878-1880; Jerome Haralson, 1880-1881; J.J. Roberts, 1881-1882; J.L. Massey, 1882-1883; A.P. Melton, 1883-1886; S.S. Key, 1886-1888; W.B. Johnsey, 1888-1890; B. Williams, 1890-1891; B.C. Matthews, 1891-1892; W.E. Rutledge, 1892-1893; William Sherman, 1893-1896; J.M. Williams, 1896-1898; W.E. Sewell, 1898; E.A. Tabor, 1898-1899; R. Luther Broach, 1899-1900; W.H. Dyer, 1900-1901; N.B. Fizer, 1901-1902; W.T. Thompson, 1902-1903; L.H. Eakes, 1903-1905; J.H. O'Bryant, 1905-1906; George McGlumphy, 1906-1908; George G. Davidson, 1908-1912; John A. Womack, 1912-1916; W.T. Wilkinson, 1916-1920; J.B. Stevenson, 1920-1923; Charles Franklin, 1923-1925; H.K. Morehead, 1925-1928; James B. Evans, 1928-1929; R.C. Morehead, 1929-1932; J.H. Reynolds, 1932-1933; R.E.L. Bearden, 1933-1939; Horace M. Lewis, 1939-1942; E.B. Williams, 1941-1945; Earl Cravens, 1945-1947; Bill Cooley, 1947-1950; H.O. Eggensperger, 1950-1954; Alf Eason, 1954-1957; George Meyer, 1957-1963; John B. Hays, 1963-1970; Charles E. Ramsay, 1970-1976; Dr. D. Mouzon Mann, 1976-1978; and Dr. J. Ralph Hillis, 1978.

by David L. Vance



Early picture of the First United Methodist Church as it looked when first built in 1928. The building at the left edge of the picture is the Sunday School building of the older building that was set out into the street and used for a church while the old building was being torn down and the new one built. Later the church bought the property behind the church and moved the Sunday School Building on to it and made a parsonage for the church. (1928)

THE FORD'S CHAPEL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Ford's Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church was organized on Crow Mountain during the Reconstruction Era following the Civil War. Crow Mountain lies north of Interstate Highway N. 40, extending from Atkins westward almost to Russellville.

Concentrated Federal recruitment in the area and other circumstances caused a large number of Crow Mountain men to serve in the Union Army. Following the war, several veterans who had fought for the Union cause in other states moved to the mountain. These two groups, with their families, were the object of some resentment from Confederate sympathizers. This unsettled condition was a major factor in the establishment of the Methodist Episcopal Church there in 1868. It is important to note in the preceding sentence that the word "South" does not appear after "Church." In other words, this was a "Northern" Church.

The Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States became divided in 1844 over the slavery issue. The only change in church names resulting from the split was that the southern conferences added the word, "South." There were some Methodist congregations in Arkansas that did not affiliate with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, but most of them did. It was not until after the war that the Methodist Episcopal Church began a period of growth.

The Rev. L.C. O'Barr, pastor at Dover from 1867-1872, organized the Ford's Chapel Church and several others in Pope County. This was also at the time of the Pope County Militia War and conditions were not the best at the time.

Rev. O'Barr, writing an undated account in the church's "Historical Record" states, "I

went through cold and heat, wet and dry, swam rivers, (sic) and lay out at nights, and never passed through a happier period (sic) of my life. The greatest (sic) hindering cause was Polatics (sic)."

Rev. O'Barr does not mention any problems in connection with the establishment of the Crow Mountain Methodist Episcopal Church but his account lists several in nearby communities. He states that he requested the use of the Center Valley "South Methodist Campground" for a meeting and was refused. He then built a shed nearby in 1871 and the first two meetings in it were "held under strong guard of 25 pict (sic) armed men."

Emotions were stirred and Unionists did not feel comfortable in the existing churches under southern control.

The last building used by the Ford's Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church was the one that is now the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, east of Bowden cemetery. This building has no cornerstone, but it was completed in 1927 after a tornado in 1926 destroyed the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Mars Hill School buildings. The church building that was destroyed was located a few yards south of the present building, nearer the Bowden Cemetery road, and was the second building used by this congregation. The first Methodist Episcopal Church building on Crow Mountain was located approximately one-quarter of a mile northwest of the last two.

The Ford's Chapel Church was at first a part of the Dover circuit, later a part of the Atkins circuit and in 1893 became a part of the Pottsville circuit.

The Pastoral Record has the following list: 1867-72, L.C. O'Barr; 1873, David Calfee; 1874, Zac Keeton; 1875, — Sowery; 1878-79, Z.B. Ford; 1880, — Bragins; 1881, J.W. Simmons; 1882, — Moter; 1883, Safalian Brashier; 1884, — Evans; 1885-86, John Walburn; 1887, — Hendrixon; 1888-89, D.H. Upchurch; 1890-91, W.F. Wood; 1892, F.M. Hughes; 1893-96, J.W. Slusher; 1897, J.L.

Masters; 1898-1901, P.M. Brakebill; 1902-03, R.H. Emyert; 1904-05, James Gray; 1906-08, Geo. F. Bieber; 1908-12, J.L. Masters; 1912, L.H. Hollingsworth; 1913, George H. Green; 1914-16, M.A. Kerr; 1917, H.N. Lewis; and 1926-28, C.J. Spreckelymeyer.

The record is incomplete but an examination reveals the following: 1918, H.N. Lewis; 1919-20, I.W. Torrence; 1921-23, J.W. Manney; 1924, J.W. Mathews; 1925, C.C. Vanzant; 1928-33, J.H. Smith; 1934, C.H. Ball; and 1935-39, Roy A. Biesemeyer.

The record lists two classes of members, "Probationers" and "Members in Full Connection." The following is a list of the latter classification of members before 1900 with the dates received into "Full Connection:" L.T. Bowden, 1874; Minnie Bowden, 1892; W.J. Bowden, 1886; A.S. Dixon, 1895; Sarah P. Dixon, 1895; Letha Dixon, 1894; James M. Flowers, 1894; Martha Flowers, 1883; Andrew Harkey, 1894; Martha Ann Harkey, 1887; Ollie Harkey, 1897; Seathy Harris, 1894; Mary Jackson, 1867; Florence McAlister, 1895; Elmira McAnulty, 1893; Florence McAnulty, 1889; J.C. McAnulty, 1882; Mary McAnulty, 1867; Lula McAnulty, 1886; G. Ed McAnulty, 1899; W.A. McAnulty, 1872; Margaret E. McAnulty, 1871; Ida Morphis, 1894; Cora E. Pierce, 1890; Robert P. Rackley, 1874; Eliza Jane Rackley, 1860; James Allen Rackley, 1893; D. Homer Rackley, 1898; R.A. Rackley, 1897; Will P. Roberds, 1885; Maggie Roberds, 1885; P.H. Teeter, 1872; Wallas Teeter, 1876; Dora Teeter, 1873; M.J. Teeter, 1872; Ollie Teeter, 1895; and James H. Teeter, 1895.

The record lists approximately 75 other names that have no dates. There is some evidence that this group also joined before 1900 because some of them died before that date.

The membership roll for this church is difficult to total because all names on the circuit were combined alphabetically. It appears, however, that for a number of years there were over one hundred members on the Roll of the Ford's Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church.

In 1939, three Methodist divisions in the United States — Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal, South, and the Methodist Protestant Churches — united into "The Methodist Church." This action concluded the history of the Ford's Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church. The church had only a short life after the union.

The history of this church is very similar to the history of hundreds of rural Arkansas Churches. The depression, the droughts of the 1930's and World War II all had a part in causing population loss which proved fatal. The 1930 census report shows that Gumlog Township (Crow Mountain) was one of only four Pope County Townships which had gained population during the preceding ten years. This trend was abruptly reversed by the above mentioned factors and during the 1930's and 1940's, a migration took place in which many families moved from Crow Mountain to west Texas, principally the area around Lubbock. A similar movement, started in the 1850's, had brought many of their forebears to Crow Mountain from Tennessee.



This building was built as the Ford's Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church. They quit using it and it was bought by the Cumberland Presbyterian and is now Mars Hill C.P. Church.

GLASS VILLAGE CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The community once known as Glass Village was located in the eastern part of Pope County on the west bank of Hacker Creek. The community was established before 1835, and was named after a Cherokee Indian chief named Glass. A mail route was established in 1836, and at this time there was a trading post and a Cumberland Presbyterian Church there. The exact date of the establishing of the church is not known but quite a number of white settlers were in this area at the time.

Some of the ministers who served the church in its earliest days were: Rev. Lark McCarley, Rev. G.W. McCarley, Rev. W.W. Strickland, Rev. W.B. Austin, and Rev. Anderson Wilson. Some of the earliest elders in the church were: A.S. Ashmore, J.S. Poe, A. Cox, and Robert Wilson. Robert Wilson was a brother to Rev. Anderson Wilson.

Some of the early members of the Glass Village church were: Sarah E. Scarlett, Margaret McCarley, Tate Scarlett, Mary Annette Thomas, Sarah McCarley, Elizabeth Wells, Eliza McCarley, Orpha Shaw, Sarah Ashmore, Margarette Nichols, Caledonia Spearman, Me. Nichols, Emaline Conley, J.M. Poe, R.B. Rankin, Nancy Brewton, and Ann Eliza Waller before 1850. Members who joined the church in 1853 were: Dan Bridges, G.W. McCarley, Elizabeth Carroll, J.M. Petty, D.F. Thomas, Margaret Thomas, Andrew Yates, Carolyn Wells and Ailsey Holbrook. In 1854, Mary B. Wells, William C. Wells, Susan and Mary Adeline Price joined the Glass Village Cumberland Presbyterian church. It was also in 1854 that Mary Adeline Price became the second wife of Rev. Anderson Wilson.

The first church building at Glass Village was made of logs. It was a building typical of the times. Some years later a frame church building was erected. It was later moved to a location east of Hacker Creek and in 1941, the upper story of the building was removed, and

the lower part was sold to a congregation of the Free Will Baptist Church, who moved it to a location about seven miles northeast of Atkins on the Atkins to Appleton road.

There was always a big camp meeting held at Glass Village Cumberland Presbyterian church in September, until 1902. On Sunday, September 25, 1895, the camp meeting was well attended, and some excellent sermons preached. During the services a severe wind and rain storm arose, blowing down several trees, one of which badly injured a horse. A large delegation attended the meeting from Atkins.

For some reason, Chief Glass was allowed to remain in the community after the Indians went to the Indian Territory and he was a regular attendant to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church services.

HECTOR ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

The Assembly of God Church in Hector is an out growth of the first Pentecostal revival ever held in the area. This revival was held in the summer of 1917 at the Boiling Springs Cemetery (Campground). The revival lasted for nine weeks and a great many people attended. Rev. E.W. Bond and Rev. R.I. Derryberry were the evangelists. For their labor, they received \$23.11 in pay, and probably a few roasting ears to go along with the offering.

At the close of the revival in the fall of 1917, the people decided to organize a church and began gathering material to build a tabernacle 40 by 50 feet on the site of the present Assembly of God Church. The Tabernacle had only saw dust for a floor. It served as a church and sometimes as a school until 1946 when a new building was begun. The Tabernacle was finished in the fall of 1918 and set in order the same year. Rev. E.R. Fitzgerald was the Presbyter of Section 6 at

that time. The first deacons of the church were Jim Bowen, Dee Story, and O.T. Story. Rev. E.W. Bond was elected pastor and served for two years.

The following is a list of pastors who have served the church since its beginning: E.W. Bond, 1917-1919; R.I. Derryberry 1920-1922; Jeff Long, 1922-1923; L.P. Parton, 1923; A.W. Tanner, 1923; R.I. Derryberry, 1923; T.J. Gotcher, 1924-1926, P.F. Ramsey 1927-1928; Noel Dodd, 1928-1929; Tom Bently 1930; Agnes Stokes, 1930-1932; Jess L. Bowen 1933; Earl Teeter 1934; Jess L. Bowen, 1935-1936; George Goodin 1937; Raymond Tackett, 1937-1941; Clyde Toller, 1941; Raymond Tackett, 1942-1944; Theodore Whittington, 1945; Christine Carmichale, 1946-1953; J.W. Harris, 1953; Edward Otho Tackett, 1954-1955; Thurman Hill, 1955-1957; Loyd Collins, 1957-1959; Donald Gibby, 1959; C.F. Mauldin, 1960-1962; William D. Hooten, 1962-1970; and C.K. Bull, 1970 to present.

One of the greatest revivals the church ever enjoyed was a tent revival held in the summer of 1930 by Mrs. Agnes Stokes. More than 100 converts came from this revival.

A new wing was added to each side of the building in 1966 for Sunday School rooms. The church is presently in the process of building a new sanctuary.

Most of the above information was taken from an article written in 1969 by Rev. William D. Hooten, who was pastor of the church at that time.

by Marguerite Tripp

HECTOR CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Hector Cumberland Presbyterian Church was organized during the summer of 1916. The worship services were held in the school house until the following year, when a 30' by 48' frame building was erected. This building is still being used for services. Dedication services, of four new Sunday school rooms which were added on the north side of the building, were held August 7, 1949. A fellowship hall and additional Sunday school rooms were added to the south side of the church in 1960.

Charter members of the Hector Cumberland Presbyterian Church included George W. Rushing, Fannie Rushing, Candis Webb, Susan Burris, Maud Burris, J.E. Tackett, Odie Tackett, W.L. Hurley, Ether Hurley, Sylvia Hurley, Eliza Burns, Jas. L. Burns, Margaret Burns, Walter Bailey, Docie Bailey, Jessie Tackett, Ollie Tackett, and Jessie Griffin.

Elders serving the church since its founding include W.L. Hurley, J.E. Tackett, G.W. Rushing, T.M. Poe, J.H. Hurley, S.E. Renfro, R.D. Caudle, Paul Llewellyn, Dr. A.C. Linton, Leonard Hurley, W.A. Llewellyn, H.T. Hamilton, L.W. Johnson, O.J. Chambers, W.B. Langford, Elvin Tripp, H.M. Cheek, B.C. Hurley, F.M. Meade, Sewood Gray, Leamon Coffman, Olen Churchill, J.B. Murdoch, Alon Athey, Fred Emory, Lawrence B.



The main part of this building was originally the Glass Village Cumberland Presbyterian Church. After the C.P. quit using it in the early 1940's, the Free Will Baptist bought it and moved it about six miles south and are still using it. It is now called Sweet Home Free Will Baptist Ch.

Coffman, Herman Baker, and Bob Henry Chambers.

Those who served as deacons in the church were A.L. Turnbow, Boon Brown, Bob Gotcher, Clyde Llewellyn, B.C. Hurley, E.A. Hamilton, J.C. Hamilton, E.L. Burns, W.B. Langford, Robert Casey, Mark Tripp, Hale Danley, Jess Flanagin, Euel Story, Marjorie Churchill, Willie Hamilton, Irene Langford, and Mrs. A.C. (Gertrude) Linton.

Ministers who have served as pastors of the Hector Cumberland Presbyterian Church include S.C. Tackett; W.T. Ingram, Nov. 1917-Dec. 1920; K.I. Ingram Dec. 1920-June 1925; A.E. Laine, Nov. 1925-Mar. 1929; E.H. Aldord, May 1929-Dec. 1936; J. Howard Scott, Nov. 1937-Mar. 1944; James Williamson, June 1944-Sept. 1949; Finis Walker, Jan. 1950-Oct. 1951; H.H. Scudder, Mar. 1952-Aug. 1955; J.M. Rogers, Oct. 1955-Nov. 1957; Parks McCulloh, Feb. 1958-July 1961; Keith G. Atwell, Sept. 1961-March 1964; Clyde Kinslow, May 1964-June 1965; Neill Hudson, Aug. 1965-Nov. 1966; Sam Pinnell, Mar. 1967-Aug. 1968; Jerrell M. Underwood, Sept. 1968-Aug. 1970; Keith G. Atwell Apr. 1971-June 1973; Bobby Parker, Aug. 1973-Jan. 1974; James Williamson, March 1974-March 1977; and Clyde Kinslow, March 1977 to the present (June 1978).

by Mary Lois Tripp

HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH

The Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church celebrated its centenary year in 1975. It was the second Baptist Church established within traveling distance of early residents of the Hopewell-Oakland-Economy communities. The first was the Galla Creek Baptist Church, which in the early 1870's was very active under the leadership of the Rev. Barnes and the Rev. Bledsoe. By 1875, the number of freeholding residents north of the Galla Creek settlement had increased to the extent that it was felt that a second church should be established, and on April 10, 1875, a convention of 18 persons was held which agreed upon the formation of such a church. In the words of the unidentified recorder of the day's events "the members came forward and laid their hands on the Bible and bowed in prayer led by Eld. T. Nut, then went into the choice of Pastor and Deacon and Church Clerk which resulted in the choice of Eld. W.D. Napier as Pastor, G.P. Minor as Deacon, and A.C. Hayes as clerk."

The name Hopewell was given to the new church by Mrs. Eunice Boyd, one of the convention members. She was a native of Laurens District (now Laurens County) in western South Carolina, and had attended a Hopewell church there before moving to Arkansas. The name given to the new church, therefore, was in honor of an older church in Laurens District, South Carolina. Recent efforts to identify the earlier church have not been entirely successful, although it may be that the church of that name, situated near the little town of Joanna, South Carolina, was the one attended by Mrs. Boyd.

The first regular meeting place of the church was known as Old Half-Finish, located on a tract of land now a part of the farm that was owned by the late Monrow Haralson. Some time later the meeting place was moved to a site just west of and across the road from where the big house of J.K. Bowers was later built in the early part of this century. In the 1890's a third location was chosen, and a splendid example of rural church building was erected at a spot which is still thought of as Old Hopewell by many of the Hopewell Church people. This structure, which stood a little more than a quarter of a mile southeast of the Oscar Alewine home, remained the center of church and some community social activities until its destruction by fire in December of 1930.

In the early 1930's, and in the midst of what textbook writers now refer to as the Great Depression, there was little chance of rebuilding a meeting house. For some years after 1930, however, occasional church services were held in the Oakland-district school house. In 1936 a few members began to campaign to raise funds to be used in the rebuilding of a meeting house at some location more nearly in the center of the surrounding communities. The present site was agreed upon when J.H. Matthews, long a member and communicant of the church, offered to convey to the church an acre of land situated near where the old Hopewell road meets the Atkins-Appleton road. With a quickness that surprised even the committee selected to raise funds, sufficient money was contributed by friends of the church, both old and new, to guarantee completion of the building. On Sunday, June 6, 1937, the church formally dedicated and occupied its new home.

Back of the history and influence of this Hopewell Church lies a longer and broader span of history, one certainly reaching back over the past 225 years. By 1750, there had appeared on the frontiers of Virginia, the two Carolinas, and Georgia (then colonies of the English royal government) the movement known as the Great Awakening. This movement originating in New England, was certainly religious in its nature and was one of religious revival. In the Southern colonies it had an especial appeal to people living on the frontier, with Baptists and Methodists acting as advance agents in its spread. Frontier settlers customarily held religious services in their homes. Early travelers in frontier areas have written of going past groups of people assembled and listening to a preacher delivering his sermon while standing in the front door of a log house, often a mere cabin. The old Half-Finish church was itself a product of a characteristic frontier movement. It was a product of the second spread of settlement moving northward from the old river station of Galla Rock.

No complete list is available to us now of the men serving the Hopewell Church as pastors. Its first pastor, as shown in the organization report of April 10, 1875, was Eld. W.D. Napier. For twelve years after 1875, there are no written records of the church's activities, and certainly in those years there is no roll-call of its pastors. The first reference to a

pastor appearing as a written record after 1875 is under date of November, 1888, and the name of T. Moodey is given as its pastor. Some serving as pastors from that time until the decade of the 1920's were: J.H. Parker, C.R. Summey, the Rev. Woolum, Arch Wilson, J.A. Myers (who helped in the building of the Hopewell church structure destroyed by fire in 1930), J.R. Barnett, T.D. New, T.D. Frasier, S.B. Barnett, W.W. Robbins, J.T. Box, J.C. Hendrick, Roscoe Stapp, G.E. Jones, and L.A. Robertson. Of those serving the church since 1937, it is possible to make a more nearly complete list: V.C. Neal (in the supply capacity), Erwin L. McDonald, Marvin Sorrels, Roe Beard, J.D. Seymour, L.J. Ferguson, Orland Beard, John Hurd, R.C. Otey, J.T. Summers, and Glenn Kauffman. The Church minutes written in September, 1972, show that the congregation recommended that Allan Johnson serve as pastor.

Needless to say, the church has had its times of troubles. Wherever and often whenever serious, earnest, zealous men gather, let the cause be a common one or otherwise there will be differences of opinion. Whenever there are conflicts of opinion, divisions and disputes will appear. This church has had its stormy scenes and occasions, its trying moments, its internal conflicts, and its confrontations. There have even been threats to its continued existence. At times in the 1920's, the communities occasionally showed neglect of the church. In 1922, its clerk was instructed to send cards to its members, then about 70 in number, asking them to make recommendations as to what should be the future of the church. Only 30 cards were returned; all these reflected the view that the work of the church should go forward and that a pastor should be called.

The decade of the 1920's was, in several ways, a difficult one for many churches, especially for the more conservative rural ones. What has been described as moral shell-shock coming from our participation in World War One was a disturbing and unsettling factor in both the social and religious world.

This condition of shell-shock, persisting throughout the decade of the Twenties, led to basic confusions, uncertainties, and even a loss of faith in old values, or at least in some of them. Too, there was the spread of new ideas coming from an expanding system of education, both public and private. In short, problems of adjustment appeared which were difficult to meet, and with these problems appeared a threat of the breakup of community unity and harmony. The history of this church since 1937 makes it patently evident, however, that it has made the adjustments necessary to meet a new order and conditions that could not have been foreseen by the 18 who established the church in April 1875.

The church, now in the hands of its fourth generation of leaders and members, entered its second century in 1975. Few now living remember its leaders of its late first generation. Of the 18 who entered into its covenant of April 10, 1875, the writer of these lines knew only three — Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Alewine and Mrs. G.P. Minor. But many here today

recall later leaders: H.S.B. Oliver, Dr. D.J. Warren, J.D. Murdoch, J.W. Collins, W.W. Boyd, J.L. Alewine, O.C. Alewine, J.H. Matthews, W.A. Shackelford, I.C. Reynolds, Ardis Tyson, and Stuart Haney.

Over the century of its existence, Hopewell Church has represented, in the most genuine sense, an extension of and an adjunct to the homes within the communities it serves.

LONDON METHODIST CHURCH

The first meetings of the London congregation of the Methodist Church were in the home of Uncle Robert and Aunt Liza May, as they were generally referred to by their neighbors. Their home was about three miles south of London. Mrs. May was the sister of the late John J. Rye, who was one of the pioneers of the community and an outstanding Methodist. The Rye, May, and Strayhorn families were charter members of the church. Mrs. Sue Rye, wife of the late John J. Rye, passed away February 4, 1958, and was returned to the Church for funeral services by the assigned Pastor, M.H. Peters.

The Church has been a member of the Methodist Conference for 79 consecutive years. The first Pastor assigned to the Church by the Conference was W.H. Mathaney in 1879. Even though there have been many changes, today the church is part of the Dover-London Circuit.

The first Church building was erected in 1870. This building was used until it was destroyed by a storm. The present building was erected in 1901 under the leadership of Rev. F.E. Bates, who was the Pastor at that time. This Church building was also damaged by a storm. Through the efforts of the W.S.C.S., the building has been remodeled in recent years. Today it is an attractive rural church.

The Missionary Baptist used the Methodist Church for services until 1886. In July, 1885, a revival was conducted by Rev. G.W.O. Davis, a local preacher. There was a union Sunday School, followed by the revival opening. The pastors at this time were Rev. Milton and the Rev. John R. Steel. During the reviv-

val, there were 75 to 100 conversions. Following the revival, the Missionary Baptist and Presbyterian congregations were able to organize a Church and in 1886 built a Church building in the west part of London. This building is now used by the Missionary Baptist for church services.

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Memorial Presbyterian Church traces its origin to 1874, when a Cumberland Presbyterian Church was established in Atkins. No records remain from the early church, but newspaper articles and other materials indicate that ministers during the first few decades included the Rev. M.M. Morphis (1881), the Rev. J.L. Robinson (1886), the Rev. James H. Burton (1880s), and men named Holcomb and Logan.

In 1906, the Atkins church, along with about two-thirds of the Cumberland churches, rejoined the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. (northern branch). In 1908, the congregation built a new church on the present location on Church Street, moving a block west from its earlier site on Dover Street where the Atkins Chronicle now stands. Several projects were reported during the first half of that year to raise the \$4,000 needed to construct the brick building by July 15. The church's bell, which now rests on a small brick structure near the entrance, was cast in 1883 and moved from the old to the new church in 1908 to hang in a belfrey.

The Rev. Flemon Sanders was part-time pastor from 1907 to 1916 and again in 1923 and 24. Other pastors, all part-time, during this period were the Rev. Stirling Park (1917-18) and the Rev. C.S. Bass (1919-20). Elders ordained before 1925 included W.M. Lemley, A.J. McCollum, James Gibson, E.L. Darr, J.P. Bingham, L.D. Ford, Jr., H.A. Rushing, Sam Gibson, E.E. Cheek, and Lee Cheek. Deacons who did not also serve as elders during this period were Scott Horton, Joe Lemley, Rayburn Fry, and Richard F. Cleveland.

Among the early members, L.D. Ford moved to Atkins from Ford's Chapel, north of Atkins, the Darr and Scarlett families moved from Galley Rock, Mr. and Mrs. James Gibson came from Dublin, Ireland, around 1880, first to Galley Rock, then to Atkins. Other early members were the F.P. Hervey family, the John Nickles family, the M.D. Finch family, Mrs. Mary Alewine, Miss Lucy Johnston, Mrs. Fannie Bost, Mrs. Jim (Vena) Burnett, Earl Burnett, Mrs. Eliza Dickey, Wilson Daniels, Mrs. Tom Davis, James Boudra, Mrs. W.G. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Kimberlin and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lemley. The Gillett and Cleveland families had many members active during this early period.

Electric lights were installed in the church in 1913, and a manse (pastor's residence) was purchased the same year. In 1920, the Atkins church was one of 345 in the country to pay its debts and burn its mortgage, according to the records of the church erection board of the Presbyterian General Assembly. In April of 1921, the Rev. C.S. Bass brought a national fad to Atkins when he sponsored a week in which business and professional men in town wore overalls. The Chronicle reported that the men felt just as comfortable and dressed up as when wearing more expensive clothing.

In 1926, the Rev. Oresta C. Gross was called as full-time pastor, serving through 1928. The Rev. F.M. Wylie was supply (part-time) pastor in 1929 and 1930. The Rev. Andrew McAllen was supply pastor from 1933 through 1935.

In 1930, church members began to talk about building a new church. On June 22, the Board of Trustees voted to rebuild, but two months later, on August 22, the board voted to postpone the construction plans because of a drought. It was not until 1935 that the project was completed, with J.N. Alford and E.E. Cheek as the building committee and J.A. Kimberlin supervising the construction. The cornerstone was laid in June, the congregation moved into the new church on September 8, 1935.

One change in the new building was that it lacked a belfrey, leaving the 50-year-old bell with out a home. The bell apparently was carried off and was missing for several years. Eventually a search was initiated and the bell was found in a local junk yard, where it had been sold as scrap iron. A wood frame tower was built for the bell in 1956. The wood rotted and the bell was lowered to the concrete slab after several years, but Aud McAlister, who was Sunday School Superintendent, continued to ring the bell every Sunday morning until his illness and death in 1971.

The congregation voted on May 5, 1933, to allow women to be elders. Mrs. Emmett Cheek became the first woman elder in 1971. At the same meeting, the positions of elder and deacon were combined. When the Rev. Roy Wilson was called in May of 1936, his salary was \$1,200, with the manse furnished. The local church provided the remaining \$50 a month of the salary and the National Board of Home Missions provided the remaining \$50 a month.

Other ministers during this period were the



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Rev. R. Millard Murphey (1941-42), the Rev. James G. West (supply, 1942-43), the Rev. L. Burney Shell (supply, 1944-46), the Rev. D.D. Hefner (supply, 1946-47), the Rev. Lawrence F. Faivre (pastor, 1947-49), and the Rev. John R. Bross (supply, 1949-50).

Elders ordained from 1926 through 1949 were E.A. Williams, O.H. McCollum, Hugh Cheek, N.H. Bell, J.N. Alford, J.H. Houston, O.R. Lemley, H.M. Spaulding, and Clarence Churchill. H.A. Rushing, who was a member of the Atkins school faculty for 33 years ending in 1940, was clerk for more than a decade during this period. Another school faculty member, J.P. Bingham, had been clerk for several years during the first quarter-century. N.H. Bell was superintendent of the Atkins Public Schools from 1927 until 1942. Elder Lee Cheek attended the (national) General Assembly meeting in Atlantic City, New Jersey, in May of 1946.

The First Presbyterian Church undertook three major building projects during this period — an educational building in 1953, a new manse in 1960, and a new church building in 1973, only a year short of the centennial of the church's organization. A report at the congregational meeting on June 22, 1964, noted 70 active members, close to the 74 on the active role a half-century earlier in 1913.

The concrete-block educational building was built behind the church building in the summer of 1953 under the supervision of the women's circle. A year later in May of 1954, the church purchased its first organ. Progress toward the new manse was started in 1958 with the appointment of Mrs. Cleo Cheek as chairman of the finance committee and Mrs. Jack Lemley as chairman of the building committee. The new brick manse was dedicated on November 27, 1960. The old manse, of wood-frame construction, was moved to a new site south of town on Highway 105, where it continued to serve as a residence. The new manse was built directly behind the old manse.

As soon as the new manse was dedicated, a building fund was established for either remodeling the old church or building a new one. In January of 1971, the church trustees were instructed by the congregation to have an architect see if the old church was structurally sound. After a report that it was unsound and that it was wiser to rebuild than repair, a plan for a new church was prepared. At a congregational meeting in October of 1972, Cleo Cheek was appointed financial chairman and, at the same meeting, obtained the pledges needed in addition to the existing building fund for construction of a new church. Jack Lemley was named chairman of the building committee.

On December 3, 1972, members, former members and friends of the church filled the old church to capacity for its last service before being razed, with the Rev. Tom Wilson of Russellville conducting the service. Then, on September 9, 1973, the new church was dedicated with the Rev. Paul Shurtleff, the pastor during the fund drive who retired before the church was completed, conducting the service. At a congregational meeting that day,

Mr. Shurtleff was named pastor emeritus. At his suggestion earlier, the church has been renamed Memorial Presbyterian Church in memory of deceased members and others in whose name money had been contributed toward the building fund. Another former pastor, the Rev. Richard Streeter, used his brickmasonry skills earlier to build the structure by the church entrance that contains the two earlier cornerstones and holds the old bell, now 90 years old. In 1976, an expansion of the educational building was completed.

Pastors during this period were the Rev. Garner R. Martin (1950-54), the Rev. E.E. Coleman (1955-56), Mr. Streeter (student pastor 1957, pastor 1959-61), the Rev. Michael Shaw (1962-65), the Rev. Merl H. Kennedy (1965-69), Mr. Shurtleff (1970-73), and the Rev. Laurence B. Robinson (1974-78).

Elders ordained during this period were George W. Cheek, L.D. Shinn, E.K. (Pat) Lemley, Frank Cleveland, Cleo Sheek, E.A. Darr, Clarence Burnett, Carl Sorrels, James (Bud) Churchill, Van Tyson, Everett Ewell, Jack R. Lemley, George Bailey, Aud McAlister, George Ewell, Van Allen Tyson, Mrs. Emmett (Willard) Cheek, Bill Sorrels, Mrs. Clarence (Euna) Burnett, Mrs. George (Mary Jane) McAlister, Mrs. Doyle (Florence) Dickey, J.D. Virden, James D. Gibson, Mrs. L.D. (Martha) Shinn, and Mrs. Tony (Bessie) Fengler.

Church trustees were Clarence Churchill, Hughey McCollum, Jack R. Lemley, George Bailey, Doyle Dickey, Clarence Burnett, Van Tyson, Carl Sorrels, Edmund Yore, Cleo Cheek, Donald G. Meadows, Mrs. Van A. (Ginnie) Tyson, Mrs. Hughey (Athleen) McCollum, Robert Riley, and Warren Eckert. The active church membership in December of 1977 was 85.

METHODISM IN POTTSVILLE

Methodism in Pope County originated with some families from North Carolina who migrated to Pope County and settled near Russellville in 1839. What was later to be the Pottsville church was organized at the Old Cove School house in Bradley Cove in 1868. M.C. Baker, Cicero Harkey, and George Reed were the first stewards, and James Potts was the first Sunday School Superintendent. William J. Dodson was pastor in 1876, and in 1888 the church was moved to Pottsville. It was perhaps about this time that the M.E. Church, South built on the corner where Mayor Harris now lives. It was made of part of the Atkins Circuit. In 1916, Pottsville became a circuit of its own, including Bell's Chapel, Pleasant Grove, and New Hope.

Meanwhile, the Rev. L.C. O'Barr writes of his work in the Dover Circuit of the North Methodist Church in 1867-72, a territory within 80 miles of Dover. He says, "I went through cold and heat, wet and dry, swam rivers, lay out at nights, and I never passed through happier periods in my life. In 1868, I organized the Crow Mountain Church, now Ford's Chapel. I preached all over this country

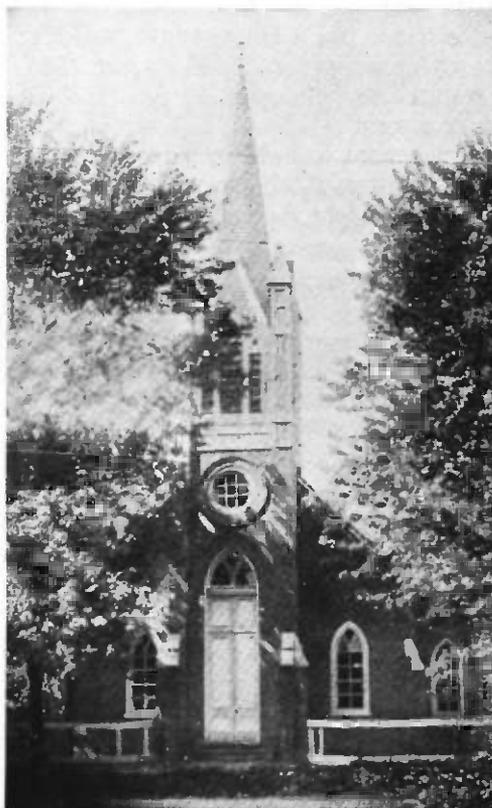
for 60 square miles for \$150.00." The Pottsville church was a part of the Atkins circuit until 1893 when the Pottsville Circuit was formed along with Union, Ford's Chapel, Bethel, and Double Springs.

The first church of his circuit was built in 1913. Evidently they worshipped first in the Masonic Hall across the railroad. The church built in 1913 burned in the late 1920's and was replaced by a brick structure in 1930. The M.E. Church South built a new Stucco Church on Highway 64 in 1916, and this continued in use until after the union of the two churches in 1939, when both churches were used for a while.

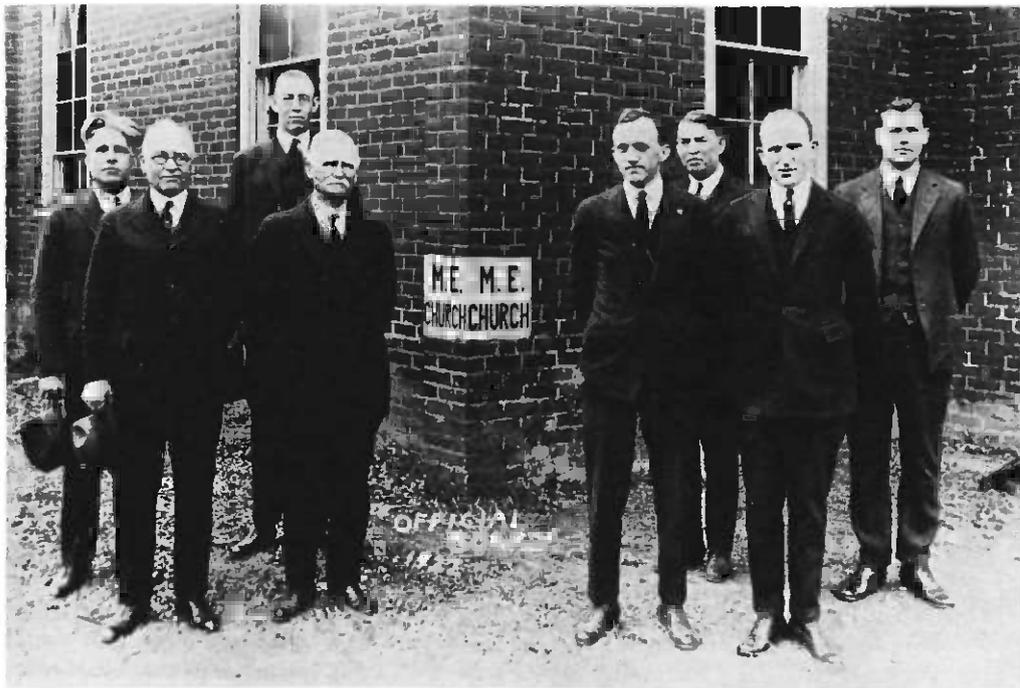
A new United Methodist Church was dedicated in 1976, with a spacious educational facility being added soon afterward. The Rev. Jerry Nichols serves as pastor of both the Pottsville and Atkins Churches at present,
By Julia B. Oates

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF RUSSELLVILLE

In 1844 the Methodist Episcopal Church officially divided between the North and the South. In Russellville, a "North Church" was established in about 1874 when they built their first church on the corner of South El Paso and West Third Place. This building was sold in 1890 to the Butlers and they turned the building into Russellville's first commercial laundry. This congregation then moved to 901 West B Street for a short while. But when this building was destroyed by fire, they moved to the Southwest corner of West Main Street and El Paso Avenue on land purchased



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The Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Russellville. They are from left to right: Vernon Shinn, John W. White, Edgar Potter, W.J. "Bud" White, Saye Ross, Mr. Bowden, Ellis Roberts, Les Voss.

on December 13, 1892, from John W. White for \$600.00. On October 29, 1929, the remaining 35 members joined the Central Presbyterian Church. Their pastor, Rev. C.F. Green, became the new pastor of this church. In early 1930, Mr. White repurchased the property for \$7,250.00 The bell out of this building was used in the tower of the new Educational Building of the First Methodist Church. It was cast in 1887 and weighs 940 pounds. In May of 1930, Mr. A.J. Mathews bought the building and gave the bell to the church when the building was razed.

by David L. Vance

MT. ZION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Mt. Zion Presbyterian church, about two miles East of what is now the village of South New Hope, had flourished during the latter part of the 1880's, but at the turn of the century started downhill. Many of its members moved into Russellville and other nearby towns, and it became evident that the church there would sooner or later have to be dissolved. On April 18, 1910, Mt. Zion Church was dissolved and transferred its membership to the Washburn Memorial Presbyterian Church in Russellville. Mr. C.W. Henry, Clerk of the Mt. Zion Session, furnished a list of the members which enrolled in the Washburn Memorial Church in Russellville as follows: Miss Ida Boggan, Mrs. Henry Lynch, Arthur Lynch, Mrs. Alice Dickey, Miss Janie Matthews, Mrs. Vera Allman, Mrs. Vera Bennett, J.M. Rogers, James Perviance, Mrs. Lizzie Teeter, Wm. Henry, Mrs. Lizzie Henry, M.B. Wilson, Miss Mary Wilson, Chas. W. Henry, Mrs. Sue Henry, Mr. W. Estes, Mrs. John A. Horton, Robert G. Harkey, and Mrs. Robert G. Harkey.

Soon after that event, the following mem-

bers were transferred at their own request to the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in Russellville, Arkansas: Mrs. Henry Lynch, Arthur Lynch, Mrs. Alice Dickey, J.M. Rogers, James Perviance, M.B. Wilson, and Mary Wilson.

NORRISTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Presbyterian Church at Norristown was organized by Rev. John F. Balch, April 9, 1843. Henry Morris, Nancy Morris, Cyrus Ewing, Eliza Ewing, Elizabeth Sadler, Sarah Balch, Nancy Clark, Sarah Clark, Susan Clark, and Ann E. Clark, two males and eight females, went into the organization. The church was organized and Henry Morris was elected and ordained ruling elder. The session met on the same day and received Darling Love on examination. This little church seems to have accomplished nothing for four years. On the 2nd of December, 1846, Cyrus Ewing was elected and ordained ruling elder. On April 19, 1847, two additional members were received on examination. During February, 1848, Rev. Daniel Baker assisted Mr. Balch in a meeting when five persons were received into the church — two by letter and three on examination. On the 9th of the following April, John Johnson was received into the church. Rev. W.K. Marshall was present at the time. There was another interval of more than two years in which there seems to have been nothing accomplished, but on the 23rd of August, 1850, Rev. J.F. Green received on certificate Dudley D. Mason and Christina Mason. Mr. Mason seems to have been a working consistent Christian; consequently, he was a man of influence. On the day following his being received into the Norristown church, he and Samuel Morris were elected ruling elders and on the next day, Mr. Morris

was ordained and both were installed by Rev. Mr. Green. About this time Rev. H.P.S. Willis came to Norristown and at a meeting of the session on the 21st of December, 1850, Mr. Eli Neely, his wife and two eldest daughters were received on certificate. On the 9th of February, 1851, John Ewing, Sarah Ewing, Lydia B. Potts and Ann Potts were received on profession of their faith. On the 6th of the following April, Catherine Coulter was received on examination. The church had now been organized eight years and had 38 members. Rev. Mr. Willis seems to have been absent for some time, but the church membership continued to increase. On the 15th of June, 1851, elders Mason and Morris received on profession of their faith Mrs. Jane Ross, and on July 27, Mrs. Rebecca Ann Fuller, all on examination. This speaks well for brethren Mason and Morris. On March 20, 1851, Eli Neely and John Ewing were elected ruling elders and Samuel H. Johnston and Joseph H. Brearley were elected deacons.

The next day John Ewing was ordained elder and he and Eli Neely were then installed. Messrs. Johnston and Brearly were ordained and installed deacons, by the Rev. W.K. Marshall, D.D. On September 26, 1852, Mrs. Mary A. Curtis was received into the church on examination; and on the 23rd of January, 1853, Erie Ewing, James Miller and two colored persons were received on profession of their faith. November 24, 1853, Emily Jane Miller was received on examination. Rev. Mr. Willis having permanently left this field of labor, Rev. C. Washburn was invited July 23, 1855, to take charge of the church. Mr. Washburn, who was then at Fort Smith, visited Norristown on the 9th of September and received by letter — Mrs. Nancy Craig, Mrs. Jane Ross, and on examination — Amelia Craig, Isabella Neely, and Mary Jamison. During February, 1865, Mr. Washburn located at Norristown. On April 7th, James W. Miller was elected ruling elder. He was ordained and installed the next day. At a meeting of the Session on the 11th of May, 1856, Andrew B. Cox, Elizabeth Cox, Myra Cox, Oliver Nolen, and Margaret Nolen were received on certificate.

The church had now been organized thirteen years and sixty persons were connected with it. But though we only find they had dismissed Mrs. Mary Jamison, still it seems there were but 36 members at this time. On May 26, 1856, 17 members living on the south side of the river asked for and obtained a letter of dismissal for the purpose of uniting with a Presbyterian Church about to be organized at Dardanelle, which left but 19 members in the Norristown Church. But on the 7th of June, 1856, three were received on certificate. On March 8, 1857, J.T. Terrence was elected, ordained, and installed as a ruling elder. On May 3, 1858, two members were received on certificate. From 1858 to 1867, nothing seems to have been accomplished by this church and but little since. About one half of its remaining members went into an organization at Mt. Zion. By the permission of the Presbytery, the name of Norristown Church was changed to that of Russellville and its location from Norristown to Russellville.

POINT REMOVE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Point Remove Primitive Baptist Church was founded in the summer of 1833, in what is now known as Buttermilk community, near the junction of Hacker and Point Remove Creeks. The church was originally in the Washington Association, then in the Salem Association, before becoming affiliated with the Point Remove Association, until the 1950's. In 1925 the church consolidated with the Gum Log Church, then consolidated again in 1976, with the Russellville Primitive Baptist Church at its present location at North Knoxville, in the City of Russellville.

The original church building was constructed on land given by Ephraim Lemley, who has many descendants in this area, including several who are members of Point Remove Church today. Ephraim Lemley was ordained deacon when he came here from Alabama. He joined, along with his wife Margaret, by letter in May, 1841.

Point Remove Church was founded upon the principles of the London Confession of Faith of 1789, as was the Philadelphia Association, the first Baptist Association constituted in America, and still holds to that belief. The church is independent, as are all Primitive Baptist churches, having no earthly headquarters, and is congregational in church government. Pastors are called by the local church and serve until either the church or pastor feels a change is needed. Congregational singing without accompaniment is the accepted method, which they believe to be according to Scriptural pattern and precept.

Following is a list of pastors who have served the church, some of the time jointly: James Bruton, 1833-1863; G.W. Barham, 1863-1867; Thomas Moudy, 1868-1887; G.W. Berryman, 1887-1891; W.M.A. Williams, 1891-1894; G.M. Snider, 1894-1895; T.P. McCaine, 1895-1896; J.E. Venable, 1896-?; A.W. Bullock, ?-1910; J.H. Hinson (asst), 1908; T.P. McCaine, 1910-1922; J.H. O'Neal, 1922-1951; J.L. McClellan, 1951-1958; J.H. O'Neal, 1954-1959; Virgil Holland, 1959-1961; R.F. Sangade, 1961-1962; Austin Johnson, 1962-1968; Virgil Holland, 1968-1970; Austin Johnson, 1970-1973; Charles Holmes, 1970-1973; Lowell Miles, 1973-1975; Roland U. Green, 1976; H.D. Fulmer, 1976 and at present.

by H.D. Fulmer

POTTSVILLE ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Pottsville Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church was organized as the Pisgah church at Potts School, a log house about one-half mile southwest of the present church location. The church really had its beginning in the minds of a group of people who were members of two churches in the Carolinas —

Pisgah, in Gaston County, N.C., and Bethany, in York County, S.C. who were planning to move to the West to find more and better land for farming. Three men are thought to have come out to look over the country in the 1840's. Two groups came in 1851 and 1852, some going to Hot Springs and some coming to Pope County.

By 1853, most of them were in Pope County, and the Rev. John Patrick, who had come with them, presided at the organization of the Pisgah A.R.P. Church January 29, 1853. There were thirteen families: three ruling elders, and about thirty members. The elders were John Oates III, John Falls, and James Quin. Other heads of families were William Oates, Jr., John Oates, Jr., William Oates, Sr., James Whitesides, A.N. Falls, Thomas M. Oates, John M. Ferguson, R.A. Ferguson, Emily Ferguson, and Margaret Falls. The first building was erected at Pisgah, about three miles west of Pottsville, where a school was conducted, and where Pisgah Cemetery now stands.

Among those who supplied the church were: the Rev. John Patrick, the Rev. J.L. McDaniel, the Rev. David Kerr and others. By 1858, the membership of the church was more than a hundred. But the war years were disturbing years, and the soldiers returning home without money, stock, or farming equipment, forced to buy supplies on credit when many of them were already in debt, made financial affairs very dismal. Two hundred and fifty dollars was all they felt they could pay a preacher, along with a house made of logs, with boards nailed to the cracks, there was no ceiling, and often only dirt floors. It is said that there were only three frame houses in the whole community.

In 1867, the Rev. Monroe Oates accepted the call to become pastor of this church. He had graduated from Erskine Theological Seminary in 1855, and had preached in Virginia and other places in the Synod before coming to Arkansas with his bride, the former Miss Amanda Harper of Virginia. During his pastorate, they grew in membership and in influence in the community. Emigration continued from the Carolinas, Tennessee, Mississippi, and Texas.

Since many of the members lived nearer the river, a school building called Galley Rock School began to be used for services about 1870, and by 1872, there was a Sunday School and preaching. Mr. Oates served Pisgah only half time, so he agreed to preach at Bethany. In 1877, a church was built there. Mr. Oates also preached at Havana (Zion) an A.R.P. church organized in Yell County. He presided at the organization of the Russellville A.R.P. Church in 1894. The charter members included 17 from the Pottsville church and 2 from Virginia. Mr. Oates resigned because of ill health in 1900, but lived until the day after the Rev. J.W. Carson, his successor was installed.

Dr. Carson served as pastor for almost three years, and was succeeded by the Rev. S.J. Patterson, who was pastor in 1905-06.

The Rev. Clifford T. Bryson served the longest pastorate, beginning Dec. 18, 1908 and continuing until his death September 14,

1948. The Rev. Thomas Gideon Morris became pastor July of 1954. This year (1978) the church celebrated its 125th anniversary, the oldest A.R.P. church in Arkansas, and probably one of the oldest congregations in Pope County.

While there have been six buildings at three different places in the county, there has only been one organization during that time. When the railroad came through Pottsville, people moved away from the river and a church was built in Pottsville in 1884. Soon after that, services were discontinued at Pisgah, except for brief times when there were those desiring to have church services. A new church was built in Pottsville in 1916. When this building burned in 1959, it was replaced by the present building. The Bethany church was rebuilt in 1948, and services were held there until the early 1960's.

This church was the place of the organization of the Arkansas Presbytery of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in 1861, and the observance of the presbytery's 50th anniversary in 1911. The A.R.P. Synod met at the church in 1884. Pottsville built the first manse in the Presbytery in 1906, although they had used one across the street for several years. The Arkansas Presbytery was later combined with the Memphis and Louisville Presbytery, becoming the largest presbytery in the world, including five states, Arkansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee.

Her membership today is 180, with 41% of the membership under 21. The influence of this church has been far-reaching. At the celebration of the 125th Anniversary, there were visitors from 18 other states, and 22 other towns in Arkansas who had been members, or were related to those who had been members at sometime in the past.

by Julia B. Oates

SHILOH CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church was located two and one-half miles north of Russellville, Arkansas on Highway Seven, and it housed its congregation for one hundred and nineteen years before closing its doors. The movement of the population from the rural areas to the cities depleted its neighborhood and resulted in no congregation to serve the Lord from its sanctuary. The old building was sold by Presbytery in the mid 1960's, torn down and removed, leaving the premises barren, to be overgrown by weeds and brush. One large oak tree spreads its shade over the now empty churchyard, and stands as a mute witness of the many events that occurred at this old country church.

The Session minutes dated February 14, 1886, state that Margaret Holledger was the first name recorded on the church register in 1833, and these books record the last meeting of the Session as March 4, 1951. The clerk of Session, Mr. Ben Trusty, reported to the General Assembly a membership of twelve

in 1952 and no minister. General Assembly declared the church inactive in 1952. The report for 1927 shows a membership of ninety-five, the largest since the maintenance of these records which begin in 1891. The church books that exist today begin with the year 1867 and reflect regular Session meetings until the day the church closed in 1952. The earlier books were destroyed — some say they were burned during the Civil War while others maintain that they burned with the home of one of the elders. In any event, they do not exist. An attempt was made at a later date to reconstruct the membership list and the most common names appearing on it are: Williamson, Russell, Hamilton, Hollinger, Winfield, and Harkey. This list may be found in the Arkansas Valley Historical Papers No. 6; 1954-1958; March, 1955, page 12. These names, in addition to those recorded in the extant books, leave little doubt but that many prominent and influential families of Pope County worshipped in this little church house during the five score years of its existence.

John L. Williamson, his two sons, their wives, slaves and a party of other families left Tennessee in the year 1828 and penetrated the wilderness of Arkansas as far as Yell County. Becoming discouraged, they faced about and were on their return to Tennessee, going as far as Point Remove where they camped, being delayed by a snow storm. On Sunday religious services were held as Williamson, a very religious man and a Cumberland Presbyterian, would not travel on the Sabbath. After worship, he called a meeting to discuss the return to Tennessee. It was decided that all those wishing to return should get on one side of the road and that those wishing to remain in the West on the other. One account says that those desiring to settle in the West got on the north side of the road and those favoring a return on the south. The slaves are reported to have voted. A majority of three voted to remain in the West. The Williamson families returned to the vicinity of the present town of Russellville and camped on the banks of Shiloh Creek. After buying land from the Indians at Dwight Mission, they built their homestead on land which later became known as Tech Farm. After settling in, Williamson set aside land for a place of public worship and had his slaves build a brush arbor there. This site was known for several years as Williamson Camp Grounds and is purported to have entertained the third camp-meeting held in Arkansas in 1834. One account states that one day a group of travelers stopped at the camp ground because some of their members had smallpox and while there one or two died. Williamson realized the need for a community burying ground and gave land for it which became known as Shiloh Cemetery, and here these persons were buried. The Shiloh Cemetery and the Williamson Family Cemetery which was near by, were removed by the Corps of Engineers to a new site on the hill east of the church grounds because they would be inundated by the waters of Lake Dardanelle. Flooding did not occur, and the old graveyards could have been left undisturbed. The early

pioneer, Williamson, quite likely did not envision that the institution he established would endure for more than a century, and that he would be remembered as more than an ardent and active leader of the Shiloh Church.



Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church
1938

At least three permanent buildings stood on the church grounds. The centennial edition of the Russellville Courier Democrat describes the first as a "log meetinghouse" erected by John L. Williamson and his sons. The ravages of time took their toll and necessitated the building of a new church house. An article in the Russellville Democrat dated July 30, 1877, includes this sentence, "Our church is not finished it would be a good time for the people around Shiloh to finish the church as they are done the crops (sic)." The same paper for July 29, 1880, in an article describing a Sunday School picnic at Shiloh contains the following statement, "The old camp ground has changed since we used to visit in our childhood. The church building still occupies the same site it did in other years, but it has been enlarged having had added to it an upper story." The writer goes on to say, "A new shed and several small frame buildings have been erected, and two wells have been dug for campmeeting purposes." Mr. John T. Williamson, an elderly man who had lived all of his life in the Shiloh community, said in 1939 that he remembered when the building had an upper story and that it was used by the Grange. He also mentioned a gallery where the slaves sat during worship services. The Russellville Democrat for September 5, 1889, carries an item, v.i.z. — "The new church building at Shiloh is in the process of erection and will be completed by the first of November. It will be 28 x 40, and a neat and comfortable house of worship." An article for January, 1890, states that Rev. J.A. Conley was to preach the dedicatory sermon on January 5 and that there were no services at the Russellville church "next Sunday morning." Why were they building a new church when as recently as 1877 the other building was not finished? The answer to that question has not been found. It may be presumed that the building dedicated in 1890 was the same one that was removed in 1960's. There is no abso-

lute proof of this. If these were all the buildings at Shiloh, and there is no reason to think otherwise, they had an average life of forty years. In addition to the house of worship at Shiloh, numerous sheds for the purpose of the camp-meetings occupied the grounds. These camp-meetings attracted large crowds with some persons travelling as far as fifty miles. Many came by wagon, bringing with them family and provisions, prepared to spend ten to fifteen days at the camp grounds. This required extensive preparation both of quarters for the people and lots for the livestock.

Rev. J.D. Boone, pastor of the Russellville Cumberland Presbyterian Church, brought to the editor of the Russellville Democrat August 14, 1879, an "excellent sample" of coal from a vein two and one-half feet thick struck in a well being dug at the Shiloh camp ground to supply water for a meeting soon to be held there. A later article reports numerous tents pitched at the site to house the campers. The sheds usually faced inward forming a square. The center portion of this area was covered, forming a shelter for the services. Light was supplied by pitch torches or pine knots placed in containers along the perimeter of the central shed. Hay was spread in front on an improvised pulpit for the comfort of the mourners and the penitents who came forward for prayer. One or several preachers conducted the services preaching loud and long as they exhorted the sinner to repent of his sins and turn from his wicked ways. When the crowd reached a frenzied emotional state, the invitation was extended to saints and sinners alike to come to the altar for prayer. During this time, the congregation sang a soft invitational hymn and all who wished to rededicate themselves or profess their faith approached the front to kneel in the hay placed there. The service concluded late in the night and the weary worshippers returned to their quarters to rest. These programs were repeated daily until the end of the meeting when the people would hitch their teams for the long trek home. These meetings were usually held in the early fall, perhaps because the crops were laid by and farm work slack, and the weather was favorable for such gatherings at this time of the year. Refreshed from the spiritual uplifting, having enjoyed fellowship with Christians from distant points, and, no doubt, armed with the latest gossip and the profit from horse trading on the side, the crowd dispersed for the work-a-day life of their homesteads. The sheds were abandoned, except for the shelter provided some wayfarer, until the next camp-meeting when hasty repairs put them into useful condition again.

The final building is worthy of description as its appearance will soon fade from the memory of man and be forever lost. Completed in 1889, and formally dedicated January 5, 1890, it was, as the editor reported, a "neat and comfortable house of worship" in its day. This white frame building faced the west, stood on native stone pillars, and was covered with wood shingles. When one entered the church, he viewed two rows of homemade pews spaced on each side leaving a central aisle. In the exact center of this aisle



Shiloh Church north of Russellville in 1892. This service was being held in Mt. View school while the church was being built.

hung the rope to the bell, which in earlier years tolled the call to worship on Sunday mornings, but in later years was not used due to the fear that the old mountings would give way and the whole thing fall through the ceiling. About half way up the aisle stood a coal stove with its pipe running through the ceiling and out the roof. The center aisle ended at the pulpit standing in the chancel which was one step above the floor, about eight feet wide and extending from wall to wall. To the left, sat the church organ — a reed pump organ — which furnished music for the singing. This organ was replaced with a piano in 1940, much to the satisfaction of the church musician. Three short pews on each end of the chancel faced the pulpit. The ones on the left by the organ served the choir which was called up from the congregation. The pews on the right end of the chancel, used by the male leaders of the church, formed the "amen corner." Both of these sections were used for Sunday School classes. A short deacon's bench sat directly behind the pulpit for the minister. The wall at the back contained two windows and a "Sunday School Register" that showed the number present "today" and the number "last Sunday" as well as the offering for each of those days. The beaded ceiling was painted white and was about twelve feet from the floor. There was a wainscot three and one-half feet high around the wall and above this, wallpaper. Four windows on each side and the two at the back supplied ample light during the day, and at night the light was from single bulbs hanging on drop cords from the ceiling. No doubt the first lights were kerosene lamps on brackets placed along the walls. An incident concerning the stove occurred during Sunday School January 22, 1939. Sparks from it set the tinder-dry roof on fire. It was noticed by a woman on her way to church who ran into the building and spread the alarm. Two men went into the attic through a scuttle at the back and removed enough shingles to get onto the roof and with burlap bags wet in the creek and thrown to the roof by persons on the ground, quickly extinguished the flames. Except for the

quick action by all present, the Shiloh story most likely would have ended here. This building was indeed a "neat and comfortable house of worship" and those who had the pleasure of worshipping here have a warm spot in their hearts for this old church house.

Few of the ministers who served the church before 1867 can be documented, but from that date to the last meeting of Session in 1951 their names may be found in the Session books. The first such record is found in the minutes of the organizational meeting of Ewing Presbytery held at Oak Grove Meeting-house in Johnson County, March 11, 1852. The Rev. Anderson Cox attended this meeting and is referred to as the "Bishop of Shiloh." The Rev. Cox, a very large man (reported to weigh 300 pounds) and also a powerful man of God, organized the church at Clarksville in 1840. He was born in Crawford County, October 24, 1821, licensed to preach in 1844, and spent 48 years of his life in the ministry. At this meeting, W.W. Strickland presented himself as a licentiate and is recorded in the minutes of the Shiloh Session Book as moderator in 1867. The Rev. Collins J. Bradley, who was the second president of Bethel College, became pastor in 1871, and held this office until his death April 10, 1872. He also filled the pulpit at the Russellville Church, which he organized January 29, 1871. The Rev. P.F. Johnson, another president of Bethel College, records that he preached on occasions at the Shiloh Church while pastor at Russellville in 1896. The reports to General Assembly which begin in 1891 list among others the following well known ministers of this area: J.F. Montgomery, A.S. Kinslow, E.A. Milligan, J.W. Alford, D.J. Francis and J.G. Stokes. Many of these church leaders are fondly remembered by Pope County residents. The Session contracted, through Presbytery, for the minister's services one or two Sundays each month for a year, and the remaining Sundays he preached at other small churches in the area. J.F. Montgomery, for example, preached one Sunday per month at four different churches. Perhaps the longevity of Shiloh Church resulted from the work and

leadership provided by these strong and renowned men of God.

The elders, elected for life by the congregation, viewed themselves as truly shepherds of the flock. They served the full tenure in that office as evidenced by the handwriting of the clerk. Whose penmanship while a young man displayed a flourish, but whose palsied hand in later years, produced records that are almost illegible. Any unchristian conduct by a member, whether learned by "common fame" or direct report, was dealt with immediately and the culprit visited by an elder or hailed before Session and admonished to repent. If he failed to do this, his name was struck from the church book and the congregation publicly informed of the action. The major actions confronting Session were concerned with electing delegates to Presbytery each spring and fall, "opening the doors of the church" to receive members, and maintaining the church records. When an old and faithful member died, the Session usually drafted a resolution which was carefully worded and copies made for the bereaved family, and sent to the local paper and the Cumberland Presbyterian for publication. A copy was also "spread" on the church minutes.

One issue of interest which required several meetings and much discussion concerned the church property. It seems that the deed to the property had been misplaced, and, when finally found, it was discovered the church claimed another man's land. After considerable measuring to determine the corners and purchasing other land to trade for the land in question, the issue was finally settled and an exact copy of the deed recorded in the church book. The elders admonished, coerced, and by example led the congregation to a Godly and righteous life.

The mighty oak, planted as a tender shoot, stands as the only reminder of this once thriving and active Cumberland Congregation. There it stood when the old house was torn down and the new built; when campers arrived and set up their meager shelters; when the voices of mighty men of God were raised in supplication; and when the repentant sinner came face to face with his Creator. Under its boughs young lovers held hands, later to become bride and groom, and their children came into the fold perpetuating the life of the church. The laden tables at homecomings and all day singings sat in its shade and the happy voices of people meeting in good fellowship rang out.

The Session of Shiloh Church met for the last time, March 4, 1951, ending an epic in the history of Pope County.

by Lewis Billings

ST. JOE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

In the year 1885, George W. Burris organized a Sunday School under a buncy top Gum Tree at St. Joe on Pea Ridge, 10 miles north of Atkins. They had logs for seats, and

took their school readers to Sunday School. That summer George W. McGee took a list of donors to a saw mill and asked if they would furnish the lumber to build a church and collect the money in the fall. The deal was made. The lumber was hauled on a Tar Poll Wagon, drawn by a yoke of oxen. The house was built by free labor; this house burned in 1903, and again was rebuilt by free labor with Bill Burris and Bill Teague as foremen. It has been re-worked and is now a nice Community Church building. George W. Burris was the principal leader his entire life.

The church was organized in 1886 and given the name of St. Joe Free Will Baptist Church. Some of the charter members were: George W. Burris and his wife, Matilda; Lee Jobe and his wife, Jane; John Ennis and his wife, Cora; Sam Cooper; Rev. James T. Burris; Melvina McGee; and others.

Some of the pastors were: Rev. Han, Rev. Fields, Rev. John Vaughn, Rev. Enick Vaughn, W.R. (Bud) Jobe, Rev. Redwine, and Rev. R.M. Hudson. Several pastors have filled in to date.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

In the latter part of 1923, Lutherans in this area assembled and held meetings in homes of fellow Lutherans. A congregation, called First Lutheran Church, was organized and Worship Services were held in the homes of its members. The first Communion Service recorded in the church register was held January 13, 1924. The membership at this time included Dr. and Mrs. E.C. Fieser, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Lueker, Mr. & Mrs. William Lueker, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Speaker, and Mr. William Westphal, Sr.

Soon after the congregation was organized, a small but beautiful church located on South El Paso Avenue between 2nd and 3rd Streets was purchased from the Episcopalian Church. Services were held in this building which became the home of First Lutheran Church for seventeen years.

In 1924 First Lutheran's first resident Pastor, A.H. Moore, arrived and served the congregation until his death in 1925. Rev. C.H. Neuhaus became Pastor of the congregation in September of 1926 and served until 1929. Lutheran Pastors from Lutherville, Augsburg, Little Rock, and Fort Smith assisted the congregation whenever help was needed during the vacancies.

In the fall of 1930 Pastor Albert Behnke arrived. In 1935 a Christian Day School was opened in a frame building on Detroit and 6th Streets. The first school term of 1935-36 was taught by Pastor Behnke. The school term of 1936-37 was taught by Seminary student Arnold G. Deke and the term of 1937-38 was taught by Seminary student H. Kirchman. Mr. Deke and Mr. Kirchman also assisted Pastor Behnke in the ministry. Pastor Behnke left in September of 1937.

The following three years, First Lutheran Church was served by the following Seminary students under the supervision of the Circuit

Vistor, Rev. Rudolph Prange of Little Rock: Walter Hoffman from September 1937 to July 1938 (Mr. Hoffman also taught during the school term of 1937-38), Alfred Freund from July 1938 to July 1939 (no Christian Day School was held during the 1938-39 school term), Paul Strickert from August 1939 to July 1940 (Mr. Strickert also taught school during the school term of 1939-40)

The Parsonage for these early years was located at 1014 East 4th Street. It was sold to Mrs. Will Lueker in July, 1938, for the sum of \$900.00

In August, 1940, Pastor Adolph A. Kollmorgen arrived. In early 1941, the First Lutheran Church building was sold to the Baptist congregation for the sum of \$1,000.00. The following eight years the First Lutheran members worshipped in the American Legion Hut on North Denver and "C" Streets. In the spring of 1947 the congregation sold its school property on South Detroit for approximately \$1,400.00.

the honor and glory of God. The Sermon was by Pastor Albert Behnke with Pastor Kollmorgen serving as Liturgist.

The following Sunday, October 2, 1949, Pastor Kollmorgen preached his only sermon in the new church. Pastor Killmorgen died October 13, 1949 at St. Mary's Hospital in Russellville.

Pastor Martin Gassner of Alexander, Arkansas, served the congregation as Vacancy Pastor from October 1949 to March 1951. Pastor Julius Dahms served the congregation as Pastor from March 1951 to May 1953. Pastor Gassner again served as Vacancy Pastor from June 1953 to August 1953. In August of 1953 student Darrell D. Schiebinger arrived and served the congregation as a Vicar. He also served the congregation during his final year at Seminary, commuting from St. Louis for the weekends. After his graduation in 1955, Pastor Schiebinger accepted the call to become St. John's Pastor. He served in this capacity until 1958.



St. John's Lutheran Church

In early 1947, a piece of property was purchased at 3rd and Boulder Streets. On Sunday, July 11, 1948, ground was broken for a new church building in a ceremony conducted by the Director of Missions, Pastor Martin Schaefer of St. Louis, Missouri.

The ceremony for the laying of the new church's cornerstone was held on May 15, 1948. Pastor Wilbert Griesse of Little Rock and Pastor Kollmorgen officiated at the ceremony. The A Cappella Choir of Arkansas Tech sang a selection of sacred hymns.

On October 12, 1948, by a unanimous vote, it was resolved that the name First Lutheran Church be changed to St. John's Lutheran Church.

On Sunday, September 25, 1949, at a 2:30 P.M. service St. John's Lutheran Church at Third and Boulder Streets was dedicated to

In September of 1953 arrangements were made with Radio Station KXRJ (KARV) for taping and broadcasting thirty minutes of the Sunday morning Worship Service. These tapes were then aired on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 P.M.

The Congregation, together with a grant of \$9,500.00 from the Western District Lutheran Women's Missionary League built a new Educational Building. Ground breaking for this building was July 29, 1956. The Building Committee consisted of the following members: Louis Brinkman, Martin Scheele, Herman Steuber, Martin Drittler, and William Westphal. This addition to our facilities was dedicated January 27, 1957. During the year 1957 St. John's congregation built a beautiful parsonage (Ranch style) on a recently acquired lot at 1819 South Cleveland. Dedicated

SULPHUR SPRINGS (APPLETON) CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

of the new Parsonage was August 18, 1957. Members of the Parsonage Building Committee were Louis Brinkman, Herman Steuber, and Major William J. Nordin.

Pastor Otto Linnemeir of Mt. Ida, Arkansas, served as Vacancy Pastor from April 1958 to June 1958. In July, 1958, Pastor Jack Robinson arrived. Besides his pastoral duties here at St. John's Congregation, he also visited and administered to the aged and shut-ins at the Perryville Nursing Home, Perryville, Arkansas. Zion Congregation of Augsburg and Trinity Congregation of Petit Jean Mountain also received Pastoral assistance. In 1966 Pastor Robinson accepted a call to Nashville, Tennessee. Pastor George Kuechenmeister of Clarksville served during the vacancy.

In January, 1967, Pastor Wesley H. Ringhardt arrived and was installed as Pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Russellville, and Zion Lutheran Church, Augsburg. As Pastor of a dual parish, and together with his many other duties, Pastor Ringhardt delivered three sermons every Sunday morning.

In September, 1970, St. John's Congregation bought five acres of land at the north end of Yuma (now Cumberland) Street in Russellville to be the site of a new church. Members of the Building Committee were William Grenwelge, Louis Brinkman, Leroy Dritler, Buddy Bocksnick, Dean Sperry, W.S. Stewart, Lloyd Lockwood, and Wallace Favorite. Ground breaking services were held in the afternoon of Sunday, March 23, 1973. Pastor Ringhardt conducted the service. Work began in April, but, due to much inclement weather, progress was slow during the spring and early summer months. At a special meeting on Sunday afternoon, April 1, 1973, it was resolved that the congregation accept an offer of \$50,000.00 and sell our facilities at 3rd Street and Boulder Avenue to the Christian Church. On December 2, 1973, our new Church was dedicated and opened for worship. The dedication sermon was given by Rev. Doctor D.D. Schiebinger of St. Louis, Missouri. In the late summer of 1975 Pastor Ringhardt accepted a call to serve the congregations at Clarksville and Augsburg.

Rev. Hubert Bernthal from First Lutheran Church of Fort Smith served St. John's during the vacancy of 1975-76 until the arrival of Pastor Leslie R. Weiser. Rev. Weiser from Murfreesborough, Illinois, was installed as Pastor of St. John's August 22, 1976. A new outside bulletin board was constructed in 1977 and dedicated on Sunday December 18, 1977. Membership at the present time, June 1978, consists of 300 plus members.

Following is a list of the various organizations which have been active through the years within the congregation: Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Lutheran Laymen's League, Walther League, Youth League, College League, Alter Guild, Koinonia Club and Under 90 Club.

Our blessings from our Heavenly Father have been many, so all Honor and Glory to God from Whom all blessings flow.

Submitted by:

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The first church that was built in the community that later became Appleton was the Sulphur Springs Cumberland Presbyterian Church. It was built about 100 yards east of the present church, near a sulphur spring, which gave it the name Sulphur Springs Cumberland Presbyterian Church. It was established on March 21, 1856, and is now known as the Appleton Cumberland Presbyterian Church, although there is no record of the name having been changed from Sulphur Springs to Appleton.

The Appleton church had its beginning at Old Glass Village at Griffin Flat. As settlers began to move toward the settlement that later became Appleton, it became necessary to start another church. Land on which the present church and cemetery are located was deeded to the church by John Poe, who moved to Pope County in 1839 from Franklin County, Tennessee. The present church building was erected in 1912. Its interior has recently been remodeled and a new addition built that will house three classrooms, kitchen facilities and restrooms.

J.S. Poe, brother of John Poe, served as clerk of the church for 55 years until his death in 1897. He had first served with the Glass Village Congregation.

Rev. W.W. Strickland was the first Moderator and John M. Poe, J.S. Poe, Reuben B. Rankin, and A.L. Rankin were elected elders.

It is said that Rev. W.W. Strickland believed in strict order while he was preaching. During those days there were a lot of ruffins and it was nothing unusual for Rev. Strickland to ask the boys to behave and if they did not, he would walk back and slap or hit them with his hand or fist and keep on preaching.

A partial list of members of Sulphur Springs Presbyterian Church and why they left is as follows: Nancy C. Nash (died as a Kelly), Margaret Brisco (moved off), Emaline Conley (deceased), Absolom Brisco (moved off), William Bramlett, Fredonia Turnbow (deceased), Thomas (a servant — removed), Rebecca Cofman (transferred), Nancy A. Brewton, Harriet Cofman (moved off), Ann Eliza Waller (married Langford, and was later Postmistress at Scottsville), Mary C. Lemley (transferred), Elizabeth Stokes, Lucy J. Poe (removed without letter, married John William Waller of Civil War 1861-5), Elizabeth Webb (transferred), Threon M. Poe (transferred), Elvy (a servant — deceased), James A. Brewton (kicked up and left), Lousen E. Sinclair (transferred), Sarah Rowland (deceased), Evaline Rowland (went astray), Lucinda Gray (deceased), Dudley E. Hall (dismissed by letter), John Martin (left on account of the war, is dead), Catherine Turnbow (transferred), Jesse Marshall (moved), Nancy C. Caudle (moved off without letter), F.M. Lemley (transferred), A.L. Burns (went to Methodist), Lucinda Burns (turned M.E.), Mary Beevers (never was baptized and went away), David Hinchey (suspended), Gary Sinclair

(transferred), Susan Cardal (went astray), A.F. Willin (turned Campbell), Isabel Rankin, Salenda Johnson, Jo S. Poe, Isabel Poe, James Lemley, Salima Lemley.

The record of marriages in Sulphur Springs congregation is as follows: Sister Margaret Blunt to Mr. David N. Thomas, September 15, 1853, Sister Elizabeth McCauley to Bro. I.D. Jones, September 25, 1853, Bro. Thomas H. Vinson to Sister Susan Whitehead, December 8, 1853, Bro. R.B. Rankin to Sister Elizabeth Nash, December 8, 1853, Sister Selina Montgomery to Bro. James Lemley, February 16, 1854, Miss Adalin Brisco to Rev. W.A. Wilson, January 29, 1854.

The Register of Elders containing names, when ordained, and when each ceased to act is as follows: D.E. Montgomery, ceased to act June 3, 1911; F.M. Lemley, ordained February 21, 1889; F.N. Hopkins, August 1, 1889, September 7, 1903; W.J. Lewis, December 26, 1886, September 1, 1933; Lafayette Lemley, February 28, 1897, March 26, 1905; J.B. Caughhorn, ordained February 28, 1897; J.H. Baker, February 27, 1898, October 10, 1903; G.F. Rankin, ordained February 28, 1904; Lattie Montgomery, ordained February 28, 1904.

The Register of Deacons containing names, when ordained, and why each ceased to act is as follows: James Richardson, April 5, 1885, death; F.E. Wilson, April 5, 1885, transferred; Tina Gray, August 27, 1889, moved away; C.A. Bartlett, February 28, 1904; W.O. Hill, February 28, 1904, moved away.

WALNUT GROVE FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH

This church is located beside the Hector-Appleton road in the Walnut Grove Community. The original church was located north of the Walnut Grove Cemetery. The first structure burned and another one was built. This building was moved in 1923 by men, with the help of teams of mules, to where it now stands.

The original church and its replacement were both used as a school. Tom Treadwell, Ed Wilson, Elbert Story and maybe others taught there. Later a school was built for the community.

When the church was established in 1889 it was required to have seven charter members to establish a church. There were only four people available in the area to be members, so Mr. J. Boley Eakin, and H.D. Harris were borrowed from the Union Grove Church.

This church in addition to being the place of worship and school was also the social center of the community. The bell tolled for services, fires, and important events of interest or danger to the community. Three long tolls with pauses meant a death, and that a grave needed to be dug by the neighbors of the bereaved family. Once a year sacraments and feet washings are observed, as they always have been, in this church. The men wash the feet of men and the women wash the feet of

the women.

Revivals of two weeks, more or less, were usually held in the summer, with the services being held day and night. The men often plowed in the early morning. Then they would stop along about mid-morning and take their families to a morning service. Then they returned home for dinner and to plow in the afternoon. Then they took their families to the church again for the night services.

Grove meetings were held before the night service. These meetings were held outside under the trees at twilight. The families would divide up, with the men in one group and the women in another group. Many were converted at the grove meetings.

At the end of a revival, the new converts to the Freewill Baptist faith were baptized. This ceremony was held at creeks or bayous. Church members, friends and families of the newly converted gathered at an appointed time for the occasion. The pastor stood in the creek where the water was about waist deep. One by one a convert walked out into the water to join him. The pastor then announced the name of the individual and baptized them. They would rejoin their family and friends waiting on the banks to rejoice with them.

Rev. J.E. Vaughn was the first pastor of the Walnut Grove Church. He was succeeded by J.H. Treadwell, 1893; H.D. Harris, 1894; J.M. Prince 1895-1899 and 1902-1905; W.D. Isabelle 1901; J.D. Coffman 1910-1911; A.J. Taylor 1912-1916, 1922, and 1927; E.L. Hill 1917-1919; Thomas H. Dixon 1919-1920 and 1925-1926; R.M. Johnson 1906 and 1921; R. B. Venerable 1923; M.A. Thompson 1924. Some of the more recent pastors were: W.F. McGee, J.M. Condley, William E. Coffman, J.E. Warren, Chet V. Kinder, Ellis Johnson, William Crouch, Marley Condley, Ellis Warren, Rayburn Teague, Carol Hanna, and Glendon Garrison is the present pastor of the church. The church is now being repaired and expanded.

The members of the following families attended Walnut Grove Church in its early years. They are: Jim Rackley family, Auther family, Story families, Jones family, Lay family, Teech family, Washburn Miller family, Leech family, Jess Rackley family, Ferguson families, Hollobough families, James Boley Eakin family, J.M. Caudle family, Hill families, C.J. Marable family, and the James Jeffery, Jasper N., Monroe K., Andrew J., Ambrose, and George Churchill families. Also the John (Jack), Hugh Caril, and Wallace Dixon families. Many members of these families have served the church as Deacons.

WASHBURN MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The first item found in the records of the Washburn Presbyterian Church is as follows: "By authority of the Washburn Presbytery, which met in Alma, Arkansas, April 17, 1885, a commission was appointed to visit Russellville, and if prospects are favorable, to organize a church in that place."

This commission consisted of Rev. S.B. Erwin, Dr. F. Patton, Elders M.G. Hearne, and H.P. Barry. They met at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church on June 27, 1885, and after services which were conducted by Dr. Patton, the following persons were received and enrolled as members of The Presbyterian Church: R.D. Love, Mrs. Mary S. Love, Mrs. Mary E. Oates, J.E. Richards, Jerome Love, Mrs. Lela Gray, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Semonin, and J.A. Miller.

R.D. Love and J.A. Miller were elected ruling Elders. T.F. Oates and J.E. Richards were elected deacons. The three latter were ordained and installed, and R.D. Love, having been previously ordained, was only installed. The church, desiring to have regular services each month, requested S.B. Erwin and Dr. Patton to supply the church alternately.

The invitation of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church to use their building for the services was accepted. This arrangement was continued until the year 1890 when the congregation erected its own house of worship on the corner now occupied by the First Baptist Church.

The Church was known on the rolls of Washburn Presbytery as "The Washburn Memorial Church" taking its name from the pioneer minister to the Indians, the Reverend Cephas Washburn. This church struggled against great difficulties the whole twenty-seven years of its existence. It often had to work in conjunction with other Presbyterian churches in order to have regular services of a pastor, sometimes with the Mt. Zion and Dardanelle churches nearby to form one field of work.

There were a number of faithful souls who served this church during its history, but some names stand out as having done special service. Mr. J.A. Miller was the first clerk of the session until about the year 1892, when Mr. L.B. McClure took over that important office. Miss Maggie Miller was very diligent as organist until she moved in 1902. Mr. Charlie Dodd was chosen to take her place and served until the church joined the Central Presbyterian Church in October, 1911. He also served for sometime as a deacon, along with Mr. George Black, Mr. Robert Ferguson, Mr. Jess Martin, and others.

Mr. L.B. McClure served for a short time as a deacon, but was soon elected an elder. He became clerk of the session in 1892 and served in that capacity until the end of the church's history.

The congregation of the Washburn Memorial Church, in a meeting, on October 1, 1911, voted to unite with the Central Presbyterian Church.

The names of the ministers who served the Washburn Memorial Presbyterian Church and the dates when installed and dismissed are as follows: F. Patton, June 29, 1885, to January 1, 1889; S.B. Erwin, June 29, 1885, to unknown, no record; W.A. Sample, January 26, 1889, to November 10, 1889; R.J. Horn, January 1, 1890, to Fall of 1890; J.W. Heagen, May 1, 1891, to October 1, 1891; Patton, January 1, 1892, to January 1, 1893; P.L. Benn, June 15, 1893, to September 15, 1893; B.H. Hall, November 1, 1893, to Au-

gust 15, 1894; J.L. Green, September 1, 1894, to September 1, 1895; Jas. E. Green, September 1, 1895, to August 1, 1896; J. Leighton, August 1, 1896, to November 1, 1897; Gus Woodbridge, March 13, 1898, to January 29, 1901; E.P. Pillans, August 20, 1901, to January 1, 1902; A.W. Milster, June 1, 1902, to January 1, 1905; E.B. Reade, April 1, 1906, to April 1, 1908; and S.K. Dodson, June 1, 1909, to September 1, 1911.

The Register of Elders of Washburn Memorial Presbyterian Church and the dates when installed and dismissed are as follows: R.D. Love, June 27, 1885, to October 14, 1888; J.A. Miller, June 27, 1885, to July 29, 1906; M.S. Hughey, June 23, 1889, to August, 1893; P.J. Gibson, June 23, 1889, to September 18, 1892; L.B. McClure, April 6, 1892, to October 19, 1911; J.R. Oates, April 6, 1892, to October 19, 1911; W.W. Kerr, September 3, 1893, to June 5, 1899; W.M. Oates, November 11, 1894, to October 19, 1911; and W.Estes, August 14, 1910, to October 19, 1911.

The Register of Deacons of Washburn Memorial Presbyterian Church and the dates when installed and dismissed are as follows: T.R. Oates, June 27, 1885, to June, 1886; J.E. Richards, June 27, 1885, to June 1886; J.L. Gray, May 26, 1889, to March 2, 1892; George Black, September 3, 1893, to October 19, 1911; L.B. McClure, January 26, 1891, to April 6, 1892; R.E. Miller, January 26, 1896, to March 13, 1910; J.M. Martin, October 23, 1904, to October 19, 1911; C.W. Dodd, November 28, 1909, to October 19, 1911; and R.W. Ferguson, November 2, 1910, to October 19, 1911.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AUGSBURG

Zion Lutheran Church situated about eight miles north of London, in Pope County, was founded by a group of German-speaking Lutherans, who migrated from Germany and eventually came to Arkansas in the early 1880's.

The Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, established in 1842, sent Missionary-at-large F.W. Herzberger into Northwest Arkansas to organize various groups of Lutherans migrating from the old country. In 1883, he established the Zion Lutheran Church at Augsburg.

In October, 1957, they observed the 50th anniversary of the dedication of its present place of worship and many persons attended from several states. October 19, 1958, they observed the 75th anniversary of the founding of the church with special services. Rev. H.M. Hansen spoke in the morning and in the afternoon Rev. Richard Jahn of First Lutheran Church in Little Rock, who was the second president of the Western District of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, spoke.

F.W. Herzberger, Missionary-at-large of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, was their first resident pastor in 1883. He was followed by Pastor Henry Koch, who domiciled in Lutherville, until called away to

OTHER CHURCHES IN THE COUNTY



Zion Lutheran Church of Augsburg

New Bergholz, New York. Pastor C. Burghardt of Garden City, Alabama, was the next pastor of the dual parish — Lutherville-Augsburg.

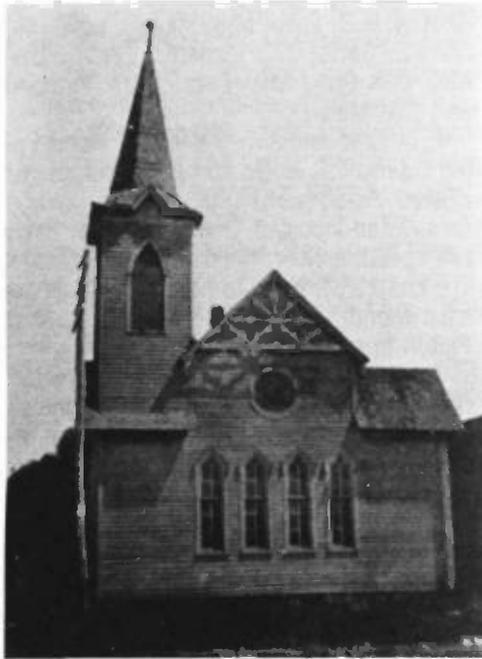
A Parish School, taught by the respective pastors up to 1888, was now taught by a Lutheran Parish School teacher, Mr. Henry Steuber, who taught the school for quite a period of years.

Pastor Burghardt accepted a call to Memphis, Tennessee, and the next pastor was Gerhard V. Toerne of Cole Camp, Missouri, who served until 1897, being succeeded by Pastor August F. Graebner, of Osage Bluff, Missouri. He resigned his pastorate in 1905. Pastor W.J. Kaiser, First Lutheran, Little Rock, served as vacancy pastor until the Rev. H.M. Schreiner, of Pineconing, Michigan, was installed as pastor of Zion by the Rev. Kaiser.

It was during the pastorate of Pastor Schreiner that Zion Parish School had its most successful period and the congregation attained its greatest numerical strength during his ministry. He served the parish until early in 1917.

Succeeding pastors were: the Rev. B.F. Noack; Rev. H.F. Meyer; Rev. H.D. Wagner, Rev. Martin L. Cook; Rev. H.M. Hansen, who served Zion in conjunction with the Lutherville Parish until May, 1940.

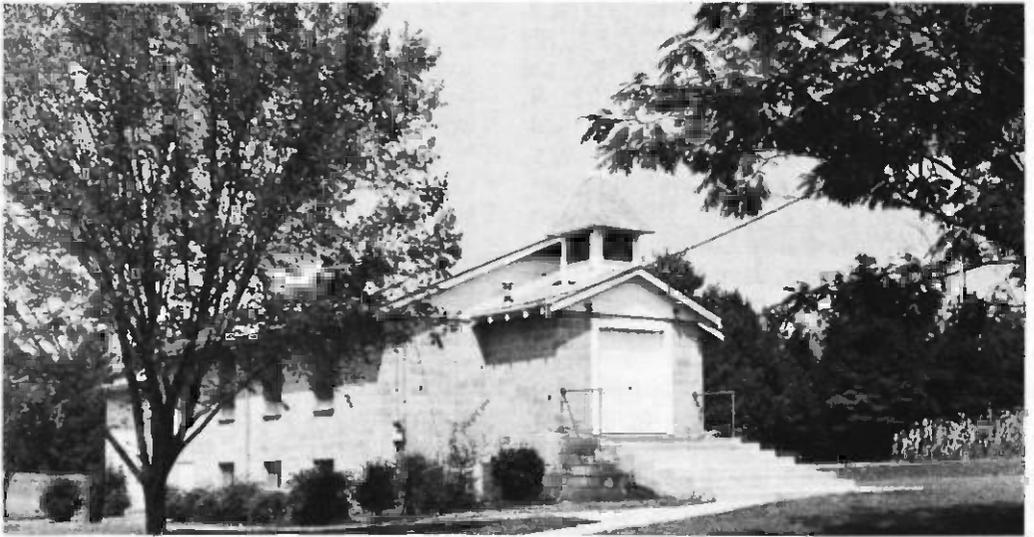
Zion and St. Paul Parishes were without the services of a resident pastor until pastor Rev. J.C. Kaiser (son of Rev. W.J. Kaiser) was installed in his office of pastor of the dual parishes, Augsburg-Lutherville. Rev. Kaiser served through April 3, 1960.



Christian Church, Atkins, Ark.



Economy C.P. Church



Mt. Carmel C.P. Church north of London. The church bell used so many years at the Shiloh C.P. Church is now used here.



Maple Springs F.W.B. Church



Martin Chapel Assembly of God



Rushing Church — Built in 1891.



Mill Creek Ch. of Christ



Pleasant View Baptist Ch.



Liberty Grove Assembly of God Church — 1942. Rev. Gorman Daniels, Pastor.

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF POPE COUNTY

The public schools in Pope County were an outgrowth of the reconstruction period following the Civil War. The Arkansas State Constitution of 1868 made public schools mandatory. Neither the date of the establishment of the first public school in Pope County, nor the date of the opening of the first public school can be established though both can be closely approximated.

Pope County Court records show nothing at all of the organization of the first school districts. The first reference in the court records to any district is on January 26, 1869, at which time districts numbers 14, 15, and 16 were authorized. Since the law required that the districts be numbered consecutively it is obvious that thirteen districts were organized between March 14, 1867, when they were first authorized by the Arkansas Legislature and January 26, 1869.

The first district were Number 1, in what is now Smyrna Township near the headwaters of the Illinois Bayou; No. 2, Falling Water, on the Newton County line; No. 3, Treat, in Allen Township; No. 4, Rushing District, on Big Piney; No. 5, Scottsville; No. 6, Appleton; No. 7, Hopewell, north of Atkins; No. 8, Gravel Hill; No. 9, Crooked Branch, north of Dover; No. 10, Ball Hill, northeast of London; No. 11, Ouita, west of Russellville; No. 12, Double Springs, on the west end of Crow Mountain; and No. 13, at Old Galla Rock, on the Arkansas River.

As to which of these schools actually held classes first and the date of its opening, the sole source of information is the datings of warrants written by the County Treasurer of that time. Using this as a guide, indications are that either Ball Hill, No. 10, or Double Springs, No. 12, opened first. Warrants, evidently for teaching were written in each of these at almost the same time; in Ball Hill on July 25, 1869, and in Double Springs on August 1, 1869. Twelve of the districts operated schools in the late summer and fall of that year. Falling Water, No. 2, apparently did not operate a school until 1871.

These thirteen school districts appear to be the only public schools established and operated until after the adoption of the Arkansas Constitution of 1874. School districts 14, 15, and 16, which the court records show were authorized January 26, 1869, apparently did not ever operate as no warrants were issued and the numbers were later given to other districts.

A question may rise about the locations of the first public schools established. Conspicuously absent are Dover, the county seat, and other more centrally located areas. In answer to this question there are at least three possible observations. The better subscription schools were in the more populous areas. Second the troublesome problems of reconstruction were more severe in these areas and third, many of the leaders were slow to accept anything that came through the Reconstruction Government.

Following the adoption of the Constitution of 1874 new school districts were established rapidly. A check of the records of the various county treasurers shows that fifty schools were in operation by 1880. The number exceeded eighty by 1885 and was near one hundred by 1890. After the year 1890 additional districts were created slowly and many of these were created from other districts. Probably no more than one hundred fifteen districts were ever in operation at the same time in Pope County. A map of the school districts, drawn by Mr. John Vance in 1920, has one hundred fifteen as the top number although there had been two consolidations at that time. The Pope County Board of Education records lists one hundred fifteen as the top number, also.

The early school was almost entirely local. The district was formed by local people; it was under a board elected by local people; it was financed largely by a local tax; and the teachers were generally local people. The length of the term was determined by the amount of local revenue. Usually the term was from three to five months. If the school operated more than three months it had a split term. Two months of this term were in the summer and three months were in the fall and winter. This type of split term was set up to fit into the

cotton farming economy. Since school terms were short pupil advancement was slow and many pupils of the schools were of a fairly advanced age.

The course of study basically was the "Three R's." Actually teaching was done by subjects rather than by grades and promotions were by subject. As late as 1925-26 county records were kept by subject. The curriculum over a wide period shows the subjects taught as being spelling, reading, mental arithmetic, written arithmetic, English Grammar, geography, penmanship, U.S. History, physiology, hygiene, Arkansas History, elementary algebra, and civil government. In some schools higher branches were offered for the upper level students. Only a few schools could offer all these subjects and offerings in the one teacher schools were particularly limited. In fact, in these only the basic subjects were taught.

The early buildings were either frame or log structures and most of these contained one room and were unceiled. As finances permitted more rooms were added and the buildings were ceiled. School buildings usually stood on knolls or high ground. Often one wall in the room was painted black to provide blackboard space. The county records show that in 1904-1905 brick buildings had been built in Atkins and Dover. Records show nothing for the three previous years and the 1900-1901 record shows that both districts had frame buildings.

According to the 1904-1905 county school records most of the schools in the county had one or two teachers. Russellville had ten teachers at that time, while Dover had three, Atkins four, London four, and Pottsville three. As the schools grew more teachers were added. In 1918-1919 Russellville was offering four years of high school work, Atkins and Pottsville were each offering three years, and Dover, London, and Hector were offering some high school subjects. Any other high school work consisted of a course or two in a school where an ambitious teacher was employed.

By 1927-1928 the number of schools in operation was one hundred four white and three black districts. Of the white districts

sixty-four were one-teacher units, thirty-three were two-teacher units and one had three teachers. Schools employing more than three teachers were London four; Dover and Hector five each; Pottsville seven; Atkins eleven; and Russellville twenty-nine. Only thirteen teachers in the county were classified as high school teachers: two at Dover, three at Atkins and Pottsville, and five at Russellville.

Russellville was the only school having a nine month term in 1927-1928. Twenty-four other schools had terms of eight months, forty-nine had terms of six or seven months, and all others operated less than six months. Rural schools continued to operate on a split term basis.

About this time a state-wide push for consolidation began and this of course had its effect in Pope County. Central attendance units were established at Atkins, Dover, Hector, London, Pottsville, and Russellville. The first school bus in Pope County was operated in the Hector School District in 1929. This bus transported high school students from Scottsville and the surrounding area to Hector. In November of 1948 a state-wide plan of school reorganization was passed. When this was completed Pope County had five school districts: Russellville, Dover, Atkins, Hector, and Pottsville. In 1976-77 these schools operated 68 buses transporting an average of 4,999 pupils per day.

In 1927-1928 there were 10,187 people in the county in the 6 through 20 year age level. Of these 7,350 were enrolled in schools. In 1976-1977 there were 7,249 people in Pope County 6 through 17 years of age and the school enrollment was 7,829.

by N. H. Bell and by James C. Bell

RECOLLECTIONS OF SCHOOL DAYS IN POPE COUNTY (1905-1912)

Mrs. Dicie Burch Tucker was born on March 8, 1897, in Pope County, Arkansas, near the north fork of the Illinois Bayou, near the homeplace of her grandfather, Samuel Houston "Hous" Burch, Sr. (He founded the Burch Missionary Baptist Church and cemetery on his property.) She is the daughter of Samule H. Burch, Jr. and Mattie Belle Sinclair Burch. She lived in Pope County until 1923 when she moved with her husband David Earl Tucker and her children to Jackson County, Arkansas. She also lived in Woodruff and Greene counties in Arkansas before moving to Michigan in the early 1960's to be near her descendents. She volunteers some recollections of her school days in Pope County:

The first school I went to was the Pine Grove School in 1905. Mr. Ellis was the teacher. These are the names of the children that attended Pine Grove that year: Dicie Burch, Bernice, Kay, and Thayer Campbell, Birtha and Clark Goates, Homer Goates, Joe Goates, Roy Goates, Ethel and Otis Hale, Johnnie and Mattie Hinchey, Adley Sams, Arthur and Etta Sinclair, Frank and Julia Taylor, and Ester Vanmeter.

We moved to Laurel, five miles north of Pine Grove, in 1906. My dad, Sam Burch, ran a little community grocery store and Post Office there. The school that I attended was called the Laurel School. It was in session two months in summer and two months in winter. Alan Price was the teacher. Here is a list of pupils that attended the winter term of 1906-07, (to the best of my memory). Cager, Calvin, Lucy and Susie Bragg, Fred Bragg, Bid and Kay Burch, Dicie Burch, Dwight, Gladys, and Hoyt Burch, Eugene, Lena, and Mae Davis, Ella and Winnie Goates, Fred and Mattie Hickey, Maxie Lee, Shelly Miller, Gladys Newport, Fay Price, Bertie, Elmer, and Etta Roberts, Anna and Janie Sherman, Beadie, Bertie, Easter, and Mandy Wooten, and Bob and Lucretia Wright.

The following term (summer of 1907) was taught by Ruth Neal. The winter term of 1907-08 was taught by Mrs. Prince. Kay Campbell taught the summer term of 1908.

In 1912 the Pine Grove School house was moved about a mile west. Alan Price donated the land and so the school was renamed and called "Price Grove." This is a list of pupils for that year. Alan Campbell was teacher. Maude Bailey, Dicie and Scott Burch, George and Willie Caldwell, Alec, Andrew, and Sarah Goates, Arvil Jewell and Roy Goates, Ethel and Susie Goates, Clara, Elmer, and Grady Hamilton, Edgar, Mattie, and Sadie Hinchey, Huffman (two brothers), Anna and Edgar Jennings, Augie Ross, Mattie Ruff, Adley Sams, Julia Taylor, Riley Watkins, and Nettie Winters.

by W. Ross Berry

PINE KNOTTING — REMINISCENCE OF DUDE RIDGE SCHOOL

"Dude Ridge" School was about 12 miles north of Atkins, Arkansas, on the old Atkins and Appleton Road. In recent years it has become Thompson Chapel. The children of Lattie D. Parton and Adah Parton attended school there around 1924-25-26.

Puffs of black smoke, flame lined, heaved and billowed like a breathing thing, as the pine forest fell victim to the ravages of the fire. In the wake of the fire, the older logs, fallen limbs, and rotting fence posts soon burned themselves out into gray-white ashes. But if the wind blew the flames rapidly, or if a shower of rain smothered the coals before all was consumed, hard and grainy knots of pine remained scattered over the trail of the forest fire.

"Pine knots" as the natives of Pope County, Arkansas, called them, were often grotesque or beautiful but always useful. Wood-burning fireplaces were turned into colorful, flame-throwing torches when a few knots were thrown on the fire. Resin within the hard and swirling shapes of wood was released by the flames, creating a sizzling, sappy song as it sang itself into oblivion.

Fuel must be gathered in the late summer for the three months of school held in the

winter. Some green wood was purchased or donated for the "Dude Ridge" school. However, since the teacher's salary of \$30.00 per month strained the budget of the District, much of the wood was gathered by parents and the upper-grade students.

A gentle team was hitched to the farm wagon and on an approved meeting date, several gathered to pick up loads of kindling wood and "pine knots". Boys and girls would walk into the edges of the timbered areas bringing back to the wagon arm loads of grey-white, yellow streaked clusters of knotty pine. These knots, when split, were amber to red streaked, resin laden, splinters which were unrivaled for sure-fire starts in the school's pot bellied stove. The smell of burning pine lent an air of out-of-doors, memory full of the night with its forest fire blazes, to the drab little one-roomed building where the knowledge of the ages blended with the crackle and glitter of the burning "pine knots."

by Louise (Parton) McElroy

ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Arkansas Tech was created by an act of the Arkansas General Assembly in 1909. Under the provision of this Act the state was divided into four Agricultural School Districts. Boards of Trustees were appointed by the Governor with the approval of the Senate, and appropriations were made for the erection of buildings and employment of a faculty for a district agricultural school in each of the four districts.

Twenty counties of northwest Arkansas were designated as the Second District. Governor Donahey appointed W.U. Balkman, J.R. Williams, H.S. Mobley, A.D. Shinn, and O.P. Nixon as a Board of Trustees for Second District Agricultural School. Several towns made efforts to have the school located in their midst. Each town was to be judged on the grounds of biggest cash bonus, grounds, and desirability of general surroundings.

Russellville bid in competition with several towns for the second Agricultural School, but Morrilton furnished the hottest competition. The group representing Russellville met with state officials on the day the bids were to be presented and they thought the deal was in the bag. However, Morrilton had been expected to send a bid also, and the officials decided to wait until the train, which was two hours late, pulled in. When the train arrived, quite a large number of Morrilton business men got off the train. Russellville had been prepared to bid thirty-five thousand dollars for the school, but upon seeing the large group that had come from Morrilton, they immediately raised the figure to forty thousand dollars and got the Institution located here in Russellville.

Before it was over, Russellville had supplied sixty thousand dollars and three hundred forty acres of land. The campus and pasture was put on one hundred forty acres, and two hundred acres were put in cultivation.

The school opened its doors for students in the Fall of 1910. The first class to graduate



This is the old Williamson home that stood where the old Main Building was built at Tech. This home faced the road on the west side of the building.



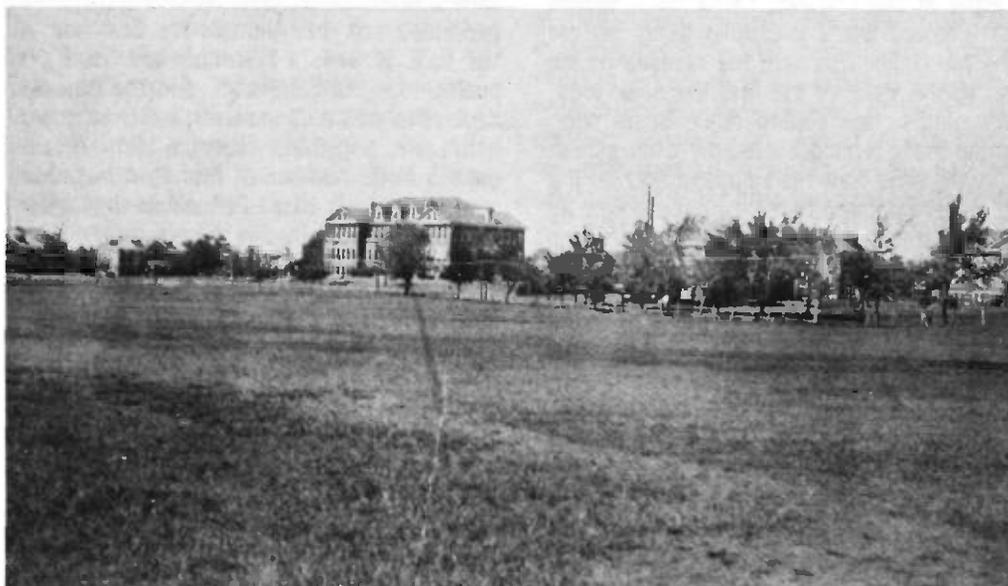
Laying of Corner Stone at Agriculture School. (now Tech)



The original Classroom building at the Agricultural School at Russellville (Architects Drawing).

from the school was the high school Class of 1912. In 1921-22, a freshman year of college work was offered, in 1922-23 a second year, in 1923-24 a third year, and in 1924-25 a fourth year. The General Assembly in 1925 changed the name from the Second District Agricultural School to the Arkansas Polytechnic College with power to grant degrees. The Class of 1925 was graduated with the degree of bachelor of science, as was the Class of 1926. The effort to maintain a four-year high school and a four-year college and grant degrees proved beyond the resources of the institution at that time, and it became a junior college in the Fall of 1927. The four years of secondary work were dropped, one year at a time, and the last high school class was the Class of 1929.

Changing and increased demands for college education in Arkansas caused the Board of Trustees in 1948 to convert the College from a junior college to a degree-granting institution. So after twenty-one years as a junior college, accredited for nearly two decades by



Arkansas Tech Campus as seen from the southeast corner of the present football field.



Football practice in the 1920's.

the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the College in 1948-49 offered the third year of college work, and in 1949-50 the fourth year, with the first baccalaureate degrees awarded at the end of the 1949-50 spring semester.

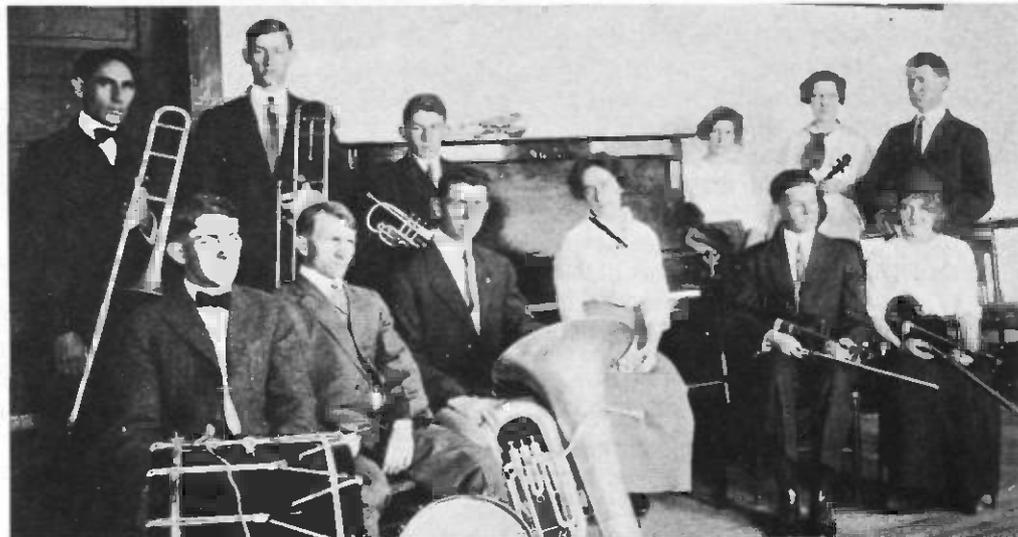
Since being designated as a four-year degree granting institution in 1948, the College has continuously adjusted its programs of study to accommodate the needs of the public. From a generally oriented liberal arts college, the institution had adjusted its scope to accommodate the immediate and future needs of a highly technological society. This involvement culminated in a reorganization of the college in 1970 which focuses its educational activities in the Schools of Arts and Sciences, Education, and Systems Science. This grouping of academic departments clearly delineates those programs which are traditional with higher learning, those which are oriented toward teacher training for employment in the vast array of business, industrial and governmental systems found in contemporary society.

In the summer of 1976 the name was changed to Arkansas Tech University. Just before this change took place "Tech" was one of only two state supported four-year colleges left in Arkansas. All of the others had changed their names earlier. So, after much debate the names of these last two four-year colleges were both changed to Universities.

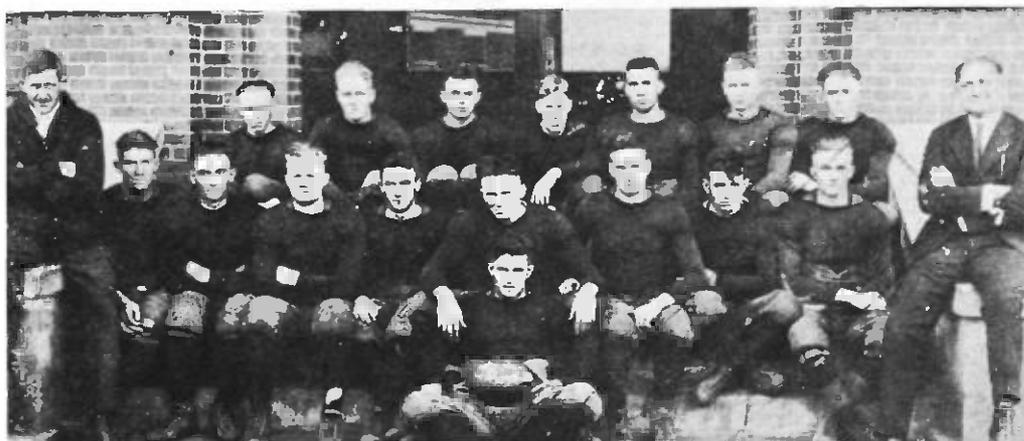
by David L. Vance



An early day Tech Band playing on the football field. Note the wooden fence surrounding the field.



Marvin Williamson and one of his College Bands.



The "undefeated 1920 Russellville Aggies" — (back row) Bob White, Carrol Jones, Frank Stanley, Hugh Humphrey, George Hawn, Glenn Kerr, Ellis Landhon; (middle row) Coach E.O. Brown, John McIlroy, Gab Lawrence, Alton Shockley, Denton Powers, Paul Thompson, Elmer Hamm, Peanut Rogers, George Stokes, President Hugh Critz; (seated) John Tucker.



Caraway Hall at Arkansas Tech, built at a cost of \$75,000.00.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH SCHOOL

There are a lot of different denominational church schools over the country and a few in the State of Arkansas, but few people will remember that Pope County once had a church school for a Protestant church. In 1921, the members of the Assembly of God Church in Russellville, decided it would be a good idea to establish a church school. They were worshipping in their first church building, built in 1914, which was large enough to accommodate such a venture. The men of the church went to work and built a lot of benches with a folding table on the back so it would let down for church services. The bench would accommodate at least four pupils and for church would hold about six persons. These benches were used in class rooms for many years after they were used for school.

Mrs. Tom (Agnes) Stokes, was a teacher in the County schools and was a member of the Church so she was hired to be the teacher. It was a typical one room school, with the older children helping the younger ones with their lessons and especially their reading. Of course the first graders had their table and chairs. Everything went along smoothly for a while until Mrs. Stokes became ill and her sister, Miss Hundley, taught for her for a while, then Rev. George W. Hardcastle was hired to finish the term.

It was quite an undertaking for the members of the church, and they decided to send their children to the public schools after that one year. This was the school year of 1921-22.

by J. B. Lemley

BALL HILL SCHOOL

In conversation with Uncle Fredrick (Fed) Smith, J. E. Shinn remarked, "We've got to select a burying ground and soon." To this Uncle Fed replied, "I have already picked a place if all are willing for the location." Thus, in the early 1850's began the acquisition of a "burying ground" now known as the Ball Hill Cemetery. J. E. Shinn, who died on Oct. 19, 1852 at the young age of 30, was the first to be buried in the cemetery.

On the 10th day of June, 1867, Fredrick and Martha Smith sold 2 acres of land to J.A. Rachel and Travis C. Smith upon which was constructed a building for the Ball Hill School and Church. Smith and Rachel acted as trustees for the school and church, and the transaction was witnessed by John C. Hughes, acting J. P., and recorded by A. J. Bayless, Clerk (Record Book 1, page 40-41).

Some of the first school warrants issued in Ball Hill District #10 were to C.G. Pland by W. T. Brown in the amount of \$125; to C. G. Pland by J. N. Williamson in the amount of \$150.00 on July 26, 1869; and in the amount of \$40.00 to O. P. Nickelson by A. M. Bell. School records of 1878, 1884, and 1890 show the following men as directors: J. D.



Grammar School at First Assembly of God Church
the winter of 1921-1922

1 Row. L to R. Paul Hawkins, Luke Scruggs, Raymond Long, Beecher Lewis, Teacher Agnes Stokes, J.B. Lemley, Ralph Scruggs, Edwin Burris, Jim Jones, Odell Kiser and Troy Hawkins. 2 Row. Katie McAlister, Bessie Jones, Ruby Swilling, Louise Turnbow, Thelma Kiser, Irene Shinn, Jewell Smith, Gladys Taylor, Nona Barton, Ruth Marie Taylor, Dora Mae Fitzgerald. 3 Row. Harold Smith, Q. Smith, Ellen Shinn, Grace Helen Biffie, Avo Kiser, Juanita Turnbow, Chester Lee Richardson, David Brigham, Burley Hawkins. 4 Row. Thelma Fitzgerald, Bertha Lewis, Thresa Campbell, Jessie Parks, Helen Swilling, Callie Barton, Albert Murrphy, Ed Shinn, Lee Brigham, and Raymond Fitzgerald.

Wait, J. T. Davidson, J. C. Forest, J. F. Turner, James Potts Clark, and C. L. Epps. Teachers during this time were: D. C. Pless, Aureline Doggett, L. L. Journey, T. S. Johnson, J. K. Tame, S. C. Burgess, Geo. H. Shinn, S. R. Rodgers, N. H. Baird, T. D. Brooks, J. T. Davis, Miss M. C. Smith, J. T. Whorton, and C. G. Pland.

As more people moved into the community, the need for Christian teaching increased. To meet this need, a union Sunday school was organized with the superintendent and teachers being peace loving citizens. In 1884,

a Baptist Church of Christ was organized. B. D. R. Shinn was church clerk. Members listed in 1906 were: P. H. Kendrick, Nancy Kendrick, W. R. Worley, Cloyd Worley, Ellen Worley, George Worley, Ernest Worley, W. M. Massengale, S. S. Brock, J. W. Booher, S. A. Massengale, Margie Davis, D. L. Massengale, Martha Smith, Eliza Smith, Martha Davis, Gilem Smith, Mary A. Smith, Thomas Spillers, John Davis, Shordette Davis, W.C. Connerally, Virginia Connerally, Linda Long, Julia Sands, Will Talley, Fronia Jones, Rosea Spillers, Lula Bell, Mollie Worley, Mollie Ken-



Ball Hill School Group Pope County in 1898 was taught by W.E. "Edd" Shoptaw standing on the right. 1st row: first 3 unknown, Ben Smith, Sherrod Thompson, George Smith, Jess Bell, Roy Booher, and unknown. 2nd row: Florence Shoptaw, Eula Bell, Betty Shinn, Mandie Thompson, Shellie Shinn, Ethel Shinn, Mae Thompson, and Laura Shoptaw. 3rd row: Joe I. Smith, Fred Thompson, Maxie Shinn, Euphemia Smith, Fronia Wheeler, Rose Wheeler, Sally Smith, Jessie Wheeler, Ezra Shinn, and Walter Clark. Back row: Bob Booher, Chester Spillers, Willie Smith, Dud Booher, Clarence Spillers, Walter Shinn, and unknown.

drick, Dollie Worley, Will Bramlett, Lee Floyd, Viend Scarbrough, Sally Mattox, W. F. Dover, Nora Blankenship, Jessie Roberts, Luella Worley, Tillie Sands, Milus Bramlett, Eliza Blankenship, Tobe Freeman, Malen Johnson, Nancy Johnson, George Mitchell, Dory Mitchell, Emma Burris, John Roberts, Vant Jolley, Will McDonald, Jennie McDonald, Tom Long, Lizzie Birdsong, and Ellie Wheller.

Services of the church would begin on Saturday and continue through Sunday, necessitating a place for horses to be hitched and kept "in the dry". For this purpose, a long shed was built beside the building to stable the horses in rainy weather, the wagons being covered with bows and wagon sheets. Later, the Odd Fellows organization added a second story to the original building to accommodate their meetings.

Because of increases enrollment, land was purchased from Martin Epps in 1886 upon which to erect a new school house. The register of school warrants include the notation of \$10.00 paid to S.W. Swann for digging a well; \$1.50 to Rueben Smith for making blackboards; \$9.00 to Aell Roys for a heating stove; \$5.00 to T.G. Hughes for wood; \$7.50 for stove pipe; \$46.25 to C. L. Epps for carpenter work on the building; and \$141.60 for lumber.

In 1898, W.E. (Edd) Shoptaw, who had attended school in both buildings, began teaching at 18 years of age. One of his favorite teachers was Charley Talkington. Others who taught in the new building were: a Mrs. Shaddock, Emmitt Shinn, H. Scott Smith, Ted Worley, Bessie Skidmore, Lucille Shinn, Noah Scott Booher, Truman Shinn, Irwin McDonald, and Edd McAlister. Directors for the school were C.T. Shinn, W.A. Smith, Ott Rogers, L. C. Smith, and Ira Rachel.

On July 14, 1928, Ball Hill School District #39 were consolidated, and a rock building erected on land purchased from Thomas Smith. The new school was named Fairview, and was built by the Public Works Administration. On October 5, 1948 the Fairview district was divided between the London and Russellville School districts. In 1949, both London and Fairview were consolidated into the Russellville district. The Ball Hill property was eventually sold to W.C. Young, a county agent. With the building gone, the land has returned to its natural state. The Fairview property was sold to James Edward Vinson. The building now stands vacant and unused.

From the era of the horse and buggy to modern day, the ball Hill School has made a vital contribution to the progress of Pope County, and its citizens.

by Chester and Opal Rachel

DOUBLE SPRINGS SCHOOL (1871-1929)

The Double Springs School was located 8 miles east of Russellville and was the first school established in the Gumlog Township. The first school house was built in Section 4 Township 7 North, Range 19 West between



Double Springs School, John Wesley Bowden, Teacher, About 1900

two overflowing springs that gave the community its name. Pope County issued school warrants to operate the school in 1871, however, records do not show how the school board members were elected or what funds were used until 1883. The records show the following persons served on the school board, either being elected or appointed: W.F. Kendrick 1 yr expired 1883, J.H. Parker 3 yr term expired May 19, 1883, L. N. Bailey 3 yr term expired May 17, 1884, J.F. Scott 2 yr term expired May 16, 1885 and George Gedion whose term expired May 15, 1886. Other board members who served before 1900 were: J.F. Morphis, J.W. Morphis, O.F. Tench, J.F. Walters, J.H. Scott and A.L. Holbrook. A suit was filed in Pope County Court on March 3, 1884, petitioning the court to reduce the size of the Double Springs School District and to allow the Mars Hill and Maple Springs School Districts to be formed. The petition was granted and the Double Springs District was reduced to 4½ square miles. John Wesley Bowden, Evelyn Thompson and Isacc Morphis were among the early teachers, and the building used for school was also used for Worship Services for the Methodist. This building either burned or was torn down about 1910 and a new one room building was erected ½ mile Northwest of the first location in Section 32 Range 8 North, Township 19 West. This also served as a school and a house of worship for the whole community. Two of the teachers in this building were Ruben Chenowith and Paul Teeter.

In 1929 the district was consolated with Pottsville and the puplis were transported by buses to Pottsville for four years. After the depression the school at Double Springs was reopened for two terms. The teachers were Misses Eunice and Pauline Shinn during the years 1934-35.

by Doyle Roberts

DOVER SCHOOLS

The first public school in Dover was in the Masonic hall, until a log building could be

built. When this building was burned during the Civil War the classes were held in the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches, and when the County Seat was moved to Russellville the old courthouse was bought by the school board to be used as a school.

Another school at Dover was the old Dover College, which set on College Hill, just west of downtown Dover. Like most schools of this period, this was a subscription school. The Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of the State of Arkansas, received a plot of ground in Dover, erected a building and maintained a school there for several years. In the meanwhile, School District No. 17 was formed. After the Methodist Conference abandoned their school building, the school district assumed charge of these buildings and used them until they were burned by a fire on March 1, 1906.

The school at that time returned to the old courthouse building and used it for a school until something better could be obtained. After a few years, the school enrollment out grew the old building and it had to be torn down and replaced by a newer and larger building, which was built on the same site in 1917. Another modern brick school building was erected at the base of College Hill in 1931, and this site is still being used today.

Little can be found out about the old College at Dover, but I have found where they put out an ad for the fall session of 1874, which was to start on August 31. A session was to consist of two terms of five months, or twenty weeks each. The following were the charges for twenty weeks:

Primary Class	\$10.00
Studies: Orthography, Reading Writing, & c.	
Second Class	\$15.00
Studies: The above with Grammar, Arithmetic, Geography, & c.	
Third Class	\$20.00
Studies: The above with the Sciences, Advanced English, Mathematics, & c.	
Fourth Class	\$25.00
Studies: The above with Latin, & c.	
Incidental Fee, for each student.....	\$1.00



First Graduating Class of Dover High School. Row 1 — Lois Hurley, Thelma Cole (Criner), Ruth Forrest (Jennings). Row 2 — Sylvia Hurley (Talkington), Ova Landers (Reynolds) Beatrice Nelson.

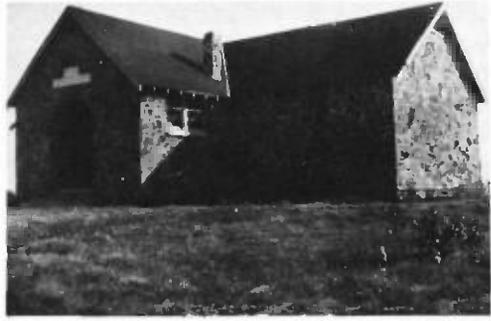
The principal was Robert W. Moses and Miss Gussie Moses was the assistant. The text books adopted for the Dover College was 'McGuffey's Readers and the New Testament; Webster's Dictionary; Bailey's Scholar's Companion; Morris's English Grammar; Martindale's First Lessons in Philosophy; Steele's 14 Weeks in Natural Philosophy; Hart's Rhetoric; Martindale's Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene; Williams & Southerland's Copy Books; Guyot's Series of Geographies; Guyot's Physical Geography; Ray's Series of Arithmetic; Ray's Algebras; Davis' Elementary Geometry and Trigonometry; Davies' Legendre; Bingham's Latin Grammar; Bingham's Reader and Ceasar; Anthon and other text books in Latin. Other text books will be adopted when recommended by the Principal of the school.

The Trustees of the Dover College were P.J. Rollow, President, H.C. Howell, Vice President, Robert M. Johnson, Secretary, and Joseph Petty, J.F. Moses, and R.W. Moses, member ex-officio.

By David L. Vance

THE FAIR VIEW SCHOOL

The Fair View School was formed when the Ball Hill and Rachel (East Point) school districts consolidated. The ten and one half acres on which the school building was erected was purchased from J. Thomas Smith for five hundred and twenty-five dollars. This transaction may be found in County Court Record Book "C", page 342. In 1937-38 a native



Fairview School

A plaque on the northeast corner of the building reads: School Board, President — L.C. Smith; Secretary — C.T. Shinn; W.A. Smith; County Examiner — Tom D. Bullock; Stone (corner) donated — W.F. Ferguson.

The first school was held in the summer of 1938. For several years there was a summer term and a winter term thus allowing the children to be at home in the spring to help plant the crops and in the fall to help gather them.

The building was built with a small entrance and on each side was a cloak room with shelves for the children to put their lunches, which was often carried in a molasses or lard bucket. The teaching area was one large room with a removable partition placed through the middle forming two class rooms. The room on the west end, with a stage built across one end, was used by the first four grades and was called "the little room", on the east end was "the big room" with grades five through eight. During the 1947-48 school term Mr. Carroll Booher taught all eight grades, around 30 students, in "the big room".

rock building, a "coal house" and "well house" was built by W.P.A. workers, from rock hauled from the J. Thomas Smith farm.



Fairview School — 1946

This picture was taken on the South side of the Fair View school house, by Ms. Florence Kerr, in the spring of 1946. Ms. Kerr resided at Scottsville. She used to go around to schools and tell Bible stories using a flannel board. When she started she traveled in a covered wagon (shown in picture) pulled by a horse, later she hired a taxi. Seated front: Doris Ann (Vinson) White, Holding basket. Geraldene (Loyd) Helms. Left — front: Jimmy Don Bailey, Jane (Baurichter) Smith, Mrs. Truman (Beulah Smith) Vinson, Terry White, Lavern Smith, Jimmy Brown. Left — first full row: Charles Wayne Bailey, James Edward Vinson, Claude White, Odell Stevens, Arvil Priba, Wilma Faye (Smith) Miller — holding Janice (White) Brown, Joyce (Shinn) Bentley, Frances (Vinson) Miller, Rebecca (Brown) Ware, Mary Jo (Brown) Connerly, Ivalene (Priba) Bailey. Next Row: J.E. Smith, Don Smith, Bob Bailey, Mr. Orna E. Tillmon, Bill Bewley, Vernon White, Marvin White, Marilyn (Baurichter) Vinson, Betty (Smith) Brown, Shirley (Smith) Smith, Shirlene (Smith) White, Nilene Rachel, Frances (Priba) Troha, Evelyn (White) Vaughn, Sue (Smith) Martin, and Helen (Rachel) Bowden.

On October 5, 1948, the Pleasant View school district No. 90 and the Fair View school district No. 10 joined the Russellville school system. At that time the seventh and eighth grades from both schools were taken to Russellville Junior High and the first six grades from Pleasant View were bussed to Fair View. School was held at Fair View until the close of the 1959-60 term. The children were then taken to London for one term, then to Russellville.

If students studied hard all week and were well behaved, Friday afternoons would be spent in an arithmetic match or spelling bee. Sometimes the teacher would spend the time reading "fairy tales" aloud to the class. Often parents would visit the school on Friday afternoon to watch their children and visit with the teacher.

Those known to have served on the Fair View School Board of Directors include: L.C. Smith, C.T. Shinn, W.A. Smith, J. Earl Smith, Otto Baurichter, and George Carpenter.

The school property was later sold to James Edward Vinson, son of Truman and Beulah Vinson, and grandson of J. Thomas Smith.

Some of the teachers at the school have included: Mr. Marvin Sorrels, Mr. Edd McAlister, Miss Mattie Rachel, Miss Aline Ruble, Mrs. Dwight Morgan, Mr. Oma E. Tillmon, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Bertha Price, Mrs. Hall, Miss Glennette Smith, Mr. J.D. Henderson, Mr. Carroll Booher, his son Mr. Herbert Booher, Mrs. Beulah Smith Vinson, and Mr. Winton Piercy.

The students always looked forward to the last day of school when the teachers would often bring a wash tub full of soda pop packed in ice, and other times the last day was spent on a picnic at a near by waterfall.

by Nilene Rachel and Zell Rachel Lewis

FORKS OF THE CREEK SCHOOL

I do not know when the Forks of the Creek School was established but I started to school there in 1921. Grady Davis of Hector was the teacher, then came Andy Hickman, John L. Sanders and Dorothy Voss. The school was consolidated with Hector in 1930. It must have been one of the oldest schools, for surrounding it on the north was the Atkins School up Eastfork. Lost Corner, (New Hope, then), on the east, Solo and Stumptoe on the west. Hector, Oak Leaf and New School House on the South. All these schools were a far distance away.

At that time boys and girls were segregated in the one room school house. There were two doors in front, steps were made of large flat rocks and when the bell rang, girls lined up in front of one door and the boys the other. We weren't allowed to "pass" until we had formed a perfect straight line. The teacher would say, "pass" and step aside for the students to enter the door. There were to be no "horse play" or you walked back, then marched in again.

We didn't even have an outdoor privy. The



Forks of the Creek School — 1925

Front Row — Johnny Voss, Dessie Rudder, Lester Mathis and Chester Mathis (Twins), Delbert Sykes, Nora (Mathis) Pack, Lorene (Crouch) Corssey, Arvena (Crouch) Cook, Raymond Wagner, Archie Mathis. 2nd Row — Travis Sykes, Clyde Pettycord, Pannie (Rudder) Mahan, Hazel (Coffman) Blakley, Deita (Sykes) Curtis, Lovice (Church) Curry, Verlon (Mathis) Winters, Bessie Mathis, Rheba (Pettycord) Eddy, Clivie Coffman, John Mathis. Back Row — Dorothy Voss, teacher, Harvey Mathis, Arther Crouch, Loyd Church, Daisy (Bohanan) Kelley, Willie Pettycord, Fannie (Crouch) Savage, Ethyl (Mathis) Rackley, Vernon Church, Holly Church, and Charley Monroe Church.

boys went up the road and the girls went down the road.

We got our water from a spring a good distance away, in a hollow west of the school site. Two students would go for it, taking as much time as allowed. One dipper served everyone. The bucket of water was passed to the students while school was in session, each drinking from same dipper, but caution being taken not to drink "over the bucket" and you weren't to take out more than you could drink.

There were only two desks in the whole school, and whoever came early enough to sweep the floor, managed to move one of them to his seat.

The seats were made of strips and three or four students in one seat. One long bench was up front for recitation.

Livestock was running free around the school, and it was a battle to keep the hogs out of your lard bucket, for the hogs could smell the molasses and butter inside.

by Hazel (Coffman) Blakly

PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL

Dora and Nora Rachel, ages 13 and 9 in 1885, trudged over the mountain to the nearest school, Ball Hill, a distance of some three miles from their home. This prompted their father, J.A. Rachel, and his neighbors to petition the County Court to establish a new district. The court approved the petition October 12, 1885, and formed School District 90 from the following existing districts: Baker's Creek, Ball Hill, Hickory Grove, and London. The petition gives the exact boundaries of the region included in the district, and may be found in Book H, page 63, in the Circuit Clerk's Office at the Pope County Courthouse. J.L. Edwards, W.W. Williamson, and W.H. Miller were appointed school directors until the next school election.

The Treasurer's Register of School Warrants lists the first teacher as Bernie Small who started the term, October 2, 1886, and

received ninety dollars for his work. C.M. Winn taught during the year 1887 for one hundred dollars, and R.M. Bennett was the teacher in 1888 and his pay was ninety-nine dollars and thirty-three cents. No information has come to light as to where school was held between the establishment of the district in 1885 and the erection of a schoolhouse in 1890, but the children attended school in the new district.

The directors of the school bought two acres of ground from Stephen Brown for the sum of two dollars and fifty cents. This land was located on the county road from Shiloh to Dwight Mission which skirted the foot of the mountain, and a one-room schoolhouse was built on it in 1890. The building materials were purchased from Russellville and Dover establishments. The total cost for the building was approximately one hundred eighty-eight dollars. The school yard did not contain the playground equipment commonly used at schools today, and the students had to rely on their own ingenuity for recreational activities. One can imagine the sound of happy children as they played choose-up ball games, the Flying Dutchman, Farmer in the Dell, and many



Pleasant View School — The Original Building Built in 1890.



Pleasant View School — 1912

1st Row — Betty Linker, Norma Rachel, Eugene Rachel, Mattie Rachel, Alec Linker, Raymond Smith, Burl Farmer, Hershel Bramlett, Elmer Farmer, Joe Bramlett. 2nd Row — Clarence Rachel, Olen Shadrick, Pauline Rachel, Wood Linker, Hattie Davidson, Addie Walker Smith, Mamie Farmer, Bertha Guest, Robbie Farmer, Ellis Roberts, teacher. 3rd Row — Ethel Farmer, Evah Farmer, Mae Smith, Tom Davidson, Walter Smith, Buster Linker, Fred Smith, Clyde Smith, Elmer Farmer, Jeff Linker, Steve Smith.



Second and Last Pleasant View School

other games that had been handed down from one generation to the next. The teachers contributed to the recreational as well as the educational activities of the pupils. "Spare the rod and spoil the child" was an old adage taken seriously, and the three R's were taught without any foolishness. The enrollment increased, and the building was divided into two classrooms.

Mrs. Gordon Price, a lifelong resident of the community, recalls the following teachers who taught in this primitive school building: Mr. Oates, Rowena Grant, Phoeba Carpenter, Ethel Smith, Lillian Cheek, Carl May, Johnny Price, Ed Shoptaw, Ora Farmer, Truman Shinn, Buster Linker, Bertha Young, Mamie Lewis, Mrs. Bowden, and Charlie Talkington. The directors for the school before 1900 were: J.L. Edwards, W.W. Williamson, W.H. Miller, W.J. Soebbe, Joseph Smith, T.J. Davidson, S.W. Brown, and J.P. Hair.

The first school building served the community until 1923, when the need for a new and larger school became evident. More families had moved into the neighborhood and the county road had been built to go over the mountain. The mail route followed the new road so the school building was no longer the center of the community. The directors and patrons wanted a school large enough to serve the future needs of the community, and one that could accept pupils who lived on the boundaries of the district if they wished to attend. Mr. Tom Shoptaw suggested a site centrally located on the top of the mountain, and the directors, J. C. Guest, Leon Dixon and James Underhill, bought two acres of land from the E.V. Mercantile Company, and in 1923, the new two-room school house was completed. This building faced the east and was high at the front requiring several steps to enter it. The

steps led to a vestibule which had coat hooks on two walls, and served as a cloak room. The classrooms were separated by partitions which were raised when both rooms were needed for a large audience or public gathering. The stage was across the north end of the building and the student desks all faced the stage. These desks were wide enough for two students and had a shelf underneath to store their books. A large coal stove in each room supplied heat in the winter and the windows were opened during the warmer months for cooling. A drilled well at one side of the steps supplied water. Each student brought a drinking cup from home and got his drinking water from a keg sitting on the north side of the vestibule.

The need for the new building was proved by the attendance which was over one hundred for each of the first five years. The largest enrollment was for 1926-27 when 149 students attended school. Mrs Gordon Price and Joe McAlister taught that term. Other teachers known to have taught at Pleasant View were: Ruth Shoptaw, Joe Nordon, Jeff Biffle, Henry Benefield, H. Scott Smith, W.A. Smith, Mrs. Rue Parrish, Henry Underhill, J.R. Ward, C.L. Watkins, Lavenia Rachel, Tom McGuire, Marvin Huie, Opal Smith, Sylvia Price, Mrs. L.B. Vinson, Annis Skidmore, Mattie Rachel, Joe Berry, and Martha Hazlett. The following men are known to have served as directors after 1923: Floyd Linker, Henry Maggard, Gylem Linker, W.D. Shinn, Esley Skidmore, Ed Hester, Hubert Burns, Grover Goddard, Gordon Price, W.L. Smith, Isaac Smith, J.E. Rachel, Charles Berry, H. Clyde Smith, Steve Horne, and J.B. Carroll.

In 1937, the directors bought another two acres of land from the E.V. Cook Mercantile Company for additional playground space. The Pleasant View School continued in use until 1948, when it consolidated with the Russellville School System. A few years later the Pleasant View Baptist Church bought the property from the school district and used the old building for worship until the new church was completed. The building was later sold by the church to Jon Sanford who moved it a mile or so north and remodeled it into a fine and comfortable dwelling.

School consolidation made available improved educational opportunities for the boys and girls, but it also removed the focal point for community gatherings, and in this instance, bought to a close an institution which had stood for nearly sixty years.

by Martha Billings

POTTSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Before 1882, there is no clear record of schools in the Pottsville area. The Pisgah Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church was organized in 1853 at the Potts School, on land owned by W.O. Ferguson, about 1/2 mile from where the present A.R.P. Church stands, it is thought to have been referred to as "the old log school" of which a picture has been found. It must have been used to advantage as a school, and as a community center dur-

ing the early years of the town.

The constitution of 1868 made the operation of public schools mandatory. A request was filed with E.C. Bradley, the County Judge of Pope County by L.T. Ragsdale and others, asking to be separated from District 33, and on March 22, 1882 the Court ordered the district to be formed as Potts Station District No. 61.

The first school warrant was issued to the amount of \$17.32 for a stove. The next expenditures were to the first two teachers, \$50.25 to C.B. Mosley on January 19, 1883, and \$90.00 to W.N. Oates in April of that same year.

In 1894, the Potts Station School was built about 150 feet northwest of the present Baptist Church. School was conducted that year by John F. Rorex and Miss Carrie Brown, who later became Mrs. R.B. Henry. Mr. Rorex was paid \$40 per month, and Miss Brown received \$28.

Improvements were made and the old home-made benches were replaced by factory-made double desks. The "Hi-lo" blackboards were used instead of the painted wall-type board.

A short time later, a third teacher was added, and additional subjects were taught in the upper grades.

Early directors were: M.R. Shinn, W.O. Ferguson, C.H. Boggess, H.D. Brown, M.C. Baker, and R.O. Morton. Other directors with the date their term expired were: 1885, J.F. Oates; 1886, H.D. Brown; 1887, M.C. Baker; 1888, R.O. Morton.

In 1909 a legislative act allowed schools to borrow money for building purposes. In about 1913 the Pottsville High School was built. It contained four rooms. The two upstairs were divided by sliding doors, which could be raised to form an auditorium. Later, four other rooms were added to this building. A small white frame building with two rooms, was built even later.

With improved financing, it was possible to improve grade organization. About 1914, an eleventh grade was added, but the high school principal did not feel qualified to teach it, and a minister, the Rev. C.T. Bryson was added to teach that grade. The next year, he was also principal of the school. It is interesting that, while there have been several generations from several families in the school, there has been at least one family with three generations of teachers. Mr. Bryson's daughter, Miss Julia Bryson taught English and social studies in 1937 and 1938, and his granddaughter Mrs. Judy Oates Peters taught in 1964 and 1965. Many Arkansas Schools have former teachers, and former students of the Pottsville schools on their faculties as teachers or administrators.

In 1926, Pottsville had seven teachers. Only thirteen teachers in the county were qualified to teach in high school, and three of those were in Pottsville.

The first class to complete twelve grades for a high school diploma was the class of 1922. The first bus ran about 1930, and consolidation was completed in 1948, with the abolition of districts with less than 350 students.

Today, the district covers 61 square miles, with a school enumeration of 605. The enrollment is 363 in the elementary grades (1-6) with the average daily attendance of 353 and the high school enrollment is 251 (7-12) with the average daily attendance of 218.

The Elementary School was built in 1950, and an annex was added later, making a total of nine classrooms. The High School building has five classrooms, a dark room, offices, Science Lab, Library, and two storage rooms.

There are nine other buildings: The Home Economics Building, Agriculture Building, Bus Garage, Gymnasium, Kindergarten, and Cafeteria, the Cottage, Elementary Annex, and the old cafeteria, which is used for the Title I program and additional classrooms. There are twelve teachers in High School, and Eleven, including the Superintendent in the Elementary School. There are thirteen non-teaching personnel.

by Julia B. Oates

THE RACHEL SCHOOL

Pope County School District No. 39 was known as Rachel Special District No. 39 when it was consolidated with the Ball Hill District No. 10.

The school dates back to January 26, 1869, when John Hughes filed a petition for a East Point School District No. 14. This petition was granted and is recorded in the County Court Record Book "D", page 136.

The East Point Baptist Church was organized in a building which was used for both school and church. This building was located about 1/2 mile west of the present East Point Church on the right side of the road. It seems that this school lasted for a few years and

then was closed.

Z.A. Hughes filed a petition September 24, 1879, for a Green Point School. This petition was granted and the district became known as Green Point District No. 39. The district boundary was changed July 9, 1884, when E.A. (Eli) Rachel filed a petition to divide the district. From this division a new school district — Martin Chapel No. 77 was created. The boundary was changed again in just two months when J.W. Burton filed a petition to annex part of district No. 77 back into district No. 39. The boundary was changed one more time, in July, 1911, when W.E. (Will) Rachel filed a petition to annex some of the district No. 10 land into district No. 39. These petitions may be found in County Court Record Books "G & O" pages 701, 717, and 279 respectively.

By an election, district No. 39 became the "Rachel Special District No. 39".

On September 5, 1888, district No. 39 purchased one acre of land from B.D.R. Shinn and wife for five dollars. This land is located in Section 9 Township 8, Range 21. This transaction is recorded in Deed Book "EE", page 144.

It is not known when the first Rachel (or Green Point) school house was built, but it is remembered as being a typical two room country school building. This building burned September 10, 1915. The school was rebuilt and it was destroyed again by fire on the night of January 27, 1928. At this time school was dismissed until the summer term, which was held in the East Point church building.

Some of the ones that taught at the Rachel school were: Buel Montgomery, John E. Fisher, Truman Shinn, Julia (White) Hon, Wright Hughes, Scott Smith, Ellen Rohner, Hazel Harrell, W.A. Smith and Henry Benefiel. Mr. Benefiel was the teacher in the big room



This picture was taken in about 1921 on the north side of the second Rachel school building. Front row: Mildred (Baurichter) Smith, Katherine (Baurichter) White, Unknown, Unknown, James A. Rachel, Melvin Smith, Joe White. Second Row: Ola (Bailey) Trantham, Ezra Martin, Jess Hughes, J.H. White, Otto Baurichter. Third row: Ethel (Nordin) Vinson, Julia (White) Hon — teacher, Bertha (Martin) Whorton, Eula (Martin) Vinson, Carroll Worley, Roy Hughes. Back row: Elmer Nordin, Bill White, Norman Bailey, Alfred Martin, Ted Worley, C. Truman Shinn — teacher.

when the school burned in 1928.

Directors for this district from 1901 to 1918 were: A.B. Sims, J.D. Smith, F.C. Baurichter, J.C. Shinn, A.M. Sosbee, E.H. Whorton, G.R. Martin, J.M. Morrison, J.A. Rachel, A.E. Sims, D.J. Pless, G.A. Shinn, J.H. White, J.L. Nordin, and J.T. Smith.

In 1929, school was held in an old store building, owned by J.S. Smith. This building was located just across the road from the first building in which Green Point School was held.

On June 14 and July 10, 1928, legal voters of districts No. 10 and Special District No. 39 presented a petition to consolidate. On June 22 and July 6, 1928, a petition of opposition was brought to the County Board of Education. Seventy-two persons had signed the petition to consolidate and fifty-seven persons had opposed. However, it was noted that a number of parties had signed both petitions.

Members of the County Board of Education present July 14, 1928, when this matter was voted on were: School Superintendent Bullock, J.A. Clifton, Van Brooks, W.L. Hurley, H.A. Rushing, J.N. McAlister. Petition to consolidate was granted with four voting for and one against. This district was to be Consolidated No. 10.

The new Board of Directors were to be taken from the existing Board of Directors of the effected districts. This board was empowered to dispose of property owned by those districts. It was here that Fair View was created, although it was not until 1937-38 that a building was constructed.

The Rachel school property was sold to Mrs. Scottie Sue Whorton.

by Zell Rachel Lewis

ESTABLISHING THE RUSSELLVILLE SCHOOLS

On September 20, 1870, the Russellville School Board met in its Organizational Meeting. The first School consisted of: George W. Harkey, President; J. E. Battenfield, Secretary; Henry W. Hughey, Alva Russell, J.T. Torrence, and J.H. Battenfield, members. It was decided at this meeting that the length of the school year would be nine months and that the term would start on the first Monday in October of 1870, and run 12 weeks, have a two week intermission and then run 24 weeks longer to the end of the school year. It was determined that the district would only operate one school within its boundary. This school was to be held in the Russellville Male and Female School House in Russellville. This board asked the County Court for a tax of $\frac{3}{4}$ of one percent for their teacher fund and $\frac{1}{4}$ of one percent for their building fund.

On Tuesday, September 27, 1870, they learned that the County Court had refused their request for the tax money for their school.

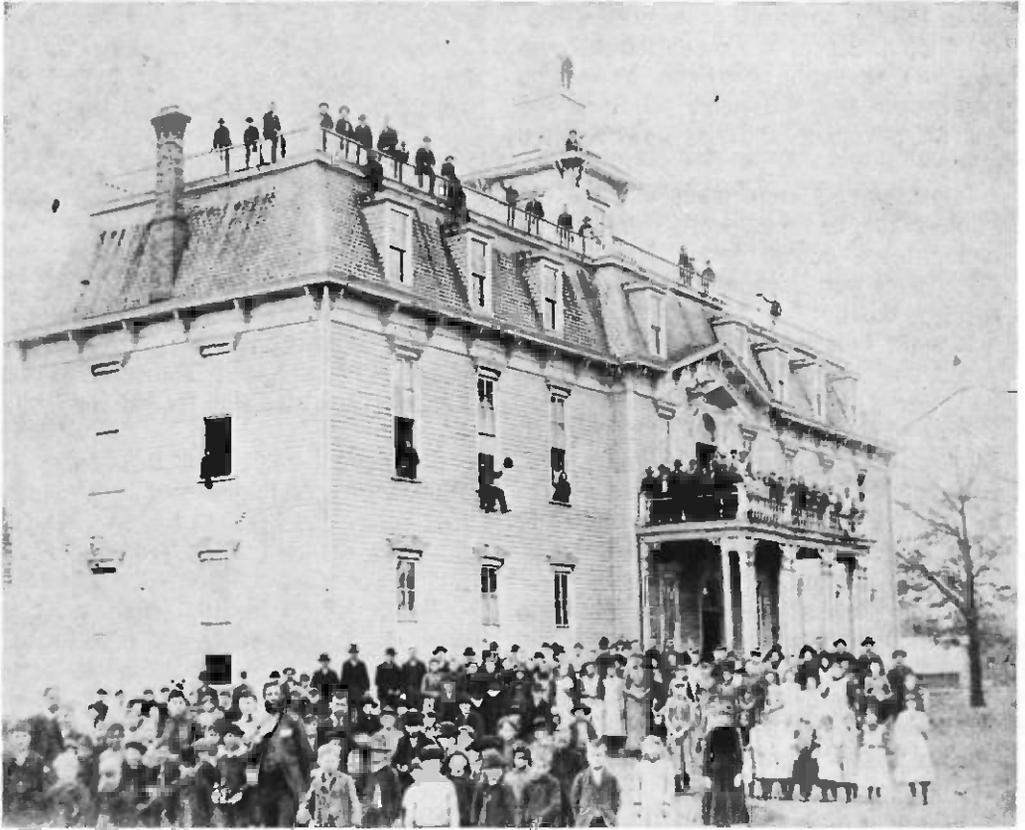
On Saturday, March 25, 1871, a committee of three was appointed to ascertain the terms on which the Board of Directors could purchase the school building belonging to the



First High School Building



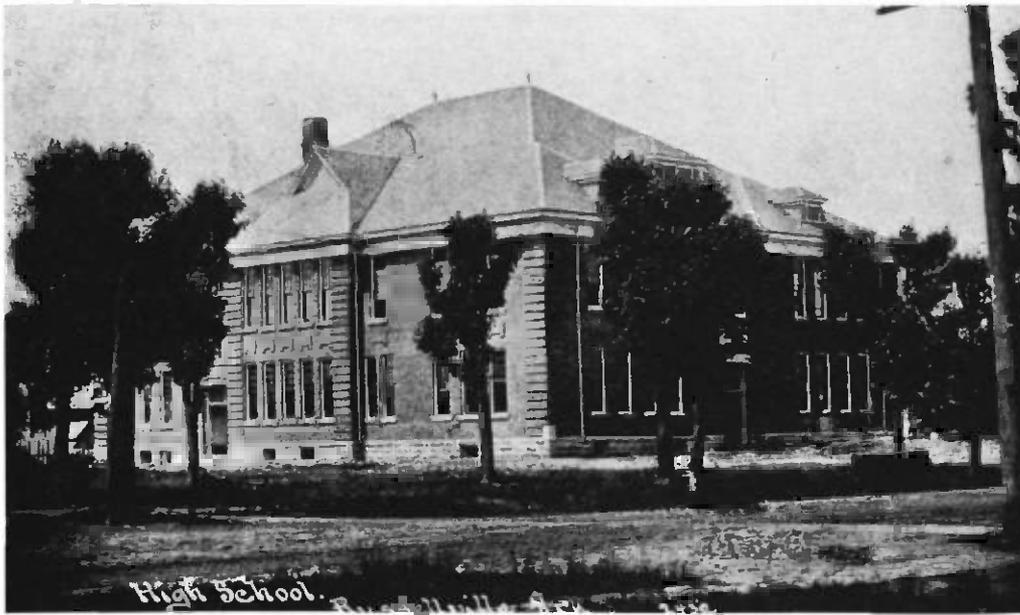
The Russellville Jr. High School on March 14, 1934. This building burned in 1938.



The student body of the Russellville School about the turn of the century.



5th & 6th Grade of the Russellville School March 7, 1894



This building replaced the old frame building in 1907 at a cost of thirty-five thousand Dollars. This building, like the old one, was used for all 12 grades.



5th & 6th Grade of West Ward School in 1914.



West Ward Elementary School. Located where the Dwight Elementary School is today. This is of the South side of the building. The lunch room is in the one story part on the right.

Board of Trustees of the Russellville Male and Female Institute.

The Board of Trustees of the Russellville Male and Female Institute did not take any action on the request of the committee to sell their school to the Russellville School District. On Monday, June 12, 1871, the Board voted to offer Mr. J.L. Shinn the sum of \$2700.00 for the school property owned by him. However, Mr. Shinn rejected the proposal. Where upon the Board offered him \$3,000.00 for the property.

It was decided on Monday Evening, June 19, 1871, that the second year of school would start on the first Monday in October, which was October 2, and would be divided into three "quarters of 12 weeks each".

No mention has been made to this point about hiring any teachers. On July 3, 1871, Prof. G.B. Haddock made a proposition to the School Board to teach the school for the year of 1871. His proposition was turned down, however. Four days later at a called meeting the Board reconsidered the proposition and hired Prof. Haddock and "his lady" as the teachers of the school.

On August the 4th the board met to draft out a form for a circular for the School. They decided to try to get a tax of 5 mills on the dollar for a "Teacher Fund" for 1871. They also wanted a 2½ mill tax for a "School House Fund."

On September 19, 1871, the Board tried to get Prof. G.B. Haddock and C.B. Haddock to sign an agreement with the School Board, but they refused. They gave him to the next day to sign or the offer would be annulled. The following Monday the School Board decided to hire Misses Keith and Wells to take charge of the Russellville Male and Female Institute. They were to be paid \$150.00 per month. Then at the last minute a motion was made to ask them to make the Board a proposition for teaching. Also, they were to ask James Branch to make a proposal too.

At the next meeting, two days later, they read the proposals and Misses Keith and Weeks bid \$80.00 per month each. James Branch bid \$100.00 per month for himself and \$60.00 per month for a lady assistant. The bid of James Branch was accepted and he was unanimously elected Principal and awarded \$160.00 per month to run the school.

On March 25, 1872, the Board decided that due to the lack of funds, the school would have to close at the end of the second term. Prof. Branch and his assistant were thus relieved of their duties at the school.

On April 23, 1872, Mr. White applied to the School Board to rent the school building for three months for a private school. This was granted and he was to pay the Board \$10.00 per month for the building.

Due to the lack of funds the school had to be rented out for a private school for a few years. In 1878, the school having just rented their building up until this time decided to do something about getting a building of their own. They had three choices. They were: (1) build a 32 x 50 building with out seats and paint for \$850.00, (2) buy the "College building" for \$1,600.00 including one block of

land, or (3) the Cumberland Presbyterian Church building could be bought for \$1,000.000. On March 9, 1878, the Board was told that T.J. Russell would donate one block of land in the west part of town for a school. However the board went ahead and voted to buy the Russellville Male and Female Institute from Mr. J.L. Shinn for \$1,400.00. Thus the Russellville School District finally got a school of their own. It was rough for many years, but today it has grown into one of the best districts in the State of Arkansas, and certainly one of the wealthiest.

By David L. Vance



Third Grade Class in Russellville about 1908: Front Row, left to right: Iva Gardner, Gus Garragus, Lois Kemp, Lois Shoptaw, Mary Whorton, Estell Wilson, Edith Anderson, Aillie Bernice Bonds, Lila Berry. Second Row, left to right: Unknown, Fay Neal, Mattie Oats, Ida Hair, Flora Hamilton, Mabel Howell, Sibyl Howell, Emma Boswell, Gertrude Gambling, Kate Harkey. Third Row, left to right: Teacher — Miss Kate Bradley, Otto Stokes, Bryan Bull, Clyde Jackson, Brooks Warren, Fred Thomas, Capp Wheeler, Alex Wheeler, John Oats, John Hughley. Fourth Row, left to right: Lenard Wilson, John Shinn, William Scarlett, Dick Harkey, Orda Bowden, Clyde Webb, Raymond Trammell, Percy Renfrow, Murray Tucker, Jennings Peeler, Oral Burns.



Russellville High School in 1978.

OTHER SCHOOLS IN POPE COUNTY

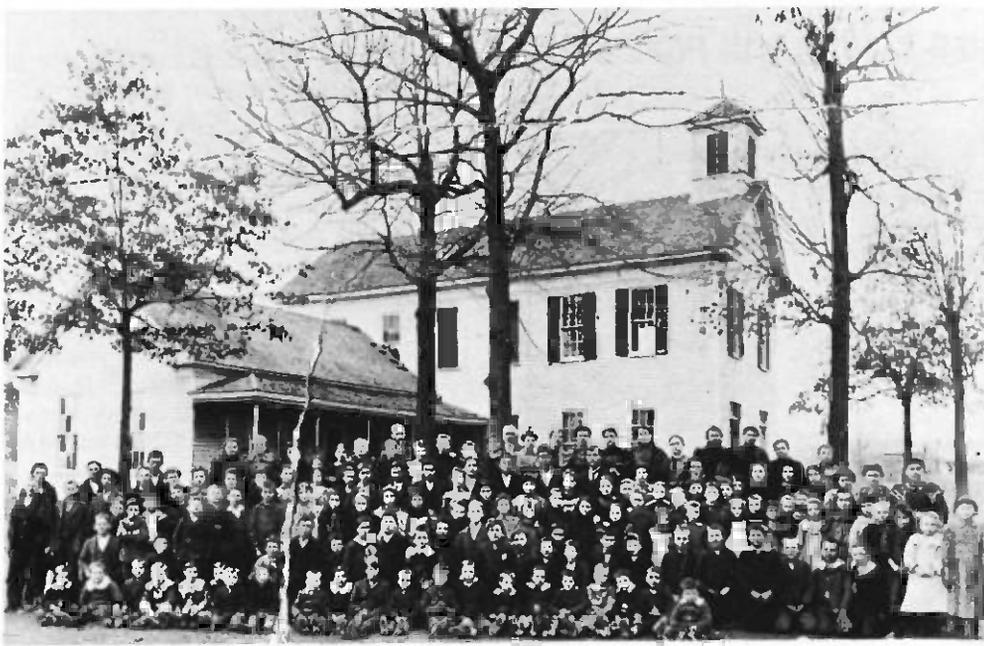


Appleton School in 1890. Second school building at Appleton as the first had burned.

Atkins High School, known as White Wing College.



White Wing College, Atkins, Ark. (Really elementary and High sch.)



Atkins Public School, Atkins, Ark. 1896. Teachers: A. M. Gibson, W. F. Turner, Miss Jennie Box (Mrs. W. L. Oates).



Otis Cecler — catcher, Forrest — Left Field, Baker — Second Base, Woods — First Base, Hammons — Third Base, Shaler — Pitcher, Helley — Right Field, Bench — Center Field, Lattie Parton — Short Stop, Blankenship — catcher. Atkins High School Baseball team about 1906-08.



Bethany School — South of Pottsville in 1891-92 or 1892-93. Tom S. Brooks, Teacher. Back — L to R — Dick Parker, Blanche (Hall) Atkinson, Girtie Villyard, Andrew Henry, John Estes, Kate Oates, Walter Henry, Lora (Ferguson) Walravin, Nora (Weathers) Teeter, Frances Plott and Elsie Berry. Fourth Row — Bertie Allmon Rorex, Melvin Oates, Bell Stewart, Maggie Bell, Essie Stewart, Harrison, Bob Henry, Sallie (Whitesides) Oates. Third Row — Lee Dickey, Jennings Henry, Mack Oates, Cora (Whitesides) Teeter, Donnie Vick Gibson, Tom Brooks, Imo Villyard, Sullivan girl, Sullivan boy, Sarah Dempsey Kessler. Second Row — Arthur Lynch, Blanche (Parker) Oates, Ada (Hamaker) Porter, Henry Smith, Henry Hall, Elmer Morton, Rosy Ferguson, Walter Berry, Buna Oates, Dick Hall, Joe Henry, Georgia (Smith) Kendrick, Myrtle Ferguson, Shultz, Ola Vick. Front Row — Dick Henry, Quint Villyard, Ethel Lynch, Gertie (Motley) Teeter, Myrtle Berry, Floy Villyard, Ethel Holloway, Virlie Dempsey, Lillie (Morton) Porter Ferguson, Lizzie Ferguson Kindrick, Lillie Henry Rye, Will Morton, Mace Hamaker, Ed Ferguson.

Bethel School — 1910-12

Front, L. to R.: Unknown, Floyd Jones, Frank Williamson, Joe Heathcoat, Ernest Kirby, unknown, Noah Kirby, unknown, Otis Heathcoat, Durward Williamson, Hattie Brown, unknown, Freeman, Viola McNulty. 2nd — Janie Heathcoat, Daisy Jones, Vera McNulty, Ileana Kirby, Lily Jones, Florence Betray, Norma McGee, Lilian Heathcoat, Walter Jones. 3rd — Bonny McGee, Rosie Jones, Edna Heathcoat, Florence Kirby, Maud Joiner, (Teacher) and Rance Shinn. Back: Tom Riggs. Bethel School was about three miles Southeast of Russellville. It was consolidated with Russellville in the forties and the building was torn down. Submitted by Duell B. Kirby, youngest brother of the Kirby children shown above.



Big Lick School, Treat, Arkansas (about 1913). Located about seven miles up Indian Creek from the mouth of Moccison Creek. Front Row — L. to R. Viola Tumbleson, May Gunter, Lizzie Gunter, Eva Gunter, Rachel Freeman, Annie Witt, Ollie Hull, Stella Shook, Minnie Hull, Viola Freeman. 2nd Row — Omer Freeman, Mose Freeman, Adam Freeman, Willie Shook, Archie Witt, Earl Witt, Frank Shook. 3rd Row — Elizabeth Tumbleson, Tempie Gunter, Cora Self, Rosa Freeman, Kate Gunter, Bertha Freeman, Lula Tumbleson, Lizzie Hull. 4th Row — Teacher Fred Ross, Ambrose L. Clayton, Jeff Gunter, Archie Boyd Clayton, Bale Gunter, Alex Tumbleson, Monroe Freeman, Dewey Hull, Claude Witt, Jack Hull.

Broomfield School about 1912 — Reece A. Caudle teacher in doorway.



Campground School — 1892. Jim Hale — Teacher, Dr. John L. Ross — Center Rear — Center of window. John Butler Hale — 2nd from L on Rear L. George Lee Ross — 2nd from R on Front. Oscar Snider — 3rd from R on front.



Gravel Hill School
Summer 1905

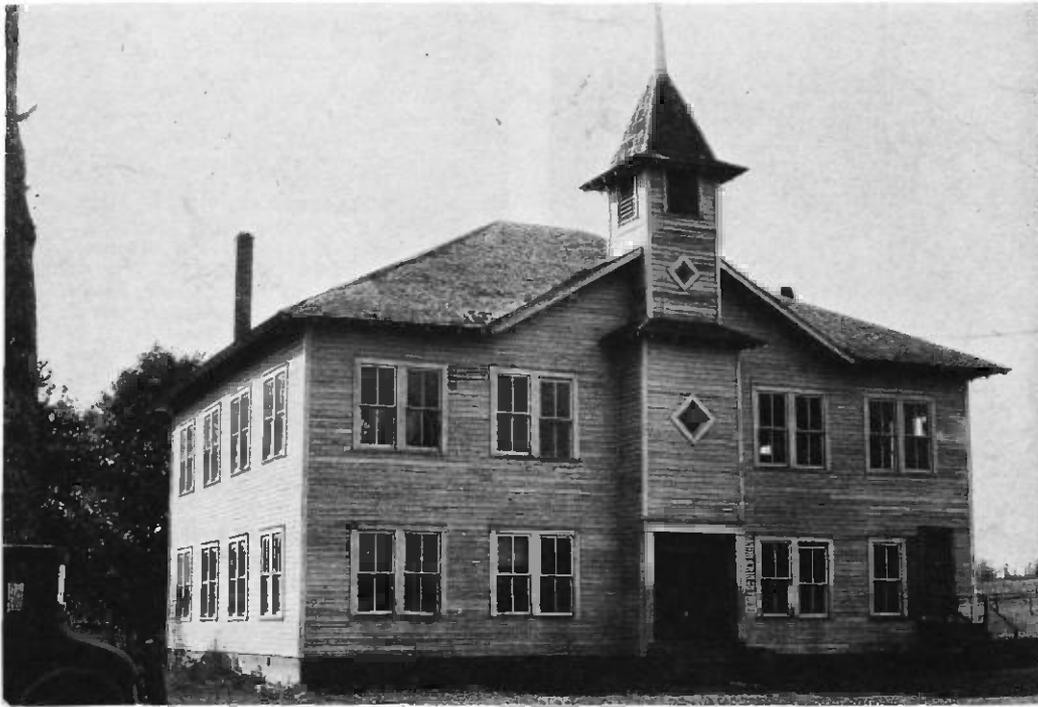


Georgetown School. Now used as the Church of Christ. Located west of London on road used by the Indians on the trail of tears.



Gumlog School About 1913

Row 1 — Glen Virden, Charles Ashmore, Cledus Russell, Rudolph Dixon, Mack Weir, Rex Burris, Durad West, Glen Staggs, Arvel Russell, Worley Russell and Lavern Weir. Row 2 — Huel Dixon, Vera Virden, Elaine Gideon, Emma Staggs, Clydia Poles, Vivian West, Ruth Buchanan, Lucille Gideon, Avanel Bowden, Odell Bowden, Tempie Russell. Row 3 — Reynard Weir, Garland Russell, Walter Shephard, Rufus Davis, Drucilla Weir, Edna Staggs, Gladys Dixon, Elmie Crites, Rhea Burris, Lela Darter, Ila Ashmore. Row 4 — Homer Ashmore, Cecil Virden, George W. Toller, Henry Franks, Bill Mullins, Ulan Gideon, Ethel Russell, Ocia Burris, Ethel Weir, Miss Goldie Burns (teacher). Row 5 — Haynie Buchanan, teacher and principal, Elmer Crites, Evan Davis, Floyd Ashmore, Maud Davis, Irie Ashmore, Mattie Toller, Norma Gideon, Una Weir, Minnie Staggs, Syble Gideon, and Annie Ashmore.



The Hector Consolidated School, 23 miles Northeast of Russellville.

These are the first two buses of the Hector School District. They had the first school buses in the county.

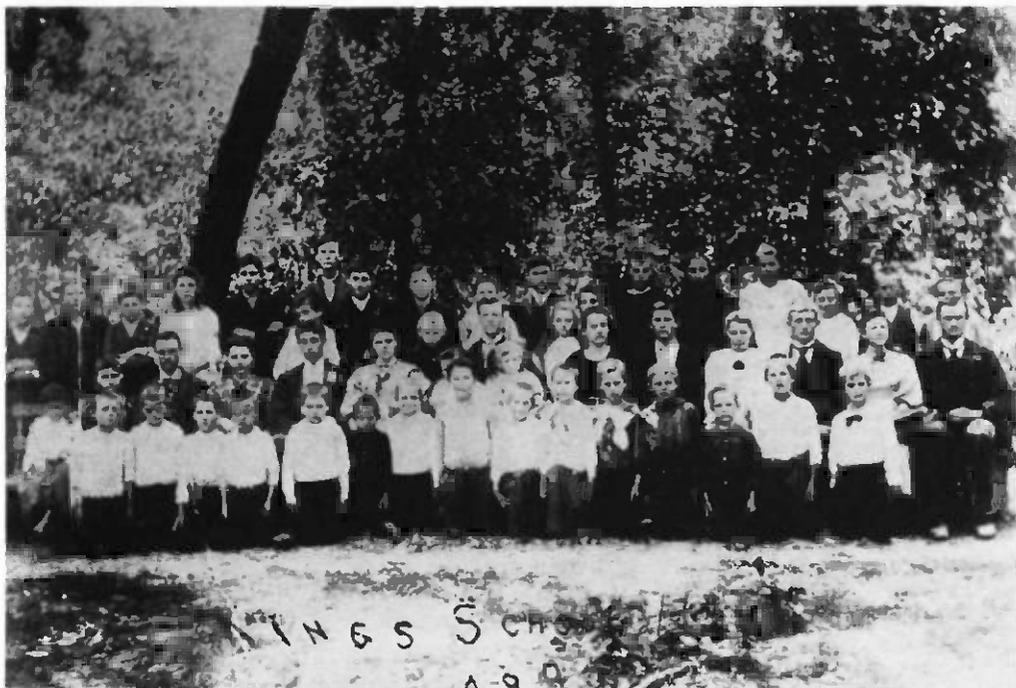


Fourth Grade — Hector, Ark. — 1932
 L. to R. Back Row — Myrtle Barham, Hattie Bell Tackett, Edith Bell Flannagin, Francis Hamilton, Ruth Bowden, Bob Tripp Teacher, Laudie Bell, Delbert Sykes, Dealon Story, Ruth Cochran, Lorene Adams. Middle Row — Jewell Hensley, Evelyn Snyder, Clea Voss, Marjorie Newton, Bessie Hensley, Alma Burns, Okla Brown, Paul Edd Griffin, William Owens. Front Row — Layvoine Coffman, L.B. Coffman, Harmon Ross, James Butler, Bob Rowland, Bill Denton Jones, Donald Brown, Wayne Bell, Charles Tripp.



Hector High School 11th Grade — 1932
 (Front row left to right) Doy Blalack (deceased), Doyle Hurlley, Odus (Hamm) Churchill, Floyd McAlister, Travis Osburne, Ewing Caudle. (Back row, left to right) Ruby Florence Caudle, Kathryn Bullock, Lucille Reed (Churchill), Gladys Story (Epperson), Mildred Churchill (Blake), Velma Allison, Euna Mae Montgomery (Spears), Burmell Tucker, Marjorie Hearst (George), Loreda Dalrymple, Alto Bartlett (Brant), Velna Burns. Submitted by Velam Allison, 512 N. Greenwich, Russellville, AR 72801.

Hector School — Reece Caudle teacher — at right Year unk.



Kings School in 1898 — 1st School Built on Crow Mt.
 Front Row kneeling: John Wilker, Will Baumann, Fred Snyder, Herman Wilker, Arthur Rackley, Clarence Tucker, Edgar Tucker, Elmer Rackley, Mack Coffee, Claud King, Chess Purviance, Joe Baumann, unidentified, Henry Schlump, and John Schlump. Second row seated: Unidentified, Paul Wilker, George Scott, Blanch Bowden, Cahs. Bowden, Fred Bowden (behind) Synthia Whelchel Chambers, Eula Purviance, Irene Kendrick, Joe Whelchel (teacher) Lille Whelchel, Florench Bowden Whelchel, James A. Rackley, Annie Whelchel Rackley, John Kendrick, Hattie Bowden Brown, Roy Bowden. Back Row: Unidentified, Louis "Spike" Baumann, Will King, Dezzie Purviance, Alve Rackley, Allen Bowden, Joe Coffee, Henry Baumann, Maud King Morphis, Laz Bowden, Maggie Coffee, Gertrude Wilker, Anna Wilker Reichmann, Freda Baumann Fengler, Elizabeth Schlump, Henry Baumann and Joe Wilker.



Maple Springs school on North part of Crow Mountain. Later used as a FWB Church.



Moreland School. Now being used as the Moreland Methodist Church.



Mt. View School House was located 3/4 mile north of 140 & #124. On hill.



Mountain View School — 1904

Located about 1 1/2 miles northeast of Arkansas Tech on the hill. Those who have been identified are: Front: 4. Clara Evants and 5. Eva Evants. Second Row: John Evants, Flo Thompson, Lavada Evants, 7. Stella Couser, Agnes Guest, Clyde Evants, Ada Baker, Lizzie Walker, Minnie Evants, and Teacher May Horton. Third Row: Bertha Guest and Bessie Williamson. Rest unknown. Fourth Row of Boys are Marvin Williamson, Unknown, Ellis Roberts and Murray Colburn. Fourth row Girls and fifth row boys: Susie Walker, Amanda Matthews, Addie Montgomery, Eunice Montgomery, Bessie Berry, Jess Evants, Jim South, George Williamson, next three unknown and Roy Evants. Top Five: two unknown, Wilburn Roberts, unknown and Garland Stokes.



Mt. Zion School — South of Pottsville, 1932.

New Hope School, P.H. Brant, Teacher, extreme right.





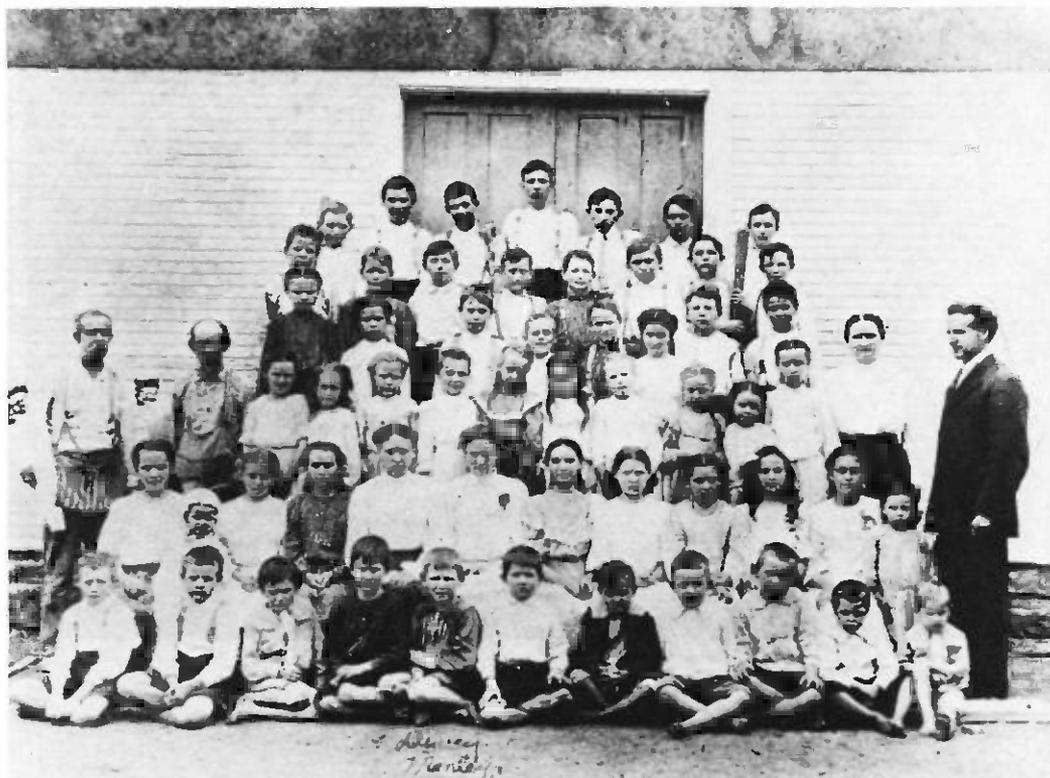
Palmetto School — 1924 on Crow Mountain
 Front row left to right: J.B. Alford, J.T. Scott, L.D. Speer, Dolan Wirth, Raymond Bridges, G.T. Harris, Rayburn Jackson, Hershel Bradford, Audd Kindrick and Eulis Wooten. Second row: Vernon Wilker, Virgie Wirth, Pauline Davis, Ona Rackley, Sylvia Bradford, Bennie Bradford, Jaunita Scott, Iona Wirth, Mildred Jackson, Leona Maxwell, Elizabeth Harris, and Hazel Bowden. Third row: John D. Cole Teacher, Carley Ashmore, Erma Wilker, Vida Wirth, Ruby Jewel Davis, Gladys Scott, Vida Harkey, Mildred Maxwell, Mabel Bradford and Lela Kindrick. Fourth row: John "Bud" Wilker, Orlan Wirth, Marie Maxwell, Rhea Speer, Ruth Davis, Louie Bradford, and Bessie Davis. Fifth row: Louis Bradford, Latha Parker, Garland Bradford and Lake Harkey, Lester Davis, Forrest Scott, Glen Speer, Emmitt "Pete" Harkey and Lyle Kindrick.

Pleasant Grove School 1921. Located six miles south of Pottsville.



Pless School House near Augsburg. Now used as a community center.

Rock Springs School 1924-25
 (Front row left to right) Calvin Turnbow, J.B. Dailey, Odell Patton. (Second row) R.J. Cochran, J.C. Stafford, Estelle Patton (peeping through), Wilmer White, Voris Allison, Fay Hurley, Thurman Hill. (Third row) Euell Tackett, R.L. Patton, Cochran, Bill Daily, V.O. Cochran, Eugene Stafford. (Fourth row) Pauline Hurley, Pauline Daily, Doris Daily, Ruth Alison, Cleora Byrum, Ilah Garrigus, Ethel Tackett, Willie A. Llewellyn — teacher. (Fifth row) Fleeta Howell, Zora Stafford, Virgia Garrigus, Goldie Allison, Lillian Stafford, Iola Howell, Ama Byrum. (Sixth row) Veda Allison, Imogene Tackett, Verlin Cochran, Veima Allison, Levata Turnbow, Irene Garrigus. (Seventh row) Leland Turnbow, Doyle Hurley, Floyd While, Dalton Daily, Joe Hurley, Rayburn Tackett.



Rushing School — 1906
 Made in front of Church as a new school was being built. Front Row: L to R: Arthur Dickey, Tom Dickey, Ode Eubanks, Porter Willis, Dewey Manley, Henry Moore, Glen Rushing, Kay Macomb, Virgeli Willis, John Dickey, A.B. Eubanks. Second Row: Maud Macomb, Baby Hazel Macomb, Lidia Pless, Maud Willis, Valley Willis, Ethel Rushing, Allie Willis, Ila Pless, Lela Carr, Jewel Rushing, Myrtle Rushing, Atress Phillips. Third Row: Mr. Fellers, Dave Rushing Sr., Eula Eubanks, Lois Johnson, unknown, Lula Carr, Fred Atkins, Delve Eubanks, Effey McGee, Ila Carter, Edna Willis, Florence Eubanks, Mary Pless, Buel Montgomery. Fourth Row: Floy Eubanks, Lo Johnson, Chester Willis, Cecil Macomb, Leonard Hodkins, Halley Fellers, Mart Reidel, Harry Fellers. Fifth Row: Loyd Carr, Ott Hodkins, Eucl Dickey, Cecil Rushing, Edd Hodkins, Charley Reidel, Will Macomb, Guy Eubanks. Sixth Row: Cornelius Willis, Rum Fellers, Clyde Rushing, Joe Eubanks, Earl Rushing, Leslie Carr, Bill Eubanks.

Rushing School — 1921
 L. to R. 1st Row: Luer McGee, John William Rushing, James Hopper, Matt Manley, Jr., Mary Eubanks, Pauline Askew, Okla Atkins, Ruby Helen Rushing, Ralph Rushing, Shelley R. Phillips, John Manley, Jr., Lynell Turner, Haney McGee. 2nd Row: Otto Brinkman, Lewis McGee, Raymond Hopper, Eucl Talley, Fred Eubanks, Florin Manley, Joe Eubanks, Edd Eubanks, Myrtle Phillips, Bell Manley. 3rd Row: John Pless, Charles Askew, George Bonds, Robert Eubanks, Roy Rushing, Willie Brinkman, Herman Brinkman, Rupert Carr, Bessie McGee, Ruth Macomb. 4th Row: Maggie Brinkman and Hazel Macomb.





Sunny Point School now in south edge of Russellville being used by a construction Company. This was the richest school district in the state when the mines operated near there.

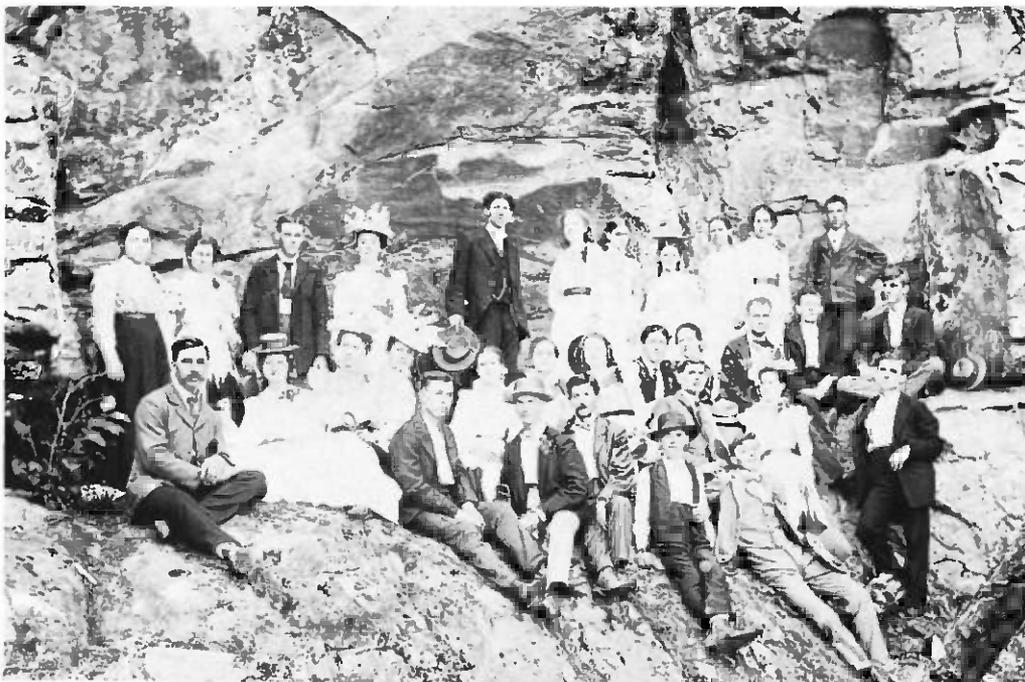
Old Dwight Mission. Oldest school west of the Mississippi. Est. in 1819 by Cephas Washburn as a school for the Indians.



Ruins of Dwight Mission.

**Picnic at Chimney Rock
Near Mill Creek**

This picture was taken at Chimney Rock in the Mill Creek area, in 1897. Some of the ones that are pictured are: Kate (Shinn) Swilling, Ezra Shinn, Rube Shinn, Sallie Malone, Green Nordin, Cora (Bailey) Nordin, Mable (Swilling) Davidson, Henry Bailey, Dick Swilling, Charles Shinn, S.G. Eggleston, Dee Sosbee, Ad Shinn, George Higgins. Only three have been identified — left back, Dora (Fisher) Rachel, left front — Ralph Fisher and center front with hat on — Charles Bailey.

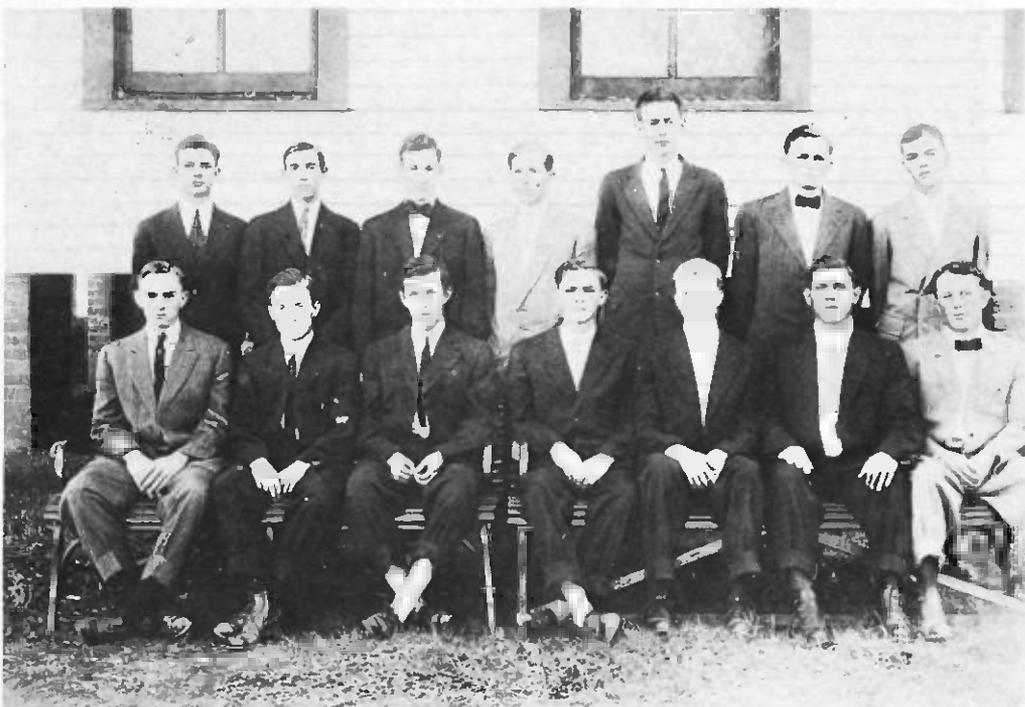


**Palmetto School
About 1924**

Left to Right front row: J.B. Alford, J.T. Scott, Clarence Rackley, Dolan Wirth, Raymond Bridges, G.T. Harris, Rayburn Jackson, Hershel Bradford, Add Kindrick and Euliss Wooten. Second row: Vernon Wilker, Virgie Wirth, Pauline Davis, Ona Rackley, Sylvia Bradford, Bennie Bradford, Jaunita Scott, Iona Wirth, Mildred Jackson, Leona Maxwell, Elizabeth Harris, and Hazel Bowden. Third row: Charles Ashmore, Erma Wilker, Vida Wirth, Ruby J. Davis, Gladys Scott, Vida Harkey, Mildred Maxwell, Mabel Bradford, and Lela Kindrick. Fourth row: John Arvin Wilker, Orlan Wirth, Marie Maxwell, Rhea Speer, Ruth Davis, Louie Bradford, and Bessie Davis. Fifth row: Louis Bradford, Latha Parker, Garland Bradford, Lake Harkey, Lester Davis, Forrest Scott, Glenn Speer, Emmitt Harkey and Lyle Kindrick. Extreme left Teacher: John D. Cole.

Palmetto School on East end of Crow Mt. About 1924

Spears school on Crow Mountain. Year unknown.



FAMILIAR SCENES



POPE COUNTY FAMILY HISTORIES



An early day family outing.

SPRINGTIME IN ARKANSAS

The writer of this poem was born and reared in Atkins, attended school there, and in 1917, went to Western Oklahoma to teach school and remained there. This poem was written while thinking of her childhood days in Pope County.

In my life I have seen many, many Springs.
And with Spring here again, precious memories it brings.
The dear golden days of my youth and childhood
With memories of the meadows, fields, brooks, and wood.
Memory takes me back to a walk o'er the hill
Where the blossoms blow and the song birds thrill.
I see the lovely dogwood and the violets blue, while they bloom,
As old mother earth sheds her winter's gloom.
The grass and the trees are bursting with green,
To one of the most beautiful sights I have ever seen.
In seeing the robins building their cozy nests,
And hearing their beautiful songs as they sing and rest.
I see the peach trees dressed pink and the maples red,
And all the seeds begin to wake in their leafy bed.
The dew sparkles on every thing like precious jewels, as I go by
When I look up and see the master Painter's rainbow in the sky.
Then I come to a winding brook with a shallow bed
Where each pebble makes constant ripples over head
On the bank and in the trees the gray squirrels play
Amid the wild flowers and green leaves in their beautiful display.
No other place on this earth could be more beautiful
And mother nature's beauty and splendor so wonderful.
To me the grandest and dearest place I ever saw
When I see the beauty of Springtime in Pope County, Arkansas.
by Amye Johnson McGraw

MRS. M.L. ABERNATHY

1

Mrs. M.L. Abernathy, born October 6, 1839, came to Arkansas from Joplin, Missouri in 1874. She brought with her three children, Richard, Anna, and Bill Abernathy. They settled North of Atkins in the Wilson Community. Mrs. M.L. Abernathy died in 1913. Richard Abernathy married Sara Ann McGuffey. Richard died in 1941 and Sarah died in 1937. From this union five children were born. Amanda, Dewey, Mildred, Vera, Samuel and Lionel.

Dewey Abernathy married Bertha Beulah Thomas in LaFlore, Oklahoma. They made their home in Atkins, Arkansas. From this union, four children were born; Vernon, Bertha (Betty), Wilma Deane and William. Vernon Abernathy married Ida LaFarlette and from this union two children were born; Eva Katherine and Chales Dewey Abernathy. Eva Katherine Abernathy married Ronald Davis and from this union one child was born; Tricia Lee Davis.

Bertha (Betty) Abernathy married Vernon Howard Stewart and from this union three children were born; Johnnie, William and James Stewart. Johnnie Dean Stewart married Danny Ray Patterson and two children were born from this union; Jennifer Patterson and Daniel Stewart Patterson. William Stewart married Alicia Warren and William Kevin Stewart was born of this union. James Stewart married Kum How Su and one child, Roger Dale Stewart was born of this union.

Wilma Deane Abernathy married Paul Joe Hegeman and from this union one child was born; Angie Hegeman. William (Bill) Abernathy married Faye Gibson, from this union two children were born; Belinda and Cindra Abernathy. Bill Abernathy served as Sheriff of Pope County, Arkansas from 1971 until 1976 and is at the present time a candidate for Pope County Judge.

by Bertha B. Stewart

THE ALEWINE FAMILY

2

The Alewine Family migrated from Abbeville County, S.C., to Pope County, Ark., and settled north of Atkins. John Calvin, born 1842, was the first to arrive in Ark. He, his wife, Emmaline (Milford) and their son, Reece, who learned to walk on the prolonged steamboat trip, landed at Galla Rock in 1869. With them was his younger sister, Mary Katherine Campbell, whose husband had been killed in the Civil War and also, Emaline's brother, David. The next year Omer Alewine was born, the first Alewine born in Ark. Four other children were born to them and all lived in and near Atkins most of their lives.

In 1870 Michael and his wife Emmaline (Alewine) and her mother Sarah Crowther, arrived by train and steamboat. (Michael was the son of Jacob and Emmaline a daughter of Michael, Jr.-1st cousins). They had seven children born in S.C.; Lester, 1859; Hannah Tibitha, 1860; Sarah Margaret, 1862; John

Michael, 1865; Albert Preston, 1866; George Valentine, 1868; Jesse Calvin, 1870; and also seven children were born in Arkansas; Emma Cordelia; Thena Jane; Mary Eudora; Eunice Alseippi; Julia Ann; Marshall Fleetwood; Jacob Leander. Although Michael did not believe in public schools, all children attended public schools and many of them became influential in the public educational system of the county and state. Most of the sons were farmers and landowners. Some of them later migrated into other states seeking more lands to farm.

On January 1, 1871, James Hyley Alewine, born 1839, his wife, Martha Emily (Hill), their two children, John Thomas and Janette, arrived in Atkins. They had left Abbeville, S.C., November 20, 1870. They traveled by covered wagon (tobacco wagon) with two teams of horses and all their possessions. One wonders how they all survived the winter in a one room house "with a shed" that Calvin and his brother-in-law had built. Word has come down that the women and small children slept in the house and the men and big boys slept in the covered wagons. James Hyley (known as Uncle Jimmy) and his wife had three children after moving to Arkansas. Two died in infancy and only Michael, born 1874, survived. Martha Emily died 1882. Aunt Hannah Crowther came from S.C. to help "Jimmy" take care of the children. A year and half later he married Mary B. Burnett Gamble, who had four children. Jimmy and Mary had one child-a daughter Bertha Ella born in 1885.

In 1911 Michael and his family, wife, and four children moved to Oklahoma, probably seeking better farming conditions. Most of the Alewine men have been farmers and landowners, those that have chosen other professions have usually been that which pertained to agricultural production. However, in Michael's family, two sons chose military careers and the other one chose the newspaper business. Many other professions have family representations.

From the family history there were two brothers: Jacob Alewine born in 1808 and Michael Alewine, Jr. born in 1811. The name Jacob is not repeated but once and the name Michael seems to go on forever. There are nine Michael Alewines-all direct line and many Michaels who have different surnames. Michael Alewine, Jr. died in 1845, at the age of 34 years. Jacob died in 1887, at the age of 76 and he had many more descendents but his name has not been carried on, but the name Michael seems like the babbling brook-goes on forever.

Alewines have served in the armed forces of the country-The War Between the States, Spanish American War, World War I, World War II, Korea, and Vietnam. Grave markers show in many community cemeteries and many National Cemeteries the burial ground of Alewine serviceman.

by Beatrice Alewine

JAMES LESTER ALEWINE

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James Lester Alewine was born in 1859 in

Abbeville, S.C. He was the son of Michael and Emmaline Alewine who migrated to Arkansas in 1870. Lester married Ella Frances Boyd (1859-1943) daughter of S.A. and Eunice Cleland Boyd. Lester was a member of the Economy Woodsmen of the World and a leader in his community. He lived his entire life on the land that his father had tilled. Lester and Ella Frances had three children: Oscar, Ernest who died at age 16, and Ruby who died at age 6 months. They were members of the Hopewell Baptist Church.

Oscar Monroe Alewine, son of James Lester and Ella Frances Boyd Alewine was the only child in his family who grew to maturity. He was born in 1886 in the Hopewell Community and lived on the same farm until his death in 1975. His life span exceeded all other male members of the Alewine family. Oscar attended the University of Arkansas and was a member of the undefeated 1909 Razorback football team. He became influential in the educational, agricultural, religious and political activities of the county and the state. He served as secretary of the Democratic Central Committee in Pope County for more than 20 years and he was also a trustee of the Oakland Cemetery from 1916 until his death. He is buried in the Oakland Cemetery along with other members of his family.

Oscar married Mary Ilah Griffin (1888-1928) in 1918. She was the daughter of John Lester and Ellen Rankin Griffin of the Griffin Flat Community. They had one daughter, Ila Jean (1925-) and a son, J.L. (1919-1921). After the death of his first wife, Oscar married Lois Ellison (1901-). Lois was the daughter of V. Lester and Nora Porter Ellison of Pottsville. Ila Jean married Robert C. Kelterborn (1924-) of Caseville, Michigan, in 1946. They are the parents of three sons: Robert Michael (1949-), Steven Monroe (1953-) and Jeffery Carl (1957-) and they all reside in Michigan. Robert Michael married Deborah Sue Dunning (1950-) in 1971 and they have one daughter Anne Louise (1976-) and one son Paul Michael (1978-).

Oscar and Lois were members of the Hopewell Baptist Church north of Atkins. Oscar was a deacon and treasurer of the church for many years and played a very influential role in the history of the church. Lois continues to take an active part in the church activities.

by Lois Alewine

JOHN CALVIN ALEWINE

4

John Calvin Alewine was the son of Michael Alewine and Sarah Crowther Alewine. Sarah Crowther sailed with her parents from Liverpool, England, landed at Charleston, South Carolina. She married Michael Alewine in 1837. John Calvin was born in 1842, Abbeville County, S.C. He was a Confederate soldier and served with the 19th South Carolina Volunteers from 1862 to 1865. He married Emaline Milford in 1865, and their first child, Preston Reece, was born in 1868. Calvin and Emaline Alewine, their son Preston Reece, and her brother David Milford traveled

west from South Carolina in November 1869. They came up the Arkansas River by boat and landed at Galley Rock, December 31, 1869, where they bought a bill of goods from R.A. Dowdle. Preston Reece learned to walk on the boat trip.

Other children born were Omar C., 1870; George W., 1873; John James, 1874; Sarah Anne, 1877; and Jane, 1882.

They homesteaded eight miles north of Galley Rock. The remains of their log cabin can still be seen. Before the turn of the century the large two-story family residence was built. It was torn down by a grandson, Reece L. Alewine; and, in 1958 he built his home on the same site using some of the wood from the original house. Most of the homestead is still in the family. A homemade spinning wheel from the old home can now be seen at Potts Inn. John Calvin Alewine was one of the founders of the Hopewell Baptist Church which is still active today.

by Doris Rackley

JEFFERSON DAVIS ALLISON

5

Jefferson Davis Allison, son of James W. Allison and Martha Hamilton Allison, was born at Humbolt, Gibson County, Tennessee 7 Dec. 1861. One of his earliest remembrance was of his soldier father coming home briefly during the Civil War. A record from an Army Comrade stated: "I and James Allison were members of Co. K. Ninth Tennessee Regiment at Dalton. James Allison was wounded by having both legs broken, had one amputated, and died as the result."

Jefferson Davis Allison grew up in Tennessee. He was in Greene County, Arkansas by 28 Jan. 1885 when he married Mary Elizabeth (Mollie) Dickinson. She was born 5 April 1871 to William Marshal Dickinson and Rebecca Alexander Dickinson. Their children were: Martha Rebecca: b 16 Nov. 1885 — d 13 May 1887 — bur Marmaduke, Greene County, Arkansas; Beula: b 14 Jan. 1887 — d 11 Aug. 1888 — bur Marmaduke, Greene County, Arkansas; Theron Claude: b 18 Sept. 1889 — farmer-mill owner and operator — m Sadie Elmyria Cotton — Ch Iva Velma, Eugene Voris, Flora Viola, Floy Iola, Vivian Irene, Paul Leon, Benjamin Obed, and James Lyndal — d 26 Sept. 1957 — bur Rock Springs Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas; Clyde Merlin: b 13 Jun. 1891 — farmer-carpenter — m Mattie Evelyn Kilpatrick — Ch Veda Juanita, and Viva Ruth — lived Hector, Pope County, Arkansas; Maude Elizabeth — b 29 Jan. 1893 — m Charles Elwin Adams — Ch Marjorie Ellen, Marjuerite Lorene, Wanda Mae, and Robert Elwin — lived Hillsboro, Washington County, Oregon — Amarillo, Potter County, Texas — Hector, Pope County, Arkansas — d 19 Jun. 1968 — bur Rock Springs Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas; Iva Pearl: b 18 Nov. 1894 — m Elmer E. Morris — Ch Vera Beatrice, Lora, Donald Clell, and Nova Odell — lived New Madrid County, Missouri — d 24 April 1975 — bur Matthews, New Madrid County, Missouri; Edna Florence: b 10 Nov. 1897 — m Stanley Elam — lived Kansas City,



Jefferson Davis Allison 1861-1936

Missouri and, Pope County, Arkansas; Alpha Mae: b 5 Jul. 1899 — m Noa H. Jones — Ch Ernestine, Lucille, Noel Clarence, Noah Huey Jr., Wayne Gregory, and Joe Blaine — lived Haggerville, Johnson County, Arkansas; Floyd Jackson: b 8 April 1901 — Electrical Engineer — m Novella Ruth Whitner — lived Kansas City, Missouri; Lorian Thomas: b 26 Jan. 1903 — Teacher and School Superintendent — m Ruth Ann Chronister — Ch Margaret Ann — lived Schulter and other Oklahoma towns — d 17 Jun. 1965 — bur Ok-

After the death of the first two children of Spinal Meningitis and Summer Complaint, seventeen year old Mollie Dickinson Allison was very sick with fevers. A kindly doctor advised that if she was to live they should leave the Arkansas delta for a high mountainous area. They selected Mt. Sherman in Newton County, Arkansas and moved there by oxen team. Later, they lived at Old Quincy on the Pope-Newton County border (later called Moore).

In 1893, after awaiting the birth of Maude near Jasper, Arkansas they left for Terrel, Kaufman County, Texas — again by ox wagon. There, Jeff Allison and Claude were sick for 92 days with typhoid fever. After one year they returned to the health giving Arkansas Ozark Hills.

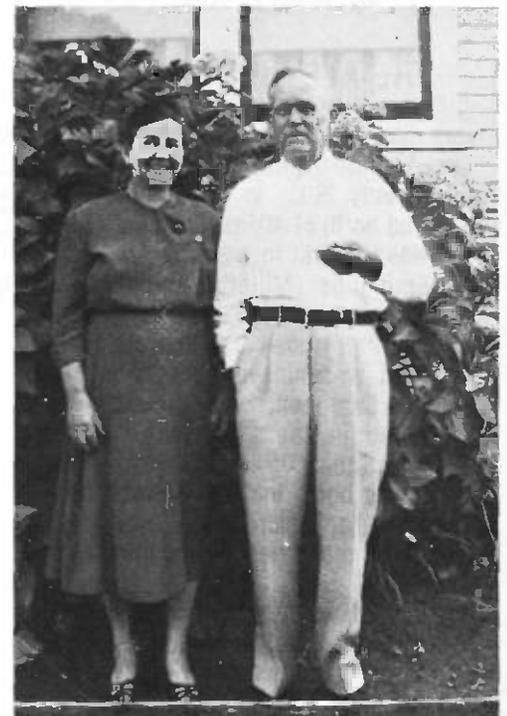
A small store and "Allison Postoffice" was operated by the family in Searcy County, Arkansas. They then homesteaded land astride the Searcy-Van Buren County Line. A store and postoffice they operated there was named Servan after the two counties.

The family lived at Haggerville in Johnson County, Arkansas briefly. In 1920 they left the mountain home at Archey Valley for the last time and moved to the Hector Area of Pope County, Arkansas. Jefferson Davis Allison died at Dover, Arkansas 28 Jun. 1936. Mollie Dickinson Allison departed 27 Oct. 1958. Both are buried at Rock Springs Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas.

mulgee, Okmulgee County, Oklahoma; Clarence Granville: b 31 Jul. 1904 — banker-Department Store Owner — m Elizabeth Bowdre — Ch Elizabeth Ann — d 16 Oct. 1970 — bur Plumerville, Conway County, Arkansas; Clell Albert: b 1 Feb. 1907 — rancher-railroad employee — lived Colorado, Texas, and Pope County, Arkansas; Goldie Jacqueline: b 27 March 1911 — RN-Captain in Army — m Dr. Paul Vincent Fazzalari — lived Baltimore, Maryland; Burl: b 14 Feb. 1914 — d 17 Feb. 1914 — bur Haggerville, Johnson County, Arkansas.

THERON CLAUDE ALLISON

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Sadie and Claude Allison in 1950 in Niles, California at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Voris Allison, their son.

Theron Claude Allison (1889), son of J.D. Allison & Mary Elizabeth Dickinson Allison, and Sadie Elmyra (1897) daughter of Patrick Lyon Cotton and Columbia Ann Emerson Cotton, moved in November 1920 to the Old Burcham place, which was also the old site of the Rock Springs schoolhouse in Pope County. Their children at that time were Velma Iva Lee (1912), Eugene Voris (1915), Flora Viola, oldest twin, and Floy Iola (1916), and Vivian Irene (1919). Claude bought the place from W.P. Riley paying \$950 for 83 acres.

A son, Paul Leon was born in 1922. Sadie, began preaching for the Presbyterian church in 1924. After she was baptized in the Holy Spirit, she began holding revivals for the Assembly of God Church. Her son, Paul went with her to help with washing out clothes, etc., leaving Velma at home to manage the younger ones. Benjamin Obed was born to Claude & Saide in 1927.

The family made a trip to California in the winter of 1928 to see if they could make a living there. While in California, the family stayed with Sadie's parents. Claude and Velma, picked fruit while the other kids went to school. Claude was offered a job to oversee a farm. He and Sadie decided not to take the job because work might need to be done on Sunday which they believed God had appointed for worshiping Him and resting. Claude, Saide and family came back to Arkansas in the spring of 1929.

The small crop that Claude was able to plant upon return to Arkansas in 1929 made good. In 1930 the drought hit and wiped out his crops. He bought a truck to haul cream, feed, and general freight from Hector to Russellville. Charging a dime round trip for passengers, unless they had a bale of cotton to be hauled, then the owner rode free. He operated on a cash-only basis. Claude had his brother, Clyde, ask him among some other men, if he (Claude) would haul some freight for him on credit. Claude turned his own brother down making it known the terms of his business. When Claude sold his truck, only \$1.50 was owed to him for services.

James Lyndal was born to Claude and Sadie in 1935.

Voris left home that year to go to California. In 1938 a "home" girl, Bennie Bradford, went to California to marry Voris. They have three children — June, Bob, and Don.

Claude and Sadie began building a new house in 1940 just 200 feet east of their home. They moved into the house in 1941. The total cost of the house was \$500. They also gave 9 acres of land for the building site of the Cedar Grove Assembly of God Church.

Everybody except Paul and Voris was still at home when the war started. Paul traveled to Oklahoma in the fall of 1941 with Rev. Raymond Tackett, Boyd Tripp, Thurman and Gertrude Hill, and Dorothy Hill to pull bolls in Tillman County Oklahoma. Paul met his future bride, Florence Geneva Hefner, while picking cotton. Paul joined the Navy, Company 23, in 1943 at San Diego, California. Floy, Flora, and Irene got jobs working in the defense powder plant in Jacksonville, Ark. in 1942. They lived with their cousins, Lorene, Marjorie and Wanda, daughters of Charles and



L. to R. — Lyndal, Benjamin, Paul, Voris, Claude, Sadie, Velma, Flora, Floy, Irene Allison. 1951 at Claude and Sadie Allison home.

Maude Adams, on IZARD Street, calling themselves the Lizards from IZARD Street.

Paul married Geneva, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Henry A. Hefner, on October 15, 1944. Their children are Paula Diane, Lavoine Keith, Katheryn Marie, Barbara Gail, Nina Jean, Anthony Wayne, William Douglas and Amy Louise. Jo Ann White, Paula's step-daughter from a former marriage, lives with them. Paula married Donald Helton, son of Mr. & Mrs. Bill Helton of Hector in September 1973. She enlisted in the Navy in 1976. Donald will join her at the next base. Keith married Juanita Huen, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Roland Heun of Centerpoint, Texas in March 1972. They have a son, Jason Robert, born May 1974. Capt. L.K. Allison an Air Force pilot, is stationed at Hahn AFB, Germany with his family. Kathy married Danny Boyd Wooten, son of Mr. & Mrs. Boyd Wooten, of Scottsville in May 1971. Danny is the head of the English department at Dover High School. They have two children, Katy Leann, 3, and Henry Daniel, 1. Kathy & Danny own a home near Dover.

Barbara married Terry Ray Herrin, son of Mr. & Mrs. Billy Ray Herrin of Hector, in October 1977. Terry is an accountant for Harte-Hanks Publishers, at the Courier-Democrat. Barbara is the County Extension Secretary in Russellville. They own a home in Russellville.

Nina married John Benjamin Conn, son of Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Conn of Crandon, Wisconsin, in July 1977. They have a daughter, Crystal Ann. John is a sergeant in the U.S. Air Force.

Benjamin married Mary Magdalene, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Virge Tate in 1948. They have three children — Michael Lynn, Thomas Patrick, and Marcia Ann. Ben and Mary divorced in Sept. 1975. Mary lives with her sister and brother-in-law. Mr. & Mrs. Royce Barnhouse in Hector. Ben remarried to Charlene Langford in 1976. They have a home in Hector and Ben works in Pine Bluff.

Flora was wedded to Harlan Henderson of Hot Springs on April 9, 1950. Their daughter,

Janet, was born in 1958. Irene married Buel Reed of Hector on August 14, 1954. Velma started work in the shoe factory and moved to Russellville in 1952. She later bought a house in Russellville in March 1958.

Claude harvested natural resources, timber in 1940 and again in 1955. He also dairy-farmed beginning in 1936 to 1955 when he sold out because of his health. He passed away in September 1957.

Lyndal married Anna Welcher in January 1958. They have two sons — Victor (1959), and Greg (1961) and two daughters Nancy (1960) and Karen (1964).

Sadie remarried in 1965 to Henry Wright. They lived in the farmhouse between pastures. After Rev. Wright passed away in 1966, she sold the house and farm to her son, Paul who has lived there with his family since 1969. Sadie moved to Pine Street, Hector. Sadie continued to preach in various churches in the surrounding communities until she was 79, when she was unable to travel. She passed away on March 13, 1978 at age 80.

by Mrs. Barbara Allison Herrin

JOHN VIRGIL ALLMON

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John V. Allmon and Sarah Elizabeth Pierce Allmon

Allmon came to Pope County in 1870 from Hall County, Georgia. Born in Hall County, near Dalton, in 1950, Allmon married Sarah

Elizabeth Pierce in the summer of 1870. Her uncle, Dr. Robert J. Pierce, with his wife and two children, had migrated to Arkansas early in that year. The rest of the Pierce family became victims of the fever to "go west" and in September, 1870, several of these families, including the newly married Allmons boarded a train at Dalton, making the trip to Memphis by train. There they took a boat down the Mississippi River, up the White and Arkansas Rivers to "a village on the north bank of the Arkansas, opposite Dardanelle, known as Norristown."

The journey from Georgia had been a long and difficult one. The time was late fall and their resources were depleted. The men found temporary shelter for their families and went into the cotton fields to try to earn enough money to purchase supplies needed for the winter ahead. In February, 1871, the majority of the families set out to join Uncle Bob Pierce in Marion County, but the young Allmons decided to stay in Pope County. They settled then in the Carrion Crow Mountain community, later buying acreage two miles east of Pottsville. Some years later they built a large two story house on the property where they lived and reared their family of four girls and three boys. Two of their children had died. Allmon died in August, 1914, his wife having preceded him in death in September, 1912. They are buried in the family plot at Pisgah cemetery.

Two sons of Allmon continued to live in Pope County. The youngest son, Clarence V., married to Lois Talley, lives with his wife at Russellville at the time of this writing (May 15, 1978). He is 89 years and 6 months of age. One daughter, Clarice.

four covered wagons. They settled in the New Hope community southeast of Russellville, where they later bought a farm. They were joined in 1872 by a brother Alexander Henry and his wife Eliza Howser Henry with eight of their ten children. They made the long trip from York County, South Carolina, by train to Memphis, Tenn. and then by boat, to Norristown. These Henrys, parents of William, also settled in the New Hope community. Besides Vera, William and Elizabeth Henry had three sons and another daughter. One of the sons, John Forrest Henry, at this writing, is still living at Russellville, age 91 years and 6 months.

Ernest and Vera Allmon lived at Pottsville all his life. They were members of the Pottsville Baptist church. In 1912-13 Ernest attended Ouachita College at Arkadelphia. Early in the twenties he opened an abstract and insurance office in Russellville. Allmon served several years as secretary-treasurer of the National Farm Loan Association in the area and later as secretary of the Russellville Production Credit Association. Later he was joined by his son-in-law Lester David Mack in the abstract business and they formed the Allmon-Mack Agency. Mack's death in 1960 brought Allmon out of retirement to run the agency once again. There he remained active until a few years before his death in February, 1970 at the age of 86 years and 6 months. He is buried in the Allmon family plot at Pisgah cemetery. His wife's death came in December, 1970.

The daughters of Ernest and Vera Allmon are Mrs. Ernestine McKinney, Little Rock and Mrs. Lucile Mack, now of Texarkana. Both daughters are graduates of Ouachita Baptist University, a dream Ernest Allmon had for himself but could not fulfill except through seeing that his daughters had the opportunity.

by Mrs. Ernestine McKinney

THE FAMILY OF SOLOMON A. AND SARAH ALLRED

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Solomon A. and Sarah Allred were married in Overton Co. Tenn. about 1843 and moved to Clark Township, Pope Co. Ark. in 1851. The Allreds, of English origin, were in America by 1644, when Henry Aldred was admitted to the church and his wife and sons were baptised: from Records of the First Church, Dedham, Mass. A descendant of Henry, John Allred, had four sons: Thomas; William; Solomon (ancestor of Solomon A.); and John.

Solomon A.'s father, Solomon (b. 1784 in Richmond Co. N.C.) md. Averetta ? (b. 1785 in Overton Co. Tenn.) about 1808 and had 11 children, all of whom were born in Overton Co. Solomon, the 8th child, is believed to have been the first of the family to migrate to Arkansas. He and his wife, Sarah, were both born in Overton Co. in 1823. They had 4 sons and 4 daughters: Thomas B. (1845-1933); Catharine; Henrietta; Mary J.; Solomon Solomon Eleazer; Margaret M.; Alonzo C.; and Gamlen W.

Times were prosperous and happy for the newcomers in this abundant land of Arkansas in the 1850s. Fields were cleared, tilled, and made to yield sufficient food for families and surplus for marketing. But within a decade the nation was caught in the tragedy of the Civil War and Thomas B. Allred was 16 years of age. He probably went eagerly to service with the C.S.A., according to family tradition, and was possibly with Hindman's forces at the Battle of Prairie Grove, Ark. As the defeated Confederate forces retreated southward through Pope Co., in the vicinity of Thomas's home, he apparently deserted and hid in a creek under an overhang, with only his nose above water. When the immediate danger was passed he is said to have lived in a cave northeast of Hector.

Thomas was married prior to 1870 and had six children through this marriage. The settlement of Alread was named for Thomas due to his operating the first Post Office there. At some time before 1880, his parents, Solomon and Sarah, moved to Van Buren Co. to be near Thomas and his family. Sarah died about 1882 and Solomon md. Eliza Reed in the following year. Thomas was a widower on the 1880 census, but in November of that year he md. Sarah E. Milligan and they had 12 children, 5 of whom lived to adulthood: John Thomas (1884-1965); Oscar; Ida; A.B.; and Linda. Thomas and Sarah moved back to Pope Co. in the early 1890s, bought the Campbell farm south of Hector, and are believed to have farmed there until all the children were grown. After Sarah's death in 1931, Thomas md. Mrs. Louise Barrett and moved to Waggoner, Okla., where he died in 1933. John Thomas (1884-1965) md. in 1904 to Minnie Worley, who was descended on both sides from early Pope Co. settlers. John and Minnie raised their children on the Campbell-Alread farm. Lois (b. 1910) remembers plowing as a young boy around the "Old slave graves" of Mr. Campbell's. Jewell (b. 1905) met Noah G. Frost on this farm, became his wife in 1919, and had 3 children: Richard; Ina Mae; and Don, all born in Pope Co. Noah and Jewell are retired and living in Dinuba, Calif. Marie married Robert Scott and now lives in Ore. Minnie died in 1952 and is buried by her twin daughters, Ruth and Ruby, at McFadden Cemetery, Dover. John, who was later employed by Ark. Tech in Russellville, died in 1965 and is buried beside his wife. Lois Alread is the only member of this family still living in Pope Co. (Russellville)

by Don J. Frost

WILLIE CLINTON ALVEY

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Willie Clinton Alvey was born July 10, 1894, in Perry County Indiana, to George and Sissy (nickname) Cassidy Alvey. He had one sister, Evie. Their parents died when they were very small and Willie and Evie were separated and never saw each other again, even though many attempts have been made to find her in the last few years. Willie came to Pope County in 1910, at the age of 16, with an uncle, Luke Cassidy living on Buck Moun-



Mr. and Mrs. Ernest D. Allmon

Ernest Delmont Allmon, first son of John Allmon, born in 1883, married Vera M. Henry, daughter of William and Elizabeth Henry. Elizabeth, 'Aunt Lizzie', as she became known to family and friends alike, was the daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth Parker Henry. Her parents had come to Arkansas from York County, South Carolina in 1856 with six children and six slaves, traveling in

tain. At the age of 14 he had osteomyelitis which left him wearing a peg leg, usually made of cedar with leather straps to hold it in place. He remembered walking many miles in Pope County working in the log woods. He married Omie M. Harness, daughter of Tom and Sarah Harness of Gum Log. She was born May 19, 1903, one of six children. Her mother and one brother died in a shooting accident in 1906. Her father died a few years later and the children were all separated and saw each other only a few times since.

Willie and Omie lived most of their married life in Conway County and raised seven children.

Buck, who died in a truck accident in 1941, is buried in Lost Corner cemetery at Cleveland.

Ben Alvey married Billie Dean Willis McClure and they have one son, David, and four daughters, Virginia, Connie, Rita and Margaret, all of Pasadena, Texas.

Eldridge (Red) Alvey, married Wanda Mallett and they have four sons, Terry, Gary, Buddy and Barry; three daughters, Karen, Sharon, and Lawanda, all of Morrilton, Arkansas.

Billy J. Alvey married Martha Ann Zimmerman Huddelston and they have three daughters, Charlotte, Nicki, and Sarah. Charolette and Nicki are married and live in Russellville and the others live in St. Vincent.

Leon Alvey married Jo Ella Roberts and they live on Crow Mountain and have three sons, James, Steven, and Michael and one daughter, Pamela, all of Pottsville.

Two daughters were born to Willie and Omie and one was Lottie, Married to Ed, Baker and they have one son, Ronnie of Plummerville and one daughter, Jackie of Morrilton.

Mary Evelyn Alvey, married Weldon (Cotton) Shuemake and they have two sons Mark and Curtis, and all live at Morrilton.

Willie Alvey went blind around the age of 38, never losing his faith in God, he remembers being bitten several times by snakes but said that you got to where you could tell when they were there. They moved to Crow Mountain in 1975 and stayed there until his death Sept. 2, 1977, at the age of 83. He is buried in Lost Corner Cemetery at Cleveland in Conway County. Omie lives with her children.

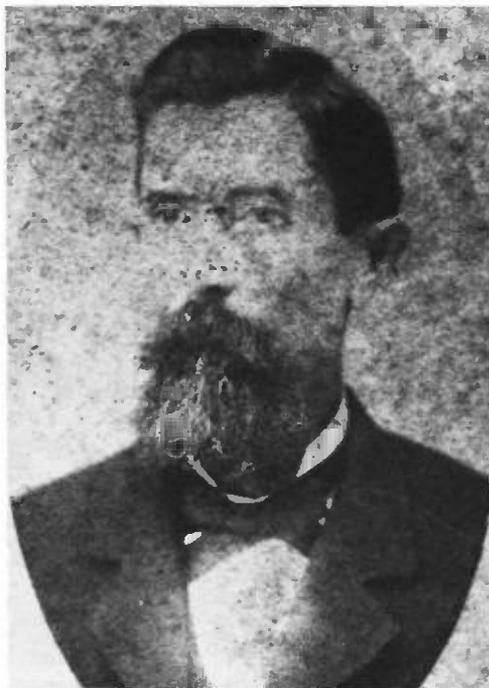
by Jo Ella & Leon Alvey

ANTHONY — BOLES

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Mrs. Millie Boles ANTHONY, b. 1788 S.C., widow of John ANTHONY of Lawrence Co., Tennessee, was the daughter of Aquilla BURNS, frontiersman, born Virginia 1738, Veteran of the French and Indian War, and the American Revolution, bought land as the West was opened for settlement — lived in N.C., S.C., Ala., Ga., Ky., and Tennessee.

A number of families from Lawrence Co., Tenn. moved to Pope Co., about 1841. Mrs. Milly ANTHONY came with her children to Pope Co., at that time (they are on the 1840 Census of Lawrence Co., Tenn.). John AN-



Alfred Anthony



Elizabeth Jane Boles Anthony

THONY and Milly BURNS were married Feb. 28, 1803 in Christian Co., Ky. John ANTHONY died ca 1836 Lawrence Co., Tenn. They had twelve or more children, only eight names are known: May b. Ky. m Vincent Heralson 1822 Tenn.; Nancy b. 1812 Ky. m. John Perkins 1831 Tenn.; Catherine b. 1815 m. Zachariah Keeton 1834 Tenn.; Alfred b. 1822 Tenn.; Jacob b. 1825 Tenn.; Isaac b. 1826 Tenn.; Emily Jane b. 1827 Tenn. m. General Harville 1844 Ark.; and Thomas b. 1831 Tenn. Milly ANTHONY died Jan. 28, 1846 and is buried at Center Valley Baptist Church Cemetery — beside her are buried some of her children and grandchildren — infant of Alfred and Elizabeth Anthony b. 10-16-1848 d. 11-8-1848; Henry Anthony b. 1-8-1853 d. 8-28-1873 (grandson); Isaac R. Anthony (son) Co., D 2 Ark. Inf. d. 12-23-1891 (he m. 1st Louisa Boles 3-30-1848; 2nd Martha Perry 12-13-1853); Emily Jane Anthony Harville Turner Hamilton (daughter); and Nancy Anthony Perkins (daughter); also probably her son Alfred Anthony (no marker).

ALFRED ANTHONY b. 1822 Lawrence Co., Tenn. married ELIZABETH JANE BOLES (BOLDS, BOWLES) Dec. 17, 1847 at the home of Mrs. Boles. Elizabeth Jane's 1st husband was Corp. Madison L. POPLIN, Co. A, Ark. Reg. Mt'd. Vols., d. 3-22-1847 from wounds received 2-23-1847 at the Battle of Buena Vista, Mexico — Mexican War. They had one dau. Sarah Catherine Poplin b. 2-11-1847. Parents of Elizabeth Jane were Boles and wife Martha L. Their children were John, Elizabeth Jane, Louisa, Sarah Ann and Martha. Mr. Boles d. before 1847 and Martha L. BOLES b. 1807 d. 1873 and is buried in Yell Co. at Lower Spring Creek Cemetery. The parents of M.L. POPLIN were George and Elizabeth Poplin. By 1860 ALFRED ANTHONY and wife Elizabeth Jane and children Sarah C.; Nancy Isabell, Henry, George, John E. and Margaret E. moved to Ellis Co., Texas. They had a son Felix born 1-9-1862. ALFRED ANTHONY was a Confed-

erate Soldier and a prominent farmer in Ellis Co. Elizabeth Jane d. 9-19-1881. Alfred ANTHONY moved back to Russellville where on 4-24-1882 he m. Mrs. Rhoda Caroline Tucker Jones. Alfred Anthony — Personal Property Assessment 1885-School Dist. #14--4 neat cattle, 10 hogs, 2 Carriages, 1 Gold Watch—all valued at \$818.00. He d. after 1885. His children back in Texas were never notified of his death. In the Wagon Train that brought the ANTHONYS to Texas in 1860 was a young friend of the family by the name of JOHN WILLIAMSON BUNKER, age 21 years of Pope Co., Ark. He was a Confederate Soldier, served 4 years, joined Parsons' Cavalry in 1861, Ellis Co., Texas. On Aug. 27, 1865 he married Nancy Isobell Anthony in Ellis Co., Texas. They lived in that area the rest of their lives.

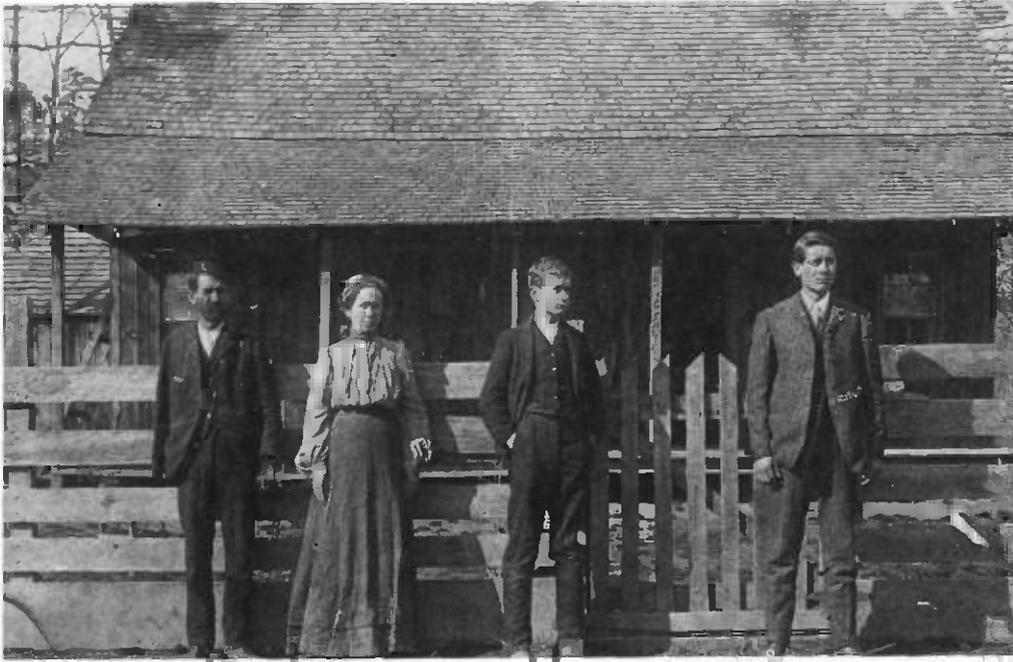
by Elizabeth Jo Anthony Faller

THE POPE COUNTY ARNOLDS

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It appears that the first Arnold in the County was Levi Arnold who was listed in Yell Co. in the 1850 USC and in Pope Co. in the 1860 USC. In the 1860 USC is also listed Jacob, age 32, with wife and five children, ages 1-9, with probably a brother John Wm., age 25. In the 1870 USC there is a Geo. Arnold with Ann and children, Adam and Rose.

The Thomas Green Arnold family came to Pope Co. in the early 1800's. Tradition has it that they came from eastern Tenn. Thomas is known to have had a younger brother John who was too young to be conscripted into the Confederate army, but went in Thomas' place as Thomas had three small children. John came from Tenn. for Thomas' funeral about the last of 1890. The Geo. listed in 1870 USC may have been a brother of John. Thomas located on Linker Mtn. and is buried at the Forehand Cem., which was first known as the Battenfield Cem.



Ezra Murray Arnold, America Chestina Daily Arnold, Henry Otis Arnold, Thomas Selkirk Arnold. Made in the winter of 1906-07 on Isabel Creek.

Thomas raised his fam. in Tenn. and came to Pope Co. after his wife, Margaret Humphreys, who had a French ancestry, died. Their children who came to the county were: 1.) Betty who m. Frank Welch first and after Frank died she m. Fred Josey. 2.) Nathan "Nath" who m. Tennie Henderson and had sons Oscar who m. Myrtle Hendrixson, and Charlie. The daughters were Bernie who m. a Huff, Grover who m. a Norris, Frankie who m. a Shadell. They lived in Holly Bend. 3.) Ezra Murray, who sawmilled over most of the county. Murray also ginned cotton and lost an arm in a gin on Baker's Creek, north of Russellville. Murray m. America Chestina "Aunt Ches" Dailey and they had two boys. First son was Thomas S. who first m. Alice Johnston, and m. second Amanda Abernathy. They first moved to Mo. and then to Calif. Tom's children were Jace who m. first Virginia Nalen and second her sister Goldie of Pope Co.; Vera Ashmore; Ellis; Lucille Hutchinson m. in Mo.; Mary Bricker and Martha Mitchell who m. in Calif. Tom is buried with Alice at St. Joe. Murray supplied the lumber for both the Shiloh and St. Joe churches built in the early 1900's. Murray's second son was Henry who m. Kansada Hendrixson and later moved to South Tex. where they are both buried. Their children are Jewel, Lance, Mildred, Leonard and E.M. Murray's daughters were Maggie who m. Wheeler Teague, whose children were Murray and Roy (who are deceased); Ruby Virden Tackett; Reba Chenowith Autrey; Ruth Graham; and Rayburn who m. Sybil Venable. His other daughter Lula, m. Bob Teague and their children are Henry, who finished Atkins High School and now lives in Houston, Texas; Hazel, who m. Earl Hill and moved to Texas in 1930; Vergys; and Robert. 4.) Thomas J. Arnold m. Lizzie Campbell. Aunt Lizzie m. second a Mr. Addington. Her children were George, who moved to Plainview; Ezra, who m. Lois and lived in Little Rock; Walter, who moved from Pope Co. 5.)

Susan, who m. Jim Battenfield. Sue died young and is buried in Forehand Cem. Their son was Fred who moved to Texas when young. 6.) John Daniel, who m. Laura "Aunt Allie" Dailey. He got his arm in a cotton gin which caused his death. He is buried at St. Joe. Their children were Wilburn who m. Amy Stroud and moved to South Texas in the early thirties. One other son was Jeff, who m. Wilma Boone. Jeff called Atkins home until he died 8/6/73. He was the last of the pioneer family by the name in the county. The girls were Eddie Cosley, Beulah Cook, Bee Jones, Lula Fletcher, and Audra, who m. Willie Embry and lived around Atkins all their lives. Laura m. John Reel whose children were Willie Lee Hayes, who resides in Kansas City, Mo., and Lorene who m. a Kile and moved to Houston. 7.) Mollie who m. George Ross. She left him and raised her family at Corpus Christi, Texas. There were three sons, Jewel, Ezra and one other and a daughter, Mable.

by Henry C. Teague

JOHN ARTHUR

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JOHN ARTHUR of Virginia married Elizabeth "Betsy" Greer in 1809. She was the daughter of Nathan Greer and Lucy Arthur of Bedford County, Va. John was born in 1779, and Betsy was born in 1793. They were in Tennessee when their children were born, but had moved to Pope County by at least 1843 when their son Carrol Arthur got married. They are listed on the 1850 census with the following offspring still at home with them: Nathan G., age 28, Lucy, age 22; and Joseph L., age 20. James T. Arthur, born about 1820 and married in Pope County to Mary E. Story in 1849, may have been another son.

Carrol Arthur was born in Tennessee in 1817 and became a wagon-maker. He lived in the Smyrna community in Independence

Township, on the Middle Fork of the Illinois Bayou. On October 12, 1843 he married Loucinda Crouch. She had been born in Alabama on May 11, 1823. It appears that she was the daughter of John and Sarah Crouch. (John operated the first grist mill in Pope County. He died in 1847).

Carrol and Loucinda Crouch Arthur had these children: Sarah E., John McFadden, William G. (married Angeline —), Solomon (married 1. Margaret Treadwell in 1870, and married 2. Mary Guest in 1889), David W., Lucy Jane (married Thomas H. Ross), Martha A. "Belle" (married George W. Rackley in 1877), Caledonia J. (married James R. Edge in 1879), and Loucinda (married Wiley Hughes in 1882).

Solomon Arthur was the fourth postmaster of Hector (1897 - 1903), and ran a general store there for many years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge at Hector. He and his wife loved children and cared for various orphaned or homeless children over the years, including Betty Treadwell, Velma Tucker, and Jenny Huhn.

Lucy Jane Arthur married Thomas H. Ross, son of William J. and Mary Elizabeth Brown Ross, on January 1, 1874. She and Tom had grown up together as next door neighbors in the Smyrna community. Lucy had been born there in 1856. Lucy and Tom lived in Hector after their marriage. They managed a hotel-restaurant in Russellville for a short time and then moved to Henrietta, Oklahoma and ran the Tom Ross Hotel there for many years. When Tom died about 1917 she moved back to Pope County and bought her a place of her own at Norristown mountain where she lived until about 1924 when she moved in with her granddaughter Ollie Tucker Choate. The Choates finally moved to Manilla, Arkansas and she moved with them. She died there in Manilla in 1938. She is buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery in Hector. She and Tom had always been hospitable to children and when misfortune came to their daughter, Francis Ross Tuckers' family (first with the death of Joe Tucker and then with Fran's own death), they took the younger children to raise as their own and helped out with the care of the older children. These children were: Steve Tucker and his brothers Loy, Jesse, and Homer and their sister, Ollie.

Lucy and Tom Ross had these children: Francis (married 1. Joseph Tucker and married 2. Alf Sinclair), Ida (married Walter Brown, and moved to Idaho), and Margaret A. (married Robert Alexander Tucker, Jr.).

Margaret Ross Tucker was born in 1875 and died in 1908. She had several boys, but only three grew up to have families of their own. They were: David Earl Tucker, Reuben Eben Tucker, and Thomas Vernie Tucker.

by W. Ross Berry

ELIZABETH ADALINE ASHMORE

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Elizabeth Adaline Ashmore, daughter of Sawyer and Elizabeth Ashmore, was born Jan. 30, 1823 in Giles Co., Tenn. Age 16, she came to Pope Co., Arkansas with her parents



William Middleton Easterling & Lucinda Adeline Burris.

in ox wagons, walking most of the way and helping to drive cattle. On this trip, she and James L. Burris became lovers. They were married in 1840 and located in Gumlog near the old Baptist Graveyard in which they buried their first child. Later they moved to Isabelle Creek and settled on 240 acres of land. He also operated a tannery mill on his farm. J.L. died while on this farm on Aug. 29, 1879 and Adaline moved into Atkins, Ark. and lived with her daughter until her death on June 21, 1919.

Their ten children were John, Jeff, Frank, George, and William Burris, Margaret Moore, Nancy E. Adcock, and Lucinda Adaline Easterling, and two children who died quite young. The family were members of the Primitive Baptist Church in their community north of Atkins.

The youngest child, Lucinda Adaline Burris, was born Aug. 27, 1866 at Atkins, Ark. She married William Middleton Easterling (b. July 8, 1863, Madison Co., Ark.) at Atkins on Nov. 16, 1884. Their children, Thomas, who died in infancy, Mary Elizabeth and George W. were born in Pope Co. The family then moved "over the mountain" to Madison Co., where Wm. M. farmed and was part-time employed with his family in a Government Distillery. The children born in Madison County were Elmer W., Flora Elsie, Lee Oma, James Franklin, and Vester A.



Back. Elmer, Uncle Will, and George. Front: Lee, Aunt Cindy and Mary. All Easterlings.

In 1908 Wm. W. and Lucinda sold their farm in Ark., loaded their family, horses and wagons on the train for Lamesa, Texas. Staying there a short while, the family moved again to Dundee, Tx. where the tenth child, Jewell Pricilla, was born. Fall of 1909 when the bollweevils moved in, Lucinda said they moved out to Carnegie, Oklahoma, leaving most of their possessions behind. They lived one year on a farm there before moving to Mountain View, Okla. in 1910, where they lived for the next nine years. The family moved by wagon on Jan. 12, 1919 to Rankin, Okla., where Wm. M. purchased a 160 acre farm, on which he resided until his death on Oct. 12, 1941. Lucinda later sold the farm and moved into Reydon, Okla. where she lived alone until her death on June 26, 1954. Both Wm.M. and Lucinda are buried in the White Rose Cemetery at Reydon, Oklahoma.

Mary married Albert Dodson (d. 1958) of Madison, Ark., and lives in Reydon, Okla. with her two daughters. George (d. 1978) married Frankie Peoples of Mtn. View, Okla. and there are two sons and two daughters. Nancy (d. 1966) married Clyde R. Casto (d. 1944) of Kans; there are two children. Elmer married Willie Peoples of Mtn. View, and live in Calif; they have one son. Lee married Sterling S. McColgin (d. 1963), lives in Reydon and has two daughters. Frank (d. 1976) married Allegra Albin of Sweetwater, Okla.; there are four children; married Marie Roberts of Reydon, there is one son. Vester married Marguerite Stebbins of Junction City, Kans. had four children, married Claire of

Washington and lives in Calif. Jewell married Alex Inman of Reydon, Okla. and have one daughter.

by Jewel Easterlind Inman and Lee Oma Easterling McColgin

JAMES ROBERT ASHMORE

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The Ashmores were originally from Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. The early Roots tracing begins with William James Ashmore, born 1821 and his bro. Robt. L., 1824. Robt. lived in London, Ark. W.J. "Bill", son of the above W.J., was a pioneer family of Economy. Bill was born in 1843. The father W.J. or the son was a citizen of Glass Village in 1901. W.J. of 1821 fathered Stephen Robt. (1842) and W.J. "Bill" (1843) Death of Bill in 1913. He married Mary Angeline Wilson in Pope Cty. (1867) These two bros. had six sisters, all of whom lived in or near Russellville after marriage. Bill lived in Glass Village (Griffin Flat), Wilson Twnshp., and reared four sons, three daughters, and lost child # 2 as an infant of 8 months-William. The four sons: James Robt, born 1867, Stephen A., 1870, O. Joe Sawyer, 1880 and Alvin A., 1884. J.R. and S.A. (Steve) married sisters, Ada and Emma Martin of Birmingham, Alabama.

J.R. was a farmer, a maker of various sizes of baskets and cane chair bottoms, was a Cumberland Presbyterian song leader. He built a home on the land his Dad had had and reared six daughters and two sons. This land



The J.R. Ashmore Family, except Edith who had passed away. L. To R. — Essie, Lela, Bessie, J.R., King, Minnie Ada, Euritte, Articia & Eva.

came from the U.S. to the State of Arkansas (in 1836), then to Caleb Griffin (1873)

Deed for Saline Lands. In 1874 the State executed a Salt Lands Deed to J.A. Nichols, \$1.25 per acre. Nichols School was named for him.

1896-Warranty Deed from W.F. Griffin to E.E. Rankin and the next year, Mr. Rankin and wife, Mary, sold to L.D. Ford for \$300.00 (Ford Cemetery) Records show that J.R. and M.A. later owned this land and then J.R. & wife, then E.E. Ashmore with the present owner being Billy E. Ashmore.

J.R.'s children attended Nichols School and Glass Village church, traveling by foot, horse, wagon and later, car. J.R. "Bob" was accidentally shot just above the hip while hunting with friend, John Whittenburg, I believe while just a young man.

Sons of J.R. were King James (1906) and Euritte E. (1908). E.E. made his home in Pope Cty. at and near the homeplace, marrying in 1928 Edna Earle Overbey of Johnson Cty. They had two sons and four daughters, (one set of twin girls). Son, Robert Anderson (Bob) was an Evangelist, an employee of Russellville Shoe Factory for many years and pastored various Freewill Baptist Churches in and out of the Cty. until his death in 1975 at age 46. Billy made a career of the U.S. Army, retiring after 20 yrs. Bob has one son, Larry Don, and two daughters. Larry has a dau. and one son, Mark. Bill has two sons, Bobby Anderson and Billy Earl.

We know the following are buried at Ford Cemetery: W.J. "Bill" and wife, J.R. and wife, J.R.'s sister, Alice (Mrs. Rene Smith), J.R.'s sis-in-law Emma Martin Ashmore, Edith Ashmore Bowlin, J.R.'s dau., and his son, E.E.

Mr. Ed Wilson remembered that the Ashmores used to live in the bottom when Bob (J.R.) got shot and moved "up here" in the 1880's and built "that rock fence."

by Emma Jenette Ashmore Young

JOSHUA ALFRED ASHMORE

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Nancy Melinda Guest Ashmore O'Barr

Joshua Alfred Ashmore (b. 1830 in Giles County, Tennessee) came to Gum Log before 1840 with his parents, Robert Ooke Ashmore

(b. 1801 in Tenn.) and Elizabeth Strickland (b. 1804 in Ky.). With them came their other children, Mary Malinda (b. 1829), Samuel (b. 1832), Lusanie Elizabeth (b. 1834), and Lucinda Ann (b. 1837). Cynthia Adelaid (b. 1840) and Robin (Robert) Doke (b. 1842) were born in Gum Log.

Joshua married Sept. 1, 1853 in Gum Log Nancy Melinda Guest, who had recently come on a wagon train with her parents, Moses Holland Guest (see Guest) and Sarah Minerva Turner from Milledgeville, Georgia. In spite of his southern wife, Joshua was a northern sympathizer when the Civil War broke out. A target of the "night riders," he hid out in swampy places until he got to the Union Army where he enlisted. He became sick with malaria, and Nancy went to his camp to nurse him, leaving their children, William Anderson (b. 1854), Samuel Henry (b. 1857), Sarah Elizabeth (b. 1860), Nancy Ann (Nannie) (b. 1862), and infant Eliza Adelaid (b. Jan. 1865) at home. She got pregnant while at camp, and Mary Jane was born 11 months after Eliza in 1865. Robert Holland was born in 1870.

Joshua died May 11, 1871, never fully recovering from the exposure he endured during the Civil War. His widow married the Reverend LaVelle C. O'Barr, a Methodist Circuit Rider in Russellville on February 12, 1882. Nancy Melinda Guest Ashmore O'Barr died in 1923 in Featherstone, Oklahoma.

While still a widow, Nancy Ashmore rented a room in her home to a carpenter who was building the Presbyterian Church in Center Point. He was William Joseph Clifford (b. 1857 in Indiana), son of Gilbert Marcus Delafayette (Delay) Clifford and Clarissa Matilda Queer. William had been apprenticed as a carpenter in Indiana at 14. When he reached age 18, he was given the choice of \$100 in cash or a horse. He took the money and set out to see the world, stopping in several places to do carpentry work. He spent several years working around Arkansas, decorating railroad cars in Little Rock and Pine Bluff and building churches in Gum Log and Center Point. He married Widow Ashmore's eldest daughter, Nancy Ann (Nannie), on January 1, 1882 in the Center Point Church he had just built. Widow Nancy made him promise not to take Nannie too far away, so he tried to be a farmer around there. But he just couldn't settle, and after Flora (1885) and Cady Adelaide (1887) were born, he went back to carpentry work, mostly on railroad cars in Little Rock and Texas, leaving his family with his mother-in-law, then Mrs. O'Barr, for long periods. Mary Helen was born in Van Buren in 1889 and Joseph Wallace in Russellville in 1894. The Cliffords left Pope County for Texas in 1898.

Eliza Ashmore married Alec Duval and had Edwin, Cordela, Charlotte (Charlie), Dorothy, Edna, and Nannie Jo.

Mary married Rev. U.J. Hearon after her first husband, a Montgomery, died. Mary Hearon had Irene and Leslie. She died ca. 1903 of T.B.

William Anderson Ashmore married and had 5 or 6 sons and 1 daughter, Eunice, who married Clarence C. Aaron and moved to Ok-

lahoma and then to California.

Robert D. Ashmore, Jr. married Prussia and had Prussia, Sarah Ann, and Robert D.

Other descendents of Robert Doke and Elizabeth Ashmore:

Mary Malinda married Williamson Strickland and had Nancy Jane and Ann.

Samuel R., married Eliza Mullins and they had George, Robert and Anna.

Lusanie Elizabeth, married Oliver Hamilton and they were the parents of, Doke, Bob, Fannie, Mary and Elsie.

Lucinda Ann, married first, Henry Guest and second, Adam Chronister and by him had Addle, Nannie, and John.

Cynthia Adelaide never married.

Robert (Robin) Doke, married Marilla Mullins and they had Clement Doke, Paris Gibson, Thomas, Samuel, Robert, Presia, Sanie, and Adelle.

by Helen Peters Mauk

AUSTIN FAMILY

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The surname Austin is believed to have come from the baptismal name "son of Augustine." The soldiers of Caesar's Legions carried the name to Britain in 55 A.D. and when they left early in the 5th century the name had become well established among the native Britons. These early Austins flourished and by the 13th century there were more than a dozen coats-of-arms recorded for Austin families in the English counties of Kent, Surrey and Norfolk.

It was inevitable that some of these Austins would come to America and the ancestors of the Austins who settled in Pope County were first recorded in the 17th century in eastern Maryland. William Austin I was born as early as c. 1660 probably in Maryland. He married Elizabeth Skinner and from this union William Austin II was born before 1690. William Austin II married Elizabeth Tippon and they had three sons confirmed by William's will; William III, John, Jacob and possibly Absolom and Samuel. William married a second time in 1732.

William Austin III was born in Maryland in c. 1710. He married Mary Cleaves, daughter of Nathaniel and Katherine Cleaves, in 1735 and their first son, William Austin IV, was born in St. Lukes Parish, Queen Annes County, Maryland on 9 May 1738. William IV married and moved to North Carolina where he settled in Orange County by 1770. William IV and his wife, Ann, had nine known children: Phillip, Benjamin, Rebecca, Nathan, Samuel, Elijah, Nancy, Arramentha and Elisha. It is interesting to note that almost all these early Austins were given Biblical names.

Before and during the Revolutionary War times and conditions in and around Orange County, NC were troubled and soon after the War the Austin clan moved further west into Burke County, NC. Although never wealthy in money, the Austins acquired sizable holdings of land by State Grants and Outright purchase. Some of them achieved recognition as Captains of Militia and Justices of the Peace.

Phillip Austin, who was born in Maryland in

1758, married Sarah, who was born in Maryland in 1756. Their second son, Charles Austin, was born in North Carolina in 1785. Charles spent his early years in Burke County but returned to Orange County where he married Sylvia Workman, daughter of John Workman, in 1812. Charles and Sylvia remained in Orange County, NC until after 1820 when they moved to Tennessee. They had six children: John W. (b. 1815), Phillip G. (b. c. 1817-8), William Young (b. 1818), Mahala (b. c. 1824), James M. (b. 1828) and Carlin P. (b. 1830).

William Young Austin married Francis Allen Pollock in Lawrence County, TN in January 1840 and from this union there were fourteen children most of whom were born in Tennessee: James A. (b. 1842), Elizabeth A. (b. 1843), Mary Jane (b. 1844), Phillip W. (b. 1845), Margaret A. (b. 1847) Charles E. (b. 1849), Susan C. (b. 1849), Sarah F. (b. 1850), Amanda P. (b. 1851), John W. (b. 1853), Joseph Kirkman (b. 1854), Stanford Y. (b. 1856), Tennessee Lee (b. 1859) and Martha Alice (b. 1860).

The William Young family moved to Arkansas before 1850 and settled near Belle Chapel.

Joseph Kirkman Austin was the 11th child of William Young and Francis Austin. In 1879, he married Mary Elizabeth Skaggs, daughter of Hudson and Lucy (Wilson) Skaggs of Scott County, Arkansas. In their early years, Joseph and Mary Austin farmed near Belle Chapel. In their later years they lived in Atkins where they were affectionately known as "Uncle Joe" and "Aunt Mary". Joseph died in 1929; Mary died in 1936. Both are buried in Pope County. During their long and fruitful life they had 13 children and many of their descendants still live in the County. The children of Joseph and Mary Austin were: Leonard Hugh, Rose Ella, Minnie A. (died as a child), Walter Simond, Emmett Young, Birdie Maude, Ada Mae, Candis Verlyn, William A. (died young), Golda O., Georgia Pearl, John Raymond (died young) and Flonnie Marie.

by Colonel Harold A. Steiner

JOHN FRANKLIN AUSTIN

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John Franklin Austin was the son of Elihue and Matilda Austin. They lived in Illinois. John F. Austin was born March 29, 1850 in Shelby County, Illinois. The Austins were of Irish and English descent.

The wife of John F. Austin was formerly Nancy Ann LaPetree. She was sometimes called Nancy Ann Trobaugh because she had a stepfather — Mr. Trobaugh. The LaPetree clan is of Italian and Dutch descent.

Nancy Ann (LaPetree) Austin was born November 15, 1854 in Richland County, Illinois.

John F. and Nancy Ann were married December 12, 1872. They must have lived in Linn County, Missouri for a while after they were married because their first child, a son William Arthur, was born Sept. 30, 1873 in Linn County, Missouri.

They must have moved back to Shelby County, Illinois sometime in 1874 because their second child, a son Charles Franklin was

born January 10, 1875 in Shelby County, Illinois. Their third child, a daughter Katye Dell, was born Nov. 6, 1877 in Shelby County, Illinois. They lived in Shelby County, Illinois from approximately 1874 to the early months of 1879.

Probably in early 1879, they went to Lawrence County, Missouri because their fourth child, a daughter Maud "Bet" Austin was born Sept. 4, 1879.

They must have spent 1881-1885 in Christian County, Missouri because their next three children were born in Christian County, Missouri. They were: Ida Austin born December 9, 1881; Frederick Jackson Austin born February 4, 1883; and Mary Alice Austin born February 2, 1885.

Sometime between 1885 and 1888, they came to Arkansas. Richard Hillery "Dick" Austin was born in Searcy County, Arkansas on Nov. 9, 1888. Minnie Mae Austin was born May 2, 1891 in Newton County, Arkansas. Samuel Edward Austin was born November 26, 1893 in Madison County, Arkansas. Their youngest child, a son Claud Leroy "Bunk" Austin was born September 2, 1896 in Searcy County, Ark.

John and Nancy Austin moved to Solo Mountain in Pope County approximately 1897. They lived near the old Solo Post Office for thirty years. They moved to Sallisaw, Oklahoma area about 1919. John Franklin Austin died June 17, 1919 with leakage of the heart and dropsy. He is buried at Sallisaw, Oklahoma. Nancy Ann Austin had a light stroke, she was past setting up only two days before she died Jan. 13, 1948 at the home of her daughter Minnie Carr at Checotah, Oklahoma.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

JOHN FRANKLIN AND NANCY ANN AUSTIN

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The children of John Franklin Austin and Nancy Ann (LaPetree) Austin were: William Arthur, Charles Franklin, Katye Dell, Maud "Bet", Ida Austin, Fredrick Jackson, Mary Alice, Richard Hillery "Dick", Minnie Mae, Samuel Edward, and Claud Leroy "Bunk" Austin. John F. and Nancy Ann Austin settled in Pope County approximately 1897 on Solo Mountain. They originally came from Illinois and Missouri.

William Arthur Austin was born Sept. 30, 1873 in Linn County, Missouri. He was hurt by a train March 20, 1912 and died June 26, 1912.

Charles Franklin Austin was born January 10, 1875 in Shelby County, Illinois. Charles Franklin became paralysed six years before he died March 7, 1928. He was married to Saphronia Horn and they lived in Oklahoma and had their family. Saphronia "Fron" died Jan. 29, 1960.

Katye Dell Austin was born November 6, 1877 in Shelby County, Illinois. Katye married Mr. Gardner and they lived in Buckley, Missouri. Katye had sugar diabetes for several years before she died February 8, 1960.

Maud "Bet" Austin was born September 4, 1879 in Lawrence County Missouri. "Bet"

married Henry Walker and their children were: John, Ella Mae, Lee O., Charlie and Willie. Maud "Bet" Walker died May 7, 1960 we think from enlarged heart. She is buried at Shiloh Cemetery near Russellville. Her husband, Henry Walker, and her children John, Ella Mae, Lee and Willie are also dead and buried at Shiloh Cemetery near Russellville. Charlie is the only living child of Henry and "Bet" Walker and he lives at Dover. He is married to the former Mildred Keener.

Ida Austin was born December 9, 1881 in Christian County, Mo. She married Solomon Spencer Kelley March 19, 1907. They lived near Hector and their children are: Ethel lola-Jan. 13, 1908; Burl and Murl (twins)-Aug. 30, 1909; Clarence-Sept. 30, 1911; Doyle-Feb. 24, 1913; Herbert-May 20, 1914; Zola May-Dec. 16, 1916; Thurman Woodrow-May 24, 1918; Luie-Dec. 23, 1919; Russell Howard-June 11, 1922; and Pearl Hester Ann born Feb. 27, 1924. Clarence died May 4, 1926 and is buried at Fork Mtn. near Hector. Murl died Dec. 3, 1971 and is buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector. Ida Austin Kelley suffered a stroke and died Jan. 3, 1967. Solomon Spencer Kelley died Aug. 7, 1959. They are buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector.

Fredrick Jackson Austin was born Feb. 4, 1883 in Christian County, Missouri. He married Lenora Clinkenbeard and their children are: Jess Fredrick Austin — Feb. 1, 1918; and John Franklin Austin born May 16, 1922. Jess married Joyce Lorene Niemeyer May 12, 1939 and their children are Betty Jane and Velma Jean. John Franklin Austin has never married. He lived with his father Fred Austin at Shinn Mtn. near Dover. Fred Austin is the only living child of John and Nancy Austin. He is 95 years old and in good health.

Mary Alice Austin was born Feb. 2, 1885 at Christian County, Mo. She married Gabriel Curtis Jan. 4, 1907 and their children are: Oza, Zell, Beatrice, Shirley, Dollie, Lila, Preston, Eugene, and Arnold. Two other children Lillian and Ruby died young. Eugene was killed in a car wreck Oct. 28, 1974. Mary Alice had cancer and died Jan. 3, 1963. Gabriel Curtis had cancer of the throat, but he died of a stroke Sept. 5, 1970. They are both buried at Hominy, Oklahoma.

Richard Hillery "Dick" Austin was born Nov. 9, 1888 in Searcy County Arkansas. He was married to Sarah Summers and their children are Allen and Charlie. Sarah died and "Dick" married Tennessee Evalee Bohanan and their children are: Bonnie Evalee, Nova Ann, Willie George, and Nellie Lee. "Dick" Austin died after a long illness and is buried at Seminole, Oklahoma.

Minnie Mae Austin was born May 2, 1891 in Newton County, Ark. She married Henry Carr and their children are: Juanita, Peggy, Lucille, Ruth, Edith, Irene, Tresye, Katie and a son Paul killed in the service. Minnie Mae Austin died Nov. 22, 1968 at Checotah, Ok.

Samuel Edward Austin was born Nov. 26, 1893 in Madison Co., Ark. The children of Sam and Pauline Austin are Sam Jr. and Diane. Sam died June 3, 1977 after a long illness. He is buried in Oklahoma.

Claud Leroy "Bunk" Austin was born Sept.

2, 1896 in Searcy Co., Ark. Claud and his wife Maud lived in Ponca City, Oklahoma. "Bunk" was killed in a car accident April 4, 1953.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

WILLIAM Y. AUSTIN

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Charles Austin was born 1785-6 Orange or Wake Co., N.C. and married Jan. 21, 1812 Orange, N.C. to Sylvia Workman, born 1790-3 Orange Co., N.C. To this union were born 6 children: John W., William Young, Philip G., Mahala, James M. and Carlin P. They had moved from N.C. to Maury Co. & Lewis Co., Tenn. and Lawrence Co. Tenn. William Y. (our ancestor) was born June 10, 1818 N.C. and married Jan. 14, 1840 Lawrence Co., Tenn. to Frances Allen Pollock, known as Frankie. W.Y. was a farmer and Methodist preacher, and he died July 14, 1864 Gum Log Twp. His wife died Fall 1874 and both are buried in Haskins cemetery on Crow Mtn. with native stone markers.

W.Y. and wife had 14 children: There were 6 born Lawrence Co., Tenn. and 8 Crow Mtn. farm, Ark. James A. born 1842, married Nancy Jane Bowden, then Laura Nowlin after Nancy's death in 1875, Pope Co.-6 children born to them.

Elizabeth Alzena (Betty) born March 23, 1843, married William Jackson on Aug. 2, 1866 Atkins.-12 children born to them.

Mary Jane born May 7, 1844, married Charles Winston Bowden July 28, 1864 Pope Co. and moved to Texas later. They had 9 children.

Philip Washington (Wash) born July 18, 1845, married Mary Cansada Rhyne July 12, 1866 Pope Co.-10 children. After Mary's death 1902, he moved to Texas, with his family.

Margaret Ann (Maggie) born 1847, married William Henry Chambers then William Franklin Barton. She had 6 children.

Charles Homer born March 17, 1848, married Mary E. (Minnie) Choate 1868, Pope Co. He was Methodist preacher. They had 6 children.

Susan C. born 1849 Pope Co. married Bartlett Hamilton Cloniger, then Mr. O'Connor.

Sarah F. born 1850, married Witt Davis 1881 Pope Co.

Amanda P. (Mandy) born Sept. 30, 1851, married Luther Cloniger Sept. 3, 1868 Pope Co.-they had 8 children.

John Wesley, born Jan. 9, 1853, married Laura Kyle and moved to S.E. Okla. They had 10 children.

Joseph Kirkman born Sept. 24, 1854, married Mary Elizabeth Skaggs June 1879 Pope Co. They had 13 children.

Stanford Young born Jan. 21, 1856, married Olivia Ann S. Wilson July 5, 1876 Bell's Chapel. They had 6 children.

Tennessee Lee born March 20, 1859, married Anderson Jackson Kindrick Oct. 13, 1880, Pottsville. They had 9 children and moved to Oklahoma.

Martha Alice born Nov. 7, 1860, married Benjamin Wade Nowlin Feb. 12, 1889. They had 5 children.

William Y. and family came to Pope Co. with a wagon train of 90 wagons, and waited until Arkansas River froze to cross to Atkins and Crow Mtn. farm they purchased, probably Fall 1848.

Information on Frankie: She was dau. of John Pollock and Elizabeth Jennings, who was dau. of Samuel Jennings and Judith Simmons. Her grandfather Pollock was Henry Pollock born Md. and his wife was Mary Kirkman, married in Guilford Co., N.C. Aug. 10, 1792. Elizabeth was born Maury Co., Tenn. in 1805 and her parents were originally from Prince Edward Co., Virginia. Also Elizabeth's cousin Nancy, dau. of Richard and Elizabeth Wood married James Kirkman Pollock, probably John's brother.

Wash Austin served with the Union forces in the Civil war, and James A. also served but with Confederate Forces.

by Oliver Austin

CHARLES FRANKLIN BAILEY

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Charles Franklin, son of Rufus A. Bailey and Mary Alice Shoptaw was born on the Bailey Homestead June 7, 1876. Because of poor health he was as a youth advised to move to a more suitable climate. He lived for a time at Salida and Pueblo, Colo., where he worked in the railroad shops. After returning home in 1895 he worked 3 years as a carpenter. He then worked 2 years as a pump station operator for Mo. Pac. RR Co. in 1898-99, for which he was paid 15¢ per day. For 2 years he was a helper to the Pope County surveyor, and in 1903-4 he carried mail on Rt. 3 out of Russellville, becoming the first carrier on this route. In 1905 he began a lumber business which continued more than 50 years. He married Rhoda Elvara Wells July 6, 1907. The sawmill was moved near Dover in 1908 where

much of the timber used in building the dam north of Russellville was cut. By 1914 the mill was moved to Dover, where he lived until 1918, when he moved the mill and family back to the homestead where a new home was built on the very same spot where he was born. He continued to live here until death Feb. 12, 1957. He is buried in a plot set aside on the Homestead, alongside Nina who died in 1935 and Buel who was killed in an accident at the sawmill in 1936. Vara died March 27, 1975.

Their 15 children, date of birth, to whom married and children are as follows:

Glenn, b 5-4, 1908, m1 Lucille Haley 6-7, 1932 and had Glenda, b12-16, 1934 and James Franklin, b7-23, 1939. M2 Violet Masters Cornwell, 5-5, 1950, no children.

Rue, b12-28, 1909, m1 Ruth McAnulty 12-30, 1933 and had Greta Sue 11-22, 1934, d5-15, 1941; Wanda Lou b and d Aug. 1937; Joyce Ann, b6-8, 1942, d3-3, 1943. M2 Ivalene Preiba Jones, 12-19, 1971, no children.

Buel, b8-10, 1911, d1-31, 1936 — never married.

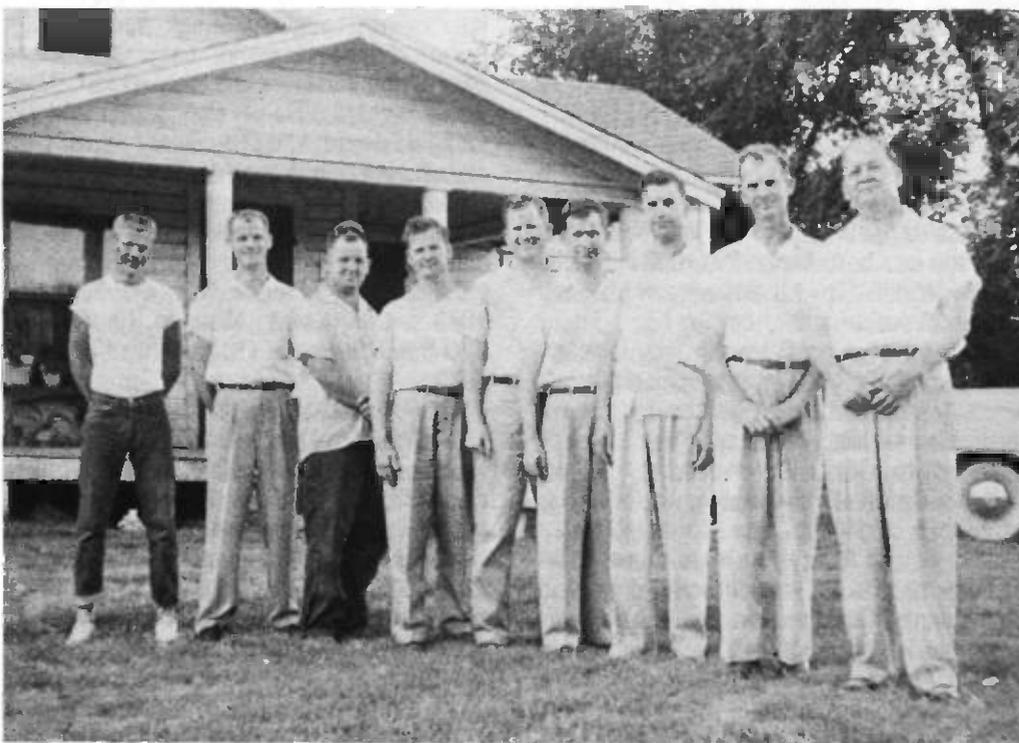
Thelma, b2-23, 1913, m William J. Coates 12-20, 1943 and had Charlene, b8-19, 1933, Janet Sue, b11-20, 1946, William Robert, b6-9, 1950.

Regan, b11-21, 1915 m Millie Baker July 24, 1937 and had Elvara Jane b7-2, 1938; James Ragan b1-7, 1947.

Ona, b7-14, 1917, m Norman Cecil McDonald 12-10, 1942, no children. M2 Solomaon Padilla 9-2, 1951 and had Charles Philip, b7-28, 1952.

Willard, b8-31, 1918, m Rebba O. Robertson 7-2, 1938 and had Charles Wayne, b12-27, 1938, Jimmy Don, b10-19, 1940; Marilyn Jean, b and d May 28, 1942; Patricia Ann, b5-8, 1945.

Haskell, b7-14, 1921, m Addie Underhill 11-2, 1939 and had Don Howard, b7-15,



THE BAILEY BROTHERS — R. TO L. — GLENN, RUE, WILLARD, HASKELL, TENNYSON, HERMAN, DELON, PAUL AND ROBERT. July 4, 1955.

1941; Jerry Lynn, b10-6, 1947.

Nina, b11-3, 1921, d5-10, 1935.

Charles Tennyson, b4-22, 1923, m Billie Bea Langford 12-16-1949 and had Michael Duane, b10-5, 1950; Mickey Ronald, b6-23, 1954.

Herman, b8-31, 1924, m Mildred Marie Goates 10-19, 1949 and had David Ray, b11-17, 1953; Terry Lee, b12-17, 1954.

DeLou, b3-5, 1926, m Lenora Walker 8-28, 1973, no children.

Mary Lee, b10-18, 1927, m Harold Metz 3-4, 1950 and had Donna Carole, b8-16, 1953; Robert Harold, b5-17, 1955; Cheryle Lynne, b1-29, 1960; Susan Dianne, b2-5, 1962.

Paul Harold, b5-14, 1930, m Wanda Lou Smith 11-1, 1951 and had Paula Gayle, b9-28, 1952; Patti Lynn, b4-1, 1954 and Douglas Lee, b8-25, 1962.

Robert Allen, b12-11, 1934, m Christine Rudolph 12-18, 1965 and adopted Connie, b12-09, 1957.

by C.T. Bailey

FRANCIS BAKER BAILEY

21

Francis Baker Bailey was born May 1, 1796 in Mechlenberg County, Virginia, the seventh generation from William Bailey, born in England in 1583 and who had arrived at Jamestown Colony aboard the "Prosperous" in 1610. During Colonial times his forefathers had been merchants, land and slave owners along the Lower James River in Henrico County, Virginia. His father and grandfather had fought in the Revolution, and his father, Peter Cocke Bailey, had also served in the War of 1812. Peter gave a vivid, detailed account of his campaigns against the British when application was made for pension, which was approved in August of 1834. This pension for \$75.66 per year.

Francis married Evalina Belmont Hill, widow of John Hill, May 6, 1819, in Mechlenberg County. Eight sons were born on the farm there before moving westward in 1833. Two other sons were born in Kentucky in 1834-36 before arriving in Crawford County, Arkansas in 1837. The 1840 census of Crawford County lists this family as farmers in Upper Township, which became a part of Pope County late in 1840. Although he had owned slaves in Virginia, none are listed at this census. The youngest son, Rufus Alexander, was born here June 26, 1839. Three of the older brothers moved to Texas in the mid 1840's and received patents to land in Titus County, where they died in an epidemic prior to 1850. The census of 1850 lists this family as living in Clark Township of Pope County. In the early 1850's Francis built and operated an iron works at Galla Rock. Evalina died in July, 1854; he died in January 1855. They are believed to be buried at Galla Cemetery, Pope County. Of their twelve children, only 3 survived in 1895; Otway L., born in 1831 and who had become a prominent citizen of Tarrant County, Texas; Thomas B., born in 1833, a merchant and sheriff of Sebastian County, and Rufus, who had appa-

rently been a man forever seeking adventure. Rufus is shown to be living with a brother at Galla at the 1860 census, where he married Elizabeth Robinson, December 1, 1861. He enlisted in Co. F., 1st Ark. Calvary, February 1, 1862, serving under Col. Stirman. He fought at Shiloh, April 2, 1862, and was captured at luka, Mississippi a few days later. He probably escaped, for his military record shows him to be absent without leave in January 1863. He never received pay for himself nor his horse. He and Elizabeth had three children; George Alexander, Richard Abraham and Caledonia. Elizabeth died in 1867. Rufus married Elizabeth Malinda Shinn Shoptaw August 5, 1867. She was the widow of John Wycliffe Shoptaw and daughter of Littleton Crankfield and Nelly Tucker Shinn, a prominent Pope County family who had in 1840 moved from Cabarrus County, North Carolina, where she was born February 3, 1836. She had married Mr. Shoptaw February 21, 1856, in Pope County. They had three children; John Thomas, Jesse James and Mary Alice. Rufus and Elizabeth homesteaded a place 7 miles west of Russellville at Mill Creek, where they raised their family of 2 sons and 5 daughters and where she died in 1906; Rufus died here in 1913. Their children, date of birth, to whom married, number of children and date of death; Evalina Belmont, born 1868, married 1890 George Washington Price, children 4, died 1927; Virginia Elizabeth, born 1870, married 1892 Allen S. Garrison, children 2, died 1949; Laura Ellen, born 1872, married 1895 John Calvin Shinn, children 3, died 1955; Henry Monroe, born 1873, married 1902, Rose M. Smith, children 10, died 1950; Anna Louise, born 1874, never married, died 1900; Cora Dozella, born 1879, married 1902 J. Green Nordin, children 2, died 1959. All of the above are buried at Booher Cemetery, Pope County.

by C.T. Bailey

GEORGE EDMOND BAILEY SR.

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George E. Bailey Sr. was a member of two prominent early pioneer families who came to Arkansas in the early 1800's.

He was the son of the late John Wesley Bailey and Ora Darr Bailey. His grandfather was the late Captain Ephriam A. Darr and his grandmother the late Lucinda Plott Darr who came to Arkansas from North Carolina in the eighteen hundreds and first settled at Galla Rock on the Arkansas River later moving to the Bell Chapel Community. Mr. Darr was a banker business man and a large real estate owner.

Captain W.W. Bailey was born June 27, 1854 and died in 1907. He married the late Ruth Elizabeth Sellers who was born September 26, 1839. They were both born in Ripley, Mississippi and migrated from there in the 1800's and settled at Altus, Arkansas later moving with their family to Atkins.

John Wesley Bailey and Ora Darr Bailey had two children, a son George E. Bailey Sr. and a daughter Ruth Elizabeth Bailey. Both were

born at Atkins (Pope Co.) Arkansas. George was born on June 24, 1898 and died May 24, 1924. Ruth was born on February 28, 1897 and died on August 24, 1974.

George married the late Imo Jo Yandell who was the daughter of Dr. J.M. Yandell a prominent Atkins doctor and pharmacist, his wife was the late Jessie Alexander.

The children of George Bailey and Imo Yandell were George E. Bailey Jr., who was born on September 21, 1918. George Jr. married Mary Anna Cheek, the daughter of the late G.W. and Lucy Cheek. To this union was born one son, George Howard Bailey and he and his wife have one daughter. Lucinda Maria Bailey who was the fourth generation of this family.

Their daughter Evelyn Jo Bailey Batson was born on October 2, 1919 at Atkins Arkansas. She married the late Calvin S. Batson who was born at Dardanelle (Yell Co.) Arkansas in 1917 and died on June 12, 1975.

They had two daughters, Jalia Batson who married David L. Lingle of Russellville. The Lingles have one daughter, Laurale. They reside in Russellville. Laurale also makes the fourth generation of the family.

The second daughter of Evelyn Jo and Calvin S. Batson is Ms. Joann Batson of Atkins.

The second child of John Wesley and Ora Darr Bailey was a daughter, Ruth Elizabeth Bailey Hall. She was married to Paul E. Hall, the son of the late George Dickson and Ona Beaty Hall. He makes his home in Atkins in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J.M. Yandell. The house was one of the Centinnial homes that was given special recognition during the Atkins Centinnial and Bicentinnial Celebration in Atkins in 1976.

by Paul E. Hall

JOHN CHARLES (CHARLEY) BAKER FAMILY

23

John Lewis and Annie Emmert Baker moved to Russellville in the early 1880's. Mr. Baker was the Superintendent of the old Martin Shaft, a coal mine southeast of Russellville and his home still stands as the lone relic of the Hayes Mining Camp.

John Lewis Baker and family moved to Illinois about 1905 leaving one son, John Charles "Charley" Baker in Russellville. Charley married Lucy Mae Rankin in 1907. Lucy was the daughter of Jesse Hayden and Missouri Princess Rankin. Jesse was the son of William White and Frances Davidson Rankin. Missouri Princess was the daughter of Isom and Martha Ann Albright. The Rankin and Albright families were among some of the earliest settlers in Pope County.

Charley and Lucy Baker, now deceased, were the parents of seven children.

Raymond Edward Baker, deceased.

John Rankin Baker, Sr. who married Kittie Boles of Dardanelle, Ark. Kittie was the daughter of Seth Boles, Sr. and Gorden Albright (now deceased). Seth Boles was a descendent of the Boles families that settled in the fertile Fouche Valley in Yell County. Kittie is both a pianist and organist serving many

years in the Methodist Church in Dardanelle and 14 years in the Central Presbyterian Church in Russellville. Rankin has served as both deacon and Elder in the same Central Church as well as Sunday School Superintendent; served as Boy Scout Leader for 14 years and is the recipient of the Silver Beaver Award for service; Rankin served as a board member of the Pope County Farmers Association for 10 years and as President of the Board for 5 years; served four years on the Russellville School Board and was President during 1972-1973; is a Veteran of WW II serving as a degaussing officer in U.S. Navy, is a member of the Russellville Athletic Hall of Fame and held the overall State High School Jump record for 29 years.

Rankin and Kittie are parents of two sons John Rankin Baker, Jr. and Jay Keith Baker. John Jr. is married to Judith Ann Wilson, daughter of Dr. Tom B. and Janette Wilson. John and Judy have a daughter Catherine Janette, almost 2 years of age. John is a pilot in U.S. Air Force, graduate of Oklahoma University with a B.S. in Aerospace Engineering; graduated with honors in math Russellville High, was Cub, Boy and Explorer Scout. Judy attended the University of Arkansas, the University of Oklahoma, and has an associate degree in nursing. Keith graduated from Arkansas Tech University with a B.S. degree in Business Administration and is auditor of the Peoples Bank and Trust Co.; is an Eagle Scout, Scout Master Troop 222, Moderator Diaconate Central Presbyterian Church and is Justice of the Peace District #7 Pope County. Keith is to be married to Pamela Smith June 11, 1978. Pam is the daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Fred Smith of Texarkana.

Ila Mae Baker married Walter Lee Blair of Geneva, Alabama. Mr. Blair is now deceased. Ila Mae is living in Russellville and is employed at Sheppard's Jewelers. No children. Ila Mae served many years as Financial Secretary of Central Presbyterian Church and has served one term as deacon.

Betsy Marie Baker married W.E. Holland of Dardanelle, and they have a daughter Judith who is married to Richard Vick of Mayflower. Judy and Richard have a son Brian and live in Tulsa, Oklahoma where Richard is employed with the American Oil Co. Betsy and Judy both have a Masters Degree in Education. Betsy retired last year after having served 14 years as Principal of Sherwood Elementary School. Betsy and Euell reside on Lake Conway near Mayflower.

Ruth Elizabeth Baker married Luther B. Hefley, Jr. of Clarksville, Ark. Luther has been employed many years at IT&T at Fort Wayne, Indiana; retired as of April 29 this year and Ruth and Luther plan to return to Russellville. The Hefley's had one child Lucy, now deceased.

Charles Guy Baker married Mary Dodd and they have two daughters, Cathy and Barbara. Cathy graduated with honors (B.S. in Geology) from Arkansas Tech University and is doing graduate work at the University of Arkansas. Barbara attended Capital City Business College and is employed at the Russellville Library. Mary Dodd Baker is the great, great granddaughter of Cephas

Washburn who established the Dwight Mission for Cherokee Indian students on the Illinois Bayou in 1820. Guy graduated from the University of Arkansas with a B.S. in General Agriculture; was an outstanding track man in high school. Ark. Tech and the University. His outstanding achievement was winning the Decathlon at the 1948 Drake Relays. He is a member of Russellville High Athletic Hall of Fame.

Lottie Lucille Baker married J. M. Keltner of Russellville. They are the parents of Charley and Tommy Keltner. Charley is with the U.S. Army stationed in Louisiana and Tommy is at home. Lottie and J.M. live at Harmony Grove, Ark. and both have been employed many years at the Benton Unit of the State Hospital.

by Rankin Baker

JOSIAH BAKER

24

Josiah Baker was born in Illinois, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Baker. Thomas was born in Kentucky and Elizabeth in Tennessee but had moved to Illinois where they met and married. They were farmers and so was Josiah. Josiah was born in Harrisburg, Ill., Aug. 4, 1859 and had ten brothers and sisters. He married Mary Blackman, when he was 17 years of age and paid for his marriage license with nickels. He and Mary were the parents of six children: Lizzie, Thomas, Charlie, William, Oscar, and Raymond. When Raymond was a small baby, his mother died and Josiah came to Arkansas with his five sons as Lizzie had married. She moved to Arkansas later.

Josiah settled in the Buttermilk community with his mother who had come to Arkansas with her youngest son, George, after her husband had passed away in Illinois. Two years later on March 3, 1895, Josiah married Amanda Bramlett, and to this union was born 11 children: Luther, Clarence, Eva, Oattie, Janie, Carri, Florence, Iva, Cecil, Millie, Wesley. Clarence died at the age of one month, Florence at four months. Eva died at the age of 17 years and 11 months with a heart attack, Iva died December 6, 1966, Cecil died February 7, 1967 and Carrie died November 24, 1971.



Josiah and Mary Blackman Baker

Josiah died October 10, 1943 and Amanda died December 10, 1965. Millie Baker, daughter of Josiah and Amanda Jane Baker, was born Oct. 21, 1916, in the Buttermilk Community, attended school at Ball Hill, Mountain Springs and Center Valley. She married Ragan Bailey, July 24, 1937 and to this union was born two children:

Elvira Jane Bailey married James Barnhouse of Hector and they were the parents of three children, Randy, Karen, and Kathy.

James Ragan Sr., who married Judy Duryea and to this union was born three sons, James Ragan Jr., William Robert, and Jonathan Henry.

by Millie Baker Bailey

MARCELLAS CHARLES "CELL" BAKER

25

The Baker family arrived in Pope County with Marcellas Charles "Cell" Baker, born February 16, 1837, in Franklin County, N.C. along with his wife, Sarah Olive Johnson Baker and two sons Joseph Ferdinard and Charles Columbus. They came to Pope County from N.C. in 1871 and settled in Old Norristown. They arrived in Norristown by steam boat. They had five other children while living at Norristown and Pottsville; Eugene, William Oliver, Harry, Sarah, and John Henry. All their children married and raised their children in and around Russellville and Pottsville. Cell Baker dealt in script, driving his buggy to the Pope County courthouse every week day.



Josiah and Amanda Baker with children of both marriages.

Charles C. married twice; first to Martha Jane Petray. They had one son, John Doyal. After her death he married Annie Williamson and bore three children, Olive, Joy, and Marcellas Charles who was killed during World War II in China.

Ferdy never married. Eugene married Ola McClain and had three sons, Lucious "Luke", Orval, and Herman "Red". William Oliver married Gladys McNutt. They had no children. Harry married Lela Findley and had three children, Ruby, Paul, and Pauline. Sarah Jane married Eulyss Allred and had two daughters, Nellie and Erma. Henry married Ida Brown and had two children, Elberta and Edward.

February 4 was a significant date in this Baker family, William O. was born, Henry married, Eugene died and Charles was buried on that day.

The descendants of Marcellas Charles and Sarah Olive Baker living in Pope County now are grandchildren; Orval and Edward Baker, Nellie Cochran, Ruby Carter and Elberta Ruff. Great Grandchildren are; Betty Collins, Robert and Vicki Baker (Children of Orval). J.D. Baker, son of John Doyal; Ira, Leland, Lelus, Lloyd Cochran and Ruth Johnson (Children of Erma Cochran). Betty Underhill and Linda Morphis, children of Ruby Carter. Great, great grandchildren are Regina Collins, Robin, Russell, Marla, and John Baker; Dusty, Joshua, April and Shawna Morphis; Jimmy and Kimberly Underhill; Donna Wall; Nita, Mary, Michael, Kenneth, Bobby, Ronnie, Sandra, Wayne, Dennis, Richard, Janice, and Steven Cochran; Beverly Love, Nancy Parrish; Jan Bartley, and Ann Murdock. Out of this group came nine great, great, great grandchildren.

The Baker name is being carried on by these people in Pope County; J.D. Baker is a long time employer of Continental Telephone Company and popular resident of Pottsville. He is a graduate of Pottsville High School. Marla, a graduate of Arkansas Tech, and John, a student, are his children. His wife, Cathrine, is active in church and town activities. They belong to the Methodist Church.

Orval, commonly known as "Bake", is a person well known in Pope County. He is a graduate of Russellville High School. He could have been a preacher because of all the soles and few heels he saved as a shoe repairman in Russellville for 28 years. His shop was used as a "hangout" for local "jocks" to reminisce on area games and listen to Razor-back games. He also was a volunteer fireman for 24 years before he retired. He now works part-time for Jimmy Lile, the famous knifemaker. He is known for his friendliness and jovial personality. Orval is married to Veda Harris Baker who is very active in her work with 5th and Greenwich Church of Christ. Orval and Veda had six children; Charles Eugene, Margaret Ovalen, Betty Jo, Wayne Travis, Vicki Mae, and Robert Cledys.

Robert is the only son living in Pope County. He graduated from Arkansas Tech University and is employed by the Employment Security Division. He is married to Ruth Spielvogel Baker, whom he met and married while they were students at Arkansas Tech.

They have no children at the present time.

The Baker family have a long history in Pope County and are very proud of its heritage, name, and helping in the development of Pope County.

by Robert C. Baker

ANDREW JACKSON BALLARD

26

Andrew Jackson Ballard, born in east Tennessee during the 1820s, came to northeast Pope County in 1878. His father was John Ballard who moved to east Tenn from North Carolina. Andrew Jackson Ballard married Nancy Franklin, a niece of Benjamin Franklin about 1843. They had two sons; Samuel and Whitney, and five daughters; Rebecca, Bethena, Molly, Lou, and Josie. All of the children married in Tennessee.

Samuel Ballard, born 18 Oct. 1844, married Margaret Isabell Coker, born 13 July 1851, the daughter of William and Mary Lee Coker. Mary Lee was a niece of Gen. Robert E. Lee. The children of Samuel and Margaret I. Ballard, born in Tenn. were: Bertha, born 22 Sept. 1873; Isham, and Flora. Six more children were born to this family in Arkansas after they arrived in Pope County in 1878. They were: Jack, born 1880, George, born 1882, Dora, born 1884; Francis, a son, born 1886, died as a child; Nancy, born 1888; and Albert, born 1891.

Andrew Jackson Ballard lost his wife prior to coming to Pope County but in 1878, he, Samuel M. and family, Andrew Jackson Ballard's five daughters and their families arrived by wagons in Pope County. Four families settled near the area later known as Solo. Rebecca Wheeler, already a widow, and her father Andrew settled three-fourth mile east of where Solo post office was later set up. Joining them on the north was the homestead of George Rudder and wife, Bethena. South of these families 1½ miles Andy and Lou Helton homesteaded 160 acres.

Samuel M. and his family settled on Dry Creek three or four miles west of the others but by 1881 they moved to the mountain and homesteaded land adjoining Rebecca on the west. Rebecca later married Thomas Younger. They lived on this property the remainder of their lives.

Those Ballards who came from Tenn., lived the remainder of their lives in the Solo area and are buried in Solo cemetery except Molly and Josie. Molly and her husband, Vince Wolf, homesteaded on Fork Mountain east of the Middle Fork of Illinois Bayou. Josie and her husband, Yank Morris lived in and near Russellville where he operated a blacksmith shop.

Samuel M. Ballard was a farmer and school teacher. He was appointed the first postmaster at Solo when the office was established. He served as Solo postmaster until his death 1 Feb. 1923. His youngest son, Albert was postmaster until he moved away, and his brother-in-law, Edgar A. Underhill, received the appointment and served until the office was discontinued.

by Roy Underhill

WILLIAM JAMES BARNETT

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My grandfather, William James Barnett, and one brother, came to Pope County around 1850 from South Carolina. My grandfather brought a small slave boy with him that he had inherited from his father. The brother didn't stay in Pope County. William married Fannie Jane Hamilton, daughter of Jim Hamilton, in 1860. My dad, Robert James, was born March 2, 1861. He had a sister, Magg. She married Jack Hughes who was a Baptist preacher and coal miner. They had four sons, John, Jim, Charles, and Earl.

My father, known as R.J., lost his father at age three and his mother at age seven. He lived with relatives, one of whom was an uncle, Oliver H.P. Hamilton.

In 1888 at age 27 he married Ardena Elizabeth Bowden, daughter of Charles and Margaret Ashmore Bowden. Nine children were born to them. They lost a baby son in 1900, the other eight are living at this time. Flora, Roy, Willie, Rut and Thula live at North Little Rock, Ray at Camden and Foster and Noma at Russellville.

R.J. raised his family in the Center Valley Community. He was a farmer and a leader in the Center Valley Methodist Church. My mother and father moved to North Little Rock in 1942 to live with Thula. My mother died in 1949, my father lived to be 100 years old. He was very spry and alert until his death, reading his Bible and daily news each morning.

Flora married Chess George. They had five children; Hadley, Sidney, Helen and Robert. A daughter, Edna, died in 1907. Flora was later married to Wess Lemley and had another son, Gene Lemley, lives in North Little Rock.

Roy married Eril Webb. They adopted a son, Ortis Barnett who died in 1965. Roy had two grandchildren, O.W. and Eril Ann Barnett.

Willie married Viola Burris. They had one son, Don, and three grandchildren.

Foster married Tempie West. They have a son, Hays West, and two grandchildren, Robert and Ann, both still live in Russellville.

Ruth married Homer Chronister and had three children; Dewey, Louise and Elaine. Louise passed away in 1963. She had a son, Brad Little.

Ray married Deloris Dunford, daughter of Tom Dunford. They have two sons, Robert and Sam. They also have five grandchildren.

Noma married Haynie Mullins. They have one daughter, Betty Dean. She married James Alewine, son of William James Alewine and Hattie Sorrells Alewine. They have three daughters. Judy Kay (married to Dr. John Daren Johnson), Martha Jean, and Cheryl Lynn.

Thula has never married. She lives at North Little Rock.

by Noma Mullins

ANDERSON GORDON BARTLETT FAMILY

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James William Bartlett and his wife Patsy

Thomas came to Arkansas, probably from Kentucky, and settled at Hot Springs prior to the Civil War. They only lived at Hot Springs for a short period of time and then moved to Pope County east of Appleton about 1859. They had 5 children, 3 sons, Cyrus, Henry, and Anderson, two daughters, Patsy and Nancy. James William was a blacksmith for a Calvary Unit during the Civil War and died while in service of a measles epidemic. His place of burial is unknown.

Anderson Gordon Bartlett, born January 1, 1858, lived all of his adult life around Appleton. Anderson married Nancy Isabelle Rankin in Appleton and their marriage resulted in 11 children, 9 sons and 2 daughters. Their names were Mollie, Elbert, Iva, Joe Anderson, James Reubin, Lonzo, Leroy Clifton, Hobert, Orville, Fay, and William Tell. Anderson was a licensed lawyer and practiced law at Appleton for some twenty five years. Anderson and Nancy are both buried in Mt. Zion cemetery.

Leroy C. Bartlett, born April 18, 1891 in Appleton, has lived most of his life at Appleton and Russellville. He married Lola Ellen Turnbow January 17, 1913 in Appleton. They had 2 sons, Heartsill Reagon born in Appleton January 28, 1916 and Harold Leroy born in Russellville July 28, 1926. Leroy C. was an employee of the postal service for some 30 years. Lola Ellen died March 2, 1978 and is buried in Oaklawn Cemetery in Russellville.

Heartsill R. Bartlett married Polly Anna Robertson, a native of Yell County, January 15, 1938 in Russellville. Heartsill has recently retired from Arkansas Tech where he was manager of the college bookstore for 29 years.

Harold L. Bartlett married Marian Embrey, a native of Sebastian County, October 29, 1949. They have 3 children, 2 sons and a daughter. David Lee Bartlett was born July 7, 1951 in Ft. Smith, Kent Douglas was born November 1, 1952 in Ft. Smith and Nancy Ellen was born October 3, 1967 in Russellville. David Lee Bartlett married Nancy Lorainne Wilhite July 1, 1972 in Benton. They have a daughter Melissa Kay, born June 24, 1974 in Russellville. The David Bartletts live in Cairo, Egypt where he is with an aluminum extrusion company. Kent Douglas Bartlett is a dentist living in Kansas City, Missouri. Nancy Ellen lives at the home in Russellville.

All of the Bartletts are members of the Central Presbyterian Church in Russellville.

by Harold L. Bartlett

JAMES WILLIAM BARTLETT

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James William Bartlett and his wife Pasty Thomas came to Arkansas (believed from Kentucky) and settled at Hot Springs prior to the Civil War. They only lived in Hot Springs a short time and then moved to Pope County east of Appleton about 1859. They had 5 children, 3 sons, Cyrus, Henry, and Anderson, 2 daughters, Pasty and Molly. He was a blacksmith for a Calvary Unit in the Civil War and died in a measles epidemic during the War. Place of burial is unknown.

Cyrus Andrew Bartlett (2/16/1854 to 11/14/1934) lived all his adult life in Appleton. On March 3, 1878, he married Isabelle Poe (1/2/1859 to 7/18/1896). They had 6 children, William Lloyd, James Floyd, Ira Andrew, Elliott Ernmett, Stella Mae, Leslie Lee, Wesley Dealon, and Cora. On November 1, 1898, he married Ida Polk, they had 5 children, John Dewey, Covey Dolan, Lola L., Etta Alta, and a son that lived 1 day and was not named. Cyrus was a farmer, a Mason, active in politics and a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. He and both of his wives are buried at Appleton.

John Dewey Bartlett born February 8, 1900, and has lived all his life at Appleton. On February 25, 1923, he married Monnie Harrison born August 8, 1906. They had 2 children, Hilda Faye born January 16, 1924, who married Harley Chapman, she has 1 son and 1 grandson. Also Violet Jean born March 25, 1927, who married Ray Norwood, she has 2 daughters.

Covey Dolan Bartlett born December 26, 1901, was born and has lived all his life at Appleton. On January 6, 1924, married Janie Pauline Tuck (8/24/1904-3/5/1968, buried at Appleton) they had 3 children, James Ewing, Margaret Sue, and John Bolar. James E. born August 1, 1928 at Dover, married Wynona Spears on June 12, 1953, had a B.A. degree from Ark. Tech., works for the Arkansas Highway Department and lives in Little Rock. Margaret Sue Bartlett born September 13, 1932, works for United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company and lives in Little Rock. John Bolar born August 22, 1938, married Ann Loveland on November 26, 1964, they have 2 children, John Bradley and Beverly Diane. John has a B.A. degree from Ark. Tech. He works for Banquet Foods and lives in Missouri.

A son born July 25, 1907, died July 26, 1907, was not named and was buried at Appleton.

Lola L. Bartlett born December 21, 1908, died July 19, 1913, was buried at Appleton.

Etta Alta Bartlett born April 24, 1913, married Opal Brant of Appleton, they had 2 sons. Paul Brant who is in the printing business. He is married and has a son, Randy. The second son was named Darrell Brant, he died as a child and is buried at Appleton, Alta and her family lives at Van Buren.

James William Bartlett came to Arkansas about 1854 to Pope County about 1859.

by James E. Bartlett

ODELL CHESLYN BARTLETT

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Odell Cheslyn Bartlett (6-30-44, Russellville) son of Odell Dealon and Helen Ruth Crouse Bartlett. Ancestral arrival in Pope County in 1839 by John Morton and Isabella Poe, who moved here from Franklin County, Tennessee. Note: refer to Wesley Dealon Bartlett entry.

Odell Dealon Bartlett (1918, Russellville) to Wesley D. and Aille Rachel Almond. Graduated from Russellville High School (1937); attended Arkansas Tech. 1938-1940; graduated

from Nixon-Clay College, Austin, Texas in 1949. U.S. Army 1941-1945 with service in the Aleutian Islands and Europe. Currently working as an accountant at Sugar Creek Foods.

Helen Ruth Crouse (1926, Sullivan County, Mo.) daughter of Cheslyn Jacob Crouse and Mae V. McClanahan. Attended Russellville High School. Married Odell D. July 1943. Professional dance instructor (1952-1955). Worked at Cato's Store in Russellville for three years until 1974. Note: refer to Cheslyn Jacob Crouse entry.

Odell Cheslyn Bartlett attended Russellville and Little Rock schools, graduated RHS in 1962; graduated from Arkansas Tech. in 1967. Worked for Woody Mays while attending Tech. U.S. Air Force (1968-1972) with service in San Antonio, S.E. Asia, and Oklahoma. Currently working at Arkansas Employment Security Division as a special programs technician. Married Amparo Forero in June 1972, one child, Cheslyn Ignacio, born in November 23, 1974.

Maria Amparo del Pilar Forero (10-12-47, Cali, Vale, Columbia) daughter of Jose Ignacio Forero Pena (1913, Chiquinquirá, Boyaca) and Luz Maria Velasco Bueno (1928, Cali, Valle, Colombia). Graduated from High School in Bogota, Columbia. Studied languages at Columbo-American Institute graduating in 1969. Worked as bilingual secretary for one year. Further English studies, University of Miami, Florida, 1970. Graduated from Westark Community College, Fort Smith, in 1973 with an Associate Degree in nursing. Worked at St. Mary's Hospital in Russellville from 1973 to 1977. Currently working as a Public Health Nurse in Pope County. Became naturalized U.S. citizen in May 17, 1978.

by O. Cheslyn Bartlett

THERON HUNTER BARTLETT

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Theron Hunter Bartlett born July 30, 1914, son of Wesley Dealon and Allie Rachel Bartlett, at Appleton and moved to Russellville at the age of three. He attended Russellville Public Schools, graduating in 1932 and from Arkansas Polytechnic College in 1934, working at various jobs until Feb. 1942.

He served with the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II from 1942-1946. Following his discharge he was employed by the Arkansas Highway Department as Parts & Fuel Clerk from 1946-1949. He and his father were in partnership in the operation of the Gulf Service Station located at Main and El Paso Streets from 1949-1957 when his father retired. He purchased his fathers' half interest in the station and continued operation of the station until 1961. He then went to work for General Services Administration.

September 16, 1953 he was married to Margaret Jean Keener, daughter of Tolbert R. and Maye Lazenby Keener. Margaret Jean was born in the Bell's Chapel Community Southwest of Atkins, June 1, 1920 and came to Russellville July 4, 1938 working at various jobs. She was employed by the National Farm

Loan Association (now Federal Land Bank Association) in 1952 and is still employed by the Federal Land Bank system.

They have one son, David Hunter Bartlett. David attended Russellville Public Schools graduating in May 1973 and from Arkansas Tech University in May 1977. He is currently employed as an auditor with the Internal Revenue Service in Dallas, Texas.

Theron retired from General Services Administration December 31, 1976.

The family belongs to the First United Methodist Church.

by Theron H. Bartlett

WESLEY DEALON BARTLETT

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Wesley Dealon Bartlett (1890-1970) son of Cyrus Andrew (1854-1934) and Isabell Poe Bartlett (1859-1896). Isabell Poe Bartlett is the granddaughter of John Poe (1775) and Sarah Poe. They had four sons: William D. (1810); John Morton (1813); Alexander H. (1820); Joesephas (1822-1897) and two daughters: Sarah (1826) and Lucy Jane. John and Isabell Poe came to Pope County from Franklin County, Tennessee in 1839.

Isabell Poe, daughter of Joesephas and Isabell Rankin Poe married C.A. Bartlett in 1878. They had six sons and two daughters. The youngest son, Wesley Dealon, married Allie Rachel Almond (1889-1972) Sept. 1910. Allie Rachel is the granddaughter of William R. Roberson (1844-1904) and Susan Isabell Landrum Roberson (1853-1945). William R. Roberson came to Arkansas from Missouri in 1865. They had three daughters: Susan; Mary and Elizabeth, who married J.Q. Hill of Russellville.

William F. Almond (1869-1927) married Susan Roberson. They had two daughters Allie Rachel and Myrtle; and two sons, Robert and Irvin. Susan Almond died at age of 24 and the children were reared by their grandmother, Susan Roberson. They moved to Appleton about 1904.

Wesley Dealon was born and reared at Appleton and attended schools in Appleton and Choctaw. He and his family moved to Russellville in 1917. He was a farmer, school teacher, surveyor for the U.S. Forest Service and Arkansas Highway Department; an Alderman for the City of Russellville for twelve years. He was in partnership with his oldest son, Theron, in the operation of the Gulf Service Station on West Main St. from 1949-1957 when he retired. He and his family were active in the First Methodist Church. They are buried in Oakland Cemetery in Russellville.

He and his wife had six children, five of whom are still living. They are: La Vesta Bell (1912) married Theodore Garrison of Marshall. She lives in Macomb, Ill. where he is professor of English at Wester Illinois University. They had four children. Linda Jill died in infancy. Jack Bartlett Garrison lives in Kearney, Neb. and has one son, Derek; Cynthia G. Stiffler, Macomb, Ill. has one daughter, Jessica; and Ellen G. Dannels of Urbana, Ill.

Theron Hunter, (1914) and wife Margaret, have one son, David Hunter.

Doyle Estelle Parnell (1916) has two daughters: June Spillers, Missoula, Mon. and Betty Harris, Searcy, Ark. June has four daughters: Kim; Susan; Gretchen and Stephanie. Kim is married and has two children. Betty has two daughters: Linda Carol and Debra Ann.

Odell Dealon (1918) married Helen Ruth Crouse. They have one son, Odell Cheslyn. Cheslyn has one son, Cheslyn Ignachio.

Leo Lynn (1920) died in infancy and buried at Appleton.

Ronell Dean (1924) married Virginia Rowe, Ontario, Calif. They have five sons: John Wesley, Tampa, Fla.; Robert Dean, Russellville; Gary Lynn, Shreveport, La.; Eric Don and Michael Alan. John W. has a daughter, Christie and Robert Dean has one son, Chad.

by Theron H. Bartlett

HEZEKIAH A. BARTON

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Hezekiah A. Barton, son of William and Elizabeth Barton, was born in Tennessee, May 6, 1819. As a boy he went with his parents to Yalobusha County, Mississippi. He married Lucy Taylor, September 23, 1841. After the death of his Father, Hezekiah loaded his wife, six children and few possessions in a covered wagon and headed to Arkansas. Despite many hardships he arrived in Pope County with wife, Lucy, sons William, Isaac, Hezekiah, Levi and two daughters, Martha and Sara. He settled near Mill Creek in the last part of 1859. One son, Jessie, was born in Pope County, Hezekiah was a volunteer in Co. C 4th Regiment of Ark. Cav. He was soon after admitted to Regimental Hospital in Little Rock and died there July 7, 1864 with measles. He is buried in the National Cemetery at Little Rock. Hezekiah's death left Lucy with the task of caring for several small children. Lucy died in 1870 and was buried in the Shiloh Cemetery near Russellville.

Levi Edbert Barton was 12 years old when his mother died. He lived two years with a brother then went out into the world to rustle for himself. January 1, 1883, he married Rosa E. Colburn, daughter of John and Margaret Holledger Colburn. His possessions consisted of a horse and \$5.50 in money. He

homesteaded near Bakers Creek. He cut and hewed the logs and carried most of them on his shoulder to build his house. Despite the many hardships this was a happy marriage. Rosa was already a christian when they married and she spent a lot of time praying that Levi would become a christian. September 21, 1885 in a field near the Shiloh Church he was converted and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Shiloh. To this marriage were born seven children. Blanch married Adren Duvall, Charley married Rona Lois Crandall Landers, Cora married John Reynolds, Homer married Floy Weir, Addi never married, Guy married Bessie Warren. Rosa died at the birth of the seventh child, December 5, 1887 and is buried in Shiloh Williamson Cemetery. In December of 1888, Levi married Amanda Moore. They had ten children. Vossie married Earnest Turner, Oscar married Dorothy Jordan, Mervin married Nora Kinslow, Leta married Clyde Chronister, Edgar married Mevlee Bewley, Eva and Everette (twins died at birth), Jessie married Ina Bradford, Orval died young and Lucille married Sam Burris. L.E. Barton died March 12, 1936 at the old home place on Gravel Hill. He is buried at Shiloh Williamson Cemetery.

Charley H. Barton was born August 4, 1885. He spent most of his life farming at Moreland. On August 20, 1916 he married Rona Crandall Landers, daughter of A.D. and Lizzie Chronister Crandall. They had eleven children, Rosa married Robert Simpson, Marguerite married Elvin "Bob" Tripp, Beulah married Jerry Bass, Ruth married Arlie Mackey, Egbert (Buster) married Alma Mitchell, Fern married W.G. Henry, Julia married Ray Rye, David married Sue Brown, Arlis G. married Bettye Wilson and Jerry married Mattie Craine. One son (twin to David) died at birth. Charley H. Barton died March 13, 1950 and is buried in the Hudson Cemetery at Moreland. Elvin and Marguerite Tripp married June 8, 1934. They had one daughter, Mary Lois, born at Lake Village, Arkansas on June 27, 1956. Marguerite is Mayor of Hector and teaches in Hector Elementary School. Mary Lois Tripp is a graduate of Arkansas Tech University and teaches in Dover Elementary School.

by Marguerite Barton Tripp



L. E. Barton — Sons, Daughters, Son-in-laws, daughter-in-laws, and some of his grandchildren.

THE PETER BARZEN FAMILY 34

The Missouri Pacific Railroad Co. started advertising in the European Countries in 1860's and 1870's of the many opportunities of homesteading or buying land cheaply along their Railroad Lines. And the Company promised to donate land for Churches, Schools and Cemeteries which they did, in every location where immigrants settled. And that is how the town of Atkins obtained their German Pioneers in 1870 and 1880's.

Peter Barzen Jr. saw such ad about the opportunities at Atkins in Pope County, Arkansas, in the little village of Zell, on the banks of the Moselle River in Northwest Germany. And Peter Jr. just having finished his compulsory Military Training, decided he was going to America, to the town of Atkins, in Arkansas and settle there so none of his children would have to go thru Military Training as he did. Being single he would go alone and find a place and get settled before sending for his bride. This was in 1877.

So bidding goodby to his parents, brother and sisters and Bride, after an adventures journey he arrived in Atkins. He bought 80 acres that had a log Cabin on it just one mile South of Atkins. In 1878 he sent for his bride, Mary Barzen, but kin of their family, his sister Gertrude and husband Martin Klar with their year old daughter, Margaret, decided to come to Atkins with their future sister-in-law. Upon arrival Peter and Mary were married in the new frame Catholic Church built there, and were the first couple to be married in that church.

A son John was born to the Martin Klar's in 1879, but not long after that Martin Klar died, his son John only lived a few longer. The hot climate which these people were not used to, coming from a much colder climate, not knowing about chills and fever, nor what to do for it. Many lives were of adults and children fell prey to the climate and its illness.

Peter and Mary lost several of their first born but reared three daughters. Back in Zell, Germany, Peter Barzen, Sr. and his wife Gertrude Pellenz Barzen and their children, worried about their children in America and decided to immigrate to Atkins too and be with their son and daughter and their families.

In June 1882, Peter Sr. wife Gertrude, their four children, Margaret, Joseph, Katherine, and Amalia, ranging in ages from 18 to 10 yrs. arrived at Atkins. Peter Jr. sold his farm to his parents and lived near by for a few years, but moved with his family to the River Bottoms near Little Rock. He took up gardening, and sold fresh vegetables to the Curb Markets in Little Rock, rather than cotton farming.

Margaret married John Groben about 1884, but died in 1891, leaving three small children. Katherine Groben later married Paul Wenger, Gertrude Groben who was a Red Cross Nurse served overseas in WWI, and John Jr. died at age of four years.

Joseph married Theresa Scheptker, of Jefferson City Mo. in 1888 and lived on an adjoining farm. Two of their children died in infancy, a daughter Cecilia, lived to adulthood

but left no heirs. Katherine Barzen, entered the Ursuline Convent in St. Louis in 1892 and served in the Missions in Mo. and died there in 1956.

Amalia, the youngest, married Ben Ehemann in 1895 and they bought the Barzen Homeplace, so it became known as the Ben Ehemann farm. They reared seven children, three of their grandsons still live on the farm.

Peter Barzen Sr. died in June 1892 just 10 yrs. after coming to Atkins. His wife Gertrude died in 1916 at age of 85.

Margaret Klar, the granddaughter, who came from Germany in 1878 married Mike Ehemann in 1899 and reared 12 children.

So the descendants of Ben and Mike Ehemann Families are also the descendants of The Peter Barzen Sr. Family who came to Pope Co. at Atkins in 1882.

by Theresa J. Ehemann

HENRICH (HENRY) BAURICHTER

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Heinrich (Henry) Baurichter was born in Lofeld, West-falen, Germany, February 2, 1838. He came to the USA and settled in Columbus, Indiana, later moving to Missouri, Clay Township, Clark Co. To him and his wife were born four children: Charles H., Fred C., Clara, and Katie. Their mother died in Missouri and Henry moved his family to Augsburg, Pope Co., Ark., where he farmed. They were Lutherans. He died May 8, 1919, and was buried at Augsburg Cemetery.

Fred C., born February 11, 1873, Clark Co., Missouri, married Emma Marie Priebe, born September 24, 1879, Yell Co., Ark., at Augsburg Lutheran Church. He was a farmer, carpenter and musician, having played the Alto horn in the Augsburg band. He was a director in school district #39 for more than thirty years. His wife died October 26, 1918; he died June 27, 1953. Both were buried in Augsburg Cemetery. To this union was born three children; one son and two daughters. Otto H. was born September 11, 1910; Mildred was born May 25, 1913 (married to Earl Smith); and Kathrina was born August 17, 1916 (married to Edd White).

Otto and Hazel C. Rachel were married October 26, 1935, at Dover, Arkansas by R.L. Loyd, Baptist minister. She was born March 9, 1916, Pope Co., Arkansas, and is the daughter of the late Lillie Bramlett and Walter E. Rachel of Russellville, Ark.

Otto retired from Arkansas Louisiana Gas Co. (Pipeline Dept.) October 31, 1975, after 37 years. He and Hazel live at 404 East 14th Street, Russellville, and attend Mill Creek Church of Christ. They have four children, three girls and a boy.

Marilyn Emma, born May 28, 1937, is married to James E. Vinson of London, Arkansas, and lives in Houston, Texas, with two sons and a daughter. He is employed at Lockheed Electronics Company.

Jane Carolyn, born February 1, 1941, is married to Louis F. Smith of Allentown, Pa., and lives in Imperial, Mo. (St. Louis) with two

sons and two daughters. He is with Angelica Uniform Group, Inc.

Gerald Ray, born May 13, 1948, is married to Karen Allison of Russellville, Arkansas, and lives in Ponca City, Oklahoma, with one son. He is an accountant for Continental Oil Co.

Sandra Kay, born October 2, 1950, is married to Randall Adaire of Russellville, Arkansas, and has a son and two daughters. He is in the U.S. Air Force.

by Otto Baurichter

DAVID BEASLEY

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David Beasley, a halfbreed Indian, was born about 1834 in Alabama. When he arrived in Pope Co., Ark. is not known. He was a blacksmith and owned his own shop near (or at) Atkins in the Galley Rock Township, where he resided.

David Beasley and Eliza Long were married at Galley Rock on April 14, 1861, by Thomas Monday, Minister of the Baptist Church. They had two daughters, Nancy Ann, born Dec. 14, 1863 and Martha E., born in 1866 or 67. Mary E. born in 1871 or 72 is believed to be a half sister to Nancy and Martha.

Martha E. Beasley and Mathis Baker both of Atkins were married Feb. 14, 1884 by A. Joworski, Minister of the Gospel. It is thought they removed to Texas.

On May 22, 1879, W.R. Kayser, Justice of the Peace, joined Nancy Ann Beasley and Joseph Schwind in marriage. Joseph was a new arrival in the Wilson Township of Pope Co., having come to America from Prussia where he had served in the army during the Franco-Prussian War.

Shortly after their marriage Joseph and Nancy removed to Harper Co., Kan. where Joseph farmed. It was here the first 6 of their children were born; Lillie May, Maggie Emma, David Albert (called Albert), William Phillip (called Will), Harry Walter (died an infant), and Mary Ann. In 1893 when the Cherokee Strip was opened, Joseph went to Woods Co., Okla. (now Major Co.) and staked his claim to a quarter section which is still the Schwind Estate. By the fall of 1894 Joseph had moved his family to the homestead where 5 more children were born; Joseph Jachau Jr., Lawrence Edwin, Charley Herman (died at 3½ Mos.), Viola Grace (called Grace), Ruth Eveline (died at 7½ Mos.). Joseph and Nancy are both buried in the Glennwood Cemetery of Major Co., Okla.

Lillie married Eugene Willington Crowder, a Spanish American War Veteran. They had 3 children who are now all deceased. Florence G., Theodor U., and Everett E. Everett was born after his parents removed to Weiser, Ida. The family lived in Lewis Co., Wa., Lane Co., Ore. and Napa Co., Ca. where they both are buried. There are 11 grandchildren, 29 gt-grandchildren and 24 gt-gt-grandchildren in this family.

Maggie married Andrew Jackson (Jack) Burnett. They were the parents of 5 children. Charles A., Marvin G., Maggie Naomi, Emma (died at birth), and Juanita E. Maggie and Jack removed to Kan. before Juanita was

born. In the late 1930's the family moved to Butte Co., Ca. It is there that Maggie and Jack are buried. There are 8 grandchildren, 10 gt-grandchildren and 1 gt-gt-grandchild in this family.

Albert married Ruby Alice Kear and remained in Major Co., Okla., where they are both buried. They had 3 children; Nellie Mae (died at 1 day), Trilla Beulah and Dorothy F. Ruby is still living and is in her 91st year. There is 1 grandchild and 3 gt-grandchildren in this family.

Will's second wife was Susie Mae Hardin, they were parents to 6 children. Mary Nancy, Willa Mae, Alta Edna, Maud Alice, Eva Fern and William A. Just when "Will" left his family in Okla. and came west is not known to this writer. He spent his last years between Josephine Co., Ore., where he died, and Butte Co., Ca. where at age 75 years he was working in the rice fields and Almond Orchards. There are 22 grandchildren and 17 gt-grandchildren in this family.

Mary married Hary R. Warren. They had 1 adopted daughter, Elouise, who died in 1930. They removed to Wichita, Kan., where they lived out their lives.

Joseph Jr. and Elma Alberta Munkers married and remained in Major Co., Okla., where they raised 3 children: Opal Marie, Novah Lovel and Evelyn Mae. There are 5 grandchildren and 6 gt-grandchildren in this family.

Lawrence married Irene Elvina Reed. They also remained in Major Co., Okla. where they raised their children; Delbert Edwin, Lawrence Gerald (died at 4½ years) and Joseph Loraine. Irene died in 1972, Lawrence still lives in the house he built after he and Irene were married in 1919. There are 6 grandchildren and 7 gt-grandchildren in this family.

Viola (Grace) married Denver William Swiggart. They were the parents of 9 children; Rosamond Elvina, Joseph Ermin Ray, Gertrude Pauline, Denver Jr., Grace Laverne, George Edward (died at one year), David Lee (died at birth), Deanna Joan and Duane Harold. After their first child was born they removed to Garfield Co., Okla., where they raised their family and Grace is buried. There are 13 grandchildren and 3 gt-grandchildren in this family.

by Mrs. Kathryn Stoddard

JAMES AUGUSTUS BEATY

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James Augustus Beaty was born in Tippah County, Miss. July 2, 1869. His parents were Elijah and Nancy L. Beaty. They were both born in North Carolina, Elijah — November 13, 1832 and Nancy June 15, 1838. They migrated to Pisgah, Pope County in the 1880's from Tippah Co. Miss. Elijah and Nancy were the parents of four children. (1) Susan, (never married) died at age 27, and buried in Pisgah cemetery. (2) James Augustus, (3) Hayne — was married to Sam S. Motley in Gideon, Mo. She never returned to Arkansas. She was the mother of two children, their names are Robert Beaty and Helen Louise. Hayne died in the early 1940's, and is buried at Cape Girardeau, Mo. (4) Ona mar-



Pisgah School in 1890's across the road from old part of cemetery.
James A. Beaty, Teacher

ried Richard Hall and they were the parents of 5 children. (A) Bert, who married Aileen Jones, they have two children, Don and JoAnn. (B) Leon married and made his home at Pine Bluff. (C) Lorene married Bill Duvall and made their home in Chicago, Ill. (D) Paul married Ruth Darr, and they resided in Atkins most of their time with the exception of time spent with Paul's teaching in Walnut Ridge and Newport. (E) Britt married and lived at Pine Bluff until death. Richard and Ona Hall are buried in Pisgah cemetery. James Augustus, the 2nd child of Elijah and Nancy married Mary Ann Sleeker, daughter of Elbert and Margaret Keener Sleeker. They lived in Pottsville where he made his living as a Druggist. He also taught school for a number of years. He was elected Mayor of Pottsville April 2, 1901. The family still has a Document showing his commission as Mayor signed by Jefferson Davis, Governor, and John Crockett, Secretary of the State, on April 22, 1901. James and Mary Ann had 3 daughters. (A) Velma, married G.W. Motley. They had no children. She died in 1959, and is buried at Pisgah. (B) Faye was married to William Harvey Darter and they had six sons that are listed in the Darter family history elsewhere in this book. (C) Ruth L., who was never married and is presently living in Russellville. James A. Beaty's parents, Elijah and Nancy outlived him. James died at the relatively young age of 38 years. He died March 8, 1907, and is buried in Pisgah Cemetery. Both of his parents died in 1910, and are also buried at Pisgah. James's Widow, Mary Ann died in 1959 at the age of 83, also buried at Pisgah. It should be noted that while some members of the family spelled the Beaty name with two T's my grandparents always used the single T.

by Faye Beatty Darter

ALEXANDER BELL

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ALEXANDER BELL and wife, MARY OATES BELL, came VIA wagon train from Gaston,

Co., N.C. to Pope County, Ark., in 1854. They were married in Lincoln County, N.C. Jan. 26, 1836. Gaston Co. was formed out of Lincoln Co., in 1846. This Scotch group came with the intention to establish an Associate Reformed Pres. Church west of the Mississippi. They settled in the Potts Station area and named their churches, Bethany and Pisgah after the churches they left in N.C. Alexander Bell was the 1st. child of John Bell (wife unknown), whose WILL is recorded in Will Record "1" Page 50, Gastonia, Gaston Co., N.C. John Bell is buried in Olney Cemetery there and died 3/31/1852, aged 77. Alexander Bell & wife brought with them their 7 sons and 2 daughters, all born in N.C., Franklin Robertus, Wm. Alexander, John M., Warren Monroe, Thomas McGill, Ewart Adams, Mary E. (twins) Margaret Elvira, Calvin Sobiske, Martha B. was born in Ark. They established their home in the Pisgah community, Sec. 13, Twp. 7, Range 20, where they lived the rest of their lives. He was b. 1804



Alexander Bell
1804-1882

and d. 12/27, 1882.

FRANKLIN ROBERTUS was b. 12/20/1836 and d. 4/21/1865. He married Martha Jane Dickey 3/8/1859, built a log house in sight of Pisgah Church & cemetery. Chil. Mary Jane, b. 3/30/1862, d. 10/8/1863. Wm. Franklin Alexander. Franklin Robertus Bell saw service in The War Between The States, Confederate side. He was a hard riding, daring cavalry soldier and after the occupation of the area by Federal troops and when local residents were at the mercy of Bushwhackers, his name became a holy terror. When the war ended and he was marching to Lewisburg, near Morrilton, to be discharged, he got off his horse to drink from a stream, was shot in the head and killed by Bushwhackers. Buried Pisgah Cem.

Wm. Franklin Alexander Bell, b. 12/23/1863, went in his youth to Russellville to live with and work for an old friend of his grandfather's, the Capt. R.J. Wilson, who ran a store in Norristown, then later Russellville. This is where Frank received his business education. In 1890, Frank Bell was a merchant in Webbers Falls, I.T. He married Bernice Estella Watson, Bentonville, Ark., on 2/10/1892. In 1899, he was City Marshall of Russellville, a merchant there for a time and at the time of his death, he was with a Collecting Agency. He died 2/12/1906 and wf. died 1/12/1912. Chil. Martha Oma Bell, Ruth Clementine Bell, Annette Bell, b. 5/21/1897, d. 8/28/1898, and Mary Calhoun Bell. Martha Oma Bell Sewell, home, Rt. 2, Nashville, Ark., b. Pottsville, Ark. 1/20/1893. M. Robert Kirksey Sewell, 6/18/1914, he is decd. Chil. Robert Franklin Sewell, James Harold Sewell, Wm. Kenneth Sewell. Ed. H.S. Russellville, Ark. Emp. R.J. Wilson & Sons, bookkeeper, R.K. Sewell Mercantile, bookkeeper, cattle farmer.

Robert Franklin Sewell, b. Russellville, Ark. 7/28/1915, deceased. He M. Allene Poole. Chil. John Franklin, Mary Kathleen. Ed. H.S. Russellville, Ark., Class 1933, Ark. Tech, Russ. Emp. War Defence Plant, Texarkana, Ark., Farmer, Merchant "Sewell Camp Store", Owner, Nashville, Ark. He died 9/15/1971. John Franklin Sewell, b. 8/10/1947. Ed. H.S. Nashville, Ark. Class 1965, Navy 6 yrs., Nuclear Field Program, U.S. Gov. Electronics, college, Mt. Vernon, Wash. Electronics. Single. Mary Kathleen Sewell, b. 8/13/1948, Texarkana, Ark. Ed. H.S. Nashville, Ark., Class 1966. Art Major, Southern State College, Magnolia, Ark. & B.S.E. deg. in Art, Ark. State Univ., Jonesboro, Ark. Emp. Instructor in Art, Newport, Ark., Child Study Center Univ. of Ark. Medical Sciences, Little Rock, Ark. M. 1st. Dennis R. Glasgow, 2nd. William Booker Worthen, Jr., Little Rock, Arkansas.

James Harold Sewell, b. 12/14/1918, Russellville, Ark. Home, Rt. 3, Atkins, Ark. M. Alice Elizabeth Campbell, 1/28/1938. Chil. Elizabeth Annette, James Earl. Ed. H.S. DeQueen, Ark. Class 1937, Chillicothe Missouri Business College. Emp. Dierks Lbr. Co., Dierks, Ark., Metropolitan Life Ins., Little Rock, Ark., WW# 2 Veteran, Army Air Corps 2 yrs. in the U.S., Owner, Sewell Grocery Rt. 3, Atkins Ark. Elizabeth Annette Sewell, b. Dierks, Ark., 5/14/1940. Home, Rt. 2 Hwy.

16W. Fayetteville, Ark. M. Henry Allen Darter, Atkins, Ark., 1/31/1959. Ed. H.S. Atkins Class 1958, Music Scholarship Ark. Tech, Russellville, Ark. Chil, Todd Allen, b. 3/20/1960, Derek Aaron, b. 2/10/1968, Harold Adrian, b. 9/23/1969, Henry Alexander b. 2/3/1971. James Earl Sewell, b. DeQueen, Ark. 11/29/1941, Home, Mtn. View Dr., Atkins, Ark. M. Ann Lynes. Chil. Elizabeth Belle, b. 2/4/1970, Paige Annette, b. 5/31/1972. Ed. H.S. Atkins, Ark., Arkansas State Teachers College, Conway, Ark., Emp. Firestone, Russellville, Sewell Sanitorial Service, Owner, Atkins, Arkansas.

Wm. Kenneth Sewell, Single, b. Russellville, Ark. 3/3/1923. Home, Rt. 2, Nashville, Ark. Ed. H.S., DeQueen, Ark., Class 1941, Henderson State Teachers College, U of A, Fayetteville, Ark., 1949 B.A. Deg., M.A. deg. Souther Methodist U., Dallas, Tex., 1956, Dr. of Philosophy, Ball State U., Muncie, Ind. 1971. WW#2 Veteran. Army Air Corps, Radio School, Gunnery Sch. On Combat mission #33 when shot down over Ploesti, Rumania and captured by the Germans. Liberated 5/2/45. Awarded the Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster & Presidential Unit Citation. Em., The Nashville News, Prof. Junior College, Laredo, Tex., Reporter-News Staff of the Abilene Reporter, Abilene, Tex., State Parks Comm., Phoenix, Ariz. winter 65-66, and Prof. College, Glenville, West Va.

Ruth Clementine Bell Wharton, b. 1/2/1895, Russellville, Ark. M. Charles Lindsay Dabney Wharton, 10/10/1920. He was b. 5/27/1893, d. 11/13/1941. Ed. H.S. Russellville, Ark. Class 1914, President. Emp. R.J. Wilson & Sons, bookkeeper 6 yrs. Tucker Abstract Co., Bentonville, Ark., 6 yrs., WW#2 Veteran, Stock Record Clerk Quartermaster Corps, U.S. Army, 26 months, 15 months in SW Pacific, New Guinea & Philippines, Two years Deputy Co. & Probate Clerk, Benton Co., Six yrs. as County & Probate Clerk. Nine yrs. as auditor, State Comptrollers Office State Capitol, Little Rock, Ark. Retired, live at 505 N. Main St. B'ville, Ark.

Mary Calhoun Bell Shofner, b. Russellville, Ark., 12/12/1901. Died 7/31/1976. M. James Peyton Shofner, 12/26/1923. He died 9/22/1967. Chil. James Barrett Shofner. Ed. H.S. Russellville, Class 1919, Draughon's Business College, L.R. Emp. R.J. Wilson & Sons, Russellville, Cashier, R.K. Sewell Mercantile, Russellville Cashier, Mutual Aid Union, Rogers, Ark., Clerk, Rogers Daily News, Shofner's, Rogers, Ark., Owner-Partner. In WHO'S WHO IN ARKANSAS 1974.

James Barrett Shofner, b. Rogers, Ark., 11/22/1924. M. Jackie Boyd Ragsdale, Rogers, Ark. Chil. Sandra Sue, Sara Ann, Mary Ruth. Ed. H.S. Rogers, Class 1942, Univ. Okla., Norman, Okla., and Univ. Ark., Fayetteville, Ark. WW#2 Veteran, U.S. Army, two yrs., with one year in Japan. Emp. Owner, SHOFNER'S, Rogers, Ark. Sandra Sue Shofner Ketterman, b. Bentonville, Ark. 8/27/1949, M. Bennie Ray Kitterman, 12/1/1967. Chil. Michael Barrett Kitterman, b. Bentonville, Ark. 6/26/1971, Kevin Ray Kitterman, b. Bentonville, Ark. 11/11/1975. Ed. H.S. Rogers, Ark., Class 1967. Emp.

Shofner's, Clerk, Rogers, Ark.

Sara Sue Shofner, single, b. 9/9/1957, Rogers, Ark. Ed. H.S. Rogers, Ark., Class 1975, Miss Wades Fashion Merchandising College, Dallas, Tex. Emp. Phylis Ann Accessories, Dallas, Texas. Mary Ruth Shofner, single, b. 10/22/1959, Rogers, Ark., Ed. H.S. Rogers, Ark. Class 1978. Emp. Pt. time, Wal-Mart Distribution Center, Bentonville, Arkansas.

by Ruth Bell Wharton

CALVIN SOBISKE BELL

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Calvin Sobiske Bell was born in Gaston County, North Carolina, September 19, 1850. He was the youngest of the seven sons of Alexander and Mary Oates Bell. In 1854 this entire family moved to the Potts Station area of Pope County, Arkansas. February 11, 1879 he married Margaret Sinclair, the daughter of Gregory and Margaret Blackwood Sinclair, who also had moved to the Potts Station area of Pope County from Gaston County, North Carolina, in 1854.

To this union five children were born. Two of these a boy and a girl died in infancy. Their eldest child, a daughter named Margaret Ella, was born February 26, 1880 and died August 10, 1896. The other two children lived to maturity. Their other daughter, Johnnie Faye was born September 4, 1884, and died on April 2, 1972. Neill Harper, their surviving son, was born October 20, 1887 and died July 9, 1976.

Calvin S. Bell made his living farming although he did work, for a time in a general store. His farm was at the foot of Crow Mountain, east of Pottsville and North of Worthern Switch. He was a devout man and was for many years an elder in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in Pottsville.

His daughter, Faye, married Cleve L. Graydon who died in Little Rock in May of 1928. Two sons were born to this couple; Stanley, who married Virginia Love Croom, and Neill S. who married Carolyn Williams. Stanley and his wife live in Springdale. For many years they had a ladies ready to wear store there, but they are retired. They have no children. Neill and his wife Carolyn live in North Little Rock and he works for Ben Hogan Construction Company which is in Little Rock. They have one son Stanley who lives with them.

Neill H. Bell married Arly Fry of Atkins and they had two children, James C. and Caroline. James C. is unmarried and lives in Russellville where he is County School Supervisor in Pope County. Caroline married Robert Donald Mitchell, who is sales manager of J.T. Lloyd Company, a wholesale sporting goods firm in Little Rock. They have two daughters; Mary who married James Washburn and lives in Little Rock, and Rita who married Bill Fenimore and lives in Kansas City, Missouri. Mary and James Washburn have two children, Neill Harper and Amy Elizabeth. Rita and Bill do not have any children.

Like his father Neill H. Bell was a religious man and was an elder in every church to which he belonged. He devoted most of his

life to public education, teaching in Kentucky, South Carolina and Oklahoma before taking the position of Superintendent of Schools in Atkins, Arkansas. He held this position for fifteen years and then resigned to become County School Supervisor for Pope County July 1, 1942. While he was serving in this capacity the number of school districts in Pope County decreased from fifty-one to five making a high school available for all students in the county. June 30, 1960 he retired from this position and was succeeded by his son who holds the position now.

by James C. Bell

MILTON CRAIG BELL

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Milton Craig Bell was born in North Carolina in 1824. His father, John Bell, (mother unknown), lived on a 250 acre plantation on Crowders Creek, Gaston County, N.C. John died in 1852 in his 77th year and was buried in Olney Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Gastonia, N.C. Milton left home as a young man. He was married to Francis Berry and living in Tippah County, Miss. before 1850. Two children were born, Leondus Augustus in 1850 and Mollie Luvinia in 1854 before his wife died. Milton became a prominent merchant with Kendrick and Bell in Ripley, Miss. He married again to Martha Jane McCarley, daughter of Moses Green Lee McCarley and Martha Marshall. The McCarleys had moved to Ripley from N.C. During the War Between the States, Milton's business was destroyed by fire. After the war, he rebuilt and became a successful merchant again. Five more children were born in Ripley, first a boy who died in infancy, then Charles Craig 1864, John Roderick 1866, Minnie Mai 1868 and Mose McCarley 1872. After 25 years in Ripley, Milton sold his business in 1882 and moved to Pottsville, Ark. where his older brother, Alexander, had lived since 1854. He went into the general merchandising business with his nephew, Ewart Bell. Another child, Mattie, was born in Pottsville in 1884. Milton was Master of the Pottsville Masonic Lodge for 2 years. His eyesight began to fail and then poor health caused him to leave Pottsville in 1888. He moved his family to Covington, Tenn. where his oldest daughter, Mollie Bell Simpson, lived. He died in 1896 and was buried in Munford Cemetery in Covington. A tribute to him in the Ripley, Miss. newspaper said, "His standing in Ripley, Mississippi as a prominent mason (who was always ready to lend a helping hand to the needy), an honest merchant, kind friend, a Christian in its fullest sense, a tender husband and father, is too well known to need mention, for he made Ripley his home for twenty-five years."

Milton's 3 younger sons eventually settled in Little Rock, Ark. Charles Craig was a charter member ruling elder of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church when it was organized in 1893. John Roderick and Mose McCarley became elders in this church at later dates.

Charles Craig, called Craig, was a book-

keeper for Simpson and Wade and then was associated with the Bowser Furniture Co. He married a Miss Oates and they had 1 daughter, Orrie. After he retired he lived with his daughter, Mrs. Tom Johnston, near Roland, Ark. He was an ardent church worker until his death in 1952 at age 88.

John Roderick, called Rod, was a bookkeeper in Covington for about 12 years. He moved to Little Rock in 1901 and went into the grocery business. In 1904 he married Miss Olive Stannus. They had no children. They were active in church work. He died in 1948 at age 81.

Mose McCarley, called Carl, was a farmer near Covington for several years then he went into the grocery business. He moved to Little Rock in 1899 and was in the grocery business there. In 1914 he married Miss Bessie Estelle Gaines of Dallas, Texas. They had 2 children, Roderic McCarley, born in 1916, and Martha Jane, born in 1919 who died in infancy. Bessie died in 1923, and Miss Mattie Bell came from Covington to live with her brother and take care of Roderic. Carl died in 1953 at the age of 80. Mattie died in 1977 at age 93 and is buried in Covington beside her parents.

Roderic graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1938. He married Frances Margaret Bullard in 1941. They have 2 sons, Roderic M., Jr. born in 1944 and Jerome C. born in 1946. He was a naval officer in World War II. He left Little Rock to attend Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. in 1950 to obtain a Master's Degree in Hospital Administration. Dallas, Texas has been home since 1951. Roderic is the administrator of Presbyterian Hospital and an elder in the Highland Park Presbyterian Church. In 1974, Austin College at Sherman, Texas presented him with the honorary degree of Doctor of Science in recognition of his services to his church, community and his contributions to the art of health care.

by Roderic M. Bell

HISTORY OF THOMAS MCGILL BELL

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Thomas McGill Bell was born July 9, 1843 in Gaston County, North Carolina. He moved with his parents and other members of his family to Pope County, Arkansas in 1854.

My father used to tell me about their move to Arkansas. They sold their home and all their belongings with the exception of a few personal things which they could bring along. His father hired a teamster to convey them and their baggage to the depot, or rather the shed, to take a train to Memphis.

In those early days of rail traffic, huge sheds took the place of later depot buildings. They were supported by brick pillars and divided by the rail track passing through the center, giving one side of the track to the accomodation of passengers, the other to freight service, was the only accomodations available.

Here in this shed the families baggage was piled, and they settled down eagerly awaiting



MISSOURI ADA PIERCE BELL

the arrival of a train to take them on toward their final destination. Within a short time, their train rolled into the shed, and they were soon all aboard for Memphis.

When they reached Memphis, their belongings were piled up at the boat landing on the Mississippi to await the approach of a steam boat that would take them farther toward the setting sun. Here he was his first steam boat, and the river seemed full of them. Some going up river and some down. But it was some time before one moved up to their landing and the gang plank thrown out. Most of the boats passing up and down the river were of the smaller type with their brilliantly painted paddle wheel pounding the river into a mass of foam. However, some of them, including the one moving up to their landing, were a high side wheel craft. This old craft gave a few heavy blasts of its huge siren, the gang plank was thrown out, and men, women, and children began marching on board for the third leg of the trip to the promised land.

Their next stop was at a small village, called Argenta, which is now called North Little Rock. There they changed to a smaller boat for the last leg of their journey. After so many hours up the river, they disembarked at a village on the north bank, opposite Dardenelle, known as Norristown. Near this place living quarters were obtained for the families.

His parents, Alex and Mary Bell homesteaded land near Pisgah, built a log house on the place where they spent their remaining years. He lived with his parents until he grew to young manhood.

The early years in Arkansas were good years for the family, peaceful and happy until the threat of Civil War began to grow. Then after the election of Abraham Lincoln and the secession of the southern states, the War came. My father became of age for service during the War, and he rode a mule to Ft. Smith to join the Army. He saw considerable service which records show him a member of Company I, First Arkansas Batallion.

His service was in Arkansas and he was a participant in the engagements at Mark's Mill and Jenkin's Ferry which were the two most important engagements of the War in south Arkansas. An estimate of his period of service would be from one and one half to two years.

At the conclusion of the War, he married Missouri Ada Pierce of Marion County who had moved there with her family from Forsyth County, Georgia. They were married about the year 1877. He being thirty-three years of age, she eighteen.

They homesteaded a ninety acre farm near Pisgah, about a mile from his parents home. They built a house on the farm where they spent their remaining years. Part of this house is still standing today. Six children were born to this union, all living on this homestead to adult age.

Names of children and dates of births are given below. Two are now living and four deceased. Mary Ethel — born February 23, 1878, died December 17, 1919; Thomas Alva — born June 16, 1880, died July 9, 1911; Leonidas Otto — born April 18, 1883, (Lottie) died December 26, 1928; Earl Pierce — born May 11, 1886, died May 13, 1965; Myrtle Ada — born September 8, 1889; Mamie Virlin — born October 21, 1892; Wife and Mother — born October 8, 1858, died July 9, 1904; Father — passed away June 18, 1914

This much can be said of him. He was industrious, a hard worker, a good provider for his family and a real Christian. Each Sunday morning the team was hitched to the wagon, the family climbed in and off to the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in Pottsville. He was very active in community affairs, served on the Pisgah School Board for a number of years.

by Mamie Bell Newton

WILLIAM ALEXANDER BELL

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Mattie & Maggie Bell

WILLIAM ALEXANDER BELL, b. 2/9/1838, Gaston Co., N.C. came to Pope County, Ark., in 1854, with his parents, Alexander Bell and Mary Oates Bell, six brothers and two sisters. He was 16 years old. They were Associate Reformed Presbyterians and farmers. He enlisted in the Confederate Army, Feb. 15, 1862 at Russellville, Ark., by Col. A.W. Jones. Served in Co. "F" First Arkansas Cavalry, most part East of the Mississippi River and at the Fall of Vicksburg. He was captured 5/17/1863 at Black River Bridge and sent to Memphis, Tenn., May 25, 1863, then taken

to Rock Island, Ill as a POW. He married 4/24/1862, Margaret Elizabeth Dickey, b. 12/3/1837, Savannah, Tenn. This family lived in the Bethany Community and Dickey settlement. He died July 23, 1919 and she died April 10, 1932. Chil. Mary Jane Sinclair Bell, b. 1866, d. Aug. 1867, Rebekah E. Bell, b. Sept. 1869, d. 9/11/1871, Martha (Mattie) Bell, b. 12/25/1872, Margaret Dickey Bell, b. 1/8/1875. Mattie and Maggie received all the schooling the country school offered at Bethany, lived with Aunt Mat and Frank and Estella Bell in Russellville to finish high school there. They received their formal education at Erskine (ARP) Woman's College, Due West S.C. Neill Bell wrote of Mattie and Maggie, "I think that every member of every Bell family of the group, looked upon them as paragons in every field of what was proper." The two gave their lives to Bethany Church and school. Mattie received her Teacher's License, No. 521, October 19, 1900, W.F. Turner, Co. Examiner and she taught at Bethany. They were Sunday School teachers, Superintendent, directed the social activities. Maggie was the organist. She also taught music in her home on a beautiful black ebony square piano, given to them as a gift by their Uncle, William B. Dickey, Sulpher Springs, Ark.

MARTHA (MATTIE) BELL married Ebenezer Dunn Ellis, Due West, S.C. They were married in the little Bethany Church. It could have been the first and only formal wedding ever held in that church. Our family and most all Bell's, Dickey's, other kin, neighbors and friends, attended. Oma and I helped other cousins decorate by placing flowers in the arches. E.D. Ellis, attended public school in Due West, S.C. and was a graduate of Clemson College. He was an electrical engineer and citrus grower. From 1915 they made Lake Wales, Fla., their home. They had no children. They gave a countless number of love gifts to many institutions of the ARP Church and to individuals. The little Bethany Church had lived through the first log structure, then a frame building and needed a new home. E.D. and Mattie Ellis gave the money for a complete new building, exactly like the old one. They built a hospital in a foreign country, educated a missionary and gave \$50,000.00 to build Memorial Hall at Bonclarken, the ARP place for summer conferences. Their interest in Bonclarken knew no bounds. They gave of their time, strength and money. He served as director there for years. Eb and Mattie Bell Ellis, in early years of their life partnership, accepted the challenge of the Master to "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness," having contented themselves with frugal but happy living and the generous and proportionate expenditure of time and means for the support of the church. He died 9/13/1953. Mattie Bell Ellis died 11/24/1956. Both buried Lake Wales, Florida.

MARGARET DICKEY BELL spent her entire life in the house in which she was reared. She left her earthly estate to Christian Institutions, Erskine College, Due West, S.C. for Student Loan Fund, to Moody Bible Inst., Chicago, Ill. and to American Bible Inst., N.Y., and to ARP Synod, Due West, S.C. She died 9/16/1957,

Funeral was held in her beloved Bethany Church. Annie Dickey Barrett, Little Rock, Ark. and I attended the service.

by Mrs. Ruth Bell Wharton

BENCH FAMILY

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Herman Gordon Bench, Sr. born March 8, 1914 in Booneville, Arkansas and Mary Naomi Phelps born April 13, 1917 in Paradise, Texas came to Pope County in 1948. They married in 1935 at Fort Worth, Texas.

Herman Bench, Sr. was the son of Dan Bench and Minnie Herring Bench.

Mary Bench is the daughter of Charley A. Phelps and Julia Reynolds Phelps. Mary went by the name of Jackson before she married because her mother and Dad were separated before she was born and her mother married Earnest Jackson when Mary was very young.

Herman and Mary Bench bought land and settled at Gravel Hill, Moreland Township in 1948. They had three sons, Julian Deon Bench b. May 6, 1936 married (1) Pat Cooksey, had two sons, Eddie b. 1961 and Donald b. 1962. (2) Ruby Priebe, had two daughters, Lisa b. 1966 and Greta b. 1970.

Herman Gordon Bench, Jr. b. March 14, 1938, married (1) Mary Faye Kinslow, they had one daughter, Deborah Ann b. Feb. 22, 1959. (2) Shirley Poore, They had three daughters Phyllis, b. 1961, Tressie b. 1963 and Julie b. 1967. (3) Katie Brown. Gordon and Katie had no children. Gordon lives in Little Rock now.

Daniel Devoy Bench born March 20, 1940 in Fort Worth, Tx. married Twyla Rhea Reynolds b. Oct. 5, 1939 at Dover, Ark. Twyla is the daughter of Thelma Talkington Reynolds Hurley, and Claud Fletcher Reynolds b. April 11, 1895, died Oct. 14, 1960.

Devoy and Twyla were married Nov. 3, 1957 at Dardanelle, Ark. They have two sons, Tony Daniel Bench b. Nov. 10, 1958. at Russellville. Tony is a freshman at Arkansas Tech University majoring in Chemical Engineering and his fraternity is Kappa Alpha. Clinton Devoy Bench b. March 17, 1963 at Russellville is in the ninth grade at Gardner Junior High School where he is captain of the band and an officer in the National Junior Honor Society. Devoy works at Sherwin Williams Paint store in Russellville where Tony works part time. Twyla works at the Junior High cafeteria. Devoy and Twyla are both graduates of Dover High School.

Herman Bench, Sr. died Sept. 2, 1976 at a hospital in Ft. Smith. He is buried at Resthaven Memorial Park in Russellville.

Mary Naomi Bench lives in Russellville and is employed at Mortons. Her mother Julia Reynolds Fowler and her grandson Donald Bench live with her.

by Twyla Reynolds Bench

JOSEPH C. BERKEMEYER

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Joseph C. Berkemeyer was born in Rheda,



Mr. & Mrs. J.C. Berkemeyer & daughter Ruth

Germany May 8, 1874, son of Bernard and Christine Miehle Berkemeyer. The family immigrated to the United States and settled in St. Vincent, Arkansas in 1881. Joseph C. Berkemeyer married Josephine Schiffer Sept. 13, 1904 in Morrilton, Arkansas. They moved to Atkins in Pope County, in 1904 and entered the General Mercantile Business with his brother-in-law, John M. Maus. Five children were born to this union: Ruth, 8-28-1906, married Robert Martin; Otto 1-13-1908, married Martha Wenger; Dorothy 12-1-1909, married Ben Hoelzman; Louis 3-7-1911, married Mary Whillock; and Emil 10-3-1912, died 4-17-1954.

Maus and Berkemeyer were in business together until Sept. 1931 when J.C. Berkemeyer and Sons opened their own business. In January 1942 they moved into the Cheek building where Louis still operates his Grocery and Hardware Store. J.C. and Sons dissolved business in 1946. Otto bought the Dry Goods and moved into the adjoining building until his retirement in August 1972. Otto and Martha (his wife) still reside in Atkins. They had two children: Virginia Sept. 17, 1937 married Larry Kremer June 1, 1959 (3 Sons, 3 Daughters) and Richard Dec. 5, 1938 married Jeannine Houser Dec. 22, 1973 (1 Son).

Ruth and Robert Martin had three Children: Robert Oct. 14, 1934; Barbara Ann June 30, 1936 married Bill Greenwood Dec. 28, 1958 (3 Sons, 2 Daughters); and David Aug. 18, 1937 married Glenda Daven Oct. 12, 1968 (1 Son).

Ben and Dorothy Hoelzeman had two children: Betty Jo July 21, 1935 married Robert Parham Dec. 26, 1953, (2 Sons and 2 Daughters) and Marilyn Dianne March 26, 1937.

Born to Louis and Mary Whillock Berkemeyer were six daughters: Mary Anna Dec. 29, 1939; Married David Embry June 3, 1960 (1 Daughter, 2 Sons); Jackie Feb. 4, 1941, Married Jerry W. Virden May 24, 1963 (2 Sons 1 Daughter); Rebecca Jo Sept. 11, 1942, Married Wayne Johnston; Kathleen Aug. 8, 1947, Married Lonnie Napier May 8, 1965 (1 Daughter, 1 Son); Patricia May 12, 1950, Married Paul Duvall April 29, 1967 (1 Daughter, 1 Son) and Deborah Sue (Suzy)

born Nov. 16, 1957.

Joseph C. Berkemeyer died in Feb. 1956. His wife, Josephine, died in June 1962. They and their only deceased son, Emil, are buried in the Catholic Cemetery South of Atkins.

by Mrs. Wayne Johnston

CHARLES WEBSTER BERRY

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Charles Webster Berry moved to Pope County with his parents about 1912 and spent the remainder of his life in the vicinity of Russellville. At an early age, he worked on the farm with his father and continued this vocation for several years after which he turned to mining and later to construction work. He followed the carpenter trade for many years and worked on the A. P. & L. dam north of Russellville and on the first bridge across the Arkansas River at Dardanelle. He spent several years in maintenance at Arkansas Tech and then formed the Berry and Son Termite Control business. Later he speculated in land and developed the Berry addition which is now part of Russellville.

Mr. Berry was born at Jasper, Arkansas June 1, 1887 a son of Stephen Berry and Leanna Strickland. His father was born at Jasper, Arkansas in 1861 and his mother was born in Tennessee in 1869. His brothers and sisters were as follows: Josephine, James L., William, Lottie, John and Rubye.

November 11, 1917 Mr. Berry married Beulah Zella Rachel, daughter of William Rachel and Martha Anne Shinn, the son and daughter of Eli Alexander Rachel and David Monroe Shinn respectively. Beulah was born in Pope County April 11, 1899 and attended school in the small rural schools common at that time. To this union the following children were born: Charles Ira, Virginia, Martha, Robert, Joe, Gene, Patricia, and Marilyn Beth. All of these children are living except Charles Ira who died at age 44 and Gene who died at age five.

Charles Webster Berry died October 12, 1973 and is buried at Booher Cemetery, west of Russellville, beside his Wife, Beulah who preceeded him in death December 22, 1970.

He took an active interest in the affairs of the community in which he lived. He served as a member of the Board for the Pleasant View School and as Justice of the Peace in that community for a number of years. He always expressed an interest in the politics of the County and in its elected officials.

by Lewis Billings

DR. FRANKLIN BERRY

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Dr. Franklin Berry, b. in Ky., 1811. The family was of English descent, his mother being born in England. He attended Transylvania Medical School in Lexington, Ky., 1836-37, completing the first course. He married R. Naylor of Ohio and they had six children. Reuben L. and C.H., we know nothing of. Laura married William Spillers in Pope County. Maragret married William



BESSIE BERRY LEMLEY
ERNEST MONROE LEMLEY

Roberts of Shiloh, Pope County. Benjamine married Sarah E. Vick. Dr. Berry and family left Ky., was in Washington Co., Ark. for a while then came to Pope County. They witnessed the Battle of Dardanelle from their home in Norristown, moved to the Shiloh community by 1865 for that year Laura married at a residence where Ark. Tech Old Main is now located. Soon after, Dr. Berry was on his way home, bushwackers had burned a house, so, for safety he and a son took refuge in the chimney of the house. It came a big rain, they were soaked and took pneumonia and both died. He is buried in Old Lake Cemetery at Dover.

Benjamine Webster, b. 1856, lived with Lorenzo Bryant after his father died, until he married Sarah E. Vick, in 1878. They had six children, moved to Texas after 1880. In 1888, Bessie Lela was born and six weeks later Sarah E. died. Mr. Berry brought his family back to Arkansas so his sister, Margaret Roberts could raise Bessie as she had a son a few weeks older than Bessie. They were raised as twins. Mr. Berry married a Mrs. Miller and they had one child, Grace who died at age 15. About 1900, he went back to Texas, and remained there until his death in the 1930's. On the trip from Texas with Bessie, she lived on sugar teats. Once while the train was stopped, Mr. Berry saw a cow, got out, milked her in his hat so the children could have some milk.

Bessie attended the C.P. Church at Shiloh, school at Mt. View, and was part of the Roberts family. When Mrs. Roberts died in 1908, Bessie came to Russellville to live with Annie Roberts who had married. In 1910, she married Ernest Lemley. He was a farmer by occupation and Bessie never did work for the public. They attended the Methodist Church until the Assembly of God Church was established and they became charter members of that church. Bessie was President of the Women's Missionary Council and Sunday School teacher for many years. Her and Mr. Lemley had two children, the first dying in infancy and J.B., b. in 1915.

J. B. attended the Russellville Public

Schools, in 1935, married Mary Ellen McAnally. He began to work for the Export Cooperage Co. in Russellville, then followed the grocer business for a while. Lived in Ariz. a year, then back to Arkansas and went to the Army in 1944. Was a German P.O.W. 71 days in 1945. Entered the Postal Service in 1955, retired Dec. 31, 1976. He and Mary Ellen had two boys: Edwin, married Shirley Rye and they have three children. He works for the Postal Service and she is a bookkeeper. Ed plays and tunes pianos, traveled with a quartet several years. Charles, married Pam Glenn, they have three children. He attended State College of Arkansas on a track scholarship, received his Master's degree and is teaching in the Russellville school system. Pam is from Louisiana and is a bookkeeper.
by J.B. Lemley

LEONARD BERRY

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Leonard Berry was an English Canadian born in London, Canada, in 1869, and was the sixth child born to Edward and Ann Berry. The former home of the Family was Leeds, England, and occupation was owner of large woolen mills. The Senior Berry's decided to find a career in America, first settling in Canada, later An Arbor, Michigan, where the children were educated at the University. From Leonard Berry's earliest years he had been determined to be a tailor like his father and was often spoken of as a real artisan. He and his parents came south for a warmer climate and settled in Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, in 1896. He and his father established a tailoring business called "Berry & Son." When he passed away on Dec. 10, 1838, his was the third oldest business in Russellville.

Leonard Berry and Mary Satterfield formerly of Kentucky were married Feb. 27, 1897, and to this union one daughter was born, Lila Ann, who is an accomplished musician and in 1922, married Lealand F. Dillard of Virginia.

The Russellville business section had mostly frame buildings in the early part of the century and in Jan. 1906, a devastating fire burned twenty-three businesses to the ground, with a loss of \$250,000. The Berry tailoring was saved from ruin by friends forming a bucket brigade and pouring water on the roof which they covered with wet blankets. He later moved to the Bank of Russellville building and continued in business until his death Dec. 10, 1938.

The Berry family were Episcopalians and were members of the first church in Russellville, named "All Saints." Mr. Berry, having lost his parents earlier asked for it to be named thusly. This church or mission lost many members through death and some communicants moved out of town. The building was later sold and Mr. and Mrs. Berry joined the First Presbyterian Church USA, and were active members. Mr. Berry belonged to the Men's Bible Class, and he had a deep and abiding faith that run over into the lives of all who knew him.

Mrs. Berry passed away May 27th, 1940 and both were laid to rest in Oakland Cemetery in Russellville.

by Mrs. Lealand Dillard

BERRYMAN FAMILY

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Berryman Brothers who came to Arkansas. George Berryman, Robert Cobbs Berryman, Book Berryman.

The records of the Berryman Family which have been traced go back to 1559 Hemphill Kent England. They came to America in 1634 to York Virginia.

My Grandfather Robert Cobbs Berryman was born in Pulaski County, Giles, Tennessee in 1844 married Martha Matilda Reed born February 20, 1849 at Raleigh, North Carolina.

They moved to Arkansas and settled on South Arkansas which at that time was called Berryman Lane since my Grandfather owned all the land, he was a farmer and Civil War Veteran, his two brothers came with him and George was County Judge at one time.

Nine Children were born to R.C. and Martha Berryman. Laura Puckett, Lillie Barefield, Lillian Williamson, Ella Williamson, Dr. L.D. Berryman, Jessie Berryman, Pruitt who died at age 3, Nora Shanks, Oscar Berryman, Nora Shanks and Oscar Berryman are still living.

My Mother Ella Berryman was born September 21st, 1875, married October 1900 to C.G. Williamson born August 1875 at Pottsville Arkansas, his two brothers Richard and James also came from Pottsville Arkansas.

Three children were born to Ella and Chas. G. Williamson, Lois Morris, deceased, Rhea W. Fry and Robert C. Williamson. Lois and William G. Morris had three children, Virginia Levey, Charles R. Morris and Herbert Allen Morris. Virginia and Robert Levey had two daughters and Charles and Lucille Morris had two boys, Herbert A. and Betty had one son and one daughter.

We moved from Berryman Lane in 1916 and to my present home 117 East 4th St. in 1918, where I am still residing.

Russellville Library will buy it some day and History will go on.

Nora Shanks was the mother of two children: Martha B. and Jack Shanks.

Oscar Berryman had two children, one killed in an auto accident and Oscar Jr. Oscar Jr. and wife, Jane have four children: Allen Ross, Joy Lynn, Robert, and Lisa Marie.

by Rhea W. Fry

MAHLON BEWLEY

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The Rev. Mahlon Bewley, a Methodist minister, came to the Pope County area from Virginia between 1826 and 1830. He was the son of Anthony Bewley, who according to the 1830 census, was living in Greene County, Tennessee, at that time. He settled at Boiling Springs, between Hector and Scottsville. His wife was named Jane, but I do not know her last name before she married. To this union were born at least eleven children. Mahlon and three of his sons were Methodist circuit riders. He died in 1831 and is buried at Bewley Cemetery on Pine Hill. Children of Mahlon Bewley were: Rev. John M.; Rev. Robert S.; Rev. Nelson R.; Rev. George W.; Jane; Sarah Ann; Rebecca; Anthony; Benjamin; Martha P. (Mary) & Elmira.

Their ninth child, Benjamin, born in 1823, was my great-grandfather. He married Emmaline Webb on Jan. 17, 1843. They had eleven children, nine of whom lived to maturity, and two died in infancy. Those living to maturity were: Benjamin Van Pelt, III, Meredith (my grandfather), Anthony, Mahlon, Josephine (Cobb), Rebecca (Byrd), Nettie (Moore), Sarah (Stevens), and Jane (Inman).

Emmaline died in 1885. My great-grandfather then married Jennie Casey on Dec. 11, 1887. He died March 9, 1897. His third son, Meredith was my grandfather. His first wife was Rosa Ledford, whom he married Nov. 23, 1873. There were two children. June 19, 1887, he married Lizzie Taylor. He married Ellen Bata, my grandmother, May 15, 1890. They had five children: Monroe, Lizzie, Ed, Enoch (my father) and Bert. Enoch married Ollie Belle Ewton Sept. 15, 1918. To this union were born two children — Louise and Virgil. Later Enoch married Ruth Godfrey, and they had a son, James Edward.

Virgil now lives in Springdale and is married to the former Freda Goheen. They have eight children: James Harold, Peggy, David, Mary Virginia, Betty Louise, Larry, Tim, and Phillip.

James is in Springdale. He and his wife Lola have two sons, Jimmy Neal & Brook Randall.

Louise married J.D. Almond on May 3, 1941. They have one daughter, Mary Ellen. She married H.C. Blount. They have two children, Thad and Celeste. Both Mary Ellen and her husband teach in the Lake Charles, Louisiana, school system.

by Louise Bewley Almond

BIBLER FAMILY

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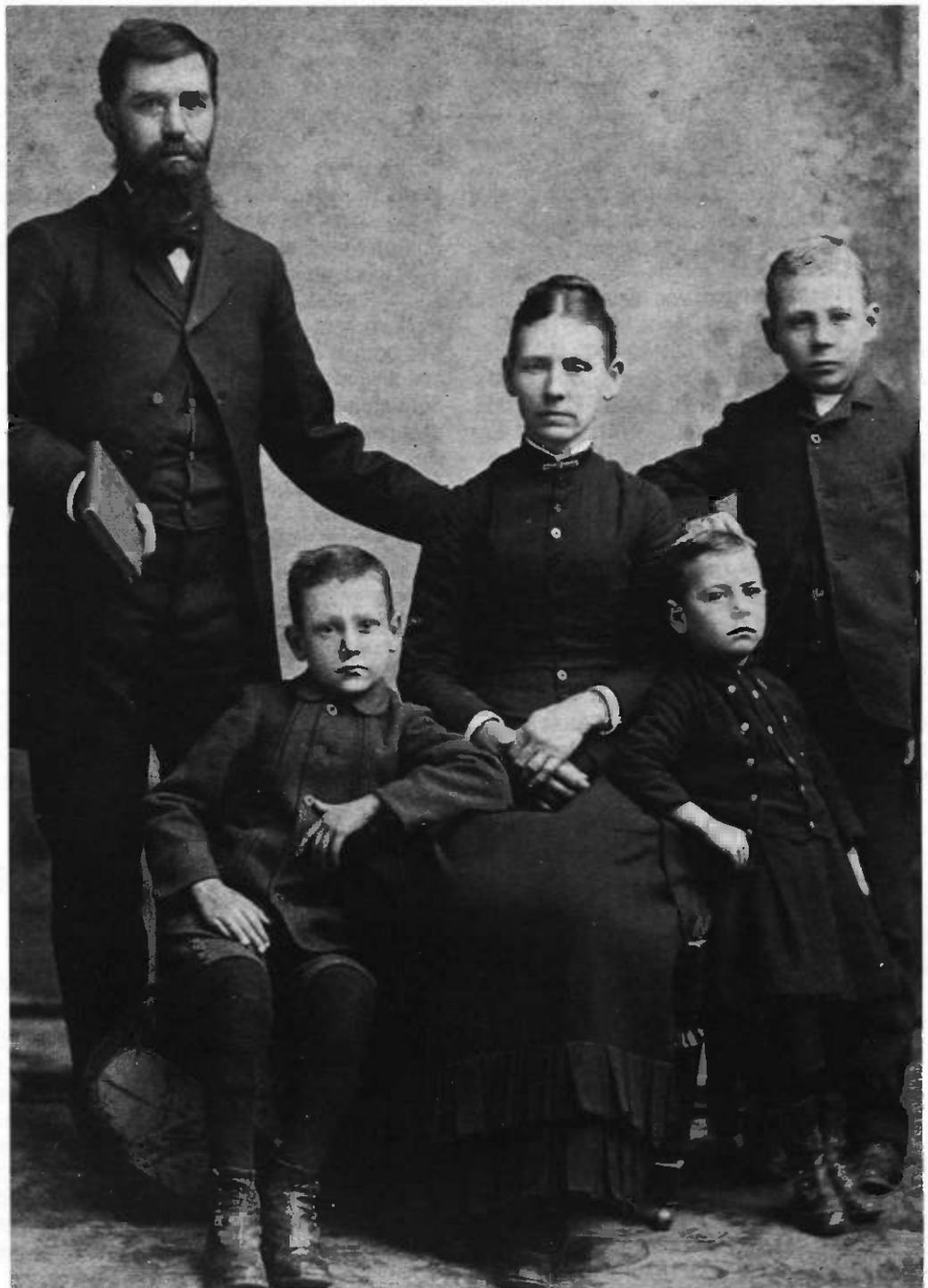
One of the families contributing to the financial growth of the county through the

timber and farming industries has been the Bibler family. The first Bibler to come to Pope Co. was James Harvey Bibler (1841-1905) from Ohio between 1872 and 1875. He was a veteran of the Union Army and the Battle of Chattanooga. He earned his living in various ways. He was a blacksmith, a Primitive Baptist preacher, a hunter, and a lumberman. His parents were John (1817-1888) and Maryett (?-1877) Bibler. John Bibler came to Ohio from Penn., but earlier the Biblers immigrated from Germany. James Harvey's first wife was Mary Morgan (1846-1872). They married in 1864 and had three children, Emma Jane (Van Schoit) (1865-1953) and Ida A. (1870-71) and Bonah H. (1872-72). Emma Jane had at least six children. Upon the death of Mary and their last child, James Harvey left Emma Jane in Ohio and came to Arkansas where in 1875 he married Sarah Ann Bullock (1857-1881), daughter of William Jefferson Bullock and Mary Ann Wallace (1824-1895). Sarah Ann's parents came to Pope Co. from Tenn. in 1856. The only child, John Jefferson (1878-1946), of James Harvey and Sarah Ann's marriage was born in Mt. Blanchard, Ohio, and lived his adult life in Indianapolis, Ind., where he practiced chiropractic medicine. He had no children. In 1882, after Sarah Ann's death, James Harvey married Elizabeth Jane (Wallace) McCain (1848-1890), daughter of James Wallace (1814-1858) of Ken. and Mary Elizabeth Goldsby (?-1853) of N. Car., Tenn., and Ken. Elizabeth Jane, called Aliza, and Sarah Ann were first cousins. Their grandfather, Andrew Wallace of S. Car. and Ken., was of Scotch parents and was born in 1790 off the coast of Ireland on the way to America. He and his wife, Catherine Newman, brought James' children to Arkansas in 1860. Aliza had one living child, John McCain, from a previous marriage to James McCain. Three other children, daughters, had all died in a diphtheria epidemic. John McCain (1876-1972) lived the early and late years of his life in Pope Co. among the Biblers. James Harvey and Aliza had two children, David Albert (1882-1932) and Myrtle Ann (1888-1899). In 1891, after the death of Aliza, James Harvey married Lida Alon (Kennedy) Rensely (1863-1894). Lida was from near Treat in northern Pope Co. A short time after this marriage James Harvey took his son, David Albert, his step-son, John McCain, and his daughter, Myrtle Ann and returned to Ohio to live. His fourth wife Lida died and he married Barbara Ellen (Swinehart) Hoy (1858-1905). Their infant son died in 1898. James Harvey Bibler was buried in Dayton, Ohio, at the Old Soldier's Home.

David Albert Bibler returned to Arkansas when he was thirteen years old and in 1907 married Alida Bell Johnson (1890-1971). She was the daughter of Marion Henry Johnson (1839-1908) and Martha Carolyn Gilbreath (1848-1917). They had four other children, James Edward (1875-1920) married to Mattie Leavell with eleven children, Henrietta (1877-1966) married to William Tidwell with eight children, Finas Lucien (1878-1892), Granvill (1881-1957) married to Mattie Cromwell Tate with seven children. Marion Henry and Porter M. Johnson, his brother,

made two trips by ox team and one by horse to Calif. and also one to Montana during the Gold Rush period. Alida's maternal grandparents were Eddie and Carolyn (Sites) Gilbreath of Madison Co., Ark. Her paternal grandparents were David McClenn Johnson (1811-1872), a farmer from DeKalb Co., Tenn. and Elvira G. (maiden name unknown) (1810-?) of Tenn. D.M. Johnson came to Pope Co. in 1847. D.A. and Alida Bibler had four children, Odus (1908), Glenn (1910), Ewing (1913-1975), and Gladys Mildred (1917). In 1908 they started a steam driven sawmill on Lee Mountain north of Dover. Around 1914 they operated a mill in Perry Co., Ark. for four years, but in 1918 they bought Bob Young's mill at Broomfield and moved there. The mill was moved from Broomfield to Scottsville in 1927 and operated there by D.A. Bibler and his sons until his death and was continued by his sons until it was closed 1962. In 1955 the

Bibler brothers purchased the Russellville holding of the Arkmo Lbr. Co. and operated that sawmill and retail store on North Arkansas Ave. until 1963 when they moved to a new location on Hwy. 7 S. and in 1965 the Scottsville portion of the company which had been operating out of a leased mill on North El Paso since 1962 also moved to the new location. The company kept growing and expanded by purchasing Ozark Box & Crating in Clarksville. Then in 1973 Bibler Bros. Inc. of Russellville and Clarksville merged with Great Northern Nekoosa Corp. of Stamford, Conn. During all this time they had accumulated extensive timber land and farm land acreage and, at the time of the merger with Great Northern Nekoosa, the corporation was one of the larger landowners in Pope Co. The farm land had been worked as basically a cattle farm. Prior to the merger with Great Northern, the business and farm were definitely



James Harvey Bibler, John Jefferson Bibler, Elizabeth Jane Wallace Bibler, David Albert Bibler, John McCain.

family operations with various members accepting different responsibilities. The mill at Russellville is now managed by James A. Bibler, a grandson of David Albert Bibler, and other members of the family still work there. In 1976 David Bibler, another grandson, purchased from Great Northern the original Bibler farm at Scottsville and Broomfield and one at Hobo previously owned by him personally and is now operating a large cattle and turkey business.

The present generations are as follows: Odus Bibler married Ressa Rachel Jones (1908) of Broomfield and their children are Helen Imodell (1929), David Robert (1931), and James Albert (1934). Imodell married John Burl George (1924) of Bass and their children are Ricky Steven (1951) married to Doris Davis (1953) of Russellville with two children, Rachel Leigh (1973) and John Brian (1975), and Theresa Carol (1953) married to Terry Steven Tolar (1952) of West Helena. David married Janie Geneva DuVall (1932) of Russellville and they have one child, David Michael (1952) married to Brenda Gayle Arnold (1956) of Russellville. James married Martha Jane Roper (1936-1978) of Russellville and they had two children, James Black (1955-1978) and Mary Dawn (1956-1978). Mary Dawn was killed in a plane crash at Garden City, Kansas, and Martha and Blake died soon after of injuries received in the crash. Glenn Bibler married Susie Arbelle Wright (1913) of Hector and their children are Glenna Sue (1936) and Donna Sharon (1944). Glenna is married to Bobby Boland (1936) of Appleton and their children are Susan Rena (1959) married to Jerald Taylor (1957) of Hector and Bobby Brent (1974). Donna is married to Paul Grossnicklaus of Los Angeles, Calif. Ewing Bibler married Irene Josephine Danley (1915) of Scottsville and they have one child, Peggy Joyce (1934) married to John Henry Hawkins. (1933) of Waldron with one child, John Benjamin (1959). Gladys Bibler married Burl Wilson Dean (1915) of Scottsville and they had two children, Janice Fern (1941) and Jerry Lynn (1949). Janice is married to Daniel Horace Barnhouse (1940) of Hector with three children, Daniel Lynn (1960), Timothy Dean (1965), and Stefan Mark (1966). Jerry is married to Karen Janice McLaren (1951) of Russellville and they have one child, Joshua Burl (1976). All but six of the living descendants of James Harvey Bibler and Elizabeth Jane Wallace are still living in Pope County, Ark., with each contributing in his own way to the growth of the area.

by Peggy B. Hawkins

LEWIS WILLIAM BILLINGS

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Lewis William Billings, born at Newton, Illinois October 31, 1918 a son of Lewis Elijah Billings and Margaret India Jenkins, grew up on a small farm eight miles south of Little Rock, Arkansas and graduated from Mabelvale High School in May 1938. Early in June of that year he came to Pope County to enroll for two years in the Civilian Conservation

Corps at Camp Shiloh just north of Russellville. During this time he met Martha Evelyn Berry whom he married on December 19, 1940. She is the daughter of Charles Webster Berry and Beulah Zella Rachel. He returned to Little Rock where he worked for Strawn Furniture Company until September 1942 when he enlisted in the Navy and was sent to Great Lakes Naval Training Center for "boot training" and from there to Navy Pier at Chicago, Illinois for training as an aviation machinist. He was assigned duty with CASU 35 and stationed in the Marshalls Islands in the Central Pacific where he remained for twenty-one months after which his discharge was issued at Millington, Tennessee in October 1945. The family moved to Stuttgart, Arkansas where Mr. Billings worked as a salesman for Conn Hardware and Furniture Company for two and one half years. The family then returned to Russellville to enroll at Arkansas Polytechnic College in January 1949 where he completed his degree in 1953. He accepted a teaching position at Crossett, Arkansas where he remained until 1969 when he returned to Russellville to join the faculty at Russellville High School and where he is presently employed.

This union was productive in two children: Lewis William Billings Jr. born in Russellville May 1, 1944 and Martha Anne Billings born in Stuttgart December 19, 1946.

Mr. Billings' father was born at Olney, Illinois August 13, 1859 and died at Little Rock, Arkansas April 27, 1949. His mother was born at Newton, Illinois January 9, 1892 and died at Russellville November 15, 1975. Both are buried at Landmark Cemetery south of Little Rock. The grandfather, Peter Billings, was born in White County, Tennessee March 18, 1825 and died at Houston Texas January 30, 1914 and is buried at Hollywood Cemetery there. His father was William Billings born in Wilkes County, North Carolina January 31, 1801 and died in Bates County Missouri September 22, 1880 and is buried at Round Prairie Cemetery near Appleton City, Missouri.

by Lewis Billings

HENRY D. BLALOCK

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Henry Edward Blalock, born and raised in Stanley Co., N.C., died in Salisbury, Md. B. in 1865. He married Cora Barringer, dau. of William C. Barringer. He moved to Okla. in 1896, where he was a blacksmith in Globe, Centrahoma and Colgate. They moved to Cole Co., where Henry D. was born, in 1904. They lived there a few years and moved to Colgate, where in 1910, Henry D. attended his first school. A sister, was named I.T. for the Indian Territory and she married Grover Townsend. Another sister, Dora, married Lon Tuggle. A brother, Jack died at Sulphur, Ok. in 1971. Henry E. made several trips to N.C., working for Standard Oil Co. and in 1923, Henry D. went with his father and worked for him, building bulk oil stations. From then to 1927, he worked in Va., W. Va., Washington, D.C., S.C., N.C. and Maryland. He quit Stan-

dard Oil in 1928.

Henry D. went to Marcus Hook, Pa. and worked for congoliumnaire, making rugs, until the election of 1928 and the next week 6,000 men were laid off. He was young and he got to stay. They put about three men's work on him so he soon quit. Going back to Okla., he drove a team for a while then in 1929, went to work for Armour and Company in Okla. City, and here he met his future wife who was his boss. They soon married and moved to Portland, Ore., where he worked in the logging woods then came to Russellville, Pope County, in 1931. His wife was Bonnie Reasoner and this was her home. Her family had settled early in Logan County, across the river from Scotia. Henry worked for Ark Tech on the farm for \$1.00 a day, ten hours a day. There for a few years then went to work for the Forest Service. He had learned carpenter work while with Standard Oil and has followed that trade for the most of his life. Aug. 5, 1935, he was working for A. P. & L., rebuilding the Russellville Water works dam. They found two mill stones, buried in six feet of mud under 20 ft. of water. These had been used in the old Cagles Mill which was located at this place. He still has these stones. Again in 1935, he had a narrow escape while working on a pipe line. A boy was playing on the drag line and turned it loose and the bucket hit Henry, laying him out. They thought he was dead but he finally came to and Monroe Bragg started with him to the hospital and ran out of gas. Henry was bleeding like a stuck hog and they finally got to the hospital where Dr. Bob Smith took care of him.

He and Bonnie raised four children: Wanda, David, Bill and Martha. Bonnie died in 1954 and in about three years he married Mrs. Bess Bryant Mars. While he was working in the Carolina's, he picked guitar and banjo with a string band. After beginning carpenter work he cut part of a finger off and had to quit picking but has been singing for many years. He has been President of numerous singings and still enjoys traveling any distance to a good singing convention. He is now retired, works some when he wants to and does a lot of fishing and hunting.

by Henry Blalock

THE JOHN GWIN BLEDSOE FAMILY

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William Thomas Bledsoe and Margaret Ellen Jones Bledsoe

John Gwin Bledsoe (b. June 14, 1829, d. Feb. 12, 1872) came to the Arkansas River Valley in 1865 with his wife, Susan Bernice, and three children: Hugh, 7, Mary Luella (Mollie), 4, and Fuller, 4 months. They came from the war-ravaged section of Tennessee. They came by boat and landed at Lewisburg (Morrillton). He was licensed to preach in 1854 by Big Spring Church in Bedford Co. Tenn. and ordained in 1855. He attended school at Viny Grove Academy in 1852-53 and Duck River Academy in 1855 and was qualified to teach. He was married in 1856 to Susan Bernice Hurst, daughter of Hugh Cecil Hurst, a prominent plantation owner of Shelbyville, Tennessee.

John Gwin was the son of Anthony and Sarah Bledsoe of Lincoln Co., Tennessee. His parents were devout Methodists who were very disappointed when their son became a Baptist preacher. After his arrival in the Arkansas Valley he was pastor and teacher at Lewisburg, Gallia Rock, and finally at Springfield, Conway Co. He homesteaded a farm near the Arkansas River in Pope County; and here his third son, William Thomas was born, Feb. 27, 1869. While he was teaching at Springfield, he died, a victim of malaria. His third daughter, Jennie Bernice was born the day after his death, Feb. 13, 1872.

After his death Susan was offered a teaching job in Tennessee; so she took her family back there and taught for three years. Then she came back to Arkansas to her farm and to her family, the Hugh C. Hursts.

(1) Hugh Carson Bledsoe (b. Feb. 4, 1858 d. 1907) was seventeen when the family returned to Arkansas. He was the "head of the family", dependable and businesslike. In 1886 he married Lizzie Ford, the daughter of an outstanding farmer, L.S. Ford, who set him up in the drug business. Hugh studied pharmacy, passed the state examination, and became a pharmacist. He hired his brother, William, to work for him, and William, too, became a pharmacist. Hugh also added a harness shop to his business and hired his brother, Fuller, to run it. Hugh and Lizzie had one child, Kittie Bernice, who married Z.D. Frazier and had two daughters, Martha and Nancy. Lizzie Ford Bledsoe died in 1898, and Hugh remarried in 1905 (to Zula Johnson Fulmer). He died in 1907.

(2) Mary Luella (Mollie), met William Houston Dyer in Tennessee and they were so much in love that he came to Atkins to live after the Bledsoes returned to Arkansas. He found a job clerking in Eph Darr's store and continued his courtship. They were married Jan. 20, 1879 near Atkins. They had two children, Elma and Mittie Mae. Willie died of typhoid fever in Aug. 1883, and in March 1886 Mollie married Jack Tucker. In August 1886 her oldest child, Elma died of typhoid fever and in October, 1886 Mollie herself died of the same disease. Mollie left her child, Mae, and her farm bought by her first husband, to her mother, Susan. So Mae became the little sister of the Bledsoe home. She married Sam Gibson of Atkins, May 6, 1898. They had one son, James Dyer (b. Dec. 21, 1911) who is a farmer and lives in Atkins, married to Ruth Lazenby.

(3) Rebecca was born in Tennessee in 1863 and died in infancy.

(4) Andrew Fuller Bledsoe (b. Oct. 13, 1865 d. Aug. 18, 1941) married Clara Thatcher near Atkins in 1895. They had four children. Jack, who died in infancy, John, Selma and Vida Sue. The family moved to New Mexico in 1914 and they are all buried in Clovis, New Mexico.

(5) William Thomas Bledsoe (b. Feb. 27, 1869 d. July 14, 1937) married Margaret Ellen (Maggie) Jones of Jerusalem Oct. 1896. They had seven children: John Gwin born Sept. 9, 1897 and died at 8 months. Mary Sue (b. June 26, 1899 d. Dec. 14, 1976. She married Edgar Ewing Sept. 29, 1946. She was a Wave, a Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy, a laboratory chemist.

Elizabeth Francis was born Dec. 25, 1901, married Guy Burgess Sept. 20, 1922, had one daughter, Carol Jean, now Mrs. Quentin E. Baker of Rolla, Mo. Elizabeth was a teacher of Education at Arkansas Tech. Lives at Russellville.

Elma Mildred, b. Sept. 1, 1904, married Walter Millard Mitchell of Monroe, La. Feb. 2, 1929. Had two children, Dorothy Ann and Thomas Millard Mitchell (d. 1962). Dorothy Ann is Mrs. James Doyle of St. Louis, Mo. Elma was a teacher in Atkins Public School.

Maggie Mae, (b. July 25, 1906 d. Feb. 14, 1954) married Garland Davis of Russellville, Ark. Had two children, Wm. Garland, Jr. and Mary Lou both residents of Russellville. Maggie Mae was a Math teacher in Arkansas Tech.

Willie Bernice was born Sept. 7, 1910 married Gilbert Grant, Jan. 30, 1932, had two daughters, Mary Virginia, now Mrs. William Cheek of Morrillton, and Dr. Margaret Ellen Grant of Denver, Colorado. Bernice was a teacher in the public schools of Arkansas and Texas.

Virginia Caroline was born Sept. 14, 1912, married Fay Bonds July 13, 1935 had one son, John Bledsoe Bonds, now a Commander in the U.S. Navy. Virginia was a teacher in U.C.A. of Conway, Arkansas.

(6) Jonnie Bernice Bledsoe, was born Feb. 13, 1872, died in August 1938. She was an outstanding primary teacher of Arkansas, teaching in Morrillton, Hot Springs and in Little Rock for many years.

by Mrs. Elma Mitchell

GEORGE WASHINGTON BOALS

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George Washington Boals, born in 1836, Madison County, Tennessee, married Nancy K. Hathaway in 1859. His father was James Boals, married to Desdemonia Moss in 1829, in Gibson Co., Tenn. After 1870, George Boals and family came to Arkansas from Humbolt, Tennessee in an ox-wagon. They settled in the Bakers Creek community and his children were: Mary, Eliza, Perry, Sophia and Robert. Sophia married John Williamson; Anna Eliza married Cloyd Williamson and Perry married Mary Susan (Mollie) Bryant.

Perry and Mary Susan Bryant raised their family in the Bakers Creek community, attended the community church at Bakers

Creek. Perry was born in 1864 and died in 1916. Mary Susan was born in 1867 and died in 1933. To this union was born one son, Oran Perry, who spent much of his adult life in Oklahoma. Five daughters: Ruth, who married Jack Williamson in 1903 and they had two girls, Sarah Mildred and Helen Louise who married Othel Griffis in 1940, and they had a daughter.

Bertha, married Finis Montgomery and they had two girls and two boys; Royce and Hasckel, both now deceased. Janelle and Naomi. Bertha passed away and Finis remarried to Mrs. Letha Taylor, widow of a prominent florist in Russellville.

Ethel, married Ked Mullins and they had one girl, Ina.

Emma, married David Burris and they had seven children.

Eva Jane who married W.R. (Bill) Hurst and they didn't have any children. They lived in Oklahoma most of their married life as he was a pharmacist and he worked in different areas of the state.

Several of these families are buried in the Bakers Creek and Shiloh-Williamson cemeteries north of Russellville. Low Bryant, a brother of Mrs. Mary Susan (Mollie) Bryant, built the first brick building in Bartlesville, Okla. and was an important businessman for most of his life.

by Mildred Williamson and Rev. Edwin Burris

JOHN W. "UNCLE JOHNNY" BOEN

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John W. Boen came to Pope County from Jackson County with his wife, two sons and daughters prior to 1860. He was a farmer and owned land 4 miles west of Appleton along Boen Creek (now erroneously named Hacker Creek) for about two miles. Little is known of his activities during his life in Pope County. Prior to 1874, he deeded all his land in equal portions to his sons, Lafayette and Henry, and his daughters. He deeded the first acre of land for Crossroads Cemetery. No history has been found about Henry or his sisters.

Lafayette operated a country store across the county road (now State Highway 124) from his farm along Boen Creek and also was a Baptist lay preacher. The second acre of land for Crossroads Cemetery was also deeded by Lafayette. He was infamous in the community for his every-morning bath in his horses' watering trough regardless of air temperature. He married a red-headed Irish girl, Hettie Benson, and they raised seven children: Tiney, Nancy, Matilda, Janie, W.C. "Charley", Jack, and John Turner Boen — all Pope County natives. Lafayette, W.C., Nancy and Matilda witnessed the last public hanging in Pope County at Dover.

Tiney married Bob Rainey and had four children: Ed, a native; Emmett; Floyd; and Eva who married a Hillis. Nancy married Ben Howard and had seven children; Homer, Tempe, a native who married Reese Gilbert, Gertha who married a Burks, Bessie who married a Shook, Vernon, Ola, a native, who mar-

ried a Burris, and Ila who married a Cochran.

Matilda married her first husband Henry Patterson and had five children: Ethel, a native, who married an Andrews; Cora, a native, who married a Lawrence; Mamie who married an Allen, Lafayette; and Duel a native, and a resident of Russellville. Matilda and her second husband "Charley" Harris had a son C.Z., a native, and a resident of Russellville.

Janie married Houston Coffman and had three children; Elisha, Etta and Clifton.

W.C. "Charley" b. 1880, first married Josie Stone and had two children, Cova and Hettie, a native. With his second wife Nettie Burns, b. 1882, a native, he raised two sons, Charles Dorrel, b. 1908, and Bervel, b. 1912, both natives. Dorrel married Vernon Norwood in 1929 and they spent over 20 years in the Appleton community and Russellville before moving to California. Bervel married Ann Mae Waller, a native, in 1930 and also spent many years in the Appleton area before moving to Russellville in 1944 where they still reside. Their son, Boyd Ralph, b. 1941, graduated from high school and college in Pope County and lived in Russellville for over twenty four years. He married Mary Jane Weedin, a native, and has two children, Jane Elizabeth b. 1963 and Michael Boyd b. 1973, who is the youngest male to carry the Pope County Boen name forward.

Jack Boen married Dora Kelly and had eight children: Eulen; Loyal, a native; Lila who married a Mueller; Lloyd, a native and a resident of Russellville; Hettie, a native, who married a Sparks; Willie Lea last married to a Roberts; Jewel Mae, a native, who married a Ford; and Kenneth Kelly, a native.

John Turner and his wife Anna had six children: Eugene, Taletta, Loniel D., Delbert, Darwin and Theresa.

John W. "Uncle Johnny" Boen contributed much to the community in his lifetime and so have his proud heirs who will continue the Boen heritage in Pope County and elsewhere.

by Boyd Ralph Boen

GEORGE J. BONDS

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George J. Bonds (wife's name unknown) was a minister in Pope County in 1860, having five children at that time. William Henry, born in 1854, married Claudia Shuttleworth, age 15, in 1877. Their son, William Oscar Bonds, was born in 1879 near Atkins. Eleven other children were born after they moved from Pope County. W. Oscar Bonds grew up near Russellville, living with grandparents named Shouse. He left school at an early age and started working as a painter and paperhanger. He also started painting signs and later on started the Bonds Outdoor Advertising Company.

Austin E. Luker, born in Tennessee in 1828, and wife Elizabeth, came to Pope County before 1850, settling in Russellville. A.E. Luker was a blacksmith and landowner. The A.E. Luker Additions to Russellville were named for him. They had five children. Christopher Columbus Luker (known as C.C. or Lum) was born in 1850. C.C. Luker was also

a blacksmith, operating a shop about a block from what is now Main Street & Boulder in Russellville.

Andrew J. and Lucy West settled in Pope County in 1848. A.J. West was a farmer, land owner and slave owner before the Civil War. The Wests had three daughters. Their daughter, Lucy, born in 1856, married C.C. Luker in 1874. They had five daughters who lived until adulthood. Willie Wyatt, born in 1875, died of fever in 1895; Mattie Lee, Lucy (Jr.), Lillie and Virgia grew up in Russellville on Torrence Street (now South Boulder). Mattie and Virgia never married, lived most of their lives at the Luker home and owned a ladies ready-to-wear and millinery store for many years. Lucy (Jr.) graduated from high school, attended Maddox Seminary in Little Rock, then taught school in Pope and Yell Counties from 1899 to 1904. Lucy and W. Oscar Bonds married in 1905; Lillie Luker and Eugene A. Shinn were also married in 1905, their only child, Eugene Luker Shinn, died at age two.

W.O. and Lucy Bonds had three children, Lucy Claudia in 1908, Dorothy Helen in 1911, and W.O., Jr., in 1915. W.O., Sr., started the Pope County Real Estate Co., about 1920 which he operated for many years. In the '30's he started devoting full time to his advertising company which covered several counties in N.W. Arkansas. Lucy Luker Bonds started the first public library in Russellville with books donated by citizens and donated her time to act as librarian. Their three children all graduated from Russellville High; Helen finished two years at Arkansas Tech and W.O., Jr. (Bud) went there one year. Lucy helped her father with his office work for a few years. She went to California in the '30's, marrying Ora L. Gumble in 1938. They had two daughters, Helen Jean and Betty Louise. Betty died in an accident at 17, leaving two sons. Helen Jean married L. Vene Thompson and they live in Oroville, California, with their four children. Lucy Bonds Gumble died in 1977 in California and is buried in Russellville. Dorothy Helen Bonds worked in several government offices in Arkansas in the 30's and 40's, returned home in 1943 and remained there until after her father's and mother's death in 1944 and 1946. In 1947 she married Lloyd R. Trim in Dallas, Texas. They have one daughter, Sandra Lynne, born in 1950. Sandra married Patrick B. Shelby in 1971 and they have two sons. Dorothy Helen Trim still works for Small Business Administration in Dallas, having nearly 30 years government service. Hopes to retire soon.

W.O. (Bud) Bonds was named on the All State football team his senior year in Russellville High. He had started working for his father while still in school and continued until leaving for the Aleutian Islands with the 153rd Inf. Division for two years. He married Catherine Burns of Clarksville in January 1942 before leaving for the Aleutians. Their daughter, Linda Ruth, was born before he returned home. When he returned home his father was ill and he took over the outdoor advertising business. W.O. Bonds, Sr. died in 1944 and his wife, Lucy, in 1946. Bud and his wife, Catherine lived in Russellville until his death in

1976. Bud operated the advertising business until a few years before his death when he was forced to retire. They moved to their house on the hill above the lake which now covers the low land once owned by his great grandfather, A.J. West. Bud was a member of the Fire Department, the American Legion and the Presbyterian Church. He loved hunting and fishing. Their daughter, Linda, married Jerry Wilkinson of Crossett, and they now live in Benton with their two children. His wife, Catherine, still lives in Russellville.

by Dorothy Helen (Bonds) Trim

MARY BONDS FAMILY

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Mary Bonds Pless' life was spent in unselfish devotion to her home, community and Cumberland Presbyterian Church. She worked hard filling many jars with fruits and vegetables, which were grown on the farm. Going about her work joyfully, she was always ready to help any neighbor in need.

In her work in the church, she taught in Sunday school, played the organ for all services, and was active in the Woman's Missionary Society. She and Mr. L.J. Lemley were instrumental in getting this work started in both the Presbytery and Synod. Mary Pless was president of the women's work of Synod at the time of her death.

John Pless taught school and the daughters, as they grew, would attend the school in which he taught, the last being at Dover. All three daughters attended Second District Agriculture School (Arkansas Tech University) and Teachers College (University of Central Arkansas) at Conway, Arkansas.

In 1920, Ila Pless married Ernest Fox, who was a mechanic, and they made Russellville their home. Two children were born to this union: John Ernest Fox and Elizabeth. They both finished school at Russellville High School.

When World War II began, John Ernest enlisted in the Navy, received his wings, and was commissioned an officer at Pensacola, Florida. He was on patrol duty in the Atlantic Ocean. After the War ended, he decided to make the Navy a career. While stationed at Norfolk, Virginia, he met and married Penny Mellott. They have three children: John E., Jr., Jeanie, and Tory.

After 24 years in the Navy, John E. Fox retired with Commander's rank and moved to Fayetteville, Arkansas, getting both a bachelor's and a master's degree in math, at the University of Arkansas. He is now principal of Ramay Jr. High School in Fayetteville. Penny also teaches in the Fayetteville school system. John, Jr. has his master's degree from the University of Arkansas. Jeanie has two degrees from the University. Tory is in high school.

Elizabeth Fox attended North Texas State University. She studied piano and earned two degrees in music education. She taught at Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, and Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, and for several years was Supervisor of Public School Music in Odessa, Texas. For the last several

years she has been Associate Professor of Music Education at Appalachian State University at Boone, North Carolina.

Mary Pless died in 1933 and is buried in North New Hope Cemetery.

by Ilah Pless Fox

ROBERT BONDS FAMILY

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Robert Bonds was born 1811 in Dixon, Tennessee, and married Mary Eliza Dixon in 1834. They came to Pope County, Arkansas, and homesteaded 160 acres of land three miles west of Dover. He cleared and cultivated the most productive part of this land and built a log house, which was the home of Robert and Eliza Bonds and their four children: James Clark, Hugh Dixon, Sara Amanda Alice, and Robert Callwell. Robert Bonds was a farmer and as years passed he acquired more acreage.

Robert Bonds died in 1852 and is buried in a plot near the home. Other members of the family and slaves are buried in the plot also.

James Clark, the oldest son, went to California with friends to prospect for gold. When the war broke out between the States, he found communication with his family impossible, so he started the long trip home, arriving there in 1866. He married Lavina Elizabeth Rye, daughter of Tristram and Peggy Gordon Rye. There were four daughters born to this union: Jessie and Jeania (twins), Maggie and Mary. Their home was about one-fourth mile from the house where James Clark was born.

James Clark Bonds was a farmer and grew a variety of fruits and vegetables. He was a Royal Arch Mason, much interested in the county schools, and was a charter member of New Hope Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Mary, the youngest daughter, attended the College of the Ozarks and Springfield Academy, studying piano at both institutions. In 1893 she married John Adams Pless, Jr., and they lived in the home of her parents. Three daughters were born to this union: Ilah, Lydia, and Lavina Catharine.

In 1896 Clark Bonds sold the farm to John A. Pless and he and his wife went to Lamar to be near another daughter, Mrs. Pierce Winingham. Here Clark Bonds bought three acres of land and continued to grow fruits and vegetables until his death in 1910. His wife died in 1908. They are both buried in Lamar Cemetery.

by Ilah Pless Fox

WILLIAM LOGAN BOOKOUT

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David Bookout was born in Ireland in 1814. At a young age he married Sally Conner. They came to this country in 1832, when he was 18, and settled in Rutherford County, N.C. They had 7 children, with one dying at an early age. In the early 1880's, David and Sally, with the 6 remaining children, came to Arkansas. They settled in Eastern Johnson County, near Knoxville. From here the children went in several directions; William Logan

Bookout, who was born in 1847, came to Pope County, settling in the western portion, at Georgetown, which was between London and Piney. David Bookout died in 1886 and is buried in Knoxville cemetery.

In 1892, Logan married Lilly Myers, when in his forties and she at age sixteen. Their first child, Omar Scott, was born in January, 1894. Another son was born in 1897, being named Samuel. Like many others of that time, Logan was a farmer and in 1898, decided to move to the Gumlog Community, North of Russellville. Their only daughter, Calla, was born here in 1900. In 1904, the family moved again, homesteading a place on Tucker Mountain, near what is now the Spangler Ranch. Calla Married in 1913. In 1916, the family left the homeplace, and moved to the Bernice Community, South of Russellville, in the employ of the Southern Anthracite Coal Co. William Logan Bookout died in 1941, his wife Lilly, in 1957. Both are buried in Ball Hill Cemetery, Northwest of Russellville. Samuel and Omar Scott left in 1918 to fight in WWI, and returned about a year later. Samuel married in 1920, and with his family, eventually wound up in Easter Oklahoma. He died in April, 1977, at Stillwell, Oklahoma.

Omar Scott married in 1922, to Bessie Mae Christy, of the Chickalah area, in Yell County. They had one child, Eual Omar, born in April, 1923. Omar Bookout was a coal miner for 27 years and also worked in the Bauxite mines near Little Rock for a time. During the early years of WWII, the family went to Colorado, working for Ray Lee Sr., helping build Camp Hale. Upon returning, Omar went back to work in the Bauxite mines, but was injured in a cave-in, returning to Russellville shortly thereafter. Eual Bookout had joined the Army in the meantime, and served in Japan with the occupation forces after the war. Upon return, he attended Arkansas Tech, and in 1948, married Wilma Jean Hunter, of Russellville. In November of 1949, a son, Eual Wayne, was born, at Russellville. Eual was called back to active duty in early 1950. In June of 1951, a daughter, Barbara Jean, was born, at Fort Chaffee, near Ft. Smith. On her first birthday, Eual left for Japan once again, in support of U.S. forces in Korea. He returned in 1954, and had decided to make the military a career. This resulted in a variety of assignments, ending with 8 years in Oklahoma, at Ft. Sill. The family lived north of the post at Elgin, with Wayne and Barbara both graduating from high school. Omar Bookout died in 1968, 2 months before Wayne joined the Air Force. The family moved back to Russellville in 1969, Eual being employed by Weber Theaters, operating the 64- Drive-in. Barbara married Larry B. Duvall in 1970. He is employed by St. Mary's Hospital in the maintenance section. She is Lab Supervisor at Dardanelle Clinic. They have no children. In July of that year, Wayne married Carolyn Carlock, of the Carden Bottom area in Yell County. They settled in Russellville after leaving the service in 1972. Their first child, David Wayne, died in infancy, in April of 1973. He is buried in Ball Hill Cemetery. A daughter, Melissa Ann, was born in November, 1975.

Carolyn is a working wife, employed by the Frontier Restaurant as head cook. Wayne is Employed by Russellville Tobacco Co. as Purchasing and Warehouse manager. They have been active in civic affairs in the past, now working with a local transportation club, of which Wayne is president. Mrs. Bessie Bookout still lives in Russellville and still actively participates in family affairs, such as sitting with her great-granddaughter.

by Wayne Bookout

J.A. BOST

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J.A. Bost was born in North Carolina in 1844. He served with Company B, 7th North Carolina Infantry in the Civil War.

He came to Galley Rock after the Civil War and later moved to Atkins. J.A. married Sarah Frances Carrell of Griffin Flat.

In 1874, Mr. Bost was one of the organizers and builders of the Atkins Methodist Church. Atkins had its first steam mill and cotton gin in 1876. . . It was built by L.D. Ford and J.A. Bost. Mr. Bost had half interest in the Weaver Wagon Factory in 1895. Mr. Ford and Mr. Bost built four store buildings on the north side of the railroad in 1899. L.D. and J.A. also had a grocery store. Mr. Bost was president of the Merchants and Farmers Bank in 1903.

J.A. and Frances Bost had four children: Elizabeth, Eilah, William and Carrell. Frances Bost died in 1915 and J.A. Bost in 1920.

Elizabeth taught in New York City Deaf School for forty years. Carrell had a business in Florida. Eilah married William W. Mitchell of Atkins. Mr. Mitchell was State Director of the Highway Department for many years.

William (Bill) Bost was born in 1890 and married Effie Montgomery, daughter of Dr. W.A. Montgomery. Bill and Effie had two children, Allan and Frances.

Bill was in World War I, a member of the American Legion, Masonic Lodge and on the Board of Stewarts of the Methodist Church. He was chairman of Atkins Chapter of the Red Cross for 20 years. Mr. Bost was a carpenter, land owner, and owned and operated a cotton gin in the 1940's. Bill Bost died in 1960 and Effie Bost in 1963.

Allan Bost graduated from the University of Arkansas as an electrical engineer. He married Neelie Edge of Russellville. They had one son, Dr. James W. Bost. Allan died in 1955.

Frances Bost married John P. Cowger of Dardanelle. They are the parents of two sons, Philip Bost and John William.

by Frances Bost Cowger

RANSOM NEWTON BOSWELL

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Ransom Newton Boswell (6/5/1814 — 1/17/1892) farmer and landowner, born in Georgia, married Elizabeth C. Higgason (7/12/1825 — 11/11/1884) also born in Georgia, in Mississippi in 1844. They came to Drew County, Arkansas, about 1863 and moved to Norristown in 1868 for a short period but spent the most of their lives in Russellville,

They had eight children, one, Ranson Newton Bowsell, Jr. (Van) (5/4/1863 — 2/11/1931) lived in Russellville from age of 5 for the rest of his life. Van, a contractor, merchant, farmer, landowner and member of the firm of Luker Bros., Manufacturers of wagons, buggies and steel-running plows was married three times. First to Amelia Hanna Thompson who was born in Louisiana. They were active members of the Christian Church. Four children were born of this marriage: Nellie, Van, Jr. (died in infancy), Norma and Maxie. Nellie married Stacy Lemoyne of Dardanelle, they had three daughters, Catherine (Mrs. James E.) Bentley, Little Rock, Arkansas, who had two children James Jr., and Betty; Zanthia (Mrs. Everet D. Callan) Dardanelle, Arkansas, two children Dwight and Nancy; and Van Alyce (Mrs. P.A. (Bates, Little Rock, Arkansas, three children, Dan Lemoyne, Barbara and Jack.

Norma married Roy L. Hamilton of Humboldt, Tennessee, they had three daughters, Helen Louise died at age 3, Amelia (Mrs. Murray) Mashburn, died in 1971 and Ruth (Mrs. E.O.) Allen, Director of Juvenile Probations, Pope County Juvenile Court, Russellville, Arkansas, who has one son Charles Hamilton Allen, Russellville, Arkansas, who works for the Regional Library.

Maxie married George W. Hay, one son Charles, all deceased.

The building at 120 North Commerce was constructed by Van for his wife Amelia from funds she received as an artist painting the stripes and insignia on the wagons and buggies made in the Luker Brothers, Mfg. Company. Van was active in organizing and playing in the Russellville City Band as were his three sons.

Of his second marriage to Cassie Tate, a daughter Emma was born. She married Fred A. Shaw and had three sons, Fred A. Jr., Van and Donny also two daughters Daisy and Martha, all live in California.

His third marriage was to Mattie Smith. They had three sons, Van, Jr. (8/25/1902 — 5/18/33), Cletys who married Laura Mosley, they have two sons Ronnie, Little Rock, Arkansas and Terry, Harrison, Arkansas and Vestal who married Lois Tuttle, they live in the old home place at 514 West B, built in 1890.

Vestal & Cletys are presently in business — The New Amusement Center, located at 203 West Main, the building was built in 1909 by their father.

by Ruth H. Allen

CHESTER A. BOWDEN

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Chester A. Bowden was a son of Columbus Washington Bowden who was a native of Tennessee, coming to Pope County with his parents when only four years of age. He lived in the Crow Mountain area the rest of his years. Chester A. Bowden was a farmer and attended church and school on Crow Mountain. In the 1930's, he moved to Missouri. He married Cleve Teeter from the Ford's Chapel Community, Sept. 20, 1922 and they were the parents of three children.

Athleen, born July 22, 1924, died Feb. 26, 1927.

Alba Dena, born Nov. 27, 1926, married James Ford of Russellville, Dec. 24, 1944 and they were the parents of six children; Ronnie, born Nov. 8, 1946, married Paulette Gunter, July 26, 1969 and had two sons, Randal Joe and Bryan David; Anita Joyce, born June 19, 1948, married Bobby Gene Adkinson, Jan. 22, 1966 and they have three sons, Stephen Douglas, Calvin Richard and Mark Shannon; Beverly Kay, born March 2, 1951, married Larry Hays and they had one daughter, Alecia Dawn; Christopher Dennis; Dena Renae; and Douglas Arthur.

Bobby Carrol, born Oct. 5, 1934, married Robbie Watson, May 1954 and they are the parents of two children, Kirk and Bobby Guy.

by Billie Dene Evants

COLUMBUS WASHINGTON BOWDEN

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Columbus Washington Bowden was born in Tennessee and came to Pope County with his parents, James Newton and Polly Ann Bowden when he was four years of age. They settled on Crow Mountain in what is known as the Welcome Hill Community.

C.W. Bowden and Rhonda Ann Scott, a daughter of Jim and Susana Scott, also pioneers of Pope County from Tennessee were married at the home of the bride's parents on August 16, 1877 in the presence of the bride's parents and others by a Rev. Bowden. They were married for over sixty years and died only a few hours apart at their home in the Maple Springs Community on Crow Mountain where they had lived their entire married lives. They were the parents of eleven children.

Bitha Bowden, married Homer Kendrick Feb. 12, 1905 and they were the parents of Oleta and Herrod. Herrod Kendrick married Gladys Martin from Pottsville and they had twin sons, Farrel and Darrel who still live near Forrest City, Arkansas. Herrod died in 1969.

A.J. Bowden, married Ada Speer, Feb. 19, 1911 from the Fords Chapel Community on Crow Mountain and they were the parents of two children, one died in infancy in 1917 and Helen, born Nov. 29, 1912. Helen married Worth "Pete" Vaughn of Paris, Arkansas, Aug. 20, 1932 and they were the parents of two children; William A. Vaughn who married Marian Sacrey and they were the parents of two children, Kirk was adopted in 1959 and Mart, born 1960. Mary Lou Vaughn, married James B. Mayo and they were the parents of two children, Linda May and Jimmy Mayo.

Grover S. Bowden, married Pearl Mae Speer, a sister to Ada, Oct. 1, 1911. They were the parents of three children; Loyal, 1912 and Nevoba, 1914, both dying in infancy. Ina Gene, married Gerald Campbell, Dec. 3, 1939 and they had one child, Samuel Bowden Campbell. Samuel Bowden married Elaine Harmon June 29, 1968, and they adopted Joseph Scott in 1971. They were the parents of Gerald Bowden, born June 11, 1971. Ina Gene's husband died March 13,

1975 and she married the second time to Robert H. Spring, March 20, 1976.

William M. Bowden married Emma Mae Anderson who was a sister to the wife of his brother, Thomas J. and they were from the Maple Springs Community. They had one child, Billie Dene Bowden, born May 17, 1927. Billie Dene married John G. Evants from Russellville, May 19, 1946. They were the parents of one child, Brooks Alan, born Nov. 21, 1960.

Others of this family are submitted in separate stories.

by Billie Dene Evants

EDGAR BOWDEN

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Edgar Bowden, the son of James and Adeline Anderson Bowden, married Eula Wilker, the daughter of John and Bertha Worth Wilker. Edgar's grandfather was Henry N.C. Bowden, born in Tennessee about 1849. Edgar's great grandfather was William Bowden, born in Georgia about 1805. William Bowden probably came to Pope County about 1851.

James and Adeline Bowden moved to Faulkner County where James died early leaving Adeline with three small children, Edgar, Audra, and Dewey. Mrs. Bowden returned to Pope County to be near the children's grandfather, Henry N.C. Bowden who resided on Crow Mountain.

Edgar's grandfather, Henry N.C. Bowden first married Sarah Elizabeth Bowen 8 Nov. 1866. After Sarah's death, Henry married Martha Ellen Gideon 27 Nov. 1883.

After the death of James Bowden, Adeline married Calvin McAnulty of Crow Mountain.

Edgar and Eula lived in Pope and Faulkner counties before they moved to Kansas City where they settled. Their children were: Thanuel Buford, Earline and Betty.

Thanuel married Virginia Baehr, the daughter of Walter and Margerite Haberly Baehr. Thanuel and Virginia Bowden have a daughter and three sons. Larry Lee Bowden, the oldest, married Catherine Heer. Cristie married Robert Allen Bibb and their children are: Kelly, Karen, and Kevin Bibb. Randy married Marcia Palermo. Danny married Kathleen Schleicher and they have no children. Edgar Bowden has died but Eula Wilker Bowden continues to live in Kansas City near her children and grandchildren.

Earline, the second child of Edgar and Eula Wilker Bowden married Bill Poffinbarger and they reside in Las Vegas, Nevada. Their children are: Michael, Linda Kay, Denise, Billy and Betty.

Michael and Micky Poffinbarger have three children: Mike, and twins, Johnny and Jennifer.

Linda Kay married Michael Jay Breen and the Breens have sons, Christopher and Kevin.

The daughter, Denise, and son, Billy both live at home.

Betty married Virgil Pugh, son of Virgil, Sr. and Roberta Pugh. They have four sons: Russel, Curtis, Randall, and Carey. They live in Oklahoma City.

While residing in Kansas City, Eula Wilker Bowden makes regular visits back to Pope County where she has a number of relatives and many memories.

by Erma Dikes

JACKSON J. BOWDEN

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Jackson J. Bowden born 1814 in Georgia grew up in Tennessee. His parents John and Anna (Blackburn) Bowden were natives of Georgia. In 1844 Jackson and a brother, John, moved to Arkansas with their families. (John later served 3 terms in the Arkansas legislature, was killed by bushwhackers in 1865 near Gum Log shortly after the end of the War Between the States). Jackson's first wife died and in 1852 he married Narcissa Bewley, daughter of Robert S. and Evelina (Langford) Bewley. Evelina was the daughter of the Hon. Benjamin and Patsy (Pace) Langford who came to Arkansas from South Carolina in 1829. Jackson, Methodist preacher and farmer, resided in Gum Log and was militia captain from 1845 until about 1860. He had 5 nephews who served with the Confederacy. After the War, Jackson served for a time as Postmaster of Moreland.

The first of 8 children of Jackson and Narcissa was Robert S. born 1854. In 1878 Robert married Lydia Reynolds, daughter of Andrew and Martha Reynolds who moved to Arkansas from Mississippi in 1857. Robert was a farmer in the Moreland community. William born 1896 was the fourth son of Robert and Lydia. Lydia died 1908, Robert died 1933; both are buried at Hillis Cemetery, Moreland.

In 1917 William (known as Andrew) married Hester Chronister, daughter of Isaac and Gomilla (Virden) Chronister. Gomilla was the daughter of James Virden, a veteran of the Mexican War. Isaac, Gomilla, and James are buried at Hudson Cemetery, Moreland.

Andrew was a veteran of World War I, a farmer, and member of the Hatley Church of Christ. He and Hester had 4 daughters and 3 sons. The eldest son was Lawrence born 1918. Another son, Bobbie, a veteran of World War II and member of the Russellville Fire Dept., was killed in an auto accident in 1965. All the others, Louise, Elsie, William, Hazel, and Janie still live in Russellville, as does Hester. Andrew died 1972, buried at St. Paul's Cemetery, Moreland.

In 1935 Lawrence married Sibyl Bowers, daughter of Daisy Mae (Kilburn) and Hollie Ruff Bowers. Hollie's father, Hardy, and grandfather, Isaac Hatley, served in the Confederacy, then moved to Arkansas from North Carolina shortly after the end of the War. Daisy's grandfather, Carrol Kilburn, died while in the Confederate Army. Daisy lives in Dover with her son, William. Daisy and Hollie had 7 daughters and a son. Hollie died 1947, buried at St. Paul's as are Hardy and Isaac. Daughters Kay, Theo, and Lois still live in Pope County.

Lawrence and Sibyl reside in Russellville, attend the First Baptist Church, and are employees of Mortons. They had 2 daughters,

Jerry and Beverly and a son, Jimmy. Jerry and James Gentry and daughters, Patti, Terri, Jamie, and Vickie, reside in Dover. Two daughters, Kathi and Patti, were class valedictorians at Dover High School in 1975 and 1976. Beverly and Randy Leavell live in Russellville with their son, Lance. Jimmy and Faye (Chambers) Bowden live in Fountain Valley, California with sons, Stephen born 1965 and Christopher born 1972. Faye is the daughter of Irena and the late Rev. Omer Chambers of London, Arkansas. Jimmy, a 1963 graduate of Arkansas Tech, is Audit Manager, U.S. General Accounting Office, a CPA, and in 1975 served as President, Los Angeles Chapter, Association of Government Accountants.

by Jimmy L. Bowden

JAMES NEWTON BOWDEN

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James Newton Bowden and wife, Polly Pollock Bowden, came to Arkansas from Tennessee in the eighteen hundreds. They came by ox drawn covered wagon and settled on Crow Mountain. A son, L.T. (Uncle Fate as he was known) was born in 1850, and passed away in 1931. He married Sarah Jobe who was born July 19, 1848 and died Jan. 11, 1914, leaving six children, Billy, Colvin M., Jim Frank, Ida, Ada and Etta. The latter two girls were crippled from a long illness. "Uncle Fate" was a farmer and after his wife passed away, he married Eva Watkins and they had four daughters, Ollie, Mable, Thelma and Louise and all four daughters are living at this date. Calvin M., Billy, Jim Frank and Ida are now deceased.

Calvin M. married Lillie B. Heflin and farmed land on Crow Mountain and he passed away in 1962 and his wife, Lillie, died in 1959. They left one daughter still living, Hazel. Hazel married Gene Weir of Russellville who was in the grocery business for many years in Russellville. Hazel has been a school teacher since graduating from college.

"Uncle Fate" founded the Bowden cemetery in Crow Mountain in 1889. He also gave land for Mars Hill Methodist church. He was a faithful member and a great Christian.

by Hazel Weir

JOHN BOWDEN

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John Bowden, born 1777 in North Carolina, and Ann Blackburn Bowden born South Carolina 1784, both died in Lawrence County, Tennessee but of nine sons who grew to adulthood, six of those sons came to Pope County, Arkansas prior to the time of the Civil War settling in the area of Center Valley and Crow Mountain. John S. Bowden, born Georgia 1812 came with his family to Pope County in 1840. Jackson J. Bowden, born Georgia 1814, was in the County by 1844, farming and preaching to Methodist groups of the area. Wiley, born in Georgia, 1818, arrived in Pope County about 1848 with his wife and four children. Allen B. Bowden, born Tennes-

see in 1826 married Isabella Stout in Pope County July of 1850 but by 1860, Isabella was a widow with three children. William Bowden, born 1805 in Georgia probably came to Pope County late in 1850. The last of the six sons to arrive in Pope County was Newton Bowden, born Tennessee 1820, who with his wife, Mary Pollock Bowden and ten children arrived in Pope County during the fall of 1860.

There is evidence leading one to believe that the six Bowden brothers who came to Pope County were the grandsons of one, William Bowden, born in 1742, fought in the Revolutionary War, moved from North Carolina to Georgia in 1784, moved to Tennessee in 1818, and died in Maury County, Tennessee in 1834.

On Aug. 16, 1862, Elizabeth Jane Bowden, daughter of Newton and Mary Pollock Bowden, married Robert P. Rackley, the son of Hiram and Elizabeth Rackley. The Rackleys arrived in Pope County from Lawrence County, Tennessee about 1854. Robert P. Rackley and his brother-in-law, William Jasper Bowden, both served in the Union Armies during the War Between the States. The children of Robert and Elizabeth Rackley who lived to adulthood were: Mary Elizabeth, Lenora, Martha, James A., Louann, Robert Alva, David Homer, Thurman Elmer and Arthur H.

On 29 Dec. 1886, Lenora Rackley was married to Ambrose N. Tucker and two sons were born, Edgar, who died as a child, and Clarence. Lenora Rackley Tucker died 14 Aug. 1891. Ambrose N. Tucker died near Sherman, Texas in 1903. Clarence Tucker, born 30 Oct. 1890, returned from Texas following the death of his father to reside in Pope County with grandparents, Robert P. and Elizabeth Jane Bowden Rackley. On 21 Nov. 1909, Clarence Tucker married Effie May Williams, daughter of William and Della Smith Williams of Pope County. For the next 62 years Clarence Tucker lived in Pope County near Pottsville and operated a farm growing dairy cattle and cotton until age forced him to retire. Clarence and Effie Tucker put six sons and two daughters through high school and all of those sons and daughters attended Arkansas Tech, with some attending other institutions of higher learning. Of those children there was a newspaper editor, a chemist, an administrator in an agri-related business, an electrical engineer, two public school administrators, an administrator with a chain bakery and a nurse. Among the grandchildren of Clarence and Effie Tucker are to be found an FBI agent, an architect, a university professor, a research chemist, a nursing supervisor in a large hospital, etc. Clarence Tucker died 10 Feb. 1971 and is buried in the Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain where his mother is buried. Effie Tucker now resides in Pottsville.

by Milton C. Tucker

JOHN S. BOWDEN

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My great great grandfather on my mother's side, John S. Bowden, born in Georgia 8 Sept. 1812, married Elizabeth Reynolds in

Lawrence County, Tennessee about 1835. By the year 1840, John S. Bowden, Elizabeth and three children were located in Center Valley of Pope County. John S. was the first of the Bowdens to migrate from Lawrence County, Tennessee to Pope County. He was one of the 15 children of John and Ann Blackburn Bowden. While the parents remained in Tennessee, five brothers of John S. Bowden followed him to Pope County during a twenty year period. Those five were: William, Jackson J., Wiley, Allen and Newton Bowden. The third child of John S. and Elizabeth Bowden, Mary Carolina, born Lawrence County, Tennessee 11 Nov. 1839 was married to Lafayette Brashears 8 Oct. 1861 in Center Valley. Lafayette was in the 3rd Arkansas Cavalry during the Civil War. He, Mary Carolina and her parents are all buried in Center Valley Cemetery. These children of Mary C. and Lafayette Brashears are listed in the Pope County census of 1880: Mary A., Armanty J., Amanda Louisha, John M., Missouri B., William W., Luner J., and Franklin B. George B. Myers and Amanda Louisha Brashears were married 31 July 1887 and in 1960 this couple (grandparents of the writer, Robert Alva Young, Jr.) celebrated their 73rd wedding anniversary. The eight children of George B. and Amanda Louisha Myers were: Woody, Orra Maybell, Ruth, Eunice, Thomas Lafayette, James, Zoe and Chloe, the latter two were twins. Not much is known of the Myers family except that they came to north Arkansas from Iowa after the Civil War and then moved into Pope County in Holla Bend Township. The parents of G. B. Myers died before he grew up and he lived with a Rankin family in so. Pope County until he was grown. He worked in coal mines of the area so that he might purchase a farm in the Gravel Hill community. An interesting sidelight came out in recent years concerning the courtship of Robert Alva Young, Sr. and Orra Maybell Myers. George B. Myers during the summer of 1907 became concerned that his daughter who became 17 in August, might marry before she was 18, and the concern was such that he sought out the County Clerk of Pope County and instructed him not to issue a license for marriage of the two. History reveals that the clerk's promise didn't delay the marriage for long as Robert Alva Young, Sr. and Orra Maybell Myers were married 1 Sept. 1907 in Yell County. The complete story didn't surface until the 1950's when Robert A. Young, Sr., approaching the time of retirement, asked his son, Robert Alva Young, Jr. to stop at Dardanelle in Yell County so that the father might secure a copy of a marriage license! Evidently no ill-feeling carried over as a result of this early marriage as in later years grandfather George B. Myers confided to his grandson, Robert Alva Young, Jr. that the former's proposal of marriage to the latter's Grandma took place under an oak tree on the Center Valley Methodist Church grounds.

George B. Myers and Amanda Louisha Brahsears Myers both died shortly after their 73rd wedding anniversary and are buried in St. Paul Cemetery near their farm and the community where children and grandchildren grew up. Their daughter, Orra Maybell

Young, age 87, lives beside her son, Robert Alva Young, Jr. but Robert Alva Young, Sr. died in 1962 and is buried in St. Paul Cemetery.

by Robert Alva Young, Jr.

LETHA BOWDEN

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Letha Bowden was a daughter of Columbus Washington and Rhonda Ann Scott Bowden who were pioneers of Pope County from the state of Tennessee. Letha was born and reared on Crow Mountain in the Maple Springs community. She married John Thomas Harkey on Sept. 8, 1901 and were the parents of three children, Lola Faye, born Aug. 18, 1903; Lora Vernon, born Aug. 6, 1907 and Edna Freda, born Sept. 20, 1913.

Lola Faye Harkey married Luther Conway Billington, Oct. 10, 1920 and to this union was born three children: Euleta Isabell Billington, born July 4, 1921, married James L. O'Bryan, Sept. 13, 1941 and they had two children, James Robert O'Bryan, born Sept. 18, 1942 and Linda Kay O'Bryan, born Feb. 2, 1945. This marriage terminated July 1956 and on Feb. 22, 1957, Euleta married Roy Christopher Tompkins. Roy Christopher Tompkins, Jr. was born June 9, 1959. Faye Dean Billington, born April 30, 1932, married Nick Kiriluk, Nov. 16, 1952 and were the parents of four children. Michael Stevens, born June 26, 1954, died Jan. 7, 1958; Karen Sue, born July 19, 1957, died June 12, 1959; Susan Marie, born June 2, 1959 and John Timothy, born March 4, 1964 and died June 12, 1974.

Lora Vernon Harkey born Aug. 6, 1907, married Clarence J. Russell, Jan. 30, 1931 and were the parents of Gloria Ann and Richard Terry. Gloria Ann Russell married Bob Baker and they had Debbie and Sherri

Baker. This marriage terminated and Gloria Ann married Danny Crawford. Richard Terry Russell, also married and has two children.

Edna Freda Harkey, born Sept. 20, 1913, married Otis Owen Brown, Jan. 16, 1934 and to this union was born two children. Phillip Gene Brown, born Dec. 30, 1934, died Sept. 8, 1955. Gary William Brown, born Aug. 2, 1944, married Deloris Henry, July 12, 1974 and they have one son, Aaron Phillip Brown, born April 25, 1975. Most of the above listed are still in Pope County or the State of Arkansas.

by Billie Dene Evants

REECE EDWARD BOWDEN

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Reece Edward Bowden, son of Henry Nelson Clay and Martha Ellen Gideon Bowden was born June 21, 1897 in Pope County on a farm which he and his wife now own. He was married to Clarice Lucille McGarity, daughter of Myrtle Ruth R. McGarity and James M. McGarity, on July 5, 1921.

Both Reece and Clarice's parents and grandparents were pioneers of Pope County. During his active years, Reece was a farmer and Certified plant grower. He grew certified sweet potatoes, cabbage, tomatoes, pepper, and onion plants. Clarice helped with the business as was a very busy time during the planting season. He was active in the Arkansas Plant Growers Assn. and was Vice President for several years.

When World War II started and the young men went into the service, help was so scarce they couldn't keep the work going.

The family moved to San Deigo in 1942 and he started working for Consolidated Vultee (now General Dynamics) as an assembler and Clarice worked as a time keeper. They are retired now and live on Crow Mountain. His



Reese Bowden family

father and mother sold the farm to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Owens in 1912, who put in peach orchards and kept it until 1943. The people who bought the farm didn't stay here a year until they went back to Texas, so Reece and Clarice bought the farm in 1944 and Reece's niece Mrs. Doyle Roberts and Mr. Roberts lived on the place for three years. Reece and Clarice completely remodeled the house, leaving only the old original foundation and frame work of the main part of the original house and modernizing it. In June, 1972 lightning struck it and burned it to the ground.

They now live in a double mobile home on the old house site.

They had five children. Ruth Ellen married James Flower and they live on Crow Mountain now after living in San Diego, California. Dorothy Faye married John H. Kinslow and has lived in California most of their married life. Betty Jeanne died at age 6. Charles E. married Joyce Noble of Detroit, Michigan, and lives in California. Philip lives here, also.

by Mrs. Reece Bowden

ROBERT S. BOWDEN

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Robert S. Bowden was a son of Rev. Jackson J. Bowden, known as Uncle Jack, who was born in Abethop County, Georgia, Jan. 22, 1814, moved with his parents to Murry County, Tennessee in 1819 where they reared a large family.

He became a Christian in 1828 and united with the Methodist Church. He came to Pope County, Arkansas in 1844 and was licensed to preach in 1846. He first lived on Crow Mountain, later moved to Gravel Hill in Gumlog Township and was one of the pioneer preachers of Pope County. He was married twice and the second marriage was to Narcissa Bewley in 1852 and to this union was born ten children, three dying at an early age. One son was Robert S. (Bob) Bowden born in 1854, at Gravel Hill.

Robert S. was married in 1878 to Lydia Reynolds, daughter of Andrew and Martha Reynolds, and married by a JP, J.W. Sugg. They were Methodist, farmers and worked at a Cotton gin at Gumlog and they had a large apple orchard. Their second son was Lonzo Jackson, known as L.J. Bowden, born in 1882. His brothers were Alvis, Finis, Andrew, R.O. Bowden, and a sister, Rosa Bowen, Andrew and Finis served in World War I. All went to school at Gravel Hill and near by.

L.J., born Nov. 29, 1882, was married in 1906 to Verlin D. Kendrick, daughter of William F. and Nancy A. (Harris) Kendrick. He owned land and farmed at Gravel Hill and were Methodist. In 1923, he bought a 1922 model T Ford and there were only two or three cars on Gravel Hill at that time. To this union was born seven children, six girls, one boy.

L.J.'s mother Lydia Bowden was born at Gravel Hill, Pope County, in 1958 and died in 1912. Bob Bowden was born in 1854 and died in 1933, and was buried in Hillis Cemetery on Gravel Hill.

In Jan. 1924, L.J. moved his family to Harmony Community on Crow Mountain road

Pope County, farmed there until he retired. They joined the First Assembly of God Church at Russellville. Mrs. L.J. Bowden was a licensed minister of the Assembly, pastored some of the local churches and visited and ministered to other churches.

When Mr. L.J. Bowden retired he moved to Russellville and lived there until he passed away in 1970, age 87 years. Verlin D. Bowden died in 1978, age 88 years. They were buried at St. Paul Cemetery on Gravel Hill.

Their son, Ernest V. Bowden, born at Gravel Hill, went to school there and at Russellville. He married Retha Heflin daughter of John and Narcissa Heflin. Ernest joined the Arkansas National Guard at age 18 and was mobilized after a few years and was on active duty five years, one year in Italy. When he came back he worked full time for the Guard until he retired in 1971, as Lt. Colonel. He passed away in June 1972 and was buried at St. Paul Cemetery at Gravel Hill. They had three children: twin boys, Viltage L. Bowden who married Pat Meimerstorf. Ernest G. Bowden married Louise Levett and Dorene Bowden married Jim Robertson.

Creola I. Bowden, married Leonard Jackson, son of Fred and Jocie Jackson and they have two children: Sylvia E. who married Donald G. Blaney; Earnest L. Jackson married Jane Morris. He has been with the Arkansas National Guard about 30 years and is a Lt. Colonel.

Pauline L. Bowden, married Clomer Bowen, son of Elijah and Ann Bowen and they have one son, James C. Bowen, who married Jo Ann Heartline, and a daughter, Phyliss Bowen who married Gene Hubbard.

Mildred J. Bowden married Erwin J. Maggard, son of Joe and Pearl Maggard and they have two children. Joe Maggard married Polly Cole and Barbara Maggard who married Jack Hamrick.

Alice N. Bowden married Dee Barton, son of Guy and Bessie Barton and they have three sons. E.J. Barton married Glenda Kinslow, Billy Roy Barton married Carol Dane and Otis F. Barton who married Diann Romines.

Helen J. Bowden married Herman Hurtt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hurtt. They have one son who married Donna Ross.

L. Ruth Bowden, married Charlie Vick, son of Luther Vick and they had five children. Chris Vick died in 1971, Ella Jean Vick, married Arvil Williams, Linda Vick, Sherri Vick who married Gale Robinson, and Michael Vick who is in service in the paratroops. Ruth passed away in 1976. Ruth and Chris are buried at Gravel Hill in St. Paul Cemetery.

by Creola Bowden Jackson

THOMAS J. BOWDEN

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Thomas J. Bowden was a son of Columbus Washington Bowden who was a pioneer of Pope County and Crow Mountain from the State of Tennessee. Thomas J. was reared near the Maple Springs community and one of eleven children. He was a farmer and a leader in the community. He married Lucy Ann Anderson April 5, 1914 and were the parents of

three children.

Rayburn W., married Juanita Bond from the Maple Springs community, Jan. 4, 1936. They were the parents of 12 children: Freddy Wayne, born Oct. 25, 1938, married Martha Jane Hice, Oct. 30, 1960 and were the parents of two children; Thomas Marion and Mark Wayne; Tommy Layne, born Dec. 12, 1939, married Evelyn Sue Richardson, Aug. 25, 1962 and they were the parents of three children, Terry Layne, Tommy Scott and Kristin Suzanne; Gwenoth Ann, born Feb. 3, 1942, married William Race, June 6, 1966 and were the parents of two children, Felicia Dawn and William Brian; Eddy Ray Bowden, born April 25, 1944, married Jane Haraltine April 21, 1967 and they were the parents of two children, Angela Michelle and Ashley Denese; Sandra Kay Bowden, born Sept. 21, 1945, married Ernie Franks, Feb. 2, 1968 and are the parents of two children, Sonya Renea and Stephen Brent; Rex Douglas Bowden, born July 5, 1947, married Kay McGee, Oct. 12, 1968 and they were the parents of two children, Lance Douglas and Lena Daryl; Joseph Gordon Bowden, born Dec. 26, 1948, married Sue Bishop, Dec. 31, 1970 and were the parents of two children, Sherry Jo and Rickey Lynn; Donna Gail, born May 9, 1950, married Doug Story, Sept. 14, 1968 and they have two children, Douglas Shane and Brent Marshall; Leta Karen, born Nov. 21, 1951, married Duran Davis, Oct. 16, 1970; Debra Joyce, born March 21, 1953, married Lonnie Brannon on July 14, 1972; Julia Irene Bowden, born March 2, 1955, married Leslie Dunaway, April 27, 1974 and they have one child, Manda Shay; Paul Randall, isn't married.

Quentin Brooks Bowden, born Nov. 11, 1915, married Ellen Sue Wheeler of Pottsville, July 31, 1948. Rickey Lynn was born June 28, 1949 and died Feb. 10, 1970. Quentin died Oct. 28, 1955.

Verdell Bowden, born Feb. 10, 1923, married Willard J. Smith from Clinton, Arkansas, Nov. 13, 1942. They were the parents of three children, Mickey Jo, Peggy, and Janice Faye. Mickey Jo, born May 13, 1942, married Butch East of Russellville, August 1963 and they have two children, Kelly East and David East; Peggy June Smith, born Sept. 8, 1944, married John Solinger of Russellville, Jan. 15, 1965. A son, John Solinger, Jr. was born Aug. 7, 1965. Janice Fay Smith married Robert Barnett of Russellville, June 7, 1969. She was born Dec. 4, 1950.

by Billie Dene Evants

WILEY BOWDEN

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Wiley Bowden and a brother came to Pope County, Arkansas from middle Tennessee in the 1840's and took up land on Crow Mountain. In 1848 they returned to Tennessee to bring their families here. They also brought their father, John, and their mother, Ann Bowden, and their brothers and sisters families, too. There were others joined the wagon train and made the trip to Arkansas. It took four weeks to travel to Crow Mountain.

John and Ann Bowden had 12 children, the third son William, who married Winnie Brewer was the father of Henry Nelson Clay Bowden born Aug. 13, 1849 of a family of five boys and two girls.

The Bowden's settled on Crow Mountain and were active in various civic and political organizations, as well as farming on land they homesteaded, cleared and built homes on. There was abundant wild game — deer, turkey, squirrel, rabbit, bear, quail, and fish. Wild wolves, panthers and wild cats, also.

Henry N.C. Bowden was married to Sarah Bowden in 1866 and there were six children by this marriage. After her death he married Martha Ellen Gideon daughter of John W. Gideon and Mary Jane Blackwood Gideon. There were nine children by this marriage. Charles R. married Virgie Dempsey; Laxin C. died in infancy; Albert M., died in infancy; Alvie Oscar married Mae Jordan; Bertha A. married Asa Morphis; Ollie M. married Clarence Morphis; Reece E. married Clarice Lucille McGarity; Tempie E. married Roy Matthews; L. Ada married Ralph Harvil.

Henry N.C. Bowden and Martha Ellen Bowden bought land from the Railroad in 1890's. Martha Ellen's parents, John W. and Mary Jane Gideon homesteaded the adjoining land.

In 1895 Martha Ellen's father was thrown and dragged by a horse and died. Martha Ellen bought the farm from her mother and the other heirs. It and the land she and Henry N.C. bought from the Railroad are part of a farm now owned by Reece E. and Clarice L. Bowden. Henry N.C. Bowden died in 1923 and Martha Ellen died in 1937. Four of their children Ollie Morphis, Reece E. Bowden, Tempie Matthews, and Ada Harvil of Atkins are still living.

by Mrs. Reece E. Bowden

WILLIAM BOWDEN

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William and Winnie Bowden and five children came in a covered wagon to Arkansas from Tennessee in 1848. They homesteaded on Crow Mountain. Two children were born, William in 1804, died in 1886; Winnie born in 1818 and died in 1876. The children were George (1858-1862); Charles, born in 1846; John (1838-1862); William (1845-1858); Martha born in 1843; Sarah born in 1851 and Henry Nelson Clay Bowden, who lived his entire life on Crow Mountain. Henry married Sarah Jane Bowen in 1866 and they had seven children, Elisha born in 1867 and died in 1929; W.J.J. born in 1869 and died in 1910; Nancy Ellen born in 1871; Henry born in 1881 and died in 1882; John born in 1873 and died in 1953; Winnie born in 1876 and died in 1915; Samuel born in 1878 and died in 1964. Elisha married Belle Parish and had four children, Doyle, Dorothy, Minnie and Loyd. Elisha, Doyle and Dorothy are buried in Bowden cemetery. Minnie who married Earl Hannah is living in California where she and her mother are buried. Loyd lives on Crow Mountain.

W.J.J. Bowden married Adeline Anderson

and they lived at Greenbriar, Arkansas where they are buried. They had three children, Edgar, Audrey and Dewey. Edgar married Eula Wilker; Audrey married Bob Rackley and Dewey married Armenee . Nancy Ellen Bowden married Albert Scott. They had four children, Leonard, Norma, Letha and Selma. John Bowden married Minnie Morphis. They are both buried in Bowden Cemetery. They had three children, Maxine who married Carl Teeter; Lucille who married Glen Spears and Timothy who married Holland Dedmon. Winnie B. married Marion Harmon and they had seven children, Clara, Ed, Annie, Elizabeth, Earnest, Nettie and Frances. Samuel B. married Nora Nichols and had two daughters, Cleo and Marie. Marie married Benton Jones and they had four children, Neva, Betty, Jerry and Patsy. Samuel is buried in Bowden Cemetery. Henry F. Bowden died in 1882 and wife Sarah died in 1883. Both are buried in a small cemetery between Marshill Church and Bowden Cemetery.

Henry Nelson Bowden married Martha Ellen Gideon in November of 1883. Henry and seven children in his first marriage and nine in his second for a total of sixteen children. Charlie (1884-1974); Larkin (1887-1887); Albert (1888-1888); Alvie Oscar (1889-1974); Bertha (1892-1978); Ollie born in 1894; Reece born in 1897; Tempie born in 1900 and Ada born in 1903. Albert and Larkin are buried in Harskin Cemetery on Crow Mountain. Henry Nelson and Martha are buried in Bowden Cemetery. Charlie B. married Virgil Dempsey. They lived at Keyo, Arkansas and are buried at North Little Rock. They had five children. Linnie married Mark George and they had one son, Mark Joe; Elsie married Edgar Griffin and they have five children, Margaret, Shirley, Eugene, Bob and Henry. Horace Bowden married Dorothy Cossey and they had one son, Holland. Floyd Bowden married Evelyn Kent; Millard Bowden married Luese Dodd. Alvie Oscar Bowden married Ida Mae Jordan. They had three daughters, Ellen who married Doyle Roberts, four children Alvin Nelson, Doyle Richard, Joe Ella and Martha. Virginia B. married E.R. Jones and they had Zettie, Brenda and Gail. Myrtle B. died at the age of three, Oscar died in 1974, Mae died in 1971. All three are buried in Bowden Cemetery. Bertha B. married Asa Morphis, four children, Garland, Gladys, Geneva and an infant who along with Bertha and Asa are buried in Bowden Cemetery. Garland Morphis married Selma B. and they had one son, Kenneth. Geneva married Orville Roberts and they had one daughter, James Ann. Gladys M. married Burl Kelley and their children were Coy, Evely and Polly. Ollie M. married Clarence Morphis and they had two sons, J.L. and Henry. Reece married Lucille McGarity and they had six children, Ruth Ellen, Dorothy, Patricia, Charles, Phillip and Betty Jean, who was killed in an accident when small. Tempie B. married Roy Matthews and they had one son, Billy Webster who is married to Mary Prentiss and they have two sons, Ross and William. Ada B. married Ralph Harvill and they had one son, Lewis Ralph who married Pat Haralson. They have two sons, Mark and Darren.

by Ellen Roberts

CHARLES LAFAYETTE (FAY) BOYD

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Charles Lafayette (Fay) Boyd was born September 17, 1854 at Wiley's Cove, Searcy County, Arkansas. He was the youngest of nine children born to Charles and Levina Smith Boyd, who were early settlers of Searcy County, Arkansas. Charles, Sr. was born in Eddyville, Caldwell County, Kentucky on July 2, 1810 to Samuel and Elizabeth Kelly Boyd, who were natives of North and South Carolina, respectively.

Fay was too young to serve in the Civil War, but six of his brothers did; two of them losing their lives for the Confederate cause.

Fay was a farmer and a Primitive Baptist Minister in Northern Pope County in the early 1900's. His farm is now in the Ozark National Forest and was located east of the present Booger Hollow Trading Post, some 18 miles north of Dover on Highway 7.

Fay was married in 1872 to another Searcy County native, Sarah Caroline Henderson. This union was blessed with a family of twelve children: (1.) Gennetta Elizabeth born July 20, 1873 married William Jesse Pack, (2.) Andy James born December 31, 1874 married Nancy Luella Pack, (3.) Sallie Belle born February 9, 1877 married George Wasington Hogan, (4.) Sparley born March 11, 1879 died Saline County in 1896, (5.) Effie born July 26, 1881 married Charlie Hawk, (6.) Jacob Lawson born November 9, 1883 died 1885, (7.) Martha born July 4, 1885 died October 1885, (8.) Mary Lavina born November 7, 1886 married John Thomas Dare, (9.) Addie born December 18, 1888 married Jim Harris, (10.) Letha Ruth born September 17, 1892 married Will Meadows, (11.) Charles David born December 17, 1894 married Maudie V. Standridge, (12.) Beulah born September 4, 1901 married Don McQuiston.

Some of Fay's churches included Nogo, Smyrna, and Zion Hill. However, Rev. C.L. Boyd can be found as officiating minister on marriage records from Stone County, Arkansas to Burnett County, Texas.

Fay died September 16, 1925 and is buried at Sherman Cemetery northeast of the old Tag, Arkansas Post Office.

Since Fay moved to Pope County, Arkansas; there have been five generations of Charles Boyds' residing in that county. The second was his son, Charles David; grandson, Charles Arthur; great grandson, Charles Lynn; and great great grandson, Charles Daniel Boyd.

by C.L. Boyd

SAMUEL A. BOYD

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Samuel A. Boyd (born 1826) and his wife, Eunice Cleland (born 1825) were natives of Laurens County, South Carolina. During the early part of the Civil War, they migrated to Arkansas by wagon-train, completing the trip in about three months. Eunice and the younger children traveled by surrey, while

Sam and his older sons helped man the wagons. After reaching Arkansas, Sam and Eunice Boyd's journey ended in Jefferson County, Arkansas near Pine Bluff. As for leaving South Carolina, Sam's motive may have been slightly political. In 1858 he had traveled a long distance by horseback to hear one of the famous Lincoln-Douglas Debates. Family history seems to indicate that he was an instant convert to the principles outlined by Lincoln. Considering the temper of the times, and the fact that within two years South Carolina was to become the first state to secede from the Union, one can only imagine what happened to his popularity when he returned home and attempted to propagate his newly-found Republican theories among the home-folks. Never one to remain silent, he likely was extremely vocal in airing his opinions, "The Union Forever." At any rate he freed four slaves, which he probably would have done if he had not heard the Lincoln-Douglas debate. The poor economic conditions in that particular area had made slave-owning so unprofitable that the small slave-owners in South Carolina, as well as other parts of the South were well on the way to becoming almost as destitute as their slaves.

Following the Civil War Sam decided to relocate in Pope County. Eunice's brother, Nathaniel Cleland, had settled near what is now the town of Atkins. He gave them complimentary reports of this section of the state. Upon their arrival in Pope County, they camped for a short time in what is now the Oak Grove community, north of Atkins. They remained there until they could arrange to purchase Anderson Wilson's farm in the Old Hopewell Community (now known as Union Grove). This was to remain their home for the rest of their lives. At one time, after the children were all married, every home and/or farm on the road from the Old Happy Bend community to Oakland Cemetery was owned or occupied by one of Sam's sons or daughters and their families, or by some of their relatives by marriage. In living around Old Hopewell, they became a part of a colony largely composed of natives of Laurens County, South Carolina, including Alewines, Murdochs, Ellisons, Clelands, along with the Fletcher and Templeton families of Happy Bend.

Eight of Sam and Eunice Boyd's ten children lived to be grown and married. John McDuffie (1846-1894) married Dora Reed and their children were Tennie, Claudia, Mae and Irby. George Thomas (1854-1899) married Tommie Louisa Stevens and their children were Elmer, Eunice, Hugh, and Myrtle. William Watts (1856-1924) married Blanche Sproles and their children were Ola, Mary, and Ada. Samuel Nathaniel married Ida Huffstetter and their children were Selma, Bertha, Victor, Roy, May, Sabie, John, and Aubrey. Phoebe Emmaline (1847-1886) married first Cicero Tiner and second Billy Burgess and their children were Eva and Ada Tiner and Anna and Ellis Burgess. Elizabeth Catherine (1849-1921) married John M. Tyson and their children were Ora, John Ardis, Rufus Watts, James and Thomas. Ella Frances (1859-1943) married J.L. Alewine and their children were

Oscar Monroe, Ernest, and Ruby. Alice Isabella (1862-1912) married Ken Bowers and they had no children of their own, but raised Dulcie Pratt, a motherless child.

Eunice Boyd and her daughter Phoebe Emmaline Tiner were charter members of the Hopewell Baptist Church north of Atkins.

by Ada Boyd

WILLIAM JASPER BRADFORD

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William Jasper Bradford moved to Witts Spring, Arkansas, from Marlow, Oklahoma, sometime around 1900. He moved in a covered wagon with his nine children after the death of his first wife Anna Woods Bradford. She is buried at Marlow, Oklahoma. His children were, George & Eva (twins), Edmund Kelly, Arch Jasper, Charles Leslie, Oscar Peter, Mary, Fannie & Albert. All are dead except Leslie & Albert, who live in California. While at Witts Spring he married his second wife, Alice Ellen Giles Haygood, they had one daughter Ethel, wife of Lee Hutchinson who lives in Russellville. He moved to Pope county sometime after 1912, and lived at South New Hope (Russellville) until his death in 1943. He was 91 years old. He and his second wife, his son George and wife Dora Jane Adcock Bradford and Arch are buried at Pisgah Cemetary near Pottsville. His daughter Mary, first wife of Jim Hutchinson of South New Hope is also buried there. All his children except George and Arch died or left Arkansas. George and Dora had (9) children, Dorothy, Denver, Neva, Norman, Doyle, Bacel & Macel (twins) Ola Jane and Betty Sue. Betty Sue and Bacel live in Russellville, Betty was the wife of the late attorney, Parker Parker, and they had twin daughters, Carol Jane and Laura Lea. Bacel married Martha Lois Peeler of Russellville and they reside there.

Arch married Essie Viola McNutt and had four children, Mildred, Charles, Kathryn and Jeanice. Mildred and Charles live at Pottsville. Mildred married Glen D. Reed of Pottsville and they had two children, Paul Dean and Francis. Charles married Catherine Lucille Sattawhite from Hugo, Okla, and they have one daughter, Charla Kay. Catherine & Jeanice live out of state.

William Jasper Bradford was a farmer. He was best known in the community for his ability to handle firearms. He could shoot a shotgun from either side and seldom missed. He shot a Colt revolver with such accuracy that he is still remembered for it by a lot of "old timers". In his younger days he had hunted buffalo on the western praries and helped build railroads across them.

George was a farmer and cotton ginner. Arch was also a farmer, he was active in local politics and was on the Pottsville School Board for many years. He was Justice of the Peace in Holla Bend township for over 20 years and during that time he married over a hundred couples. He was a member of the Quorum Court that voted to build the present County Court House in 1935. His name is engraved in a stone plaque there with the rest of the members of that court.

All of George's sons served in World War II. They all came home. Doyle received the Bronze Star for bravery in action in Europe. Macel & Bacel were the fastest radio code operators in the Air Force by an Air Force test.

Arch's son Charles was a paratrooper with several missions in Europe.

by Charles E. Bradford

WILLIAM ANNISON BRADLEY

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William Annison Bradley was born 10 August 1897 in Pope County and has spent most of his life here. William Annison was the son of Wayne Bradley who migrated from Searcy County possibly around 1890 and married Mary Ann Duvall of Pope County. The Grandfather of William Anniston Bradley was William Annison Bradley, Sr., born 15 April 1826 and died 13 April 1901 near Snowball, Searcy County, Arkansas where he was buried and has a marker. William Anniston Bradley married Betty Virden in 1916. Betty was the daughter of Spruce Virden and Nancy Teague. Virden and was born about 1900 in Pope County.

William A. and Betty raised six children which included two boys and four girls. Names of the children are: Woodene, Dewell, Nadene, Royal, Virginia and Billy Sue. All the family participated in the farm work which included the growing of cotton, corn, feed for stock and food for the family. The mother and girls made most of their own clothing. If time permitted, William cut cross ties with a broad ax. At other times he would peddle beef in the farm wagon. Later Bill worked in the cannery at Atkins and also worked some in Russellville. The family was able to purchase a farm in the Center Valley community.

In 1953 Royal was killed in a car accident near Winslow, Arizona leaving a daughter, Brenda Sue and his wife, Colene Bradley. The impact of this tragedy was very strongly felt by the parents and William's health broke making it necessary to sell the farm in 1954. Bill and Betty moved to Hattieville to be near their daughters and bought a home there. William A. Bradley died 7 November 1961 and is buried in the Shiloh Cemetery on Pea Ridge. Betty still lives at Hattieville in Conway County. They have 23 grandchildren and thirty great grandchildren. William A., or "Bill" as he was called, was a deacon in the Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church and served as a school director at Shiloh on Pea Ridge north of Atkins for a number of years.

by Mrs. A.J. Duvall

MICHAEL BRANCH

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Michael Branch was born in the State of Virginia about 1804. He married in Marion County, Alabama about 1830 to Louisa (Hice?). They moved to northern Pope County, Arkansas by 1840 and raised a family of eight children. Michael was a farmer until his death in 1861 when the boys took over the responsibility of keeping the farm going.

Michael and Lucy's children were: (1.) Matthias born 1831 married Matilda Standridge; (2.) Mary Ann born 1833 married William F. Smith; (3.) James born 1837, marriage unknown; (4.) Missouri Catherine born 1839 married Elisha Wells; (5.) Martin born 1842 married Catherine Standridge; (6.) Nancy Jane born 1845 married first Charles Benton Ware, married second Martin Owen Standridge; (7.) John Abraham born 1850 married first Mary L. Hutson, married second to Mary Elton; (8.) William F. born 1856 married Elizabeth (Betty) Strandridge.

Matthias (Thise) and Matilda Branch had a family of seven children. One of whom was named Michael, and homesteaded in 1889 on 120 acres of land from Freeman Springs tower to the Rotary Ann Park on Highway 7.

Missouri Catherine and Elisha Wells had a family of eight children. One granddaughter of this family is Mrs. Howard Smiley of Memphis, Tennessee.

Nancy Jane and Mart Standridge had a family of six children. Some of the grandchildren of this union are: Mrs. C.D. Boyd, Tom and Leroy Standridge of Dover, Arkansas and Mrs. Herbert Lee Underwood of Dardanelle, Arkansas.

William F. and Betty Branch raised a family of seven children. One of the grandchildren of this union is Reggie Branch of Russellville, Arkansas.

by C.L. Boyd

PETER HENRY BRANT

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Peter Henry Brant, born in Germany, came to Ireland, Scranton, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Philadelphia and then to Arkansas in 1881 settling in the community of New Hope. He married Mary Sinclair and resided on a farm. To this marriage was born three daughters and two sons, Carrie Brant Lawrence, Eva Brant Pullan, Ellie Brant Lemley, Charles and P.H.

P.H. Brant, son of Peter Henry Brant, was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania in 1867. He married Nettie Richardson of Pope County on November 3, 1892. He was a farmer and school teacher. He and his brother Charles operated a mercantile business for a few years at Appleton in the early 1900's. To this union was born seven children, five sons and two daughters, Clive R., Armol H., Otho, Paul E., Opal E., Velma and Charlotte. All were born and reared in Appleton, Arkansas.

P.H. Brant died Jan. 1, 1933. His wife, Nettie, died Oct. 19, 1952. Also deceased are Paul E., Otho and Armol. They are all buried at Appleton. Also, Clive R. is deceased and buried in Ft. Smith.

by O.E. Brant

HAROLD BRASELTON

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Harold Braselton was a descendent of John Braselton, who is the only known Braselton to have emigrated to the United States. He was a Welch shipbuilder, came in 1730 and built the

first barn in Baltimore, Maryland. The 7th child of John was Jacob, Sr. who settled in Georgia and fought in the Revolutionary War. In one generation of Braselton's there were three brothers: Henry, Green and John, who established the town of Braselton, Georgia.

One son of Jacob, Sr., was Jacob, Jr., who had seven children, and one of them was Judson, born 1829, married Martha Horton, Sept. 5, 1850 and they had one child: Perry Wilson, born 1854, believed to have been in Texas. He died in 1893 in Lomax, Arkansas. He had married Louise Shuttleworth, who was born in Georgia, 1857, and died in Russellville, Arkansas in 1900. Perry Wilson Braselton and Louise Shuttleworth had five children: Harold, Bessie, Jessie, Steve and Milton. They first settled near Freeman in Pope County and later moved to Russellville where Harold met and married Annie Roberts of the Mt. View Community, who was the daughter of W.G. and Margaret Berry Roberts and granddaughter of Delaware Roberts, who was killed during the Civil War.

Harold was a farmer, stock dealer, contractor and farm equipment dealer. He did a lot of the contract work on Highway #7 to Dover in 1926. He also built the roadbed from Dover to the bayou. In 1930, he went into the International Harvester business and his son, Raymond, who had worked for the New Store for ten years started keeping books for him. He and Mrs. Braselton had three children: Raymond, Rex and Ruth. He died in 1962 and Mrs. Braselton in 1966. Both are buried in the Oakland Cemetery at Russellville, Arkansas.

Raymond Braselton, born in 1902, married Blanche Bonds in 1924. He began to drive teams for his father as a boy and during World War I, he drove a team hauling lumber at Camp Pike for some time. In 1917, he drove a hearse for Gardner brothers and there were so many flu victims, appointments had to be made to bury the dead. One summer, Dolan Grinder and Raymond hauled all the sand to build the reservoir on the mountain above the Russellville Waterworks dam. In a few years after he began keeping books for his father, a Mr. Blount and Mr. Baldwin bought out Mr. Braselton and in four years, Raymond bought out Mr. Blount and later Mr. Baldwin and was the dealer for sixteen years. He later sold to Sam Adkinson. He and his wife were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church where he served as deacon and Elder for 45 years. As a lad of eight or nine, he witnessed the last hanging in Russellville, across from the Courthouse, where the Chicken Hut is now located. Some prominent people were involved in this. He retired in 1971, but is now living by himself as Blanche passed away in 1975. They had one son: Raymond Scott, who is married and is an airplane pilot and flies out of Little Rock.

Rex Braselton, married Veda Vaughn and they live at Mulberry, Arkansas. He is salesman for International Harvester of Ft. Smith, Arkansas. They had six children.

Ruth Braselton, married Ray Evans, June 19, 1938. He worked for Arkmo Lumber Company for several years, then moved to Memphis, Tennessee where he did contract work. They have one daughter, Mary Ruth,

who is married and they have two children. by Raymond Braselton and Ruth Braselton Evans

DR. LIONEL ELBRIDGE BRATTON

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Dr. Lionel Elbridge Bratton was born in Searcy County, Arkansas, February 3, 1864, the son of James and Dicy Hatchett Bratton. He came to Atkins, Pope County, Arkansas in 1904, bringing his wife, Mary (Molly) Williams Bratton, and two daughters, Minnie Lee and LaVerne Dicy. He was a "horse and buggy" doctor, riding horseback when the roads were impassable by buggy. The weather was never too bad for him to answer calls. He opened the Elks Drug Store, probably looking forward to later years, but died November 13, 1913. His wife followed him in death March 18, 1916, and both are buried in the Atkins Cemetery.

The elder daughter married John Henry (Hal) Bradley. They had one child, a son, Bratton Lee Bradley, who married Bernice Eugenia Robbins. Their only child, a daughter, Shirley, married George Pinky Davis. Their three children are: George Bradley (Brad), Mary Susan, and Jefferson. Minnie Lee, J. Hal, and their son, Bratton, are all buried in Little Rock, Arkansas.

The younger Bratton daughter married Omer Boyce Alewine. They had one daughter, Mary Lee, and one son, James Bratton who died one week before his seventh birthday and is buried in the Atkins Cemetery. Mary Lee married Willard Fred Schellin. Her son, James Willard F. (Jim) Schellin, died in Viet Nam, November 15, 1970. He and Omer Boyce Alewine who died April 15, 1971, are buried in Evergreen Memorial Cemetery, Sumter, South Carolina.

by Mrs. O.B. Alewine

EULA HUGHES BREWER

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A hot August 18, 1892, in Dover was the time and place of the birth of Eula Hughes, daughter of Allen Albert and Isabella Gaines Hughes. Eula lived in Dover most of her life, but her ancestors came from Georgia. Her mother's parents, John Patrick Gaines, born March 10, 1835, and Artelia E. Snow, born January 24, 1844, daughter of Amanda Snow, took six months making the journey to Arkansas. Their children, Isabella, Texas Anna America, and Thomas F. came to Arkansas as children. A fourth child, C.F., died in infancy. John Patrick and Artelia both died in 1904.

Eula's great grandparents on her father's side, Allen and Eda Brown (1814-Sept. 13, 1889), came to Arkansas when Eula's grandmother, Sarah Jane, was two years old, crossing the Arkansas River on a barge. The Brown children grew up around Dover. Sarah Jane was married three times before she met and married Mr. A. Hughes of Piney, the grandfather of Eula. To this union was born

five children, twin boys, Allen Albert and Charles Alvin, and three girls, Margaret, Josephine, and Johnnie.

In 1891 Allen Albert Hughes married Isabella Gaines, and they moved to a farm near Dover in the area that was known as Pine Hill. The following year their oldest child, Eula, was born. Three other children, Dassie, John Patrick, and Allen were born before their father suffered a heat stroke while breaking a team of mules and died. It was 1900 when Ma Hughes was widowed with four children under the age of eight. Ma Hughes left the farm and moved to Dover and bought a home that still stands today on Camp Street.

The Christmas Eula was 16 she met her future husband. On Christmas Eve afternoon, while she was decorating the Church tree, two young blades, Robert Matison Brewer and Kirksey Bowden, entered the church. Robert immediately wanted to know the name of the young dark haired girl decorating the tree. Kirksey informed him it was Eula Hughes, and Rob said, "She's going to be my girl." From then on, she was exactly that. The next summer Eula nearly died with typhoid fever, and Rob spent all his extra time making ice cream for her. On the next Easter, March 27, 1910, Rob and Eula eloped on their way to Sunday School. They dressed for church as usual but stopped by the parsonage and were married by Rev. W.E. Bishop with their best friends, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Danley, as witnesses.

The next year their first daughter, Norma Ruth, was born in Dover. Later the Brewers traveled with Rob's parents to west Texas and farmed for a year. They moved to Oklahoma where Lucille was born and then back to Dover where Nina Irene was born. The Brewers then settled into a routine of living and raising their three girls. Rob owned his own grocery, and the entire family was active in all phases of the Methodist Church. Besides the church activities, Eula spent her time raising the family, gardening, sewing, and being active in the Home Demonstration Club.

Norma moved to Tulsa to attend college and was married to Paul M. Jordan. Their two children, Roberta and Norman, were born in Tulsa before the family moved to Albuquerque where she opened the Norma Jordan Music School. Norma is now Mrs. Hans Troels Larsen. Roberta married Dr. Frank Stuart, and they live with their five children, Keith, Richenda, Kevin and twins, Elliott and Antoinette, in Miami, Florida. Norman and his wife, Corale, are the parents of two children, Victoria and Jeffrey. Norman now lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Lucille left Dover for Tulsa to live with Norma and attend business college. She met and married James N. Slack who worked for Amerada Petroleum Corporation for 37 years before retiring in 1971. Their son, Jerry, lives in Nashville and is married to Carole Grant. Their daughter, Nakita, is married to Lyle Moffitt, and they live in Tulsa with their two children, Bram Matison and Tara Colleen.

The Brewer's youngest daughter, Irene, attended Arkansas Tech in Russellville and met William C. Bowers. During World War II, Irene and Bill married, and when he returned from active duty, they moved to St. Louis

where Bill entered Dental School. The Bowers added three more grandchildren to the Brewer clan. Their oldest, Lenore, is married to Robert Barkley, and they live in Vicksburg, Mississippi. Their second child, Catherine Willette, attends the University of Arkansas. Their youngest child, William C., Jr. is employed in Fayetteville. After a successful dental career in Jonesboro, the Bowers live in Fayetteville where Bill is studying stocks and bonds.

Eula, now 85, lived in Dover until 1976. She and Robert were married 62 years before he died in 1972. In August 1976, she moved to Fayetteville to make her home with the Bowers.

by Nikita Slack Moffitt

ROBERT MATISON BREWER

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James Matison and Louisa Jane Brewer

Franklin County, Tennessee, was the home of Zadock and Mary Brumley Brewer in the early 1800's. To this union was born ten children of which only five were still living in 1894. One son, James Marion, was born in Franklin County on September 21, 1833. As a child he and his family moved to a farm in Polk County, Arkansas, and later moved to Johnson County. There he was married to Centhia Emiline Weeks, also of Franklin County, daughter of J.M. Weeks. To this union was also born ten children. James Marion became a successful farmer, owning 300 acres of fertile soil. He was a Republican, active in public affairs and affiliated with Snow Ball Lodge. His home was located near Marshall. He died June 3, 1903, with Emiline dying August 13, 1907. Their eldest son James Matison, affectionally known as "Grandpa Brewer and Uncle Matt", was born October 16, 1861, in Searcy County. On May 22, 1879, he and Louisa Jane Holsted were married at Bear Creek, Searcy County, by Rev. John W. Lasley. "Grandma Brewer" was born Aug. 7, 1858, and was the daughter of Lemuel Holsted and Maranda Adams. Lemuel Holsted was a blacksmith and during

the Civil War was a 2nd Lt. in Company D, 45th Arkansas Militia, and died in the service in 1865. His parents, Lemuel and Nancy Holsted, had migrated from North Carolina to St. Francis County, Missouri. Maranda Adams was the daughter of Robert and Cynthia Adams, Robert being the first white settler of Searcy County.

James Matison and Louisa Jane Brewer traveled a great many places from their wedding day. They moved to Dover prior to August 1898, because the oldest of their 12 children, Millie, was married in their home in Dover on August 7, 1898. "Grandpa Brewer" held many positions in his life including working as a carpenter and farmer. He pulled streetcars with his team of horses, and at his death he owned a grocery in Ft. Smith.

Grandma spent her time raising her family and entertaining her grandchildren with stories of her Indian ancestors. At her death in 1949, she was 91 years old and had outlived 7 of her 12 children.

The Brewer's fourth child was Robert Matison Brewer. Although born in Snowball, Robert came to Dover with his family and on Easter, March 27, 1910, married Eula Hughes. Eula was the daughter of Allen Albert and Isabella Gaines Hughes, also longtime residents of Pope County. The Brewers had three daughters; Norma Ruth, Lucille, and Nina Irene. Norma was born on their farm outside of Dover before the family moved to west Texas. After farming for a season, the Brewers moved to Stigler, Oklahoma, where Lucille was born. One move more to Spiro where Robert was a nurseryman ended their living outside of Dover where Irene was born.



Robert Matison Brewer — Eula Brewer — Norma Ruth, Lucille, & Nina Irene (sitting).

Robert farmed outside Dover, hauled freight between Russellville and Dover, and in 1919, he followed in his father's footsteps and entered the grocery business where he remained until his retirement in 1954. At one time there were three members of the Brewer family who owned grocery stores in Dover. Robert was in competition with his brother-in-law, John Eudy, and next door to the Bre-

wer Grocery, another brother-in-law, Henry McGee, had a grocery business. Robert died at the age of 84 in 1972, and his widow, Eula, remained in the home they had built in 1924 until August 1976. From that time on, she has lived with her youngest daughter, Irene Bowers in Fayetteville.

The Brewers middle daughter, Lucille, graduated from Russellville High School and then moved to Tulsa to attend business college and live with her oldest sister, Norma. While there, she met and married James N. Slack. After working for the Department of Agriculture, they settled in Tulsa, where Jim worked for Amerada Petroleum Corporation, and raised two children, Jerry and Nakita. Jerry is married to Carole Grant and lives in Nashville where he is a builder and city planner. Nakita, a former teacher, is married to Lyle Moffitt, who is also a high school teacher. Their children, Bram Matison and Tara Colleen, are two of the youngest members of the seventh generation of Zadock and Mary Brumley Brewer.

by Nakita Slack Moffitt

JESSE BRINGLE

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Jessee and Margaret Bringle were born and married in North Carolina, and came to Arkansas between 1848 and 1850. In 1850, they had five children at home. One daughter, Charlotte A. had married Thomas K. Scarlett of Conway County in December 1848, and had a child nine months old in 1850 and was living with her parents. Of these five children, Alexander was the youngest, being born in Tennessee in 1842. The other children were also born in Tennessee. By 1860, all their children had either married or had passed away except Alex, who was still at home. Margaret died 15 July 1889, and was said at the time to have had six children, four of them preceding her in death.

Alexander Bringle married Hanah A. Rye, August 2, 1866 and she died November 26, 1890, leaving two sons and one daughter. Alexander later married Maggie Rollow. The oldest son of Alex and Hanah Bringle was Rufus, who was born in 1869 and died in 1931. He had married Sallie Poynter and they had four children.

Haynes Bringle, son of Rufus and Sallie Poynter Bringle, married Mildred Gardner of Russellville in 1923. Haynes was a Linotype Operator and worked for the Courier Democrat for thirty-three years. He was also on the Russellville Fire Department twenty-one years and retired from that in 1950. He and Mildred were members of the Methodist church and Mildred still continues to attend there. He was also a member of official board of First Methodist Church, member of United Travelers, Civil Defense and a retired fireman.

He and Mildred had two daughters: Charlene and James Robert Burns were married February 20, 1949 and they had two children. They live in Deer Park, Texas. Mildred Beth married Jimmy Batson and they have two children and live in Pasadena, Texas. After the death of Haynes in 1965, Mildred continued

to work for C. & D. Drug Store as a saleslady and is still following that position today.

by Mildred Bringle

WM. THOMAS BROACH

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Our earliest record is contained in a letter from my great grandfather, Abner Broach, dated May 2, 1879, McClellandville, South Carolina, to his son, W.T. Broach in Arkansas, deploring the fact that at 89 years of age he would never see his son again, since he had moved to the "wilds of Arkansas, at the back side of the world." He died in 1879 at the age of 90.

Wm. Thomas Broach had moved from South Carolina to Alabama in the 1840's, and served in the CSA Alabama Rangers in the Civil War. Wounded, walking home months after the surrender, he found his family together with his wife's brother's family, wagons packed, ready to move to Texas! However, he and his family remained in Walker County, Alabama until 1877 before migrating to Arkansas. With him, he took a testimonial from his neighbors, and from the judge of Walker County a recommendation as an upright, prosperous citizen. He bought a farm in the Happy Bend Community of Pope County and lived quietly until his death in 1883. He is buried in Happy Bend Cemetery. His young son, William James Broach, seven years old at the time, grew up in his half-sister's care.

W.J. Broach acquired all the education offered by the local schools and worked, studied and read, further educating himself. He was married to Miss Victoria Pettit, of Pope County, 1897, whose family were also pioneer settlers of Pope County, moving to Arkansas about 1868. The Pettit family will be remembered in Atkins as Mrs. Mary Stone, who was my mother's mother, and Mrs. Nan Hooper, my aunt.

W.J. Broach moved his family from the farm to Atkins in 1905, raised his family of four sons and two daughters. He was associated with the firm of Darr & Lemley until he acquired his own business about 1910. He remained in business until the great depression of the '30s. During his active years he was a force for education, church, and community betterment until his death in Atkins in 1945. The family burial plot is in Atkins Cemetery.

The family has long since scattered, the closest to Atkins being Dr. W.J. Broach, Dean of Science, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

I am the eldest of the children of the late W.J. Broach of Atkins.

by Ollie Broach Harris

BROOKS — PRICE FAMILY HISTORY

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John C. Brooks, born 1854 and died 1917, was one of eleven surviving children of William Brooks and was an early resident of Pope County, Arkansas. William Brooks, was born



J.C. Brooks

in Stanley County, North Carolina, in 1823, settled in Pope County, Arkansas, at about the age of 15 years. He acquired land with underlying coal and minerals as well as owning probably one of the first cotton gins (mule powered) in this area. The one, mule power, cotton gin was located at Bethel, some three and a half miles southeast of Russellville, Arkansas, and about one mile northwest of the log house where the William Brooks family resided. John C. Brooks operated the gins Power Plant, etc., drove the mule when he was only a lad of a boy.

John C. Brooks married Ellen Ferguson in 1892. Ellen was the daughter of John and Tennessee Ferguson who were early settlers of Pope County. The newly married couple received the customary chevarie and during the "hoe down" that ensued, some high stepper kicked over a churn of milk placed near the stove in preparation of making buttermilk. At this point in time it is not known what connection, if any, the buttermilk was to



Ellen Ferguson Brooks

have had with the party, and there was no report of any other jugs having been broken. To this union was born four surviving children: Floyd E. Brooks, Bessie Mae Brooks, Ruth A. Brooks and Corinne Brooks.

Floyd E. Brooks married Ruby Shinn in 1917. The Shinn family was a pioneer family engaged in farming and owned coal mines in the Shinn basin south of Russellville as did the Brooks'. Four children were born to Floyd and Ruby Shinn Brooks: John D. Brooks, Dan W. Brooks, Marion Brooks and Martha Ellen Brooks who moved to the Houston, Texas, area in the 1930's. John D. Brooks is engaged in railroading and Dan W. Brooks is employed by the postal service.

Bessie Brooks married Adlai (Adley) Price of Walker County, Alabama, in 1915. Adley Price died in 1949. Their children are Thomas B. Price and Hilda Price Lindsey. Thomas Price married Catherine Bruton in 1949 and they had one daughter, Gayle Price, who married Michael W. Holt of Dallas, Texas.

Thomas Price, Bessie Price and Corinne Brooks live at the old home place in Russellville and have been engaged in business on a limited basis for better than thirty years.

by Thomas B. Price



WILLIAM BROOKS, SR.



REBECCA MALINDA COOPER BROOKS

FAMILY OF WILLIAM BROOKS, SR.

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William Brooks, Sr. b. 1823, Stanley Co. NC landed at old Dwight Mission, Pope Co. in 1838. He accompanied his sister Hester Brooks b. 1822 who had just married Nathaniel Duncan Shinn (Judge) before they left Stanley Co. NC. Their father, also Wm. Brooks d. 1825 and mother Tempie Jane Tucker Brooks (1804-1896) later remarried a Mr. Ledbetter, had lived in Stanley Co. near the Rocky River as 2nd generation settlers. Forebearers had come originally from England to Virginia, then to the headwaters of Yadkin River, NC, thence to Chatham Co. and finally to Stanley Co. Another brother, Henry Brooks accompanied Wm. Brooks and Hester. A Homestead was settled in the old Bethel Community.

Wm. Brooks married Sarah Jane Graham b. 1821 on Feb. 1, 1844. She was a sister to Mary Ann Russell who was married to Dr. Thomas Russell after whom the town of Russellville was named. Sarah died in 1860 leaving a family of six: Mary Jane, Catherine Elizabeth, James Henry, Martha Ann, Sarah Ellen and John Calvin.

Rebecca Malinda Cooper b. 1841 arrived in Pope Co. via river boat, landing in Pine Bluff in 1860. She too was born in Stanley Co. and upon the death of her mother Christina Shoffner Cooper b. 1812 d. 1860. Her father Caswell Cooper b. 1814 d. 1862 brought his children to Arkansas. Besides Rebecca Melinda were Noah Wellington, Jacob Jethroe, John E., Elizabeth, Margaret & Pinckney.

W. Brooks, Sr. and Rebecca Malinda were married in Russellville Nov. 1862. Their 1st child, Joanna Clementine b. 1863, married John Hamblen in 1881. Wm., Jr. married Fr-

ances Eugenia Perry in 1894, Dora Alta b. 1871 d. 1959, Walter Caswell b. 1874 married Ruth Autry 1922, Lucy Etta b. 1877 married John Henry Hamlin in 1929, Tempie Selma b. 1879 married J.H.A. Baker in 1913.

Now living are Walter Caswell's two sons: Dr. Walter Allen b. 1924 married Marilyn Rose Gulley in 1947 with two children born-Rebecca Ann b. 1951 married George Fournier 1978 and Mariruth b. 1953; Dr. Robert Autrey b. 1929, married Jean Hammond 1956 with two children, Robert Hammond b. 1957 and Janet Esther b. 1959.

Tempie Selma's only child, Rebecca Jane b. 1915 was married to Willis Lloyd Stowers b. 1915 on Aug. 18, 1938. Born of this union were three children: Roselinda Brooks b. 1940 married Robert H. Johnson 1967-children, Timothy Cary b. 1968 and Rebecca Kathryn b. 1970; Rebecca Jane, the Younger b. 1945 and married James H. Raddin, Jr. in 1967, children, James Christopher b. 1969 and Rebecca Jane b. 1972; Willis Lloyd Stowers, Jr. b. 1949, married to Carolyn Lee Miller in 1972 with one child, Jennifer Faith b. 1976.

Wm. Brooks, Sr. d. 1883, served honorably in the Confederate Army. Bought 600 acres of bottom land and 160 acres homesteaded at Bethel. He owned a cotton gin and the Brooks Coal Mine providing the first coal to Russellville. Rebecca Melinda died in 1928.

by Rebecca Jane Baker Stowers

EMISON ETHRIDGE BROWN

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Emison Ethridge Brown, son of S.L. and Sarah Ferguson Brown, was born Oct. 4, 1882, in Pottsville, Ar. Of Methodist faith, he was a farmer, later worked for the Railroad, and then tried coal mining for a while. On his 21st birthday, he married Hattie Staggs at the Pottsville Presbyterian Church. After his marriage, he farmed for awhile; but, feeling there was something better in life, he turned to refrigeration. He was employed by the Ark., Okla. Ice Co. for forty years, and during World War II he worked at the Pine Bluff Arsenal in electrical refrigeration. Hattie died June 9, 1952, and E.E. died October 23,

1958. E.E. and Hattie had seven children, of which four died in infancy and three lived to be grown and married.

Ross, the eldest and better known as Spider Brown, was born Feb. 15, 1906 at Pottsville and moved to Russellville with his parents when he was small. He, also, was of Methodist faith. Spider attended Russellville schools, was a star football player and Captain of his team. In his early years, he, also, was employed by the Ark., Okla. Ice Co. In the early 1930's he married Bessie Simpson. Later, he worked for and became manager of the Voss-Hutton-Barbee Co., from which he retired due to ill health. Ross died in 1968. Ross and Bessie had three daughters: Jane, married to Dorsey Jones and now living in Russellville, Joan, married to Jackie Garrison and living at Hector, and Jean, once married to Everett Cravens, and now living at Dover with her son, Troy.

Mildred was born Jan. 13, 1910, in Russellville, and received her education in the Russellville school district. She was reared in the Cumberland Presbyterian faith. In 1929 she married Veo A. Dalrymple, who is mentioned in the family history of John Dee and Tennie Dixon Dalrymple. Mildred and Veo had two children: Barbara Elizabeth, born Oct. 5, 1935 and David Almond, born Sept. 7, 1948. Barbara is a graduate of Russ. High School and was once married to Roger D. Burrell, who now lives in So. La. She has two children by this marriage: Roger D., Jr. and Sandra Dawn. Roger, Jr. also makes his home in So. La., and Sandra is graduating this year from Russellville High School. Barbara is now married to Charles Wayne Roberts and they are living in Russellville. David received his education in Russellville schools. He married April Henderson, daughter of Fred and Ophelia Henderson, in 1967, and they have one daughter, Ladena Kay, born June 1, 1968. Ladena is attending Crawford school at this time. David is employed at Cogswell Motors Ford Co. as a mechanic.

Mildred grew up interested in the medical profession. She first was employed in the field by Dr. Louis M. Smith, well known surgeon in Russellville. Later, upon his return

from World War II, she was employed by Dr. Brooks R. Teeter; moving with him in his affiliation first with the Ark. Valley Clinic, and then on to the Millard-Henry Clinic. She remained at Millard-Henry for twenty years, watching it grow from four Doctors to twelve before retiring in 1975. Husband, Veo, is also retired. He was a butcher in Russellville for many years, also working later for Woody's motel and driving a Conoco bulk truck. Mildred and Veo are living in Russellville and making plans for celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in June, 1979.

Ross and Mildred's sister, Mary Elizabeth was born Oct. 12, 1918 in Russellville. She attended Russ. schools and graduated from RHS in 1936. She, also, attended the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. She was married in 1937 to R.L. (known as Mutt) Canerday, son of Ira and Pearl Canerday. One son was born of this union: James Ethridge, born June 28, 1938. Elizabeth and Mutt moved to California in 1949, where he ran a service station and she was bookkeeper for a ginning Co. Jimmy received his education in California and married Anna Parsley there. They have a daughter, Andrea Lynn age 19, and a son, Mark, age 16. Jim is the manager for several meat markets. Elizabeth's husband, R.L., died in 1961. Then in 1965, she married Clifton Landers, a florist, in California. They are members of the Assembly of God Church in Porterville, Ca., and are enjoying a busy retirement.

by Mildred Dalrymple

JOHN BROWN

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BROWN, John, son of William Brown and a nephew of Isaac Brown. Lauretta, wife of John, was the daughter of Isaac, brother of Wm. Isaac and William are descended from Martin Brown who settled in Pittsylvania Co. and later in Halifax, Va. William was in the Rev. War, 1760 when he went in service. After the war he lived in S.C., Ga., Ala. and was living in Monroe Co., Miss. when he applied for a pension. Among his children were Wm., Isaac and Eliza. Isaac came to Pope Co. John visited his uncle Isaac, met his cousin Lauretta and married her. This is the first recorded marriage in Pope Co. John, b. Apr. 13, 1805 in Ga. married Aug. 28, 1831 and d. Aug. 26, 1878 and Lauretta, b. Jan 17, 1811 in Ga. d. July 17, 1887, both buried in Brown Cemetery in Pope County. Their children were James Isaac Brown, b. 9 Mar. 1844, close to Dover, Nancy Ann Eliza Brown, b. 18 July, 1846, Dover, m. to George Washington Newton, b. 13 Feb. 1835, Johnson Co., Ark., Major Confed., Civil War. m. 1 Feb. 1866, Dover, Pope Co., Ark; Martha A. Brown, m. to Dsmurl H. Rye, M.D. Major Newton was in Pope Co. at the beginning of the Civil War and enlisted in the Confederate service in Capt. Thomas Linton's Co., Scott's Squadron in Ark. until after the battle of Elkhorn, when he transferred with Brooks Battalion to Miss. He became ill, was discharged and came home and later re-enlisted in Jackson's Regiment, Shelby's Div.



NANCY ANN ELIZA BROWN NEWTON, DAUGHTER OF JOHN AND LAURETTA BROWN AND WIFE OF GEORGE WASHINGTON NEWTON.

of Ark. and was in many battles, one Gen. Price's famous raid through Mo. in 1864. After the war he moved to Boone Co., Ark. where he founded a seminary at Rally Hill. He was a minister of the Baptist church and preached a good many years. He lived in Boone Co. until he moved to Texas. He and his wife, Nancy are buried in Cameron, Texas. George W. Newton was the son of Wm. M. Harvey Newton, b. 11 Nov. 1801, Franklin Co., Ga. and Laura Hester Lee, b. 30 Jan. 1804, Wm. M.H. was the son of Rev. Thomas Newton, b. 12 Dec. 1763 and Ann Martin, b. 12 June, 1766. Rev. Thomas was the son of Ebenezer Newton, b. 1725-30 and Elizabeth Buchanan. Laura Hester Lee was the daughter of Decatur Lee and Sally (Sarah) Lee. Decatur's father was John Lee and mother Elizabeth . Sarah, or Sally was the daughter of Andrew Lee, Rev. Sol and Nancy Ann Wilson. Nancy Ann was the daughter of Russell Wilson and Susanne Rutherford whose father was Robert Rutherford.

The children of George W. Newton and Nancy A.E. Brown: Jefferson David, married (1) Martha Edmondson, (2) unknown. Dixie married Dan Clark, M.D.; John Hale, married Effie Bell Morgan; William Rowland, married (1) Ella Whitesides (2) Matilda Julia Mondirk; Mary Emma E.J., married Perry D. Hobson; George W., single; Martha Ernestine, married

(1) Floyd M. Dodd (2) Martin L. Hall; Laura Hester, married (1) unknown (2) Bob Pittsley; Anna James, married Seth Monroe Corley; Minnie Ethel, married (1) J.B. Bradley (2) Kennedy Rogers and (3) Major Bates.

by Mrs. Henry S. Schieffer

JOHN JACKSON BROWN

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John Jackson Brown and Polly McClain Brown came to Pope County from Ashville, St. Clair County, Ala. in 1853. The exact number of children in this family is unknown. One son, James A. Brown, born 31 Jan. 1840, was a member of Co. C, 4th Arkansas Cavalry during the War between the States and is buried in Pollard Cemetery. Another son, William Marion Brown was born 7 Aug. 1850 in Alabam. William M. married Mollie S. Woodworth 8 Nov. 1883. This family homesteaded a 160 acre farm in the Broomfield community of north Pope County. One son, John D. Brown, served in the U.S. Expeditionary Forces during World War I and was buried in the National Cemetery at Little Rock. The oldest daughter, Roxie Ann, married George W. Wallace 3 Sept. 1911 in Pope County. The three children born of this marriage were: Marion Wallace, born 16 Nov. 1912; Lonnie W., born 8 Jan. 1915, served in

World War II, died 10 June 1977 and is buried Charleston, Mo.; and Obie Mae Wallace, (the writer) born 9 Feb. 1920. Obie Mae and George Edd Sayer married and had the following four children: Edward L., born 17 Oct. 1938; Ann Mae, born 6 Apr 1941, died in infancy; Harold L., born 19 Nov. 1942; and Roger D. Sayer, born 5 Feb. 1956.

by Obie M. Sayer

MARTHA DELILAH (MATTIE) BROWN

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Miss Mattie Brown
1896-1971

Martha Delilah Brown was born on May 3, 1896, at Patterson Bluff, Logan County, Arkansas, daughter of James and Martha Plunkett Brown. Her father died when she was only 18 months old. Times were hard for Martha and her mother, and at the age of 15 she began teaching school in order to earn money for college. She first taught during the summer months in Logan County Country schools and later during the regular terms at Magnolia. She attended Arkansas State Teachers College (now University of Central Arkansas) and in 1922 was the first to receive a B.S. Degree from that institution. During the summer of 1923 she was Hostess at the YMCA Camp on Petit Jean Mountain and taught school at Morrilton that fall.

Martha and her mother moved to Russellville in 1924 where she became a history teacher at the high school there. In the summer of 1933 she earned her M.S. Degree at the University of Arkansas writing her thesis on "A History of River Transportation in Arkansas from 1819-1880." The original of this paper may be found in the Pope County Library.

"Miss Mattie," as she was known to her friends and former students, served as the first woman principal of Russellville High School from 1945 until 1957. While associated so closely to the school system she

personally was known to have assisted many students who needed money or clothing in order to remain in school. Her personal funds were also used quite often in the repair and upkeep of the school's physical plant. Long hours without overtime was common practice for Miss Mattie — a truly dedicated educator. In 1957 she was forced to retire because of ill health.

Miss Mattie was a member of Central Presbyterian Church and over the years she wrote and gave many Bible studies for her circle and the United Presbyterian Women. She was a Charter Member of Delta Kappa Gamma and served as local president and state vice-president of the American Association of University Women. She was a member of the Pope County Historical Society for which she wrote numerous articles. She belonged to the Book Lovers Study Club and the China Decorators Club of Russellville.

Miss Mattie died on May 24, 1971, and is buried near her parents and grandparents in the Prairie View Cemetary near Scranton in Logan County.

by Mrs. Flave W. Peters

DARIUS BRYAN

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Darius Bryan was born in North Carolina, August 11, 1814 and died in Russellville, Arkansas, February 4, 1876. Elizabeth Susan Hamilton, born in Tennessee, March 3, 1825, died in Russellville, Arkansas, February 13, 1876.

Darius Bryan came to Arkansas from North Carolina about 1840 and settled in the Bakers Creek Community north of Russellville. He built a log house and in 1883, built the house that is still standing today. He married Elizabeth Hamilton in Pope Co. in 1842. They lived and farmed on Baker's Creek for a few years, then moved to Russellville. He became well known and highly honored throughout the section. He served as constable for his

township for several years. While running a hotel in Russellville in 1876, it has been said that a traveler came in with the smallpox and Mr. Bryan took them and died then in four days his wife also died with the smallpox. Darius and Elizabeth were the parents of ten children, seven sons and three daughters: Lorenzo Dow, A.P. (Mack), Miranda Roxanna, James Wellington, Algeanun (Nun), Robert Vandalia (Bob), Louis Negalian (Gale), Belle Zora, Elnora, and William Ellen.

A.P. Bryan born November 8, 1846 was always a resident of Pope County, and for conscientious discharge of every duty in every relation in life no man was more worthy of respect and esteem than he. In 1868, he married Miss Nancy Ann Hethie Mullens, she being a native of the state of Georgia, born September 3, 1845. She came with her family to Arkansas when she was twelve years of age. They arrived by covered wagon on Christmas day 1857 at Cagle Rock, Arkansas. The Mullens family later settled at Center Valley.

A.P. and Nancy Ann had a family of six children. Their names being as follows: Eliza Ellen married (1) George Wheeler and (2) Jim Scarborough; Charles Darius; Preshuie Elizabeth; Finis, married Myrtle Rushing; William Franklin married Lucy Chambers and George Washington who married Trobi Burt.

By hard work and good management, Mr. Bryan became the owner of 252 acres of land, 90 of which was in cultivation and on which he erected a substantial farm residence completed in 1885. He had an excellent orchard and grape vinyard. He was a member of Russellville Lodge No. 1353 of the K. of H. (Knights of the Court of Honor). The Bryan family were Baptist and Presbyterian. For many years he owned and operated a cotton gin, grist mill, blacksmith shop and a country store at Bakers Creek.

Nancy Ann Bryan died February 21, 1907 at the Bryan family home. A.P. died May 6, 1910. His two younger sons, William F. and George W. took over the operation of the



Front: Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bryan. Back L to R: Louis Negalian Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Dow Bryan, Robert Vandalia Bryan, A.P. Bryan. 1888.



Nancy Ann Bryan, Charles D. Bryan, A.P. Bryan and an unidentified hunter in Colorado. — 1893.

complex after his death and ginned cotton there until about 1921. The store was sold to their cousin, Archie Mullens.

George W. Bryan was born Aug. 31, 1877, and died March 3, 1948. He went to school in the old Bakers Creek school and lived and died on the old homeplace that was settled by his grandfather. He was married to Frances Lettrobe Burt of Clarksville, Arkansas, July 13, 1910. To this union seven children were born. Kathleen, married Alvie Himphrey; Robert Eugene, married (1) Jeanette Tackett and after her death remarried; Pauline, married Hubert Norvell; James A., married Estelle Patton; Ellawee, married H.M. Rose; George D., married Ona Whittenburg and Burt L. married Virginia Woods. They attended the Bakers Creek school and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Shiloh and later they attended the Bakers Creek Baptist Church. Mrs. Frances Burt Bryan who was born October 4, 1883, died December 10, 1977.

Burt L. Bryan was born and reared on the old Darius Bryan homeplace, in the Bakers Creek Community. He was born May 11, 1925. He and Virginia were the parents of three children: Russell Wayne; Louise, who married G.W. Hogan and they have a son, Brent Allen; Harold David Bryan, married De-lores Wheeler. All are living in Pope County. Burt is still living in the Bakers Creek Community on the old homeplace, settled in 1838.

by Kathlene Bryan Humphrey and Burt Bryan

WILLIAM BRYAN

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WILLIAM BRYAN born 22 May 1781 in Bertie County, North Carolina, married MARTHA in North Carolina about 1805. They remained in N.C. until after the births of several of their children then moved to Georgia, but by the year 1818 they were on their way to

Tennessee, as a son, John Arthur was born in Alabama. By 1820 they were living in Harde-man County, Tennessee, where they remained until 1836 when they moved to Pope County, Arkansas, and lived near the present city of Russellville. By the time they came to Arkansas some of their children were married and had families of their own, who also came with them.

In 1842 tragedy struck the Bryans! First, on 27 January, 1842 Martha died then on 30 April 1842 William died, and a child Sarah also died. Family "tradition" says they were struck by an epidemic of Dysentery. They were buried in "Old Shiloh" Cemetery near Russellville, Arkansas. CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND MARTHA BRYAN: ELLEN PATRICK BRYAN born 1809 N.C. WILLIAM OSBORNE BRYAN born 1813 N.C.; John Arthur Bryan born 1818 Ala.; Elizabeth Bryan born 1816 N.C.; Sarah Bryan born 1820 Tenn. After the deaths of the parents, the new Republic of Texas was again accepting Emigrants, so the children of William and Martha Bryan moved to Cass County, Texas, in 1846.

The writer's Ancestor, William Osborne Bryan born 1813 in N.C. married Mary Simmons Harris in Hardeman County, Tennessee, 18 December 1833. They left Pope County in 1846 and moved to Cass County, Texas, where my Grandfather, Harvey Curtis Bryan was born in 1854 their last child, since William Osborne Bryan died the following year. Harvey Curtis Bryan was the father of my mother, Era Verona Bryan Carlton.

by Marie Carlton Wilkerson

CLIFFORD TURNER BRYSON

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In 1908, the Rev. Clifford Turner Bryson was called to the pastorate of the Pottsville-Bethany Associate Reformed Presbyterian

Church, which was organized as the Pisgah Church in 1853. A native of Guntown, Mississippi, he lived near Brice's Crossroads Battlefield, and was a member of the Bethany, Miss., A.R.P. Church. He attended Erskine College, Due West, S.C. during the years 1900-1907, graduating from the college in 1905 and the seminary in 1907.

His first pastorate was the Chicota (Lamar County) Texas, A.R.P. Church, which he served June, 1907, to December, 1908, when the Texas Associate Reformed Presbytery joined the United Presbyterian Church. He accepted the call that had been extended to him earlier to become the fourth installed pastor the then 55-year-old Pottsville church. Both his home church and the Chicota church were organized by people who came from the same area in North and South Carolina from which these people had come to Pope County. Pisgah Church, Gaston County, N.C., and Bethany Church, York County, S.C. were parent churches for these three churches in three states.

Mr. Bryson was born January 15, 1883, the oldest child of Rutherford Augustus and Jennie Smythe Bryson, whose parents came to Mississippi from Laurens County, S.C. Their ancestors were French Huguenots and Scots. As a boy, Mr. Bryson had a leg badly mangled when a team of mules ran away with the wagon he was driving. The doctor said that nothing could be done for him, but the boy was so insistent that the doctor managed to stop the bleeding. He warned the parents that the boy would never walk on that leg. He not only lived, but he planned and carried out his own therapy, so that in later years few people realized the extent of his injury. One of his friends in the mountains of northern Pope County considered himself a good walker, but one day he said, "Professor, you sure fooled me. You are such a big man that I figured I would outwalk you, not trail you, like I'm doing now." When asked why he called the preacher "professor", he answered, "Well, to tell the truth, you look like a saloon-keeper, but I thought it would be safer to call you 'professor'."

Mr. Bryson married Miss Julia Poston of Statesville, N.C., Nov. 20, 1907. She was a graduate of the Due West Female College, and taught music there for several years. They had four children: Julia (1910-), Rutherford Calvin (1916-), William Poston (1919-1945), and Mabel Elizabeth (Jan-July, 1914) Mrs. Bryson died in 1919 and is buried in Statesville, N.C.

In 1921, Mr. Bryson married Isabelle Young, of Atoka, Tennessee. She was a teacher in the Tipton County, Tn., schools before her marriage. They had one child — Sarah Isabelle (Sept. 19-22, 1922).

Mr. Bryson taught school in Pottsville two years. He taught the 11th grade when it was added to the school, because the teacher at that time did not feel qualified to teach it, and the next year he was superintendent of the school. He was active in community affairs, serving on various boards. He was particularly interested in the development of good ecumenical relations in the community. The Union Meetings began in 1922, and the Union

Bible School sometime later. He died in 1948 after a pastorate of 40 years. Mrs. Bryson died in 1954. They and the three children are buried in Pisgah Cemetery.

Julia Bryson Married James Thomas Oates. R. C. Bryson married Frances Brownlee Boyce of Baldwin, Mississippi. They graduated from Erskine College in 1937. He was associated with the Statesville Flour Mills before moving to Charlotte in 1960, where he was Vice-President — Finance of Biggers Brothers, and a partner in the Charlotte Controlled Storage Co. until he retired in 1977. They have two children. R. Calvin, Jr., married Judy Ann Hagan of Donalds, S.C. They have three children, Elizabeth Ann, R. C., III, and Virginia Hagan. They live in Charlotte. Emma married George F. Moore, Jr., of Columbia, S.C. Their two daughters are Bryson Brownlee and Mary Faith.

by Julia Oates

DR. MAXAMILLIAN HAYNIE BUCHANAN

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Dr. Maxamillian Haynie Buchanan was born in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee in 1846 and settled at Gum Log in Pope County in the 1870's. His wife Betty Ann McAnulty bore him five children: Haynie, Vannie, Mable, Esker, and Ida. Esker and Ida later died in childbirth and the motherless children were raised by Dr. and Mrs. Buchanan. As a country doctor, Max rode a horse to his patients and was often paid in poultry or vegetables.

Vannie Buchanan (1881-1931) married Zettie Ann Darter (1882-1968). While living in Pope County Vannie and Zettie raised five children. They were: Ruth, Okla, Byron, Troy and Reba, who later died at the age of three years. The children attended school at Gum Log and Russellville and were members of the Methodist Church.

Ruth Buchanan became the wife of Charles Ashmore. Okla Buchanan married Ansel Jacobs of Lamar after attending Arkansas Tech, which at the time was a secondary school. Okla and Ansel had one daughter, Betty Ann who married Charles Bright. The Brights have a daughter, Miss Amber Bright of Little Rock. After the death of Ansel, Okla married Finis Overby, also, of Lamar.

Troy married Marle Young of Gravel Hill and they have two children, Victoria Ann and William.

Byron Buchanan and Girtrue Henry were married in 1937. At the time Byron was a body man for Euel Walthall and Girtrue was a beautician in Russellville. Later Byron became the owner of the Buchanan Body Shop in Russellville. Their children: Dr. Robert Wayne Buchanan married Leri Bailey; Victor Byron married Nancy Linsey of Sheridan; and Martha Jan who married Edwin R. Outlaw II. Byron and Girtrue have five beautiful grandchildren: Becky, Russell, Jeffrey, Jessica and Edwin Roy III. Mr. Buchanan is now retired from the body business while Mrs. Buchanan manages the Colony Shop of Russellville.

by Martha Jan Buchanan Outlaw

BULLOCK-GOODIER

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Wallace Robert Bullock, son of Robert Caldwell Bullock and Matilda Wells Bullock, was born September 20, 1890 at Dardanelle, AR (Yell County), and died October, 1958, at Russellville, AR.

He was educated in schools at Dardanelle and Pope County and took a course in business administration in a business college in Little Rock.

He came to Russellville in 1917 and was employed twelve years by the Plunket Jarrell Grocery Co. as a salesman. He later was promoted to manager of the firm's wholesale dept. where he served for several years. He became the manager of the Purity Ice Cream and Creamery Co. of Russellville, and after several years in that capacity, was Business Manager of St. Mary's Hospital at Russellville. He resigned to run for County Judge to which office he was elected in 1943. He served until forced to retire because of heart trouble one year later.

He married Catherine May Goodier, daughter of Joseph Goodier and Mary Lawrence Goodier, born August 6, 1891, at Dardanelle, AR (Yell Co.), died at Russellville, AR.

Mrs. Bullock was educated in schools at Dardanelle.

They are the parents of one daughter, Violet Vance Bullock, born September 10, 1910 at Dardanelle, AR. She was married to James Madison White on June 21, 1945, son of John W. White and Laura P. White.

by Mrs. J. Madison White

WILLIAM GREEN BULLOCK

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William Green Bullock (27 Apr., 1851, Dresden, Tenn. — 13 Oct., 1925, Dover, Ark.), a teacher, farmer and hotel proprietor, came to Pope County in 1857 at age 6, in an

ox-drawn, tar-pole wagon, with five brothers, from Dresden, Tenn. His parents, William Jefferson and Mary Ann (Wallace) Bullock, settled north of Dover, where three more sons and two daughters were born, and where, in 1860, they were joined by her parents, Andrew and Catherine (Newman) Wallace, from Dresden, Tenn. They had migrated to Fountain Run, Ky., in 1813, from York Co., So. Car., along with Catherine's parents, Jonathan Newman, Rev. soldier, and his wife, Elizabeth McElwee.

After obtaining the education offered by the Pope County schools, William Green went to an academy at Mountain Home in Baxter County. Returning home, he began a life-long career of teaching, and late in 1871 or early in 1872, he married Louisa Maria Erwin (30 Oct., 1855, Greenville, Tenn. — 4 Oct., 1897, Hector, Ark.); Issue: (1) Robert Edward Lee Bullock (20 Sept., 1872 — 10 Feb., 1952); mar. 1st., Naomi Hickman (16 Dec., 1878 — 21 Oct. 1919); Issue: 7 sons and 2 daughters; mar. 2nd., Mittie (Frazier) Killins (died 27 Feb., 1953); Issue: 1 daughter. (2) Hattie Bullock (16 July, 1875 — 30 Jan., 1949); mar. Andrew Scott Hickman (22 Mar., 1872 — . . . 1944); Issue: 4 sons and 2 daughters. (3) John Harrison Bullock (23 Jan., 1878 — 3 July, 1934); mar. Opheliz McCarson; No issue. (4) Winfield Scott Bullock (3 Dec., 1879 — 9 Nov., 1955); mar. 1st., Stella May Jones (4 Feb., 18 . . . — 6 Oct., 1915); Issue: 2 sons and 2 daughters; mar. 2nd., Eliza Martha Young (4 June, 1886 — 4 June, 1963); Issue: 1 son and 4 daughters. (5) Benjamin Franklin Bullock (29 Feb., 1884 — 11 Aug., 1885). (6) Maud Bullock (12 Mar., 1886); mar. Leroy Pound (26 Nov., 1874 — Oct., 1958); Issue: 7 sons and 3 daughters. (7) Dora Bullock (12 May, 1888 — 29 Sept., 1892). (8) Lillian Bullock (12 Feb., 1892 — 21 July, 1899). (9) William Jefferson Bullock (5 Dec., 1894 — 20 July, 1899). William Green Bullock mar. 2nd., Josephine (Pound) Higgins (20 Dec., 1868 —



BULLOCK BROTHERS. L. to R. — AMOS, ANDREW WALLACE, ROBERT CLADWELL, WILLIAM GREEN, JOHN HARRISON, JACKSON T., JAMES JEFFERSON, THOMAS DANIEL, AND ALLEN WILBURN.

30 Apr., 1941); Issue: (10) Ruth Bullock (17 June, 1901 — 11 Nov., 1969); mar. Robert Wilson Karstetter; Issue 2 sons. (11) Rose Bullock (18 Jan., 1903); mar. 1st., Sanford Freeman; Issue: 3 sons and 2 daughters; mar. 2nd., Ray Cantrell; No issue; ma. 3rd., J.E. Stanley; No issue. (12) Unnamed infant, died at birth. (13) Dixie Green Bullock (16 Mar., 1905); mar. 1st., William Burris Vance; Issue: 1 daughter; mar. 2nd., Alfred Gwynne Karstetter; No issue.

William Green's father, William Jefferson Bullock, was one of the twelve children who were born to Amos Bullock, a Virginian, and Rachel Tompkins, a native of Tennessee, who married 9 Jan., 1805, at Franklin, Williamson County, Tennessee. Amos Bullock was a son of William Bullock and his wife Frances Harrison, who came to Tennessee about 1799 from Virginia. William was one of the original settlers at Franklin, and helped to lay out the town in the wilderness. He died testate there in 1808, and is buried there. William Jefferson, who was born at Franklin, 7 Oct., 1810, moved with his father Amos Bullock to Weakly County, Tenn., where he met Mary Ann Wallace, whom he married on 4 Dec., 1842. His father Amos died in Weakley County in 1858.

William Green Bullock, like his father, William Jefferson Bullock, was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church, and both of his wives were of that religious persuasion.

He died at Dover, 13 October, 1925, and is buried in the Dover Cemetery.

The descendants of William Green Bullock who are still living in Pope County are: Virginia Bullock Sorrells, dau. of Lee and Mittie Killins Bulloch, married Raymond Sorrells and they have four sons; Stephen, Randall (married to Melanie Coward and one son, Michael) James and Jeffrey. Virginia is a daughter of Lee Bullock.

Ilah Faye Bullock Roach, daughter of Scott and Eliza Bullock, married to George Roach and they have one daughter, Martha Bright who has two children. Wesley Ray, who is also married and has two children.

Also residing in Pope County is Marshall Neal Bullock, grandson of Lee Bullock and wife, formerly Mary Ella Cole.

by Cleburne G. Pound

WILLIAM JEFFERSON BULLOCK 99

William Jefferson Bullock, the oldest son of Amos Bullock and Rachel Tompkins, was born Oct. 7, 1810 in Tenn., and died in Pope Co., Ark., Sept. 13, 1883.

The father of Amos Bullock was William Bullock who was born in England and immigrated to America about 1775. This William Bullock died on the 13th of Jan., 1837, in Williamson Co., Tenn. The known children of William Bullock were Amos; Elizabeth, who married John Hay in 1817; and Nathan who married Sarah Hay in 1816.

Amos Bullock was born @1790 in Va. and married Rachel Tompkins in Williamson Co., Tenn. After the death of Rachel he married Thesia . Amos Bullock died in 1858 at

Dresden, in Weakley Co., Tenn. His known children were William Jefferson, born Oct. 7, 1810; Mary, b. @1811, m. Jackson Thompkins; John E.; Amos; Sarah E., b. June 4, 1818, m (1) Thos. Wilkins, (2) John Erwin, Jan. 4, 1859, d. Nov. 20, 1908; Ailsie, b. @1819, a school teacher, never married; Elizabeth, b. 1821, m. Charles Willis; and Nancy, who m. Mr. McLain.

William Jefferson Bullock married Mary Ann Wallace, Dec. 4, 1842. She was the daughter of Andrew Wallace who was born on shipboard off the coast of Ireland, and Catherine Newman, the daughter of Jonathan Newman of York Co., S.C. They immigrated to Pope Co., Arkansas in 1857 from Weakley County, Tenn. and settled near Scottsville. To them were born eleven children: Amos — born July 17, 1844, married (1) Lydia Rowland, (2) Mary E. Ross, died Oct. 13, 1910. When the Civil War began he volunteered as a member of Linton's Co., Gordon' Reg., and was wounded in the Battle of Pea Ridge; Andrew Wallace — born April 5, 1846, married (1) Mary Jane Jones (2) Mary Cagel, died March 18, 1925. He was a minister of Primitive Baptist faith; Robert Caldwell — born July 8, 1848, married (1) Matilda Wells, (2) Emma Gale Cotton, died August 2, 1915. He was a Judge and an attorney in Dardanelle, Ark.; William Green — born April 27, 1851, married (1) Louise Marian Erwin, (2) Josephine Pound, died Oct. 13, 1925.; John Harrison — born March 9, 1853, married (1) Rebecca Wood, (2) Mary Jones. He was an attorney in Yell County, Ark.; Jackson T. — born Sept. 22, 1855, married Winnie Price, the daughter of Allen A. Price and Rachel Campbell Price, Oct. 24, 1882, died Jan. 13, 1933. He was a Circuit Judge and attorney in Russellville, a Mason and a member of the Presbyterian Church.; Sarah Ann — born Dec. 22, 1857, married James H. Bibler, died 1880; James Jefferson — born Sept. 6, 1860, married Mary Jane Neal, died Dec. 23, 1927; Rachel

Catherine — born July 5, 1863, died 1872.; Thomas Daniel — born May 25, 1866, married Isabelle Gibson, died April 4, 1946. He was a school teacher and County Superintendent.; Allen Wilburn — born March 5, 1869, married Ruth Ann Bailey, died Oct. 10, 1953. He was a school teacher also.

The first six children were born in Weakley County, Tenn. The others in Pope County, Ark.

Many descendants of William Jefferson and Mary Ann Wallace Bullock are still living in the Pope County area. It is thought fitting to close this account with a special work of appreciation for the rich memory of Judge J.T. Bullock, the grandfather of the present writer. To his life and influence these remarks are made in grateful appreciation.

by Tom Bullock Wilson

THE BUNTON FAMILY

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John Lonzo Bunton, the son of John and Angeline Brooks Bunton, was born at Poplar Bluff, Butler County, Missouri in 1879. Around the turn of the century he married Cansada Wilsher. Cansada was born in Marion County, Arkansas in 1879 to John and Elizabeth Gilley Wilsher. John and Cansada Bunton lived around the towns of Clinton and Choctaw in Van Buren County. There they raised a family of six sons and a daughter. The eldest was James Roy (born December 8, 1901), followed by John Frank (born January 17, 1903), Charley Samuel (born September 3, 1905), Marion Monroe (born October 8, 1907), Arvel Virgil (born December 1, 1911), Clyde Calvin (born September 7, 1914) and Ethel May (born December 1, 1917). In February of 1920 John L. Bunton died of influenza and appendicitis. In July of 1922 Cansada died of pneumonia. After Cansada's death, the children sold their farm. The second and third sons, John and Charley, remained



John Lonzo and Cansada Wilsher Bunton

in Van Buren County, but later came to Pope County. Roy and his wife, Lucy Plumer Smith Bunton, their two children — Iona and Edna, with Marion, Arvel, Clyde, and Ethel loaded their possessions into a covered wagon and headed south-west for Pope County. In the Fall of 1922 they settled on Crow Mountain and moved into a two story log house. The family farmed 80 acres of corn and cotton. The boys trapped raccoon, opossum, mink, and fox. Red foxes were worth around \$25, followed by gray foxes, mink, raccoons, and opossums. The youngest son, Clyde, worked for a few years for the cooperage in Russellville. Then in 1934 he married Opal Lee Harris, the daughter of Boss and Mattie Ella Roberts Harris. They farmed for several years and Clyde later became a Baptist minister. Clyde is now retired from the Russellville Water Company. Clyde and Opal Bunton have four children — Clyde Junior, Loyd Denver, Sue Morphis, and Wanda Pazdera. James Roy Bunton now lives in Peoria, Arizona and has 7 children — Iona Marlor, Edna Poe, Vida Watts, Juanita Brown, Raymond, and Reba Williams. John and his wife, Ethel Goodin Bunton, now live in Iuka, Illinois and have 7 children — Gene, Mary Lois Dodd, Ruth Cox, Thelma Wiley, Doyle, Bonnie Vest, and Donald. Ethel (Hall) now lives in Stigler, Oklahoma. Charley Bunton (deceased) married Maybelle Passmore and they have one daughter — Lucille Yeager. Arvel (deceased) married Faye Clemmons and they have two sons — William Lee and Glen. Marion (deceased) married Katie Peters and they have 6 children — Lonzo, Woodrow, James, Lorene Hood, Nina Isaacson, and Allene Thompson.

by David Travillion Bunton

SAMUEL HOUSTON BURCH 101

SAMUEL HOUSTON BURCH was born January 28, 1833 and died June 23, 1901. He was the son of Richard and Mary Burch of Bradley Co., Tenn. About 1858, he and his wife Phoebe Simmons came by covered wagon to Pope County. Along with them in another wagon was his older brother Martin Burch and his wife, Jane Lay.

Huse picked an area of fertile soil in a valley and Martin picked an area on high ground. The two families worked together to build one house and lived there for ten years before building the other one.

During the Civil War Huse went into service. He had to lay out at night without proper covering and developed rheumatism, which resulted in an early discharge. The bushwhackers used to come through the county destroying livestock and property, and if they saw a man they would kill him. So Huse and Mart used to have to hide out in the woods a lot. Phoebe used to tell how she and Jane would labor for days setting up a loom and weaving, and then the bushwhackers would come in and cut the almost finished project out of the loom, ruining it, and they would have to start it all over again.

Huse Burch was a quiet man. He was kindly and hospitable, and was well spoken of, by



Samuel Houston Burch
(1833-1901)
Phoebe Simmons Burch
(1835-1910)

those who knew him. He never turned away anyone in need. When someone would come to him for meat or meal or other provisions, he would say: "Burch has got it, and you're welcome to it. Take what you need, friend." He made the needy feel welcome and not ashamed that they had asked.

Phoebe Burch was known by almost everyone as "Aunt Phoebe". She was literate, intelligent, and had a superb memory. She loved to talk to her grandchildren about the experiences of her early pioneer life. She was a stern disciplinarian and insisted on respect from the young members of her family.

Huse Phoebe Burch donated the land for the building of the Burch Missionary Baptist Church and Cemetery next to their home. Huse and Martin are buried in that cemetery and perhaps their wives. Phoebe died in 1910.

According to census records and memory of relatives, these were the children of Huse and Phoebe: John C. (married Elizabeth De-shazer); Amanda C. (married Hollie Hale); William F.; Nora A. (married 1. Doc Polk, Md. 2. Ira Goates); Millard (married Mary); Melvina (married Buster Hogan) and Samuel Houston, Jr. "Sam" (married Mattie Belle Sinclair).

Sam Burch, Jr. was born May 22, 1872 at the Burch homestead on the North Fork of the Illinois Bayou. He married Mattie Belle Sinclair, daughter of Wm. Henry and Mollie Beakes Sinclair on May 25, 1895. They were farmers except for a short period around 1906 when he operated a grocery store and post office in the Laurel community. He died Sept. 11, 1928 of a brain tumor. Belle died in 1956. They are both buried at McFadden Cemetery in Dover.

They had two children: Dicie Mae, born March 8, 1897 (married David Earl Tucker). And Louis Scott Burch, born 9-28-1905, (married Bess Heathcock). Scott and Bess live in Beecher City, Illinois. Their children: Boyce & Shirley.

Dicie and Earl Tucker had two children: Doyn Ray (married Jewell Washum) and Sibyl Loreine who married W.R. "Ted" Berry of Clay County, Ark. Sibyl and Ted Berry live in Pontiac, Michigan and so does Dicie Burch Tucker. She is 81 years old but continues to maintain her own home, including a large lawn and garden. She has six grandchildren, nineteen great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild, all in Michigan.

by W. Ross Berry

HENRY CARTER BURGESS 102

Henry Carter Burgess was a son of Iverson Carter Burgess, born North Carolina 15 Apr. 1831, came to Pope County by ox cart in 1872. He was the son of Henry and Ardia Hardin Burgess and had served in Co. E, 4th Ga. Calvary during the Civil War. Iverson Carter and his wife of 21 years, Dulcena Jolly Burgess settled in Augsburg. Iverson Carter died 2 July 1882 and is buried in the Burgess Cemetery. Dulcena had past her 100th birthday when she died 22 June 1934.

Dulcena and Iverson Carter had 13 children, one being Henry Carter who married Abi Emma Freeman in October of 1893. Henry Carter was a teacher who spent 53 years teaching. He taught his last years in London (1946-1949) when he retired at the age of 80. Henry and Abi had six children before her death in January of 1921. Eleven years later, Henry married Cleo Karnes. Henry Carter Burgess died 24 May 1955 in Searcy, Arkansas.

Vernon Orville Burgess, oldest son of Henry and Abi, was born in London, Ark. May of 1897. He became a teacher and school administrator being superintendent of London Schools in 1949 when the School District was added to Russellville by legislative act and at the time his father was a teacher in the same school. Vernon married Katherine Marguerite Stanley in Mt. Ida, Arkansas. She was also a teacher. Their children were: Vernon Orville, Jr; Woodrow Hamilton; Katherine Marguerite; Rebecca Abi, and Stanley Carter Burgess.

Rebecca Abi (Peggy) who was born at Durant, Oklahoma in 1924 met William Erie Crouch in the 10th grade at Russellville High School. They married in July of 1943 and settled in Russellville where their three children were born: Barbara Ann, born 18 July 1951; Lyndel Wayne, born 21 Feb. 1953; and Pamela Sue, born 11 March 1959.

by Pamela Sue Crouch

IVERSON CARTER BURGESS 103

Iverson Carter Burgess, the first member of the Burgess family in Pope County, was born in Rutherford county, North Carolina on the 15th of April 1831. He was the son of Henry C. Burgess and Adra Harden. In 1851 he married Dulcena Marinda Jolly, the daughter of Meredith Jolly and Nancy Logan, and in 1860 he and his family moved to Whitfield county, Georgia. He enlisted in the Confederacy there and served through the Civil War. After the war he and his family moved to Habersham county, Georgia and from there in the fall of 1871 left for Arkansas by wagon. He arrived in Pope county, Arkansas in December of 1871 and homesteaded at Augsburg in Northwest Pope county. I.C. Burgess died at his home in 1882 and his wife lived to be over 100 years old, dying in 1934. The log cabin they built when they came to Arkansas still stands to this day. Their son Gilpred B., Sidney C., Henry C., Iverson C., Thomas E., and

Marshall E. made distinguished contributions to their county and state.

Gilphred Burgess was a large landowner and farmer. In 1874 he married Sarah Francis Kennedy, daughter of Allen and Martha Kennedy. Their fourth child, Ras Berry Burgess, born in 1878 married Eliza Jane Smith in 1907. R.B. and Eliza were both school teacher who taught at Ross, Denny, Rye, Eastpoint, and other small communities. R.B. and Eliza had 3 sons, two of whom lived to adulthood, Thomas R. and Frederick Coleman.

Thomas R. Burgess married Mildred Louise McGehee, daughter of Henry Thomas McGehee and Nancy Emiline Brewer, in 1934. Mrs. Burgess's ancestors were truly pioneers. Her father H.T. McGehee was born at Clinton, Arkansas in 1881 and moved to near Dardanelle around 1900. Her maternal great, great grandfather, Robert Adams, was the first white settler of Searcy county, Arkansas coming there from Kentucky in 1818. His daughter, Miranda, married Lemuel Holsted also an early settler of Searcy county. Lemuel Holsted, a blacksmith, was killed near the end of the Civil War by Federal Scouts. Their daughter, Louiza, married James Matison Brewer, son of James Marion Brewer. James Marion Brewer was honored by an article in Goodspeed's History of the Ozark Region. James Matison and Louiza Brewer moved to Dover from Searcy county and many of their descendants live in Pope county today. Their daughter, Nancy Emiline Brewer, married H.T. McGehee in 1901.

Thomas R. Burgess is a graduate of the University of Arkansas with a degree in agriculture. He has taught school for 41 years of his life, 14 of those in the Russellville school system. At the present he and his wife live in Russellville and he works at the MARVA sheltered workshop.

Thomas R. and Mildred Burgess have four children. Thomas H. lives in Little Rock and owns an electronics manufacturing firm, Nancy Carolyn (Henley) lives in Nashville, Jana Mildred (Shores) lives in Russellville, and June Marilyn (Lewis) lives in Van Buren. All of the daughters are educators in various capacities.

by Randy Lewis

SIDNEY C. BURGESS

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Sidney C. Burgess was a son of Iverson Carter Burgess who brought his family to Arkansas from North Carolina in 1870. He had married Dulcinia Jolly of Shelbyville, N.C., in 1851, and of their thirteen children, including two sets of twins, eight lived to maturity.

Sidney C. Burgess (1859-1910), their second son, was born in Shelbyville, N.C. The Burgess family moved to Georgia and lived for a time in Tennessee, en route Arkansas. This was a sparsely settled country, with few schools in the rural districts, but his father, having been a teacher, gave him lessons regularly.

At an early age, Sidney Burgess determined to become a doctor, reading every book he



Dr. S.C. Burgess
1859-1910

could find that pertained to medicine. Then he taught school for two years before being appointed station agent at London, Arkansas, for the Little Rock-Forth Smith railroad (now a part of the Missouri Pacific). This enabled him to save for medical school.

On March 4, 1886, he graduated from the Medical Department of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, and that same year, married Miss Anna Smith, daughter of John W. and Nancy Neill Smith, — both the Smith and the Neills having moved to Dover from Lincoln County, North Carolina.

As a country doctor, Sidney Burgess' enthusiasm for the medical profession never waned, although much of the territory within the limits of his practice was broken and hilly, making it necessary to travel on horseback, but he said the rattle of his saddle bags was music to his ears.

During his second year of practice, he made what was said to be the first Caesarean operation ever performed in the state.

The Missouri Pacific Railroad appointed Dr. Burgess local surgeon at Russellville, where the family moved in 1895. Later, he practiced with Dr. I.H. Emerson.

His son, True Smith Burgess, graduated from George Washington University Medical School and died while in the United States Army in 1918. Daughter Lou married Virgil D. Stone, Engineer and World War I pilot from Winfield, Kansas. His younger daughter May married Reece A. Caudle, a Russellville attorney. Their daughter Louise and her husband Judge Richard Mobley have two children, Margaret Mobley Carter of Washington, D.C., and Richard Reece Mobley, who with his wife Denise, lives in Framingham, Massachusetts.

by Louise Mobley

JOHN N. BURNETT

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John N. Burnett (Tom's grandfather) was one of the twelve children born to John H. and Olivia Burnett. He was born May 16, 1838 and died March 19, 1926. He married Francis Coruthers, born May 9, 1842 and died March 21, 1896. John N. is buried in Atkins City Cemetery and Francis is buried in Childress Cemetery. They were the parents of five children.

Neal was born in 1870 and died September 29, 1937. He married Emma Gipson and they were the parents of five children, Corry, Sr.; Ollas, who died at the age of two; Fred; Phosie, who married Hobert Sorrells and Willie. After Neal's death Emma married Charley Walters in Nov. of 1939.

Homer was born Jan. 9, 1882 and died Feb. 5, 1942. He married Ruby Matthews Jan. 24, 1907 and they had one son, Homer Carroll, who lives in Kansas City, Kansas. Homer and Ruby took care of two orphan children in their home for some time. They are both buried in Atkins City Cemetery.

Ida was born July 15, 1872 and died March 6, 1903. She first married Bud Stokes and after his death married James Buchanan (Buck) Owens. Ida and Bud Stokes had three children, Earl, Euel, and Nealie. She and Buck Owens had twins, Chesley and Jessie.

Sally married John Warren and they had two children, Reece and Lilly Fryer.

Wm. (Tom's father) born August 23, 1868, died Feb. 19, 1935. He married Ada Ann Richardson in 1890. She was born at Appleton, Dec. 28, 1868 and died Jan. 11, 1944. Ada Ann was the daughter of Thomas J. Richardson and Martha Ann Linton, born Feb.

15, 1851. They were married in 1867. After Mr. Richardson's death in 1901, she married in Dec. of 1902, to J.L. Lemley and she died April 14, 1935. Both Wm. and Ada Ann are buried in Childress Cemetery. They were the parents of four sons; Syllas, born June 9, 1892 and died in July 1911, at the age of 19; Roy, born July 28, 1894 and died Nov. 22, 1903, at the age of 9; Ott, born Jan. 1, 1901, died June 1, 1968; Tom is the only survival. He married Florence Fry, March 4, 1944. Tom was born June 5, 1905. They have one daughter, Cornelia Ann, born August 3, 1947 and married Billy Lane Virden March 21, 1969. She was born Dec. 8, 1946. They have one daughter, Ginny Low, born August 13, 1972.

Wm., Neal and Homer were farmers, farming land their father and grandfather had farmed. Tom was farming land his father and grandfather farmed when he retired in 1972. Wm. was one of Pope County's most widely known farmers. He was familiarly known to hundreds of friends as "Uncle Ok," and always had a cheery word of greeting to all. He was known through out the county for his rugged honesty and sincerity of purpose. He was a friend to the needy and lived a devout Christian life always ready to aid in the work of the church and community. He was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church having joined at old Glass Village when a young man.

by Mrs. Tom Burnett

WILLIAM BURNETT

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William Burnett and his wife Elizabeth Belue were both born near Knoxville, Tennessee in the year 1774; Elizabeth's birth date was January 12th and William was born on October 4th. They were married September 3, 1796 and were the parents of nine children. William died July 5, 1855, being almost 81 years old. Elizabeth had died a few years before, probably in 1850 or 1851.

William and Elizabeth's sixth child, John H. Burnett, was born on October 30, 1813 in Tennessee. He was married to Olivia Neal (whose parents had moved from Virginia to East Tennessee) on October 29, 1835. Olivia was only 16 years of age at the time. John H. and Olivia were the parents of 12 children, four being born in Tennessee before moving to Arkansas in 1843.

A grant for land in Arkansas, which was signed by President James K. Polk, was received by the family in 1845. They built their home on Point Remove Creek in Pope County.

Their oldest children, William, John N., Sara, and Mary Jane, were born in Tennessee and two sons, Thomas Belue and James K. were the only other children of the eight born in Arkansas that lived beyond infancy.

All four sons and their father, who was a captain in the cavalry, served in the Confederate Army. Thomas Belue was too young to serve as a regular soldier, but was a courier, carrying messages between headquarters in Fort Smith and Little Rock. William was cap-

tured and died in the Union prison in Rock Island, Illinois. Five years after the close of the war, John H. died on October 7, 1870; he was only 57 years of age. His wife, Olivia, died December 22, 1899 having been a widow for 29 years.

Thomas Belue, the eighth child of John H. and Olivia, was born on October 15, 1849 at Point Remove and was married to Ella B. Hurst on May 13, 1875. The Hurst family had moved to Arkansas from Shelbyville, Tennessee just before the war and settled in Conway County. Thomas and Ella were the parents of six children (two dying in infancy). Ira was born on April 3, 1877, Ernest on April 6, 1882, Walter on February 1, 1885, and a daughter, Mittie, was born on April 14, 1887.

Ira married Jane Castleberry March 25, 1906 and were the parents of six children (two dying as infants). Vena, John H., Ella Frances, and Genevieve living to adulthood.

Ernest, who was a doctor, married Lula Murdock on May 12, 1907. Six children were born; Mittie Mae, Ernestine, Ila Sue, Gordon, Bennie, and Thomas David.

Walter and Mamie Ellison married in 1907 and they were the parents of six children; three sons and three daughters, Cray, Duard, Mary, Clarene, Heartsill, and Mayme Nell.

Mittie married D.L. Jordan on January 31, 1906 and one daughter, Ella, was born on August 28, 1907.

The older families owned and worked their land along with their slaves. A few of the slaves stayed with their white families until their death even though they had been freed by law. Many of the younger members of the Burnett families were farmers as their fathers and grandfathers had been, but there were also many business and professional members among them. According to the available records, many of the family were Baptist, but there were also Presbyterian, Methodist, and Church of Christ among them.

by Vera Burnett Canerday

BURRIS-ASHMORE-WHORTON

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The BURRIS-ASHMORE families came by oxen drawn covered wagons from Lawrence County, Tennessee in 1839 to Pope County, Arkansas and were living in Griffin Township in 1850 census. On 12 November 1840, James Littleton BURRIS, son of William and Elizabeth Burris of Lawrence County, Tennessee was united in marriage in Pope County with Elizabeth Adaline Ashmore, the daughter of Andrew Sawyer Ashmore and his wife Elizabeth. J.L. was born 25 December 1819 in Tenn. and Elizabeth A. Burris was born 30 June 1823 in Tenn. They had a large family in Pope County and became members of the Masonic Lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star. J.L. died 29 August 1895 and Elizabeth died 21 June 1919 and both are buried in the cemetery at St. Joe.

WILLIAM ANDREW BURRIS, born 13 October 1853, near Atkins, Ark. and the son of J.L. and Elizabeth A. ASHMORE BURRIS, married in Pope County — 10 March 1878 — Maria Isabelle WHORTON, who was born 10

August 1859 near Springville, St. Clair County, Ala. She was the daughter of John P. WHORTON, born 4 December 1833, Georgia and married in St. Clair Co. Ala. 7 August 1856 — Sarah Emaline Cochran born in South Carolina. The WHORTONS came to Pope County before 1880. J.P. Whorton's father, THOMAS JEFFERSON WHORTON was born 11 August 1800 in South Carolina and came to Arkansas after 1880. He died 29 August 1894 and is buried at St. Joe Cemetery. He had a large family by his wife Sarah Duncan who was born 5 January 1803 in South Carolina and died 20 May 1885. The J.P. WHORTON family and the W.A. Burris family came after 1890 to Indian Territory in present day Oklahoma and lived near Comanche, Oklahoma-Stephens County. William A. BURRIS and Maria I. Whorton BURRIS had ten living children-most of whom were born near Atkins, Pope County, Ark. Their eldest living son was my father, HENRY LAWRENCE BURRIS who was born 16 December 1881 in Pope County. He attended schools in Pope County and Indian Territory. He was graduated from Cumberland University School of Law, Lebanon, Tenn. in 1911 and on 12 October 1913 he was united in marriage to Hattie Belle Henry at Chandler, Okla. She was the daughter of Bunyan Henry and Mary Eva CHILDRESS Henry. In 1916 Henry L. Burris and wife and daughter went to Locust Grove, Mayes County, Oklahoma to live. He practiced law there and owned several farms, until his death on 20 July 1953. He and his wife and son Jack are buried in cemetery at Pryor, Oklahoma. He often spoke of his childhood near Atkins and Gumlog. The BURRIS family were of the Baptist faith and their main occupation was farming. Many descendants of these families still have Pope County connections and heritage.

W.A. BURRIS died 24 November 1943 at Mountain View, Okla. Maria I. WHORTON BURRIS died at Mountain View, Okla. 20 Oct. 1939 and both are buried in the cemetery at Mt. View, Kiowa county, Okla. They have two living daughters as of April 1958.

by Dorothy Burris Edmonson

CARROLL McDONALD BURRIS

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Carroll McDonald Burris was a descendant of William Burris who came to the United States from Scotland soon after 1800 and settled in Lawrence County, Tenn.

William Carroll was the father of Carroll McDonald Burris and he first married Adelia H. Wiggs in Tennessee and they had eight children. William Carroll was a blacksmith by trade and he was living in Butler County, Mo. in 1850. Three of his brothers had come to Arkansas, but if William Carroll came to Arkansas, he only stayed a short while. Adelia died about 1856-57, and he married Melvina Osburn, daughter of Alexander G. Osburn. William Carroll and Melvina had three children. He died about 1866 and in 1867, Melvina was the executrix of his estate. Melvina married again to Jessie James Patillo.

After the death of William Carroll, the three



CARROLL McDONALD BURRIS

children were brought to Arkansas, to live with an uncle, James Littleton Burris. The children were: Louisa Ann, who married William Adam McKeever in Pope County. Martha Ellen (Matt) married (1) Daniel Pless and (2) J.J. Shoptaw. Carroll McDonald, born 12 July 1865, married Nancy Freeman, in Pope County. She was the daughter of Thomas and Angeline Freeman of Jerusalem, Conway County, who were early pioneers from Illinois.

Mack (as he was called) and Nancy Freeman Burris were the parents of three children; Emma, who married Elbert Bonds; David, married Emma Boals and Tommy, who died in infancy. They also adopted a daughter, Louise, who married Floyd Green. Mack and Nancy along with their children became members of the Russellville Assembly of God Church soon after it was organized in 1914.

David Burris, born in 1887, married Emma Boals, who was born in 1895 and died in 1977. He was born in Allred, Van Buren County, Arkansas but spent most of his life in Pope County. He attended what later came to be Ark. Tech and worked for a bakery for a number of years before entering the ministry. He was licensed to preach in 1925 and was ordained Oct. 12, 1926. He served as the first Sunday School and Young People's worker for four years. He was the first one in the Nation to hold this position. He became District Superintendent of the Arkansas District in 1930 and served until 1951, serving for 21 years. He and his family moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas in 1940 and was living there when he passed away in 1959. Emma Boals Burris lived with a daughter, Carolyn, at Monticello, Ark. for a while before she passed away. David and Emma had seven children: William Edwin, Elaine, Adlissa, Harold David, Katherine and Carolyn.

Edwin Burris married Lorene Burris in 1938 and they had one son, Robert Edwin. Edwin attended Southwestern Bible School at Enid, Okla., in 1935-36. He returned to Russellville and worked for Bowden cleaners for several

years and then began to preach. He was ordained by the Assembly of God in 1945 and pastored at Van Buren, Arkansas for 21 years. He also served the District as Assistant Superintendent and is now one of the Executive Presbyters. He now lives at Fort Smith, Ark. and does evangelistic work. Robert Edwin has married and they were recently the parents of Gregory Edwin.

Elaine married Garland Davis and they had four children, (twins dying in infancy) and they live in Hot Springs, Ark.

Adalissa married Bill Schindler and they have no children and live in Springfield, Illinois.

Harold David, married Okla Fay Bowen and they have three children. He attended CBI Bible College at Springfield, Mo. and was licensed to preach in May 1945. He was ordained by the Applacian District in April 1948. He is now administrator of Trinity Village retirement home in Pine Bluff. He pastored several churches in Virginia, West Virginia, Arkansas and Texas. He was Sunday School Director of Arkansas 1953-1957. He also served as a National Sunday School Representative in Springfield, Mo.

Katherine married Harry Hickey and they have one child and live at Ecorse, Michigan.

Lohman, attended CBI Bible College in Springfield, Mo., in 1945-46. He married Verna Baker, and they have three children. He has been with the Texas Blue Cross Blue Shield in Dallas for 31 years and serves as a Unit leader.

Carolyn, married Bobby Barnes and they have two children and live at Monticello, Arkansas.

by Elaine Burris Davis

DOLAN BURRIS

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Mr. and Mrs. Dolan Burris

Dolan Burris, 13th child of John James and Sarah Ann Burks Burris, was born December 27, 1893 at Pleasant Grove, now Buttermilk Community. He did many things but retired as

a farmer, teacher and state employee. He attended school at Buttermilk, Appleton, and Atkins. He taught 1915-16. He and Clemie Worsham, daughter of William and Dona Cooper Worsham, were married August 9, 1917. He had learned to do many jobs at the gin and sawmill, owned and operated by his father. So, when called to service September 17, 1917, he was in good condition for soldiering. Many weeks of training and several of combat followed. He was wounded and reported missing in action. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Silver Star, and Victory Medal with 4 campaign bars. He was discharged April 4, 1919. He then did various things, mail carrier, farmer, teacher, school board member, notary, J.P., and representative. Dolan and Clemie are long time members of Mt. Vernon Free Will Baptist Church. Clemie died September 19, 1973 and is buried in Shiloh Cemetery. Dolan at 84 is still active. Dolan and Clemie had four children, Ruth, Roy, Troy, and Ruby.

Ruth teaches first grade at Hector School. She had taught 38 years. She attended school at Mt. Vernon, Hector, and has a B.S. degree from Arkansas Tech. She was born June 1, 1918. She is Clerk and treasurer of Mt. Vernon Free Will Baptist Church. She is single and collects and grows flowers as a hobby.

Roy was born July 21, 1920 at London, Arkansas. He went to school at Mr. Vernon, Hector, and Tech, and has a B.S. degree from the U. of A. at Fayetteville. He taught Smith Hughes Agriculture and is now store manager for Troy Burris Office Machines Co. He married Pauline Ross, daughter of Willis and Rebecca Ross. They are the parents of Dale, a salesman for Burris Office Machines. Dale is a canoe racer and has trophies won in several states. Their daughter, Jennie, with husband, Jim Little, a C.P.A. lives in Fort Smith. Jim is an executive with Sparks Hospital. Their children are Emily and Benjamin. Roy is a veteran of World War 2 and was at Dutch Harbor and had several weeks of combat service in France and Germany. Roy and Pauline are affiliated with First Baptist in Russellville. Roy is an ardent fisherman.

Troy was born November 16, 1921 at London and married Margie Henderson, daughter of Will and Chloe Henderson. They attend the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Troy went to school at Mt. Vernon, Hector, Tech, and has a B.S. and Masters degree from the U. of A. at Fayetteville. He is a veteran of World War 2 and went on to a 33 year military career and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel. He founded Troy Burris Office Machines Co. He operates it and other business interests in Russellville. Troy and Margie are parents of two daughters, Vickie, with husband, Tim Hale, lives at Maumelle, near Little Rock. Vickie works full time in advertising with Porter Briggs Associates. Tim is a pharmacist with the VA. They have a daughter, Stephanie. Troylynn is married to Roy McSpadden, a football player and senior at Arkansas Tech. Troylynn is bookkeeper for Burris Office Machines Co. Troy fishes some but his hobby seems to be work and more work.

Ruby, born July 10, is a teacher. She attended school at Mt. Vernon, Hector, and

Tech. She has a Masters degree from the University of Arkansas. She is married to George W. Curry, son of George N. and Hettie Hickey Curry. He is a veteran of World War 2. He is Superintendent of Clever Missouri Schools. They are parents of George Eulan, who is a junior in college at Springfield, Missouri. George Eulan is a licensed pilot, scuba diver, and canoe racer. Their daughter, Rosemary, is a tenth grade student and cheerleader in Clever High School. They all are members of Clever Methodist Church.

by Ruth Burris

ERNEST ARTHUR BURRIS

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MRS. IDA (ERNEST) BURRIS, G.W. BURRIS, JR., EMMA BURRIS CRITES. May 14, 1967

Ernest was born November 2, 1880, on a farm about ten miles north of Atkins, on Isabel Creek. He was the son of George

Washington Burris and Mary Matilda Whorton Burris. He married Ida May McCauley on February 5, 1905. Ernest was a postal clerk for the Missouri Pacific Railroad in Russellville, where he lived all his adult life. They have 3 sons.

Lewis Earl Burris married Beulah Mae Anderson. They had 1 daughter, Norma Jean Burris, who married Edwin A. Jones and they had 2 daughters, Carol Jean Jones, who married Ron Wargis and had 1 child, Melanie Dawn Wargis. Carol's sister, Eddie Ann Jones, married Joe Bukers.

Fay Burris married Sena Plimale, and they have one son. James Doyles Burris married and has two children, James Doyles Burris, Jr., and Michelle Burris.

Ernest McCauley Burris never married.

Ernest belonged to the St. Joe Freewill Baptist Church in Atkins, that his parents helped organize. Ernest, Ida Fay, and Ernest McCauley all are buried at St. Joe Cemetery in Atkins.

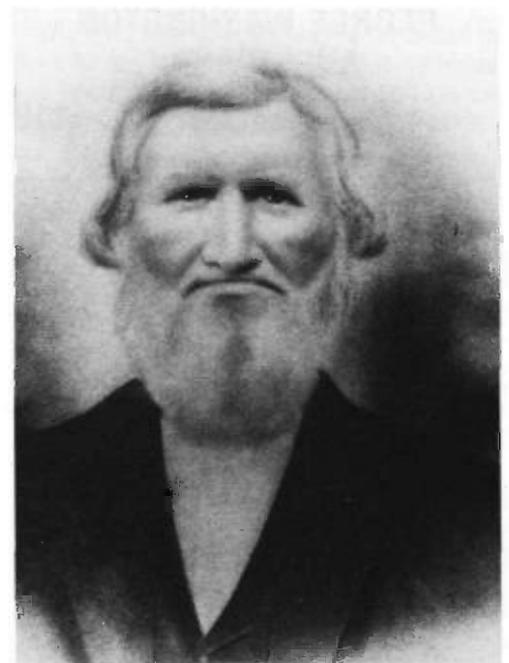
by Mary Ann Burris Rutherford

FRANKLIN MARION BURRIS

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Franklin Marion Burris was probably the youngest son of William Burris. His first marriage was to Charlotte Osburn in 1848 in Lawrence County, Tenn. Franklin Marian Burris moved from Tenn to Missouri about 1850 and was living in Butler County, Missouri near his brother, William Carroll Burris in 1860. By 1870, Franklin M. had moved to Pope County, Arkansas where on 14 Dec. 1876 his second marriage took place to a widow, Martha Jobe Ennis, who had a son, Jacob Ennis, born about 1874.

Franklin and Charlotte Osburn Burris had five children: Margaret, who first married a Hedgepath in Missouri, and the second time



Franklin Marion Burris

to John T. Burris, her cousin and the son of James Littleton Burris; Jonathan A; William F., married in Pope County; James T, a minister married Mary E. McGee in Pope County; Melvina, married George W. McGee 16 Sept. 1877. (George was a brother of Mary E. McGee Burris)

Franklin and Martha Ennis Burris had several children: Florence; Lucinda A.; Richard; John Sherman; Adelia A.; H.H. Burris, and Martha J. Burris.

John Sherman Burris, a son of Franklin and Martha Jobe Ennis Burris was born November of 1886. He was a cattleman and farmer and owned acreage on Buck Mountain where he lived for 53 years. He was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church. In 1906 he married Mittie B. McIlroy who was the daughter of Sam and Liza McIlroy. They had three children: Mertle, married R.O. Hendrix and they had two children; Laverne married Hoyt Byrum and they had two children; Lawrence, married Jettie Chronister and they had one child; Ira, married Erma Duvall and they had no children; and Odus married Alma Miller.

Odus lived on Buck Mountain and farmed, raised chickens and cattle and kept hens for eggs for the Hatchery. When a young man, Odus attended school on Buck Mountain at Phoenix and after 1930 attended the Hartford School of Music at Hartford, Arkansas and began a life of singing Gospel songs. He taught singing schools all over this part of the country, has been president and v-president of various singing conventions and probably the highlight of his singing career came when he was elected President of the Arkansas State Singing Convention in 1967. His wife, Alma, has worked for the AVI Processing Plant from the beginning until 1977. The Russellville Plant burned and she took a job with St. Mary's hospital. Although he has reached retirement age, Odus doesn't seem to find a place to slow down. He still takes care of his cattle and attends singings each Sunday when possible.

by Odus Burris



Mr. and Mrs. George W. Burris, Sr. and their children: L to R: Richard, Ernest, Emma, Homer, George W., Jr. and Ottis G. (Walter not present). Made in the 1920's at their home in Russellville.

GEORGE WASHINGTON BURRIS, SR.

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Adline Ashmore Burris, wife of J.L. Burris. Age 92.

George Washington Burris was born January 18, 1856 on a farm 10 miles North of Atkins, on Isabel Creek. He was the son of James Littleton Burris and Elizabeth Adeline Ashmore Burris who came to Pope County from Lawrence county Tennessee. They acquired land 10 miles North of Atkins, members of the family still own a portion of this land. He was married to Mary Matilda Whorton, also of Pope County on Oct. 7, 1877. They lived in Pope County all their life.

He filled some very important places in life, though both he and Mrs. Burris most enjoyed their church and Sunday School work. In

1885 he organized a Sunday School under a bunch of Gum trees, at St. Joe, on Pea Ridge, 10 miles North of Atkins. They used logs for seats. He had an important part in all Freewill Baptist Association meetings. He was principal leader in helping organize the Freewill Baptist Church there October 2, 1887, it was named St. Joe Freewill Baptist Church. He and Mrs. Burris were Charter members there. He was Clerk to Antiock Assn. for a number of years. He always stressed Sunday School and urged all ministers to begin one. He lived to see the Sunday School cover the state and in 1920 the State Sunday School Convention was organized because of his efforts. He was Clerk and Treasurer of The Freewill Baptist State Association. He served 10 years as Justice of the Peace, as Census enumerator in 1899 and 1900. He was Post Master at Appleton for 7 years before moving his family to Russellville in 1907 to become Post Master there. While he was Post Master there 5 of his son served in Post Offices in Pope County.

Mrs. Burris always assisted him in all his undertakings. They had a home in Russellville and also maintained their farm north of Atkins. They had 12 children. (1) Richard Benjamin Burris, born October 2, 1878, married Alice Jove Hurst of Appleton, (2) Ernest Arthur Burris, born Nov. 2, 1880, married Ida M. McCauley Feb. 5, 1905, (3) Walter Monroe Burris, born Dec. 29, 1882, married Grace Bowden, Dec. 25, 1904, then married Flora Scott in August 1929. Dora Emma Burris, born June 18, 1885, married Walter Thomas Crites, May 15, 1906. William Homer Burris, born Aug. 6, 1887, married Willie Barbara Dozier, Aug. 23, 1911. George Washington "Wash" Burris, Jr., born Oct. 5, 1890, married Addie Louise Herrington on Nov. 8, 1929; Ottis "Ott" Gileston Burris, born June 26, 1893, married Gertha Leah Hill on October 8, 1916; James Thomas Burris, born July 22, 1895. Died Aug. 25, 1895; Ella Rea Burris, born July 17, 1896, Died Nov. 14, 1899.; Arkie Lucille Burris, born Jan. 26, 1899. Died May 4, 1913; Ocie Myrtice Burris, born Mar. 14, 1901. Died Oct. 12, 1910; Infant Son, born Oct. 21, 1889. Died Oct. 21, 1889 (First grave in St. Joe Cemetery). After Mr. Burris retired he spent much of his time

on the farm at Atkins. Mr. Burris died Mar. 9, 1929 and Mrs. Burris died in 1938. Both are buried at St. Joe Cemetery, Atkins.

by Marg Ann Burris Rutherford

GEORGE WASHINGTON "WASH" BURRIS, JR.

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Mr. and Mrs. George W. Burris, Jr.

George Washington "Wash" Burris, Jr., was born on a farm, ten miles north of Atkins, on Isabel Creek. He was the son of George Washington Burris, Sr. and Mary Matilda Whorton Burris. His grandparents, James L. Burris and Elizabeth Adeline Ashmore Burris, from Lawrence County, Tennessee, acquired land north of Atkins, and "Wash" family still own a portion of this land. The family moved to Russellville in 1907 from Appleton where his father had served as Post Master for seven years and was transferred to become Post Master at Russellville. "Wash" graduated from Russellville High School, where he was an excellent student. He also attended Law school and was a licensed Lawyer and Teacher, and always interested in Education.

He entered the Postal Service in 1910, in Russellville, as a clerk, where his father was Post Master. In May 1920, he was appointed Postal Clerk for service at the Panama Canal. He resigned there August 21, 1921 and for a time worked for an Oil Company in Columbia, South America. He was reinstated in the Postal Service as Clerk at Russellville, February 2, 1923, then transferred to El Dorado, Ark., during the "Oil Boom." On April 1, 1923, he was sent to Arkadelphia, Ark. as Assistant Post Master. He met and married Addie Louise Herrington from Arkadelphia on November 8, 1929. They have four children.

Mary Ann Burris, born Feb. 19, 1931, married Horace H. Rutherford, Jr. on May 1, 1948. They have two daughters: Jacqueline Dianne Rutherford, born May 9, 1950, married Dec. 8, 1967, to Raymond Allen Pittman and they have one daughter, Angela Renee Pittman, born March 5, 1969; Deborah Gail Rutherford, born Dec. 14, 1953, married Dec. 4, 1971, to Richard Lee Atkins and they have two daughters, Tiffany Leeann Atkins, born March 5, 1978, and Crystal Gail, born June 20, 1978.

Emma Jean Burris, born May 12, 1933, married to Thomas A. Lensing, Sr. on Jan. 14, 1956 and they have four children; Catherine Ann Lensing, born Jan. 1, 1957; Thomas A. "Buddy" Lensing, born Nov. 20,



G.W. Burris family. About 1921



Rev. Venable baptizing G.W. Burris, Jr. in Isabel Creek. Others are: Irene, Willie, Ernest and Homer Burris. One unknown.

1957; Barbara Louise Lensing, born March 11, 1960 and Eric George Lensing, born Feb. 14, 1962.

William "Bill" Frank Burris, born October 14, 1936, married Judith Ann Williams, May 19, 1956 and they have three daughters. Doris Louise "Dee" Burris, born Nov. 13, 1958, married to Robert Venable on March 10, 1978; Victoria Lynn Burris, born Dec. 11, 1961, and has one son, Jeremy Todd Burris, born March 25, 1978; Judith Lorraine Burris, born June 22, 1963.

Wanda Louise Burris, born April 22, 1941, married Edward Walter Neumann, Sr. on August 21, 1959 and they have four children; Melinda Kay Neumann, born May 31, 1960; Edward Walter "Bubba" Neumann, Jr., born Aug. 30, 1961; Wanda Lynn Neumann, born October 6, 1962; Beth Ann Neumann, born November 24, 1963.

"Wash" was a member of St. Joe Free Will Baptist Church, Atkins, which his parents helped organize and were charter members.

He served as officer at elections both locally and nationally. He retired from the Post Office at Arkadelphia after 34 years as Assistant Post Master, on December 31, 1957. He had 47 years of Postal Service. He died May 7, 1974, in Arkadelphia and is buried at Rose Hill Cemetery in Arkadelphia. Mrs. Burris still resides in Arkadelphia.

by Mary Ann Rutherford

JAMES LITTLETON BURRIS

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Born on Christmas Day 1819, James Littleton Burris grew up in Lawrence County, Tennessee. His father, William Burris, was of Scotch descent and was living there in 1812, five years before Lawrence County was organized. There were six sons and three daughters in the Burris family.

In 1839, three of the Burris sons, John, Richard C. and James Littleton joined a wagon train headed for Pope County, Arkan-

sas. The party was large and included the Ashmore brothers, Andrew Sawyer and Robert Doke, who were neighbors of the Burris family in Lawrence County. They traveled in ox wagons and upon reaching Pope County settled on Gum Log Creek. The Richard C. Burris family did not stay in Arkansas long, but John and James Littleton Burris and Sawyer and Robert Doke Ashmore spent the rest of their lives there. John and Cynthia Ann Burris brought six children from Tennessee and two others were born after they reached Arkansas. James Littleton was not married and lived with his brother, John.

In route to Arkansas, twenty-year old James Littleton and sixteen-year old Elizabeth Adeline Ashmore, daughter of Sawyer and Elizabeth Ashmore, were among those who walked behind the wagons and drove the cattle belonging to the families. Romance blossomed before they reached Arkansas and James Littleton Burris and Adeline Ashmore were married in Pope County in 1840. The couple lived first at Gum Log, but James Littleton soon homesteaded land on Isabel Creek. He built a log house there where they reared the following children: Nancy Elizabeth (1845-1926); John Thomas (1849-1919); James Frank (1851-1918); William Andrew (1853-1943); George Washington (1856-1929); Margaret Jane (1858-1944); Jefferson William (1860-1941); Richard B. (1863-1875); and Lucinda Adeline (1866-1954).

James Littleton Burris was a tanner by trade, operating two tan yards and farming on the side. His saddle shop and main tan yard, across the road from his home, were located on Isabel Creek in a red oak grove near some springs. During the Civil War, James Littleton had a contract with the Confederate government to supply its troops with boots, shoes, saddles and harness. Soldiers were sent to his saddle shop to pick up orders. As many as eighteen men worked in his tannery during this period. Five of his sons and three nephews that he reared worked there as they grew up.

When the first son married, he continued to work for his father until he could leave home and became self-supporting. James Littleton built a tiny log house near by, and the bride and groom moved in. The other sons used it when their turns came and it soon became known as the "weaning house"

Adeline's parents were Cumberland Presbyterians, but the Burrises were Primitive Baptists. James Littleton and his sons were Republicans and all served as Justices-of-the-Peace.

The Burris sons were intelligent men with many talents and became religious and community leaders where ever they lived. The oldest son, John Thomas married his first cousin, Margaret, daughter of Franklin Marian Burris about 1870. He served many years as Deputy U.S. Marshall of Arkansas. The second Burris son, James Frank, taught in the Isabella, Appleton and Atkins schools. For 18 years he was postmaster at Atkins, where he owned a general store. He became a delegate to the Republican Convention when William McKinley was nominated for president. In 1876, he married Malinda Moore. They had two daughters and a son. The third Burris son, William Andrew, married Bell Wharton, daughter of John P. Wharton, in 1878. They reared ten children. William A. Burris lived and farmed at Mountain View, Oklahoma and is buried there. The fourth Burris son, George Washington, married Matilda Wharton, daughter of Tom Wharton, in 1877. They were the parents of eleven children. George W. owned a general store at Appleton. He was postmaster there for five years and postmaster at Russellville for eight years. He was active in the Republican Party. In 1885 he organized a Sunday School under a Sweet Gum tree at St. Joe on Pea Ridge, where those who attended sat on logs under the tree. He was an excellent Bible student and taught this Sunday School for many years. A devoted religious leader, he represented his church at district and state Baptist conventions. He is buried at St. Joe. The fifth Burris son, Jeff, married Malinda Wharton, daughter of Tom Wharton, in 1881 and they had twelve children. Jeff farmed and was an active member of the Primitive Baptist Church. He is buried at Russellville.

The youngest Burris daughter, Lucinda "Cindy" married William M. Easterling in 1884. The Easterlings farmed for many years near Atkins, but moved to Oklahoma where they lived the remainder of their lives. They reared ten children. Will and Cindy are buried at Reydton, Oklahoma. The other two Burris daughters, Nancy and Margaret, married brothers, Calvin and Cass Jones, sons of Shadrack and Mary George Jones. Margaret and Cass were married in 1874, had two children and farmed in Conway County near Appleton. Margaret is buried at St. Joe. Calvin Jones was a Democrat and served the Confederacy, enlisting in 1861. He and Nancy Burris were married in 1865 and farmed in Conway County near Appleton. They had one child, Mary Jane "Janie", who married Wilce Rankin in 1886. The Rankins had the following children: Effie, Ruby, John, Ruth, Corrie and Fay. The Rankin family moved to Texas in

1897. Nancy Burris Jones spent her last days in the home of her daughter, Janie Rankin, and is buried at Dozier, Texas.

James Littleton Burris died in 1895 and Adeline in 1919 at age 96. Both are buried at St. Joe.

by Corrie Rankin Womack and Ruby Rankin Paschal

JOHN BURRIS

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John Burris was born, 1804, in Lawrence County Tenn. He married Cynthia Ann

They and their 8 children came to Pope County via ox wagon train. Two of John's brothers, James Littleton and Richard Charles were also with the train. They settled in Center Valley, Gumlog, and Gravel Hill Communities. He died 1844 and is buried in Ola Cemetery, Yell County. They came to Pope County in 1839. His children were: Elizabeth born in 1828, William J. born in 1830, Angeline born in 1832, Phoebe born in 1834, and John Crockett born 1837. All five were born in Tenn. Saba Ann was born in Ark., 1839. Franklin Buchanan was born, 1840, in Ark. Cynthia Elvira was born 1843, in Ark. Wm. J. and Franklin died in the Civil War. John was a farmer. Cynthia Ann married Ephriam Lemley, Sr. She is buried in Rankin-Kinslow Cemetery near Appleton. William J. was born, 1830, in Tenn. He married Mary Jane Matthews, 1854, in Ark. He was a farmer and stockman. He enlisted in Co. 1, Kings Reg., Ark. Inf. in Dover, Ark. He was wounded in battle, so severely he was discharged as no longer able to soldier, this was Oct. 2, 1862. The Union Army took over Pope County and he was drafted into the Union Army. He made a desperate attempt to escape by swimming the Ark. River. He was placed under guard. He then took some type of fever. In August, 1864, he died. He is buried in National Cemetery at Little Rock. Mary J. married Zachariah Keeton. She died Sept. 30, 1875.

Wm. J. and Mary Jane were parents of 4 children. John James, oldest son of Wm. J. and Mary Jane, was born in the Harmony Community, January 20, 1855. The family home burned, 1899. The Bible, with its records and pictures, was destroyed. Some dates and places may be approximate. James lived with Aunt Elvira Lemley for sometime and was to carry the name, Lemley Jim, the rest of his life. He owned and operated a country store, a gin, and a sawmill. He was also a farmer and veterinarian. He married Mary A. Cole. She was only 15. She died at the birth of her second child, while still in her teens. The baby soon died. The older soon followed. They are buried in Cross Roads Cemetery. Lemley Jim married Sarah Ann Burks about 1881. They were the parents of seventeen children. Nealie was born in 1882, single, still living at 95. Jane married Joe Henderson in 1903. Their children, one boy and three girls. She died, 1948, and is buried in Tate Cemetery. Ernest J. was born 1887. He married Lillie Anders. They were parents of one son. After her death, he married Lucy Hamilton. Two girls were born to them. At

age 90, he now lives at Braggs, Okla. Nancy E. was born in 1889. She married Will Darter. Their children were two boys and two girls. After his death she married Wm. Green. One boy and one girl was born to them. Nancy died 1956 and is buried in Cross Road Cemetery. James Otis was born in 1891. He married Winnie Darter. They were the parents of three sons. After her death, he married Etta Coffman. They were the parents of two sons and three daughters. He died, 1971, and is buried at Dinuba, Calif. Eulan Dolan was born, 1893, married Clemie Worsham. At 84 is still living in Pope County. Maudie was born in 1897. She married Floyd Morris. There were four boys and two girls born to them. She died 1945, and is buried in Cross Roads Cemetery. Virgil was born 1900. He married Alvie Dempsey. They are the parents of two boys and one girl. They are now residents of Bothell, Wash. All were born at Appleton, Ark.

by Dolan Burris

JOHN T. BURRIS, U.S. MARSHAL

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John Thomas Burris, oldest son of James Littleton and Adeline Ashmore Burris, played an important role in the history of Arkansas. An intelligent man, he possessed a variety of skills and talents. Like all members of his family he valued hard work.

He fell in love with his first cousin, Margaret, daughter of Franklin Marian and Charlotte Osburn Burris and they were married about 1870. Their children were: James (1871); William Carroll "Grant" (1873-1952); Alice (1875-1899); Charles (1883-1918); Roxie (1886-1895).

Born in Pope County in 1849, John T. Burris died in 1919. He was a dedicated member of the Primitive Baptist Church, a Republican and a Mason. Born in Tennessee in 1850, Margaret Burris died in 1915. Both are buried at Russellville. Two of their grandsons, John and Rimmel Burris now live near Atkins.

As a young man John T. worked in his father's tannery. His first home was at Appleton, where he owned a sawmill, a gristmill and a planer mill. A skilled carpenter, he built several two story, colonial type houses in or near Appleton. He became postmaster at Appleton in 1889, serving a four year term.

The mail was carried on horseback from Appleton to Atkins and on one occasion his teen age son was substitute carrier. Confronted by moonshiners who tied jugs of whiskey on his horse, the boy was ordered to deliver the liquor to a designated place. The frightened youngster did as he was told and arrived home drunk. His father was furious and vowed to stop such lawlessness.

By 1893 moonshining in Arkansas was at its peak. Wildcatters were operating in almost every well watered ravine in the mountainous part of the state. The lawbreakers knew they would not be prosecuted and grew bolder and bolder as they flouted authorities.

Burris went to Little Rock and offered to serve as a guide for any possee sent to Pope

County to arrest moonshiners and destroy their stills. No government funds were available for possees and nothing was done. Almost a year later Burris, living in Russellville at the time, was summoned to Little Rock and appointed Raiding Deputy U.S. Marshal for the entire state of Arkansas. It was now possible for him to arrest any moonshiner, confiscate liquor and destroy stills in any part of the state. Burris was a man with a mission and he immediately began his search for stills and the men who operated them.

On his second raid, which was in the Boston Mountains of Pope County, Burris destroyed eleven stills and returned to Russellville with twenty-seven prisoners, among whom were a Justice of the Peace, a constable and a preacher! The prisoners being transported in wagons and buggies, were well treated and even seemed to enjoy their predicament. When the party stopped to rest, the prisoners themselves held mock trials. The Constable called court, the Justice presided, a jury was selected and one of the prisoners was tried for the manufacture of moonshine whiskey. By the time they reached Russellville all of the prisoners had been convicted, but Burris said they had the most fun when they tried the preacher.

John T. Burris served as Deputy U.S. Marshal for fourteen years and upon retirement in Little Rock had practically wiped out moonshining in Arkansas. The element of surprise was the deciding factor in his raids. He often rode eighty or ninety miles into the mountains at night and waited at stills for their owners to appear. The worst offenders were sent to the federal prison at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas. The wildcatters soon found that Burris could not be bribed and many voluntarily surrendered when they discovered that he would obtain a suspended sentence for them.

His religious faith appeared to sustain John T. Burris. He seemed completely fearless and frequently went without a gun. He was often accompanied on raids by his brother, George. Neither man was ever struck by gunfire. However John T.'s clothing was shot full of holes several times and his life was threatened repeatedly. But it can be said to his credit that he never wounded or killed any man during his entire career as U.S. Marshal.

by Corrie Rankin Womack and Ruby Rankin Paschal

THE MITCH BURRIS FAMILY

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In 1838 John Crockett Burris moved with his family to Pope County from Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. He was born Apr. 4, 1836 and died June 10, 1880. He was married to Sarah Ann Harelson.

James Mitchell Burris, first child, was born in Atkins, Arkansas Sept. 8, 1861 and died Aug. 1, 1951. He was married to Margaret Nichols b. 1865, d. 1883. They had one son, Arthur b. July 18, 1883, d. Dec. 14, 1961. His second marriage was to Mary Elizabeth West, married Feb. 2, 1888, born Feb. 2, 1872 and died Nov. 30, 1923. They were the parents of 12 children, Arthur being reared by

her like her own child. (Mitch) was a farmer and school teacher. He taught school at Burnett Cove, Shiloh, Double Springs and Gumlog. He walked from Gumlog, up the Crow mountain to Double Springs morning & night. He was a Ruling Elder in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Gumlog for many years. Arthur married Fay Mann and they had one daughter, Colleen Burris Newlin. She has two sons, Bobby and Wayne. Arthur was in business in Hominy and Disney, Oklahoma for many years.

Oscar Burris was born 1889, died 1895.

Two infant sons died 1890 and 1893.

Robert Edker Burris b. Oct. 16, 1891 d. Sept. 16, 1935, married Stella Ewing and they had one son, Robert Brooks who died at the age of 6 months. Edker was a salesman for Cheek's Wholesale Grocery at Atkins.

Viola Burris, b. Dec. 9, 1895 d. Feb. 14, 1966, married C.W. Barnett who is retired from the Veterans Administration. They had one son, Don, who works for the U.S. Postal System in Little Rock. He married Betty Cook and they have two daughters and a son: Donna, Pam, and Roney and three grandchildren.

Leon Burris, b. Jan. 27, 1897 d. June 20, 1924. He married Mettie Toler and they had two daughters: Bernice, married to Tony Severino, and Lirleen, married to Johnny Johnson.

Ocia Burris b. Aug. 19, 1900 d. Feb. 13, 1974. She married Floyd Ashmore and they had one daughter, Marguerite, who works for Continental Telephone Co. of Arkansas. She married Bobby Joe Roderick, Vic President of the First National Bank of Russellville. Marguerite and Bobby have one son, Richard Roderick of Little Rock. He married Holly Sperry of Russellville.

Rhea Burris, b. Nov. 5, 1904 married Jenk Bowden. He is retired. They have two daughters: Elizabeth Jane, an employee of Arkansas Tech University, married Cliff Underwood, Postmaster at Russellville. Rosemary, a teacher in the public schools, married Gary Jones, a vocational agriculture teacher. They teach in DeQueen, Arkansas. They have one daughter, Terrie Jane. The Underwoods have a daughter, Mary Kaye, and a son, Larry. Cliff is an elder in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Russellville.

Rex Burris, b. Oct. 17, 1906 d. Nov. 4, 1975, married to Ruth Francis and they had one daughter, Betty Mae. She married Leon Griffin and they have two boys and one girl. They live in California. His second marriage was to Chloe Wright who has a daughter, Connie. Connie is a teacher in Lonoke, Arkansas. She married Buddy Mason. Prior to Rex's retirement he was employed by the Sunshine Grocery in McGehee. He was manager for Kroger many years.

Helen Lone Burris b. May 9, 1910 married Dean Crites Dec. 25, 1931. They attended Arkansas Tech and Lone taught school at Gumlog. Dean taught at Eggleston and Gumlog. They have one son, William Dean. In Dec. 1941 they moved to Tulsa. Lone later returned to college at the University of Tulsa and finished her bachelors degree and Masters degree in Education. She taught school at

Kiefer, Oklahoma and Sperry, Oklahoma. Dean was a clerk in the Tulsa Post Office. They both retired in 1975. Dean is a deacon in the Immanuel Baptist Church in Tulsa. William Dean received his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Tulsa Law School and is now an attorney in St. Louis, Missouri. He married Jayne Cherry of Duncan, Oklahoma. They have two sons, William Dean, Jr. and Robert, and a daughter, Melissa Ann.

Kathleen Burris b. Nov. 3, 1916 married Fay Myers. He is retired and is an elder in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Russellville. They have four children; Gerald Fay, a methodist minister in Hot Springs, married Rita Prather. They have three sons, Steve, David and Jim. James Rex married Mary Ellen Rowley. He works for Sugar Creek and Mary Ellen works for First Federal Savings & Loan of Morrilton. They have three children Debbie, Greg and Terri. Wayne married Sue Hale. He works for Sugar Creek Co. They have two sons, David and Robert. Mary Lee Myers Boling is Assistant Cashier and Head of the Note Department of the Peoples Bank and Trust Co., Russellville. She has two daughters, Karen and Brenda.

by Lone Burris Crites and Rhea Burris Bowden

OTTIS "OTT" GILESON BURRIS

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Ott Burris was born June 26, 1893, on a farm about ten miles north of Atkins, on Isabel Creek. He was the son of George Washington Burris, Sr., and Mary Matilda Whorton Burris. The family moved to Russellville in 1907, when his father was appointed Post Master of Russellville. He had served as Post Master at Appleton for seven years. Ott married Gertha Leah Hill of Conway on October 8, 1916, in Conway. They lived at Atkins and Russellville and moved to Conway about 1927. Ott was a Salesman and traveled for M-K Grocery Co. for 21 years, and for Rand Grocery for four years. About 1951, Ott bought a grocery store in Morrilton and the family moved to Morrilton. He retired just four years ago from the grocery business and his son, Hugh, still has the store. He and Mrs. Burris still live in Morrilton. He is a member of



Ottis "Ott" G. Burris

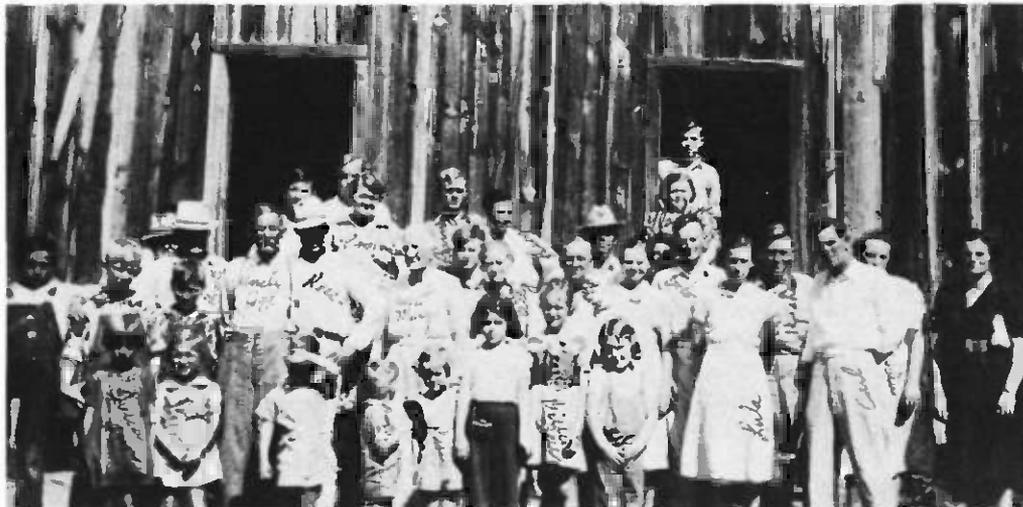
St. Joe Free Will Baptist Church, north of Atkins, of which his parents helped organize. They have three sons:

Ottis Jay Burris, married Joy M. McMurry. They have three children; Carolyn Burris, Sherry Burris and Jason Burris who is married and has two children.

Troy Allen Burris, married Margaret Oxford. They have two children: Patsy Burris, who is married and has one child and Robert Burris.

Robert Hugh Burris is married and has six children: Karen Sue Burris; Edward Keith Burris, is married and has one son, David; Mary Jane Burris is married and has two children; Lloyd Burris; Floyd Burris; and Robert Burris who is now deceased.

by Mary Ann Rutherford



Burris Family Reunion in 1939 at the old Mt. Vernon schoolhouse.

RICHARD BENJAMIN BURRIS

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MR. AND MRS. RICHARD B. BURRIS

Richard was born October 2, 1878, on a farm ten miles north of Atkins, on Isabel Creek. He was the son of George Washington Burris, Sr. and Mary Matilda Whorton Burris. He met and married Alice Jove Hurst of Appleton. They moved from Appleton to Economy, where he owned and operated a General Merchandise Store and Post Office. He was the Post Master at Economy. The family later moved a mile north of Atkins. They had seven children.

Edna Burris, born November 27, 1901, married Luther Virden; they had one son, Gerald Virden who married Nancy Gaines. To them was born one daughter, Sharon Virden, who married Timothy Boyers. They have one son, Jason Ryan.

Fred Burris, born August 22, 1904, married Marie Miller and they had two daughters, Patricia Ann and Billie Sue Burris who married Paul Tackett and they have two children, Mona Sue Tackett who is married and has two children, and Kenny Burris also married and has two children.

Paul Burris, born March 15, 1907, married Lila Webb in 1930. Paul died September 30, 1931 and Lila died October 6, 1931. They are both buried at St. Joe Cemetery north of Atkins, Arkansas.

Edith Burris, born April 2, 1911, married Ralph Whittenburg on March 21, 1927. They had two children, James Whittenburg, who married Edna Mae Thomas, who already had two children, Rita Kay Thomas and Billie Fay Thomas. Then they had two children of their own; James Michael Whittenburg and David Ralph Whittenburg. James' sister, Marilyn Whittenburg married Raymond Anthony and they have two children, Debbie Kay Anthony and John Ralph Anthony.

Gladys Burris, born December 27, 1914, married Pete Bruck and they had one daughter, Julia Ann Bruck.

Georgia Burris, born April 6, 1917, married William M. (Bill) Swilling and they had no children. Bill died in 1964.

William Ralph (Bill) Burris, born June 12, 1921, married Retha Patterson on February 28, 1940, and they were the parents of three children; Paul Don Burris, born April 10, 1942, married Glenda Bice, June 30, 1962; William Richard Burris, born August 30, 1947, married Treavia Reynolds February 28, 1967; Jana Gail Burris, born September 21, 1950, married Steve Ferguson, August 1, 1968 and they have one daughter, Paula Michelle Ferguson who was born August 5, 1970.

Richard lived in Pope County all his life and died in 1944. He was a member of St. Jos Free Will Baptist Church, north of Atkins. At the time of his death he owned a grocery store, service station, and a motel; south of Atkins. His wife died in 1946. Both Mr. and Mrs. Burris are buried at St. Joe Cemetery, north of Atkins, Arkansas.

by Mary Ann Rutherford

WALTER MONROE BURRIS

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Walter Monroe Burris was born December 29, 1882, on a farm on Isabel Creek, 10 miles north of Atkins. He was the son of George Washington Burris and Mary Matilda Whorton Burris. The family moved to Appleton where his father was Post Master. He married Grace Bowden December 25, 1904. They had seven children.

Myrtice Alice Burris married Earl Dewey Martin in 1923. They have two sons. Earl died May 30, 1960. Earl Dean Burris married Evelyn Clark and they have one son, Maurice (Rick) who married Gail Brown. They have one child, Kara; Lewis Norman Burris married Ruth Clayton. They have one child, Linda who married Bruce Peak and they have one child, Jennifer.

Hercel Lafette Burris married Lula Baker and they have five children. Donald Burris married Carrie Ellen Nolan and they had 2 children, Donald Wayne and Melissa. Donald then married Wilma Johnson and they have two children, Jerry Lyn and Janie Louise; Herbert Lee Burris married Hazel Bartlett and they have one son, Damon who married Karan Sue Hays and they have two children, Mathew Adrian and Shannon; Regina Burris married Donald Black and they do not have children; Delmon Burris; Patsy Burris married Gip Coffman and they have two children, Jerry Wayne and Treva Kay.

Douglas Burris married Irple Canady, no children.

Arthur Laurell (Barney) Burris married Edeltroud Poklon and they have one son, Ralph.

Ruth Evelyn Burris married Henry Boy and they had 3 sons; Dwayne Boy; Darwin, who married Brenda Hight and they have one daughter, Shannon; Marvin Boy married Angela Shaw and they have no children. Henry died about 1970.

Mary Agnes Burris married Harold Ewing and they have 3 children. Mary Lee Ewing who married Stephen Huss, and they have 2

sons, Michael and Justin; Harold Ewing, Jr. married Cathy Tate and they have one child, Kelly; Cheryl Ewing married Elbert E. Riley.

Cecil Blaine Burris married Arlie Ann Fridell, Nov. 18, 1928 and they have thirteen children: Cecil Carl Burris married Floria Cannon and they have 4 children; Gloria Ann who married Danny Hammock, they have two children, Crystal Lynn and Misty Michelle; Carla Dean Burris, married Dan Walters III and they have two children, Daniel Carl and Matthew Todd; Peggy Kathleen Burris, married Charles Arduengo and they have one child, Charles Jr.; Vickie Jean Burris, married Michael Fagg and they have one child, Michael Keith.

William (Bill) M. Burris, son of Cecil, married Irene King and they have two children, Mona Kay and Cecil Bradley; George E. Burris, married Shirley Smith and they have five children, Debra Joann, Bertha Kathleen, Lori Ann, Sheila Earlene and Elizabeth Rennee; Grace Ellen Burris, married Mr. Swiegart and they had six children, Bill, Carl, Neal, Robert, Tommy, and Brenda. Grace then married George Row; Danny L. Burris, married Betty Robbins and they had two children, Debra Elizabeth and Danny Dale. Dan then married Sondra Bronson; Jerry D. Burris, married Kay Douglas and they have four children, Eljenia Kay, Karen Beth, Kenneth Douglas and Melissa Ann; Margaret Ann Burris, married Tony Hurd and they had two children, Jayme Lynn and Marla Jean; Margaret then married Mr. Tipton; David Lee Burris, married Linda Elmdorf and they have four children; Frank, Linda Michelle, Michael David and Pamela Leann; Larry Ronald Burris, married Kathleen Dugan and they have two children, Jennifer Lynn and Robert Blain; Donald Ray Burris, married Glenda Petway and they have one child, Angela Lindsey.

Walter then married Flora Scott in August of 1929. They had one daughter, Betty Lois who married Pete Mauldin and later Hugh Ballard.

Walter was a member of the St. Joe Freewill Baptist Church, north of Atkins, of which his parents helped in the organizing. Flora and Walter, who died in 1968, are buried at the St. Joe Cemetery. Grace is buried at McKeever Cemetery, in the western part of Russellville.

WILLIAM ANDREW BURRIS

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William Andrew Burris of Griffin Township and Mariah Isabell Whorton of Moreland Township in Pope County Arkansas were married March 10, 1878. To this union 13 children were born. Isabell joined the Methodist Church in 1876. She went with her husband to the Primitive Baptist Church in 1884.

The Indian Territory or Nation as most people called it was still a frontier country when William and Isabell Burris first came in 1890. There was nothing new on the frontier for them. Isabell's father John Pouldin Whorton had brought his family to Pope County from Alabama. John Pouldin Whorton and Sarah Emiline Cothwren were married in St. Clair county Alabama in 1856. They were members



Front — William Andrew Burris, father — Berta, Belle, Isabelle, mother, Hobson, Ira. Back — Kate, Andrew, Cassie, Eva, and Lawrence.

of the Baptist Church. William Andrew's father James Littleton Burris had courted Elizabeth Adeline Ashmore on their families journey, while they were driving cattle from Giles county, Tenn. to Ark. in 1839.

They brought the following children all born in Arkansas: Cassie F. (1889) H. Lawrence (1881) Evergreen (1883) Andrew B. (1885) Kate A. (1888) Ira H. (1889).

There was much preparation to get ready for the journey. William rented the land, had a sale and got the stock ready. Isabell made a tent. They made three trips traveling the same route each time. They came by way of Russellville and Dardanelle, crossed the Arkansas River and to Fort Smith then into the Nation. Some people were afraid to come to the Indian Territory. The second trip Andrew and Cassie drove the oxen wagon, taking about four weeks to make the drive from Ark. to Comanche, Okla. This was where Isabell's parents and family lived.

William, with the lure of the West, came to Oklahoma City where he saw Gov. Renfro, whom he had known in Russellville, then on to Pauls Valley, which had one store. They lived on the Bedford place when Bertie was born (1895). They lived on Panther Creek when Hobson was born (1897) and on Cow Creek when Ted was born (1899). William finally settled at Mountain View, Dkla. in 1915, bought a wagon yard and store, this was his work for the rest of his life.

1. Cassie F. lived with her parents all her life and after a long illness passed away in 1966.

2. H. Lawrence, one of the founders of Locust Grove, Okla. Mayes County Judge, a stockman and farmer. A graduate of Cumberland University Law School. He married Mattie Belle Henry, 1913, a student in the University. Two children were born to the couple, Dorothy and Jack. Jack later became Mayes County Prosecuting Attorney, following his

graduation at Okla. University. Dorothy married John Davis Edmonson in 1935 and they had two children Eileen and Eloise.

3. Evergreen married John Britton Cudd in 1906 at Walliville, Indian Territory. They had six children. Evergreen was a member of the Baptist Church. Their children were Haskell, Leo B., Ray B., J.B., Mattie Belle, Ira Fern. Haskell at Stillwater, Okla. was owner and operator of a grain Co. Haskell married Ethel Davidson, 1933, to which three daughters were born, Nancy, Aline and Linda. Leo B.

Cudd operator of a grain elevator and a carpenter married Doris and they had one daughter, Geneva. Ray B. Cudd married Loraine. Ray has one son and one daughter, He works for a construction co. in spite of the fact he lost most of the use of his arm and hand while in U.S. Service. J.B. Cudd had a rough time in U.S. Service but is able to be at home with his family. Mattie Belle Cudd retired from hospital and is helping at home. Ira Fern died young.

4. Andrew B. a lawyer married Lula May Smith Small, 1910.

5. Kate A. a teacher many years married first Jack Edwards, second A.J. Holtkart, a plumber manager of Lubbock, Texas.

6. Ira H. Burris, a barber many years married Etta M. Price in 1914, to this union ten children were born, June, Cuma, Maxine, Harding, Eva Susie, Fern, Jack, Bobbie, John and Rex. June married Paul Ingram in 1933, a farmer and cattleman. To this union four children were born, Chrystelle, Wilma, Linda and Herbert. Cuma married Henry Earl Moore and to this union four children were born. A baby boy, Alfred, Francis and Hershel. Maxine, a restaurant employee married J.W. Bradley in 1941 and they have a son Gary, a musician. Harding, a farmer and cattleman married Nadean Gregory in 1941 and they have a daughter Sharyn and two sons Gregory and Rockford. Eva Susie married James Lee Morgan in 1942 and have one son David. Fern married James Anderson, a minister and they have a daughter, Della and a son William Noel. Jack married Mary Eilen Turner in 1949, to this union two daughters and two sons were born, Ira Daniel, Barbara Mary Francis, Debora and Donald. Bobbie married Raymond R. Brakley and they have two sons and two daughters, Karen, Susan, Warren and Lawr-



Back L. to R. — Hobson Burris, Evergreen Cudd, Berta Price, Belle Miller. Bottom Row — Ira Burris, Kate Holtkort.

ence. Rex married Betty Maria Vaughn in 1955, a farmer and carpenter, to this union a son and two daughters Debbie, Sheri, and William.

7. Sarah Belle Burris married Herbert Clinton Miller, a mechanic.

8. Bertie Burris married Toy Ed Price in 1914 and to this union two boys and two girls, Sunbeam married Neil Hunt Downing in 1935, a farmer and dairyman. To this union two boys and four girls were born Patricia, Sandra, Allen Neil, Nancy, Linda and Michael. Billie Evelyn married Glyn N. Persons in 1941, he was in the service 1942-45, mechanic 14 yrs. at school, to this union two boys and one girl, Grady, Ike, Cinynthia. Truman Ed a merchant married Theresa Irene Mickey in 1952, to this union two daughters, Mickey and Melody. Robert Pat, pharmacy, married Katie Jane Whorton, 1967.

9. William Hobson Burris, a superintendant and teacher for 41 years married Susie Jane Smith in 1923 and to this union one son was born. William Edmon, WWII Corporal, is with Corps. Engineers. First married Mary May Marshall, to this union two sons William Charles, married Diane Reskey to this union one daughter Natalie Christine. James Ted is attending college. Second marriage, Jean Marie Siancoe Marshall, two children Jamie and Maria Marshall.

10. Ted Burris, Supt. teacher, worked for U.S. Surplus, married Glayds Zelma McCay, 1923.

by Mrs. Hobson Burris

WILLIAM HOMER BURRIS 122

Homer Burris was born on a farm 10 miles North of Atkins on Isabel Creek. He was the son of George Washington Burris and Mary Matilda Whorton. He moved from Appleton with his family, where his father had been Post Master for 7 years, to Russellville where his father was transferred in 1907, to become



Elbert Burris, George W. "Wash" Burris, Jr., Homer Burris, Frank Burris.

Post Master at Russellville. He attended Russellville High School. Homer taught school at Burris School, 10 miles from Atkins. While at Russellville he married Willie Barbara Dozier of Hot Springs. He worked for the Postal Service at Russellville for 13 years, the last 7 years as Assistant Post Master. They moved to Woodson about 1922 whers Homer worked for O.H. & W.E. Wilson a bookkeeper. About 1924 they moved to Hensley where he became bookkeeper for Boyle-Ferrell Lumber Company. He then went back to Postal Service and was a Rural Carrier there on Route 1, Hensley from 1926 to 1956 when he retired. In addition to his rural mail route at one time

he had 1200 to 1400 acres of farm land they worked. He also owned a grocery store. They had 10 children. Irene Burris, born November 19, 1912, married Raymond Frank Murray August 11, 1934, no children.

William Floyd Burris, born March 14, 1915, married Emma Jean Moores on October 31, 1946 and they had four children: Robert Allen Burris who married Patricia Ann Parrish July 7, 1973 and they have one child, Christopher Scott Burris; Richard David Burris who married Nancy Nea Maughan on December 21, 1968 and they have two children, William David Burris and Thomas Allen Burris; Raymond Paul Burris married Nancy Lee Thomas March 6, 1971, they have one child, Bryan Christin Burris; Laura Jean Burris.

Ralph Edward Burris, born October 29, 1916 married Lilly Jeanette Jump on September 17, 1938 and they have 3 children: Ronald Ralph Burris who married Janis Burrow July 3, 1965 and they have 2 children, Randall Wayne Burris and Jennifer Melissa; Lila Arnette Burris married Richard Lee Martin December 6, 1968, they have two children, Kristi Elaine and Dorothy Jeanette; Lynn Karen Burris.

George Washington Burris born February 22, 1919 married Katherine Louiss Smith October 26, 1940 and they have two children; George W. Burris, Jr. who married Ann Bates April 3, 1961. They have two children, Katherine Ann and Rebecca Jane; James Marcus Burris married Louise Annette Waldren and they have 3 children, James Marcus, Jr., and twins Jason A. and Jeffery Andrew.

Howard Hayes Burris, born March 25, 1922 married Mary Evelyn Wright on July 31, 1948 and they have 2 children, Deborah Lee who married Wayne Michael English on February 6, 1970, they have one child Jason Daniel; and William David Burris.



MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM HOMER BURRIS

Kathleen Burris born November 21, 1923 married Clyde Carl Shirron November 10, 1945 and they have 3 children, Clyde G., Jr., who married Diane Kjeldgaard on November 26, 1977; William Gordon who married Decie Lou Blackwell on May 22, 1976; and Linda Kay Sirron.

Kathryn Burris who was born November 21, 1923 married Edward Ellsworth States, who had two children and Kathryn and Edward have two children, Michael Loyd who married Sheila Rose Wheatley June 3, 1961, and they have two children, Melaine Lee and John Michael; and Edward E. States, Jr. who married Kristi Lou Curtis on July 8, 1961 and they have two children Keely Ann and Curt Edward; John Burris States and Leah Kathryn States.

Homer Earl Burris, born March 21, 1926, married Mary Lou Carr on July 7, 1957 and they have five children, Douglas Earl, Gregory Thomas, Anna Barbara, Dwight David and Charlotte.

Barbara Jo Burris, born June 12, 1935, married Clifford Quincy Wages November 11, 1967 and they have one child, Jeffery Hueon.

Betty Jane Burris, born August 26, 1937 married Stanley Ercel Smith, Jr., November 22, 1961 and they have three children, David Stanley, Stephen Andrew and Virginia Suzanne.

Homer died April 1974 and is buried at Woodson Cemetery, Woodson, Arkansas. Homer and Mrs. Burris were both members of the St. Joe Freewill Baptist Church in Atkins.

by Mary Ann Burris Rutherford

JOHN BYRUM

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John Byrum, born 1817 in Tennessee, married Malinda Elizabeth Hill about 1839. She was born September 20, 1823, died August 25, 1897 and is buried in Shady Grove Cemetery, Pope County. John was killed during the Civil War by federal marauders. The 1860 census of Cannon County, Tennessee shows value of his real estate as \$13,500.00, personal property \$12,000.00. Family tradition is he lost all of his property on a horse race and later found his horse had been poisoned. Ten children were born to this couple. They came to Pope County in the fall of 1860.

The children were: Albert Philip, he fought as a Confederate and was killed in the war; William Washington, also fought as a Confederate; Mary E.; Nancy E.; Sarah; Elizabeth Jane; Lucinda and John. The above children were born in Tennessee, twins George W. and Felix J. were born in Pope County on March 1, 1861.

William Washington Byrum was born August 17, 1841, died January 28, 1929. He married four times, first in Cannon County, Tennessee to Martha. Second to Mary M. Davis on August 29, 1867. She was the niece of Judge Caleb Davis. They were the parents of John Thomas, Caleb Richard (twins), Nancy Ann, Dora Alice, Arthur Lee and Gilbert. His third marriage was to Nancy

Ewing, no children. Fourth marriage was to Elizabeth Gibson and they were the parents of five children, Audis J., Claudis E., Hazel, Hoyt and Velma. All five are still living.

Arthur Lee Byrum married Fannie Elizabeth Duvall on March 22, 1905. He was born May 15, 1881, died January 8, 1945. She was born June 21, 1882 and died December 15, 1950. They were the parents of eight children: Dovie, born January 5, 1906, died November 9, 1909; Foster, born October 13, 1907, never married; Sallie Mae, born December 28, 1910, died July 31, 1971, married Gilbert W. Duvall and they were the parents of three children. A son born in 1912 died in infancy. Mary Melissa, born July 25, 1913, married Burt L. Taylor and they had ten children. Chloe B., born September 10, 1917 married A.G. Lunningham and they were the parents of three children. Homer Gilbert was born November 1, 1921 and never married.

by Homer G. Byrum

HOWARD WASHINGTON CAGLE

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Howard Washington Cagle, his wife Catharine and three sons, George Howard, Lindsey A. and Ishmael N. came to Pope County, Arkansas from Fayette District, Moore County, North Carolina in 1836. They settled on the west bank of the Illinois Bayou north of Russellville where the water plant is now located. The father brought with them millstones which were about ten years old at that time. With these, he built a water mill believed to be the first west of the Mississippi River. He ground wheat and corn for people within a forty to fifty mile radius of the mill.

They had three children born in Arkansas, James C., Mary A. and Martha J.

Ishmael N. Cagle married Jerasiah Ann Horton November 29, 1865. He took over the running of the mill when his father died. During the Civil War he was left at home to grind flour and meal for the women, children and old people.

In 1875 Ishmael Cagle moved his family near a spring of water and helped establish the town of Caglesville. He moved the grist mill and converted it to a steam-powered one which was said to be the first of its kind in this area. In addition to the mill, he built a sawmill, planer, cotton gin, carding and spinning factory, and a tannery which made shoes.

The post office was established in the late 1880's and I.N. Cagle was one of its first postmasters. He ran a general store with the post office built on the front of the store. He gave land and lumber for the building of a combination church and schoolhouse.

Ishmael and Jerasiah had two children to live to be grown. They were Donna Euia, born November 20, 1872 and Mace, born January 27, 1877.

Mace Cagle married Mamie Gray September 10, 1905. They had six children. One died in infancy. The others were Wynova Avis, born October 1, 1906, Myrtle Euia, born April 11, 1908, Charles Fay, born January 20, 1912, Roger Milton, born March 16, 1914, and Lona J., born March 17, 1918.

Wynona Avis Cagle married Dewey Kinder February 24, 1924. They were the parents of two daughters, Dortha and Virginia. Myrtle Euea Cagle married Lee Cooper, June 4, 1922. They were the parents of two sons and three daughters, Johnny, Gearl, Ruth, Wanda and Jeanette. Charles Fay Cagle married Irene



ISHMAEL N. CAGLE, JERASIAH HORTON CAGLE, DONNA EUIA CAGLE, MACE CAGLE. Made in 1895.

Purinton October 24, 1936. Fay died in 1976. They were the parents of two sons, Charles and Roger Dale. Roger Milton Cagle married Marjorie Tucker December 21, 1935. They have lived in Caglesville most of their married life and are the parents of three daughters, Marilyn, Anita and Melita. Lona J. Cagle married Raywell Hemmer October 22, 1938. They are the parents of two sons, Kirby and Danny.

These descendants are all living in Pope County at the present time except Jeanette Cooper Esch, who lives in Yell County and Charles and Roger Dale Cagle, the sons of Fay Cagle, who live in Oklahoma.

It is interesting to note in all the records dating back to 1790 no Cagle ever owned a slave. Also, there was a Roger Cagle listed in the first census of the United States taken in North Carolina in 1790.

by Mrs. Roger Cagle

WALTER CALE, SR. M.D.

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WALTER CALE M.D.

Walter Cale, Sr. M.D., was born in Chickalah, Arkansas, October 2, 1891, the sixth of seven children the son of Dorsey Calvin and Mary Cole Cale.

Dr. Cale graduated in 1909 from the Magazine Academy at Magazine, Ark. While in school he hauled supplies for his father's store in a draywagon from Dardanelle to Chickalah. After teaching school for a time, he enrolled at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine, where he was granted his Doctor of Medicine Degree in 1921.

He began his career as a general practitioner in Chickalah in 1921 and remained in that community for ten years. Moving to Atkins in August 1931, he established his office there and continued to practice as a family doctor of the "old school" for three decades, frequently accepting farm produce in lieu of cash for his fee. His large practice was made up of devoted patients and he earned the es-

teem of all with whom he came in contact. Many times when roads were impassable, he rode horseback to visit his patients, and often drove up to 35 miles, on unimproved roads to care for patients that he knew would never be able to pay him.

Charter Membership was held by Dr. Cale with the board of directors of the Atkins Industrial Development Corporation. He was one of the first to catch a vision of the possibilities of Navigation on the Arkansas River and enthusiastically promoted its development. A Democrat he served as Mayor of Atkins. While Mayor, Atkins for the first time had all-night street light service for \$20.00 a month in advance, and other considerations. The city had been paying more than twice this for lights until mid-night. The Arkansas Power & Light Co. also canceled an indebtedness amounting to approximately \$600.00.

He was commissioner of the Pope County Levee and Drainage District No. 2. Dr. Cale was a Charter member of the Lions Club of Atkins, and he also served that group as a director. He was a Thirty-Second Degree Mason, An Elk, and a Member of the Eastern Star, serving three separate terms as Worthy Patron. In 1940 was named one of the examining physicians for Pope County under the selective service program. He was a member of Pope-Yell County Medical Society. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Atkins, where he taught Sunday School for many years.

Farming was his avocation, and he was very progressive in this area pioneering with soybean production and with a named variety of wheat (Chancellor) on his Arkansas River bottom farms. He was sportsman fond of hunting quail, duck and squirrel. He was a member of the Atkins Skeet Club and served as president.

Walter Cale was married in Chickalah, Arkansas, September 22, 1913, to Hazel Carter, the daughter of William Riley and Maggie Steiner Carter. Dr. and Mrs. Cale became the parents of three children: 1. Mary Sue who married Roy J. Taylor an agriculturist with the Atkins Pickle Co. 2. Viviam Pauline the wife of Richard "Dick" L. Hunter, the owner of extensive property holdings at Spiro, Oklahoma, and a businessman there. 3. Walter Cale, Jr., M.D. a physician and surgeon who practices at Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

Dr. Cale treasured the time he could spend with his family at home.

Dr. Walter Cale, Sr. died at Atkins, Arkansas, January 1, 1962. Beloved by all who knew him, he will be missed throughout the area in which he served so well. Atkins has lost the last of its Country Doctors.

In 1970 Dr. Cale's biography appeared in the Encyclopedia of American Biography.

by Mary Sue Cale Taylor

JAMES SHELTON CANERDAY

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James Shelton Canerday was the son of Edmond Canerday of Florence, Lauderdale County, Alabama, who died there in 1846. James S. was born in 1845, and married

Mary Jane Hamm in Alabama. He fought in the Civil War for the confederacy from Alabama. Sometime after 1880, he moved to Pope County, near Appleton and died there in 1917. Mary Jane had died in 1895. He belonged to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church but in later years joined the Church of Christ. Mr. Canerday ran a blacksmith shop at Appleton for several years, also farmed in the community known as Canerday Flat, west of Appleton. He and Mary Jane had the following children: John Sphinx, F.F. (Bud); Tamsie; Ira; Ida; George and Elvis.

John Sphinx, oldest son of James Canerday, married Mattie Reynolds, daughter of George and Nancy Hamm Reynolds. George Reynolds lived near Appleton and later moved to Atkins and operated a hardware and furniture store. George had married Elizabeth Hamm and they had three children: J.R. (Dolph), Geo. P. and Calmus L. He then married Nancy Hamm and they had nine children: Nora D.; William L.; Lena E.; Mattie L.; Ada V.; Thomas L.; Georgia M.; Oscar L.; and Howard L. J.R. and Geo. P., later moved to Henryetta, Oklahoma and ran a furniture and hardware store there.

John Sphinx Canerday, was a farmer and lived near Appleton, Ark., until he died in 1917. His wife, Mattie Reynolds Canerday had died in 1913. They were members of the Church of Christ. They had thirteen children but only three who lived to be over three years of age: John, Fred and Bennie, who married Audrey Oates and now lives in Little Rock. His sisters, Thelma and Mary, ran the telephone exchange in Atkins for many years.

Fred Canerday, son of John S. Canerday, attended school at the one room school house called New Hope, for five years then went to Atkins. (New Hope was near Canerday Flat.) He first started to work at the Fair Store at Atkins, then in a cafe, delivered clothes for a cleaners, on foot, and in 1920, went to work at Bledsoe Drug Store, then in 1922, went to work for Lemley furniture store and stayed there until the fall of 1934.

In September 1929, he married Vena Burnett, daughter of Ira Burnett. After leaving the Lemley furniture store, he managed the Linkway store at Dardanelle for about fifteen months and then went to work for International Harvester, traveling over three states. He stayed with them for six years. He was preparing to take over the Purina feed business in Russellville on Pearl Harbor day of 1941. Started there the next day with the help of Hope Condren and R.J. Middleton who had started the business in September of that year. They stayed there until August of 1946, when Fred bought them out. They began to get out of the feed business in the late 1950's and began to get into the cycle business and during the early 1960's was out of the feed business altogether. They first started dealing with the Cushman, Triumph and Vespa cycle. Honda came to the United States in 1960 and they took the dealership in 1962, making them one of the oldest Honda dealers in the country. In 1972, Fred retired on the account of bad health and the business is now being run by his son, Don.

by Fred Canerday

JAMES CARDEN

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James Carden left Ireland in 1806 at the age of 26 and settled in Missouri. In 1818 he followed an old Indian trail down the banks of the Arkansas River to what is now Yell County. He homesteaded land, and with his slaves built a small log house. He called this settlement Carden's Bottoms.

He married Miss Jace Tiner of Galla Rock, a small settlement across the river. They were the parents of four sons, H.M., George, James and Tom. H.M. married Mary Crump and they had two children, W.H. Carden and a daughter. When the War Between the States was declared, H.M. joined the Keetan regiment and was a major at the close of the war. He drove a herd of cattle to California in 1850 and was said to have received a fabulous price for them. After the death of his mother, H.M. Carden married Miss Lizzie Potts and the family moved to Pottsville. He died in 1898.

William Henry Carden was born in Carden's Bottoms in 1856. He traveled on foot to Fayetteville and attended the University of Arkansas for one year — this was the second year of its operation. He married Miss Jewel Williamson who died at an early age, and, in 1886, married Miss Neppie Rollow of Dover, a member of a pioneer family.

William Henry Carden was engaged in the mercantile business in Russellville. The firm of Carden and Munday was well known during the later part of the 19th century. This partnership was dissolved, but Mr. Carden continued in business until 1918 when he retired, but continued to look after his farming interests until his death in 1944. He was a member of the Methodist Church and served on the Board of Stewarts for more than 50 years.

William Henry and Neppie Carden were parents of one son, Rollow Henry. He graduated from Arkansas Tech, was a businessman, farmer, member of the Methodist Church and Board of Trustees, Charter Member of the Lions' Club, veteran of World War I, and worked for Production Credit Association. He married Miss Glayds McNew of McNew's Chapel in Faulkner County. She was a teacher in Russellville and continues to live in the Carden home in Russellville.

by Mrs. Rollow Carden

HAROLD CLYDE CARPENTER

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Harold Clyde Carpenter was born December 25, 1883 in Seneca County, Ohio to the parents of Johnathan Adam and Emmaline (Michener) Carpenter. In the year nineteen hundred, they moved to Guthrie, Oklahoma. He graduated from the St. Louis School of Watchmaking at St. Louis, Missouri about 1910. He then came to Russellville and worked for W.P. Lewellyn as a watch repairman and jeweler. Around 1911 he moved to Sterling, Kansas where he bought a small jewelry store. He later returned to Russellville and on January 1, 1914 married Dorothy Hes-

ter Robinson (daughter of Elam Newton and Mary Elizabeth (Rackley) Robinson.) While living in Sterling, Kansas, their first son Clyde Donald was born, January 25, 1915. While at Sterling, Kansas, he graduated from the Needles Institute of Optometry in 1917 and became a doctor of optometry. In February, 1917 they returned to Russellville where he subrented space from Hood's Drug Store and opened a jewelry store. On April 12, 1919, their second son Dale Harold was born. On November 1, 1920, their third son, Robert Maurice, was born.

After 22 years in the Hood's Drug Store, he moved down to the Walgreen Drug Store next to the court house. After about two years, this drug store folded up and he then moved to the present location of H.C. Carpenter & Son Jewelry. This was in 1939. Harold C. Carpenter passed away November 30, 1968. Dorothy H. Carpenter passed away December 27, 1977.

Clyde Carpenter served in the U.S. Navy for 20 years. After retiring from the Navy he worked for the city of San Deigo, California. Retiring August 1976, he moved back to Russellville and lives on Crow Mountain. Clyde married Mary Simetkosky (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Simetkosky of Chisholm, Minnesota) February 21, 1941. They have one adopted daughter, Judith (Judy) Ann of California.

Dale H. Carpenter served in the Air Force during World War II. After returning to Russellville in October, 1945, he joined his father as a partner in the jewelry business. In 1960 he bought his father's interest in the business and is still running the business at its present location. Dale married Bettye Ruth Wilson (daughter of the late Ello Euing and Stella Elizabeth (Lawrence) Wilson — early settlers of Pope County) February 3, 1946. They are the parents of five children: Harold Frank, born August 8, 1948; Kenneth Dale, born November 24, 1950; David Lynn, born May 27, 1953; twin daughters Rita Lou and Betty Ann, born April 3, 1958.

Harold Frank married Elizabeth (Betty) Sharum (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sharum of Ft. Smith, Arkansas). They have one daughter, Beth Allison, born October 20, 1976. Harold after serving nine years in the U.S. Navy has returned to Pope County and works for Arkasas, Power, & Light Co., Nuclear 1. They now live at London, Ark.

Kenneth Dale married Jacqueline (Jackie) Saunders of London, England. Daughter of Harry and Rose Saunders. They have two daughters Maria born May 23, 1970 and Sarah Jane born June 1, 1974. Kenneth is now in the U.S. Navy aboard the U.S.S. L.Y. Spear home ported at Norfolk, Virginia.

David Lynn married Pat Frost of Wiscasset, Maine. Daughter of the late Carl Frost and Mrs. Carl (Perkins) Frost. She having two daughters by a previous marriage, Kimberly Ann and Leisa Marie. David is in the U.S. Navy, stationed at Brunswick, Maine.

Rita Lou and Betty Ann live at home and are attending Arkansas Tech University.

Robert (Bob) Maurice Carpenter married Emogene Nash (daughter of Robert and Lizzie

(Sanders) Nash.) Bob served with the U.S. Navy during World War II. After returning to Russellville, he started his own car repair business later going in to the welding business which he now follows. Bob and Emogene have two adopted daughters. Carol Lynn born September 21, 1954 and Susan Jan born May 15, 1957. They now live in Dardanelle, Ark. Bob and Emogene live on Hwy 7 north of Russellville.

by Dale H. Carpenter

DONNIE CARPENTER

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Donnie Carpenter was in Pope County soon after the Civil War, the exact date not being known. In 1880, he is shown as being born in Arkansas and was living in the home of John Williamson of the Shiloh Community. He was a farmer and drayman, doing hauling and work for other people. When the Russellville Water Works Dam was built, Donnie lost a thousand dollars on the building of the dam. In that day, you could only get three dollars a day for a good team, wagon and yourself. A fellow by the name of Wilson and one other, built the dam and they took the bankrupt law and Mr. Carpenter took the loss.

They were living in a house near where the big curve is now located, just east of the Tucker coliseum but moved to town at the corner of what is now North Boston and East H Place. He was in the dray business some 20 years and then sold to John Craig.

Donnie and wife had two sons and one daughter: Osmond who married Mabel Westfall, John married Sammie Hooper and Ollie, who married W.J. Cowan. Osmond and John farmed together for two years and didn't make anything so in 1921, he got a chance to go into the dray business with Zed Dixon, whom he later bought out, and he remained in this business until he retired. He hired True Webb to work for him and he stayed with Osmond for 52 years. The name Donnie, was given to Osmond in early life, because of his father and very few know what his real name is.

Donnie was working at the mines in the comminsary, when he was called to go to the Army during WWI. He had been working for the D & R Railroad and while trying to get the attention of the engineer he jumped on a car and like to have gotten both feet under a wheel so he quit. Dr. Berryman and a doctor at Atkins had examined Donnie and had passed him but before going he took a bad case of Bronical Pneumonia and was sick for several weeks so he never did have to go to the army.

Donnie and Mable had three boys: John, Bob and Tom. Tom married but John and Bob never did. In 1962, Mrs. Carpenter, passed away and Donnie told Tom he could have the dray business for he was going to quit. It was hard for him to quit for he continued to help Tom but he finally did retire. Speaking of old times, he says, "I've seen a lot of water run under the bridge."

by Osmond (Donnie) Carpenter

CHARLES CARRELL FAMILY 130

Charles Carrell was born about 1812 or 1813 in the state of Tennessee. He was married to Lucinda who was born about 1814 or 1815 in Tennessee. The Charles Carrell family, made up of Charles, Lucinda, Elizabeth Ann and William J., came to Arkansas around 1840. The Carrell family resided at Griffin Flat north of Atkins where their third child, Joshua, was born. Both Charles and Lucinda Carrell are buried at the Ford Cemetery at Griffin Flat. The Carrells had nine children:

Elizabeth Ann Carrell born 13 August, 1837, died December 28, 1904, married first Richard Griffin, then Lloyd Dink Ford. Elizabeth Ann had one child, which died, by her first marriage, and three by her second. Elizabeth born October 10, 1867, died March 27, 1998; Kitty born 18 January, 1871, died 29 May, 1921 and Lloyd Dink Ford Jr., born 20 March, 1874 and died 15 March, 1916.

William J. Carrell was born in 1839 and died January 28, 1871 at Griffin Flat. He married Martha Jane who was born in 1844.

Joshua Carrell was born in 1842.

John N. Carrell was born in 1845.

Mary Jane Carrell was born September 9, 1847 and died December 12, 1883. She married Caleb Griffin, born 20 March 1850 and died 20 May 1875. She married Caleb November 28, 1869 and later William R. Pruett on November 13, 1881. Mary Jane had two children by her first marriage; Robert T. Griffin born in 1872 and died in 1873 and William Frank born March 12, 1874 and died April 15, 1941. There was one child by the second marriage, Charles Ellis Pruett who was born in 1883 and died in 1884.

Charles Carrell was born January 7, 1849 and died April 30, 1875.

Franklin C. Carrell was born in 1851 and died in 1933. He married (1879) Rosa Belle McCarty, (1863-1934). They moved to California and had six children. Anna Myrtle born January 15, 1883, died May 25, 1964. Married Curtis Lewis. Frank R. born in 1884 and married Elosise Dabke. Leland Jay, who died in 1942, married Alice Lee Hall; Rosetta born September 15, 1894, married Arthur Hobbitt; Goldie May born May 25, 1896 in Gardena, California, married Hugo Peterson; and Lillian Frances, born October 12, 1905, married John W. Allen.

Sarah Francis Carrell, born March 14, 1854, died July 4, 1915, married Jullis A. Bost, born November 14, 1874, died October 2, 1920. They had four children; Elizabeth, born February 11, 1880 and died January 12, 1960; Elah; William Hiram born November 3, 1890 and died October 25, 1960 and Carrell.

Robert D. Carrell was born in 1859.

by John C. Stroud

REECE A. CAUDLE 131

Reece A. Caudle was a son of Calvin Caudle came to Arkansas from Tennessee, settling

with his family near Scottsville around 1840. His descendants include the late Reece A. Caudle, second son of Lewis Monroe Caudle and Mattie Elizabeth Price Caudle.

Reece A. Caudle (1888-1955) grew up on the family's farm at Scottsville, attended the University of Arkansas, and taught school in Pope County. He married Floy McAlister of the Pleasant Grove Community who died in 1919 leaving one daughter, Imo Elizabeth. After serving two terms as Pope County Circuit Clerk, he studied law, and was soon admitted to the bar.

In 1921, Reece married May Burgess, younger daughter of Dr. and Mrs. S.C. Burgess of Russellville. One daughter, Louise, was born to this union.

During his three terms in the state House of Representatives, Reece A. Caudle served one year as Speaker of the House and in 1927 had the opportunity to serve as governor of the state of Arkansas for one day.

His boyhood on the farm instilled an interest in agriculture, the problems of soil erosion and flooding being major concerns. He was appointed to the State Flood Control Commission in 1941, served as president of the State Soil Conservation Service for ten years, at the same time maintaining an active interest in civic affairs.

For ten years, Reece A. Caudle led a campaign for a complete flood control program for the Arkansas River Valley. His dream was to make the Arkansas River navigable by having a dam built at Dardanelle, and also a big lake with recreational areas for everyone to enjoy.

His family still lives in Russellville. Imo married David Campbell, Plumbing and Heating Contractor, — they have two daughters: Louise teaches home economics, and Carol is married to Larry Fisher. They, with their two daughters Jan and Julie, live in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Louise Caudle married Richard Mobley, Chancery Judge in this district since 1963. Louise teaches French at Arkansas Tech University. A daughter Margaret Mobley Carter works for National Geographic in Washington, D.C. Son Richard Reece Mobley married Denise Flanagan whose parents are from Liege, Belgium, and Boston, Massachusetts. Richare is an attorney for the Federal Fisheries and Wildlife Commission. Imo Caudle married David Campbell of Russellville and they have two daughters, Louise and Carol. Carol, with her husband Larry Fisher lives in Tulsa, Okla.

by Imo Campbell and Louise Mobley

THOMAS A. CAUDLE 132

Thomas A. Caudle of Scottsville, Arkansas, was a great-grandson of Calvin Caudle who came to Arkansas from Tennessee between 1839 and 1841. Mr. Calvin Caudle ran the first tan yard in Hector in 1863. He received several degrees from the Scottsville Lodge. He had several children, one of which was Green Caudle. Soon after the Civil War, early one morning, Green Caudle went to borrow some coffee from a neighbor. A man had

been laying low to kill the neighbor and as Mr. Caudle stepped out of the house, his neighbor, shot and killed Mr. Caudle by mistake. Green Caudle had at least eight children, one of which was Lewis Monroe Caudle, Tom's father.

Tom Caudle's maternal great-great-grandparents, Robert and Isabell Rankin, were early settlers of Appleton. They had a daughter, Malinda, who married W.L. Johnson and they had a daughter, Salina, who married Buck Price. They had a daughter, Mattie, who married Lewis Monroe Caudle.

Lewis Monroe and Mattie Price Caudle had six children: Reuben, named after Reuben Rankin; Thomas, named after an uncle; Jasper, named after Jasper Johnson; Reece, named after Reece Hogin; Isabell, named after Isabell Rankin and Fred.

Thomas A. Caudle was born near Hector, Arkansas, March 28, 1890. When he was about a year and half old his father moved near Broomfield where Thomas Allen attended school through the eighth grade then attended the Agriculture school in Russellville in 1910. He then attended the University of Arkansas for two years. While attending the Agriculture school he was a member of the first baseball team of the school which was the forerunner of Arkansas Tech. He taught his first school at Broomfield in 1910. He carried the mail of Rural Rt. 2, from Dover for six years, beginning in 1914. That was during the days of bad roads and buggies, so he wore out real soon and decided he didn't want to follow the mail-carrying trade. He farmed and taught school in the Hector School District both at Hector and Scottsville. In all, he taught school for 30 years.

Mr. Caudle married Lena Holman of Johnson County. She was a school teacher and has taught at Broomfield, Scottsville and after the schools consolidated, taught at Hector until his retirement in 1958. She taught for 31 years. Mr. and Mrs. Caudle had one son, Charles Louis, who married Atha Langford. Charles and Atha had one child, Carolyn, who married Bob Bennett of London. They have one child, Cindy Michele. Carolyn is Home Economics teacher at Hector High School. Hector is 50 years old this year and has had one of the Caudles teaching almost continually in the district.

by Mrs. Tom Caudle and Mrs. Carlyn Bennett

EMMETT CHEEK 134

Emmett Cheek, born north of Atkins, Arkansas Sept. 10, 1897, son of the late Elisha Edward and Sarah Elizabeth Gamble Cheek, pioneer citizens of Pope County, having come here from Mississippi.

Emmett was a veteran of World War I, being stationed at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas just prior to end of war.

After returning to Atkins he studied Pharmacy in Little Rock, Ark., and upon graduation was employed in Little Rock for a time, and later in Conway, Ark., where he met and married Willard Reynolds, daughter of the late

Judge J.H. and Nora Montgomery Reynolds, of Morrilton. While living in Conway, a son, John Emmett, was born to them (10-21-27). During the depression years they resided in Morrilton, where a daughter, Nora Jane, was born Dec. 24, 1933. While she was an infant, they moved to Russellville, Ark., where Emmett was pharmacist at Rogers Drug Store. In 1940 they moved to Atkins where they bought a home. John Emmett and Jane completed High School in Atkins — John E. in 1946, and Jane in 1951. Both graduated from Arkansas State Teachers College (Now U.C.A.), Conway, Arkansas. John E. graduated in 1952, and Jane in 1955.

While in High School John Emmett was outstanding in football and track, having made All-State in football his senior year in school — 1946. After finishing high school John Emmett served in the Armed Forces two years, being stationed in the Phillipines and Iwo Jima. When he returned to Atkins he married his high school sweetheart, Helen Dean Fields, daughter of the late Jack Fields and Una Fields, Rt. 2, Atkins (June 1948). They have two children, Jackie Ruth and James Howard. They reside in West Memphis, Ark.

Jane married Oscar Berryman Jr., son of Oscar Berryman Sr., and the late Norma Garrigus Berryman, on August 29, 1954. They have four children, Alan, Joy, Robert and Lisa. They presently live in Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Emmett died February 22, 1966. His widow resides in Atkins, Ark.

by Mrs. Emmett Cheek

JOHN CHRONISTER

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John Chronister was born about 1809 and came from Tennessee in about 1847 with his wife Mary. They had 8 children: Susannah, James, Nancy, Mary, Phillip, Adam & Henry W. and Benjamin. Benjamin married Elizabeth Crites, daughter of Moses Crites, and they had 4 children: John, Henry Walker, Sarah Ann & Dimey: John married Margaret Duvall and was the father of Spurgeon Dallas, O.T. (Tow), Doland (Doke), Ellis Benjamin Arthur, Lillie, Mollie and Elizabeth (Betsy). Henry Walker married Mollie (Pollie) Duvall. They had 9 children Luther unmarried, Hobart married Thelma Nowlin, Herb married Gladys Ludwick, Benny died when young, Nora married Luther Singleton, Dora Chronister McGee, Esther, unmarried, Jewell married Hulen Graham, Jenny died when young. Adam married a Gullet, a son James B. Chronister was born in 1868 and died in 1935. He married Kansas (Candie) Duvall, born Sept. 1868 and died 1896. They had 4 children Leona Margaret, Eva Pearl, Haynie, on boy died as an infant. Leona married Chester Kinder, 2 children, Blaine & Neva Rai. Haynie married Stell Farmer, one child Trella V. Eva Pearl married Herman Pryor Hudson and they have 8 children: D.J. Eliane Hudson Hice, Geraldine Hudson Scarborough, Leta Brown Eszes, James Francis, Clois Dale and twins, Don & Doynne. James B. later married Alice Tarkington and they had Clyde, Claude,

Woodrow, Benny, Maggie Chronister McCurrie, Bertha Chronister Ketchum, and Myrtle Chronister Montgomery.

by Doynne Hudson

CHURCHILLS IN POPE COUNTY

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Although a brief background will be given, the thrust of this Churchill history will be presented through James Jeffery Churchill, the first of his family to actually settle in Pope County and one of his sons, Monroe King Churchill and one of Monroe's sons, Lattie James Churchill of Dover.

James J. Churchill, born in Pineville, Izard County, Arkansas, in 1829, moved to Pope County with his wife, Martha Ann (Scott) in 1860. They were married in Mt. Olive, Izard County in 1859. James J. was the second son of Joseph Dell Churchill, who was born in Jersey City, New Jersey in 1797. He came to Batesville, Arkansas from Michigan in 1824. The Churchills had first settled in Connecticut in 1642. Joseph D. settled in Batesville quite by accident. He was working on a boat moving people up White River, became ill with a "fever" and by the time he had recovered from the illness, he had decided to stay. He had also fallen in love with a young widow named Lucretia Bocock. They had twelve children. Joseph D. died in 1851. He is buried in Pineville near Calico Rock.

Soon after the Civil War began, James J. joined the Union Army. His wife and small son stayed with relatives on Crow Mountain while he was away in service. He was a farmer and lived most of his life near Hector. He died in 1910. Martha Ann died in 1929. They are buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector. The couple had eleven children, ten boys and one girl. Three of the sons died in infancy, one son, Samuel, died age nineteen. The daughter, Mary Christe, married Ned Coffman

and had thirteen children. Only two of this family is still living, Hester Voss of Oklahoma and Lester Coffman of Russellville. Six of the Churchill sons lived to a rather old age and five of the six lived most of their lives in and close to Hector. The picture shows the six brothers in 1946.

Joseph William, lower left in the picture, died in 1951, age 91. He married Cox and had three children. Sarah Hollabough lives in Dover. Pearl Smith lives in Russellville. Jeff died in 1960. R.L. Churchill, a grandson, has a grocery business in Hector.

George Washington Churchill, lower middle in the picture, married Martha Akin and had eleven children. One daughter, Lucy Dixon lives at Hector. Two sons, James Boley and Mon live at Hector. Grandsons Clarence and James (Bud) live in Atkins. George died in 1958 age 90.

Henry Ambrose, bottom right in the picture, married Caroline Vaughan and had three daughters. Laura Bryon lives at Hector. He had one daughter by a second marriage. Henry died in 1952 age 81.

Rev. Jasper Lawton Churchill, upper left in the picture, married Mary Francis and had eleven children. Most of this family lives in Missouri. Jasper is buried at Walnut Grove as are all the brothers. He died in 1950 age 75.

Andrew Jackson (Jack) Churchill, upper right in picture, married Daisy Voss and had five children. Two daughters, Hazel Marable and Clara Thomas live at Hector. After the death of his first wife, he married Cassie Linton. They had a daughter, Wanda Christian.

Monroe King Churchill, upper middle in the picture, married Edie Candice (Story) and had nine children. He lived in Pope County all his life. "Uncle Mon" as he was affectionately known was a farmer, merchant and was the Postmaster at Hector from 1924 to 1947. He was Justice of Peace in his young adult life when that position carried much responsibility.



Joseph W., b. 1860; George W., b. 1868; Hanery A., b. 1871; Jasper N., b. 1875; Monroe K., b. 1877; Andrew J. Churchill b. 1880.

ity in rural Arkansas. He operated a general store at Leta with J.B. Hill. They bought the Caudle-Waite store and moved to Hector in 1923. He became sole owner of the store in 1928, just in time for the economic crash of 1929. He mortgaged to survive the depression and operated his business until his retirement in 1947. He served on the Hector School Board during the school consolidating period. He taught the young adults Sunday School class at the Hector Cumberland Presbyterian Church for twenty-five years. He kept on active role in community, church and county affairs, along with ready council to relatives and friends until his death in 1957. Edie Candace died in Dover in 1964.

Of the nine children, six are still living. Clemo died in 1936, age 15. Odus died in 1953, age 45. He had been Superintendent of Schools at Hector. He married Lucille Reed of Hector. They had a daughter, Mrs. Lisa Gray who lives in Dallas, Texas. Bessie, the oldest daughter died in Dexter, Missouri in 1975. She married Jiles Caudle and they had three children. Mrs. Lornese Greenwood lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma. J.M. lives in Florida and Lonas lives in Dexter, Missouri. She was a devoted church worker. Another son, Clyde was a businessman, carpenter and, at the time of his retirement, worked for the Porterville California School District. He married Mae Rowland and they have two children, Watha Gallena, Keewattan, Minn. and a son Clyde Rowland Churchill, Visalia, California. A daughter, Marjorie Crouch, married Rev. Hollie Crouch and lives in Russellville. A daughter, Mrs. Kay Purtle, married to Dr. Kin Purtle, Oklahoma. Marjorie and Hollie lived in Stillwater and Tulsa, Oklahoma for many years. Marjorie is very active in church work where her husband is pastor. Mildred Blake, another daughter, also decided to retire in Russellville. She is married to Ben Blake and has assumed much of the responsibility of keeping the family ties close. She has a daughter by a previous marriage, Mrs. Patsy Riley of Bell, California. Another son, Olen is married to Mary Jo (Cheek). They have three children, Betty Woomeer of Fayetteville, Dr. Larry Churchill of Chapel Hill, North Carolina and Dr. John Churchill of Conway. Olen was Supt. of School at Hector. Now works for the State Dept. of Education in Little Rock. Bill, the youngest son and youngest child lives in Waldron. He is married to Juanita (Salkell). They have two daughters. Mrs. Sherri Johnson lives in Waldron and the younger daughter Terri, lives in Ft. Smith. Bill has operated businesses in Atkins and North Little Rock and presently is inspection supervisor of a poultry processing plant in Waldron.

Lattie James Churchill married Audrey Hill and they had three children. Mrs. Jonea Massey died in 1972. Mrs. Elaine Berry lives in Dover. Her husband Jack Berry died in 1974. Vance, the son, lives in Dover, operates a farm and has been Director of the ASCS office for Pope County for 25 years. Lattie and Audrey have eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. They moved to Dover from Hector in 1932. He had been a farmer and had worked with his father at Hector in the general store and Post Office. He later was

Assistant Postmaster at Dover. He bought into the Bradley-Moore store in Dover. He became its sole owner a few years later. He operated this business until 1972. His other holdings include land near Dover and business interests in Russellville. He has had a wide interest and activities in church, school and community affairs. He is presently the Mayor of Dover. He has served on the Pope County Board of Education since 1942. His politics is Republican and he was always eager to assist with Federal projects such as the development of the Arkansas River in Pope County and in Arkansas and Oklahoma. He is still very active at 75.

The entire Churchill Family, including many not mentioned here have been very active in the affairs of Pope County for these 118 years (Since 1860). The descendants of James Jeffery Churchill (includes one branch of Coffmans) have produced an unusually large number of ministers and one Rhodes Scholar. Prominent careers in farming, professions, and businesses along with other activities have permitted this family to make a significant contribution to the development of Pope County.

by Olen & L.J. Churchill

CLARK FAMILY

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Dr. George Washington and Parilee Caroline Jackson Clark came to Scott Co., Ark. in 1870. George was born in Lawrence Co., Ohio in 1846 to Dan and Emma Stumbaugh Clark. Emma was the daughter of David and Rhoda Stumbaugh. David was born in 1799 in Va. and Rhoda in 1789 in Rockingham Co., Va. They had Emma, John B., another boy, Anna, Andrew Jackson, James, David, Adam, Archibald, and Kelly. All were born in Ohio and Ind. George W. served in the Union Army 1861 to 1865. He married a girl in Ohio, after her death, he married Parilee in Christian Co., Mo. in 1869. They traveled to Ark. in an ox drawn wagon along with his Uncle Andrew Jackson, who stopped with his family in Johnson Co.

G.W. and Parilee had Hanna (Barnes), Jack, Ellen (Cox), Polly (Martin), John, Henry, Jim, Anderson, Sarah Francis, George Norris, and Mary Jean. G.W. was a Doctor, teacher, and farmer. The family lived in the Choctaw Nation of Okla. for some time, then in 1899 or 1900 came to Pope Co. settling on what is now known as Goate's Mountain north west of Scottsville. Polly's daughter Rose Martin Ragsdale lives at Dover, Henry's son Champ lives in Johnson Co., and the only one living, Anderson lives in Johnson Co. Hanna's descendants are in Okla., Jack's in Oregon, Ellen and John had no children, Sarah Francis and Mary Jean died in infancy. Jim died of food poisoning (was in the Army in Alabama at the time). Henry took pneumonia after collecting Jim's body at Russellville and returning to Scottsville in a wagon in cold rainy Jan. weather. He died 19 days later.

George Norris married Mabel Stark in 1908 in Bullfrog valley by her father Jerrimeyer Ar-

nold Stark who was a Freewill Baptist preacher. J.A. and Sarah Leona Cox Stark came to Pope Co. from Mo. between 1888 and 1899 with Mable, John Nathin, and Jessie. Many of John Nathin and Jessie's families remain in Pope Co. George and Mable had Rosa Lee, Jessie Norris, Verna Mae (Wells), Floyd Wilson, Arvie Earl, Henry Eugene, Billie Sue (Price), and George Bernice (Christensen), and one unnamed baby. All are deceased but Billie Sue and Georgia Bea. Georgia Bea's family and part of Billie Sue's live in Pope Co.

Arvie Earl married Eunice Wilbanks and had Bettye Lee, Arvie Earl Jr., Billy Joe, Ronald Dean, Donald Dean and one unnamed baby. All live in Pope Co. with their families. This brings the line to me, Bettye Lee. I am married to William Glen (Bud) Wait. We have two children, William David and Rhonda LeAnn. We live at Dover.

by Bettye Clark Wait

JOSIAH CLARK

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Josiah Clark, son of Aaron Clark and grandson of Abraham Clark who was a delegate to the Continental Congress from New Jersey and a signer of the Declaration of Independence, moved to Arkansas from Pennsylvania in the early 1830's. He and his wife Elizabeth and 5 children settled in Western Pope County at Scotia (between London & Piney). He was a landowner, farmer and had an interest in a boatyard, lumber and sugar mill operations near the mouth of Piney Creek. Josiah and Elizabeth died in 1850. Their eldest son, Nimrod and wife Ellen lived in the area until their deaths, he 1877, she 1894, both are buried in Brock Cemetery West of Scotia. His daughters, Harriet married Thomas Barnes in 1847 and Elizabeth married Bartley Seaborn in 1850. The younger sons, James 13 & Abram 15 lived with Gibson & Mary Morrison after their parents death. Abram died in young manhood unmarried.

James spent his early life on the river with Mr. Morrison, his first job was boot polishing, called a boot black, for this he was paid in one dollar gold coins, ten of which he saved and later had them made in cuff & collar buttons for his wife, Mary Jane Neal, married 1864. They lived on the old Scotia farm which adjoined the Scott and Latta plantations, the house stood until the 1960's. During the first years of marriage Mary accompanied him on his river trips. Six children were born, Aaron, 1866, died in infancy, Anna, 1867, died in infancy, Sarah, 1870, died in infancy, Charley, 1872, died 1883, Abraham "Abe", 1875 and William, 1877. James was a licensed steamboat pilot on the Mississippi and Arkansas rivers and had a valid license at his death in 1877, after his death his widow married George Johnston. James, Mary and their infant daughters are buried in Scotia Cemetery. William left home at an early age and worked on neighboring farms, he enlisted and served in the Spanish American War, on his return home he married Bertha Krumsiek, their 3

children died in infancy. William served many years as a law officer in Eastern Oklahoma, died in 1942 and Bertha died in 1957, both are buried in the National Cemetery, Ft. Smith.

Abraham "Abe" also left home at an early age and worked on neighboring farms. 1897 Abe married Lona Myers, daughter of Richard & Jane Burgess Myers and homesteaded on Tucker Mt., north of Russellville until 1919 when they moved to Sunny Point-Bernice community south of Russellville and worked for Southern Anthracite Coal Co., died 1955, buried in Rankin Cemetery, Iona died in 1970, buried in Rankin Cemetery. Abe was active in community & county affairs and served on the school board of several districts, his family were charter members of the 2nd Baptist Church, organized at Sunny Point in 1924, the church later became a part of Russellville Baptist Church. Abe & Lona had 2 daughters, Alice, born and died 1907 and buried on Tucker Mt., Leona born 1908.

Leona Clark married Buel Lile, 1928 and had 2 children Alice, 1932 died in infancy and James Buel "Jimmy" Lile, 1933. Buel died 1957 and buried in Rankin Cemetery, Leona Clark still lives in their home.

James "Jimmy" married Marilyn Mathis, daughter of the Connie Mathis' of Appleton in 1955. Jimmy was a teacher and coach in the Pottsville & Hector School Systems before going into the heavy construction business. In 1968 he became a full time maker of custom knives and is widely known as the "Arkansas Knifsmith"

Leona Clark Lile and Jimmy Lile are the only remaining descendants of Josiah Clark living in Pope Co.

by Leona Clark Lile

ARCHIE BOYD CLAYTON

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ARCHIE & DELLIA CLAYTON

Archie Boyd Clayton was born at Treat, Arkansas, on March 18, 1898, the youngest of ten children of Elizabeth and John Allen Clayton. He grew up on Indian Creek and attended school at Big Lick which was located on Indian Creek about a mile below his birthplace. His father, John Allen was a former

teacher at the school. As a young man he would travel with his father to Russellville by wagon to pick up supplies. They usually camped one night at Booger Hollow and in Russellville stayed in the wagon yard at Roundrock (located about one mile north of Russellville on hwy #7) or in the George Lee wagonyard which stood on what is now Arkansas & East D street. George's wife Sarah ran the boarding house across the street where the Carpet Villa now stands. Meals were 25¢ and a bed could be had for the same amount. Sometimes when the boarding house was full they would spend the night in the home of Ray Lee, Sr. In later years A.B. cut lots of stave bolts in the Pilot Rock mtn. area for Ray Lee.

A.B. married Delia Ann Clayborn of Limestone Valley just southwest of Deer in Newton county. Delia was born to James Franklin and Martha Middleton Clayborn on April 11, 1897. Delia's father, a trapper by trade, died of pneumonia when she was just a small child and she was raised by her grandmother and grandfather Martha and John Clayborn.

A.B. & Delia had the following children: John Lafayette born on Friday 11-2-1923, Ova Elizabeth 5-18-1925, (both above children born on Indian Creek), Wylie Verlon 3-22-1927 at Dillon, Ark., Kennie Stanley 3-4-1930 at Dillon also and Archie Boyd, Jr. 2-22-1933 at Ladd on hwy #7 north of Dover.

John, a minister is married to Ruby Jean Wooten. They reside at Gentry and have 4 children Johnnie Gail, David Nolan, Linda Jean & Paul Michael. Ova resides in Russellville & has 2 children Ronald Dean Huddleston & Fidelia Dianne Huddleston Collier. Kennie Stanley passed away as a child with diphtheria. Wylie is married to Beulah Belle Sommers, & they have one son Jon Steven and they reside in Dover. A.B. Clayton, Jr. is married to Elsie Wynette White of Russellville and they have 3 children Valerie Dawn, Stanley Boyd and Tonya Nicole. We reside in Paris, Arkansas.

A.B., Sr. was a farmer most of his life & lived at several places in Pope county, but his favorite was the mtns. and Indian Creek where he grew up. It was here where he learned to swim in a small pool by a bluff within a stones throw from the house, and after successfully mastering this he went to the big swimming hole just past the deer lick north of the house. He traded a team of horses with a little boot for his first car a T model and learned to drive it in a meadow just East of the house. He walked or rode a horse to church and other community activities at Big Lick or the Ross School house.

While living in the Ladd community a group of hunters camped on a bench a mile or so north of the house and when their cupboard ran low one of the group bought eggs and chickens from A.B. Sometime after this the outlaw John Dillinger was killed. The family recognized his picture in the paper as the member of the hunting group that had bought the eggs & chickens from them.

A.B. & Delia moved to Russellville in 1954 to 1201 South Denver and spent their remaining years here. A.B. passed away on 11-25-70 at the age of 72. Delia Ann passed away on

June 7, 1976 at the age of 80. They are both buried in the Lane cemetery on hwy #7 north of Dover.

FRANCIS H. CLAYTON

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JOHN ALLEN AND ELIZABETH HULL CLAYTON

Francis H. Clayton, in 1842 donated 30 acres of land for the town of Benton, Ky. the county seat of Marshal County, to be built on. The following year he built the first courthouse constructed of logs. He was a justice of the Peace, he helped organize and was a deacon in the Middle Fork Church, where he lived about 1½ miles south of Benton. Francis & his wife Elizabeth Bourland Clayton raised 8 children. The 2nd of their offspring, a son named Ambrose was 5 yrs. old when his father donated the land. He grew up in Benton & as a young man stood 6'4" and weighed 230 lbs. He married Susan Ford of Benton.

The Civil War caused, because of divided loyalties, a great deal of turmoil in Marshal county. It was believed that because of this the Clayton families all eventually moved to Illinois. In Greene County where Ambrose and Susan's 4th child, a son named John Allen was born on Sept. 11, 1858. John Allen's mother passed away shortly after he was born and for awhile he lived with an aunt. As a lad of about 11 he was riding on a wagon when the team ran away and he fell off with his right arm catching between the wagon hub and a stump. The arm had to be amputated between the elbow & shoulder. Shortly after this his father remarried and the family moved to Springfield, Mo. John Allen lived here until 1881 when he came to Pope County Arkansas with a sister Sadie Clayton Casey and her husband John Casey. Mr. Casey was a lumberman and he set up his first sawmill somewhere near Freeman Springs. Sadie and John raised 4 children Johnny, Monroe, Gilbert and Cap.

John Allens first job was teaching school at Richland. While teaching at Big Lick (located on the west bank of Indian Creek about 7 miles north of the injunction of Indian and

Moccison creeks), he met the widow of Doctor Zadok Wood, Elizabeth Hull Wood. Elizabeth was born to Major & Fannie Pruitt Hull of Marion County, Arkansas on March 31, 1854. Zadok & Elizabeth had the following children: Rebecaken Josephine 11-25-1876, Sarah Francis 3-23-1881, Lydia Vester 9-16-1884, William Richard Ghalson 1-26-1885, Benjamin Zadok 7-8-1887 & Joseph Franklin 2-2-1889. John & Betty (as she was called by everyone) were married Sept. 8, 1890 and of this union the following children were born: John Turner 7-3-1891, Elizabeth Jane Clayton Willbanks 5-27-1893, Ambrose L. 9-26-1895 (Ambrose was killed in WWI, he was a member of Co. E 23rd Infantry), and Archie Boyd 3-18-1898.

John Allen in addition to being a school teacher was a farmer, ran a country store in Walnut Valley, was a peddler and was a Justice of the Peace. As a peddler he sold a number of items including a 8 day mantle clock for \$3.75. A granddaughter Ova Huddleston still has one of his clocks.

John Allen was married to Elizabeth for 47 yrs. and lived in Pope County for 55 yrs. He passed away on Norristown Mtn. Jan. 13, 1936. Elizabeth passed away on Shinn, Mtn., near Dover, on March 16, 1939.

by Archie Boyd Clayton Jr.

JOHN CLAYTON

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John Clayton first came to Arkansas from North Carolina with his parents who settled in the Shiloh Community in Cleburn County. His first marriage was to Mollie Chatmon who bore him a son, Tom, and a daughter, Carrie. After Mollie's death John married Roxie Ann Blount. They had four children, Lucy, Joe, Mary, and Jim.

The Clayton family moved to Pope County in 1892 when Lucy was four years old. Roxie had asthma and the doctors had told her the mountain air would be good for her. They bought the Hickey Place in the Laurel Community when the Hickeys moved near Russellville to "take care of the paupers". John and Roxie both lived to be quite old, in their 90's. John died of a heart attack on his way to the barn to feed his mules early one morning.

Alex Partain was a shy, quiet spoken man. He ran a country store near the Pleasant Grove community and drove a "peddling" wagon around to near-by communities. On one of his trips he met Lucy Clayton and though he had never before been very interested in girls, he thought she was the prettiest girl he had ever seen. After "courting" her a while they married in 1907; he was 32 and Lucy was 19.

In 1925 Alex loaded his wife and children into a covered wagon and they went to Seminole, Oklahoma. They travelled from Dover to the Fort Smith bridge before meeting an automobile. In Oklahoma John worked in the oil fields and drove his peddling wagon. They left Oklahoma after a few years and returned to Pope County where Alex worked in the timber and farmed.

While in Oklahoma in 1927 their youngest

child, Juanita, died of meningitis at the age of five. Minnie, the oldest, died in 1975. The other six children: Iva, Rose, Loyal, Ruby, Lillie, and Clayton, are still living — three of them in Pope County. Alex died in 1960. In 1972, at the age of 84, Lucy married John Harris. He only lived three years after their marriage. Lucy now lives alone in Russellville.

Their daughter, Ruby, married Eugene Debs Harris in 1934. Eugene was 7 years older than Ruby and met her when he was "courting" one of her older sisters. They raised five daughters: Wanda, Violet, Betty, Sue and Joyce. A son was born to them in 1960 but he had leukemia and only lived to be two years old. Eugene died in 1969, and like her mother, Ruby lives alone in Russellville; but her five daughters are near-by. All except one live in Pope County — Wanda, the oldest, lives in Danville.

Betty Harris married Wayne Hull and they had two sons, Kenneth and Brian. She later married Wetzel LaGrone and they have one son, Michael, who is a fourth grade student in the Dover Schools.

Michael has a real interest in his heritage. During the Russellville Centennial Celebration he played the part of an Indian boy. Though he was only two years, he performed every night during the Centennial Week Celebration. He finds it enjoyable that some of the teachers at Dover who taught his mother now teach him. Mike sleeps in a bed hand carved by Frank Partain, his great-great-grandfather.

by Betty Harris LaGrone

MILLARD FILMORE CLEVELAND

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M.F. Cleveland, who was born October 4, 1856, was the son of Benjamin Franklin and

Eliza Ann Martin Cleveland.

M.F. married Georgie Griffin and to this union were born: (1) Richard (m) Ellen Westerfield whose children were Imogene, Marion, Ellen Maurine, Elizabeth, Dorothy, and Frank; (2) Fannye (m) Ira Darr whose children were Jeanette, E.A., twins, Carolyn and Cleveland, and a son who died at birth; (3) Annie (m) Clarence Claunch who had one child Vernon; (4) W.A. (Ott) (m) Rhea Darr whose children were Cathryn, Martha, Euna and Ott, Jr.; and (5) Cora, who died young.

Mr. Cleveland was running a dry goods and grocery store before 1894. He bought eggs and chickens from local farmers and shipped them to other places. In 1895 he was operating a Cash Bargain House. He bought and sold cotton seed. He also owned and operated the Commercial Hotel but later sold it to Dr. J.H. Westerfield.

M.F. was a stockholder and a member of the board of directors of the Bank of Atkins.

In 1901, he owned and operated a cotton gin. He also owned bottom land and 40 acres on the side of Crow mountain where he had a summer home.

After the death of his first wife, he married Mary Palmer and had two children, Lillian and Grover.

M.F. died November 11, 1915, and was buried in Atkins Cemetery.

by Mrs. L.D. Shinn

W.A. CLEVELAND

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W.A. (Ott) Cleveland was born in Pope County near Atkins in 1882, son of M.F. and Georgie Griffin Cleveland.

Ott married Rhea Darr in 1902. To this union were born four children; Cathryn, who died at age 5; Martha (m) L.D. Shinn; Euna (m) Clarence Burnett; and Ott, Jr. (m)



L. to R. — Ellen Westerfield Cleveland, Dorothy Cleveland, Marion Cleveland, Annie Cleveland Claunch, Vernon Claunch, M.F. Cleveland and Grover Cleveland. L. to R. Standing — Clarence Claunch, Fannye Cleveland Darr, Jeanette Darr, Imogene Cleveland, Lillian Cleveland, Mary Palmer Cleveland, W.A. (Ott) Cleveland, Martha Cleveland and Rea Darr Cleveland.

Emogene Bowen.

As a young man Ott worked for his father in his General Store and at his Cotton Gin. He and Eb Tucker ran the telephone in Atkins for several years. In 1920 he was agent for Walthall Bros. Ford dealers of Russellville. Ott Cleveland and Ardis Tyson had the dealership for selling radios in 1925.

Ott served on the city council for several years and was a member of the Elk Lodge at Russellville.

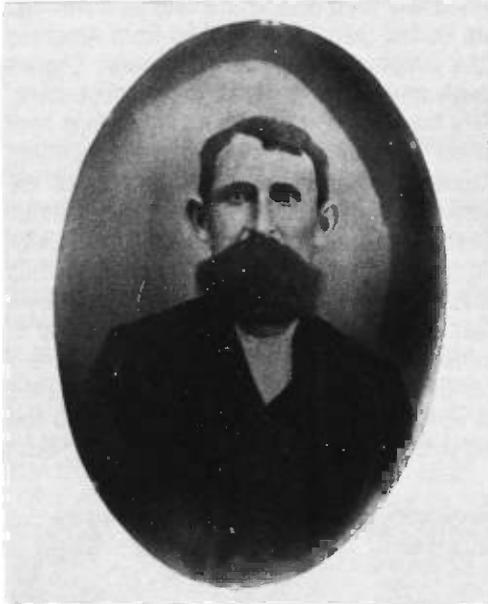
Few men of this community enjoyed so wide a friendship as did Ott Cleveland. He was reared in this community, and his friends included those of all walks of life in both town and country. He was truly a friend of man. He was loyal to his home and community and was always ready to aid in any movement looking to the upbuilding of the community.

Ott died August 6, 1925, and was buried in the Atkins Cemetery.

by Mrs. L.D. Shinn

JOHN CLINGMAN

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JOHN CLINGMAN

In 1870, at the age of 25, John Clingman (Clengman) was living in the home of his sister, Mary C. Hamilton and her husband James M. Hamilton. The Hamilton's must have lived or visited for a short while in Illinois in about 1866, because their third child Ardale E. was born there, while the older two children were both born in Arkansas. It was here in Pope County that we find them all living in 1870.

John was born in Arkansas on February 28, 1844, and his sister Mary, being nine years older, was born in Kentucky. John had another sister, Margie, who married John Brigance (Brigham or Brigants). Margie and John had five children: Sally (first wife of Wood Williamson), Margaret, Dyton (fell out of a tree and broke his neck), Mary Frances (married William D. Vance Sr.), and Milisa Idora (married Finis Young).

On August 6, 1876, John, at the age of 32, married Sallie J. Wright, age 35, of Pope County. They did not have any children.

John Brigance had been killed in the Civil War and his wife died a few years later. The children of John and Margie Brigance went to live with John and Sallie Clingman for a few years. During this time Sallie Clingman died, and by 1880 John and only one niece were living together.

John lived for many years in the Center Valley area and it was here that his niece Mary Frances and her husband and four children came to live, upon arriving in Pope County in November of 1883. Later John moved to New Mexico for several years, and it was there that many of the family heirlooms were left when he returned to Russellville as he was getting older. Upon returning he lived with his niece Mary Frances Vance, and he lived here until his death on October 27, 1923.

by David L. Vance

THE ALBERT AND ANN TORRENCE CLONINGER FAMILY

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Valentine and Mary Long Cloninger came to Pope County from Lincoln County, North Carolina prior to 1850, entering 640 acres in the old Rocky Point Community, trading at Galla Rock and Norristown. Valentine's ancestors came to America from Germany in 1747, settled in Lancaster County, Pa., fought in the American Revolution, then moved to North Carolina. Valentine was killed by jayhawkers in 1864 and is buried in National Cemetery, Little Rock. Mary died in 1879 and is buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery southwest of Atkins. Valentine and Mary had eight children; William, Adam Leander, Luther, Albert, Alfred, John, Harriet and Bartlett.

Albert Cloninger married Ann Torrence, daughter of Lawson and Harriet Robinson Torrence in 1867. Albert died in 1874 and Ann in 1912. Both are buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery. They had two children; John Law-

son, born in 1868, died in 1941 without children, buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery, and Fred Maxey, born in 1871. Fred Maxey was a circuit-riding Methodist minister, serving many churches in Arkansas. In 1902 he married Mary Dora Linton, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Fowlkes Linton of Searcy County, Arkansas. Fred and Mary moved to the family farm in the Bells Chapel Community in 1920 where Fred carried on his ministry and taught in the country schools near Atkins. He was teaching at Galla Rock School, and preaching, when he died of pneumonia on March 26, 1926. Mary died on March 4, 1959 and both are buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery.

Fred and Mary Cloninger were the parents of nine children, all of whom grew up in Bells Chapel and attended the Atkins schools; Ira Lyman, born in 1903, married Willard Kelly of Atkins in 1934, and they have seven children, Robert Fred, Wilma Ann, Mary Lou, William Ray, Ira Gene, Leta Nell and Janis. Ira and Willard live in Pomona, Cal. where Ira is retired from the Los Angeles school system; Albert Linton, born in 1905, graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1931, married Gladys Thomas of Talequah, Okla. in 1935 and they have one child, Margaret Kay. Albert has been a business man in Claremore, Okla. for many years; Nellie May, born in 1907, married Blount Collins of the Hopewill Community in 1924 and they had two children, Donald Blount and Mary Janelle. Nell died in 1963 in Richmond, Cal. and Blount is retired in Medford, Oregon; Ann Elizabeth, born in 1908, married Elmer Vest, Jr. of Atkins in 1928, and they had four children, Elmer Gene, Shirley Ann, Maxey Lynn and Linda Sue. Elmer Gene and Linda Sue died in childhood. Elmer died in 1942, and in 1944 Ann married Robert Bell who died in 1975. Ann is a nurse and is retired in Sacramento, California; Fred Maxey, Jr., born in 1911, graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1935, and married Gladys Cutsinger of Tulsa, Okla. in 1938. Fred is an engineer and retired in Atlanta, Georgia; Enos Warren, born in 1913,



L. to R.: Ira Lyman, Albert Linton, Nellie May, Ann Elizabeth, Fred Maxey, Jr., Enos Warren, Clyde Wesley, John Lawson and Harold Eugene, children of Fred Maxey and Mary Dora Linton Cloninger, on March 6, 1959.

married Irene Chapman of Atkins in 1934, and they had two children, Nita Inez and Mary Jeanette. Enos was a merchant in Pryor, Okla., president of the Pryor School Board and Chamber of Commerce, and died in 1961. Irene is a photographer in Pryor; Clyde Wesley, born in 1916, graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1939, served as an officer in the U.S. Army during World War II, married Evelyn Branden of Oslo, Norway in 1946, and they have two children, Jim Branden and Tom Linton. Clyde retired as a U.S. Labor Department Hearing Officer in 1975 and is now a realtor in Houston, Texas; John Lawson, born in 1918, served as an officer in the U.S. Navy during World War II, earned degrees from the University of Arkansas in 1946 and 1948, married Nancy Williams of Evanston, Ill. in 1947, and they have four children, Susan, Robert Blackwell, John Lawson, Jr. and Fred Maxey. Lawson is an attorney and has been Municipal Judge in Fort Smith the past 17 years; Harold Eugene, born in 1925, served as an officer in the U.S. Navy during World War II, graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1947, married Gwendolyn Collins of Claremore, Okla. in 1947, and they have four children, Carole Ann, Cynthia Lynne, Elizabeth and Jeffrey. Gene is comptroller for an oil company and lives in Dallas, Tex.

Although no descendants of Albert and Ann Torrence Cloninger now live in Pope County, three of their grandchildren, Clyde Wesley, John Lawson and Harold Eugene still own the family farm in Bellis Chapel.

by John Lawson Cloninger

THE DAN CLOUD FAMILY

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Dan Cloud was born in Pope County in 1885, the son of George and Sallie McAlister Cloud. George was a native of Alabama, and came to Pope County as a young man. Dan was a farmer until his late years when in 1941 he went to Kilgore, Texas and worked in the oil fields until his death March 6, 1960. At the age of 22 years he married Emma Hendricks, daughter of Steve and Jane Massie Hendricks. To this union was born seven children.

Harlen, who died as a infant.

Leora, born Oct. 4, 1908, married Omer Partain, son of John and Ettie McAlister Partain and to this union was born four children; Leonard, Earnestine, John and Leoma.

Lila, born Sept. 10, 1910, married Glinn Brown, son of Drew and Sallie Rushing Brown. To this union was born four children; Edward E., Jan. 22, 1926, served four years in the Navy during World War II, married Dorothy Tucker, daughter of Perry and Edna Tucker. To this union was born five children; Eddie who served ten years in the U.S. Navy., Linda, Mike, Anthony and Bryan. Charles Brown, son of Lila and Glinn, died as a infant. James R. Brown, born Feb. 16, 1931, married Patricia Maloney, daughter of John and Geneva Holt Maloney and to this union was born three sons; Steve, Stewart and Scott. Betty Brown born June 6, 1934, mar-

ried at a early age to Andy Adams, which ended in divorce. To this union, Shirley was born. She married a second time to Benny Jones who was killed in an accident. To this union, Vonda and Benny R. was born. Her third marriage was to Nathan Robinson.

Marzo Cloud was born Oct. 3, 1913 and died August 29, 1973. He married Elsie Larue and to this union was born three girls; Glenna, Sharline and Georgia.

Shelby Cloud was born Nov. 28, 1915, married Bessie Allen and was killed in a sawmill accident in Pope County, leaving two small sons, Shelby R. and James.

Ewin Cloud was born Jan. 18, 1917, married Edith Clark and to this union four children were born; Charles, Jimmy, Ray and Naomi.

Lillie Cloud was born April 29, 1920, married Clinton Sanders and to this union was born three sons, Joe, Billie and Dan.

by Lila Cloud Brown

AMBROSE COBB

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ALMOUS CHARLES AND VIOLA JOHNSON COBB

Ambrose Cobb and his wife Ann (White) Cobb emigrated from Kent, England to Vir-

ginia in 1635 and first lived at Williamsburg, VA. Official records in the Virginia Land Archives show that Ambrose Cobb planted 350 acres upon the Appomattuck River in 1639. There are many records of Cobbs in Virginia, Georgia, and Tennessee. Also many, or perhaps I should say most of our ancestors, as well as living relatives still live in Virginia, Georgia, & Tennessee.

Ambrose Cobb is the 5th Great Grandfather of Ambrose Jack Cobb who along with his wife Sarah (Conley) Cobb and their children moved from Giles County, Tennessee to Dover, Arkansas in 1857. My Grandfather, Henry Washington Cobb, son of Ambrose Jack Cobb and his wife Sarah was born in 1847 in Tennessee and was, of course, age 10 at the time his parents moved to Dover. He, like most southern sons, fought for the South during the Civil War. He married Josephine Bewley on February 7, 1875. They had nine children, however, only four lived to adulthood. Three sons and one daughter. Almous Charles Cobb was one of their sons and my father. He was born at Dover in 1876.

Henry Washington Cobb and his wife Josephine lived their entire lives at Dover and are buried there. Most Cobbs from Ambrose (the emigrant) to my father Almous Charles Cobb were farmers. They were independent, very honest and very religious. In looking back at the history of Cobbs I find several ministers (usually Baptist) and almost always Cobbs are active in Church and school affairs. Almous Charles Cobb married Viola Johnson in 1908. To this union was born three children Zella Mae Cobb, Golan Henry Cobb, and Doyle Monroe Cobb. Almous died in 1964 and is buried at Dover. His wife Viola who celebrated her 97th birthday on October 25, 1977, lives at Dover. Zella also lives at Dover. Golan and his wife DeLois (who was DeLois Vick of Rus-



L. to R. — Almous Charles Cobb, Ava Cobb Stombaugh, H.W. Cobb, Jr., Eva Curry Cobb, Josephine Bewley Cobb, H.W. Cobb, Sr., J.W. Cobb and Docie Taylor Cobb. 1902. All of the above are deceased. J.W. and Docie Taylor Cobb have a daughter in Checotah, Oklahoma and H.W. Cobb, Jr., has children in Long Beach, Calif.

sellville) lives in North Little Rock, but consider Pope County home. Doyle and his wife live in St. Petersburg, Florida. Janet (Cobb) Clement and her husband Bill teach school at Atkins. (Janet is the daughter of Golan and DeLois Cobb). Zella has taught school in Pope and Yell counties for more than 40 years. Golan and DeLois has a son, Calvin, who lives in Gulfport, M.S. Doyle has one son Richard and one daughter Jana, who lives at St. Petersburg, Florida.

I could write a book about "Cobbs" in fact a book has been published about "The Cobb's of Tennessee", which has been verified and which dates back to John Cobb of England born about 1300. However, I am glad that my Great Grandfather Ambrose Jack Cobb and his wife Sarah moved from Giles County, Tennessee to Dover in 1857. That my Grandfather Henry W. Cobb and his wife Josephine and my father Almous Charles Cobb and his wife Viola chose Pope County, Arkansas as home.

Zella, Golan, DeLois, Doyle, Calvin, Bill, and Janet attended Arkansas Tech and are loyal Tech fans.

by Zella Mae Cobb

JOE COFFEE

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Joe Coffee was born October 11, 1880, in Georgia. His father, Ed Coffee, came to Arkansas, near Cato, just north of Camp Robinson, when Joe was a small boy. He began to work on a large ranch where his brother was overseer. Soon after, Ed was killed in an accident and Mrs. Coffee took the children and went back to Georgia. She had relatives on Crow Mountain, Pope County and in correspondence with them decided to come back to Arkansas and Pope County. It wasn't long until she married a man by the name of Grant.

Joe stayed at home and worked hard on the farm until he was twenty years of age. He then decided he wanted to go to school and get a little education. Mr. Grant consented for him to go to school but wasn't able to help him. So, Joe went to Atkins on his own and began to work at odd jobs and went to school. He had met a man by the name of Hendrix who took an interest in him and through his influence, Joe got a job as janitor at the school. It paid him five dollars a month and his tuition. He then got a job working on Saturday at a Livery Barn, making deliveries and later loaded cotton seed in a box car for six dollars a day. He then had money in his pocket.

He quit school after that year and went back to the mountain to farm. While driving a wagon, the mules ran away and he fell out and broke a leg and had to lay on a mattress for 42 days and nights. Old Doctor Gardner of Pottsville drove to the mountain and set his leg.

Joe was married to Effie Parasley, January 17, 1904, at Liberty Grove, by W.J. Chambers. He had met her at Liberty Grove but she lived where the Drivein Theater is now located, where her father owned a farm. She was only fifteen when Joe ask her to marry him and the family refused but finally agreed,

then backed out again but they got married anyway. They sent for her to come home and get her clothes but Joe refused to let her go and told her to wait until they cooled off. Finally he took her and they were so glad to see her that everything went off all right. They were good friends from the day on.

Mr. and Mrs. Coffee started attending the Pottsville Baptist church and soon made a profession and was baptised in Galley Creek. Then they moved to Holly Bend to farm and he bought a blacksmith outfit. He got so busy doing blacksmith work that he couldn't make a crop and so he quit farming and has been doing blacksmith work for 70 years. Finally moving to Russellville, he worked in different shops until he put in for himself. He stayed in the shop at the corner of N. El Paso and West D St. for thirty-three years. On account of his wife's ill health he built a small shop at home and moved there, and was still doing blacksmith work at the age of 93. Mr. Coffee, had three halfsisters who stayed in Ga. and three own brothers but all are now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Coffee had five girls and two boys: May; a son who died in infancy; Julia; Emma; Ruth; Thurman who died in 1934 and Thelma. Mrs. Coffee died in 1966, at the age of eighty-eight but Mr. Coffee is now 97 years of age and drives his auto to the Second Baptist church every Sunday morning. (1977)

by Ruth Coffee Whorton

HISTORY OF GEORGE WASHINGTON COFFMAN

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George Washington Coffman, son of John Ferdinand Coffman and Espran Petty Coffman, was born February 27, 1889, in Leta community near Hector, Pope County. On October 2, 1910, George Married Ada Belle Condley of Appleton, daughter of William Condley and Sara Ann Eddy Condley. They made their home in Appleton and George farmed until around 1930 when he went to work for Pope County as a heavy machine operator. George died Nov 27, 1934, following surgery.

George and Ada had five sons and one daughter: Wilmer Alson, born 1911; Leamon Delbert born 1914; Albert Lee born 1917; Alva Willis born 1919; Lawrence B. born 1921 and Flora Mae born 1927.

Wilmer married Irene Garrigus and they had three children: Lojean (Mrs. Clinton Wisdom), Lonus and Larry. Wilmer moved to California with his family and he died there in Aug 1960. Irene, Lojean and Larry now reside in Russellville; Lonus in California.

Leamon married Emogene Hamilton and they had three daughters: Arneata (Mrs. Gearl Cooper), Joann (Mrs. James B. Hayes) and Judy (Mrs. Jack M. Thacker). Leamon remained in Pope County and operated Coffman's General Store in Hector until his death in August 1964 in a car accident at Hector. Emogene and daughters reside in Russellville.

Albert married Lorene Craig and they have three sons: Kenneth, Gary and Ronnie. Albert

also remained in Pope County and is in the trucking business. Albert and his sons reside in Pope County.

Willis married Lorneva Dixon and they had 3 children: Willette, Lura and Dennis. Willis was killed in a car accident in 1951 in California. Lorneva and all children reside in California.

L.B. married Billie Catherine Hurley and they have one son, Sam. L.B. lived in Little Rock for many years, working for the railroad. He retired to Hector and resides there to date.

Flora Mae died in 1929 at the age of two.

by Judy Coffman Thacker

HISTORY OF JOHN FERDINAND COFFMAN

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John Ferdinand Coffman was born April 21, 1851, in Giles County, Tennessee to William Herman Coffman (born in Alabama in 1824) and Rebecca Petty Coffman. William Herman was the son of Rinehart H. Coffman and Elizabeth Wilson Coffman. John Ferdinand came to Pope County about 1858 (at age 7) from Tennessee with his mother, four brothers and three sisters, following the death of his father.

John Ferdinand's father, William Herman, was shot to death in 1857, being mistaken for his brother, whom he was like in appearance. Rebecca was left with eight children, the youngest less than a year old. Soon after her husband's death, she journeyed to Arkansas with all her children in a cart pulled by oxen. She came with a wagontrain, wagonmastered by her uncle, William Petty. She made her home about three miles east of Hector, near Walnut Grove, Pope County. Her father, Guilford Petty had proceeded her to Pope County in 1850's and settled near Hector. Rebecca died March 14, 1894, and is buried in Old Baptist Cemetery, near Hector in Walnut Grove area.

John Ferdinand married Espran (pronounced Esper Ann) Petty September 9, 1875, and they had the following children: James Blake, born September 25, 1876, married Jane Hughes, died December 8, 1926. Johnny, born October 6, 1878, died December 6, 1878. Margarette Josephene, born July 15, 1881, married J.J. Churchill, died December 17, 1962. John Climet, born 1884, married Metaldia Millican, died 1947. Mary Elizabeth, born December 30, 1885, married Henry Millus Tripp, died August 29, 1923. George Washington, born February 27, 1889, married Ada Belle Condley, died November 27, 1934. Daniel Webster, born June 28, 1893, married Susan Narcissis, died July 1977. Walter Green, born October 31, 1895, married Cecil Davis. Robert Lee, born May 8, 1898, married Nora Condley, died May 5, 1945. Three children died in infancy.

Espran died February 27, 1901 and is buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector. After her death, John Ferdinand married Alice White on January 28, 1903. They had no children. John Ferdinand died April 21, 1909,

and is buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector.

by Judy Coffman Thacker

LESTER COFFMAN

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Lester Coffman was a son of Marion Edward (Ned) Coffman who was born in Alabama in 1857, came to Arkansas when a boy and died in Pope County in 1925. When they moved to Arkansas, they settled in the Walnut Grove Community, east of Hector. Mr. Coffman's father had passed away and he and his mother, Rebecca Petty Coffman and two sisters who were born in Tennessee, lived next door to a Mr. Churchill, in a log cabin. Not long after 1880, Ned married Mary Churchill, daughter of James J. Churchill, then built a house on a hill just above where he lived and he lived in this house until he passed away. He was a farmer and he and his wife were members of the Walnut Grove Free Will Baptist Church. They were the parents of 14 children, six girls and eight boys:

Anna Belle married Wiley Voss and they had two children then Mr. Voss left her and the children and went to Oklahoma. One day after they had started to school, Mr. Voss' brother went to the school in a wagon and got the children, took them to Atkins to the train and they traveled to Oklahoma City to live a few years with their father. They soon returned to Hector to live with their mother and stayed until they were married. Manda, married a Mathis and they had two children when she passed away and Mr. Mathis then married her sister, Minnie, who was a twin to Winnie. Winnie, married Claud Hill; Nettie married Frank Eddy and Iva married Horace Condley and they had 4 girls and 4 boys.

John William was the oldest boy; then Iverson, who died at the age of 94; then Walker, Charley, Dempsey who died at age 84; James Ryal, who was killed at Appleton when the Rainey sawmill blew up in 1929; Lester, then Emmitt who died at the age of 58.

After the death of Mary Churchill Coffman, Ned married Molly Duvall and they had two girls; Barbara and Agnes.

Lester married Mamie Coffman in 1921. He farmed near Hector for four years where their oldest son, Leroy Levon was born. They then moved to Seminole, Oklahoma in 1929 and their son, James Ewing was born. He moved back to Hector in 1932 and stayed until 1942, when he moved to Los Angeles for five years then to Potterville for three years, then back to Hector and later to Russellville.

Leroy (Speck) Coffman married Bessie Hensley and they had three children: one boy who died in infancy, Reva Lou and David. Leroy is an employee of Arkansas Power and Light Company. James Ewing Coffman married Marlyn Hurley and is working for Laneer feed company in Batesville, Arkansas. They have two girls who are now teaching school.

Lester Coffman retired in 1964. He and his wife are members of the Free Will Baptist Church, and attend singings most every Sunday, a pastime they both enjoy very much.

by Les Coffman

MARION EDWARD COFFMAN

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MARION EDWARD COFFMAN, our Grandfather, is the youngest child of William H. and Rebecca Coffman. He and his wife Mary Christie, had 16 children, all born at Leta, Arkansas, in Pope Co. near Walnut Grove, at the old homestead, where his mother first settled with him as an infant. Their children:

— John William - Born 1882. Married Ethyl Grinder. They had one daughter. 2nd marriage to Mary Campbell. To them were born 2 sons and 2 daughters. He died in 1944 from a spider bite.

— Noah Iverson - Born 1883. Married Melvina Kendrick. They had 5 sons and 5 daughters. 2nd marriage to Nora Heflin. They had 3 sons. 3rd marriage to Annie Dunkin. He died in 1977 at the age of 94.

— Annabell - Born 1884. Married Wiley Voss. They had a son and a daughter. 2nd marriage to Alfred Bowden. To them was born 4 sons. She died with tuberculosis in 1930.

— Fannie - Born 1886. Died 1887.

— James Riley - Born 1887. Married Lula Condley. They had 5 sons and 2 daughters. 2nd marriage to Dove Duvall. They had 3 daughters. In 1930, he was killed by scalding steam when a boiler blew up at a sawmill near Appleton.

— Amanda Florence - Born 1888. Married Larkin Mathews. They had a son and daughter. She died in 1912.

— Iva Elizabeth - Born 1889. Married Horace Condley. They had 4 sons and 5 daughters. She died 1928.

— Joseph Dempsey - Born 1892. Married Alma Thompson. They had 2 sons. He was a Free Will Baptist Minister. Died in 1975, following his wife in death, by 6 months.

— Walker Bealer - Born 1893. Married Callie Bohanan. To them 10 children were born, 8 sons and 2 daughters. 2nd marriage to Scottie Hill. 3rd marriage to Mildred Goates. He died of a heart attack in 1972, age 78.

— Charlie Cephus - Born 1896. Married Ada Beverage. They had 2 sons and 3 daughters. He was run over and killed by a log hyster at a sawmill in Oregon in 1953.

— Minnie, a twin - Born 1897. Married Florence Dean. 2nd marriage to Larkin Mathews. They had 5 sons and 2 daughters. 3rd marriage to Frank Eddy. They had 2 daughters. She died in 1975.

— Winnie, a twin - Born 1897. Married Claude Hill. Had one son and one daughter. She died in 1920.

— Lester Marion - Born 1899. Married Mamie Coffman. They had 3 sons. He is the sole surviving son of 9 boys, now living in Russellville.

— Nettie Hester - Born 1901. Married James Voss. They had one son and 3 daughters. She lives in Oklahoma.

— Emmet Harmon - Born 1902. Married Mattie Black. They had 6 children. He died in 1962.

— Infant, stillborn 1903.

Marion Edward's 2nd marriage was to Mollie Duvall. They had 2 daughters. Barbra Sue, born 1914. Married Bert Horn. 2nd marriage

to Gant Williams. Agnes Louise, born 1916. Married C.H. Duvall. They had one son and 2 daughters.

Grandpa "Ned" lived in the same house all these years of raising his family of 18. It was a 4 room house, a hallway divided the house, placing 2 rooms on a side, with a fireplace in each end. There was a full length porch across the front of the house. This porch was a good place to use as a "jump-off" to a swing. The swing was a burlap bag filled with leaves, swung with a chain to the old oak tree in the front yard.

by Hazel Coffman Blakley

WALKER BEALER COFFMAN

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WILLIAM B. COFFMAN AND WIFE, CALLIE, ON HER 39th BIRTHDAY. BOTH NOW DECEASED

WALKER BEALER COFFMAN married Callie Bell Bohanan on January 25, 1914. He was a land owner, farmer and raised livestock. They had 10 children:

— Clivie Edward - Born December 23, 1914. Married Melva Horn. 2nd marriage to Hester Kelley. They had 3 children, 2 girls and one boy. He died on October 29, 1956. Caused by a lethal dose of methyl bromide poisoning at a walnut plant in California.

— Hazel - Born September 19, 1916. Married Vendor Blakley. They had 2 children, a girl and boy.

— Jessie Willard - Born July 1918. Died in early infancy, from the dreadful flu during World War I.

— Eugie - Born January 16, 1921. Died at 2 months old. Disease undiagnosed.

— Lawnie Bealer - Born February 22, 1922. Married Alene McCuin. They had 2 sons and 2 daughters. He is a Free Will Baptist Minister. He served in World War II, in France and Germany. He was awarded 7 decorations before his medical discharge from the army, which included the Purple Heart and 2 oak leaf clusters to the Purple Heart, for

his first wound received on the Normandy Beachhead and his 2nd in the Battle for Metz. He received the Silver Star for capturing 17 Germans single handed. The Bronze Star medal for bravery in firing the rocket launcher which destroyed the enemy stronghold in Germany. He holds the Good Conduct Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge, and the Presidential Unit Citation. He now Pastors a church in Little Rock.

— Versie Rhea - Born April 15, 1924. Married James Craig. They have a son and daughter. Mr. Craig has served with the Pope Co. Sheriff Dept. for 20 some years.

— V.O. - Born - December 17, 1925. Married Wanda Lee Hays. They have one daughter.

— Infant - Born June 16, 1927. Died in delivery.

— Lattie Walker - Born December 30, 1929. Married Anna McQuin. They had 6 children, one son and 5 daughters.

— Charles Louis - Born March 25, 1932. Married Majorie Condley. They had 3 children, one son and 2 daughters.

Callie died following a stroke in 1946, at the early age of 49. She had been a very close companion to her husband, going to the fields, along by his side, and also mothering her young brood.

Six years following her death Walker married Scottie Hill. Then sometime later, married Mildred Goates. He died March 2, 1972 of a heart attack.

In 1925, after our Grandfather Edward died, the old Coffman homestead was put up to the highest bidder of the children. Walker got it. It has been in the Coffman Generation for over 100 years. Today Louis, the youngest of 8 sons, owns and lives there, located at Walnut Grove, 3 miles east of Hector.

Our father went to school at Walnut Grove. The schoolhouse sat on Great Grandpa Churchill's place, just north of the cemetery. It was also used for church. About the year 1923, the district built a new schoolhouse on the south part of the Coffman homestead. They named it the "New Schoolhouse".

About 1928, it was decided to move the old schoolhouse up where Walnut Grove Church is now, to serve as a church house. This was done by the Wright Bros. Housemovers of Atkins.

The house was put on rollers and was drawn along by a cable being wound around a post set out front and when this cable was completely wound up the house was drawn to the post and in turn the post was set forward again. I don't recall what power this procedure used. But I know the house was taken across our cotton field. As a child, it was exciting to see each morning a house sitting in our field. It was finally set down in its final resting place. It's bell had another use besides calling to church services. It was used to tell people there was a need for a grave to be dug.

Homer Coffman, who lived near by, would receive the message, then go to the church house and ring three series of rings. There would be a sad quietness over the community, then the men would lay down their work and go to the cemetery, not knowing until

they got there whose grave they would dig.
by Hazel Coffman Blakley

WILLIAM H. AND REBECCA PETTY COFFMAN

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The name is of German origin. Our family uses the phonetic spelling of COFFMAN. Information was obtained from family records of the 1850 U.S. Census, Giles Co., Tennessee, the 1860 Census, Pope Co., Arkansas, Bible Records, Pope Co. Courthouse marriage records and old cemeteries, and information passed on to me by my late Uncle J.D. Coffman.

Great-Great Grandfather, Rhinehart M. Coffman was born in Virginia in 1803. Married Elizabeth Wilson. They had 10 children: - M.G., Born 1821 in Alabama; - William H., Born 1824 in Alabama; - Marshall, Born 1826 in Alabama; - Solomon, Born 1828 in Alabama; - Manila, Born 1831 in Giles Co. Tennessee; - Marcus, Born 1835 in Giles Co. Tennessee; - George, Born 1837 in Giles Co. Tennessee; - Ventulas, Born 1839 in Giles Co. Tennessee; - Danial, Born 1841 in Giles Co. Tennessee; - Mary, Born 1843 in Giles Co. Tennessee.

Rhinehart and Elizabeth's 2nd son, William H. Coffman, who is our Great Grandfather, married Rebecca Petty. She was born in North Carolina in 1823. They had 8 children. All born in Giles Co. Tennessee. - Harriet Jane - Born 1845, married David Dixon. Died April 1903; - Franklin Herman - Born 1847, married Marinda McAlister. Died 1907; - Frances Jane - Born 1848, married Joel Mathews, died in 1908. - Rhinehart G. - Born 1849, married Nancy Arthar, died 1910. - John F. - Born 1851, married Espran Petty, died 1909. - Tabetha Lethie - Born 1853. Married Joseph William Churchill, died 1923. - William Ambers - Born 1855. Married Mary Ann Kendrick, died in 1925. - Marion Edward - Born 1857. Married Mary Christie Churchill, died in 1925.

William Herman was shot to death in 1857, when our Grandfather, Marion Edward was an infant Child. He was killed in mistaken identity for his brother, whom a murderer wanted to kill. Rebecca was left a widow, with the youngest child less than a year old. Soon after her husband's death she came to Pope Co., Arkansas. She made her home about 3 miles east of Hector in the Walnut Grove area.

Her journey to Arkansas was made in a cart pulled by oxen. Her uncle, William Petty was a wagonmaster. His route was from Tennessee to Arkansas. His wagontrain was called "The Petty Wagontrain". Rebecca died March 14, 1894. She is buried in Old Baptist Cemetery, located near Hector in the Walnut Grove area. Her grave has a headstone given by her descendents in 1969.

by Hazel Coffman Blakley

JOHN G. COLBURN

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John G. Colburn, born in Huntsville, Ala.,



MURY MARGARET HOLLEDGER COLBURN

May 14, 1825, came to Clarksville as a printer when he was a young man. John came to Pope County in the 1850's and homesteaded in the Shiloh community where the V.F.W. lodge building now stands. He married Mury Margaret Holledger who was born on Feb. 11, 1835, and was the first white child born in the original limits of Russellville. Born to John G. & Mury Margaret Colburn were, Ferdenan, 1853, Rosa Colburn Barton, 1857, Robert Lee, 1859, died at age 2½, and George W., 1861. The family was instrumental in forming the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Shiloh. After John's death in 1896, Margaret made her home with their youngest son George W. Colburn who had added more land to the homestead. He was a farmer and stock breeder. George married Mary Ida Cheyna who was born in Pope Co. in 1863. The Cheyna's were slave owners before the Civil War and lived north of Dover on the Ill. Bayou. All George and Ida's children were born and grew up on the farm that was homesteaded by John Colburn. Born to them were Mamie Colburn Powell, 1882, John



GEORGE LESTER COLBURN

McFarland, 1884, Murry Earl, 1886, Florence Colburn Turnbow, 1888, Susie Colburn Stokes, 1890, Fleeta Colburn died at 9 months, 1892, and George Lester, 1897. George Lester Colburn married Tracie Haskins who was born March 2, 1903, at Moreland in Pope Co. Lester and Tracie bought acreage that joined the old homestead in the Shiloh community where they ran a dairy and stock farm. All of their children were born on this farm. They are Dorothy Helen married to Rev. Roy W. Moyers, a Methodist Minister. They have two daughters and live in Parkin, Ark. Ida Beth, married to L.C. Keathley, Jr., one son, live in North Little Rock; Van Wallace married to Bessie Griffin, three sons and one daughter, live in Grants, N.M.; John Andrew married to June Moore, three sons and four daughters, live in Salenas, Cal.; Betty Lou married to John Hanna, Jr., two sons, live in Upper Marlboro, Md.; Jerry Fred, Tuscon, Ariz.; Larry Joe, Deceased, was married to Brenda Robinson, two sons and two daughters; Charles Richard "Dick" married to Wilma Russell, four sons and one daughter. Dick is the only child of Lester and Tracie now living in Pope Co. He lives at Rt. 3, Atkins.

by Mrs. Tracie Colburn Montgomery

COLE FAMILY

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James Cole was born December 6, 1826. He and his wife Rebecca were born and raised in South Carolina. Later they moved to Alabama, then to Arkansas in 1858. They raised five children. James Gabel, Tommy, Mary, Sarah and Fannie. James died December 10, 1869.

James Gabel Cole was born November 10, 1856 in Alabama. He married Mahala Burks, born January 3, 1855 and died October 29, 1941. They lived near Appleton and had twelve children. (1) Louis Andrew, born January 3, 1876; died March 3, 1876; (2) Lanetty Jane, born July 3, 1877; married Johnny West. They lived in and near Russellville. Netty died August 22, 1972 after raising three children. Odie, born February 14, 1894; married Eva Haskins then died June 20, 1977. They had one daughter. Tempie, born November 11, 1896; married Foster Barnett and had one son. R.G., born June 16, 1910; married Mary Edna Justice and died June 1, 1962; (3) Albert Marshall, born October 17, 1880; married Verna Leigh. They lived in Russellville where he died in May 1934. They had two sons. Alonzo, married Ella Mae Majors. They had one daughter. Kenneth, married Juanita Turnbow. They had one son and one daughter. (4) Lavinia Alice, born July 8, 1881; died October 20, 1881. (5) Baby boy, born November 18, 1884; died same day. (6) Eura Smith, born October 12, 1882; married Pearl Moore. They lived near Appleton where they raised five children; Zeffie, JLouis, Venia, Edna and Buster. Later Smith married Pearly Clark. They lived in Russellville when he died December 23, 1959. They had two sons. Clivie Lee, married Janette Cooper. They had one son. Billy Bob, married Suzan McClure and has one daughter. (7) John Dee,

born November 29, 1885. He married Dorthy Earl Williams. John Dee taught school near Appleton. He later moved to Russellville. He died December 26, 1966 after raising three children. Earl Dee, born March 16, 1929. He married Jane Morphis and raised one daughter and two sons. Wanda Faye, married Johnny Fields. They have three sons. Gerald Lee, married Viva Rea Bartlett. They have two sons and one daughter. (8) William Forrest, born December 27, 1887. Married Sudie Blankinship. They had five children. Zula May, Imo, Gladys, Leamon, and J.C. After Sudies' death, Forrest married Georgia Davis. He taught school, and later owned and operated grocery stores in Arkansas and in Oregon. They had two sons. Elden Wayne, married Audrey Louise Smith. They have two daughters. Don Davis, married Elaine Geanene Gable. They have two sons and one daughter. Don died in the early 1970's. (9) George Homer, born January 27, 1890. Married Marillo Ashmore. Homer was a Cumberland Presbyterian Minister and a school teacher. He pastored churches in Tennessee, Kentucky, Missouri and Arkansas. After retiring, they settled in Russellville where he died October 27, 1976. They had two daughters. Floy married Leroy Tyson. They have one son and one daughter. Cloy married Raymond Booher. They have two daughters and one son. (10) James Fletcher, born August 8, 1892. Married Mamie Hurst. Jim served in World War I and later farmed near Appleton. He died December 12, 1975. They raised three children. Mary Ella married Marshall Neal Bullock and has one son. Leon. Paul Ed married Delta Rye. They have one son and one daughter. (11) Thomas Neal, born April 11, 1894. Married Lila Richardson. They farmed near Appleton in early years, then later moved to Russellville where he farmed and worked as a carpenter. Lila died January 5, 1929. They had two children. Troy married Laverne Henderson. They have two sons. Verlon married Sherman Carroll. They have three daughters. Later Neal married Chloe Darter. She died October 4, 1969 after raising three daughters. Betty Jane married Fay Martin. They have three daughters. Polly married Joe Maggard. They have one son and one daughter. Burma Neal married Johnny Blackford. They have two sons. (12) Zettie Ann, born September 22, 1896. Married Earl Stokes. They lived near Appleton and farmed then moved to Russellville. They had five children. Thelma Irene, born August 24, 1916; died July 1918. Carl married Marjorie Moore. They had one son and one daughter. Valetta married Archie Harrison. They had one son and one daughter. Stella Ruth married Sam Phillips. They have three daughters and one son. Vada Pearl married Jerry Donald Nance. They have two sons.

by Verlon Carroll and Burma Blackford

REV. SAMUEL BENJAMINE COLLINS

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Rev. Samuel Benjamine Collins, son of Ed

Collins and Beckie Ragsdale Collins, was born in Pope County, Arkansas. He married Lissie Mae Reed, daughter of Timothy and Sally Lewis Reed of Pope County, Arkansas. Rev. Collins was a minister and a carpenter. He help build several of the Assembly of God Churches in the outlying Russellville, Arkansas area. He was a small man in stature, but a big man at heart, helping many. At the close of a revival service Rev. Collins was conducting in the mountains north of Hector he and Rev. Toler got into Rev. Collins 1927 Chevrolet to leave and much to their surprise some local boys had taken some shelac and smeared it on the steering wheel and poured it in the car seat. Not wanting to give the mischievous boys a thrill Rev. Collins and Rev. Toler just got in the car as usual and drove away. About a half mile down the road, and out of sight of the boys they stopped to attempt to clean the shelac off with some leaves, but the more leaves they used the more they had stuck to them. Needless to say it was a hopeless case and this was the days when a preacher could only afford one suit. Being the type man he was, Rev. Collins returned the following night ready to preach again.

Rev. Collins died in 1960 and is buried in the North New Hope cemetery near Dover, Arkansas. Mae died in 1973 and is buried in the North New Hope cemetery. The three children born to Ben and Mae were Orpha Corene, Emmit Samuel and E.T.

Orpha married Jack Hampton of Paris, Logan County, Arkansas. They had a son, Robert Jack. They were divorced and she later married Merl Conatser. Merl adopted Robert Jack and he and Orpha had a son, Bennie and a daughter, Sandra Susan. Orpha and Merl live in LaPuente, California where she is a housewife and he works for the school system. Robert Jack is in law enforcement in northern California and his wife, Elaine, and him have a daughter, Debbie. They live in Cottonwood, California. Bennie and his wife Diane run an air port, which they own, in Perris Valley, California. They have a son, Patrick and a daughter Melony. Sandra Susan is single and lives in LaPuente, California.

Emmit married Arlene Duckworth of California. They had a son who died at birth and two daughters, Samme Arlene and Anna Lee. They were divorced in 1951. Samme Arlene and her husband Allan Munson live in Anaheim, California and have three sons, Allan, Jr., Denny and Gary and one daughter Julia. Anna Lee is divorced and has two daughters, Carrie Ann and Lynn Marie Maxfield. They live in Sunland, California. Emmit married Pearl Innell Reames of Paris, Logan County, Arkansas November 16, 1954. They had a son, Leslie Eugene and two daughters, Marilyn Sue and Carolyn LaDonne. Emmit and Pearl live in Russellville, Arkansas. Emmit retired at age 45 due to a heart condition. Pearl was the second woman ever licensed in the state of Arkansas to practice insurance adjusting and works for the firm of Crockett Claim Service, Inc., Russellville, Arkansas. Marilyn Sue married Richard Garrigus of Russellville and they have a daughter, Christina Anne. Leslie is single and living in Carson, California

and LaDonne is still at home.

E.T. became a minister and married Lena Lemley of Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas. E.T. pastored churches in Southern California and now lives in Gardena, California where he pastors the Assembly of God church. They had a daughter, Cheryl. Cheryl married Kevin Beall and they have a son Christopher. They live in Carson, California.

by Mrs. Emmitt Collins

HORACE RUFUS CONDLEY 158

Horace Rufus Condley was the grandson of William D. Condley and Susie Warren. William D. and Susie were the parents of 8 children, of which William D. or W.D. was the youngest. W.D. married Sarah Eddy in 1887. Her family came here from Indiana. They were the parents of 11 children. Lula, Horace Rufus, Eva, Ada, Henry, Minnie, Nora, Charlie, Sylvia, Bessie and Jessie.

Horace R. married Iva Coffman in 1909. There were 9 children from this marriage. Arvel, Chloe, Lois, Stella, Elbert, Arlie, William Everett, Loreda, and Iva. Arlie died at the age of 16.

Arvel married Ruth Craig in 1930. They are the parents of Edna Modene, Horace Wesley, William Arvel, Mary Ann, Jimmy Don and Barbara Jean.

Chloe married Roy Williams in 1931. They had 7 children, Edith, Bertha, Gertie Mae, Roger, Randell, Mary Jo, and David.

Lois married Clifford Prince in 1931. They had 6 children, Bobby, Ina Faye, James, Don, Carolyn, and Gary. Elbert married Mary Alice Dean in 1940, and they are the parents of Karen, Timothy, and Jeffery.

Stella married Rayburn Harris in 1937 and they were the parents of Charles, Vella Jean and Patricia Ann. Stella later married John Lawrence and they were the parents of Larry Jo, Judy and Richey.

William E. married Violet Sue Hayes in 1946, they had 1 son Stephen.

Loreda married Charles Jennings in 1944. From this marriage were Daniel, Katherine Sue, and Thomas.

Iva married John Larry Fortner in 1948 and they had 3 children. Janalee, Vicki Lynn, and John Larry Jr.

After the death of his wife Iva, Horace married Myrtle A. Douglas Coffman in 1932. She had 3 boys named James Truman, A.J. and Lewis. James T. married Lora Crouch in 1940 and they had 1 daughter Myra Jean. A.J. married Dessie McGee in 1945. From this marriage was Jerald Wayne and Donna Darlene. A.J. later married Regina Duvall and they have 7 children, Andrea, Terry, David, Danny, Shawn, and Jamie. Lewis married Ann Brock and they are the parents of Brenda, Kenneth, and Mark.

Horace and Myrtle had 3 daughters named Margaret Helen, Bessie Clarene and Shirley Ruth. Helen married Dean Blankenship in 1950. From this marriage is 4 children. DeAnna, Lenora, Darlene and Michael. Clarene married Doyle McCoy in 1950. They have 3 boys, Larry Doyle, Jerry Lewis, and Dennis

Lee. Shirley married Dalton Johnson in 1957. They are the parents of 2 girls. Rhonda Denise and Lisa Renee.

by Mrs. Dalton Johnson

WILLIAM CAPPERS CONNERLY 159

William Cappers Connerly was born in North Carolina, April 22, 1862. He left home at the age of sixteen after his Mother died and his Father married a woman William did not like. His roaming ended in Mississippi where he married Virginia Davidson, the daughter of a plantation owner. After four of their sons died in infancy, William decided to find a healthier climate to raise his family.

With his wife, surviving son, Richard Emmett, two daughters, Edna and Willie, he crossed the Mississippi River by ferry on New Years Eve, 1900. Arriving in Russellville after several weeks of traveling, he heard that land could be homesteaded in the Pleasant View area.

Five more daughters were born here. They were Lucille (Mrs. Louis Sipes), Grace (Mrs. Emmett Anderson); after his death she married Herman Hudson, Jessie Mae (Mrs. Henry Burns), Evelyn (Mrs. Lloyd Grothersen) and Annise (Mrs. Hilliard Skidmore), Edna married Henry Keeton and Willie married Jim Maggard.

After the death of Virginia on March 4, 1926, William married Mrs. Carolyn Burns. William died April 12, 1946.

Richard Emmett, the only surviving son, was nine years old when the family left Mississippi. In later years, he told his children of nursing his Negro Mammy whom he loved dearly. She would hold her own baby on one arm and taking him in the other, would feed both at once. His own mother was ill and could not breast feed him.

Richard married Nora Brock, daughter of Silas Shephard and Ellen (Nolan) Brock.

After trying farming for a few years, Richard began sawmilling and continued in this occupation until his retirement. His last sawmill was located on Highway 7, seven miles North of Russellville, on what is known as Connerly's Curve.

Richard and Nora were parents of seven children. Willie Mildred, died in infancy, Emmett Cappers, and wife Inez (Vest) live in Westville, Oklahoma. They are the parents of two boys and three girls. Gwendolyn, married Charles Lynn Eudy, has three daughters. They are members of the Russellville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Margaret, Mrs. Herman Lester, has one daughter and one son. They are members of the Russellville Missionary Baptist Church. Sylvia, Mrs. Clayburn Wilkinson has two daughters and one son. They attend a Baptist Church in Hot Springs. Quillion, married to former Mary Jo Brown, has three sons and are members of the Mill Creek Church of Christ. Carolyn, youngest child lives with Gwendolyn.

All the children of Richard and Nora except Emmett and Sylvia live in the Russellville area.

Richard Connerly died May 17, 1968 and

his wife Nora died July 7, 1969.
by Mrs. Charles Lynn Eudy

CHARITY COOPER

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Charity Cooper, born in Tenn 1822, probably arrived in Searcy County, Ark. by 1858 with her husband and four children. By 1870 Mrs. Cooper and the children were living in Allen Township, Pope Co, near Treat and the children were counted on the school census of 1870 from School District No. 3. In the Cooper household of 1870 were: Louisa, born in 1844 in Tenn; Harriet, born 1852 Ala; John T, born 1853 in Tenn; William D, born 1858 in Ark; and James (Ben) born 1862 in Arkansas.

About 1863 Luisa Cooper married John Maupin. That marriage possibly took place in or near Searcy County as the Coopers and the Maupins were in that area before 1860. While some say that there were as many as ten children born into the John and Luisa Maupin family, we have information on only four of the children.

Thomas J. Maupin, born in Ark in 1865, was married twice. By his first marriage, a son, William Henry Maupin, was born who served in the American Expeditionary Forces, stationed in France during World War I. A letter written home to his relatives stated that he was a member of Battery D, 17th Field Artillery, AEF, as of 13 Jan 1919. By a second marriage, Thomas J. Maupin had a daughter, Dorothy Maupin Johnston now residing in Calif. Thomas J. Maupin spent most of his life near Bigelow, Perry Co., and is buried near Bigelow.

William S. Maupin, born in Ark 1866, probably died early as we have no information on him other than the U S census of 1870.

John W. Maupin (no date of birth) wrote to relatives in Pope Co on 11 Jan 1901 stating that he was living in Ludwig, Johnson Co, and had married on 25 Dec. 1900.

The youngest child of the John Maupin family was Louella, born 7 June 1885. Because of the death of her mother when she was very young, she was taken into the home of her Aunt Harriet Cooper Ross and Washington L. Ross who served as foster parents until she married Green Wallace 8 Feb 1903. Green was the son of Andrew and Mary J. McKee Wallace.

The children of Green Wallace and Louella Maupin Wallace were: Lawrence, born in Yell Co; and the others all born in Pope Co were: Myrtle Wallace Wooten Jones; Mary Wallace Jones; Amos Wallace; and Mildred Wallace Linton.

With regard to the other Coopers in the family of Charity: Harriet Adeline, born 1852, married Washington L. Ross 14 Jan 1875. (This is the couple who raised Luella Maupin)

William (Dan) Cooper, born 1858, left home at an early age and was never heard from.

James (Ben) Cooper, born 1862, first married Sally Griffin 19 July 1885 and had one son, Jiles W. Cooper, raised by Griffin grandparents. Ben's 2nd marriage was to Susan Tennessee Rowland, daughter of James and

Lucretia Parton Rowland. The children from this marriage were: Bennie, Pearl, Lottie, Grace and Lewis. Ben and Susan Cooper spent their last 12 years in Russellville. Susan died 19 March 1923. Ben died 7 Dec 1928.

by Mildred Wallace Linton

ALEXANDER CORBETT

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Alexander Corbett came to Pope County on or about the first of April in 1882 at the age of 9 years. He was born in Cuttill County Cavan, Ireland on the fifteenth of September 1873. He emigrated to the United States of America from Liverpool, England on the vessel Helvetia. He arrived in Pope County in Arkansas with his father after a long and tiring voyage from his native homeland. Having spent three weeks crossing the ocean in cramped quarters to reach the shores of America was an experience in itself, Alexander later explained. But this didn't compare to the fear, terror and helpless he felt when he was lost for a brief period after reaching the Port of New York. But he was a brave boy and the thought of seeing his family again had made the trip more bearable. He felt he could endure almost anything to be part of a whole family again. So with this thought in mind he had patiently but anxiously awaited his arrival in Pope County, his family and new home.

His mother Elizabeth and his three brothers William, James and Joseph and his sister Mary Jane had arrived three years earlier. Alexander had remained at his home in Ireland with his father until enough money could be earned for their passage. Alexander's mother and the other children had lived in Atkins with relatives and awaited their arrival. Later the family settled at "Old Galla Rock" about 4½ miles south of Atkins. The children attended school and church there. They were Methodists. Alexander's mother and father died when he was still a young man. They are buried in the Atkins Cemetery. His brothers and sister are buried there too. They all lived to be over 70 except William, who died young.

Alexander was the only one to marry. His first wife Elizabeth bore him one son Gaydon. She died when Gaydon was a baby and he was reared by a cousin of Alexander's, Mrs. Pearl Thompson and her husband who was a veterinarian. Elizabeth is buried in the Atkins cemetery. Gaydon died at about the age of 50 and is buried in Washington, D.C. where he had lived for many years. About 4 or 5 years after Elizabeth's death, Alexander met and married Hodie Samantha Sweeden of Appleton. Ten children were born to them, eight girls and two boys. They were David, Mary, Salena, Jean, Lillian, Dean, Maxie, Patrick, Rebecca and Carolyn. David died in childhood and is buried in the Atkins Cemetery. All the children married and had children of their own except Salena and Carolyn. All of Alexander and Hodie's children went to grade school at Pleasant Grove in Holla Bend. They walked the distance of about three miles to and from school each day with the children from families for miles around. The older children

watched over the younger ones. Sometimes they walked through bitter cold or rain and at times when the streams were swollen to overflowing they carefully crossed at the foot log to reach the other side of the stream, school and safety. Many times the log was not visible after heavy rains. At these times they used their feet to feel their way across the log and the treacherous water below not realizing their danger. After reaching school the teacher helped them dry their clothing by a wood or coal burning stove. The whole family traveled this same distance by a well worn path each Sunday to attend church at Pleasant Grove, a community about 5 miles south of Pottsville. Hodie taught Sunday School there for many years.

Mary and Salena stayed with relatives in Atkins and graduated from high school there. The other children all graduated from high school at Pottsville. Mary Jane, who now worked in Little Rock, helped financially and Mary continued her education. She graduated from St. Vincents Infirmary at Little Rock as a registered nurse. She also served in the Army Air Corp. as a nurse in World War II. While still in the service she married Capt. Seymour Frank. They had one son, Franklin Alexander. She later married Dr. Sherman Masler of Los Angeles, Ca. They had two daughters, Sandra and Heidi. She had one son, James by her last husband Jim McKinnon. Mary died in Lewiston, Idaho on June 1st 1971 and is buried in the Catholic Cemetery in Atkins.

Salena married Hubert Cantwell of Fort Smith and lived their married lives there. She died April 3rd 1978 and is buried in Fort Smith.

Jean married Alex Papp of Akron, Ohio. They had five children, Bruce, Daphene, Micheal, Cindy and Mary.

Lillian married Jack Motley of Pottsville. They had three sons, Allan, Gregory and Mark.

Dean married Kent Poole of Akron Ohio. They had 2 children, Timothy and Rebecca.

Maxie married Jack Goodwin of Tulsa, Oklahoma and had 4 children, David, Carol, Joyce and Jeffrey. David died as an infant and is buried in Tulsa.

Patrick married Mildred Robinson of Russellville. They had three children Patrick, DeAnn and Anna. DeAnn died an infant and is buried in the Atkins Cemetery. Patrick has one child Mary Ellen by his second wife Jean. He will retire from the Marine Corp in 1979.

Carolyn married Sherman Masler and live in Los Angeles.

During Alexander's early life in Pope County he owned and operated a restaurant in Atkins, was the owner and proprietor of a barber shop in Atkins. He owned and operated 2 ferries at different times in his life. One was located at the mouth of Petit Jean on the Arkansas river south of Galla Rock. The other one was known originally as Reed's Ferry in Holla Bend, also on the Arkansas River about nine miles south of Atkins. He owned and operated a general store later at about the same location. He had a barber's chair in back of the store. He was the only barber between Atkins and Russellville. This also furnished a place for the local men to gather and talk. At

one time in his life he worked for a short period of time on a prison work farm in Carden Bottom. During an escape attempt he was shot in the leg. His leg never completely healed as part of the bone was shattered and as a result of this he used crutches for the last 10 or 15 years of his life. Years after the accident fragments of the bone would work itself out of his leg.

At one time Alexander and his father-in-law, Carter Sweeden were co-owners of an island on the Arkansas River near Galla Rock, just south of Sweeden Island Park. This is how the park got it's name. The land on the island was rich and they grew an abundance of vegetables. In later years he farmed "truck patches" on his own land and raised Irish Potatoes for his family's use and to sell. He was well known for his Irish potatoes. He also had some dairy cows and sold milk and cream. He raised sheep and in the summer sheered them and sold the wool. He also had honeybees and sold the honey. Alexander had nothing to do with the bees however since Hodie was very adept at taking care of them and gathering the honey. He did all these things to help provide for his family. Times were hard but they all worked in harmony as a team and enjoyed life to the fullest.

Alexander died October 15th, 1951 at the age of 78 at his home near Atkins and is buried in the Corbett family plot in the Atkins Cemetery. His widow, Hodie who is 82 lives alone in the family home on the remaining 100 acres of the Corbett estate.

by Lillian Corbett Motley

ELIAS (LIUS) CORDER

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In 1837, James Cryer and Martha Telford were married in Carroll County, Miss., and had two children: Narcissa (Sissy) born in 1840, my grandmother, who married Warren Durbin in 1859; and Rossaline (Rossa) born in 1842, married Elias (Lius) Corder at the close of the war between the states.

As elsewhere, times were desperate there in those after-the-war days, and around Thanksgiving of 1870, Lius and Rossa Corder, their babies and a few of their neighbors left their genteel little community with its schools, churches, stores and established social customs for the frontier section of Arkansas settling in Pope County. They remained there until 1881-82 when Elias Corder died and his widow and children returned to Mississippi to live with her sister and brother-in-law.

During these years Rossa wrote my grandmother back in Mississippi, and my grandmother kept these letters. In some of these letters it pertains to life in Pope County during the 1870's as seen by a young country woman.

On the trip from Mississippi, they had two snows and one sleet so traveling was very rough. They came by wagon and evidently crossed the Miss. river at Helena as she mentions riding in Howards wagon from this side of Hellany. They stopped at Dr. Whitesides who gave Lius work. Corn was selling at \$ to

6 bits and meat was ten cents a pound.

In one letter she was having her mail addressed to Galley Rock and later to Old Hickory in Conway County. She seemed to think that this was a good place for a poor man for they could get good wages here. She was knitting some socks to sell at 4 bits a pair. (.50¢)

In August of 1872, there was a lot of sickness and the doctor was riding night and day. Hardly stayed home long enough to let the horse eat. She didn't mention the disease but it was killing off children pretty fast. The Militia was also giving them some trouble. The people on the new frontier weren't near as proud as the people in Mississippi for they were very plain, even the doctor's wife went barefooted.

In 1880, Elias Corder and wife, Rosaline were living in Wilson Township and their children were: Mattie, Sidney, Della or Narcissa Paralie, Ernest, and Samuel.

Even though the family went back to Mississippi after the death of Elias, Samuel came back to Arkansas when he was grown and settled in Poinsett County, where he remained until his death in 1924.

by Mrs. Ema Chandler

WILLIAM WALLACE COWAN

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William Wallace Cowan was born in South Carolina, October 6, 1845 to William Wallace Cowan and Lettie Cowan. William Wallace Cowan was born in Ireland in 1812 and Lettie Cowan was born in South Carolina. The family moved to Gordon County Georgia about 1850, and resided there until shortly after the Civil War. William Wallace and his father were both in the Confederate Army. William Wallace being conscripted when he was fifteen years of age. He and his father both survived the war.

Sometime between 1865 and 1870, after the death of his father, the family moved to north central Pope County in Arkansas. William and his brother Joseph settled north of Scottsville on the north fork tributary of the Illinois Bayou. This area is now part of the Ozarks St. Francis region U.S. National Forest. The U.S. Geological Survey map of the area locates Cowan Mountain, which is directly behind the home site of William Wallace. Also in the immediate area are Cowan Hollow and Cowan Springs.

William Wallace was a farmer and blacksmith. He married Rebecca Barnes, born 1861 in Georgia. Their marriage is registered in Pope Co. courthouse, July 16, 1879. They had three children, Jacie, a daughter and two sons, William born 1892 and Wallace born 1894. William Wallace died at Laurel, Pope Co. in February 1894, one month before the birth of his son Wallace. He is buried in Cowan Cemetery as is his daughter Jacie.

About 1903 the sons William and Wallace moved with their mother to Russellville. William, called Bill, married Ollie Carpenter and had one child, Helen Jane. He was the Cities Service Petroleum dealer for the area and was football coach at Russellville High School for

two years. His teams did not lose a game these two seasons. He later served as assistant football coach and head baseball coach at Arkansas Tech University. He died suddenly in 1937, aged 45 years.

Wallace graduated from Russellville High School where he played baseball and was quarterback for the football team. He entered business in Russellville and with Joe Goodwin founded Cowan-Goodwin Company in 1930. He was active in civic affairs serving as the first president of the Russellville Chamber of Commerce and was city clerk for Russellville from 1930 to 1939. Wallace was a member of the First United Methodist Church attending Sunday school for 25 years without missing a Sunday until World War II. At this time he became Executive Secretary to the War Production Board for Arkansas, and traveled the state to carry out these duties. He is listed in Who's Who in Methodism and served in numerous church leadership positions in his lifetime. He was also a veteran of World War I, serving as a sergeant in the Army Signal Corp. Wallace married Hazel Faye Oates, born 1896. Her parents were Thomas Marion Oates, born 1866, and Lulu McKinney Oates, born 1873. The Oates family were among the first settlers of Pottsville. Wallace and Hazel had one child Wallace Crawford, born 1924, called Wally. Hazel died in 1954, Wallace in 1972.

Wally was educated in Russellville schools, attended Arkansas Tech, and graduated from Tulane University. During World War II he was an Ensign in the U.S. Navy. On completion of his education he returned to Russellville to enter business with Cowan-Goodwin Co.

Wally married Ada Dawn Sallis, daughter of John Wallace Sallis Jr., born 1901 and Lucy Yearwood Sallis, born 1900, of Clarksville, Arkansas. They are the parents of three children, David Wallace born March 25, 1948 in New Orleans, and twin daughters Lucy Marion and Laura Annette born February 14, 1953, in Russellville.

On a picnic outing in 1970 to his grandfather's homesite. Wally and his family were startled during their lunch by a deer which suddenly appeared in front of them. He was reminded of the story told him of his grandfather, William Wallace, shooting a deer from his cabin porch many years ago at this very spot.

Wally participates in community affairs, and has been president of Kiwanis Club, and served in positions of leadership of the First United Methodist Church.

by Wally Cowan

CRABAUGH, ALFRED JACKSON

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Alfred Jackson Crabaugh, dean emeritus of Arkansas Tech, came to Russellville in August, 1929, with his wife, Marjorie, and three-year-old daughter, Dojelo, to head the English department at Arkansas Tech.

The Crabaughs are native Arkansans. Crabaugh, the son of Charles Jesse and Dora Urbach Crabaugh, of Bentonville, traces his



Alfred J. and Marjorie Crabaugh

Arkansas heritage back to 1820, when his great-grandfather, Charles Crabaugh, brought his family from Illinois to Carroll County, near what is now Berryville, to become one of the first settlers in north Arkansas. Marjorie is the daughter of John B. and Regina Scherer Williams, of Fort Smith. John B., as sheriff of Sebastian County for eight years, followed the family tradition of his father, James C. Williams, who was a lawman in the village of Wichita, Kansas, and of his grandfather, William H. Williams, who was a U.S. marshal for western Kansas when the Indians still roamed the plains.

In 1931 Crabaugh was appointed chairman of the Division of Arts and Sciences and vice president of the college. In 1948, when Tech became a senior college, his duties were changed to those of academic dean, a position which he held until his retirement in 1969.

From 1943 to 1946, during World War II, he was on leave of absence to serve in the U.S. Navy. His principal assignments were as training officer of the Navy V-12 Unit at the University of California, Berkeley, and as executive officer and subsequently commanding officer of the U.S. Naval Detachment at Naples, Italy. He attained the rank of commander, his present retired status in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

Under his academic leadership Arkansas Tech gained wide reputation for academic excellence. Its pioneering in developing an integrated general education program attracted much attention, leading to speaking invitations by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and department of higher education groups in other states.

Honors came his way: designation as a Distinguished Alumnus by the University of Arkansas in 1952; the Distinguished Service Award by the Arkansas Tech Alumni Association in 1969; the naming of the reconstruction of Tech's Old Main as Crabaugh Hall upon its completion in 1975; inclusion in Who's Who in America in his later active years; a "love-in" by the Tech student body on his 65th birthday after the announcement of his impending retirement.

Because of her numerous activities Mrs. Crabaugh is equally well known. In the immediate area "Marge" became a familiar voice with her "Town Talk" radio program, which for nearly thirty years she has continued, first with KXRJ (KARV) and in recent years with KCAB. Other local activities include: chairmanship of United Charities for over 20 years; one of the original promoters and a member of the board of directors of MARVA; sustaining member of the Junior Auxiliary; member of "The Committee" of the Russellville Chamber of Commerce; member of board of directors of the Community Center for Learning; for many years a member of the Russellville and Arkansas River Valley library boards; and her most absorbing present interest, chairmanship of the Pope County Historical Foundation, which raised the funds for the purchase and reconstruction of Potts Tavern in Pottsville, an 1850 historical landmark and stagecoach stop, and won its inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

At the state level she became a familiar figure at state legislative sessions from 1945 to 1963. From 1945 to 1951 she covered the State Senate sessions for the Legislative Digest, the official daily report of legislative activities; from 1953 to 1963 she was minutes clerk or calendar clerk for the State Senate. In 1955 and 1956 she was public relations director for the Arkansas Livestock Show. She served two terms as a member and chairman of the board of control of the Arkansas Training School for Girls at Alexander, where her services were rewarded by the naming of the principal girls' dormitory as Crabaugh Hall.

Their daughter, Dojelo, who was graduated from Russellville High School, holds the doctor of philosophy degree from Catholic University in Washington, D.C., and is a professor of social work at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Va. Her husband, Don W. Russell, who recently retired as Commissioner of Rehabilitation for Virginia, was for many years Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services for Arkansas.

Dean and Mrs. Crabaugh are both alumni of the University of Arkansas, where they met when she was society editor of the Arkansas Traveler, the student newspaper, while he was the editor in his senior year. He also was a member of the football and tennis teams. He received a master's degree in English from Columbia University and completed the course work for the doctorate at the University of Chicago.

Prior to coming to Tech he had taught journalism at John Brown University and edited two college-sponsored community weekly newspapers, had taught English and journalism at Jonesboro Baptist College, and has been a reporter for the Associated Press and the New York Times.

by Mrs. Marjorie Crabaugh

JOHN LEWIS CRAIG

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John Lewis Craig, the second son of his parents John and Elizabeth (Andrews) Craig,

was born Aug. 23, 1801 in Rowan County, North Carolina. When a youngster he settled with his parents in the Tennessee River area of what is now Northern Alabama. Later moving to Kentucky he graduated from Cumberland College of the Cumberland Presbyterians at Princeton, Ky. and became a minister in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. He came to the Territory of Ark. in 1833 to attend a meeting of the Cumberland Presbyterians in Greenbrier Township, Independence Co. and it was there that he met his future wife, Margaret Ann Hardin, a grand daughter of Benjamin Hardin, a veteran of the Revolutionary War. A courtship developed and they were wed May 12, 1835. John L. was 33 and Margaret Ann 17. As a member of the Presbytery, John L. Craig served as a Minister of the Gospel. He was also a farmer and a school teacher. Later on, the Methodist Church succeeded in converting most of the Cumberland Presbyterians in his vicinity to Methodism. There were not enough Presbyterians in his vicinity to warrant a Preacher. Therefore, John L. Craig joined the Methodist Church. That he and his wife were sincerely interested in the propagation of education and religion is evidenced by a Deed-of-Conveyance, dated Jan. 28, 1842 in which they gave two acres of the Craig homesite to the Methodist Episcopal and Cumberland Presbyterian Churches for a campmeeting ground and a school house. A supporter of the Confederacy, during the War Between the States John L. Craig did not serve in its armed forces because of his age and health. However, three of his sons did serve the Confederacy, two in the infantry and one in the cavalry. One son in the infantry died in a Yankee military-prison November 13, 1864 eleven days after the death of John L. Craig whose Last Will and Testament was signed by him October 29, 1864, four days prior to his death. Margaret Ann (Hardin) Craig died on Easter Sunday March 27, 1910, having survived her husband by 46 years. They are buried in the Alderbrook Cemetery near Desha in Independence County.

Mark Robinson Craig, youngest son and sixth of their eight children was born March 16, 1850 one mile east of Jamestown, Independence County, Arkansas. He assisted on the family farm until twenty one years of age when he married Sarah Ellen Elms, age 18, on September 14, 1871. They moved to Batesville where he became owner of a meat market, forty acres of timberland and also some town property in Batesville, where he served as a member of the town Council. Moving his family to Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, in 1890 he bought a large two story house on Jefferson St. (now Commerce Avenue), opened a meat market in the business section, and the M.R. Craig Commission Co. north of the railroad. In the big fire of 1906 he lost three brick store buildings on Main and Jefferson Streets, including his meat market. Hardly waiting for the rubble to cool he started to rebuild. Their replacements are now occupied by the Colonial Flower Shop, Norman's Mens Store, and Croom's Ladies Wear.

Mark R. and Sarah Ellen Craig were loyal members of the Methodist Episcopal Church

South. His name as a member of the building committee of the white brick church built in 1905 appears on its corner-stone preserved on the right of the entrance to the sanctuary of the present United Methodist Church. His interest in higher education for rural students was demonstrated when Russellville was competing for the location of the Second District Agricultural School, now Arkansas Tech University. Traveling over the entire county in his horse-drawn buggy, he collected more money toward our town's successful bid than any other individual. Before starting each trip he would announce his set goal for that day or week. He never failed to bring in that amount; and no one ever knew how much was his own contribution. Sara Ellen Craig died at Hot Springs, Arkansas April 27, 1916. Mark R. Craig died October 30, 1927. Both are buried in Oakland Cemetery. Of six children born to them three lived to adult hood; Basil West Craig born June 27, 1872 and died on Dec. 19, 1929. On June 27, 1892 he married Jo Ella Underwood. They had two children, Sibyl who married Robert Bailey, and Mark Basil who married Mildred Hogins. (2) Margaret Lucy Craig born 11 April 1874 and died on 17 Feb. 1944. She was buried at Muskogee, Oklahoma. On 19 Aug. 1889 she married Sam Collins. They had no children. (3) Jackson H. Craig was born 31 March 1876 and died 2 June 1945 and buried at Tulsa, Oklahoma married Margaret Lloyd. Their son Robert Lloyd Craig married Bessie Gayle Forrester in 1928 at Girard, Kansas. Lloyd died in late 1972 at his home at Evansville, Indiana, is buried at Tulsa, Oklahoma. They had no children.

by Mrs. Mark B. Craig

MARK B. CRAIG

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Mark B. Craig, son of Basil W. Craig and Jo Ella (Underwood) Craig and grandson of Mark R. Craig who moved to Pope County in 1890 from Independence Co., Ark., was born 19 December 1897 in Russellville, Ark. He attended the public school and graduated from Russellville High School in 1915. There were 15 in the class. When he played football at RHS the players paid the coach and bought their own uniforms. The next two years he studied and played football at Ark. Tech. In the fall of 1917 he enrolled at the University of Ark. at Fayetteville went out for football, made the team playing right end. He was offered a scholarship but came home to join the Navy. He enlisted Nov. 19, 1917 and was sent to Great Lakes Naval Training Station, then to Charleston Navy Yards at Charleston, South Carolina. On receiving his discharge he returned to Tech and was a member of the "Original Wonder Boys" football team. He operated Craig's Grocery and Market until his appointment as postmaster August 28, 1934. Volunteering for active duty in World War II he was granted military leave without pay from Dec. 16, 1942 for the duration. His wife Mildred (Hogins) Craig was appointed as acting postmaster during his absence. Later Ark. Tech became a Military Training School for

500 Women's Auxiliary Corps. (WAC) and pre-flight training of 300 Navy Flyers. The resulting increase in postal receipts caused the Russellville Post Office to advance from a second class to a first class office, prompting Mildred to write her husband that Russellville now had its first and only first class postmaster. After completing basic training at Camp Lee, Va. and six weeks Postal School at West Chester, Penn. June 23, 1943 Pfc. Mark Craig was sent to Ft. Belvoir, Va., placed in a Postal Unit for over-seas duty and promoted to Sergeant. He was one of a selected group of enlisted men drawn from all branches of the service to attend Officers Candidate School. He graduated in Class #27 Nov. 3, 1943 from The Adjutant General's Officer Candidate School at Ft. Washington, Maryland and received his commission of 2nd lieutenant. He was sent back to West Chester as an Instructor in the Postal School which was later moved to Camp Lee, Va. It was while teaching here that he received his commission as 1st Lieutenant. Activated for over-seas duty at Indian Town Gap, Penn., he landed at Naples, Italy; was sent to Casablanca, French Morocco where he was Executive Officer of the 40th Postal Regulating Section, and Commanding Officer of Army Post Office 524 and APO 600. He was promoted to Commanding Officer of the 40th P.R.S. with the rank of Captain. Later the North African Service Command transferred the 40th P.R.S. to the Air Force and Capt. Mark Craig was activated to return to the United States. Date of departure from Casablanca, French Morocco, Africa was 28 March 1946. Arrived in New York, N.Y. 11 April 1946. Relieved of active duty 7 June 1946 at Separation Center, Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. On returning to Russellville and his job as Postmaster, Craig recognized the great need of more working space, as well as more parking for employees and the public.

There was much opposition by down town business to any proposed new location of the Post Office then located at the N.E. corner of Denver and Second Streets. Finally with the aid of Congressman Dale Alford in Washington, and J.W. Hull president of Russellville Chamber of Commerce, the present location was accepted by the P.O. Department and most business people. The move to the new building on the week end of Nov. 19, 1961 was made entirely by the Post Office personnel, except for the two safes; total cost to the government \$60. Opened for business as usual Monday AM. Craig, a member of First United Methodist Church, has served on the Board of Stewards and the Administrative Board many years, has been president of the Methodist Mens Club, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees. He has served as president of the noon Lion's Club, of which he is a 54 year member; The Ark. Tech Alumni Association; the Central Arkansas Shrine Club; two terms as president of the Russellville Country Club, of which he is a charter member; and twice was President of the Arkansas Chapter National Association of Postmasters. He has been Commander of Riggs-Hamilton Post #20 American Legion six times; is a member of the Pope Co. Historical Association, and

Russellville Chapter 505 Order of the Eastern Star. A fifty year member and former treasurer of Russellville Masonic Lodge 274, Craig is a 32nd degree Mason of the Scottish Rite Consistory, A Knight Commander in the Court of Honor; and a Shriner in Little Rock Scimitar Temple. He was Chairman of the Athletic Committee which obtained the original Cyclone Field for Russellville High School and was honored as Golden Alumnus by the graduating class of 1965. As Commander of the Russellville flotilla he accepted the Charter to Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 83 at a banquet held at the Russellville Boat Dock Restaurant in Nov. 1966.

His retirement as Postmaster at Russellville after 30 years of service was observed as "Craig Night" Sept. 23, 1967 at a testimonial dinner at Ark. Tech. attended by 300 friends, local postal employees, and members of the Arkansas Postmasters Association. Harold Jinks, special assistant to the Regional Director of the U.S. Postal Service at St. Louis, presented to Craig a Certificate of Honorary Recognition for devotion to duty and conveying Official Commendation from the Postmaster General Lawrence F. O'Brien. Messages from many well-wishers were read, including one from Senator J.W. Fulbright.

by Mrs. Mark B. Craig

ANDREW B. CRANDALL

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ALBERT AND LIZZIE CRANDALL

ANDREW B. CRANDALL b. 1834-1895 in Palmyre, N.Y. was the son of Philip & Mercy Hill Crandall. He was the 6th generation of Crandalls in America; a descendent of Elder John Crandall who came to America in 1634 from England & settled in Boston. Andrew with his parents & brothers: Abner, Henry A., Edwin, Ira & sister Mary Ann moved to Hillsdale, Mich. in 1845. Andrew m. Elizabeth Evatt (b. 1834-d. 1916). They had two sons A.G. (b. 1859-d. 1879) & Abner D. (b. 1861-d. 1936). In 1879 Andrew moved his family to Pope Co. Ark. They settled at Shiloh, North of Russellville. A few months later A.G. died and was buried in the Shiloh Cemetery. Andrew then moved his family to Gravel Hill, where he remained until his death. He was buried in the Shiloh Cemetery. ALBERT D. m. Lizzie Chronister dau. of Adam & Martha Bewley, Johnson Chronister. Their children were Chester, Estle, Rona, Alta and Audra. CHESTER m. Anna B. Bowden. They had two sons, Cecil and Clifford. ESTLE m. Eula Talkington. They had three ch. Newell, Wanda

Faye & Aaron. Aaron d. 1946, Eula d. 1936 & Estle d. 1961. They are buried at St. Paul. ALTA m. Roy Bowden (no children) Roy died in 1966, Alta lives in Dover.

AUDRA m. George Self. They had one dau. Jean, Jean m. James Combie. Audra lives with Jean & James on Gravel Hill. George d. 1958. He is buried at St. Paul.

RONA b. 1893 m. Cleveland Landers Jan. 1911. An account of the marriage states they were married while seated in their buggy. A few months later Cleve died in a Little Rock hospital with appendicitis. Dec. 16, 1911 a dau. Cleva was born. Rona with the help of her father & brothers farmed to pay hospital bills & funeral expense. Cleva m. Jim Freeman. They had one dau. Alma. Jim d. in 1975. Cleva lives in Covina, Calif. & works for Rain Bird Co. In 1916 Rona married Charley Barton, son of L.E. & Rosa Colburn Barton. Their 1st child ROSA m. Robert Simpson. They have one son Robert Lee. Rosa & Robert live at Dover where Rosa Teaches in the Dover Elem School. MARGUERITE m. Elvin "Bob" Tripp (1910-1973) They had one dau. Mary Lois. Marguerite & Mary Lois live at Hector, where Mrs. Tripp is Mayor & teaches in the Hector Elem. Sch. Mary Lois is a graduate of Ark. Tech University & teaches in the Dover Elem. Sch. BEULAH m. Jerry Bass. Their children are Rocky & Patty Ruth. The Bases live in Ardmore, Okla. RUTH m. Arlie Mackey. Ruth died in 1950 a few weeks after her father (no children). E.D. (Buster) m. Alma Mitchell. They have one son, Dwayne. Buster & Alma live at Moreland & Buster works for U.S. Postal Service in Russellville. FERN m. W.G. Henry. They had 3 children: Charles of Atkins, he works for Kroger Co; Gerald (1957-1962); & JaNelda. Fern, W.G. & JaNelda live in Russellville. JULIE m. Ray Rye. They have one son Paul. Julia, Ray & Paul live at Mill Creek where they farm & Ray is an Ins. Agent. DAVID m. Sue Brown. Children are Larry, Gary & Davie. They live in Plantation Flor. Where David is manager of several Public Stores. A. G. m. Bettye Wilson. They have 2 sons, Dale who is attending Medical Sch. in Little Rock & Boyd who is attending the College of Ozark. Betty & A.G. live in Dover where A.G. is owner & manager of The Dover Super Market.

JERRY m. Mattie Crain. They have two sons Mark & Alan. Jerry is owner & manager of Barton's Body Shop. Mark & Alan attend Arkansas Tech University.

PAUL twin to David died at birth.

RONA CRANDALL LANDERS BARTON, lives at 500 North Cleveland Ave. She is a member of The First Assembly Church, Happy Hour Doll Club & H.D. Club.

by Marguerite Tripp

ABRAM CRITES

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Abram Crites was born in 1804, died Aug. 1, 1855. He married Miss Peggy Hubbel about 1826. He came from Missouri to Pope County and settled on SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 Sec 21-8-19 about 1845. There came with him

two sisters, Mrs. Eva Chronister who settled on SE ¼ of NE ¼ 3-8-19, and Mrs. Mary Brown-Paschel-Sides, who settled near Moreland. Also, his brothers Moses widow, Mrs. Dimmie Crites. She settled on SW ¼ of NE ¼ 12-8-19. Also, his cousin John Crites, who settled on NW of SW 22-8-19. His brother William Morgan (Buck) Crites came in 1846 and settled on NE of SE 21-8-19. Abram Crites and wife reared 6 daughters and 3 sons. A son Jessie Crites and wife reared 3 daughters, all married. One of the daughters was Elizabeth who married John Ellis Duvall. They had 13 children. Nancy Crites was married to Jerry Duvall about 1851. To this union was born 5 sons and 7 daughters. They were Demmie, Angeline, Maggie, Ellen, Lucy and Preshie. Twin boys were killed in a fall from a horse. Joe was killed in a fall from a horse when young. Will and George survived. William M. Crites was born in 1851 and died in 1894. He married Miss Preshie Turner. To this union the following children were born; Kirksey, Etta Crites Heflin, Nancy Crites Bowden, Mollie Crites Kendrick, George W. and William Andrew. William Andrew was married to Bessie Louise Gideon and they had 8 children. Three died. Ara died about 12 years of age. Dean Crites married Ione Burris and they live in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He is retired from the Postal Service. They have one son, William Dean. His wife's name is Jane and they have three children. He is an attorney in Missouri. Haney is a World War II veteran, single and employed by the county. Rheba Faye Crites Dobbs lives in North Little Rock. A son, Paul Lee, was killed in a car accident. One daughter, Bonita, Married Jim Vines and they have a daughter, Teresa. Dain Crites married Elizabeth Ross. They had 4 children. One died at birth. Charles Kenneth is a farmer and married Betty Standridge. They have two children, Patricia 16 and Steven 12. Bobby Ellis works at the Nuclear Plant in Russellville. He and his wife, Judy, have a son, Paul, age 5. Dana (Mrs. Doyenne) Hudson has 3 children: Barbara Ann, a student at Arkansas Tech, Edward age 12 and Laura Elizabeth, age 10. All live on Rt. 4, Russellville, Arkansas.

by Mrs. Doyenne Hudson

THE POPE COUNTY CRITES

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The Crites fam. came to Pope Co. in the mid 1840's from SE Mo. Moses and his fam. must have left Cape Girardeau before 1840. A Demmie, w/fam., are found in Green Co., Ark. in the 1840 USC.

Those who came to Pope Co. later were Abram, w/brother Wm. Morgan "Buck", along with Moses' fam. and their sisters, who had married earlier, Eva and Adam Chronister, Mary and Jesse Brown and a cousin John Crites.

Abram and wife Margaret I. "Peggie" Hubbel w/large fam. consisting of Betsy, who m. John E. Duvall; Thomas m. Lydia Morphis; Peter; Nancy m. Jeremiah Duvall Jesse m. Olive Stinett; Susan, last to be born in Mo. Later came Dellie who m. Zeke Young; Dimmie m. Joe Young; Leanne m. Jack Kinder;

Wm. Morgan m. Presha Turner; and Margaret m. Geo. W. Burkhead.

Moses' children were Wm. who m. Mary Chronister; Eliz. who m. Ben Chronister. Sarah "Sally" m. Geo. Singleton Brown; Catherine, who never married but took care of brother Wms. children when his wife died leaving him with several sm. children; Polly, who was born about 1838 in Mo.

Wm. Morgan "Buck" Crites m. Eliz. Grimsley. Children were Nancy Ann who m. Wm. Thompson, twice County Judge. Their children were Willie Ann who m. Jack Mathews; Julie Ann Hank; John, who taught school and was with a newspaper in Okla.; Amanda Turner; Mattie Higgins; Evelyn Martin of Pottsville; Gilbert and Gertie, who never married. Amanda who m. Wm. "Bill" Teague, whose children are shown w/ the Teague fam. Wm. Claborne "Wrash" Crites m. Presha Turner and moved from the west end of Crow Mtn. about 1920, south of the river. Thomas Laben "Labe" crites m. Eliz. Turner.

Eva's decedents were: A.) Mary, who m. Wm. Crites of Uncle Moses, whose children that lived were: 1.) Elige who m. Sarah Teague. Mary's grandchildren were: Ben who m. Annie Duvall; Dora who m. Hence Davis; John who m. cousin Ada Duvall; Amanda who m. Richard Golden; Mary who m. Henry Conklin. 2.) Green, who m. Eliz. Euslam and whose grandchildren were: Thomas Crites who m. Dora Burris; Willie who m. Annie Tackey; Nancy who m. a Roach; Mattie who m. Joe Baughman. 3) Katie who m. Jim Russell. 4.) Adam. Possibly Eva's other children were: B.) Ben; C.) John; D.) Susan Chronister is thought to have been Eva's dtr. Susan m. Henry C. Bruton. Their children listed in 1870 USC spelled Brewton were John, Julia who m. Dock Stamps, and it is believed also Jim, who was born in 1873 and buried in Shiloh.

Mary Crites m. first Jesse Brown, whose children were: A.) Geo. Singleton who m. Uncle Moses' daughter Sally Crites. Grandchildren were Mary M. Britton Long; Wm. Green m. Eliz. Yates; Jesse N. m. Mary Jane George; Sarah m. John C. Guest; Leanne m. Andrew Yates; Geo. W. m. Cassie Suggs; Abraham Lincoln m. Mary Stamps. B.) Mary Angeline who m. first Thomas sides and second Bethel guest. Children by second marriage are listed in 1870 USC as Nancy, Mary, Wm. G., and Geo. G. C.) Green Berry m. Kathy Duvall whose children were Geo. S. Fanny J. and Daniel Lincoln as shown in 1870 USC. D.) Wm. B. who m. Rebecca Cooper (a native Choctaw indian) whose children were: Wm. Neighton who m. Nancy Hearne; Caswell who m. Amanda Kelly; Polly Ann who m. Andrew Peck; Geo. Grant who m. Sarah Johnson; Nancy; and Bettie who m. Oliver McCarty. E.) Allen Lincoln who m. Hulda Nichols. Mary then m. second Jas. C. Paschal and had one son, F.) Jas C. Paschal, Jr., who m. Eliz. Caultleett. Then Mary m. Jos. Sides and they had 3 children of which Jesse Nighton is thought the only one to have married and raised a family. He probably married before he left Pope Co. with about half of Mary's children.

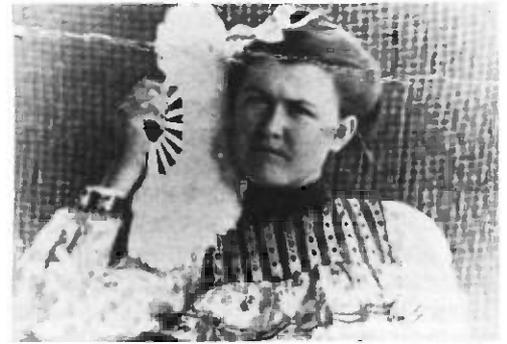
The cousin John who came to Pope Co. is

listed in the 1850 USC with wife Sarah Ann and two sons Claiburn A. b. in 1830 and Adam W. b. in 1835.

by Henry C. Trigg

DORA EMMA BURRIS CRITES

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EMMA BURRIS CRITES

Dora Emma Burris was born June 18, 1885, on a farm, on Isabel Creek, ten miles north of Atkins. She was the daughter of George Washington Burris and Mary Matilda Whorton Burris. She has lived all her life in the same general area. They were married May 15, 1906. She was married to Walter Thomas Crites (born Aug. 4, 1886) who was a farmer. They have four children.

Eldridge Larell Crites, born Dec. 29, 1905. He was married to Pearl Ann Baker, Dec. 24, 1927 and they have two sons; Carmet Larell Crites, born July 19, 1929. He married Junita Fay Hemmer, June 2, 1952 and they have two children; Elizabeth Ann Crites, born May 15, 1952, married James Don Heflin, Aug. 14, 1970 and they have two daughters, Angela Heflin, born Sept. 26, 1972 and April Michelle Heflen, born Feb. 22, 1976; Carol Wayne Crites, born Dec. 6, 1955, married Carrol Ann Wood, Dec. 27, 1974 and they have one daughter, Tara Reyne Crites, born



TOM CRITES

May 4, 1975. Thomas Lamar Crites, son of Carmet and Fay Crites, born Oct. 6, 1934, married Maxine Pettit on October 21, 1958 and they do not have any children.

Elston Reece Crites, born Sept. 9, 1907, was married to Georgia Mae Provtor, Sept. 12, 1936 and they have one daughter, Evelyn Jean Crites, born April 19, 1943. She married Jerry Lee Parrish, April 15, 1960 and they had one son, David Alan Parrish, born Jan. 25, 1965. Jean married a second time to Alford Ray Kinslow, Feb. 27, 1969.

Hazel Matilda Crites, born October 10, 1908, married Otto Cecil Allen May 27, 1929 and they did not have any children.

George Washington Crites, born Nov. 15, 1909, died Nov. 30, 1910. Both he and his father, Walter Thomas Crites, are buried at St. Joe Cemetery, north of Atkins, Arkansas.

by Mary Ann Rutherford

THOMAS CRITES

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THOMAS CRITES WAS A SON OF Abram Crites born about 1804 in Lincoln County North Carolina, died of Pneumonia Sunday November 1, 1885. Married Margaret (Peggie) Hubbell in 1826. She was born 1810 in Missouri, died Tuesday 8 o'clock P.M. October 5, 1886. Abram and Margaret moved into Arkansas about 1845, they were the parents of eleven known children, they were (Elizabeth born 1828 in Mo, married John Ellis Duvall). (Thomas born 1831 in Mo, married Lydia Ann Morphis). (Peter born 1833 in Mo, married ?). (Nancy Emeline born 1834 in Mo, married Jeremiah A. Duvall). (Jessee born 1841 in Mo, married Olivia Catheryn Stinnett). (Susan born 1844 in Mo, married ?). (Delia Ann born 1847 in Ark, married Ezekiel Young). (Demmy born 1848 in Ark, married Joseph W. Young). (Leannah born 1850 in Ark married Joel B. Kinder). (William Morgan born November 1, 1853 in Ark married Presha E. Turner). (Margaret C, born 1855 in Ark married George W. Burkhead).

Elizabeth Crites born 1828 in Missouri married John Ellis Duvall December 5, 1848, they were the parents of thirteen children, children were (Marion Yell b-Dec 24, 1849 never married). George Washington b- Dec 1, 1850 married first Elsie Jane Hudson second Florence Simpson Burns). (Nancy A, b-1852 married Ambers Churchill). Frances (Fannie) b-June 1853 married Jeremiah M. Hudson). (Franklin Pierce b- Oct 4, 1855 married Emily Lorraine, second Sallie Ann Griffin, third Vestel Lloyd Davis). (James Wiley b- Nov 1856 married Sallie M. Brashear). (Sarah Catherine (Kate) b-Dec 18, 1858 married G.B. Brown). (Robert J. b- June 16, 1860 married Elizabeth Alice Matthews). Margaret b- 1862, married John Chronister). (Mollie b- Dec 31, 1863, married Henry Walker Chronister). (Elizabeth b- 1865, died in infancy). (Kansas b- Sept 16, 1868, married James B. Chronister). (Adelaid Elizabeth b-Dec 17-1869, married Robert S. Bewley Jr). Franklin Pierce Duvall married Sallie Ann Griffin Nov 25, 1875, eleven Children they were. (William M died as child). (John G.

married first Susan A. Davis, second Julie McCurry). (Fannie Elizabeth married Arthur Lee Byrum). (Grover C. married Lindia (Lynn) Byrum). Son died in infancy). Walter Vernon married first Jenny Mae Byrum, second Frona Lee Walters). (Robert E. Lee (Rob) married Ruby Standridge). (Jacob married Maudie Roberts). (Wiley Leonard married Emily Morgan). (Ruth Arvella married Lester Elliott Stafford). (Homer Jennings married Mary Elizabeth Ray). (Fannie Elizabeth Duvall married Arthur Lee Byrum March 22, 1905, children were (Dovie) (Foster) (Sallie Mae) (Son) died in infancy). (Mary Melissa). (Chloe B.) daughter died in infancy. and (Homer Gilbert.)

by Homer G. Byrum

ANDREW JOHNSON CROOM

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ANDREW JOHNSON CROOM



SALLIE ELMORE CROOM

ANDREW JOHNSON CROOM, a prominent merchant of Atkins during the late 1800's, was born at Pinson, (Madison Co.) Tenn. in 1856. He arrived in Atkins on January 23,

1880 with his bride of just 3 months, the former Sallie Rainey Elmore. She was born in Brunswick Co., Va. in 1860. They were married at Jackson, Tenn. Oct. 22, 1879. It is thought that they traveled by train, the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railroad having come through Atkins about 1872.

Andrew was the son of William Henry Croom and his 2nd. wife, Virginia (Anderson) Croom. Sallie was the daughter of Albert A. and Annie E. (Thomas) Elmore. Her father, one of 5 brothers to enlist in the Confederacy, was in the "Brunswick Blues" and was captured during the retreat from Petersburg on April 3, 1865, just 6 days before Lee's surrender at Appomattox. He was taken to a Federal prison at Harts Island, N.Y. and although the war ended in April, he was not released until June 21, 1865 because of sickness. He was then turned loose to make his way home to Virginia as best he could. By the time he reached home his family had about given him up. Mrs. Croom told of sitting on the porch one day with her mother, shelling peas, when this tattered figure made his way up the lane toward the house. It was her father, home from the war, at last.

It is believed that the first Crooms to reach Pope Co. arrived in the mid 1870's and settled in Dardanelle. John Addison Croom: B. 1846 D. 1916. Md. Susan Eleanor White of Miss. At 16 he had enlisted in the Confederate Cavalry from Tenn. and lost an arm at the Battle of Shiloh. In Dardanelle he taught in a boy's school that he established. Moses M. Croom: B. 1850 D. 1884. Md. three times.

Apparently John and Moses influenced Andrew and at least two other brothers to come to Pope Co.. One of them, Walter E. Croom came to Atkins and later married Sallie Croom's sister, Willie Elmore. They lived in McAlester, Ok. The other brother, Henry William, went into the mercantile business with Andrew in Atkins.

Andrew and Sallie were members of The First Methodist Church of Atkins. Their first home was a 2 story frame house located on the former Hughey Street near old hiway 64. About 1885 they moved into their permanent home, a 2½ story frame house at 505 S.W. First Street. It is still standing, but the 2 full width porches across the front have been removed. Several acres of land, behind the house, were usually planted in cotton.

Andrew returned from a merchandise buying trip, in 1892, with typhoid fever. He soon died, at the age of 35, and before the birth of their 6th child. He is buried in Atkins. The young (32) widow was small in stature, but a giant in spirit. She reared all 6 children to be proud, upstanding citizens, offered them a college education and at the same time was active in her church, the UDC, other organizations and the community. Later, Annie E. Elmore, Sallie's mother came and lived with her daughter until her death. She is buried on the Croom lot. Mrs. Croom lived until 1929 and was buried, beside her husband, on the 49th. anniversary of their arrival in Pope Co.

Although none are still living, most of the children of Andrew and Sallie Croom are still remembered around Atkins. They were: LAWRENCE ANDREW CROOM: B. 1882 D.

1948. Md. Dora Westerfield. A son died in infancy. A daughter, Frances Caroline Croom Md. Joe V. Hickman and lived in Houston, Tex.; VIRGINIA PEARL CROOM: B. 1884 D. 1960. Md. Leon M. Hassan. Their son died at birth.; CAROLINE MAY CROOM: B. 1886 D. 1957. Md. Hance W. Burrow. A son Hance W. Burrow Jr. Md. Maude Johnson. They live in El Dorado, Ark.; CORY HENRY CROOM: b. 1888 D. 1961. Md. Mary McMillan. A son, McMillan Elmore Croom died in 1959. A daughter, Dorothy Croom lives with her mother in Crossett, Ark.; BLANCHE ANNIE CROOM: B. 1890 D. 1958. Md. Elton L. Branson. A son, Elton L. Branson Jr. died in 1978. He Md. Betty Greer who lives in No. Little Rock, Ark. A daughter, Sara Katherine Branson Md. Jack L. Harper and lives at Rt. 1, Wynne, Ark.; ANDREW JOHN CROOM: B. 1892 D. 1959. Md. 1st Opal Iona Bigger. A daughter, Virginia Love Croom Md. Stanley B. Graydon. Lives at Springdale, Ark. Md 2nd. Elizabeth Douglas. No children. She lives at Russellville, Ark. There are also 5 great grandchildren and 5 great great grandchildren, all living.

by Hance W. Burrow Jr.

JOHN CROUCH

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John Crouch, the operator of the first mill for grinding grain in Pope County arrived in 1840. John died in 1847 survived by his wife, Sarah, six sons and four daughters. William the oldest son succeeded his father as the miller. The second son of John Crouch, Solomon who was born about 1827 in Alabama, married Jane Tripp on 21 Oct 1852. Jane was born in Tennessee 17 May 1833.

Albert M. Crouch, born 14 Feb 1857 and the second son of Solomon and Jane Tripp Crouch married Francena Riffe 12 Aug 1885. Francena was born about 1860. On 25 Feb 1890, north of Hector on Oak Mountain, there was an occasion for joy, for a son was born to Albert and Francena named Solomon Columbus. In 1901 their son was joined by their daughter, Mae. The children were a great asset to the father and mother, for Albert was blind and Francena was partially blind. They had met while attending a blind school in Little Rock.

Solomon Columbus spent his childhood and early teens helping his father's "broomship." His father gave him the name "Boss," for he was his parents eyes. On his 19th birthday, Solomon took as his wife Cora Ancifee Tyler who was born in 1891. The first part of their married life was spent at Welcome Home, Arkansas. They moved to Russellville in September 1922 where Solomon was employed by Arkmo Lumber Company for a number of years. The three children of Solomon and Cora Crouch were: Norman, Imo, and William Erie.

Norman married Margaret Blackburn, the daughter of Carl and Tempie Kendrick Blackburn and after a few years moved to North Little Rock. Imo married Thomas (Pink) Trigg and resided in Hector. William Erie married Rebecca Abi (Peggy) Burgess and they

reside in Russellville.

William Erie and Peggy married in July of 1933 and have three children: Barbara Ann, born 18 July 1951; Lyndel Wayne, born 21 Feb 1953; and Pamela Sue born 11 March 1959.

Lyndel Wayne Crouch and Judy Gail Morris were married in Pottsville, Arkansas 24 May 1975.

by Pamela Sue Crouch

CHESLYN JACOB CROUSE

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Cheslyn Jacob Crouse (2-24-05, Sullivan County, Mo.) son of Jacob Elsworth Crouse (5-27, 1873) and Carie Jane Crummer. Jacob E. Crouse was the son of John S. Crouse and Margaret Spake. John S. was a Civil War veteran. Carie Jane Crummer was the daughter of George and Mary Anne Crummer emigrants from Donegal and Monaghan counties, Ulster region, Ireland.

Cheslyn Jacob married Mae V. McClanahan, born in 1904 in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Mae is the daughter of Samuel W. and Mary Anne McClanahan. They had tree children, two of which died in infancy and are buried in Lovell Cemetery, Milan, Mo. Their surviving daughter is Helen Ruth Crouse who married Odell D. Bartlett in 1943.

Cheslyn Jacob, Mae, and Helen Ruth moved to Russellville in January, 1940. Cheslyn Jacob worked for his brother-in-law, Hedge McClanahan, at the Arkansas-Oklahoma Ice Plant until 1955. Returned to operate family farm in Sullivan County until retirement in 1975, when he and Mae returned to Pope county to be near their daughter.

by C.J. Crouse

EVERETT GREEN CRUTCHFIELD

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Everett Green Crutchfield, born 1890, Randolph County, Missouri. His family came by train to Piney Station, Arkansas, where they stayed two months due to illness, his mother having a premature baby, named Mary Lee. Then they moved to Rushing, Pope County, when he was eleven years old. His parents were William Thomas and Dora Ellen (Brockman) Crutchfield. Both parents were born near Huntsville, Missouri, in Randolph County. They lived on the Old Moore place for two years. They homestead some acreage on Colony Mountain near Tate Town, where Will T. built a log house, later remodeled. This place was home to Everett as he grew to manhood. He was one of thirteen children: Rubert Carl, Laura Ellen, Martha Susan, William Edmond, Dora Jane, Lola Dundee, Mary Lee, Lena Pearl, Joe Edwin, Lillian Irene, Thomas Lafayette, and Vincent Otis, only nine lived.

Everett attended school in Missouri and at Ross, Arkansas. Ross had a one room school offering an eight grade education. His school days ended at Ross when he had to go to work, but he never stopped reading and trying

to learn more about many things. His favorite book was the Bible. He was a member of the Assembly of God Church.

He married Etta Viola Leavell, November 28, 1910, at the Court House, Dardanelle, Arkansas. She was the daughter of William Riley Leavell and Lavonia Viola (Harris) Leavell. Her parents resided near Ross, Arkansas, about three miles from Tate Town. The newlyweds lived in the small house on the Crutchfield property for a year, on the Birnbaum place for a year, then they bought some acreage near the Johnson County line to build their house. They lived in the small house on the Leavell property until their house was completed. They settled in their new house to rear their family. They had eleven children: Vester William, Lillian Pearl, Fay Orlen, Opha Inadell, Cleta Imogene, Sue Ellen, Aubrey Lee, Ned Hartsell, Edward Douglas, E.G. Jr., and L.G. (Lawrence Glenn). All the children were born at Ross, Arkansas. When L.G. was a baby the family moved to Denny Community near Lutherville, Arkansas. Etta was a housewife, who spent her time cooking, canning, and sewing, along with loving and caring for her family.

Everett did numerous types of work to provide for his family. He was a farmer, cattleman, truckdriver, sawmiller, and K.C. Lumberyard, partnership business with U.M. Kirschberger, Lamar, Arkansas. He served as Constable, Justice of the Peace, and others. He had a flat-bed truck that carried many people to church, picnics, or town.

Their homeplace had the Pinkey Cave which was visited by many on Sundays. The Baptizing Hole, name because the Missionary Baptist Church used it for baptismal purposes, was the swimming place for many people each summer. There was an old sawmill with a big boiler that stayed many years, a sorghum mill nearby, where people brought their sugar cane to crush for juice to make molasses, and a rock quarry with a large flat rock where people sat or stood talking.

Everett closed his book of life on January 17, 1969, and Etta died November 7, 1977.

by Mrs. Sue Crutchfield Justice

JEREMIAH DAILY

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Jeremiah Daily was born in Tenn. He moved to Tuscaloosa, Ala. There he married Malinda Swindle on Aug. 24, 1837. To this union was born nine living children; George D., Barbara, John, Ransom Selkirk, Love I., Rudolph, J. Sol, Bunyan and William. Jeremiah was a Captain in the Confederate Army. Four of his sons served under him. They were John, Ranse, Love and George. Jeremiah left Malinda for a younger woman and moved to Pope County Ark. after 1870. His second wife was Sarah Emeline Duncan. To this marriage was born four sons; Jonathan, Thomas Jefferson, Dow, and James David. Jeremiah was a prominent Baptist preacher. Jeremiah's third son Ranse was born 18 March 1843 in Ala. Ranse married Sarah Elizabeth Thorn daughter of Sebeston Thorn in 1862 in Franklin County, Ala. To this

union was born ten children; William P., Chestina, Laura Allie, Etta, Elzora, Robert L. Thomas Cleveland, E.A., Maybelle, and Pearilee. Ranse moved to Linker Mountain in Pope County, Arkansas around 1883. Ranse died May 13, 1925 and is buried at St. Joe near Atkins, Ark. along with Sarah who died Feb. 13, 1937. Jeremiah died in 1898 and is buried at Forehand on Linker Mt. along with Sarah Emeline.

Ranse's second son Thomas Cleveland was born 14 June 1885 on Linker Mt. in Pope County, Ark. He married Mary McAlister on 15 Nov. 1903. To this union was born four children; Clara, Lucielle, Roy, and Pauline. Mary died 15 Nov. 1930 and is buried in San Francisco, Calif. Thomas then married Gertha Linton daughter of William and Elzie Linton on Aug. 29, 1931 at Clarksville, Ark. Thomas was a piano tuner and music teacher. To this union was born six sons; Milburn Lee, Osha Gene, Euel David, Thomas Jr., Carl Ralph, and Donald Ray. Milburn born 10 Jan. 1934. Gene born 11 Sept. 1935, David born 2 Oct. 1937, Thomas born 25 March 1940, Carl born 16 Dec 1941 and Donald born 28 March 1945. All six sons were born in Russellville, Ark. Milburn married Mildred Daffron. They have three children; Milburn Jr., Patricia, and Gail. David married Jo Russell and they have three children; David, Carol, and Debbie. Gene married Betty Taylor and they had a son, Robert who died. Thomas was married twice. His second wife is Anna Reed. They have two children Kelly, and Tommy III. Carl married Marion (Twinkie) Eudy and they have two children; Dan and Janet. Don married Sydna Landers on March 22, 1967 and we have three sons; Donald Jr., Robert Nolan, and Scott Ranse. Milburn's and David's family live in Dardanelle, Ark. Gene lives in North Little Rock, Ark. Carl's lives in Texarkana, Texas. Thomas's and Don's family live in Russellville. Don is the Gardner Junior High basketball coach and teaches math. I teach kindergarten at Oakland Heights Elementary.

Thomas Cleveland died May 30, 1969 at home and is buried at Rest Haven in Russellville, Ark. Gertha remarried Feb. 5, 1977 to Roy Cowan and lives in North Little Rock, Ark.

by Sydna Landers Daily

H.A. DALRYMPLE

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H.A. Dalrymple received his education at Newton Springs, Arkansas, and married Creola Olive Ann Linton on Dec. 9, 1903. In 1911, H.A. bought the Andy Bailey Store in Hector, which he operated until 1916. He bought a Drug Store from Dr. J.M. Stanford in 1917, and sold it in Dec., 1926. He was superintendent of the "Pope County Farm" for six years. Later, he moved to Oklahoma where he farmed and raised cattle until he retired in 1957. He then moved to Spavinaw, Oklahoma where Creola died in 1960, and H.A. in 1962. H.A. and Creola had four children:

Their firstborn died in infancy. Second was Veo Almond, born June 19, 1909. Next came

Ilin George May 3, 1922, and then Floy, March 22, 1916. Floy died August 7, 1926. Ilin is now living in Spavinaw, Oklahoma. He married Jewel Newby and works for the City of Tulsa Water Co.. They have one daughter, Judy, married to Bill McClellan, and one grand-daughter, Jeanette Kay.

Veo married Mildred Brown (daughter of E.E. Brown who is mentioned in the history of S.L. and Sarah Ferguson Brown) in 1929. Daughter Barbara Elizabeth was born Oct. 5, 1935, and David Almond on Sept. 7, 1948. Barbara married Roger D. Burrell Dec. 27, 1952, and they had two children: Roger, Jr, born Sept. 23, 1955, and Sandra Dawn, born April 25, 1960. Sandra is graduating from Russellville High this year. Roger, Jr. is currently living in South La. with his father. Barbara is now married to Charles Wayne Roberts, son of Leon and Lena Roberts, and they are living in Russellville.

David married April Henderson Sept. 1, 1967, daughter of Fred & Ophelia Henderson. And they have one daughter, Ladena Kay, born June 1, 1968. They also live in Russ. Veo and Mildred are both retired and living in Russellville, and are planning a celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary next summer.

by Veo and Mildred Dalrymple

JOHN DEE DALRYMPLE

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John Dee Dalrymple (1855-1923) was born in Florence, Alabama. He came to Pope County Arkansas when a young man with a brother Hiram and a sister Susan. He married Tennessee Ann Dixon Cupp (1856-1936) on December 23, 1876. They lived at Galley Creek, near Atkins, when most of their children were born. Four sons and two daughters lived to maturity. The family moved to Newton Springs, near Hector, about 1897.

Mr. Dalrymple was proud of his french heritage. He was musically talented. He bought stringed instruments and taught his children to play music together. He was dignified and industrious. His house burned

twice. His last home was rustic. So any dreams he had of a Chateau went up in smoke twice.

Tennessee Ann Dixon was the daughter of David Dixon and Mary Crouch. She was a fine seamstress and did beautiful handwork. She helped her neighbors through illness and death. She loved to read the Bible. She survived her husband for 13 years. She had a little house built at Hector and lived alone until a few months before her death at 78 years. Their children were —

Hiram A. Dalrymple (1882-1962) and wife Creola O. Linto (1883-1960) operated a drug store at Hector for nearly 20 years. They had three children. Veo A., of Russellville, Floy Eugene (1916-1926) and Ilan G. of Spavinaw, Oklahoma. After the tragic death of their daughter they moved to Russellville where he was Superintendent of the County Home.

E. Edgar Dalrymple (1877-1947) married Jessie M. Davis (1896-1975). They had six living children, Loreda D., D.L., C. Morgan, R. Lois, Joyce E., and Billie June (1927-1974). Most were born at Appleton, Arkansas. Their oldest daughter, Loreda D. Reincke, of Anaheim, California helped research this history.

Myrtle Lee Dalrymple (1892-1967) married Willie N. Barham (-1967) on Christmas 1912. They lived near Hector when their three daughters, Avis Coffman (Mrs. Stanley), Nola Leavell (Mrs. Coyd), and Alta Coley (Mrs. Clay) were born. They are buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery near her parents graves.

Mary Belle Dalrymple (1892-1967) married Albert E. Linton (1889-1964). They were born in Pope County as were their six children — Vera L. Grable (Mrs. Guy H.), L.D. Linton (1914-1974), Rheba v. Bonds (Mrs. Herclie), Glyn M. Linton, Albert L. Linton, and G. Charlene Arment (Mrs. John C.).

John Q. Dalrymple lives at Morrelton, Arkansas with his wife Grace (Tackett). They have one daughter, Dorothy Coffman (Mrs. Farris). They have six grandchildren.

Claud Burl Dalrymple married Sadie E. Voss at Newton Springs in 1917. They live in



J. Dee and Tennie Dixon Dalrymple

Terral, Oklahoma now. They had one son, L.B. Dalrymple (1918-1953). He died in World War II in Africa. He left a daughter born 1945 and a son born 1950.

by Mrs. Vera L. Grable

JUDGE JAMES W. DANLEY

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Judge James W. Danley, was born in Wayne County, Tennessee, Sept. 17, 1859, the son of Henry Danley. Henry had fought in the Civil War, leaving his family at home. It seemed to James W., that they were on the main road for he remembered the soldiers and wagons passing to and from by their place. One time a group of Yankee soldiers came by and as they were living off the land and what they could pick up, they cleaned out the Danley home. Mrs. Danley knew they were in the area so she had hid their cow in a cave and she was spared. Mrs. Danley wasn't a woman of violence but on this day, she became just a little violent by standing outside and cursing the Yankee's just as far as she could see them. Luckily they ignored her and passed on their way. Mr. and Mrs. Danley had at least eight children: Tom, Robert, Garland, Lester, Matt, Ellard and James W. The war had left the Danley's in dire circumstances and in 1870, they decided to move to Arkansas, first to Montgomery County, then to Searcy County and back to Dover, Pope County, within a year's time. They didn't care for the other two places but decided Dover was the place to settle.

James W. Danley married when a young man to Miss Missouri Phillips and they had seven children, one dying in infancy, then: W.H., Dewey, Carol, Carl F., Hallie and Sallie. After the death of Missouri, James W. married Fannie Rowland and they had three children: Hanford, Adele, and James Wylie. James Wylie went to the navy in 1941, but was soon discharged and died in 1943.

Mr. Danley was for several years a power in Pope County politics. He was living at Dover, working as a blacksmith and wagon maker and served on the Dover School Board, served as Constable, and in 1896 was elected as a Justice of Peace from Dover Township. He also worked in the Dover Mercantile as a clerk for a while. He held the office of JP until 1904. He was elected Tax Assessor of Pope County from 1906-1908; Sheriff, 1912-1916; Pope County Judge, 1920-1926 and was Representative from Pope County in 1931-32. During the latter years of his life he was active in a movement to give more aid to the aged. Mr. Danley died December 9, 1946.

Hanford Danley, son of James W. Danley, attended school in Russellville and most of his career was spent in working for the United States Government. He was with the Forest Department and when they closed down during World War II, he tried to get in the seabees but was a little too old and also had a disability which needed correcting so they wouldn't take him. He went to Camp Chaffee and worked there until 1962, then went to work for the engineers and remained with them until he retired in 1972, ending 36 years

of government service.

Hanford, married, first, to Joy Williams of Russellville who died in 1967. They had two children; Jimmy, who retired from the navy after 23 years and is married and has three daughters and live in Memphis, Tennessee. Linda, who is married and has a boy and they live in Fort Smith.

Hanford remarried in 1974, and they lived in Denver for about three years then moved to Russellville.

by Hanford Danley

DARR, CLAUDE WILSON

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Claude Wilson Darr was born in Atkins, Arkansas, on October 12, 1877. He was the son of John Calvin Darr and Sarah Wilson Darr; both the Darrs and the Wilsons were pioneer families of Pope County. Claude Darr's maternal grandparents, James and Sarah Cheyne Wilson, and his maternal great-grandparents, Robert and Jane Latimore Wilson, came to Pope County in 1833 from Williamson County, Tennessee. Wilson Township of Pope County was named for Robert Wilson.

Claude Darr lived his entire life in Atkins. He finished the schools there then attended a trade school and served an apprenticeship in construction. He erected schools, churches, brick store buildings, and brick homes all over Arkansas.

He was always interested in the growth of Atkins and for many years served on the City Council. He was the mayor of Atkins for over ten years. He owned property in Atkins, including his own home, and owned farmland north of Atkins.

He was a lover of sports and was a baseball player in his younger years, and later he was an umpire for baseball games throughout the state. He loved hunting and fishing and served on committees to make and enforce game laws.

Mr. Darr and his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Darr Gillette, and her four children lived in the John C. Darr home after the death of Mrs. Gillette's husband, Roderick Orville Gillette, in 1912. Mr. Darr had two brothers, Emmett Lee, who died in 1929, and John Edgar, who died in 1959. His sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Darr Gillette, died in 1955. Mr. Claude Darr died on February 13, 1956. He was buried in the Darr Family Cemetery at Bells Chapel. He attended the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in his younger years and the Atkins Baptist Church in his later years.

Mr. Darr had four nieces, Jewette Elizabeth Gillette, who died in 1932; Kathryn Gillette Hawley; Helen Gillette Overstreet; and Mary Alice Darr Hood; and four nephews, Leonard A. Gillette; Emmett L. Darr, Jr.; John Edgar Darr, Jr.; and Ernest Claude Darr, who died in 1931.

by Helen Gillette Overstreet

EMMETT LEE DARR

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Emmett Lee Darr was born in Atkins, Ar-

kansas, August 17, 1875, the son of John Calvin Darr and Sarah Darthula Wilson Darr. He attended Atkins public schools and went to a business school in Sedalia, Missouri. He married Bennie Mary Thompson, daughter of Wallace W. and Mary Jane Reynolds Thompson of Atkins at Russellville on July 14, 1897. A daughter, Mary Alice was born June 13, 1903 and a son Emmett Lee Darr, Jr. was born on June 13, 1906. Emmett Darr, Sr. was in the general mercantile business with his father at Atkins until 1911, when the family moved to Argenta (now North Little Rock) where he was employed in the insurance department of the Twin City Bank. In 1912 they moved to Little Rock where he was employed in the insurance department of the Lasker-Morris Bank & Trust Company. Later they moved to Memphis where he was manager of the agency of the New Amsterdam Casualty Company. He died at Memphis February 19, 1929. His widow, Bennie Mary Darr, returned to the family home in Little Rock where she lived until her death on August 13, 1973 at the age of 95.

Mary Alice Darr attended schools at Atkins, Argenta and Little Rock, and was graduated from Little Rock High School in May, 1921. She attended Galloway College at Searcy and the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville and returned to the University several years later to receive a degree with honors. She taught in the Little Rock public schools and in 1926, she went to Korea to teach the children of the Methodist missionaries. At the death of her father in 1929 she returned to Little Rock to live with her mother and brother in the family home at Little Rock and resumed her teaching career. She married A.E. Hood of Texas October 8, 1938 and a daughter, Sarah Lee, was born to them September 19, 1939. Mary Alice lived with her mother in the family home in Little Rock until the death of her mother. During that time she was employed by the City Health Department, the State Health Department and Blue Cross Blue Shield. She retired in 1968 and moved to Dallas to be near her daughter and her family.

Sarah Lee Hood attended Little Rock schools and was graduated with honors from Little Rock High School in 1957 and from Texas Womens University with honors in 1960. She married Wm. Reagan Boone of Sweetwater, Texas in September, 1960. They have two children, Melanie (Aug. 12, 1962) and Blake (August 10, 1963). Reagan Boone is owner of Boone Insurance Agency in Carrollton, Texas, and Sarah Lee is employed by the Prestonwood National Bank of Dallas. Their home is in Carrollton, a suburb of Dallas.

Emmett Lee Darr, Jr. was graduated from Little Rock High School in 1923 and attended Southern Methodist University in Dallas. He was employed by Worthen Bank & Trust Company in 1929, where he remained until his retirement in 1971 from his position of Vice President and Cashier. He married Geraldine Bostian of Morrilton in 1953, and they are the parents of Stephen Emmett (July 17, 1955) and twin daughters Jan and Joy born January 14, 1960. Stephen is a graduate of the University of Arkansas, and is now in

the seminary at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina where he is studying for the ministry. The twin girls are in their senior year at Parkview High School, Little Rock. The family home is in western Little Rock.
by Emmett L. Darr

EPHRAIM ALEXANDER DARR 182



EPHRAIM ALEXANDER DARR

E.A. Darr, of Atkins, was born in Lincoln County, North Carolina, October 22, 1835; son of Henry R. and Ann (Blackburn) Darr.

After the death of his father, Mr. Darr, along with his mother and family, came to Arkansas in 1858 and settled near Galla Rock.

He was among the first to enlist in the Confederate army in 1861 in a company raised by Capt. Ben T. Embry. Then he became a private in Company B of Colonel McIntosh's regiment, the second regiment mounted riflemen. With this group he fought at Wilson Creek and afterwards with his regiment in Indian Territory.

His next battle was Elkhorn Tavern, at Pea Ridge, where McIntosh was killed. After this the regiment crossed the Mississippi River and was on duty under Blaufregard and Bragg at Corinth and Tupelo. In the Kentucky campaign of 1862, he fought under General Kirby Smith at the battle of Richmond, where he was severely wounded. A bullet passed through his right leg just below the knee. This disabled him for further duty on the field and he suffered from the effects of the wound until his death.

After returning to Arkansas in 1863, he taught school then worked as a brick mason. Later he clerked for R.A. Dowdle for one year then became a partner, then owner of the store.

In 1870 Mr. Darr married Lucendia Plott and to them were born 8 children: Guy (M) Euna Warren and had a son Ralph; Fay (M) Mayme Porter and had Percy, Mary Ruth, & Virginia Lee; Ora (M) Wesley Bailey had Ruth & George; Ira (M) Frances Cleveland had a son to die, Carolyn, Cleveland, Jeanette, & E.A.; Rea (M) Arthur Cleveland had Cathryn, Martha, Euna, Arthur Jr.; Roy, Ott, and Ida died young.

In 1873 the E.A. Darr's moved to Atkins,

cleared the land, and was the first to make a settlement. He was among the first merchants. In 1873 he was made postmaster and then later the first railroad agent.

In 1880 he built a large brick store and carried a line of general merchandise and plantation supplies. He did an annual business of from \$50,000 to \$75,000. In the store he had a safe 6 ft. high and 4 ft. wide, and many of the farmers in the area brought their money to Mr. Darr for safe keeping. He would place their money in a sack with their name and amount of money and toss it in his safe. When they came to withdraw part of it, he made a receipt for the amount withdrawn, had them sign it, and then replaced it in his safe.

In 1895 Mr. Darr along with others organized the Bank of Atkins. He was elected President and served until his death in 1912.

Mr. Darr was a member of the A.F. & A.M. Galla Rock Lodge No. 172, K. of R. Arcadia Lodge No. 24, and I.O.O.F. Lodge No. 38.

He was a self-made man, enterprising, progressive, public spirited, and an active supporter of the principles of democracy.

E.A. Darr left an estate valued at one-half million dollars.

Mr. Darr has 5 grandchildren living in Atkins today. They are Mrs. Mary Ruth Darr Jordan, Mrs. Euna Cleveland Burnett, E.A. Darr, Mrs. Martha Cleveland Shinn, who was an elementary principal and teacher in the Atkins Public Schools for 29 years. They all still have farm land left by their grandfather; and Mrs. Virginia Darr Wallace, an antique dealer.

Three great-grandchildren; Jo Bailey Batson, George Bailey, and Janice Burnett Mills; four great-great-grandchildren; Nan Batson, Jalia Batson Lingle, Cynthia Ridling, and James Dorman; and one great-great-great-grandchild, Laura Lingle, all living in Pope County.

by Mrs. L.D. Shinn

JAMES FRANKLIN DARR 183

James Franklin Darr was born in Lincoln County, North Carolina June 3, 1841, the fifth of six children born to Rufus Henry Darr and Ann Blackburn Darr. The others were Mary Ann, John Calvin, Ephraim Alexander, Susan Saloma and Sarah Eliza. He attended school and lived in his native state until 1858. About that time the Federal Government opened millions of acres of land for Homestead purposes west of the Mississippi River. A caravan of 100 wagons left Lincoln County, North Carolina and after almost two years came to the Arkansas River Valley and settled in Johnson and Pope Counties. Henry Rufus Darr had died in 1848 but Ann Blackburn Darr and her six children came with her Blackburn brothers and sisters and settled in Pope County about 3 miles from the present town of Atkins. They built a two story log house which is still standing.

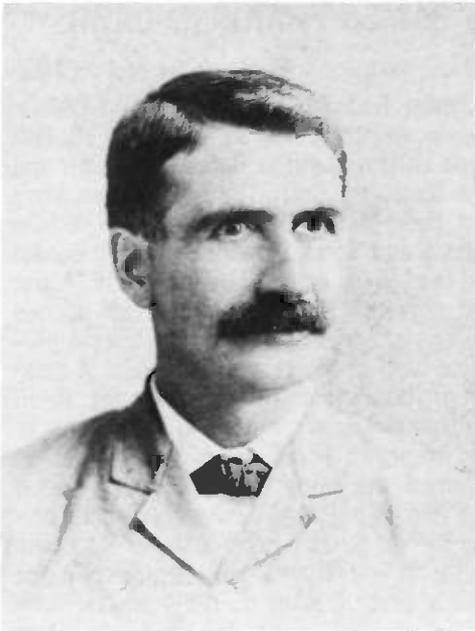
In 1861, James Franklin enlisted in Company 1, King's Regiment and was in the Battle of Prarie Grove, Helena, Little Rock, after which he went to Louisiana. Later he returned to Arkansas and was in the Battle of Jenkins Ferry and several other skirmishes. He surrendered at Marshall, Texas.

In 1868 he married Mary Jane Hearn, daughter of J.A. Hearn, a pioneer settler of Pope County. They were the parents of nine children: Lafayette Eugene, John Elliott, William Edwin, James Lee baby girl, Roy Walter, Alva Clyde, Carl and Irl R. They lived in his mother's home and he farmed until 1874 when they moved to Atkins. He engaged in a general merchandise business and bought cotton there until his death August 7, 1894, and is buried in the Darr Cemetery which is on a part of his mother's homestead.

In 1884 he built a two story home, one of



James Franklin Darr home built in Atkins in 1884. Mrs. James Franklin Darr and sons, James Lee, Irl and Dr. Walter.



JAMES FRANKLIN DARR
1841-1894

the largest in the area. It was sold and razed in 1956 and was the last of the Darr brothers' homes to go. Mr. Darr was the first mayor of Atkins, a member of Knights of Pythias, Arcadia Lodge #44 and was Counselor-Commander. On May 6, 1889, J.F. Darr with his two brothers and other business leaders organized the Atkins Printing Company which published a weekly paper "The Pope County Mail". There is no record of how long it was published and only one known copy is in existence. It is a four page paper dated June 14, 1893.

The Darr brothers were closely identified with the early life and development of the Atkins Community. One or more members of the Darr family were in business in Atkins from 1873 to 1934. There is probably no other town in Arkansas that can point with as much pride or value higher the influence that three brothers had upon their community than the Darr brothers had upon Atkins. Their many children and grandchildren have carried on this tradition until today.

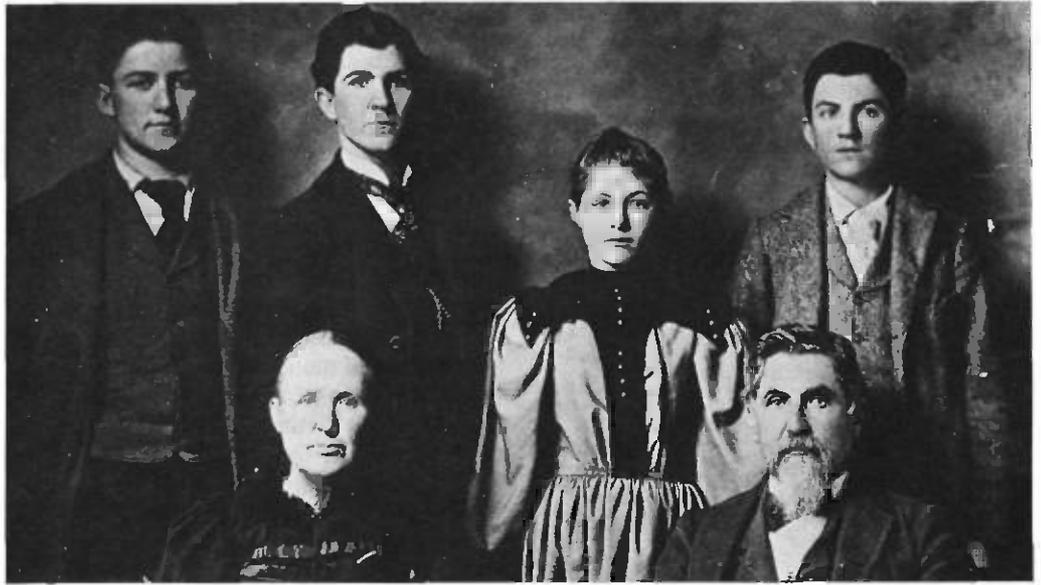
Living grandchildren of J.F. Darr are Alta Darr Watkins (Mrs. Thomas A.), of Searcy, Arkansas, Janice Darr Satterfield (Mrs. Leon) of Russellville, Mary Emma Darr Prince, of Ponca City, Oklahoma, and Robert Irl Darr of Atkins.

by Alta Darr Watkins

JOHN CALVIN DARR

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John Calvin Darr was born in Lincolnton, North Carolina, on December 6, 1833. His parents were Henry Rufus Darr and Anna Blackburn Darr. Henry Rufus died in 1845 and was buried in Lincolnton. In 1858 John Darr; his mother; his brothers, Ephriam and James; his sisters, Saloma and Eliza, joined a large group of relatives and neighbors for a move from North Carolina, where land was quite valuable, to Arkansas, where land was cheap. Many families thus made a great deal of money by the move. Mrs. Darr's brother, Ep-



Seated left to right: Margaret Scarlett Darr, John C. Darr.
Standing left to right: John Edgar Darr, Emmett Lee Darr, Elizabeth Darr Gillette, Claude Wilson Darr.

hriam Blackburn, was wagonmaster of the one-hundred-wagon train, and John Darr was the navigator, who had to draw their map by hand. (This original map is now owned by a granddaughter, Helen Gillette Overstreet.) The wagon train crossed the Mississippi River at the Columbus Steam Ferry in Kentucky, then traveled 950 miles to Huntsville, Arkansas, from where the families dispersed to find their own land. The Darr family came to Galla Rock at what is now called Bells Chapel.

In 1861 at the outbreak of the War Between the States, John Darr enlisted in the Confederate Cavalry. He served with Col. Gordon's Regiment of Gen. W. Cabell's Brigade in a number of Arkansas skirmishes. He also served with the Trans-Mississippi Department and was in several skirmishes in Louisiana. He was in the battles of Jenkins Ferry, Poison Spring, and Mark's Mill. In 1864 his regiment joined Gen. Sterling Price's march through Missouri and took part in the battles of Independence, Bonneville, and Pilot Knob. After the battles, the remaining Confederate soldiers started home. A group from Arkansas were captured near Pisgah Church, Pope County, and taken to Little Rock, where they were held prisoners of the Union Army until Gen. Lee surrendered. Because of Mr. Darr's long and brave service, the United Daughters of the Confederacy honored him by naming their Atkins chapter the John C. Darr Chapter.

On April 2, 1871, John C. Darr married Miss Sarah Darthula Wilson at Lewisburg, Conway County. She was born in Pope County in 1841, the daughter of James and Sarah Cheyne Wilson. The couple went to Hot Springs, where Mr. Darr entered the general mercantile business. In 1874 they returned to Pope County, and Mr. Darr was among those who signed the charter incorporating the town of Atkins. (This original charter is now in the Old State House in Little Rock.) He bought several blocks of land and erected a two-story house on what is today Church St. He also bought farm land and a number of blocks where the business section of Atkins is located. He built several brick buildings and a warehouse, which he rented. He retained one

building to house his own general mercantile, plantation supply, and cotton buying businesses.

John C. Darr and Sarah W. Darr had six children. An infant died in Hot Springs in 1873. The following children were born in Atkins: Emmett Lee, 1875; Claude Wilson, 1877; John Edgar, 1881; Sarah Elizabeth and Anna Darthula, twin daughters, 1883. Mrs. Darr and the infant Anna died in 1883. In 1885 Mr. Darr married Margaret E. Scarlett. She died in 1910, and Mr. Darr died in 1919; both were buried in the Darr Cemetery at Bells Chapel. Mr. Darr and his family belonged to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

The grandchildren of John and Sarah Darr are Mary Alice D. Hood and Emmett L. Darr, Jr.; John Edgar Darr, Jr. and Ernest Claude Darr (died 1931); Jewette Gillette (died 1932), Leonard Gillette, Kathryn Gillette Hawley, and Helen Gillette Overstreet. The great-grandchildren are Sarah Hood Boone; Stephen, Joyce, and Janet Darr; John Edgar Darr, III, Deanna D. Warlick, Margaret D. Barr, Elizabeth Darr; and Linda Overstreet.
by Linda Overstreet

JOHN ELLIOTT DARR

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John Elliott (Ed) Darr was born near the present site of Atkins, Arkansas October 17, 1870. For well over half a century he was closely connected with the town and it's welfare, and no citizen was more instrumental in the economic and Civic progress of Atkins. He received his education in the schools in the county, and by experience — having begun to work in his father's store when he was twelve years old. From that time, he rarely missed a day from work.

After his father's death, in 1894, he became associated in business with his cousin, Leonard Bell, later buying Mr. Bell's interest. He continued alone until a partnership was formed with W.M. Lemley, and under the name of DARR & LEMLEY, they ran one of the most prosperous businesses in town. That



John Elliott (Ed) Darr
Oct. 17, 1870-Sept. 30, 1940

partnership was dissolved, and Mr. Lemley and his sons took over the Furniture and Hardware part. Mr. Darr and his youngest brother, Irl Darr had the Dry Goods, Groceries and buying of Cotton. This was his last business association, and it continued until 1934, when J.E. Darr was appointed Postmaster, and Irl Darr entered Insurance. At the time of his retirement, J.E. Darr had been in Mercantile business 53 years and was Atkins oldest man in number of years served. He was Chairman of the Pope County Red Cross, for ten years, and gave freely of his time to the work involved.

The History of the DARR family in and about Atkins covers about a hundred years and the record of their colorful lives in America goes back as far as the Revolutionary War. There were originally three DARR brothers who came to Arkansas, in 1858, and Pope County and all were in Mercantile business in Atkins.

John Elliott Darr and Susanna Nugent were married on April 23, 1894. They were parents of two daughters. Leta, deceased, and Alta, who married Thomas A. Watkins, a Banker of Searcy, Arkansas. They had two daughters. Suzanne, wife of O.M. Smith, an Attorney of Rome, Georgia, has two sons. Marvin Thomas, an Archeologist associated with University of Georgia, and Gordon Allen, an Attorney in Atlanta. Mary Jane married Robert H. Dunlap, a Banker in Atlanta, Georgia. She, too, has two sons, Robert Hunt, Jr., a student of University of Georgia and Thomas Watkins who attends Lovett High School in Atlanta.

Fertile lands along the Arkansas River, where J.E. Darr owned hundred of acres, undoubtedly contributed to the growth of trade in Atkins. Mr. Darr was a man of strong convictions politically, and otherwise, and it was never necessary to ask him twice, how he stood on any question. In fact, he usually had told you before you asked. He served as town Mayor and in other responsible positions for Civic betterment.

by Alta Darr Watkins

SUSAN SALOMA DARR

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Susan Saloma Darr came to Pope County, Arkansas in 1859 from Lincoln County, North Carolina with her mother and family. Her father had died in North Carolina. She was the fourth child in a family of six children. The other children were Mary Ann, John Calvin, Ephraim Alexander and the younger ones, James Franklin and Sarah Eliza. Their parents were Henry Rufus and Anna Blackburn Darr. Saloma as she was called, was 20 years old when they came by wagon train to Arkansas. The train was led by her mother's brother, Ephraim Alexander Blackburn who traveled in a sturdy buggy which he had made himself. He continued on to Johnson County but the Darrs settled in Bell's Chapel in Pope County. Saloma Darr married Calvin M. Love, a member of a pioneer Pope family, and a Methodist minister, around 1866. Calvin M. Love's parents, Cerena Little Love and Darling Love, emigrated to Pope County where they died, Darling in 1881 and Cerena in 1895. They are buried in Mt. Zion Cemetery. The Calvin Loves lived at Holla Bend and at Russellville. Their children were Etta Alison, called Alison, Iona Edgar, James and Mamie. Alison married James Tucker Bigger from a pioneer family in Dardanelle, Yell County. Iona married Mose Byrd, Edgar attended Vanderbilt and married a Tennessee girl. James married twice, both wives were from Russellville. His first wife was Mary Rankin and after her death he married Bessie Williamson. Mamie married Ben Winfrey from Oklahoma. Calvin M. Love, a Mason, and Saloma Darr Love were instrumental in seeing that several young men were trained and educated to become ministers in the Methodist Church. C.M. Love died in 1898 in Russellville, and Saloma lies in the Darr Cemetery at Bells Chapel. Alison Love Bigger had four children, Rea Migna, Opal Iona, Sybil Bell and Cloete. Edgar had one son, Earl. Iona Love Byrd had six; Millard, Calvin, Sybil, Edgar, Otis, and Roy. James had one son, Edgar, and two daughters Naomi and James Lucille by his second wife. Mamie, the youngest child of Calvin and Saloma had nine children, Majorie, Isla, Loy, Owen, Rita, Clara, Letha, Saloma (Sally) and Carl Wayne. Saloma Darr's sister Mary Ann married S.R. Parker and died childless. Sarah Eliza married Warren M. Bell and they had four children, J. Leonard, Jennings, Marion and Estelle. The Bells lived in the old Darr homeplace in Bells Chapel.

by Migna Irl Mayo Howell

WILLIAM EDWIN "BILL" DARR

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The first families of the Darrs were Pennsylvania Dutch who immigrated from Pennsylvania about the years 1750 to 1753 and settled what is now Lincoln County, North Carolina, on Leepers Creek, later coming to Arkansas.

William Edwin "Bill" Darr (born 3-22-1873, died 10-20-1938) is buried in the

Darr Cemetery, Bells Chapel, Pope County, Arkansas. The second son of James F. and Mary Jane Hern Darr, he was a pioneer citizen and founder of the town of Atkins. They came to Atkins from Galla Rock in the early 70's. W.E. Darr worked as a sales clerk for his brothers in Darr and Darr Store owned by J.E. and Irl R. He ran a saw mill and later owned another firm bearing the family name which was Darr & Son Grocery located in the Jim Burnett building on Main Street. This firm was composed of W.E. "Bill" Darr and his son Brown Darr. He was well versed and knowledgeable in archeology, having a very large and valuable collection of Indian relics consisting of years of work. This collection was given to the University of Arkansas and has been there for display all these years. He also was an avid sportsman and enjoyed fishing, hunting, and trapping. He was a Justice of the Peace for Atkins, Arkansas. William E. Darr was married three times to Leona M. Barker (born 12-22-1896 — died 7-12-1901). They had one child, Gertrude, (born 8-1898 — died 6-1901) age three years of typhoid fever. Mother Leona Darr died two weeks later. They are buried in the Darr Cemetery.

W.E. Darr married Jessie Alexander Yandell (born 1874 — died 1914), the widow of Dr. J.M. Yandell who had one daughter, Imo. To the W.E. Darr and Jessie Alexander Yandell union two children were born — Brown Alexander Darr, (born 12-22-1903 — died 10-7-1958). Janice Darr (born 12-14-1912) now Mrs. Leon Satterfield is still living and residing at 203 West 8th, Russellville, Arkansas. Brown was a great track star at Atkins High School and won several state medals. He was second to Cunningham who ran in the Olympics. Brown was manager and co-owner of Darr and Son Grocery in the 1930's with his father W.E. Darr. He worked as a salesman for Cheek Wholesale Grocery and was one of their leading salesmen serving area counties. Brown Darr married Mary Burnett, daughter of Walter and Mayme Burnett of the Economy Community. To Mary and Brown Darr was born a daughter, Jana Gail (born 8-2-1941). Jana Gail taught in the Little Rock Schools. She is married (August 19, 1960) to H.D. Farris of Havana, Arkansas. H.D. Farris is District Manager for Ryder Trucks and they reside in Shawnee, Kansas. Jana and H.D. Farris have three children; David (born October 23, 1966). Derek Darr (born January 9, 1969) and Sarah Elizabeth (born August 16, 1974).

Janice Darr worked in the Atkins Post Office while her Uncle J.E. Darr was Postmaster. Janice and Leon Satterfield (son of Mr. and Mrs. George Satterfield, Dardanelle, Arkansas) married 11-24-35. Leon Satterfield founded and owned Leon Satterfield Lumber Company, Russellville, a complete manufacture development, timberland, and real estate. Leon Satterfield (born 12-12-12 — died 10-5-67) is buried in the Oaklawn Cemetery, Russellville. To Leon and Janice Darr Satterfield were born two children, a daughter, Janan (born 1-8-39) and a son, George Darr (born 3-12-46). Janan married (2-13-60) Rev. Harry Thompson (born 9-27-37). They reside in Anderson, Indiana. Rev. Thompson

is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. Janan and Harry Thompson have one son LeRoss Thompson (born 3-14-64).

George Darr Satterfield resides in Russellville, Arkansas. George is a licensed realtor and broker and is developing Satterfield Housing Addition in Russellville, Arkansas. He and Janan have extensive interests in warehouseing, real estate and timberlands, in Pope, Yell, and Logan, Perry, and Van Buren counties.

W.E. Darr married the widow of Jack Johnson, Nannie Hughes Johnson who had one son, Jack. Nannie Johnson was Post Mistress at Magazine and Blue Mountain, Arkansas. She died 12-24-1941 and is buried in Tulsa, Oklahoma. No children were born of this union.

by Janice Darr Satterfield

NICHOLAS DARTER, SR.

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Nicholas Darter, Sr. was born March 12, 1746 in Germany, and died April 8, 1821 in Wythe County, Virginia. He and his first wife Maria Parcell had eight children. Their second child Nicholas, Jr. was born January 16, 1770, in North Carolina and in 1798 married Sallie Susan Spurlock. They had fifteen children. Nicholas, Jr. died January 5, 1842 in Wythe County, Virginia. Henry the second child of Nicholas, Jr. and Sallie Susan was born August 28, 1800. He and his wife had five children. Henry was sheriff of Wythe County, Virginia, and after moving to Hawkins County, Tennessee became sheriff there. Their first child, William Hanry, was born March 6, 1822 in Tennessee, and was married four times and had fifteen children. His seventh child, James Hampton was born May 30, 1869. When James was a boy they traveled by covered wagon and settled in the Buttermilk Community. Their eleven children were all born in this area. Their third child Gaither was born October 4, 1892. Gaither married Alice Bates in 1914. Gaither and Alice had two children, Floyd and Lloyd. Gaither died January 24, 1917 shortly before their second child was born. Floyd was born March 22, 1915 and married Edna Estella Anthony April 2, 1932. Floyd was a blacksmith and worked on construction jobs until he became disabled. Floyd and Edna had three children. Their first child Mary Ellen Jeannette born February 16, 1935 and married Lloyd Elmo Haney. They have three sons, Jeffery Lloyd, Gary Bruce, and Joel Mark. Elmo had Haney's Pharmacy in Atkins, and the three sons are in college.

Floyd and Edna second child Lloyd Randall born March 8, 1940, and married Brunhilde Ingle Bluck April 15, 1961, while stationed in Germany. They have two children, Lloyd Randall, Jr. born April 16, 1962 and Suzanne Rosemarie born October 7, 1964. Lloyd now works as a diesel mechanic. Lloyd, Jr. and Suzanne attend Atkins Public Schools.

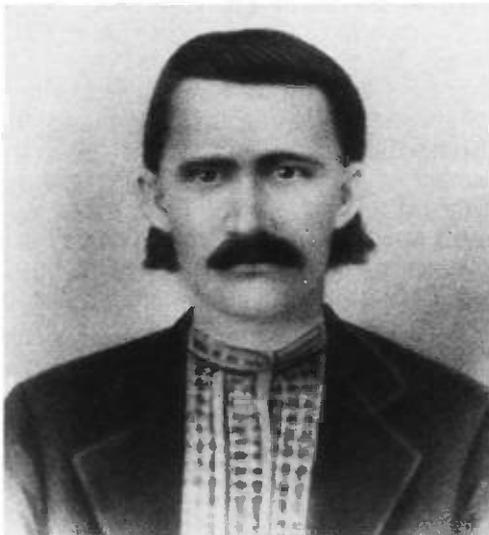
Floyd and Edna third child, Larry Clifford was born July 17, 1942, and married Jo Ann Kinslow May 23, 1960, in Palmetto Cumberland Presbyterian Church. They have two

sons Larry Daniel (Danny) born January 8, 1962, and James David, born February 24, 1963. Larry worked for the Department of Interior and for the Arkansas Game and Fish as a Predatory Control Agent and as a Wildlife Officer. Larry is now serving his first term as sheriff of Pope County. Danny and David attend Pottsville Public School.

by Larry C. Darter

WILLIAM HENRY DARTER

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WILLIAM HENRY DARTER
1828-1912

William Henry Darter, born in 1828 and died 1912, was a 3rd Generation American. His great-great grandfather was Johann Anthon Dotter (Darter), born in Laubach, Germany, Approx. 1720 and came to America

between 1745-1748. He arrived at Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania and from there to Lincoln County, North Carolina. Many members of the family settled in Wythe County, Virginia.

The early family members were of the Lutheran Faith and much of our early history was taken from Lutheran church records, Deeds, Wills, etc.

Some of the family members were involved in the Revolutionary War.

William Henry was born in 1828 and there was quite a bit of moving around, because his father, Henry, was Sheriff of Wythe County, Virginia, for some time and then moved to become Sheriff of Hawkins County, Tennessee. Henry was the great-great-grandfather of the present Sheriff of Pope County, Arkansas, Larry C. Darter.

William Henry moved on to Washington also Johnson County, Illinois and was living there during the Civil War. He and his brother, Nicholas W., served in the Union Army. While living in Illinois he had the following children: 1. Matthew; 2. Melissa; 3. Margaret; 4. Henry Wayne; 5. William Thomas; 6. Arbaham; 7. James H. and 8. John. He moved to Arkansas, about 1870 and had seven more children: 1. Marion; 2. Joseph; 3. Sarah; 4. Benjamin; 5. George; 6. Jane and 7. Alonzo. He settled in the Buttermilk community, near Appleton, Arkansas and was the only pioneer Darter to settle in the county. He was a farmer and blacksmith, lived in the same community until his death, Nov. 14, 1912, and is buried in the Tate Cemetery at Buttermilk.

William Thomas, fifth child of William Henry, born in 1860 and died 1929. He married Cornelia Catherine West, born in Georgia, daughter of Robert C. and Mary Cartwright West. They lived for many years in the Gum Log Community and were the parents of nine children: 1. Zettie; 2. Elizabeth; 3. Arthur; 4.



Gum Log School, 1908.

Front Row: Unknown, Floyd Ashmore, John Barton, Rnea Burris, Ocm Burris, Chloe Britt, Minnie Staggs, Una Weir, Unknown, Unknown, Rufus Davis, Sie Simpson, Cecil Virden, Bill Mullins, and Ira Ashmore. 2nd Row: Nowlin, Manie Staggs, Willie Nowlin, Lillian Mullins, Elsie Barton, Annie Ashmore, Allen Price (Teacher), Unknown, Zettie Ashmore, Mabel Simpson, Shelly Simpson, Norma Gideon, Eulan Gideon, Minnie Staggs, and Sibyl Gideon. 3rd Row: Viola Burris, Tempie West, Lewellyn, Eva Barton, Eskar Ashmore, Marilla Ashmore, Unknown, Unknown, Fave Mann, Georgia Gideon, Maud Davis, Goldie Burns, and unknown. 4th Row: Evan Davis, Unknown, Elmer Crites, Harvey Darter, Walker Hamilton, Homer Ashmore, Bill Ashmore, Eddie Darter, Grady Hamilton, Ezra Darter, Edgar Burris, Odie West, Unknown, and Louell Burns. 3 boys in back at left: Leon Burris, Finus Ashmore, Chalmers Lewellyn.

Edward; 5. Ezra; 6. Dolan; 7. Wm. Harvey; 8. Dewey and 9. Lela. William Thomas and wife are buried in Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley.

William Harvey Darter, 7th child of Wm. Thomas and Catherine West Darter, was born 1895 and died 1974. Born at Gum Log, married Faye Beatty of Pottsville, Pope County, daughter of James A. and Mary Sleeker Beatty. They had six children: 1. William Darrell; 2. James Dean; 3. Robert Beatty; 4. Gene Scott; 5. Gerald Wayne and 6. Donald Fay.

Gerald Wayne Darter (Jerry), the fifth child of William Harvey Darter was born at Gumlog, near Russellville, on May 29, 1930. He married Naomi Treadwell, daughter of George Levi Treadwell and Emma Louise Wagoner, February 25, 1956. Their first child, David Thomas Darter was born February 13, 1964. Second was Mark Treadwell Darter, born January 19, 1966. After working several years for International Shoe Company in Russellville, Gerald moved to the Gumlog Community in 1975 to a part of the original Darter farm and continued the wholesale bag business formerly owned and operated by his late father and other members of the Darter family.

by Don F. & Jerry Darter

ARTIS L. DAVIS

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Artis L. Davis married Janet Wilker, the daughter of John and Bertha Wirth Wilker. Artis L. is the son of Elton L. Davis who was born about 1878 in Pope County. Artis' grandparents were Benjamin Franklin and Mary Ann Chronister Davis. Those grandparents were married on 16 June 1861 by his uncle, Caleb Davis, J.P., the celebrated long-time Methodist Sunday school superintendent of Center Valley. Artis' great grandparents, John and Dicey Davis came to Arkansas from Missouri in 1839. Artis has a sister, Agnes, and brothers; Aaron, Austin, and Argle Davis. He has a half-brother, Anthony and a half-sister L.E. Aaron died in Lubbock, Texas, March 1972.

The children of Artis L. and Janet Wilker Davis are: Betty, Michael, Ronnie and Laveta.

Betty married Melvin Beasley, the son of William Melvin and Clara Ruth Beasley. The Beasleys have three children: Craig, Shelly and Valarie. The Beasleys as well as the Artis Davis family presently live in Lubbock, Texas.

Michael married Ginger Moody, the daughter of Garland and Dorthy Moody. Michael and Ginger have two sons, Michael Wayne and Brian Todd. Both sons have masters degrees in chemistry and both teach at Texas Tech.

Ronnie Davis is employed teaching at Texas Tech.

Laveta, the youngest of Artis and Janet Davis' children, is a registered nurse. She recently married Dewain Hooper, Jr., the son of Dewain and Audrey Lewellyn Hooper, and they reside in Midland, Texas.

Artis L. and Janet Wilker Davis lived in Pope County until after the birth of the children when they moved to Lubbock, Texas

where Artis has worked at the Air Base as a civil service employee. The Artis L. Davis family has a number of relatives in Pope County where both grew up and where the parents of both are buried.

by Erma Dikes

CALEB AND ELIZABETH TACKET DAVIS

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Caleb Davis was born April 11, 1808 in Tennessee. His parents were Caleb and Catherine Henderson Davis. They moved to New Madrid County, Missouri in 1909, and lived through the earthquake of 1811. Caleb was raised in the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

September 27, 1827, he married Elizabeth Tacket, daughter of Lewis and Mary Elizabeth Bashum Tacket, in her home in Scott County, Missouri. Elizabeth was born June 11, 1808 in Kentucky. They moved to Missouri in 1810.

In 1831, Caleb built a boat large enough to house his family (they now had two sons, William P. and James Lewis), furniture, stock, feed and farm implements. They traveled down the Mississippi River to the Arkansas, then up the Arkansas to Old Norristown. The boat was covered with cloth, and a pole attached so that a horse could pull it when travel along the bank was possible. They settled in Gum Log Valley near Russellville. In 1832, Caleb built the first house in the valley, claimed 900 acres of land and became an extensive farmer and livestock man. In that year, he also organized the second Methodist Church in Pope County, called Davis Chapel. In 1839 he organized the first Sunday School in Arkansas and served as superintendent for 57 years. Elizabeth was a Sunday School teacher for 50 years.

Caleb was a county judge for six years. At the age of 66 he established a postal route to the area and became the first postmaster there. He supported public schools and was a school director. He fought in the War Between the States and the Mexican War.

They ran a cotton mill and gin for several years. At first he had a horse mill which served the whole county.

They had ten children: William P. who married America Dillard, James Lewis who moved to California to farm, Andrew Jackson who died a child, John Alvin died in Texas, Rev. George Washington Orr who married Emily Angeline Brown and was a circuit rider out of Russellville, Caleb Marion who married Margaret Phillips, Narcissus P., Sarah E. who died a child, a child whose name is unknown, and Albert Q.

Elizabeth died Nov. 24, 1890 and was buried in David Chapel Cemetery. At the time of his death, July 11, 1895, Caleb was the oldest man in the county. He was buried next to his wife.

George Washington Orr and Emily Davis had 5 children. The oldest, Emmett Lee, married Susan Lorenna Nolen of Dardanelle. They had 6 children. Winnie Lee, the oldest, married E. Preston Whitley of Bradford, Arkansas. Their grand-daughter, Ruth Ann Whitley

Stroud (daughter of Ed. Preston Whitley, Jr. and Ruth Eulene Hood) now resides in Russellville with her family. Her husband, Michael, is an electrical engineer at Arkansas Nuclear One. They have two sons, Barry Alan and Michael Andrew, and are members of First United Methodist Church, Russellville.

by Michael and Ruth Ann Stroud

JAKE DAVIS

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Jake (Jacob) Davis came from North Carolina and he married Mary (Moll) Tucker, soon after coming to Pope County and they settled on Linker Mountain. Their children were "Sarah, Jim, Albert, Doc, and Margaret (Maggie)."

After Mary died, Jake married Mary Berryhill. There were four children born to this union: Etta, Eva, Emma Kate and Dan. Mary Berryhill died and Jake married again to Mary Evans and they had one daughter, Mary.

Dan Davis was reared by Grandpa Buchanan and Emma (Kate) was reared by a Grandma Bonds. Etta was reared by Doctor Brown and stayed with them until her marriage to Robey Utley, in 1910.

Jake Davis really liked horse racing so that built a race track on Linker Mountain, near the bayou. He had a white horse that he liked to race and had a colored boy who rode in the races for him.

by Juanita Miller Utley

JOHN DAVIS

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Caleb Davis born in Maryland about 1770, married Catherine Henderson born 1771 in Laurens County, South Carolina. Moved into Tennessee in early 1800's, and on into New Madrid, Missouri in 1809. Their children included; John and Judge Caleb Davis. John Davis born in South Carolina about 1801 married four times first to Dicey Bennefield, came to Arkansas about 1839. Parents of ten children. They were (Permelia, born 1822 married first John Teague, second Jonathan Owens); (George Washington, born 1824 married first Jane Bewley, second Susan Chronister); (Nancy Catherine, born January 23, 1826, married Reuben Matthews); (Dr. Richard H., born October 28, 1827, married first Elizabeth Owens, second Viola Tucker); Sarah born 1834, no information); (Elizabeth Jane, tradition is she married three times each time to a Bewley but can find records for only two, first to Mahlon Bewley, second to Robert S. Bewley); (Caleb born 1838 married Elizabeth Owens); (Joshua born 1840, no information); (Benjamin Franklin born October 9, 1843, married Mary Ann Chronister); (Andrew Jackson born 1848 married Tennessee Chronister, second Lorene E. Parker).

Second marriage for John Davis was to Mary Saunders only one child a son (Jessie J. born 1855). Third marriage for John was to Ann Sublett no children. Fourth marriage for John was to Mary Chronister. George Washington Davis born in Missouri 1824. Married Jane Bewley October 15, 1846, their

children were: (Almira born 1848 married ? Hicks); (Mary M. born 1850 married William Washington Byrum); (Martha A. born 1851 married Hiram K. Pitts); (Sarah Ann born 1853 married William M. Campbell). Second marriage for George Washington Davis was to Susan Chronister. Children were: (Frances born 1860 died in infancy); John Thomas born February 2, 1861 married Sarah Ann Campbell); (Mary M. Davis married William Washington Byrum August 29, 1867. (Magdalene Isabell), (William James), (John Thomas, Caleb Richard, twins), (Nancy Ann), (Dora Alice), (Arthur Lee), and (Gilbert). Arthur Lee Byrum married Fannie Elizabeth Duvall March 22, 1905, children were: (Dovie), (Foster), (Sallie Mae), (Son), (Mary Melissa), (Chloe B.), (Daughter), and (Homer Gilbert).

by Homer G. Byrum

LARKIN C. DAVIS

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Larkin C. Davis (1874-1926) was born in Scottsville, Arkansas. He married Laura Belle Cates (1877-1933) in 1895. They lived in Hector, Arkansas where he had a Blacksmith Shop. He was a large man with a hearty laugh and his shop was a gathering place for the men of the village. He and his wife are buried at the Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector.

Laura Belle Cates Davis was a faithful member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church and helped with their programs. She was the "nurse of the community" and was called by friends, family, and neighbors when grave illness occurred. Their nine children were —

Jessie Mae Davis (1896-1925) married Ernest Edgar Dalrymple (1887-1947). They had six children — Loreda, Dee Larkin, Charles Morgan, Rebecca Lois, Joyce Edward, and Billie Juna (1927-74). They lived at Appleton, Arkansas where they had cattle and a farm. Their home had many beautiful hand-decorated linens. Jessie lived as her mother had and nursed friends and relatives. Her community interests were wide and varied. Both are buried at Spavinaw, Oklahoma.

Henry Grady Davis (1897-1944) first married Maude Llewellyn and had a son, Paul Edd. Second wife was Gussie Langford. They had a daughter, Janice Black (Mrs. George). Grady is buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery.

Tebe Davis (1899-1965) married Edna Hogan at Hector. They had a son, William Larkin, and a daughter, Mildred Inez Garrigus (Mrs. Fred). He is buried at Walnut Grove.

Cecil Etta Davis (1902-38) married W. Green Coffman. They had seven children — Walter G., Van Lyn, Helen Louise, Anna Sue, Laura Katherine, Louis S., and Glenna Maylene. She is buried at Walnut Grove.

Georgia Ann Davis (1902-19). She married William F. Cole. They lived in Salem, Oregon. They had two sons — Eldon Wayne and Don Davis.

Harriot Alma Davis (1907-08).

Ida Rebecca Davis was born 2-15-1909. She married Newton Blaylock. They had four sons — Harold Davis, Kay Rogers, Frank,

and Fred.

Larkin C. Davis, Jr. (1913-64) married Ruby. They lived in Oklahoma and had two daughters.

Stanford Earl Davis was born 6-16-1917. He married Gagie 11-5-1950. They lived in California.

by Mrs. Vera L. Grable

RICHARD H. DAVIS

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Richard H. Davis was born October 23, 1827 in Missouri. His father brought him to Arkansas when he was 10 years old. He married Elizabeth Mink born in Alabama, at the age of 20. According to the 1850 census R.H. resided in Pope County.

After disagreeing with the attending physician over a prescribed treatment of two of his children which resulted in their deaths, R.H. decided to start doctoring in his own community. Having only education he received at home, he must have possessed a natural gift for medicine. It is said he could tell a patient's degree of fever just by taking their pulse. He practiced medicine for over 50 years and his practice extended over a large territory. R.H. delivered over 2,200 babies during his life and at one time was considered to be the best doctor for typhoid fever and pneumonia.

He and Elizabeth raised to adulthood James, Lewis, Nancy and John Richard. Elizabeth died September 25, 1884. R.H. died on August 18, 1907. Over 500 people attended his funeral. He and his two wives are buried at the Bewley Cemetery on Gumlog Creek north of Atkins. He had been a member of the Methodist Church since the age of 12 and was made a Mason in the Atkins Lodge on July 21, 1880.

John Richard born October 5, 1864, married Nancy C. Duvall on November 18, 1883. They lived most of their married life on Pea Ridge. The original farmland is still owned by their only living child — Mary Chronister. John Richard and Nancy had 10 children.

John Richard farmed and followed in his father's footsteps of medically helping the people in his community and delivering babies including his own grandchildren.

Nancy died September 9, 1929 and John Richard died August 23, 1940. Both are buried at Shiloh Cemetery.

Wm. Washington eighth child of John Richard and Nancy, born March 23, 1898, married Jessie Owens August 27, 1917, daughter of the late James (Buck) Owens and Ida Burnett Owens, both children of early settlers of Pope County. Bill and Jessie had three children; Wm. Earl, Ella Mae, and Betty. The family moved from Pea Ridge to Russellville in the late 1930's. Bill worked at the sawmills to supplement his farming income during the depression.

Bill and Jessie moved to Idaho in the late 1940's settling in Hammett. Bill worked for the Union Pacific Railroad until his death in 1960. Jessie died in 1955 both are buried at Glenn's Ferry, Idaho.

Wm. Earl born 1919 married Hattie Bowman daughter of the late Oscar Bowman and

Lillie Park Bowman of Ft. Douglas, Arkansas, both children of early Arkansas settlers.

After the birth of their daughter, Earl and Hattie left Russellville in 1942 and moved to Idaho. Earl worked for the Union Pacific Railroad until illness forced him to retire. He now resides in Pocatello, Idaho. Hattie died in 1973. Their son Carl lives with his wife Charlotte and 2 children in Oregon where Carl is Deputy District Attorney in Portland. Glenna Sue lives in Caldwell, Idaho with her husband Larry and 4 children.

by Mrs. L.R. Kolman

WILLIAM L. DEAN

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William L. Dean, son of Richard and Nancy Fryer Dean, was born on Nov. 1, 1879. He and Effie Dickey, daughter of James and Susan Martin Dickey, born Oct. 25, 1884, were married on April 6, 1904. They had eleven children: Jeff, Claude, Hugh, Virgie, Berry, Raymond, Burl, Garland, Luel, R.J., and Floy Sue.

On January 1, 1920, William and Effie and nine children left Bass, Arkansas, in two wagons. They had two blue and black mules, Kate and Mike, and a milk cow tied to the back of a wagon. Their first night was spent camped at Norfork. They arrived at Cottonwood (an area between Scottsville and Dover) the next day.

William was a farmer. The family attended church wherever services were held. In 1922, they moved to Scottsville, in 1926 to Pine Hill, then in 1930 the Dean's settled in Dover. William began working in a heading mill along with continuing his farming. On February 24, 1931, he was killed in an accident at the mill. Effie and children, Raymond, R.J., and Floy Sue, moved to California in 1941. Effie passed away on Oct. 26, 1951. She and William are buried at McFadden Cemetery in Dover.

Jeff, 73, married Stella Voss Dean. They have five children: Mary Alice, Anna, Flo, Patsy, and William; 17 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren. They reside in Tulare, California.

Claude, 72, is unmarried. He resides in Oakland, California.

Hugh, 70, is married to Iris Staton Dean. They reside in Union City, California. He is a retired barber.

Virgie married A.W. Dannelly. They had two children: Evelyn and Charles; four grandchildren. A.W. died in 1946 and Virgie in 1959 at the age of 49.

Berry, 67, is married to Jean Chapman Dean. They reside in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

Raymond, 65, is unmarried, and resides in California.

Burl, 62, married Gladys Bibler Dean. They have two children: Janice and Jerry; four grandsons. Burl is the only child that has remained in Pope County. He and Gladys reside in Scottsville. Jerry lives in Russellville with his wife, Karen, and son, Joshua.

Garland married Frieda Davis Dean. She has a son, Richard Dean. Garland died on

April 4, 1975, at the age of 57. Frieda lives in California.

Luel, 58, married Jackie Marable Dean. They have two daughters: Anita Gail, and Janet. They have two grandsons and one granddaughter. Jackie passed away in 1972. Luel then married Evva Hiel. He is living in Livermore, California. Janet lives in Russellville with her husband, Jack Beatty, and daughter, Susan.

R.J., 56, married Dorothy Salsbury. They have one child, Marie, and two granddaughters. He lives in Oakland, California.

Floy Sue, 53, married Bill Regallie. They have two sons: Billy and Bobby; one grandson. They live in Clearlake Highlands, California.

by Janet Beatty

CHARLES THOMAS DEATON

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Charles Thomas Deaton, born in Atlanta, Georgia, came to Russellville, Arkansas, in the 1870's to work for his sister's husband who was in charge of building the railroad from Little Rock to Van Buren. Sye Katherine Munday, born in North Carolina, came to Russellville to visit her brother, Jerimah Freeman (J.F.) Munday. Mr. Deaton and Miss Munday were very popular with the young people and through this popularity, they met and were soon married.

Mr. J.F. Munday had married Tempie Jane Shinn and it was on their land south of Russellville that coal was discovered. Mrs. Munday, taught school and was paid in script. She had earned enough money for them to build a two story house when they were married.

After Mr. Deaton and Miss Munday were married, they bought a house from Dr. Hill at 503 South Oak Street, now Arkansas Avenue. To this union was born five children: Charles Thomas who died before he was two; Mary Spencer; Janie Dean Suzanne; Chloe Shockton and George Alton. George was only one year when Mr. Deaton was brought home sick with Malaria fever and lived only a week. This left Mrs. Deaton with four children to make a living for. She tried sewing for a while, then selling books, then Avon, then soap and flavoring. This took her all over the county, and she made a lot of friends making her selling experience profitable. She was able to keep her children in school and Church and Sunday School.

When George Alton was in the eighth grade, his uncle advised his mother to take him out of school and let him go to work learning the printing trade, which would be as good as an education. This he did and was the only child who didn't finish high school. He went to New York and stayed with printing as he liked to work in big offices. He was in World War I as a machine gunner and while there he invented something for the gun and the government gave him a plaque.

Miss Chloe Deaton finished high school in 1909, in a graduating class of eight girls and one boy, John Leonard. She was determined that she wasn't going to teach school so she applied for and received a job from Oscar Wil-

son in his department store. For two years she wrapped packages, made change and kept books. A school teacher talked her into going to Martin College in Tennessee on a scholarship and that with the two or three hundred dollars she had saved started her to school. She came back from Tennessee in 1913, and went to teaching in the Russellville schools and taught for 49 years. Miss Deaton loved the children she taught and they loved her. She was a member of the Russellville Methodist Church and taught a Sunday School class for sixty-two years.

In the last few years of her life, her eyesight began to fail and someone began sending her records from the Blind Library in Little Rock and she appreciated them so much. You never heard her grumble about her plight. She finally had to go to Conway to live with a nephew where she passed away at the age of 87 years, August 23, 1977. She was a wonderful person to know and to be acquainted with. I know for I was her mail carrier for ten years. Taken from an interview made September 5, 1972.

by J.B. Lemley

JACOB J. DEITRICH

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Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Deitrich

Jacob J. Deitrich, born 25 July 1847, in Frankfort, Germany, son of Phillip & Elizabeth Deitrich. Came with his parents to USA in 1856. Jacob married Barbara Stulley, in 1871, she was born 29 September 1853, in Dayton, Pike County, Ohio, and was the daughter of Conrad and Mary Stulley. Jacob and Barbara moved to Augsburg, Pope County, Arkansas in 1883 and were some of the first German Speaking Lutheran pioneers in Pope County, at Augsburg.

Jacob and Barbara Deitrich were the parents of 14 children: Addie Alice, born 8 February 1873, Springfield, Illinois; Jacob Frederick, born 29 October 1875, Illinois; Annie Marie, born 5 September 1877, Ohio; Elizabeth Christeene, born 28 July 1880, Illinois; John William, born 13 May 1882, Illinois; Conrad Phillip, 26 September 1883, Augsburg, Pope County, Arkansas; Helena Amelia, born 21 September 1886; Katherine Lucile, born 13 October 1888; George Henry, born 21 September 1890; Clara Pauline, born 13 May 1892; Alvena Anna, born 21 March 1894; Charley Henry, born 24 September 1896; Louis Alfred, born 8 January 1898; and Emma Martha Bertha, born 16 March, 1900. Jacob J. (known as J.J. Deitrich) was Justice

of the Peace for 32 years, from the time he came to Augsburg until a few years before his death, also was a farmer. Jacob died 2 December 1934, and Barbara died 14 November 1929, both are buried in the Augsburg Cemetery as are Elizabeth, Alvena, Charley, Annie, and John.

Helena Deitrich and Gilbert Oscar Weir were married 19 August 1907, in Seattle, Washington. He was born 25 November 1886, son of Comodore Decator Weir and Sarah Frances Crites Weir. Oscar worked in a paper mill in the state of Washington until his father's health failed in 1915, when he returned to Arkansas. He later worked as Engine Inspector for the Missouri Pacific Railroad until 1924, when his appendix ruptured and at that time there was no known cure for gangreen. He died in Sebastian County and was buried in Center Valley Cemetery in Pope County, 15 July 1924. Helena died 13 December 1918 during the Influenza period, and after the birth of her second child, Paul Weir, when he was six days old.

Elaine Elizabeth Weir, born 16 September 1916, in Pope County near the site of Nuclear Plant No. 1, was the first child born to Oscar and Helena (Lena) Weir. Elaine and Mario B. Cia were married 10 September 1940, and are the parents of one son, Mario B. Cia, Jr. Elaine Cia worked for the Gus Blass Company, 4th and Main in Little Rock, for many years later the University of Arkansas Medical Center, and since 1968 has been the Editor for both the Pope County Historical Association and the Arkansas Genealogical Society Inc., since 1973. Mario Cia worked for Arkansas Highway Dept., Home Ice Co., Timex Corp., and retired in 1978 from Teletype Corp. and now works with Elaine on some of the many projects connected with History and Genealogy.

Mario B. Cia, Jr., born 3 June 1941, Baptist Hospital, Little Rock, Arkansas son of Elaine & Mario Cia. He married 1st to Susan Millard, and they were the parents of two daughters, Genovina Elaine Cia, born 21 December 1967, University of Los Angeles Medical Center, California and Julia Maria Cia, born 16 February 1970 in Jacksonville, North Carolina. "Buddy Cia" was in the Marine Corp. and served twice in Viet Nam. He married 2nd to Kandyce Nelson, born in Wisconsin and the daughter of Harvey & Nettie Nelson. Both work at St. Vincent's Infirmary Hospital, in Little Rock. She is an R.N. and he works in maintenance department.

by Elaine Weir Cia

ALEXANDER KIDD DICKEY

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ALEXANDER KIDD DICKEY, born 10/8/1796, Lincoln County, North Carolina, was the son of Alexander Dickey, the immigrant and his wife, Martha Kidd Dickey. He married 2/27/1821, Lincoln County, North Carolina, Miss Jannice (Jane) Sinclair, born 5/29/1799, Dublin, Ireland. She was the daughter of Samuel Sinclair and Rebecca Barrett Sinclair. Children Samuel Gregory, Alexander Kidd, Jr., John Sinclair, William B., James Wilson,



Jannice (Jane) Dickey

Robert Henry, (all born in North Carolina). Martha Jane, Margaret Elizabeth and Rebecca Susan (born Tennessee). Their first move was to Tennessee in 1833 and to Pope County, Arkansas in the early 1850's. John Sinclair remained in Fayetteville, Tennessee, Samuel Gregory and Alexander Kidd, Jr., in Savannah, Tennessee. William B. finally settled in Newton County, Missouri, and later in Benton County, Arkansas. Alexander Kidd Dickey and wife, Jane Sinclair Dickey journeyed west to build a new life and brought their religious persuasion with them and settled in the Bethany A.R.P. community where they lived until they died. He died 1/22/1866 and she died 8/4/1876. Buried Pisgah.

JAMES WILSON DICKEY, born 7/14/1831, married Elizabeth Jane Dickey (his first cousin), daughter of his uncle, James Dickey, who moved to Pope County about 1856, with three daughters, Mary Ann, Susan and Elizabeth Jane. Two sons, Andrew Jackson and Alexander remained in Gaston County, North Carolina. Gastonia kin tell quite a story about these three girls coming to Arkansas with gold. Their grandfather, Alexander Dickey, the immigrant, gave each \$3,000.00 in gold, to buy land in their new home in the west. The story could be true as my cousins in Gastonia told me that at time there were no banks but that Alex Dickey was considered the banker as he owned much land and had money. Gaston County History Books tell of gold mines near Kings Mountain and Alex Dickey's home place was at the foot of the mountain on Crowder's Creek. James Wildon Dickey and wife had three children: Mathew Kidd, born 3/27/1868, died 5/29/1868; Martha E., born 2/4/1871, died 10/14/1883 and James A., born 4/27/1873, died 7/22/1873. The mother died 6/3/1873, one month 19 days before her infant son. James Wilson Dickey married 2nd. Martha Louisa Galloway, in 1881. No. issue. They made their home in Atkins, Arkansas. Like all Dic-

key's he acquired much farm land and had other interests. He died 9/25/1907 and she died 11/20/1920.

ROBERT HENRY DICKEY, born 1832, North Carolina married 12/19/1865, Jane C. Oates. She was the daughter of Alexander and Sara Ferguson Oates. Alex Oates was the son of Wm. Oates and Martha Dickey Oates. This Oates family migrated to Pope County in the fall of 1851. Robert Henry and wife had two children: Jane S., b. 9/6/1872, d. 9/25/1876. R. Lee Dickey, b. d. Robert Henry d. 1/30/1888. R. Lee Dickey M. Florence Nash. They had three children: Leonard Doyle Dickey, Ruth Dickey & Reba Dickey (last two twins) Leonard Doyle Dickey M. Florence Speakes and made their home in Atkins, Ark. Ed. H.S., Atkins. Emp. Salesman Cheek Wholesale Gro., Atkins. Veteran of World War II with the Seabees. Two terms Atkins City Council. He died 4/11/1977, age 69 years. Ruth Dickey married Howard Vines, they live in Truman, Ark. Miss Reba Dickey resides in Russellville.

MARTHA JANE DICKEY, born 8/30/1835, married 3/8/1859, Franklin Robertus Bell, born 12/20/1836. They established their home, made of logs in sight of Pisgah church and graveyard, which was close to the Butterfield Overland Mail route and not far from his father's farm. Children Mary Jane, born 3/30/1862, died 10/8/1863 and Wm. Franklin Alexander Bell, born 12/23/1863, died 2/12/1906. Bert Bell enlisted in the Confederate Army and served for the duration. He was in Gen. Cabells Brigade, Gen. Ben McCulloch's Div. When the War between The States was over and he was on his way to Louisburg to the Register's Office to take the Oath of Allegiance to the United States, he was murdered by Bushwhackers, 4/21/1865. He was 28 years old. Martha Jane took baby Frank to live with her sister, Margaret Elizabeth Dickey Bell and husband, Wm. Alexander Bell, brother of Bert. They lived with them 14 years when she married Willis A. Baker, aged 46, a widower with three children and a farmer from London, Arkansas. He died 12/31/1887. After his death she made her home with her son Frank Bell and wife, Estella Watson Bell. Self sacrificial service was the outstanding characteristic of the life of Martha Jane Dickey Bell Baker. She mothered her own children, Mr. Baker's three children and her son Frank's three daughters. She died February 6, 1918. Frank had died February 12, 1906 and Estella died January 12, 1912, leaving Martha Ome, Ruth Clementine and Mary Calhoun. Martha Oma Bell Sewell, widow, lives Nashville, Arkansas, Ruth Clementine Bell Wharton, lives Bentonville, Arkansas, Mary Calhoun Shofner, deceased.

MARGARET ELIZABETH DICKEY, born 12/3/1837, died 4/10/1932. Married 4/24/1862, William Alexander Bell, born 2/9/1838, died 7/23/1919. He enlisted in the Confederate Army and served for the duration. Children Mary Jane Sinclair Bell, born 1866, died August 1867, Rebekah E. Bell, born September 1869, died 9/11/1871, Martha (Mattie) Bell, born 12/25/1872, died 11/24/1956, Margaret Dickey Bell, born 1/8/1875, died 9/16/1957. Mattie Bell married

Ebenezer Dunn Ellis, Due West, South Carolina (no issue). Maggie Bell died single.

REBECCA SUSAN DICKEY, born 12/18/1841, died 11/17/1893. Married 12/26/1865 Ewart Adams Bell, born 5/17/1846, died 7/3/1925. He was a Merchant and farmer, Pottsville, Arkansas. He enlisted in the Confederate Army, Co. "F" Stermon's Battalion under Gen. Joe Shelby. Discharged in 1865. Children Wm. Sinclair, Martha Leona, one dead, and Mace Hudson. Wm. Sinclair Bell, born 9/29/1868, died 12/23/1948 married Lee Brown, 6/11/1890. She was born 3/31/1870, died 9/14/1924. Children Knox H., Noel Sinclair, born 1/8/1893, died 6/8/1895, Joel Sarah, born 1/11/1896, Leone, born died January 1, 1942, age 39. All deceased but Joel who married John Emmett Shoptaw, 6/11/1914. Children Virginia and Ellen Jane. Virginia married Rudolph R. Ramos — Children Teresa Jane Campbell and Rollin Ramos. Ellen Jane married Herbert G. Oates, Russellville, Arkansas. No issue. John Emmett Shoptaw died 5/5/1973.

by Mrs. Ruth Bell Wharton

FRANKLIN MONROE DICKEY

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John Norman Dickey

Franklin Monroe Dickey, son of Robert W. Dickey and Nancy Pryor Dickey, was born in Giles County, Tennessee 20 December 1862.

Robert W. Dickey was born about 1834 in Giles County to James Ross Dickey and Mary (Polly) McCutchen Dickey. Robert W. Dickey married Nancy H. Pryor 26 January 1858. Their children were: James Henry, John Campbell, Franklin Monroe, Presley L., Leander Norris, Robert William, Mary Alice, Aaron Coleman, George Ammon, and Kay Howal. Robert W. Dickey and Nancy Pryor Dickey raised their family in Giles County, Tennessee except for a period when they lived along Green River in the Highland Church Area of Wayne County, Tennessee.

Franklin Monroe Dickey attended school in

Giles County, and not long after the 1880 U.S. Census he and his younger brother, Press Dickey, came to Newton County, Arkansas where several of his uncles and aunts had moved earlier.

Later, in the 1880's Frank Dickey moved down into Pope County, Arkansas where his mother's people (Pryor) had emigrated from Giles County, Tennessee. On 5 December 1886 he married Eadie Parletha Hickman, daughter of John Andrew Hickman and Martha Wilson Hickman.

The children of Franklin Monroe Dickey and Eadie Parletha Hickman Dickey were: (1.) Eathie: born 26 August 1887 — died 30 September 1903 — buried Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas. (2.) Ella Gertrude (Ellie): born 9 January 1889 — married George Lee Ross — Children Cora Ethel, Kermit Clifford, Infant, Martha Elizabeth, Dixie Jewel, William Franklin, Harmon Lee, Anna Clarice, Alan, and Berna Mae — died 13 April 1959 — buried Oakland Cemetery, Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas. (3.) Mary Ethel: born 6 June 1890 — married Herbert Mayo Snider — Children Cleburne G., Stanford Mitchell, and Evelyn — died 27 May 1977 — buried Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas. (4.) Raz Stirman: born 8 January 1893 — died 9 September 1893 — buried Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas. (5.) Ralph S.: born 25 October 1894 — died 9 October 1896 — buried Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas. (6.) John Norman: born 31 January 1897 — Teacher — Insurance Salesman — married Ada Katherine Parton — Children John LaVasque (Adopted) — died 1 October 1969 — buried Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas.

Franklin Monroe Dickey and Eadie Dickey lived for awhile one mile southeast of Hector along Clear Creek in Pope County. They then owned a home in the Pettytown Community where all of their children were born. Later, they moved north of the Illinois Bayou along Mill Creek and in the Stumptoe Community where they lived through the remainder of their productive years.

Frank Dickey was a farmer and owner & operator of a shingle mill. Many of the homes in a rather large area surrounding the Hector Community were covered with wooden shingles made at his mill for a period.

Eadie Hickman Dickey died 21 January 1930. Franklin Monroe Dickey departed 16 August 1943. They are buried at Boiling Springs Campground Cemetery near Hector, Pope County, Arkansas.

Ellie Dickey Ross lived mostly in the Hector Area of Pope County where she worked and struggled through the depression years to feed, clothe, and educate her many children. She was an inspiration to all. Several of the children attended college and the others succeeded in their own endeavors. Among the many grandchildren are doctorates of medicine and mathematics. In the later years of her life Ellie Dickey Ross lived at Russellville.

Ethel Dickey Snider lived at Hector, Pope County, Arkansas. She raised two children to adults. The son, Stanford, retired from a supervisory position with a Poultry Proces-

sing Plant and lives at Hector. The daughter, Evelyn, lives at Morrilton, Arkansas. Her son is an Engineer at Kansas City.

John Norman Dickey attended one-room schools, Hector School, and later Arkansas Tech. He taught school for many years at Newton Springs, Scottsville, and other one and two-room schools. He was a veteran of World War I. A remark by a minister at his funeral could well be his epitaph: "He taught a lot of people to read and write". A grandson, John Dickey, lives in the Russellville Area.

by Harmon L. Ross

ROBERT LEE DICKEY

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Robert Lee Dickey was a great-grandson of Alexander Dickey, Sr., who was born in Ireland in 1759. He migrated to Lincoln County, North Carolina around 1788. His son Alexander Kidd Dickey was born in 1796. He married Jennie Sinclair and moved to Pope County, Arkansas. Alexander Kidd and Jennie were the parents of Robert Henry Dickey who married Jane Catherine Oates. They were farmers and lived near Pottsville. Their son Robert Lee Dickey was born in 1881. He grew up in the Bethany Community. He attended school in Pottsville. His father died while he was young and he was reared by his mother. Lee married Minnie Florence (Kate) Nash. They had four children, Leonard Doyle, Dorthy Lee, and twins Ruth and Reba. The Dickeys were farmers and moved to Atkins, Arkansas in 1920. He farmed in the Arkansas River bottom. The children attended school in Atkins. They were members of the Presbyterian Church.

After graduating from High School, Doyle went to work for Cheek Wholesale Grocer and remained with them as a salesman until death, except for time out during World War II when he served with the Seabees in England, Africa, and Bermuda. He also worked with Williams Brothers Construction in Saudia Arabia and Venezuela, South America for about five years. Returning to Atkins he married Florence Joanna Speakes a teacher from Mississippi County. Doyle served on the Atkins City Council. He and Florence were Presbyterians. Doyle died April 11, 1977 of Cancer. His wife, Florence taught in the Atkins school system for 18 years. She is at present working as librarian in the Atkins Centennial Library.

Dorthy Lee Dickey attended high school in Atkins and Business College in Little Rock. She married a dentist, Gordon Gray Dickinson. They had three children, a boy and two girls. Dorthy Lee died in 1951.

Ruth married Howard Vines of Russellville. Howard worked for Arkansas Power and Light. At present they are living in Trumann, Arkansas. Howard retired in 1977. They have one daughter Linda, a teacher in Trumann Schools. Linda is married to David McDaniel and they have two children Mike and Pamela.

Ruth and Howard also have one son Joe, who sells farm equipment in Osceola, Arkansas.

Reba Dickey lives in Russellville, Arkansas. by Mrs. Doyle Dickey and Mrs. Ruth Vines

MARY ELIZABETH (MOLLIE) DISMUKES

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Mary Elizabeth (Mollie) Dismukes came to Pope County, Arkansas in 1880 at the age of 10. Also making the trip was her mother, Mary F. Hardie Dismukes; brother, Henry J. Dismukes; half-brother, Robert Franklin Hardie and stepsister, Belle Hardie. They lived in Illinois township for a while and later moved to Annie's Chapel on the Pope and Johnson County line.

Belle Hardie married first to Robert A. McGuire and had one child. Second she married Lem K. Ragsdale and had four children. Robert (Bob) Hardie married to Maggie ? and had seven children. Henry Jay Dismukes married Mary Elizabeth Rogers and had six children.

Mollie Dismukes married William James Thomason and had six children. They were Burtie Hazel born October 26, 1892 and died January 26, 1894; Dwight Strong born October 31, 1894 married first Juel Johnson married second Delila Pearson; Namon born January 10, 1898 married Viva Bittick; Milton born February 3, 1901 married Ella Hickey; Jettie born September 4, 1904 married Hiram Robbins and Marie born June 23, 1910 married Warren Truitt.

Mollie's father was Edmond Dismukes who was the sixth of eleven children born to Edmund and Ina Bethany Cox Dismukes.

Edmond Dismukes, Sr. was the second child of seven children born to James and Elizabeth Terry Dismukes. James Dismukes was born prior to 1730 in Caroline County, Virginia and died there in 1785.

James, Jr. was the first of seven children born to James Dismukes, Sr. and Ruth Rowe. James, Sr. was born prior to 1703 and died in 1770 in Middlesex County, Virginia.

by C.L. Boyd

HUGH CARIL DIXON

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Logustin Dixon, born 1801, Hugh Caril's grandfather, settled in Pope County before 1850. He came from Giles County, Tennessee. His wife, Mary, was born in Tennessee in 1802. Caril's father, David R. Dixon was born in Tennessee in 1833.

At the age of 25, David married Mary Crouch, age 19. They married in 1854. He was a tall man, slender in build. He had blond hair and blue eyes. He owned and operated a farm near Atkins. He was a soldier in the Civil War. He was a Republican. David was murdered in Atkins. He fell from his horse after he was shot twice in the back. The Russellville Courier-Democrat of April 8, 1875, titled this news "Another Victim of the Pistol." The subtitle read "Butchery at Atkins." Hard words of a political nature led to David's murder.

Their children were: Tennessee A., Elizabeth E., and John A. After Mary's death, he married Harriet Isobel Coffman. She was born in Tennessee in 1845. Their children were: William, Hugh Caril, James, Wallace,

Noah, and Mary Alice.

Tennessee A. married John Dee Dalrymple. He was a farmer in the Newton Spring area near Hector. Their children were: Harm, John, Ed, Claude, Myrtle, and Belle.

Elizabeth married Tom Stout. He farmed near Atkins. Their children were: Lellie, Oscar, Tom, Will, Homer, and others.

John married America E. He farmed in the Hector area. Their children were George, Charles, Thomas, Eldy, and Talbert.

William Bill Dixon married Maggie Parten. He owned farms north of Hector. Their children were: Dora, Oliver, Para, Neal, Baxter, Buster, Velma, Beatrice, and Mae.

James married Rona Parten. He was a very successful horse dealer and farmer in Oklahoma. In the early 1920's, oil was discovered on his land. Their children were: William, Chester, Vester, Roy, John, Oscar, Duce, Pauline, and Fannie. Rona died and he married Pearl, a widow. They had James and Floy.

Wallace married Ardella Parrish. He owned a farm in the Walnut Grove community. Their children were: Cecil, Hersel, Huston, Belle, and Fannie.

Noah married Etta Tate. He was a farmer. He was a young man when he died. He returned to work too soon after a severe illness and it caused his death.

Mary Alice married Frank Harris. He owned land with oil wells in Oklahoma. His family later moved to Pomona, California. Their children were: Buster, Dutch, George, Willis, Dee, Arlie, Edmond, Elvis, J.C., and Helen.

Hugh Caril was the second child of David and Harriet. He was born in 1869. He married Dona Keeney. She was born in 1878. They married in 1892. He was a successful farmer. He owned and operated a store and post office at Reta (now extinct). He ran a grocery store and creamery at Hector for several years. He loved music as a young man. He often played the violin for dances. When he was older, he played old tunes when invited to play at the radio station. He was an honest man, a good citizen. His children loved him.

Caril and Dona had thirteen children. Two died at birth. Nola T. had typhoid fever and died an infant. Rubin was kicked by a mule. His head was injured. He died months later from that injury when he was 10 years of age. Their other children were Reece Allen, a girl that died the day of her birth, Roxie Viola, Rosy Mae, Jessie Leonard, Albert Denon, Hester Gertrude, James Earl, William Floyd, Flora, and a boy that died the day of his birth.

After Dona's death, Caril married Ada Arlene David. She was born September 23, 1905. They married in 1926. Their children were: Billie Eustice, Peral Rena. Ada resides on the farm of her daughter, Peral, who is Mrs. Jackie Crow. They keep horses and their children, Janet, Carole, and Jeffery, ride in rodeos. Jackie is a supply supervisor for AP&L. Peral Rena works for the State Farm Insurance Company in Russellville.

Bill married Eddie Jean Jenkins. He is a truck driver and lives in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. They have two sons.

by Peral Rena Dixon Crow

THE LOGUSTINE DIXON FAMILY 204

Logustine Dixon was in Pope County by the 1840 census. He was born in North Carolina and was in Sumner County, Tennessee when his son John C. Dixon was born December 1, 1828. His other children were David, Elizabeth F. and Allen. Logustine died sometime after the 1860 census in Pope County. (In 1850 census his wife's name was Polly, I do not believe she is the mother of these children.)

John C. married Sarah P. Stout on November 25, 1847. He enlisted in the Mexican War Co. B., 1st Battalion, Arkansas Volunteers Infantry on July 22, 1846 at age 18, 5'5" tall, dark hair, blue eyes. He contacted measles which affected his eyes and was almost blind for the rest of his life. He was discharged about April 20, 1847. He died August 17, 1887 and is buried at Center Valley Cemetery. Sarah P. Stout was the daughter of James and Elisabeth (Rackley) Stout and was born May 10, 1830 in Bount County, Alabama and died February 19, 1909 in Graveley, Arkansas.

John C. and Sarah P. (Stout) Dixon had the following children: Mary Ann, David Clinton, James Warren, Alfred B., Nancy Isabella, William M., Elizabeth Ann, Margaret, Houston, Hugh O., Eliza Catherine (born 3 February 1870 married Daniel Webster Matthews), Henry Lee.

Eliza Catherine Dixon married Daniel Webster Matthews on September 15, 1877 and had the following children: Gladys May, Andy Everette, Innas Belle, Edward, Frank Ward, Edith Irene.

Edward Matthews married Mabel Louise Cook on February 22, 1920 and had Edward Freed; Catherine Rebecca married Albert Vincent Powell and has two children (adopted) Christopher Albert and Liza Margaret Powell; Margaret married Eugene Guyland Cowart and has two children, David Guyland who married Georgia Ann Jackson and Jan Catherine who married Arthur Keyton Weissinger and has three children, Arthur Keyton, Kelly Caitlyn and Eugene Cowart Weissinger; Mary Evelyn married Dr. Paul Abernathy Crow and has three children Carol Ann, Stephen Paul and Susan Margaret Crow.

By Margaret M. Cowart

REECE ALLEN DIXON 205

Reece Dixon was born in Pope Co. His father was Hugh Caril Dixon, whose father David R., had come to Pope Co. from Tenn. with his father, Logustin, in the 1840's.

Reece is one of thirteen children born to Caril and Dona Keeney Dixon. Dona was born in Okla. She was the daughter of Sarah Campbell and Wlm. Keeney. Sarah is buried in Arlington, Tex. Wlm. is buried at Salisaw, OK.

Caril and Dona met in Okla. at the home of his brother James. Caril brought his bride to Ark. where they lived until their deaths. Caril was a successful businessman. Dona made a

comfortable home for her large family. Dona enjoyed her children and she welcomed her children's friends. There usually were extra young people staying at their home.

Dona died in 1925. Caril died in 1954. They are both buried in the Walnut Grove Cemetery. Their children and their spouses were: Rubin E., Roxie Viola married James Boley Churchill. He was a very successful carpenter. He is a Freewill Baptist and a member of the Hector Masonic Lodge. He is known as an honest man, a good father, and respected citizen. Their children are: Lelus married Mildred Bowen (children — Jerry Lynn and Randall); Bill married Mable. He is retired from the police force of Vacerville, Calif. (children — Denny and Bill); Clarence Churchill married Irene Langford. He owns a farm near Atkins. He has been successful in various businesses. Their daughter is Karen Beth. James Churchill married Dean Morris. He is employed at Shinn and Sons Funeral Home. Dean teaches school in Atkins. Their son is James Allen. Hester Gertrude married Oley Warden. She has lived and worked in several states. She owned and operated a hotel in Ft. Smith where she now resides. She has been exceptionally loyal to the members of her family.

James Earl married Evelyn. He was a car salesman. He died in Oregon. William Floyd married Adele Langford. He managed a grocery and meat market in Farmersville, Calif. where he now resides. Their daughters are Floy Jo Thompson and Frankie Carol Thompson. Flora married Lewis Langford. Then Mr. Newman. She is an active Jehovah Witness. Her children are Lucretia Langford (married Eddie Stephans), Dearmon Langford (married Imogene), and Bobby Langford. Rosy Mae married Will David. Her children are Avis, Clyde (married Evangeline Rowlands. They have a daughter and son. They reside near Little Rock). Jessie Leonard married Opel Charlene. They had Hugh C., Charlene, and another son. Albert Demon married Elizabeth. He is retired and lives near Dee Ann, his daughter, in Okla. Albert is their son.

Reece Allen married Ruth Churchill, born in 1904, daughter of A.J. Churchill and Aronia Mae Voss Churchill. He was a veteran of WWI. He farmed in the Arkins bottoms. He owned and operated a shoe repair shop in Hector for several years. Later, he combined the shoe repair shop, grocery, cafe, and creamery in one building. He was a carpenter after he moved to Coronado, Calif. in 1943. Their children are; Lorneva, married Willis Coffman. Their children are Willette, Dennis and Lura. After Willis died, Lorneva married Howard Johnson. They have Loretta. Lorneva has been a successful manager of advertising sales work for many years. She and her husband are owners of the H & L Manufacturing Corp. Thelma, married R.D. Utley. Their children are Glenda Ann, Bettye, and Don Lynn. Thelma is active in community and church work and is a Scout leader. She married Bob Pranka after R.D. passed away. They reside in Lakeside, Calif. Theda, married Alvin E. Utley. He spent 24 years in military service. They live on their farm north west of Hector. Their children are Alvin C. Jr., Ava Karen, Kylan,

Sheldon, Durlan, and Agalia. Lamont never married. He is sales manager and an owner of the H & L Manufacturing Corp. of Chula Vista, Calif. This cooperation specializes in car accessories.

by Theda Dixon Utley

CHARLES WASHINGTON DODD 206

Charles Washington Dodd started his first newspaper, "The Record," in Russellville in the year, 1901. He published it for 12 years, then left to work in the job printing dept. of the Ark. Democrat in Little Rock. Later he was in newspaper publication in Morrilton. He returned to Russellville in 1915 as owner and editor of the "Weekly Tribune." His son, George K. Dodd, joined him after he returned from World War I in 1919. The "Tribune" was sold and they moved to Morrilton to publish the Morrilton Headlight about 1930.

C.W. Dodd died 30 Mar. 1933 and is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Russellville. George K. Dodd sold the Morrilton paper and returned to Russellville and again published the Tribune intermittently until 1947. He also worked for the U.S. Forestry Service and the Russellville Printing Co. until his retirement in 1961.

Charles Washington Dodd was born 1 Jan. 1882 in Saline Co., Ark., the son of David Washington Dodd and Susan A. Kimber Dodd. His father was a soldier in the Civil War, enlisting from Saline Co into the Confederate Army and serving until the end of hostilities. His cousin, David O. Dodd, was the "Arkansas Boy Martyr of the Confederacy."

The Dodd family moved to Dardanelle in 1870 where Charles W. Dodd was educated in private schools. He went into the printing office in 1876 and followed that business throughout life. On 15 Feb. 1882, Charlie W. Dodd married Ella C. Langford, who was born 2 Feb. 1862 in Pope Co., the daughter of Abigail Washburn and Edley H. Langford, the granddaughter of Rev. Cephas Washburn, pioneer missionary and teacher to the Indians, and the niece of Edward Payson Washburn, painter of the "Arkansas Traveler." Ella L. Dodd died 14, Aug. 1934. The Dodd family belonged to the Presbyterian Church.

The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Dodd: David Edley Dodd, born 1 Mar. 1883, died Aug. 1940. Married Stuart McCorkle and their 3 children were: Betty, married Ed Connell, lives in Fayetteville, Ark., 6 children. Ann married Francis Dillion, lives in Calif., 2 children. Jean married Dave Elliott, lives in Dallas, 4 children; Susan Abbe Dodd born 1 Jan. 1885, died 17 July 1953. Married Joseph Greer Henry 11 Nov. 1909 in Russellville. Their four children born in Russellville. (1) Joe Dodd Henry, born 23 May 1911; died 22 Nov. 1963. Married Maelzelle Wade Aug. 1930. Two children live in N. Little Rock. (1) Joe Dodd Henry, Jr, born 24 Mar. 1941. Married Martha C. Norman 21 Mar. 1970. Two children, Carole Henry, born 6 May 1971, Sherry Elizabeth, born 25 Oct.

1974. (2) Sherry Henry, born 13 June 1951, married Cliff McBryde 21 Aug. 1971. Martha Lee McBryde, born 18 July 1977. (2) Ella Margaret Henry, born 22 June 1913, married Lindsey Hatchett 14 Mar. 1942. One child, Margaret Hatchett, born 9 July 1946. (3) David W. Henry, born 8 Jan. 1915, unmarried. (4) Irene Henry, born 12 Apr. 1917, married 7 Oct. 1945, Charles H. Browne, Jr., ret. Maj. General, died 7 July 1973, leaving no children. Lives in Horton, Kansas; Corrinne Washburn Dodd, born 7 Oct. 1887, died 29 Aug. 1976; Bessie N. Dodd, born 31 Oct. 1889; died Aug. 1962. Married J.M. McGhee in 1921. The children: Virginia, born 29 Sept. 1922, died 5 Feb. 1978. Married Frank Stecher, no children. Dorthy, born 29 Nov. 1929, married Tom Glenn, Jr. Aug. 1952. Four children: Cindy, John, Nancy, and Julian. They live in Seabrook, Tex.; Thomas Dodd, born 17 Feb. 1892 and died 13 Dec. 1896; Jack Dodd, born 7 Nov. 1894, died 4 Jan. 1895; George Kimber Dodd, born 1 Dec. 1895; died 6 Dec. 1969. Married Ferol Petty 15 June 1921, Russellville. Two children: Frank Washburn Dodd, b. 14 May 1925; died 5 Oct. 1946; Mary, b. 23 Dec. 1930. Married Guy Baker 9 June 1953, Russellville; two children: Cathy Baker, b. 9 May 1954; Barbara Baker, b. 13 Nov. 1956; live in Russellville; Henry Dodd, b. 19 Nov. 1899, died 9 Apr. 1901; Harry Washington Dodd, b. 17 Mar. 1902, married 10 Jan. 1928, Vara Tidwell. Ret. Col. and Mrs. Dodd live in San Antonio, Texas. Adopted daughter, Sylvia, lives in Va.

The Dodd family history was compiled by Vara Dodd, wife of Harry W. Dodd, and daughter-in-law of C.W. Dodd.

by Mary Dodd Baker

J. VALENTINE DRITTLER 207

J. Valentine Drittler was born in Neustadt/aisch, Germany in 1853. In 1882 at the age of 29, he left Germany for America with his inheritance. He arrived in America and settled in Pope County where he and his younger brothers, Fred and Ludwig, bought 240 acres to raise grapes. This area is now known as Drittler Crossing. The three brothers became U.S. citizens in 1885. In 1882 the town of Lutherville was started by German immigrants. The town had a dry goods store, post office, and later two grocery stores and two service stations. The St. Paul Lutheran Church was built in 1882. School was held there until 1945. Valentines wife and their children all attended this school. The church was disbanded in 1959 and Grace Lutheran church was formed in Clarksville at the corner of Cravens and Cherry Streets.

The Drittler brothers began grape raising and wine making. This was their cash crop until 1917 when prohibition began. Fred and Ludwig were married soon after they settled. Valentine was married in 1910 to Bertha Schlafke. They had six children; Herman, John, Otto, Matha, Louise and Dela. Matha was married in 1932 to Dr. Alfred Lussky, a professor of German at the University of Ar-

kansas. They had a son John and a daughter Katherine. Both John and Katherine graduated from the University of Arkansas with a masters degree. John married Doris and they had a son, Eric. John was a Lt. in the Army. He died in 1964 in Washington, D.C. Katherine married Ernest Adams. They had four sons and three girls named Tim, Deborah, Elizabeth, Jessie, Issac, Rebecca and John.

Herman was a Seabee in the Navy during World War II. He lived with his mother in Geneva, Ill. Bertha Drittler died in 1974 at the age of 88. Herman died in 1975, at the age of 64. Valentine died in 1934 at the age of 81. They are all buried in the Lutherville Cemetery.

Louise married Harold Jackson from Lafayette, Ind. in 1941. They had four children, Anita, Carol, Richard and Mary. They lived and worked in Broadview and Batavia, Ill. for 42 years. Louise and Harold purchased the homestead of her parents in 1975, then returned to Arkansas after retiring. They now reside in Knoxville, Ark. All four children received a college degree. The girls are music teachers and the son is an E.P.A. Engineer. Anita married Anthony Prochaska from Iowa. They have two children, Machille and James. Carol is a Band Director in Iowa. Richard works for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Houston, Texas. Mary is married to David Socall and they have a daughter, Kristine Marie.

John D. married Izola Callahan. They have one daughter, Sharon. They lived in Calif. for 20 odd years then returned to Lamar, Ark. in 1975. Their daughter married Steven Barfield in California. They now have three daughters and a son, John, Donita, Deborah and Denise.

Otto married Elaine Brandt from Forest Park, Ill. They have a daughter, Carol. She married Michael Johnson and they have two sons, Robert and Michael. They live in Richmond, VA. Otto is a World War II Veteran and was wounded in France. Otto received his mechanical engineering degree from Armour Institute in Chicago.

Adelia married Robert Wehausen in Oak Park, Ill. where they lived for 40 years before returning to Arkansas to retire. They are now living in Hot Springs, Ark.

by Louise M. Jackson

DR. ROY H. DUNN 208

Dr. Roy H. Dunn, dentist, began practice in Russellville August 14, 1939 in offices above the Bank of Russellville, located then at the corner of Main and Commerce. He married Mildred Miller of Kansas City, Mo. on Aug. 26, 1939, and this union produced five children, Royanne, Stephen Miller, Curtis Neil, Timothy Lee, and Barbara Glenn. Except for two years spent in the U.S. Army, Dr. Dunn practiced dentistry for thirty-eight years. He is a member and an elder of First Christian Church, the Russellville Noon Lions Club, the Russellville Country Club, The American Dental Assn., the Arkansas State Dental Assn., Delta Sigma Delta, the UCT, a graduate of

Arkansas Tech U., K.C. Western Dental College (later the U. of Mo.). He took post-graduate work at the U. of Tenn., U. of Texas at Houston, and attended dental meetings from New Orleans to Hawaii, and maintained a demanding schedule in his office. His hobbies include golf, fishing, music, and gardening. His parents, the late Laura Henry Baker Dunn and Wm. Dolphus Dunn were life-long residents of Dardanelle, Ark., the Dunn family having migrated there from Fatetteville, Tenn. Dr. and Mrs. Dunn enjoyed travel, and visited most of the continental U.S., as well as making the inland passage to Alaska. They toured Europe, Guatemala, the Netherlands Antilles and Carracas, Venezuela at various times. Dr. Dunn takes a special pride in having his roots in Yell and Pope County.

by Roy H. Dunn

DENNIS HENRY DURYEYEA

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Dennis came to Pope County the first week of September 1944 with his wife Lula Christine (Grady) to an apartment at North Ark. and East G.

Dennis was born in Yell County September 29, 1918 to James Duryea, who with his brother Ed moved from Illinois to buy land between Belleville and Danville, then married Amma (Sanders) November 18, 1917. She passed away January 7, 1920 after only three years as a companion and mother. Ed, James and his son, Dennis, worked together on the farm until January 1937 James died from cancer of the stomach.

Lula Christine, born to Silas Edward Grady, whose mother was a full-blooded Indian and Nannie May (Wilson), born January 9, 1900 a resident of Russellville at this writing. Lula, born August 24, 1920 in Yell County married March 3, 1937 at Danville by the Methodist Parson, Bro. Hood.

When Dennis and Lula came to Russellville he worked for Ray Lee Service Station at East Main to support an expecting wife and two children, Erma Dell born January 26, 1938 and James Edward born September 8, 1939. The third child Dennis William was born September 30, 1944.

In February 1945 Dennis was drafted into the army and trained at Camp Hood in Killeen, Texas. The family joined him the first of August 1945 and stayed until February 1946 when after his discharge the family moved back to Russellville to an apartment on East G. Dennis went to work at the Delbert Lee service station at East 2nd and No. Ark. Their fourth child Janie Christine was born October 16, 1946 and Dennis was now driving a milk truck for E.W. Dairy. He applied for a job with the International Shoe Co. in June 1948 and is employed there to this day. Judy Nan was born September 25, 1948 and David Lee was born January 11, 1951. In June 1953 Dennis bought a house and 5½ lots at 1115 So. Boston. The family has resided there since. Besides the shoe factory job, Dennis ran the projector at the drive-in at night and worked at a service station on the weekends to make ends meet.

March 19, 1956 marked the first of the children's marriages. Erma Dell married Kenneth Ray Cotton, born December 28, 1937 to J.D. & Nadine Cotton of South New Hope. Erma and Ken, in the Air Force, had their wedding at the Duryea home. After 10 years of marriage their first child Kenneth Ray, Jr. was born January 13, 1966 in Russellville and Tina Nichole born January 9, 1972 in Little Rock.

November 13, 1958 was the wedding date of James to Adella Jean Rogers, born December 10, 1939 to Gene & Adella Rogers of Pope County. James and Jeanne were also married at the Duryea home. James enrolled in the Army Reserves in 1960 after the birth of Dennis Gene, July 13, 1959, and served 6 years. Marianne was born March 17, 1967. James and his family have resided in Pope County most of their life.

Dennis William married Janet Estep, born April 25, 1944 to Troy and Agnes Estep, of Logan County, on August 17, 1963 at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. After graduation they went to Little Rock for work. In 1968 Dennis enlisted in the Marine Corps stationed in San Diego, Hawaii, and one year in Vietnam after which he returned to Little Rock. After 8 years of marriage twins were born to Dennis and Janet, Melissa Gail and Michelle Lea, August 19, 1971. Dennis and family lived in Little Rock until moving back to Russellville November 1976.

Janie Christine was married on June 5, 1965 to Terry Daniel Wade, born November 3, 1946 to Mr. & Mrs. Jack Wade, at the Kelly Heights Baptist Church of Russellville. Sandra Michelle, January 30, 1967 and Terry Daniel, Jr., November 19, 1969, were born to this happy couple.

Judy Nan eloped on a snowy, cold December 23, 1966 to marry James Ragan Bailey, born January 7, 1947 to Regan & Millie Bailey of Pope County. Judy has three sons James Ragan, Jr. born November 8, 1968, William Robert born February 16, 1970 and Jonathan Henry born June 9, 1972. Jim graduated from the Wentworth Military Academy before going into business with his father at Bailey Machine Shop in Russellville.

David Lee enlisted in the Army in 1969 and

served a year in Vietnam and another in Germany then married Betty Jane Duvall, born November 4, 1951 to Jerl and Lola Duvall of Atkins. They were married February 18, 1971 at the Missionary Baptist Church in Atkins and have a new daughter Jamie Lee born February 7, 1978.

by Mrs. Janet Duryea

FRED C. DUVALL

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Grandparents and parents of Roy Duvall who lived in Pope County Arkansas: My grandparents on my fathers side were Fred C. Duvall who was born in Pope County July 31, 1855 and Catherine Virden Duvall born Nov. 29, 1861. They had a family of 6 children, Polly, Lou, Etisha, Mary, Bill and John. Farming was their occupation and Fred was known as the local Vet. Their life long home was a log cabin made from pine trees. Fred C. Duvall lived a life of 100 years, died May 27, 1955. Catherine died March 29, 1901.

Grandparents on my mothers side were George Washington Duvall born in Ireland in 1841 and Mary Jane Lunn born 1855 in Texas. George served in the Civil War from 1862-1865, Co. I, 12 Inf. Army. It was said that George Duvall was captured during the Civil War by the Federal Troops and was forced to serve with them against his brothers of the south, thereby getting his nickname of "Yankee" George. He was discharged in 1865 and returned home to Pope County Arkansas. George W. Duvall and Mary Jane Lunn were united in the holy bonds of matrimony May the 22, 1874 at Clarkeville in Red River Texas. Moved to Pope County in the early 1880's. Their children were W.H: Andrew, Claud, Allie, George, Eva, Plumer, Walter. The family lived and farmed their homestead their entire lives with George passing away in 1917 and Mary Jane in 1938, both were buried in Shady Grove Cemetery.

My parents were John Anderson Duvall born Feb. 2, 1881 and Eva Lee Duvall born in Atkins July 11, 1889. They married in Pope County. They had 14 children, William, Roy, Florence, Nora Lee, Ellis, Frank, J.M., Emma, Edna, Imogene, Ray, Mary, Robert



Eva, John and Roy Duvall

and John. Eva and John farmed and raised their entire family in Pope County. Attended Shiloh Church and School. The depression came and John and the oldest boys worked on WPA projects in the area. The family survived the flood of the early 1940's. Many of the children still reside locally. Eva died on April 18, 1959, John died July 25, 1960, both are buried in Shady Grove Cemetery.

Roy Lee Duvall born in Pope County Arkansas July 22, 1906 married Virginia Pawlik of Chicago, Illinois. They were married in Hot Springs — Garland County, Arkansas — had four children, Shirley Ann, Virginia Lee, Leroy and Robert. We are all happy to be in the Pioneer family.

by Mr. & Mrs. Roy Lee Duvall

FREDERICK C. DUVALL

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Frederick C. Duvall born 1801 in South Carolina, married Fannie D. Wyatt in Georgia about 1821, moved on into Alabama where nine of their ten children were born, the youngest one was born in Mississippi. Came to Arkansas about 1845, he was justice of peace of Pope County in 1850. Frederick C. died in 1897, children were John Ellis, Sergeant in Mexican War. William, Pvt. in Mexican War, Jeremiah A., Alexander, Catherine A., Elisha, Wiley, Thomas F., George W., and Francis. Sergeant John Ellis Duvall born November 22, 1822 died June 22, 1914, married Elizabeth Crites December 5, 1848. She was daughter of Abram and Margaret (Hubbell) Crites. John Ellis and Elizabeth were the parents of thirteen children, they were: Marion Yell, George Washington, Nancy A., Frances, Franklin Pierce, James Wiley, Sarah Catherine, Robert J., Margaret, Mollie, Elizabeth died in infancy, Kansas, and Adelaid Elizabeth. Franklin Pierce Duvall born Pope County, October 4, 1855, died August 24, 1932, married three times, first to Emmily Lorraine August 5, 1873, no children. Second marriage to Sallie Ann Griffin November 25, 1875. Sallie Ann was a daughter of Andrew J. and Frances J. (Grayson) Griffin. Franklin P. and Sallie Ann were the parents of eleven children they were: William A., John G., Fannie Elizabeth, Grover C., Son died in infancy, Walter Vernon, Robert E. Lee, Jacob, Wiley L., Ruth Arvella, and Homer J. Third marriage for Franklin P. was to Vestal Lloyd Davis in 1922, children were Sarah Emelene and Ann M. Fannie Elizabeth Duvall born June 21, 1882, died December 15, 1950. Married Arthur Lee Byrum March 22, 1905, married by J.E. Teague. Arthur Lee was son of William W. and Mary M. (Davis) Byrum. Arthur Lee and Fannie Elizabeth were the parents of eight children they were Dovie, born January 5, 1906, died November 9, 1909. Foster, born October 13, 1907, never married.

Sallie Mae, born December 28, 1910, died July 31, 1971, married Gilbert W. Duvall, three children. Son born 1912, died in infancy, Mary Melissa born July 25, 1913, married Burt L. Taylor ten children.

Chloe B. born September 10, 1917, mar-

ried A.G. Lunningham three children.

Daughter born 1919 died in infancy.

Homer Gilbert born November 1, 1921, never married.

by Homer G. Byrum

FREDERICK AND FANNIE WYATT DUVALL

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Frederick C. Duvall was born in 1801 at South Carolina, died 1897 and is buried at Paschal cemetery at Moreland. He was married to Fannie D. Wyatt, whose ancestors were from Wales. They had 10 children: John Ellis, William, Jeremiah, Alexander, Elisha, Wiley, Thomas F., George W., Francis, Catharine. John Ellis married Elizabeth Crites, daughter of Abram Crites. They had at least 12 children: Marion Yell, born Dec. 24, 1849, died 1877, Unmarried; George Washington, born Dec. 1, 1850, died Feb. 5, 1920 married Elsie Hudson, 7 children, Nancy A. married Ambrose Churchill, Francis married Jeremiah M. Hudson, Franklin Pierce Duvall married Emily Lawrence, 2nd time he married Sallie Ann Griffin, 3rd time Vestal Davis. James Wiley Duvall married Sallie M. Brashear, Sarah Catherine (Kate) married Green B. Brown, Robert J. married Elizabeth Matthews, Margaret Duvall married John Chronister, Mollie (Pollie) married Henry Walker Chronister, Elizabeth died in infancy, Adlaid Elizabeth married Robert (Bob) Bewley, Kansas (Candie) married James B. Chronister Oct. 16, 1887. Four children were born. One died when young. Hayne, born Nov. 28, 1896 died Sept. 16, 1974. He was married to Stell Farmer and they had one child, Trella V., Leona Margaret, born May 28, 1893 died in 1977. She married Chester Kinder and they had 2 children Blaine and Neva Rae, Eva Pearl was born Jan. 2, 1892 and died in April 1938. She married Herman Pryor Hudson and they had 8 children: D.J., Elaine, Geraldine, Leta, James Francis, Clois Dale and twins, Don & Doynne.

by Doynne Hudson

GEORGE WASHINGTON DUVALL

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George Washington Duvall, born 13 July 1886, was a son of Andrew Jackson Duvall, Sr. and Sarah L. Scott. The Duvalls came to Pope County about 1845. Andrew Jackson Duvall, Sr. and Sarah L. Scott were married 12 June 1870 in Pope County. Andrew J. served for a time as a Pope County deputy sheriff and tradition has it that while serving in that capacity he engaged in a gun battle with the famed James boys near Shiloh. George Washington, one of the eleven children of Andrew Jackson Duvall, Sr. early picked up a nickname due partly to the fact that there were so many "Georges" in the Duvall family and, also, to the fact that George was extremely fond of opossum hunting. For these reasons George was nicknamed "Possum".

George W. Duvall married Blanche Bow-

den, the daughter of Frank and Nettie Gray Bowden. Blanche was born 5 March 1887. George and Blanche had nine children, seven that lived to be adults. George bought a farm near Shiloh on Pea Ridge, built a new house and farmed. In his spare time George would work in the timber or do road construction work. When 105 State Highway was constructed, George was employed on that work. During his lifetime, he served on school boards, became a Mason and a member of the Free Will Baptist Church. He was a gifted conversationist and a daughter-in-law pays him this high compliment, "George Washington Duvall was one of the happiest men I ever knew."

After a fire had destroyed their home George and Blanche moved to Oklahoma where they purchased another farm. After Blanche died 30 Aug. 1950, George returned to Arkansas and lived with a son in Conway County. George Washington Duvall died 19 Feb. 1951. Both G.W. and Blanche are buried in Shiloh Cemetery.

Andrew Jackson Duvall still has four children living: Andrew Jackson Duvall, Jr. of Hattieville, Conway Co.; Byndum Duvall, Oklahoma; Angie Duvall Russell Whatley, and Myrtle Duvall Wren of California. There are 35 grandchildren.

by Mr. A.J. Duvall

JAMES DUVALL

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James Duvall was born in Kentucky in 1823. His father and mother died when he was quite young. When he came to Arkansas is not known, but he joined the army at or near Augusta in 1840. He married Matilda ? — date unknown.

James and Matilda reared eight children. The boys were Lee, Tom, Andrew, and George. The girls name was Matilda. Three boys' names are unknown.

They moved to Helena, Ark. area several years before the Civil War where they owned a plantation of unknown size. They also owned several slaves and lived in a fifteen room house. James drowned in the Mississippi River and his body was never recovered, just the hat he was wearing.

The story came down from generation to generation that Matilda's sons treated her slaves badly, so she set them free. Whether or not this was the reason is unknown.

James' oldest brother, Lee, sold his dead brother's widow's plantation illegally. He was carrying the money he received for it, when, nearing capture, he dropped it into a creek under a footlog. It was in a metal container. He was killed, and the money was never recovered.

All of James Duvall's sons were killed in the Civil War except George and Andrew. George was captured by the Yankees and made to fight on their side. During one battle, Andrew thought he saw George's body on the battlefield. He wanted to examine the body closer, but his captain told him that there was no time. When he got home he told everyone that George had been killed. But sometime later

George showed up. He was known thereafter as Yankee George.

Just when or how Andrew, George and their sister Matilda Duvall came to Pope County is not known by me. Andrew married Sally Chenault who died soon after and was buried at Pascal cemetery near Moreland.

Andrew then married Sarah Scott, daughter of George and Polly Hill Scott, of Crow Mountain. Her brother was James (Jim) Scott. Her sisters were Disie (Virden), Martha (Churchill), Ad (Milligan), Tilda (Russell), Jennee (Heflin), and Lizzie (Kendrik) — later Parrish.

Andrew and Sarah lived on Pea Ridge for a time. Then they moved to Texas for 2 or 3 years.

They returned to Pope County and homesteaded the land on Crow Mountain where Joe Chenowith now lives. They lived in a one-room log house. They cooked over the fireplace. They were there about five years, then purchased the Jim Churchill farm on Pea Ridge. They lived there until their deaths. Andrew died in 1918 at the age of 76, and Sarah in 1914 at the age of 59. They were both buried at Shiloh. While Andrew was constable of the Shiloh community, he was shot and seriously wounded by his niece's husband, Josh Jones. Josh and his brother were sent to the pen, but were pardoned after a few years — at Andrews insistence. He said they had been punished enough.

The children of Andrew and Sarah Duvall were John, Jim, George, Dewey (Dude), Bill, Robert, Dora (Graves), Molly (Duvall), Elzady (Maxwell), Lou (Farmer), and Annie (Davis).

by Randall Gray

JOHN ELLIS DUVALL

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Front — Hulen Graham, George Washington Duvall. Back — Nora Mae Duvall Graham, Mollie Duvall Baxter.

John Ellis Duvall was the son of Frederick C. Duvall who was born in South Carolina in 1801. He moved to Georgia and married Fannie E. Wyatt. Their first child, John Ellis, was born in Alabama on November 22, 1822. Their tenth and last child, Francis, was born in Mississippi in 1843, on their way to Arkansas. Frederick died in 1897.

John Ellis Duvall married Elizabeth (Betsy) Crites on December 5, 1848, in Pope County by J.B. Craig. He was a veteran of the Mexican War. One of their thirteen children was

George Washington Duvall. He was born in Moreland on December 1, 1850. He married twice and was the father of ten children. He married his first wife, Elsie Jane Hudson, on January 18, 1872. He was a member of the Church of Christ. He was also a school director at the Mount Pleasant and Gumlog school house. He and Elsie Jane had seven children.

The fifth child of George W. and Elsie Jane was Nora Mae Duvall. She was born January 1, 1884. She married Ralph Henderson Graham and they lived in Wellington, Texas. They had twin daughters, Lorene and Alene to die in infancy. Their next child, Ralph Hulen Graham, was born on April 23, 1911. He is a veteran of World War II. He married Jewel Hazel Chronister, daughter of Henry and Polly (Duvall) Chronister. Hulen owns a grocery store in Moreland. He and Jewel were the Postmasters until the Post Office was consolidated into the Russellville Post Office on June 18, 1976. Jewel died on April 4, 1976.

The fourth and last child is Jack Graham. He was born February 15, 1913, in Wellington, Texas. He married Ruth Vernell Teague, daughter of Edward Wheeler and Margaret Elizabeth (Maggie) Arnold Teague on May 28, 1938. Jack is a veteran of World War II. He is retired after teaching 30 years in the Russellville Public School system. He now farms at Gumlog. Ruth has been employed at the International Shoe Company for 25 years. They have three daughters.

Carolyn Ruth Graham was born July 24, 1939. She is a former Arkansas Tech Beauty and represented Russellville in the Miss Arkansas Universe Pageant. She married James E. (Jim) Shamy and they live in East Brunswick, N.J. Jim is a coach and Carolyn, a former teacher, is a psychologist aid in a hospital. They have three children, Linli Ruth, Stephen Norman and Susanna Shawn. Barbara Helen Graham is a former "Miss Russellville" and "Pope County Dairy Queen". She married Fred A. Sbrilli on February 11, 1963. They have one child, Christian Frederick. They live in Bridgewater, N.J. Barbara is a former college instructor. Rita Jacqueline (Jacque) Graham married Alan Leon Chronister, son of Dolan and Dera B. Pinkerton Chronister on December 23, 1969. Jacque is a former teacher and bank teller. Alan, a former college instructor, is a computer analyst. They have one child, Graham Alan, born March 29, 1977. They live in Russellville.

by Jackie Chronister

HISTORY OF EHEMANN FAMILY IN POPE COUNTY SINCE 1885

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George Ehemann, born in Bavaria, Germany, 1836 came to the United States about 1865. He settled at Mansfield, Ohio, worked at a livery stable as Drayman and Coachman. In three years he earned enough to send for his bride, Appolonia Metzger, to come to Mansfield, so they could get married. After a few years they moved with their two sons, Ben and Mike to Lawrenceburg, Tenn. where they settled on a farm for thirteen years. Six

more sons were born to this couple, two died in infancy. The surviving were: George, John, Henry and Tom.

In 1885, George and Appolonia, their six sons moved to the Boston Mountains near Caglesville, Pope County, on a farm. This location seemed too inconvenient to go to Russellville, once or twice a year for supplies and other necessities by wagon and team and the young sons growing to manhood longed to get nearer a city. So once again the Ehemann family looked for greener pastures and made their final move to a farm three miles East of Atkins near the Railroad, about 1891.

The Atkins location was chosen because the only Catholic Church in Pope County was established there in 1878. A German community had already established there about 1876 and George and wife longed for companionship with folks from their native country. They loved their new home country, and the friends and neighbors that had welcomed them to Atkins and Pope County. They ended their lives happily there, seeing four of their sons married and settling near them in Atkins, rearing large families with love for God and Country. George, Sr. died April 30, 1912 at the age of 75, while his wife died at age of 90 in 1929.

Ben, born in 1869, married in 1895 to Amalia Barzen at Atkins. She came with her parents from Zell, Germany in 1882. This couple had seven children; Marie Soerries, Gertrude Post, Lona Soerries, Theresa, Henry and Joe, deceased, and Amelia Herrmann. Uncle Ben as he was known lived a mile South of Atkins where he and his sons farmed. His sons also were dealers in livestock. Theresa served 4 years in the Army during WWII. Uncle Ben's three grandsons, Joe, William and Francis still live on that same farm with their mother, Mrs. Henry Ehemann, each serve the community in their particular skilled trade.

Mike, born in 1871, married Margaret Klar in 1899 at Atkins. Margaret born in Zell, Germany, 1880 came to Atkins in 1881. She was the niece of Amalia Barzen, wife of Ben Ehemann. Twelve children were born to this couple, five of which still live at Atkins. Barbara, a retired Beautician, Catherine Sorrels, Alice, Joh, formerly of Ehemann's Garage and Martin who operates Ehemann Car Clinic and the Conoco Station. They have always been active in Civic affairs doing their part to help the community. A son T.J., "Tommie" as he was widely known operated Ehemann's Garage there for 40 years and was the most civic minded person at Atkins. He was instrumental in getting Federal assistance for Low Income Housing for the aged and a Civic Center that was named in his Honor. He died in 1974. Mike and Maggie celebrated their 55th Wedding Anniversary in 1954. Mike died in 1961, Maggie died in 1954.

George born 1873, was married to Barbara Miller in 1899 at Atkins. Later the family moved to Pine Bluff, where George worked for the Cotton Belt Railroad. Ten children were born to this couple. George died in 1940.

John born in 1876, a bachelor was a carpenter and farmer. He died in 1953. Henry born in 1878, married Elizabeth Grote of At-



Mrs. George Ehemann, Sr. and her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. July 1922.

kings in 1908. Of the six children only the two youngest live at Atkins. Margaret of the home, Clarence and family operate the Men's Store there. He too is Civic minded and interested in the City's growth. Henry and Lizzie celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1958. Henry died in 1967 at age 90. Lizzie died October, 1977 at age 91.

Tom, born 1882, never married, was a farmer, a respected citizen of the community until his death.

The descendants of George & Appolonia Ehemann who were married in 1868 today number 370 and are widely scattered over the U.S.A..

by Theresa J. Ehemann

EMMITT EARL EMERSON

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Emmitt Earl Emerson (Emison) was a descendant of John Emison, who was born in Ireland about 1802, and emigrated to Moore County, North Carolina. In 1820, John married Margaret Boales and he died in Crockett County, Tennessee in 1844. He had several children, one of which was Joseph B. Emison, born Jan. 17, 1835 and died April 23, 1890, at Rogers, Arkansas. He married Louiza (Leggett) Byrd on Dec. 10, 1854. She was born Sept. 15, 1837 and died Dec. 17, 1875. One of their children was John Wesley Emerson.

John Wesley Emerson was born Sept. 10, 1855, and died in Russellville, Ark. July 12, 1937. He married Eliza Jane Winn of Russellville, Sept. 6, 1874. She was the daughter of William Alexander Winn Sr., who was born in 1818 and died in Russellville, Ark. in 1906. She was born in 1855 and died in 1925. John Wesley and Eliza Winn Emerson had five children: Tiney, Florence, Laura, Emmitt and Ollie.

Tiney, died Sept. 26, 1882.

Florence married Fran Wieser and they had nine children.

Laura married Virgil Brown and they had one child who only lived one month.

Ollie married John Evans and they had two children; Frank Jefferies and John Robert.

Emmit Earl Emerson was born in 1888 and died in 1969. On December 23, 1909, Emmit married Beulah Maude Baglin, who was born Mar. 11, 1892 and died Jan. 22, 1964. Emmit was operator of a coal mine, north of Russellville for many years. He and Beulah had four children; Floy Lucille, Dorothy Blanche, Florence Murrell and Virginia Pearl.

Floy Lucille Emerson married William Frank Hull and they had three children; Sidney Earl who married Audrey Trilida and they have one child; Anna Jeanette, married Sherrel Dean Chambers and they have two children; Patsy Lavon, married Winston A. Geyer and they have two children.

Dorothy Blanche Emerson, born Jan. 6, 1913, married Carl Guthrie and they have no children.

Florence Murrell Emerson, born May 18, 1918, married Joseph Alphonso Cross who was born in 1912 and died in 1950. They had three children; Lillian Elizabeth who married Ronald K. Trigg and they had one son, Kenneth Joe. She later married Gordon Apple. Bobby Joe Cross was born in 1944, married Loretta Chenowith and they have two children. Earl Campbell Cross, born in 1946, married Carol Price and they have one child.

Virginia Pearl Emerson, born in 1924, married James Ira Fryer, who was born in Pope County in 1918. They had two children; James Larry, born in 1946 and Billy Gerald, born in 1948. Pearl and Ira have made their home in California for many years.

by Florence Murrell Emerson Cross

WILLIAM ENNIS

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William and Stella Ennis came from Tennessee and settled in Pope County about 1833. He was a farmer and land owner.

They had 8 children, William, Elizabeth, John, Sarah, Jacob, Eliza, Olive, and Lewis.

Jacob, son of William and Stella married Julie Ann Owens August 9, 1863. They had 3

children, Sarah F., John A., William L., Julie Ann died in 1872, Jacob then married Martha Jobe. Jacob and Martha had 1 son Jacob E., born August 15, 1875. Jacob died 30 minutes after his son was born. Martha then married Franklin Burris, December 14, 1876. They had 7 children, but only 5 survived. They were Florence, Richard, Adelia, John, and Martha.

Jacob E. married Luetta Burton, they had 8 children. Riley, Lucinda, Roxie, Roy, Rothie, Angiline, Andrew and James Ernest. Luetta died October 20, 1912, and was buried St. Joe Cemetery north of Atkins.

Jacob E. later married Matilda Baughman. They had twin sons, Jim and George. Jacob E. died Feb. 28, 1914 before the twins were born June 2, 1914. Jacob E. was buried by his first wife, Luetta, at St. Joe Cemetery.

James Ernest, youngest son of Jacob and Luetta, married Hazel Reynolds Jan. 2, 1932. They lived in Pope County all of their life. He was a farmer and in later years he worked at Atkins Pickle Company, until he became disabled. They had 6 sons and 2 daughters. Leoda, born July 25, 1932, married Rev. Bill Williams April 10, 1965. They have 1 son Keith born October 31, 1967. Leona is a beauty operator. James, born December 7, 1933, married Elizabeth Duvall June 5, 1959. They have one son Jamie, born July 12, 1971. James is a welder. Johnny, born November 4, 1937, married Carolyn Turner April 18, 1966. They have 1 son Kevin born July 16, 1967. They adopted a daughter Debra, born November 29, 1968, on December 29, 1977. Johnny is a foreman at the Atkins Pickle Company. Billy born April 18, 1939, has never married and is living with his sister Leoda. He is a carpenter. Jerry, born Dec. 1, 1940, has never married and is living in Columbia, Missouri, where he is employed at the Post Office. Sharon, born July 14, 1943, married Douglas Patton June 24, 1967. They have 2 sons and 1 daughter. Daryl, born July 29, 1968, Rebecca, born Dec. 31, 1970, and Tommy, born March 6, 1974. Sharon is a housewife and they are now living in Little Rock. Walter, born Jan. 7, 1948, married Kathy Pack Feb. 5, 1970. They have 1 son Scott, born Feb. 4, 1973. Walter is also a foreman at the Atkins Pickle Company. Bobby, born Oct. 14, 1950, married Karen Flory Nov. 30, 1973. They have 1 son Jason, born Sept. 6, 1976. Bobby is employed by the Ladish Company in Russellville.

Hazel Ennis died October 29, 1971, and James Ernest died 5 years later on March 2, 1976. They are both buried at St. Joe Cemetery.

by Leoda Ennis Williams

EUBANKS FAMILY

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The information that we have indicates that a John Eubank came to America and settled in the state of Maryland. It would seem that he came before 1800. We do not have a direct link from him to the three men who established the family here. Some time before the 1850 census, three men who are brothers,

Joseph W., John Alvin, and Winfield Scott Eubanks, moved to this county.

Joe married Dolly Gilliland and their children were Scott, Jeff, Jim, Alvin, Rube, Redmond and Theodosia. Out of these, we list the children of Thomas Redmond Eubanks and Margaret Rushing which are: Joe David, William Euclid, Guy Wakefield, Floy, Florence, Delva, Sidney, Matt, and James Clarence (Bud). The next generation of Joe's line are as follows: J.W. (who is the son of W.E. (Bill), Sybil Ussery and Mildred McAlister (daughters of Guy), Claudia McMillin, Marguerite Von Segan, Charles Howard, and Robert Howard (children of Floy), Joeseeph and Jean McCain (children of Florence), Jean Arenz (daughter of Delva), Nannah (daughter of Sidney, both deceased), Elizabeth and Sam (children of Matt), Redmond, Jim and Margaret (children of Bud).

John first married a lady by the name of Jackson. Their children were Joe and Adeline. Joe's son is Calvin. Calvin's sons are Joe and Don; his daughters, Mary Alice, Stella, Cora, Nadine, and Norma Ruth. Adeline married Polk Hopper and their children are as follows: Mandy Josie, Johnnie, Mealy and Polk. Nallie, Harry, Homer, and Rum are the children of Adeline's second marriage to Henry Fellows. Mandy Josie married James Henderson. Their children are Ethel, Katherine and a son, Archie Lester (deceased). Ruben and Jim, Walter, Naomi, George, Ida, Thomas, Minnie and Robert were children of John's second marriage to Frances Trigg. Ruben's children were Marvin, Nora, Willie, Tolly, Fannie, Eva and Carl (deceased as an infant). Jim's children were George and Oscar; Naomi's children were Leslie, Lelia, Loyd, Lura, Lottie and Rupert. George's children were Ethel and Mattie. Ida's children were Dixon, Grace, Blanche, Homer, Fred, Fay, and Hugh. Thomas's children were Eula, Otis, Albert, Robert, Edd and Fred (twins). Minnie's children were Ida, Orion, Everett, Vera, Nannie, Mattie Sue, and Dell. Robert's only child is Arvil.

The next generation of this family line is Marvin's children who are Bill and Berniece. Nora's children who are George, Myrtle, Robert, and Katherine. Willie's children are Mildred, Troy, Lorene, and Jessie. Tollie's child is Mary Lois. Fannie's children are Robert, Ruby, Imogene, Argus, Tommy, Stella, Otis, Jr. Eva's children are Archie, Norma, Agnes, Gene, Betty Sue, and Shirley. Nina's children are Joyce, Jean and Dean. George's children were Eugene and James. Oscar's children were Jim and Charles. Thomas's children were Otis (whose children are Robert, Kay, Ruby, Imogene, Argus, Tommy, Stella, Otis, Jr.) and his family by his second marriage were Otis Kay, Edward, Shirley, Bob, and Jerry. Albert has one daughter, whose name — Evelyn Ann. Robert's children, by his first marriage, is Polly. Bobby and Barbara are Robert's children by his second marriage. Ed's children are Jean and John Ed. Fred's children are Nancy and Freddie. Robert Wilson's children — his son Arvil. Arvil's children are John Robert, Billy Joe and James Wilson. Eula who is Thomas's only daughter has one son, Bill.

Winfred Scott married Florence (surname unknown). Their children include, Cord, Dollie, Robert, Charlie, Maggie, Mary and Tillie.
by Redmond Eubanks

JACOB WILEY EUDY

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Jacob Wiley Eudy, born in Cabarrus County, North Carolina, October 18, 1834 came to Arkansas in 1869; bought what is now known as the Grant Place East of Dover.

Jacob returned to North Carolina in 1871, brought his wife, Elmira Belinda (Furr) and family back. Elmira bore ten children, Eli Mathias, Julia Ann, George Martin, Lawson Alexander, Mary Jane, Jonas Monroe, Janice Rose, Minnie Lorena, John Jacob and Emma Isabell.

Jacob kept the paupers of Pope County. They lived in a separate building on the farm. When he moved to Dover, he took the paupers with him and continued to take care of them there. Jacob bought a house in Dover that was located where the Church of Christ now stands. He helped build this house, making the boards with a drawing knife. Jacob died February 25, 1898. Elmira, his wife moved to Hubbard City, Texas where she died January 11, 1909.

Eli Mathias, oldest son of Jacob, was sixteen when his family came to Arkansas. He spent his entire life except for one year in the same area.

Eli married Margaret Young, to this union was born five children, Charles Young, Hattie, Ruth, William Ewing and Fred. Eli died at the home of his eldest son, Charles Young, May 23, 1934.

Charles Young married Bennie Bewley, daughter of Benjamin and Typhena West Bewley. They farmed the old Bewley home place at Pine Hill for three years, then joined a wagon train going to Hubbard City, Texas. Also in the wagon train were his parents, Uncle John and Aunt Millie Eudy with son Otto, and Joe and Lula Bringle. Lula Bringle was Bennie Bewley's older sister.

Oklahoma was still a territory at this time and they witnessed the first run when the land was opened for homesteading.

They had a prosperous year in Texas farming for a large landowner, but homesickness drew them back to Dover, where they lived the rest of their lives. Eli was an Elder in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Charles Young bought a farm from his Grandmother Young, that is located two miles South of Dover. The original Deed is signed by President McKinley.

He was the father of one son, Charles Lynn, who married Gwendolyn Connerly, daughter of Richard and Nora (Brock) Connerly. Charles Young died January 24, 1965 at the age of 83. Bennie Eudy died August 5, 1967 at the age of 81. Charles Lynn farmed the home place until 1967 when he moved to Russellville where he is employed by Arkansas Power and Light Company.

Gwendolyn owned and operated the Mode-O-Day dress shop from 1964 until 1972. After selling the store, she became

store manager of Marva Sheltered Work-Shop where she is still employed.

Charles and Gwendolyn are parents of three daughters, Lynna Jo, married to Tom Whitworth, is Loan Secretary for Arkansas Valley Savings and Loan. Tom is Sales Manager for Valmac Industries. They have five children, Lisa Ann, Steven Craig, Vincent Mathew, Michael Lemoyne and Richard Kenrick. All are members of the Russellville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Marian Gwen, married to Carl Daily of Russellville, presently lives at Texarkana, Texas where Carl is an Investigator for Internal Revenue, and Marian teaches in a kindergarten. They have two children, Jeffrey Daniel, and Janet Lynn.

Margaret Ann, married to Jerry White of Quitman, Arkansas, lives at Flippin and is the mother of one daughter, Jennifer Dawn. Both are in Real Estate.

by Mrs. Charles Lynn Eudy

LONNIE LEE EVANS

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Lonnie Lee Evans was the son of William A. Evans and Susan C. McCaige, who were married in Conway County, Arkansas. They homesteaded land north of what is now Morrilton, Arkansas. Lonnie Lee was born January 13, 1874. He married Tennie Lee McCollough (born November 1, 1872). Their marriage licenses were recorded in Conway County, September 24, 1895. They moved from Morrilton to Atkins in 1903, where Lonnie operated a cotton gin. The Atkins Black Gin was a round bale press gin. Then, he owned with Reece Alewine, Atkins Roller Mill. He sold this and went in business with W.H. and R.O. Jones as owners of Atkins Gin Company. They owned and operated Atkins Cotton Gin, Atkins Bottling Works (made Soda Pop), Atkins Light Plant, Atkins Ice Plant. He had owned the Telephone Company but had sold it before his death.

He was the father of eight children. Ruth died in infancy. Susan Lorean (Evans) Horton, born 1898, in Plummerville. William James, born in 1900, at Morrilton. Lula Grace (Evans) Tucker born 1902 at Morrilton. Bessie Lee (Evans) Boggess, born 1904 at Atkins. Lonnie Ray, born 1907 at Atkins. Tennie Vore (Evans) Killough, born 1910 at Atkins. Majorie Pearl (Evans) Kapman born 1912 at Atkins.

Lonnie was an active member of the Atkins Methodist Church from 1903 until his death in 1941. He was Superintendent of the Sunday School, member of Stewards, taught a men's Bible class, member of Atkins School Board, Mayor of Atkins in 1923, a member of Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star, Woodmen of the World Lodge. Lonnie and Tennie Lee and their seven children were members of the Atkins Methodist Church, which is today the United Methodist Church. All seven children graduated from Atkins High School. Lonnie had eleven (11) grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and three (3) great-great-grandchildren.

Lonnie Lee died February 12, 1941, at St.

Mary's Hospital; Tennie Lee died February 13, 1941, at St. Mary's Hospital; the result of an auto accident when returning home from Wednesday night prayer meeting. Both are buried in Atkins City Cemetery.

William James Evans died May 25, 1954, in Miami Florida. He is buried in Atkins Cemetery. Lula Grace (Evans) Tucker died November 9, 1973, at Camden, Arkansas. She is buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Morrilton, Arkansas.

Lonnie Lee Evans was born January 13, and always lived within 13 miles of his birthplace; Plummerville, Morrilton, and Atkins, so he always said the Number 13 was lucky for him.

by Mrs. Earl Horton (Lorene Evans)

LITTLETON WEST EVANS

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Sgt. Littleton West Evans, Co. B 1st Va. Artillery CSA, was born in Tennessee March 6, 1831 and died in Pope County January 7, 1910. He was married to Leatha Ann Clark of Tenn. in 1856. They were the parents of 12 children, 8 boys and 4 girls. This family came to Pope County from Livingston County, Ky. about 1880 and settled on what is still known as the Evans Mountain in northwestern Pope County. There still exists a narrow and rough road leading to the old house place. It is easy to recognize from the large rocks used in the chimneys and the old pecan and hickory trees still standing. There is a large, natural, one room rock house on the north side of this mountain that has been used through the years for shelter for men and animals. The Annis chapel cemetery and church house, located in Johnson County, a few miles west of the Evans Mountain is the location of the L.W. Evans grave. There is an annual memorial service held here on the third Sunday in May in the church which is over 100 years old. Many members of the Evans family plan their vacation in Ark. especially to visit where their forefathers had settled.

The oldest daughter of L.W. and Leatha Evans was Nancy Jane, born in 1861. She married George Teer in St. Louis Missouri in 1880 during the Evans family move to Pope County. They were the parents of one child, Anna Elizabeth who was born Jan. 8, 1881. She married John Ed McAlister in 1901 in Pope County. They were the parents of Don who died in 1976, Audra E., wife of Bert L. Page, Joy, Zerl, Ed Garvis and two other children who died as infants.

Nancy Jane Evans Teer later married James Owen and there were born four children of this marriage, Ada Owen Wilson, Oda Owen Lovelady, Novle Owen and Vernon Owen.

After the death of L.W. Evans in 1910 the family moved to Oklahoma where Leatha died and was buried in the Box Cemetery near Vian. After this many of their descendants moved to California and there is an annual Evans Reunion held in Fresno each June. Bert and Audra McAlister Page attended this reunion in 1977 and received a plaque for traveling the most miles to attend. Mrs. Page is a great

granddaughter of L.W. Evans.
by Anna Page Fields and
Audra McAlister Page

ROY AND GREGORY FALLS

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Roy Falls, born August 30, 1877, was the third son of Erskine and Mollie Falls. For many years he was associated with his father in the general store at Pottsville. He later was cashier of the Citizens Bank at Pottsville. In 1929, he moved to Russellville and entered the real estate and insurance business. He was married to Mary Henry Wilson and they had two children, Wison Boyce Falls and Jeanice Falls. Roy died in January, 1975 and is buried at Pisgah cemetery at Pottsville. Mary is a resident of Stella Manor Nursing Home.

Gregory Falls was the oldest son of Erskin and Mollie Falls. He was an elected official of Pope County at the time of his death. He was married to Etta Brown and they had two children, Marvin and Grace. Gregory and Etta are both buried in Pisgah cemetery at Pottsville.

by Jeanice Falls

THOMAS BOSTON FALLS FAMILY

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A Dutch-Irish descendant, Andrew Nale Falls, came to this area from Gastonia, N.C., looking for land. He returned to N.C. and came back to Pottsville in 1851 with his wife and children. He established a farm one mile east of Pottsville in the area that Tom Falls and Mace Dunn later farmed. He was instrumental in the organizing of the Pisgah Presbyterian Church, where the Pisgah Cemetery is now located. As a charter member, he helped to construct the A.R.P. Church located in Pottsville. Since that time his descendants have been active members, deacons, and elders in the church. His wife, Margaret E. Quinn, died and he then married Martha E. Lee (relation of Gen. Robert E. Lee) on 11-27-1879. Raising a family during this time was difficult. Bringing his slaves from N.C. helped lighten the load until Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation set them free. Yet, some slaves remained as sharecroppers and have remained friends through the years. A granddaughter of an A.N.F. slave still lives in Russellville under the name of a Falls daughter, Fannie Falls. There were many frightening times for the family as carpetbaggers traveled through the area stealing and even killing for food and monies. A hiding place was made under the smokehouse. Frequently the family had to retreat to the dugout. A.N. and Martha had nine children (five died in infancy), Thomas Boston, Fannie Elizabeth, Annie Emaline and Monroe Oates.

Thomas B. was born 1-26-1883 and followed in his father's footsteps as a farmer and active member and officer in the ARP church. He served as an elder from 1924-1969. On 8-18-1910, Tom married Sally Belle Evans (1-30-1892), daughter of William and

Elizabeth Hawkins Evans. During their first year of marriage, they built a home which still stands one mile east of Pottsville. There they raised a family of five children.

Lenora Helen, born 6-11-1911, married J. Clarence Wilcox. She taught school for several years. Clarence is a Methodist minister and also taught. They have a son, James T., a pharmacist.

Mary Hazel, born 12-30-1913, married Clifford E. Hamaker. She worked as a clerk for many years. Clifford was a mechanic until retirement. There are three children, Barbara J. married George B. Peters. They are teachers and have three children, Sally J., Nance M., and Bruce W. Jane L. married Richard A. Kitt. They are teachers and have three children, Michael A., Brian R., and Erin A. Linda S. married Cleveland O. Reasoner, Jr. Linda is a program coordinator for ARVAC and C.O. is supervisor at the treatment plant. There are two children, Mary L. and Cleveland O. III.

William Nale, born 2-24-1916, married Mabel Findley. He is an ARP minister. There are four children. Phyllis A., Sarah F., William Nale, and M. Kathryn.

Thomas Bunn, born 11-10-1924, married M. Maxine Maxwell. They are teachers and have four children. Bunita K., T. Mas, Michael W., and J. Cockrel.

Patricia Ann, born 8-19-1931, married Monroe Barrett. She is a teacher and has two children, Charles M. and L. Jane.

The Depression came and times were hard, but Tom and Sally worked to feed their family and provide an education as well as instill christian principles. There was always an air of happiness and joy in the home despite the sometimes tedious jobs. There was sharing as friends and neighbors joined together to bale hay, kill hogs, quilt, help in sickness and death. Beauty was stressed both in nature and in people, and harsh words were seldom spoken even though they may have been in order as the grandchildren joined the children in corncob fights.

The grandchildren have pleasant memories of "God's purse". When eggs, etc., were sold the first ten percent went into the purse even before considering monies for other necessities. When the ARP Church burned in the 50's, Tom spent many hours cleaning bricks in preparation of rebuilding the present church, even though in his 70's. The first baptism of the rebuilt church was in the summer of 1960, when Tom and Sally had the pleasure of seeing their son, Nale, baptize their great granddaughter, Nancy Peters. Tom died 1-30-1969 and is buried at Pisgah Cemetery. Sally died 11-15-1969 and is buried next to Tom.

by Mrs. Clifford Hamaker

JAMES CLIFFORD FAULKNER

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James Clifford Faulkner was born on a farm near Cabot Arkansas in 1872. His parents died when he was a child and he went to live with an uncle, Dr. B.F. Wilson a dentist. They lived in Atkins for several years and then moved to Morrilton. He attended public

school in Morrilton and when about 18 years of age he worked with his uncle but soon found he liked mechanical things better so he went to work for Mr. J.E. Ketchum a jeweler and learned the watchmaking trade. In 1894 he was married to Martha Elizabeth Wilson and on January 7, 1896 a son was born, he was named William Joseph Faulkner. In the fall of 1895 he decided to go into business for himself and moved to Russellville in February 1896. He rented a space in Wm. Brooks drug store in building still standing at corner of Commerce and "B" Streets. In 1902 he moved to a building on main street and opened a new store. Later he moved to Commerce street where he had a nice jewelry and gift store on one side of the building and a soda fountain the other side. In the rear an "Ice Cream Parlor", which was very much in vogue in those days. In 1906 a fire which destroyed most of the buildings in his block wiped him out. After the fire he rented a space in T.B. Mouring drug store and started over again. When he began to get on his feet he and Doctor R.L. Smith and Louis Hood, druggist installed the first telephones in town. He had the first cash register, the first automobile and motorcycle. Many years before they came on the market he built a power lawn mower. When Joe became twenty years of age he was made a partner in the store. In 1918 Joe volunteered for service and was sent to Kelly Field Texas in the air force. He served in England and France and was discharged in April 1919. On January 7th 1924 Joe married Norma Ball daughter of J.M. Ball a pioneer Iron foundry man. To this couple two daughters were born, Virginia and Josephine Faulkner. The daughters each have three children. In 1963 Mrs. Faulkner passed away. Joe remained single till October 1968 when he married Mrs. Eunice Lincoln the widow of Ben Lincoln who had preceded her in death in 1962. Joe retired from business in 1973, the store having been in business for seventy seven years.

Joe was a charter member of the American Legion and served as commander and adjutant. Charter member of the Lions Club, the Country Club and served two terms on the school board also on board of governors of the Chamber of Commerce.

by W.J. Faulkner

JOHN JACKSON FAULKNER

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John Jackson Faulkner, a Civil War Veteran, came to Arkansas from Tennessee in 1869. He settled in Pope County and was a farmer and a blacksmith. He married Sarah Elizabeth Harville in 1875. He and Sarah and six children: Mary who died quite young, Lillie Faulkner Harville, Adena Faulkner Lewis, Birdie Faulkner Whitby, Joseph who died in infancy and T.C. or Thomas Cleveland Faulkner.

Thomas Cleveland Faulkner was born in 1884. He was a concrete and plastering contractor. In 1913 Thomas Cleveland Faulkner married Daisy Bideler whose parents were also Pope County pioneers.

T.C. and Daisy had six children born to

them. Roy, born in 1914, married Rachel Apple of Dardanelle. Roy has continued in the plastering and concrete business since his father retired. Pauline, born in 1916, married Harvey L. Nichols. Harvey retired from Arkansas Power and Light Co. in 1976. Leonard, born in 1919, married Catherine Teeter of Pottsville. He is V. Pres. of Walters Plastering Co. in Kansas City, Mo. Geraldine Faulkner, born in 1923, is married to Robert L. Campbell who is a salesman. Bettie Sue born in 1926 died in infancy. Jack, born in 1930, married Martha Jones of Russellville. He has his own metal window and door business in Little Rock.

T.C. and Daisy and all their children belong to the Methodist Church.

Daisy Faulkner is a granddaughter of Frazor (F.D.) and Della Moore who came to Arkansas from North Carolina in 1875 and homesteaded in Pope County on Norristown Mountain. They had eleven children who all lived until adulthood and held the homestead for three generations.

by T.C. Faulkner

THE FERGUSON FAMILY HISTORY

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William Oates Ferguson, Katherine Henry Ferguson, Mary Emily (Mollie) Ferguson (c. 1890).

The Fergusons of Pope County are descended from Scottish ancestors, coming by way of Gastonia, North Carolina, where they were members of the Pisgah Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. The common ancestor of these Fergusons was Robert Ferguson, born in Scotland in 1700 and died in North Carolina in 1794. His wife was named Sarah. One of their sons, Andrew, also born in Scotland and buried in Old Pisgah Cemetery, Gastonia, North Carolina, was the father of Thomas Warren Ferguson, who brought his family to Pope County, Arkansas in the early 1850's. Several different families of these North Carolina Presbyterians came dur-

ing this period as a group and settled near Pottsville in Pope County. (See Carl Parker history of Ferguson family.)

Thomas Warren Ferguson, born 1817 in North Carolina, died 1852 in Pope County, was married to Emily Oates, born 1821 in North Carolina, died 1888 Pope County. They are buried at Pisgah Cemetery, Pope County. Their children were William Oates, born November 24, 1846 in Gastonia, North Carolina, John and Mary. William Oates Ferguson, according to his daughter, was unhappy in school near Pottsville "because he was the only Democrat", so he "forged his age" and joined the Confederate Army during the Civil War. In 1868, he married Jane Katherine Henry, who came to Pope County in a wagon train caravan from York County, South Carolina with her parents at age seven. Six children were born to this union: Lilas, born in 1871, Andrew Henry, born in 1873, Robert, born in 1875, William Guy, born in 1877, Mary Emily (Mollie), born 1879 and Mackie Mae, born 1886. The last daughter, Mae, still living in 1978, remembers that the family lived in large two-story home in Pottsville where they made it possible for many less privileged relatives to stay with them and "get an education". William Oates was engaged in farming and merchandising in Pottsville. He died in 1898 and is buried in Pisgah Cemetery near Russellville. Jane Katherine Henry Ferguson died in 1935 and is also buried at Pisgah.

Lilas Ferguson was married to A.S. (Sid) Ragsdale in 1890 and their children were: Ethel, who married Elijah Hammond. There were no children of this union. She is still living in 1978. Joe, married Gussie Mathis; children: Thomas, married Jonada Kelley, whose children are Teresa, Tina. Martha Jo, married Vester Kinslow; children — Ken, Jerry. Joe Ragsdale with his son, was engaged in the automobile business for many years in Russellville. He died in 1975. Floyd, married Elizabeth Murphy. Their children — Edward, married Meredith Smith and their children are Linda and Alan; Ellen Ann, married John Hopkins, Floyd Ragsdale, a consulting civil engineer for many years, is currently President of First Federal Saving and Loan, Russellville. Catherine, married C.P. Kellam; one child, Garrie, married Shirley Golden; children: Art and Kim. They are owners of Kellam Vending Company.

Andrew Henry Ferguson, second child of William O. and Katherine Henry Ferguson, was for many years an attorney and judge in Durant, Oklahoma. He was married to Hazel Brown of Russellville, where they spent the retirement years of their life. There were no children of this marriage.

Robert Ferguson, a banker by profession, preceded his mother in death in 1918. He had no children.

William Guy was married to Hattie Ann Williamson of Russellville in 1902 and died of typhoid fever in the same year. He left one daughter, Dorcas Katherine. Guy was working as a grocery clerk at the time of his death and is buried in Pisgah Cemetery. He is remembered by those who knew him as a fine Christian young man with a wonderful personality.

Mollie Ferguson was married to Jesse M. Martin of Russellville, an attorney, State Senator and Circuit Judge at time of his death. Their only son, Ferguson Martin, died an untimely death as a young man.

Mae Ferguson, the youngest child of William Oates and Katherine Ferguson, still resides in Russellville in 1978. She has led a long life with much service to her fellow man.

Dorcas Katherine Ferguson, child of Guy and Hattie Ann Ferguson, was married to George O. Patterson, Jr. in 1927. For more information on their children and grandchildren, see Williamson family history. by Dorcas Ferguson Patterson and Alice Ann Harris

FERGUSON ANCESTRY

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As far back as the mind of man runneth, Fergusons have lived in Scotland. The Ferguson clan was quite strong and exerted considerable influence in the affairs of Scotland, being especially noted in making church history. The Ferguson clan has a coat of arms, a tarton with colors of blue and green plaid with a small red, white and blue stripe. Some of the family names who came over from Scotland in the 1700's were Ferguson, Oates, Crawford, Jackson, Whitesides, Blackwood and McCreedy. These families settled in the Carolinas and then moved to Arkansas in 1800. Robert Andrew Ferguson was born in Gaston County, North Carolina, In 1852 with his wife and negro slaves he moved to Pope County, Arkansas. He and his wife are buried in Pisgah Cemetery. He died from a cold contracted while setting a waterwheel at my grandpa Cap. Parker's old mill on Galla Creek south of Pottsville. It is gone now. This was my mother Lula-Parker Ferguson's birth place. S.J. Robertson lives in grandpa's old home and it is still beautiful and well kept. There is a cemetery where slaves and freed blacks are buried. Old Benz Parker, a freed slave, stayed on until his death and was also buried there. My father's mother came over from Scotland with her family and many more families. They landed in New Orleans. All her family except a brother died and was buried at sea. Her brother, with the other kin, settled in Bandon, Texas, where she met my grandpa. They later married and had two boys — my father William, and uncle Warren. She died when uncle Warren was born and my father was three years old. R.A. (Uncle Bob) and his wife, aunt Bell Woods, came from Scotland. They raised Papa and Uncle Warren. Uncle Bob went to Texas after the Gold Rush in California with about \$30,000 in gold in a belt around his waist. My Papa came to Arkansas and lived with May Ferguson's family in Pottsville. There he met my mother, Lula Parker. They married and had three children — Rupert, Emily (who lived only a few months), and John who was ten years younger than me.

I married Bertie Talley in Atkins, Arkansas, February 4, 1914, at four o'clock in the afternoon. We have a daughter, Laura-Lou Ferguson, who comes to see me once a year. My

father W.P. Ferguson helped to build Russellville. With a lot of help, he and I crushed the rock at Ouita and hauled it to town with mules and wagons and paved three blocks of Main Street. If you think Main Street is wide now, you should have tried paving it with the small mixers we had then. My father bought the block across Main Street on the northeast corner from the Court House, which is now Burris Office Supply. We had a wagon yard there for years. Later he started building store buildings and selling them. I just sold Troy Burris his building about three years ago. Eunice Ferguson, John's widow, comes in for her part of what John and I inherited from our parents. Where Peter's Furniture store has a parking lot now on North Arkansas Avenue, Papa built a livery stable and rented out buggies and horses. On the corner he built a building for Plunkett and Jarrell Wholesale Grocery. He was always buying land. We would clear out ditches, build a house and barn, get it in good shape and sell it. Then do the same thing with more land. At one time Papa owned property on both sides of the road that is now 12th Street. From Sequoyah School West to the mountain where Camelot Additon is now, in 1920 we planted 40 acres of strawberries on this place. That was way too many strawberries. We ploughed them up the next year and went back to cotton. At one time, Papa had 100 mules that were one to two years old.

by Rupert P. Ferguson

FERGUSON FAMILY HISTORY

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My mother's maiden name was Mary Baird Ferguson, born at Pottsville, Arkansas, August 20, 1880. She was the daughter of William Pinkney Ferguson and Mary Catherine Whitesides. I bear the middle name of "Ferguson" with great pride.

My mother was married to William Reece Parker on December 11, 1901. The Parker



Carl F. Parker, son of Mrs. Mary Ferguson Parker and Wm. R. Parker. Carl F. Parker was Purchasing Agent and Commr. of Revenues in administration of Gov. Sid McMath:

Family History is included in this POPE COUNTY HISTORY.

Robert Andrew Ferguson and his wife, Mary McGill Falls, were the paternal grandparents of my mother. Her maternal grandparents were James P. Whitesides and his wife, Catherine Wilson. These families lived in Gaston County, N.C.

The Ferguson and Whitesides families, in particular, were of Scotch ancestry, and were members of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, of Scotch origin. The Old Kings Mountain Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, predecessor of the Pisgah Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Gastonia, N.C., was organized in 1789, and the first building was on land owned by George Ferguson.

Robert Andrew Ferguson was born March



Mrs. Mary Ferguson Parker, Cathryn Parker, William R. Parker, summer of 1926, home south of Pottsville, Ark.

4, 1812. In 1852 he and his family, including eight children, moved to the area south of Pottsville in Pope County. The Fergusons came with a party of North Carolina families which included the Whitesides, Falls, Oates, Henrys, Parkers, and others, a total of about 75.

Upon his death on May 1, 1861, his estate consisted of 980 acres of land. His wife died on Feb. 21, 1862. Both are buried in Pisgah Cemetery, Pottsville.

The sixth child of Robert Andrew Ferguson and wife was William Pinkney Ferguson, born in Gaston County, N.C., September 17, 1849, who died Jan. 29, 1901.

Another well-known family name in Gaston County, N.C., is that of Whitesides. James P. Whitesides, born in Gastonia in 1819, married Catherine Wilson on March 12, 1844. They were in the wagon train which came to Arkansas in 1852, accompanied by five of their children.

Their seventh child was Mary Catherine Whitesides, born at Pottsville, on May 2, 1858, who died at Pottsville on May 22, 1919.

William Pinkney Ferguson and Mary Catherine Whitesides married and became the parents of three children as follows, all of whom were born at Pottsville: Mary Baird, born Aug. 20, 1880, married Wm. R. Parker, Dec. 11, 1901, and died Dec. 10, 1960; Amanda Pearl, born Aug. 8, 1888, married Cospier B. Yaerger, Sept. 23, 1916 and died May 21, 1974; Guy, born April 16, 1893, married Carrie Morton, Jan. 28, 1914 and died June 2, 1964.

Guy Ferguson and wife, Carrie Morton, became the parents of eight children, four sons and four daughters. His widow, Aunt Carrie Ferguson, lives at Pottsville.

Amanda Pearl Ferguson and husband, Cospier B. Yaerger, became the parents of two children, one of whom, Dale, has lived in Russellville for many years.

My mother, Mary Baird Ferguson, and my father, William Reece Parker, were the parents of Carl F. Parker, born at Atkins, Ark., Feb. 15, 1905, and Cathryn Drucilla Parker, born at Atkins, Apr. 27, 1915. My sister Cathryn married Robert Petty, Jr., of Siloam Springs, Ark. on Oct. 3, 1937. They reside in Anaheim, Calif., and are the parents of three daughters.

The writer of this family history, Carl Ferguson Parker, married Helen Williamson, daughter of T.F. Williamson and Mable Roys Williamson, members of pioneer Russellville families, on June 5, 1932, in Central Presbyterian Church, Russellville.

Helen and I are parents of two children: Mary Alice Parker, born 1934, in Russellville; and David, born 1938, in Clarksville. A more complete sketch of our family will be found under the Parker Family History in this volume.

It should be noted that this sketch of the Ferguson family refers only to Robert Andrew Ferguson, his wife, and their descendants. There were at least two other Ferguson families which moved from Old Pisgah in Gaston County, N.C., to Pope County in the Pottsville area around 1850-1855. We refer

specifically to Warren Ferguson and John M. Ferguson.

What a tremendously rich heritage has been bestowed upon us by our families. We want to preserve that heritage and cherish their memories.

by Carl Ferguson Parker

ROBERT FELTNER

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Robert Feltner

Robert Feltner was born in Wooten, Kentucky October 12, 1890. He joined the Army at an early age and was assigned to Ft. Roots, Arkansas. In 1914 he was sent to Mexico when Veracruz was occupied by U.S. Forces. After returning to the States he was assigned to recruiting duty in Arkansas and came to Russellville around 1917.

While in Russellville he met Theoda Herrin (See article on Frank Herrin) and they were married on June 2, 1918.

After getting out of the Army in 1920 Robert became a barber and for many years maintained a shop in downtown Russellville. The location of his last shop, the one he owned when he died in 1950, was on West B Street immediately behind C & D Drug Store (The Old Palace Drug Store).

Robert and Theoda had two children. Robert Franklin was born February 3, 1926 and lived in Russellville until graduating from high school in 1944. He joined the Navy the day he graduated and served in the Pacific, aboard an LST, until the end of World War II. Upon returning to Russellville he married Juanita Scroggins of Morrilton and they moved to Alice, Texas where they remained for 16 years. In 1964 they moved to Clearwater, Florida and then in 1965 they moved back to Russellville. Robert and Juanita are the owners of the popular Whatta Burger near the Arkansas Tech campus on North Arkansas Avenue.

While in Texas Bob and Nita had three children, John Robert on August 25, 1952, Melissa Ann on November 18, 1953 and Pamela Lynn on October 19, 1956. All three of their children finished high school at Russellville and John and Melissa (Missey) still

live in Russellville, Pam lives in Ft. Smith at the present time.

Melissa is married to Randy Ellis from Dardanelle and they have two children. Carey Ann (March 10, 1974) and James Randall (January 10, 1976). Their children who were born in Russellville are sixth generation descendants of Pope County residents on the Herrin side of the family.

The other child born to Bob and Ode, as they were known to their friends, was Homer Lee on July 9, 1937. He is a lifelong resident of Russellville and is married to the former Mary Don Wallis of Clarksville. He finished high school in Russellville in 1955 and graduated from Arkansas Tech in 1960.

Homer and Mary have three children, Steve, November 20, 1959, Tammy, August 31, 1961 and Donald, April 6, 1965. All of their children are still Pope County residents. Although Homer works in Little Rock as the purchasing agent for Quality Foods he and his family still reside in Pope County.

Robert and Theoda, who died in 1970, were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and Robert was Mason. They are buried at Oaklawn Cemetery in Russellville, Arkansas.

by Homer Feltner.

JOHN EDWARD FIELDS

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John Edward Fields, born January 24, 1853, and a brother, Jesse, came to Pope County from Ohio in the late 1800's or early 1900's. They settled in Atkins. John E. had five sons: Hansel Oden, Jesse W., Jack, Charles W., and James. He had one daughter: Julia. He and his sons were farmers. He bought a farm on the Arkansas River about seven miles south of Atkins on January 3, 1918. He died March 5, 1924 and the land passed to his sons, Jesse and Jack. James and Charles preceded him in death. He was a member of The National Republican League for two years: 1921-1923.

Charles W. died unmarried.

Jesse W. married Ollie Deal Alexander and had two children, Billy and Jesse Ernestine. Both are married and reside in Pope County. Billy and his wife, Juanita, have two daughters: Tammie and Traci. Ernestine married Tom Hawkins and they have two children. Jesse W. served in France during WWI.

Jack married Eunice Stout in 1924. They had six children; Virginia, Helen, Forrest, Jack B., Russell, and Ronald.

James was married and had three sons: Jesse, Cecil and Charles Edward. James and his son Charles are deceased. Cecil and Jesse reside in Texas.

Julia married Martin Standridge. They had no living children. Julia died in Atkins in 1974. Martin had preceded her in death by several years.

Hansel Oden, born January 20, 1882, married Lula M. Hooker, born August 28, 1890, in 1906. They owned land in Pottsville and farmed the first few years of their marriage. They had moved to Atkins shortly before the untimely death of Oden at a sawmill south of

Atkins on August 15, 1914. They had three children: Reba Jane, born August 22, 1908, John Loyd, born December 24, 1910, and Mary Oleda, born August 21, 1913. John Edward was very helpful to Lula during the years following her beloved husband's death.

Reba married O.L. Sweeden November 8, 1924 and had two sons: Thomas Oden and Ortis Edmond. Ortis married Irma Ruth Mitchell and had three children: Glen, Gail, and Anita. Gail is married to Rick Welcher, whose relatives are long time residents of Pope County. Glen is married. All reside in Pope County.

Mary married Steve Etheridge. They had two children: Robert Steve and Glenda Annette. Robert is married to Cheryl Hutchison of Plainfield, N.J. They had three children: Todd, Kurt, and Shawn. Kurt died in an accident in November 1977. Glenda is married to Richard Lanning of Mountain Home. They have two daughters: Ashely and Marcie.

John Loyd married Gladys Wade, Born February 16, 1918, on November 3, 1934. Gladys' parents and grandparents were pioneers of Pope County. John was a farmer and for few years rented a farm from his Uncle Jesse. He bought the farm March 1, 1941, which originally belonged to John Edward, his grandfather. John died June 24, 1954 and the farm passed to his heirs: Gladys and three children. The children were: Marilyn Jane, born January 22, 1936, Johnny Carl, born September 11, 1937, and Gladys Jeanette, born September 30, 1942. All three graduated from Atkins High School.

Marilyn married 1st/Lt. Donald R. Huffman of Eureka Springs, on December 12, 1958, in Westfield, N.J. Donald's parents and grandparents were pioneer residents in Carroll County, Arkansas. Two children were born of this union: Leslie Anne, April 24, 1961 and Donald Wade, Born February 16, 1963. Marilyn graduated from the University of Central Arkansas in August 1958. She taught Home Ec. in Manville, N.J., two years and one year in Prince George's County, Maryland. Her husband, now a LT Col., retired from the USMC August 1, 1976 and they and their two children reside in Fayetteville where he is a 3rd year law student at the University of Arkansas.

Johnny married Sandra Jane Houston, Born July 8, 1941, of W. Monroe, Louisiana, on December 19, 1959 at the Atkins Church of Christ. Sandra can trace her family back to General Sam Houston, the first President of the New Republic of Texas. Three children were born of this union: Debra Lynne, October 4, 1961, Cynthia Anne, June 8, 1963, and John Mark, August 18, 1966. They reside in Atkins. Johnny made the High School Football Hall of Fame and went on to the University of Arkansas where he was a member of the Razorbuck team from 1957-1960. He graduated in January 1962 with a degree in Animal Husbandry. He is now one of Sterwin's top salesmen in Poultry Vaccines. Johnny and Sandra are very active in Church and community affairs. Johnny now serves as a deacon in the Church of Christ and Sandra is beginning her second term as President of the Atkins PTA.

Jeanette married John Steinberger of Asbury Park, N.J. on January 31, 1964 in Washington D.C. John is employed by the Army in Bethesda, Maryland. They have two children: John Paul, born October 10, 1965 and Anne Michelle, born January 30, 1968. After High School graduation, Jeanette went to Washington D.C. to be employed by the F.B.I.. She was employed for a time by Georgetown University to work for the wife of General Claire Chennault, who was well known for his "Flying Tigers" of WWII. She and her family reside in historical Manassas, Virginia.

John Edward, his sons, Charles, James, Jesse, and Jack, and grandson, John Loyd are buried in the Atkins Cemetery.

Hansel Oden, father of John Loyd, is buried at Pisgah Cemetery at Pottsville.

Hansel Oden, James, and John Loyd were members of "Woodmen of the World". Julia and Lula were members of the Woodmen's Circle for ladies.

by Marilyn Fields Huffman

GEORGE FIKE

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My Father, Geo. Fike was born 2/9/1863 at Berlin, Pa. On his way to Ark. he lived in Kokomo, Ind., Bloomington, Ill. Hornersville and West Plains, Mo. before arriving at Lake City, Ark. in 1911. He moved to Conway in 1920 and to Russellville in 1925. He was married four times and by his third wife, Francis Turner, he had three sons, Chester, Edward (Ed) and Ernest. Ed lived in Russellville for a no. of years and was a barber and Presbyterian Minister. Ernest was b. 3/3/1909 at West Plains, Mo. and lived with the family until he married Clela Dollar dau. of Arthur and Clell Thompson Dollar, in 1933. He is the Father of two sons, William A. (Bill) b. 7/17/1935 and David (Bud) b. 3/21/37. Bill married Anna Sweeden of Atkins and adopted her two daus., Roxann b. 10/18/1961 and Terry b. 7/8/1968 and is the Father of twin boys, Keith and Kavin b. 10/23/1966. Bill lives at Atkins and is employed by the Russellville School System. Bud married Dorothy Clark and is the Father of a son and dau. Richard Allen b. 4/3/1958 and Sherry Lynn b. 6/10/1962. David is employed in the computer dept. of Amarada and Hess Pet. Co. at Tulsa, Okla. Ernest and Clela belong to the Second Baptist Church at Russ. Ernest was employed from 1925 to 1939 by Freeman Sample Shoe Store at Russ. He then worked for his brotherinlaw, Geo. Breedlove, who died in 1952. Mr. Breedlove owned the New Sample Shoe Store and after his death Ernest operated the store for his sister, Mrs. Bertha Breedlove, until her death after which he bought the store from his nieces. He operated the store until his retirement in 1973.

by Ernest Fike

REV. EARL FINDLEY

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Rev. Earl Findley is the grandson of

Lorenzo Dow Findley, who was born in Lincoln County, Tennessee, December 23, 1817. He died December 18, 1903, in Pope County, Arkansas, and is buried in Pisgah Cemetery. He fought in the Civil War on the side of the North and moved to Pope County soon after the war and settled in the Gum Log Community.

Ozrow (Duge) Findley was born March 26, 1874 and died September 3, 1941 and is also buried in the Pisgah Cemetery. He was the youngest child of Lorenzo Dow Findley and lived all of his life on the Old Dow Findley Home place, three miles east of Russellville.

I, Rev. Earl Findley, was the third son of Ozrow (Duge) Findley and was born January 1, 1910. I was reared in a Christian home, my parents belonging to the Assembly of God Church. In 1937, I entered the ministry and have been preaching for the Assemblies of God since. I have held pastorates in both Pope and Yell Counties. On November 8, 1929, I married Alice Janet Morphis of Pottsville, Arkansas and we have one child; Wanda Lee Findley who was born September 26, 1932. Besides being a minister, I have had considerable experience managing a meat market and have also followed the carpenter trade.

by Rev. Earl Findley

LORENZO D. FINDLEY

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Joel Findley was said to have been born in Ireland, April 14, 1792, and died in 1842. He was married to Susan, and it is believed her last name was Blair. The first records are found in Lincoln County, Penn. In the early 1840's they moved to McNairy County, Tenn., where Joel died and was buried there. In the late 1850's, Susan and the three youngest boys, Lorenzo D., John W. and Josiah, came to Pope County, Arkansas. Martin and Brice M. Findley, the two eldest sons and their families stayed in Penn. Lorenzo D. Findley married Arvie Hughes and they had eight children. John W., married Rachel Guest and they had no children. Josiah, married Matilda Guest and they were the parents of five children.

In 1895, a daughter of Brice M. Findley, Rebecca Findley McGarity and her husband, William E. McGarity, with their three sons, William B., John G. and James M. McGarity, came to Pope County.

Lorenzo (Dow) and Annie Hughes Findley's children were: Sarah Jane who married John C. McElwee and they had no children.

Joe, married Sarah Wiggins.

Susan A., married James W. Hood. Two of their children, William Alvie who married Florence Petray and Ernest, who married Lorene Motley, live in Russellville, Ark. Lawrence, married Martha Shockley.

Maggie, married Hiram Jones and several of their grandchildren live in Pope County. Bub Jones who married Ida Hogan and their son, Hira, and a daughter, Mildred Standridge (Mrs. Robert) live at Dover and Reba Henderson lives at Russellville. Others live in California. Ora Jones Fincher, lives in Alabama and

her children live in Alabama and Texas. Eddie Jones, who is deceased, married Minnie Hottinger of Dover. The oldest daughter, Elsie, married William McGarity and both are buried at Harlington, Texas. One of their sons, lives at Wynne, Ark. and others in Texas.

Mary E. Findley married Sam M. Smith and they lived in Russellville, on East Fourth Street, about where the Roper Real Estate is now located, and remained there until death.

William W. Findley, married Annie Stapp and they had the following children: Lela D., married Harry Baker; Ollie D., married Lillian Heathcoat; Emmet D., married Mae Ramsey and they live in Missouri; Ona Faye, married Will Hall and Nola Faye died at the age of one year. William W., then married Mattie Stapp and they had a son, Claude G. who married Elizabeth J. Valenceus and they and his mother, Mattie, live in Oklahoma.

Orzrow Dow Findley, married Willie Stapp and they had four children: Burgess, married Leona Armstrong; Lola, married first to Lee Frost and they had no children and she later married John Riggs; Earl, married Janet Morphis and they had one daughter, Wanda, who married Roy Tillman, Jr.; Lucille, married Frank Williamson and they have one son, Ronnie Williamson.

There are numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren of these pioneers in Pope County, today. A son of Ollie Findley, grandson of William W., Rev. L.B. Findley, is a Assembly of God Minister. Rev. Earl Findley, son of L. Dow Findley and grandson of Lorenzo S. and Annie Hughes is also an Assembly of God Minister.

by Mrs. Reece Bowden

JAMES ALFRED SMITH FINLEY **235**

James Alfred Smith Finley came to Mixon Valley five miles So. of Booneville, Logan Co. as a young man from near Chattanooga Tenn. soon after the Civil War. He married Elizabeth Springer and was the Father of one dau. and two sons, Mattie, John and Lewis.

John married Magnolia (Maggie) Phillips 10/8/1905 and was the Father of two sons and three daughters, Lester, Jesse, Easter, Deffie and Lorene.

Lester b. 4/27/1907 married Ethel Marie Doyel 3/20/1928 who was the dau. of Luther and Nancy Jane Doyel of Waldron, Ark. Both were employed by the State Sanatorium near Booneville but moved to Eldorado, Ark. in Sept of 1937 where he was employed by Ark. Power & Lt. Co. They were transferred to Russellville in Jan. of 1941. He retired 5/1/1972 after over thirty four years of service. He is also a retired volunteer fireman, past master of Russellville Masonic Lodge #274 and past pres. of Pope Co. Historical Society. He is the Father of two sons, Dale Winston b. 5/19/1941 and Wayne Lee b. 2/13/1943.

Dale married Travis Lane Martin 7/21/72 and is a graduate of Hendrix College and Ark. Law School of Fayetteville and practices law in Russellville. Wayne married Carolyn Findley 5/26/61 and has a dau. and son, Debbie and David. He is a graduate of Ark. Polytechnic

College and is employed by Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. as Technical Advisor.

by Lester Finley

PAUL IDELL FISER **236**

Paul Idell Fiser was born in Shawnee, Oklahoma, February 10, 1908, a son of Maude Poindexter and Robert Headley Fiser. He graduated from Morrilton High School, Morrilton, Arkansas, in 1927 and from Arkansas College, Batesville, Arkansas, in 1931. He coached football teams at Harding College, Danville High School, and Batesville High School. In 1938 he became superintendent of the N.Y.A. Boys' Camp at Melbourne, Arkansas. The National Youth Administration transferred him to the state offices in Russellville in 1940. When this government agency was phased out, he became affiliated with the U.S. Navy Air Cadet program at Arkansas Tech as a coach and, later, manager of food services. He retired from Arkansas Tech in 1973.

Mrs. Fiser, formerly Alice Proctor Martin of Warren, Arkansas, has taught Seventh Grade English in the Russellville Public Schools since 1960. Their children are Alice Ann (Mrs. Lee A. Munson), Dr. Paul Martin Fiser (Married Lissa Reed), and Susan Elizabeth (Mrs. Mark Taylor). Their five grand-children are Eric Paul and Susan Alissa Munson, Noel Reed and Barrett Headley Fiser, and Caroline Elizabeth Cody.

by Paul Idell Fiser

RALPH THOMAS FISHER **237**

John Benford Fisher, born 1850, Indiana, was married 1871 to Lydia Caroline Plank of Ind. He died 1913, Jasper, Fla. Lydia, born 1855, and died 1887 at Strickland, Nebraska. They had four children born in Warren County, Indiana.

Ralph Thomas Fisher, born 1873, was married 1917 to Allie Mae Finchum of Mill Creek, Ark. Ralph owned a farm in the Fair View community. He died in 1955. Allie died in 1964. They moved to Meridian, Idaho in 1924 and belonged to the Assembly of God Church. Ralph farmed. They had six children — four now living.

John Elias Fisher, born 1875, was married 1920 to Estella Hensell of Superior, Nebr. She was a teacher and faithful Christian. John was a pioneer farmer near Meridian, Idaho and was an active member, elder, and Bible School teacher in the Church of Christ for over sixty years. He died in 1972. Estella died in 1967. The couple had one daughter — Jean Fisher of Meridian, Idaho.

Martha Catherine Fisher, born 1878, was married 1902 to William R. Hadsock in Wauchula, Fla. He died in 1966. Martha died in 1916 in Wauchula. She was a consecrated Christian and did evangelistic work in the Church of God. The couple had one son — Robert L. Hadsock of St. Petersburg, Florida.

Dora Sylvia Fisher, born 1880, was married 1908 to James Alexander (Alec) Rachel of East Point, Pope County. Dora died in 1947 at

East Point. She and her husband buried at East Point Cemetery. They had one son — James Alfred.

John Benford re-married after Lydia died. He and his wife, Margaret Davis, his four children and his step-son left Hayes County, Nebr. the last of June, 1894 and traveled in covered wagons through Pawnee, Okla. to Russellville, Arkansas, arriving there in August, 1894. They brought five wagons — one driven by John B. and his wife, one by Ralph, one by John E., one by Martha and Dora, and one by step-son, Will Davis. As they traveled they would stop along the way and work. On the way one of the mares had a foal so they built a pen in the back of the wagon in front of the mare so she could see the foal. They spent their first night in Pope County camped at the pioneer campground near the Green Point area. Later, Dora drove a wagon to Florida with her father and stepmother, lived there a while, then returned to Ark. to keep house for her brother, Ralph. John E. attended Normal School at Atkins in 1896 and taught the winter term at Green Point School. One of his pupils, Willie Smith, taught at Green Point in 1906 — 7. Among his "memories" were friends Ed Malone, Chas. Bailey, Ezra Shinn, and a group of young folks having a picture made at Chimney Rock, Mill Creek. He recalled the Brush Arbor meetings of "The Crusaders". One of the old timers told him that in 1863 the Ark. River froze over, hard enough so they could cross it on the ice with teams and cannon. John E. left Ark. in 1897, went to Iowa for a year, then spent six years in Omaha, Nebr., attending Business College and working for various business firms. He went to Idaho in 1904.

by Jean Fisher

JOHN S. FOREHAND **238**

John S. Forehand, born 6 July 1893 on a farm near Dover, was the son of Charley W. Forehand, born 4 Aug. 1859 in Woodruff County, Ark. William W. Forehand, the grandfather, was born 9 Sept. 1836 in Georgia near the Florida State Line but came to eastern Arkansas prior to the Civil War. William W. Forehand and his two brothers fought during the Civil War, both brothers dying in the conflict. On one occasion during the War, William commanded a detachment of 32 men when the Union forces moved up to attack. William ordered his men not to fire until they could see the "whites" of the enemy eyes so that the chance of success would be greater. After a spirited battle, the enemy retreated for a short time. Upon the return of the enemy, the battle plan was again used and shortly the enemy left the area in defeat.

William W. Forehand had married a Miss Thomas prior to the War and their only child, Charley W. was born. The family moved to Fayetteville so that Charley might have better educational advantages but after a short stay, moved to Pope Co. where Charley attended school at Dover. After finishing his education, Charley Forehand taught school in Pope County before going into other work. He met

and married Ella Faucett on 15 May 1882. Her father operated a cotton gin in Dover. The children of Charley and Ella Faucett Forehand were: Mace, Jim, Georgia, Mary Eunice, Claude, John and Grace. Besides teaching, Charley kept books for the Tom M. Neal Mercantile business in Dover, operated a drug store for a number of years and later was a traveling salesman.

John S. Forehand was educated in the Dover and Russellville schools. He recalls that his first grade teacher was Miss Rowenna Grant, a sister of Dr. James R. Grant. John's brother, Claude, two years younger, insisted upon starting to school at the same time John enrolled. Mrs. Forehand solved the problem by teaching Claude at home and on the day that Claude enrolled in school, he joined John in the third grade. John admits that Claude had an easier time in school and that Claude went on to the Russellville "Aggie" School where he made the football team. John married Sue Franklin, the daughter of Henry and Essie Brooks Franklin. Their children were: Margaret, who died at the age of 11 mo. and 18 days; and Dick who was killed before he was 13 in an auto accident. John has devoted the major part of his life to law enforcement work. He was Deputy Sheriff under Walter Turnbow in the early 1920s and was Deputy and Jailer when Billy Eustice was Pope Co. Sheriff. In 1940, John S. Forehand was elected Pope Co. Sheriff and served from 1941 to 1947, a total of 3 terms. Later he became a Game Warden and worked at this for a number of years. John remembers that two of the deputy sheriffs who served under him later became elected sheriffs themselves and both died in office. Bob Rankin was later Pope Co. Sheriff and upon his death while in office, his wife succeeded him. The other Deputy, Richard Wait moved to Fulton Co., Ark. where he was elected Sheriff but died before he could take office. His wife served two full terms as Fulton Co. Sheriff. John and his brother, Claude, were both veterans of World War I. In recent years John has grown livestock as he has always liked the out-of-doors.

John and Sue Forehand have felt deeply the loss of their two children but this loss has brought about a greater appreciation for each other and also an appreciation for the successes and favors which they have received. Both are active members of the North New Hope Assembly of God Church that is located near their home.

by John S. Forehand

ZADOC FORD

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Zadoc Ford was born December 3, 1806. He was married to Margaret Kendle September 1, 1824. Margaret was born in Tennessee on March 8, 1808. The E.N. Webb family Bible, now in possession of Mrs. Katie Webb Murdoch, lists the following children born to the Zadoc Fords: Erasmus D. (b. 1826), Nancy (b. 1828), Rowena (b. 1830), John B.B. (b. 1832, Verlinda Jane (b. 1834), Levi P. (b. 1836), William S. (b. 1838), Mary P. (b. 1840), Washington (1842), Sarah F. (b.

1844), George W. (b. 1847), Zadoc (b. 1852).

Erasmus D. Ford died in Texas January 24, 1852. John B.B. Ford was killed during the Civil War at the Battle of Oak Hills or Wilson's Creek. Mary P. Ford married Hampton Webb and became the mother of E.N. Webb and Margaret Webb Haney. Many descendants of Mary P. still live in Pope County. Zadoc Ford died January 14, 1865 and his wife died February 1, 1876. Mary P. Ford Webb is buried at Oakland cemetery north of Atkins. None of the other gravesites are known. It is thought that George W. and maybe others of the Fords moved to Texas.

by Katie Murdoch

JOHN CASWELL FORREST

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John Caswell Forrest was born January 16, 1849 in Stanly County, North Carolina. His parents were Jesse T. and Missouri (?) Forrest. He came to Pope County, Arkansas between 1875 and 1878 for he married Mary F. Robertson on May 11, 1878 in the Ball Hill Community in Pope County, Arkansas. They had a son who died as an infant. It is probable that Mary died at childbirth. Both Mary and the baby are buried in Ball Hill Cemetery northwest of Russellville. J.C. Forrest went into the lumber trade with John F. Turner at Ball Hill. He boarded with Mr. Turner's family and on April 10, 1881 married Emma Ann Turner, John F. Turner's sister. J.C. Forrest and J.F. Turner also traded for land, especially timber land to supply their sawmill. John C. and Emma A. Forrest had seven children.

1. Laura Jane born February 10, 1882 died January 21, 1861 married Ed. B. Ferrel. They had four sons and one daughter.
2. Jesse J. born February 24, 1884 died May 1, 1949 married Treva Wagner. They had one son and two daughters.
3. Missouri Frances (Frankie) born January 25, 1886 died March 12, 1960 married Ervin Cole on January 18, 1903. They had one son and four daughters.
4. Ethel born September 30, 1888 died February 12, 1972 married True Q. Harwell on December 6, 1907. They had two daughters.
5. Lena born April 20, 1891 married Clyde Bollinger on December 24, 1921. They had an adopted daughter.
6. Ada May born May 9, 1894 died November 13, 1977 married Fred Eudy on December 18, 1915. They had one daughter.
7. John Caswell, Jr. (Jay) born April 10, 1897 died January 18, 1961 married Viva Lee Brooks on November 19, 1921. They had two children. Only one son lived. John Caswell Forrest remarried August 20, 1902 to Sarah Jane V. Hatley Petty. She was born February 17, 1876 and died July 13, 1960. They had two daughters.
8. Ruth Eva born February 26, 1904 married Wallace G. Jennings. They had a son and a daughter.
9. Ilah Cleo born September 12, 1907 died August 6, 1962 married Charles Finis Owens on November 4, 1938. They had two daughters.

After his marriage to Emma Turner, J.C. Forrest bought a farm in Dover, Arkansas where he lived for all his remaining years. He

died on June 3, 1917. His widow Sarah J. Forrest lived there until her death in 1960 at which time the estate was sold and divided by his heirs.

by Lina Owens Boyd

FOUNTAIN FAMILY HISTORY

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William R. Fountain, born in Wild Cherry, Arkansas, Izard County, 1876 was married to Margaret Alzina Roberts of Witts Springs, Arkansas. They settled in the Tilly Community, Pope County, around 1900. He was a farmer and land owner.

William R. died July 1916, leaving his wife Alzina to raise her nine children. She did this without any support of welfare. They made their living on the farm and from real estate.

They gave each of their nine children 40 acres of land. Four of the children are still living in Tilly.

Cloy died January 1931, Roy died December 1932, Floyd died August 1965 and Silas died May 1972.

Floyd was a life long resident of Tilly. He was a farmer and cattleman. He was killed in a car accident in August 1965, at the age of 62. Floyd and his wife Evangeline had three children living. James and his family live in Marshall, Arkansas, Rosalie and her family live in North Carolina, Gerald and his family live in Tilly. Each of their children and families are members of the Tilly Missionary Baptist Church.

Willie W. and his wife Elsie have always lived their married life in Tilly. They have five children.

Bertha and her husband, Fletcher Godfrey have lived all their live in Tilly.

Annabelle and her husband, Ira Duncan live in Marysville, California. They have six children.

Velva has three children. Jessie Mae and her family live in Marysville, California. Lenora and her husband live in Michigan. Ray and his family live in Tilly. Ray owns the land where the first Tilly Post Office was established. His home is built on the site of the first Tilly Post Office. Each of Velva's children are members of the Tilly Missionary Baptist Church. Ray's family are also members.

Alfred married Avis Freeman of Chimes, Arkansas, Van Buren County in 1936. He and Avis have three children. Alfred and Avis opened and started the business of Fountain's Grocery on July 1, 1939. They are still owners of Fountain's Grocery and Exxon Station. They have been in this business for 39 years.

They have been the buying station for Atkins Pickle Company and been in this business since early 1950's. Alfred also is a farmer, timberman and cattleman.

Avis has been Postmaster of Tilly since April, 1943. The Post Office is in their grocery store.

Avis has accumulated several Postal Awards throughout the years. One she was especially proud of was a Special Achievement Award and a cash award for superior performance March 26, 1973.

Alfred was named to Who Who's in Arkan-

sas in 1974. He and Avis are members of the Tilly Missionary Baptist Church. He is a Deacon and Sunday School Superintendent. Avis is church treasurer and former Sunday School Teacher.

Their three children live in Tilly on land that their parents gave each of them. Alfred's parents gave him this land which he still lives on.

Marilyn, married to GERAL HURLEY of Hector, Arkansas. GERAL works for Firestone Tire and Rubber Company of Russellville. Marilyn works in Fountain's Grocery, and is the replacement for her mother in the Tilly Post office. Both are members of the Tilly Missionary Baptist Church.

Charles, married to Peggy Tackett of Hector. They have one daughter, Ashley, age 10. Charles is self-employed. He is a cattleman, timberman, real estate, heavy equipment operator and in the trucking business. Peggy works in Fountain's Grocery. Both are members of the Tilly Missionary Baptist Church.

Charlene, married to Mack Tester of Clinton. They have one daughter, Hayley age 14. Mack works for Bechtel Corporation of Russellville. Charlene works part time in Fountain's Grocery. All three are members of the Tilly Missionary Baptist Church.

Alfred's family 'all' take an interest in Fountain's Grocery. It is and has been a large part of their lives. It has been enriching and rewarding life to associate with so many people.

by Alfred F. Fountain

BYRON CHARLES FOWLES

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Samuel Fowles, born December 29, 1824, Manchester, England, married Eliza Capper (born March 11, 1827, Nantwich, England) on October 17, 1846, the family coming to America in JUNE 1851. After a brief residence in Kirtland, Ohio, they moved to Willoughby, Ohio. Samuel Fowles was a machinist. Byron Charles Fowles, born July 5, 1869, Willoughby, Ohio, died January 31, 1950 at Russellville, Arkansas.

Byron C. Fowles married Jennie Rogers Matlack, born November 30, 1870 in Philadelphia, Pa., (died June 13, 1949 at Los Angeles, Calif.) on January 13, 1889, Philadelphia, Pa. To this union (which was dissolved 1917 at Pine Bluff, Ark.) seven children were born; two girls dying in infancy: Roy Byron Fowles, born Dec. 7, 1889, Philadelphia, Pa., died June 6, 1969, Jackson, Mississippi; Viola Mae Fowles, born March 13, 1894, Philadelphia, Pa., died February 3, 1962, Mena, Arkansas; Harold Claude Fowles, born January 3, 1897, Philadelphia, Pa., died September 24, 1954, at Little Rock, Ark.; Grace Blanche Fowles, born November 4, 1903, Richmond Indiana, married John F. Harkey, April 14, 1923, Russellville, Arkansas; Belle Verna Fowles, born September 22, 1904, Pine Bluff, Ark., married Harry Hand, at Los Angeles, California, in 1922. Lorraine Hand, born May 9, 1923, Los Angeles, Calif., married Neil Carlson, Redwood, California in 1955.

B.C. Fowles worked as a machinist in a bicycle shop in Philadelphia, Pa. until the

second electric plant was built. He worked there, in various capacities, until he moved to Richmond, Indiana to work in local electric plant. Leaving there in July, 1904, he moved to Pine Bluff, Ark. to assume duties as Manager of Pine Bluff Company, electric, water, and street railway operations. He remained there until April 1917 when he moved to Kingsport, Tennessee to be general manager of Kingsport Light & Power Co. While in Tennessee he married Maggie Baker Darnell, born March 23, 1896, Carthage, Texas. Maggie Darnell Fowles died January 11, 1941. They were the parents of one child: Francis Elizabeth.

Francis Elizabeth Fowles, born June 2, 1918, at Knoxville, Tennessee, married Waldo A. Horne, born Oct. 6, 1915, at Paris, Ark. died Nov. 17, 1965. He was the son of Buford N. Horne and Allie Ca Pettigrew Horne of Paris, Arkansas. They were the parents of two children: Maggie Kay Horne, born Sept. 23, 1947, at Roswell, New Mexico, married Ronald Franklin Higgins (born Feb. 20, 1945, at Little Rock) June 10, 1967, at Russellville, Ark. They have two children: Ronald Franklin Higgins II, born January 27, 1968, at Stuttgart, Ark. and Karyn Celeste Higgins, born Oct. 6, 1975, at Clarksdale, Mississippi; Elizabeth Nan Horne, born Oct. 28, 1948, at Russellville, Ark., married George Stepjen Laux, born Nov. 17, 1945, at Morrilton, Ark. They have one child; Gregory Gilbert Laux, born Sept. 20, 1976, at Louisville, Kentucky.

In 1918, B.C. Fowles returned to Pine Bluff to become Vice Pres. and General Manager of the Dixie Battery Company, manufacturing storage batteries. December 1920, he moved to Russellville, Arkansas as manager of the local Ark. Light and Power Company. He remained in that position until his retirement July 1, 1942.

by: Grace Fowles Harkey

WILLIAM GREEN BERRY FRIDELL

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William Green Berry Fridell was born in 1856 in Tennessee. On July 25, 1880 W.G.B. was married to Margaret Jane Matthews, the daughter of Daniel and Eliza Jane Strickland Matthews. Mr. and Mrs. Fridell were commonly known as George and Maggie; these names appeared on their marriage license.

They had 10 children: Maud married Cal Loyd, Ida married W.C. Murdoch, Iva married Jake Harralson, Willie married Henry Hickman, Ethel married Will Leggett, Cinda married Odus Travis, and Amma married Otis Charles. Three children died in infancy. His wife, Margaret Jane died April 15, 1901 and is buried in Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley in an unmarked grave.

William Green Berry later married Mrs. Dithe Hearn. They had three children: Gladys married John Hale, Cecil married Vernon Sorrells and Arlie married Jack Burris.

W.G.B. lived most of his life in the Economy area where he was active in church and school affairs. He was also a Mason. He

died February 7, 1948, and is buried in the Oakland Cemetery north of Atkins.

by Katie Murdoch

JOHN J. FRONABERGER

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Jefferson Riley Horton and wife, Mollie Isabelle Colburn.

John J. Fronaberger, born 1798 N.C., Wife Anny Blackwood, daughter of John and Jane Blackwood, arrived in Galley Rock Twp. about 1852, bringing with them 7 of their 10 children. John J. was advanced in his farming and practiced rotation of crops and terracing the land. He raised cotton, corn, wheat and hay. He had a large orchard of apples, peaches, pears, cherries and grape vinyard. He did his own grafting of fruit trees. In addition to farming he owned the only blacksmith shop and gin for miles around. The gin, powered by horses, had only one gin stand so 3 to 5 bales of cotton was a days run. About 1890 a neighbor installed a steam powered gin so that was the end of the Fronaberger gin. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He was a staunch Republican. He donated land for a school and the Fronaberger Cemetery. However, he is buried at Bell's Chapel and Anny at Martin Cemetery. After Annys death in 1855 John J. married Isabella McComon.

Soon after arriving in Pope Co. John Franklin, 2nd. son of John J., adventurer that he was, left for the Calif. gold fields to "strike it rich". He remained in Mariposa for about 20 yrs. He managed to send enough money home to pay off the farm his dad was buying and bought additional acres. On his return he married Sarah Emeline Scott, dau. of William and Margaret Catherine Barnette Scott. To this union was born four sons and one daughter, John, Jacob, Joseph, Annie Jane and Ben. After the death of John Franklin Sarah married "Mark" Kirtley, a widower and a saddler. They had one son, Ernest, born 1897.

Annie Jane married C.C. (Neal) Hastings 19 Oct. 1903, a dau. Clara Mae born 16 Aug. 1904. Neal died 12 March 1905 and Clara Mae 26 June 1905. Annie clerked at Darr's and as operator at telephone exchange, marrying Scott Eddie Horton, b. 1888 Pope Co., son of Jefferson Riley and Mollie Isabelle Colburn. Scotts grandparents arrived in Pope Co. about 1863. He worked at the power plant along with Atkins gin co., including a bottle works and ice plant. In 1917 he went to work



Back — John Wm. Fronaberger, Joseph Jackson Fronaberger. Front — Sarah Emaline Scott, Ana Jane Fronaberger.

for A. P & L. in Russellville. In 1925 he transferred to Sterlington, LA to L.P. & L., retiring in 1954. He died 1958, Annie 1974, both buried Monroe, La.

3 children born Atkins, 3 in Russellville, 7th. and last born La. Vivan m. A.B. Billings; Dorthea m. H.M. Naff; Frank m. Laverne Cox; Britton m. Noble Simmons; Scott, jr. m. Louise Jones; Genevieve m. A.E. Walters and Robert C. m. Mary Jean Lewis.

The professions & occupations are as varied as the schools, churches and places of habitation. Some farmers, R.R. sta. agents, telephone lineman, foresters, chem. & elec. eng., teachers & a professional baseball player.

From the earliest military conflict until W.W. II they have served their country in the militia, army and navy, aboard submarine, destroyer, repair ship and carrier, from enlisted N.C.O. to Lt. Comdr.

by Dorthea Horton Naff

GEORGE S. C. AND MARANDA FROST FAMILY

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George and Maranda (Madison) Frost came to Arkansas from Walker Co. Ala. shortly after they were married in 1881. They settled near the Pope-Van Buren Co. line, in the Lost Corner-Dabney area. This was no coincidence

Corona, Walker Co. Ala. in 1860. His father Greenberry Frost (b. 1841 Ala.) was a confederate veteran, (13th Ala. Partisan Rangers). George was the oldest of 5 children born to Greenberry and Delitha (Evans) Frost. His paternal grandparents were Edward Frost (b. 1804 Tenn.) and Jane (Jenkins) Frost (b. 1808). His paternal great-grandparents, both born in Va., were Edward Frost Sr. (b. 1770) and Amelia (Roberts) Frost (b. 1776).

Little is known of George's wife Maranda except that she was of legal age at the time of their marriage and that she was of Indian blood. More than likely she was a descendant of a Cherokee or Creek family that managed to escape being driven out of Alabama in the Indian removals of 1836-1838. She made George a good and faithful wife, bearing him 5 sons and 2 daughters: Berry; Richard; Edward; George Mac; Stacy; and twins Noah George & Susie Maranda. George was a farmer all his life. He, Maranda, and their children tilled the rocky soil and made a sufficient life for themselves. On one occasion George's father traveled to Ark. to visit, and when he returned to Ala., he made the statement that the land George was farming was so rocky that he could hear the children hoeing corn long before he could see them. Maranda died in 1901 after giving birth to the twins; and is buried near Lost Corner.

In 1903 George married Mrs. Victoria Lemley Stafford and they had one son; Theodore (Ted). Victoria died in 1911 and George died exactly one month later. They are both buried at Mt. Zion Cemetery, near Appleton.

In 1919 Noah G. (one of the twins born to George and his first wife Maranda) married Jewell Alread (b. 1905). Jewell's family had been in Pope Co. since 1851, and at that time was living near Hector. Noah at various times operated a restaurant, was a coal miner, and a farmer. About 1932, he and Jewell bought

as the Boston Mountain area was so similar to the country-side where George was raised. George Solomon C. Frost was born near



BERRY: STACY: SUSIE MARANDA: FATHER GEORGE S.C.: NOAH GEORGE: GEORGE MAC: EDWARD: RICHARD: MOTHER MARANDA FROST.

the old Lemley farm near Appleton. They lived there until 1943, at which time they moved to Arizona, and then to California about a year later. Three children were born to Noah and Jewell; a son Richard F.; a daughter Ina Mae; and a son Don J. In 1942 Richard married Emille Voss from a pioneer family of Pope Co. They have 3 children: Barbara A.; Richard A.; and Rickey D. All of whom now live in California. Ina Mae died as a young girl in 1937 and is buried at Rock Springs Cemetery near Hector. Don J. married Betty Fountain of Calif. in 1952 and had 2 sons: Donald A.; and David R. In 1957 he married Eleanor Schulte of Los Angeles, Calif. They have 2 children: Steven D. and Lorraine D. They now live in Athens, Ala.

Though the Frost family has now largely moved away from Pope Co. and is scattered geographically, the roots there are strong and various members return often to visit friends and relatives and to see the places where they were born and grew up.

by Don J. Frost

CAPT. ADAM FURR

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Capt. Adam Furr was born April 9, 1825, in Stanley County, North Carolina. He was the son of John Furr and Abigail Stallings Furr. He came to Pope County in 1860 and homesteaded three miles southeast of Dover on the present Morgan Road. The wagon train consisted of sixteen wagons. They were on the road for one month and crossed the Mississippi River the day Lincoln was elected. Capt. Furr was a fine blacksmith. He built the first blacksmith shop in Pope County. He also built a grist mill on the Pine Branch which ran through his farm. He raised corn, wheat, cotton, oats and a large family and two orphaned grandsons, Will and Frank Safley, sons of Whit Safley and Patsy Furr Safley.

He and his first wife, Sarah Whitley, were married in 1842 in No. Carolina and had the following children: Martha, Priscilla, Eliza, Sarah, Rachel, Catherine, Rhoda, Adam, Carolina, Elizabeth, Marelda, Ellen, Sherma, Patsy, Sally and Mary. Sarah Whitley Furr died in 1875 and was the first person buried in the Furr Cemetery on the Morgan Road north of Russellville. He gave five acres from his farm for this cemetery.

In 1876 Capt. Furr married Olive Catherine Stinnett Crites, a widow and the daughter of Reuben Lewis Stinnett and Lucinda Harshfield Stinnett, and the granddaughter of Henry Stinnett, the first sheriff of Pope County, 1829-30. They had three children: William Lewis Lovely who died in 1877, Rosetta who married J.W.A. (Gus) Roberts in 1895 and Fronia who married Leonidas Collins McCracken in 1905.

Olive C. Stinnett Crites had the following children by her first husband, Jess N. Crites who died in 1872: Leanah who died in 1880; Frances who married Commodore Decatur Weir; infant son who died at birth; and Lucinda who married John Riley Linker.

During the Civil War, Adam Furr was Captain of Co. F., 15th Regiment, Arkansas

Militia. He trained his men on the site which is now the McFadden Cemetery. Capt. Furr died August 20, 1905, and is buried in the Furr Cemetery. His neighbors and family said of him "he was a quiet man, a good neighbor, a respected citizen and strictly honest." Olive Catherine Furr died September 2, 1922, and buried in the MacFadden Cemetery. It was said of her "she was a kind neighbor, a true friend, a loving mother, beloved by all who knew her. They were members of the Methodist Church.

Capt. Furr has the following known grandchildren living: Irene McCracken Heflin of Dardanelle; Jacqueline McCracken Campbell of Russellville; Robert R. McCracken of Parkdale and A.W. McCracken of Great Falls, Montana; children of Fronia Furr and L.C. McCracken; Myrtle Roberts Treadwell of Hector; Elzie, Clyde and Lester Roberts of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Garland Roberts, Ethel Roberts Johns and Zoe Roberts Kersey of California, children of Rosetta Furr and J.W.A. Roberts; Alice Worley Booher, Bird Worley Whorton and Faye Worley Luster of Russellville and George Worley of Booneville, children of Ellen Furr and William Worley.

by Jacqueline McCracken Campbell

DR. RICHARD ELLIS AND BETTY LEE LEMLEY GARDNER

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Dr. Richard Ellis Gardner was born Aug. 22, 1913, at Russellville, Ark., the son of H. Guy Gardner and Forrest Ellis Gardner. He attended the schools of Russellville and graduated from Russellville High School where he was a star athlete. He graduated from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville and the Arkansas School of Medicine and now practices ophthalmology in Russellville. He first went in business with an uncle, Dr. L. Gardner. Later, a Dr. Mobley joined them and after the death of Dr. L. Gardner, they became the Gardner-Mobley Clinic and are now located in the one hundred block of N. El Paso. Dr. Ellis is a member of the Board of Trustees of Arkansas Tech and has been a member of the State Board of Education for the past 13 years.

On October 6, 1940, Dr. Ellis married Betty Lee Lemley, daughter of William Forrest Lemley who was a descendent of the early Lemley's of Pope County. William Forrest was born Feb. 12, 1896 and died April 12, 1969. He married Mary Elizabeth Tygart, at Atkins, Ark., Jan. 16, 1916. She was born Aug. 11, 1898 and died Nov. 1972. They were the parents of two children, Betty Lee, born March 14, 1918, at Atkins and William Marion, born June 30, 1927, at Russellville.

Betty Lee attended the Russellville Schools and graduated from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville in 1940. Betty and Dr. Ellis, became the parents of three children.

Richard (Dick) Ellis Jr., was born Sept. 30, 1941, at New Orleans. He graduated from Tulsa University Law School and is now practicing in Russellville. He married Carolyne Young, Dec. 23, 1962 and they had two children; Elizabeth Marice, born July 9, 1965 at

Fayetteville and Erin Ellis, born Dec. 28, 1970, at Russellville. On February 22, 1975, he married Jacqueline F. Minor in Washington, D.C.

Mary Lemley Gardner was born Oct. 15, 1943 and graduated from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville and married W.T. Stephens of Crossett, Ark., Jan. 31, 1965, at Russellville. They have two children, Elizabeth Lee Stephens, born Mar. 7, 1967, at Monroe, La. and Vera Ellen Stephens, born Nov. 4, 1968, also in Monroe, La. Mary married again to Barry Erwin on Dec. 26, 1977, at Monroe, La.

Guy Forrest Gardner M.D., born June 7, 1950, graduated from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville and the University of Arkansas Medical School at Little Rock. He married Brigita Krasts, Aug. 14, 1970, in Russellville. Brigita was born Feb. 7, 1950, in Germany and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oley Krasts of New Orleans and she was a graduate of the University of Arkansas. They have one son, Edward Krasts Gardner, born June 19, 1971, at Fayetteville, Arkansas.

by Dr. R. Ellis Gardner

H. GUY GARDNER

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H. Guy Gardner was a grandson of William Gardner, who was born in May, 1808, and June Frances Welch Gardner, born in 1821. Richard and Francis were married in 1844. One of his sons was Dr. Richard Henry Gardner.

Dr. Richard Henry Gardner was born March 1, 1846, at Dyer, Gibson County, Tennessee and died in 1926. He married Jalia Ann Brown of Pottsville, Dec. 17, 1873. She was born Dec. 17, 1852 and died Jan. 24, 1896. Dr. Gardner was a private in Company C, 9th Tenn. Cavalry in 1863 and was discharged in 1865, at Gainesville Ala. He fought under Gen. J. E. Johnston. Jalia and Richard Henry Gardner had eight children: twins Maggie and Eddie, born in 1876 died in 1876; Ida; Claude; Lycurgis; H. Guy, born Jan. 4, 1886 at Pottsville in the House of Seven Gables, built by Dr. Gardner in 1884; then twins Edmonia and Edgar.

Dr. Gardner later married Minnie Hughey and they had no children. Dr. Gardner began practice in Greenwood, Arkansas, later in Havana, Ark., then moved to Pottsville, Ark. Pottsville was incorporated March 17, 1897, in the Gardner home, the House of Seven Gables.

H. Guy Gardner, was born Jan. 4, 1886, at Pottsville, Ark. and died Feb. 2, 1957, at Russellville, Ark. He was the son of Dr. R.H. Gardner. He married Johnnie Forrest Ellis, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E.F. Ellis, at Fayetteville, Ark., Nov. 22, 1912. She was born June 26, 1889, at Hindsville, Arkansas and died Oct. 11, 1976, at Russellville, Ark.

H. Guy Gardner, known to every one as Guy, was in the furniture business in Russellville for many years. He owned a funeral home for a number of years with a Mr. Pate, known as Gardner-Pate Funeral Home. Mr. Pate sold his interest to Mr. Gardner and it

became Gardner Funeral Home for several years and was later sold to Herman Humphrey and is now known as Humphrey Funeral Service.

Johnnie Forrest Gardner, spent most of her active life as a school teacher in the Russellville schools. She was principal of the West Ward school in Russellville for several years until the Junior High school was built in 1931 and she went there as teacher and the second year was made Principal and remained in this capacity until she retired. The school board honored her by naming the Junior school, Forrest E. Gardner Junior High. She was also a member of the Pope County Historical Association and had served this organization as President.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Gardner were the parents of two children: Dr. Ellis Gardner, born Aug. 22, 1913, at Russellville and Charles Earl Gardner, born Aug 21, 1916. Dr. Ellis practices ophthalmology in Russellville and Charles E. was a lawyer in the firm of Williams and Gardner until his untimely death.

by R. Ellis Gardner

RICHARD HENRY GARDNER

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Richard Henry Gardner, 1846-1926, son of William and Jane Welch Gardner, was born at Gardner Station, Tennessee and joined the Calvary of the Confederate Army at 16, taking part in several major battles in Tennessee. A horse was shot from beneath him, but he sustained no injuries himself. Following the war, he received his M.D. at a Medical College in Cincinnati, Ohio. In 1871, he entered the practice of Medicine with a Dr. Stevenson in Greenwood, Arkansas. He later moved to Havana, Yell County, Arkansas, and in the early 1880's moved to Pottsville with his wife, Jalia, and children, Ida (Nugent), A. Claude, and Lycurgus. Two older children; Edward and Margaret, (twins) died in Havana. In Pottsville three children, Guy, and Edgar and Edmonia (Bishop) also twins, were born. Tom later returned to Tennessee.

Dr. Gardner practiced medicine in Pottsville until the early 1920's, making house calls by horse and buggy until past 70 years of age. In earlier days he often made calls on horseback. He moved to Russellville about 1922 and died in 1926; following a fall and broken leg.

Dr. Gardner married Jalia Ann Brown at Pottsville in 1873. Jalia was the daughter of Edward F. Brown who came to Arkansas about 1870 from Tennessee by wagon drawn by oxen. With him came his children by his first marriage, Jalia, Sarah (Johnson), Lizzie (Rogers), Twiggs, and Cannie (Porviance), and his second wife and their daughter Lillie (Gibson). They settled briefly in Sebastian County before moving to Pottsville. Children born in Arkansas were Lee (Bell), Linn (Reed), Lon (Adams) and two sons who died as children. Ed was a farmer and before moving to Arkansas was overseer for plantation owners. Reputedly, his second wife wove the cloth and then tailored his suits.

A. Claude Gardner, born in 1879 in

Havana, son of Dr. R. H. and Jalia Brown Gardner, attended grade school in Pottsville and later attended high school at Hendrix Academy in Gentry and Hendrix College in Conway. In 1900 he moved to Russellville and opened a furniture, hardware and undertaking business on Main Street in partnership with his brothers, Lycurgus and Guy and later Ed. The business, known as Gardner Bros. continued until it closed in the 1930's. Lurg left the business after a short time to enter medical school at Loyola University, Chicago, where he received his M.D. He was an Ophthalmologist in Russellville until his death in 1961.

Claude Gardner left the partnership about 1917 and worked briefly for R.J. Wilson & Son before joining the Singer Sewing Machine as salesman and later as manager in Russellville. About 1922 he opened a grocery store. After a few years he entered the insurance business and subsequently became associated with the insurance department of Gardner Funeral Home, owned by his brother, Guy. He retired at the age of 85. The business was by then known as Gardner-Humphrey Funeral Service.

Claude was married in Ozark in December, 1904 to Flora Colburn, daughter of Editor C.C. and Anna Ogden Colburn, whose families came to Arkansas in the early 1840's. Claude and Flora lived in Russellville until their deaths in 1973 and 1976, respectively. Their four daughters are Ann Dunn, Fort Smith; Jane Corbin, El Cerrito, California; Claudine Wright (Mrs. W.O. Wright), Russellville; and Flora Jean Young, Phoenix, Arizona. Flora worked in her father's newspaper office before her marriage and later worked for over 40 years as a saleslady at the New Store. She was active in the Business & Professional Women, serving as President, and in the church. Claude and Flora were devout Methodists for over 70 years. Their descendants are four daughters, four grandchildren; James E. Dorton, son of Flora Jean, and Carol Jane Moriarty, Claudia Jean Satterfield, Mary Ann Duncan, daughters of Claudine; and nine great grandchildren.

by Mrs. W.O. Wright

SARAH JANE (HARKEY) GARDNER

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Sarah Jane (Harkey) Gardner, the third of ten children born to Robert Low and Sarah Catherine Smith Harkey, was born July 30, 1891. She married William Edgar Gardner, who was born at Pottsville, Ark., Sept. 29, 1889. He came to Russellville at an early age and was affiliated with the firm of Gardner Brothers Hardware, Furniture and Funeral Home, until 1930. After that, he served as law enforcement officer, and after serving his term, worked for the Arkansas Highway Dept., until his retirement. He died April 19, 1975. We are members of the First Christian Church. We have four children.

Robert Henry Gardner, born April 14, 1912, married Elsie Marks, March 2, 1941. He followed construction work and served in

the Navy during World War II, on the Yorktown air craft carrier. They made their home in Houston, Texas, California and now in Russellville. They are members of the Catholic Church, he is a life member of the A.F.L. C.I.O. and American Legion.

William (Bill) Edgar Gardner Jr., was born June 19, 1916. He married Cornelia Dulaney (deceased) and several years later he married Helen Montgomery of Jonesboro, Ark., also deceased. On June 1, 1968, he married Hazel James of Jonesboro, a widow with three children; Philip, Marcia, and Eric. Bill served in the Navy during World War II, on the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, operating an Amphibious Landing Craft. He is presently employed as a Special Agent with the Frisco Railroad Company in Memphis, Tenn., where he and his family make their home. He attended Russellville schools and is a member of the First Christian Church.

Sarah Janice Gardner, born April 22, 1920, was educated in the Russellville Schools and Arkansas Tech. During World War II she taught school at Hickory Ridge, Ark. She later did secretarial work in Hot Springs, Ark. She married William O. Anderson of Canton, Missouri. He served in the U.S. Army in the African European Theater with the 5th Army, 3rd Infantry Division. A daughter, Elizabeth Jane Anderson was born June 24, 1955, in Gary, Indiana. He is a retired employ of A.T. & T. Company. They make their home in Center City, Minnesota, and are members of the Church of Christ (Christian), Forest Lake, Minn.

David Gardner, born December 7, 1923, in Russellville, Ark. He now resides in Shreveport, La., and is employed as Assistant Division Sales Manager with Cities Service Company. He was educated in the Russellville Public schools and graduated from the University of Oklahoma. He married Betty Lou Gideon, October 25, 1947, and they have one son, David William, who was born July 11, 1951, in Birmingham, Ala. He married Daphne Ann Casey, July 18, 1975 in New Orleans, La., where they now reside. David served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, as Lt. Junior Grade.

by Mrs. Ed Gardner

THOMAS J. GARDNER

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THOMAS J. GARDNER, born 6 November 1800, in Virginia, was the son-in-law of MARTHA "PATSY" PACE and BENJAMIN LANGFORD of Greenville, District, South Carolina. It was probably in Jackson County, Alabama, ca 1821, that he married their daughter, SINAI.

C.H. GARDNER, a brother of THOMAS J., was in Jackson County, Alabama during this same time period. Among the effects of THOMAS J. GARDNER is a letter directed to him at Dwight Mission, Arkansas Territory written by his brother, C. H., posted from Savannah, Hardin County, Tennessee and dated February 7, 1836. In the letter, C.H. expresses hope that "brother ELLIS" in Caldwell County, Commonwealth of Ken-



J. CECIL GARDNER



GRETHEL GARDNER HARLOW

tucky, would "come down" to join him and that the two would go "by canoe" to join THOMAS and his "little family" in Pope County, Arkansas. C.H. further states that his health is poor and that since he has taken a "teaching position" it would be three months before he could leave. Sadly, his dream was never realized for he died between 1840 and 1850 when his widow, JANE, and children ANGELINE, WILLIAM, THOMAS, SARAH AND MARY are found living in Henderson County, Tennessee.

However, the brother ELLIS A. GARDNER who, on 14 October 1829, had married PERNECIA, the daughter of SARAH and JEPHTHA JOHNSON, in Caldwell County, Kentucky, obtained his goal of reaching Pope County. By 1840, he and PERNECIA, with their children, SARAH J. and THADDEUS ALONZO were settled in the North East Corner, Range 19, close by the JEPHTHA JOHNSON family.

THOMAS J. GARDNER reached Pope County with his father-in-law, BENJAMIN LANGFORD and other families from North Alabama and West Tennessee, as early as 1828. In an article appearing in the Russellville Democrat, July 20, 1876, by David Foster Williamson (one of the original settlers of Pope County) mention is made of ". . . the settlements on Illinois Bayou above where Dover is located . . . and for morality and being orderly, good citizens and well to do . . ." The name of THOMAS GARDNER as being among these citizens is recorded by the writer.

SINAI LANGFORD GARDNER died sometime after 1833, leaving four small children, ELIZA, MARTHA, MARY AND ELLIS MILTON who are mentioned as "my grandchildren" and heirs in the will of BENJAMIN LANGFORD. It is not known how long THOMAS J. remained in Pope County after the death of SINAI. His oldest daughter, ELIZA, married there on 25 September 1838, to WILSON MADDOX. Nor is it known when and where THOMAS J. married ELENA,

thought to be the daughter of MARY LYNCH and FRINCIS PACE who had migrated from Greenville District, South Carolina, before 1840 to Johnson County, Arkansas, evidently in order to be near "PATSY", the wife of BENJAMIN LANGFORD and sister of FRANCIS PACE.

Census records reveal that the next two children of THOMAS J. GARDNER, WILLIAM M. and SARAH, were born in Arkansas. On 13 January 1840, in Fannin County, Texas, THOMAS presented his claim for 640 acres of land and proof was given by WILLIAM B. PACE and JAMES WILLIAMS that he emigrated to the Republic in the "month of December A.D. 1839." It was in Fannin County that his widowed daughter, Eliza Gardner Maddox, married Obediah Cook on 10 February 1846.

By 1850, THOMAS AND ELENA GARDNER were in Williamson County, Texas with four additional children, THOMAS, JR., JOHN PACE, ELIZABETH (who later married WILLIAM J. WEBB) and MANSEL MATTHEW. THOMAS, a farmer, and ELENA helped organize and were charter members of the O'Possum Creek Baptist Church of Christ in the now ghost town of Macedonia. On 3 August 1852, MILLINER M. was born. Later there were two other children, ELENA (who married JOHN WESLEY WARD) and ANNIE (who married her cousin, T.F. PACE.)

MILLINER M. GARDNER married FRANCES ELLEN WARD in Williamson County on 30 November 1871. MILLINER was a land owner, farmer and banker. He served for many years as County Commissioner and never drew opposition. Three children from this union reached adulthood: LENORA, FRANK and JESSE CLINTON, who was born on 22 October 1874.

JESSE CLINTON GARDNER married LAURA HARRISON on 25 August 1897, in Williamson County. He was a medical doctor and practiced in Williamson, Coryell and Hamilton Counties in the days when doctors

made "house calls" and traveled by way of horse and buggy. "DR. CLINT" and LAURA had two sons, DANIEL CLYDE and JESSE CECIL, who was born 17 August 1899.

JESSE CECIL GARDNER and SADIE OLIVIA PEARSON were married in Selma, Dallas County, Alabama, on 12 June 1936. CECIL was a distributor in the Dallas County area for The Texas (Oil) Company and in 1938, established the Superior Gas Company which was the first business in Alabama to provide butane gas for residential use. Two children, both born in Selma, were from this marriage. They are JESSE CECIL, JR., born 23 September 1938, and GRETHEL LYDIA, born 25 February 1941.

JESSE CECIL GARDNER, JR. married BETTY LOUISE JONES of Selma on 20 August 1966 in Selma and they are the adoptive parents of two children, HARRISON LEE GARDNER, born 17 September 1970 and ABIGAIL STERLING GARDNER, born 14 June 1972. Both children were born in Mobile, Mobile County, Alabama. CECIL is an attorney and a member of the law firm of Diamond, Lattof and Gardner of Mobile.

GRETHAL LYDIA GARDNER and JOHN HOLLAND HARLOW, JR. of Athens, Limestone County, Alabama were married in Selma on 29 June 1963, and are the parents of JOHN HOLLAND HARLOW, III, born 26 January 1966, and LYDIA CECILE HARLOW, born 4 March 1968. Both children were born in Decatur, Morgan County, Alabama. The family resides in Athens and the father is an engineer employed at the George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, Alabama.

by Mrs. Carl E. Edwards

ALLEN GARRISON

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Allen Garrison was born in Georgia in 1795. He became an Indian Scout and traveled west, settling in Yell County, Arkansas among a tribe of Cherokee Indians. He married Frances Polly Poole the daughter of an Indian Chief. To this union was born several children. One of them was Henry Garrison who moved on Piney Creek, where he was a farmer and he also ran a sawmill. He married Martha Hufstutler. They had fourteen children. All of the children died young as well as the parents — before 1905. The surviving children were three girls, Tennessee, who married a Johnson and moved to Oklahoma, Annie who married a Dixon and settled at Altus, Arkansas, and Viola who married John Cornelius, and they wound up living in Russellville where he worked in the coal mines. There was one son surviving, Benjamin who married Susie Guthrie. They lived in Russellville where he worked in the coal mine. He was killed in the mines in 1919. Their children were Grace Guiney, now deceased, Violet Chafin, now living in Denver Colorado, Gladys LeMert, Living in St. Louis, Mo., And Dorothy Lawing also living in St. Louis. Their one son Benjamin Jr. died unmarried. The only living descendants of this line of the Garrison Family now in or around Russellville are children of Viola Cornelius,

Iva Mars, Lloyd Cornelius, and Arthur Cornelius, and one grand daughter of Annie Dixon, Polly Christenberry. There may be members of another generation but they are unknown to the writer.

by Gladys LeMert

ALLEN S. GARRISON

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Allen S. Garrison

Allen S. Garrison was a proper representative of the energetic and successful business men of Pope County, Ark., which element has done so much for the advancement of the material interest of this section. He was born in Yell County, Ark., Nov. 17, 1852, to William H. and Mary (Turner) Garrison, who were born, reared and married in Tennessee. They were married in 1847. Eleven children were born to this union; Frances J., Allen S., Susan A., Samuel J., Rachel T., William G., Columbus R., Abraham P., Sarah J., Masonri, and Thomas J. In 1848 the father moved to Arkansas and settled in Pope County, but the following year purchased and settled on land in Yell County. The father learned the trade of a machinist in his youth, but afterward studied medicine and practiced some twelve years, the latter part of his life, dying in Logan County in 1884, an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was a Mason, and during the Rebellion, he served on the river for "Uncle Sam". Allen S. Garrison was in the saw milling business for some twenty years, and was a member of the Mill and Lumber firm of Forest, Turner & Co., also the owner of three Mills, one on Illinois Creek, one at Mill Creek, and the other near Mount Hope Church. In 1883, Mr. Garrison engaged in merchandising at Mill Creek Station, as manager for the Store of Forest Turner & Co. The capacity of the Mills were some 20,000 feet per day, and besides this the firm owned some 800 acres of land with 250 under cultivation, and the rest timberland. Mr. Garrison was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and socially belonged to Russellville Lodge No. 47, of the K. or P. While a resident of Logan County, he



Clide Allen Woods, 5th generation.

was a magistrate of Delaware Township during 1876-77.

Allen S. Garrison was married June 9, 1878 to Miss Cyrintia Rook, a native of Mississippi, born June 19, 1857, a daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Wilson) Rook, the latter also being Mississippians. To Mr. Garrison and his wife six children were born. Three died in infancy Arthur T. married Adaline Derryberry, no children. Sherman W. married Florince Robertson, two children, Hazel and Preston.

Nancy Elizabeth married Jess Lee Shinn, had eight children. Juanita Louise married Clide B. Woods, had four children. Leo Allen Shinn married Vivien Burton and had one child. Leo Allen received a Masters and Bachelor Degree in chemistry, was President of Chemical Society, Alpha Ki Sigma in Washington, D.C., where he worked thirty-two years. Goldie Aline married Willie P. Reed, had three children. Ruth Velma married Walter E. Austin, had one child. Naomi Ouida married M.L. Pederson. Wayne married Gertrude Flewellin, had one child.

Juanita Louise Shinn married Clide B. Woods, July 7, 1924, had four children. Clide served in W.W. II and Korean conflict, receiving a purple heart. Virginia Beth married Burt L. Bryan, had three children. Robert Lee married Patsy West first marriage, had three children; second marriage to Rosale Bailey, no children. Robert Lee also served in the Korean conflict. Nita Carolyn married Elmer D. Jackson, had three children. Allen S. Garrison second marriage to Elizabeth Virginia Bailey on Feb. 14, 1892, had four children; Clyde Allen, Leo Clay died in infancy, Ora Malinda, married Everette Countz, had three children. Vera married Faye Hines, had two children; Dr. Jerry Hines, and one son died in infancy.

Sgt. Clide Allen Woods served three years with the U.S. Navy and six years in the Army, 27 months as a P.O.W. in North Korea. He married Betty Charlene Bailey, Oct. 26, 1953 and they have four children: Blake Allen,

Richard Lee, and two others. Blake Allen married Cherrie Edwards of Nyberg, N.Y. and they have two sons, and live at Ft. Bragg, N.C., where he is with the 82nd Airborne Division.

by Juanita Shinn Woods

JAMES LEWIS GENTRY

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James Lewis Gentry is believed to have been born somewhere in Indiana in 1840. By 1846, he was living in Missouri and in 1860 he was living in Macon County, Missouri, with his father, James, his mother Susana, and his six brothers and sisters. He served in the Confederacy and in approximately 1865, he married Harriot L. Morgan of Arkansas. They settled in Wayne County, Missouri by 1870. Henry Clay Gentry (3rd child, 2nd son) was born in Wayne County, 25 April 1871. The Gentrys and their eight children moved to Pope County, Arkansas, sometime between November 1880 and March, 1883. Four additional children were born in Pope County.

Henry Clay Gentry married Mary Elizabeth Lloyd on 12 Jan 1893, in Pope County Arkansas, and to this union was born the following children: Augie, Marie, Novella, Alta, Elma, Guy, Otto, Ernie Adolphus and William Oscar.

William Oscar Gentry was born December 30, 1895 and married Ethel Owens in 1926. W.O. Gentry, spent most of his working years working for the Arkansas-Oklahoma Ice Company and later established and ran the Russellville Ice Company, for more than thirty years. He passed away in 1977.

William Oscar and Ethel Owens Gentry were the parents of one child, a daughter, Jewell. Jewell attended the Russellville schools and on June 19, 1937, she married Guy Levan (Buddy) Price. They were the parents of two sons; John William Price who was born Feb. 20, 1939, married Carole Jackson and they have one boy and a girl. Jimmy Allen Price, born 1946, married Gwenda Martin and they also have a boy and a girl.

by Jewel Gentry Price

ALTON GIDEON

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Alton Gideon, born in Pope County, presently living in California, is the son of Alma Lou Ann Worth and John Gideon, both born in Pope County. Alton's grandparents were: George A. Gideon and Mary Elizabeth Scott Gideon on his father's side, and on the maternal side; John R. Wirth, a native of Switzerland and Mary Jane Smith Worth, a native of Miss.

Alton's grandparents, George A. Gideon and Mary Elizabeth Scott, both residents of Crow Mountain, were married 4 Dec 1879. After the marriage of John Gideon and Alma Lou Ann Wirth (Alton's parents) and when two of their children were very small, they moved to Hoyt, Okla to farm. Alma Lou died 14 Jan 1919 leaving her husband, John with three small children, Ora, Alton and Aaron Gideon.

Ora Gideon married Rolf Holder, a son of Ed and Cathryn Crowder and they raised three boys and four girls. Mr. Holder is deceased and Ora's children have moved to other states.

Aaron Gideon married Rheba Langford of Hector, Ark. the daughter of George and Nellie Langford. The Langfords are among the pioneer Pope County families. Aaron and Rheba have no children. They reside in San Jose, California where he retired.

Alton Gideon married the widow of Herman Bradford and at the time of marriage she had two children: Romona and Berval Bradford. Alton and Mrs. Gideon have one son, John Gideon. Romona married Ronnie Allen and Berval Bradford married Bonnie Bomar.

Going back to John Gideon, the father of Alton, John married a second time to Russia Kennedy and they have a daughter, Wanda Glow who married Connie Cariker, a minister.

Alton's mother, Alma L. is buried in Haskin Cemetery near her father, John R. Worth and her grandmother Nancy Clark Smith. Alma's mother, Mary Jane Smith Worth died 9 Jan 1939 and is buried in Haskin Cemetery.

Grandfather George A. Gideon, after the death of first wife, Mary Elizabeth on 12 June 1910, married Julia Anderson who died in 1961. All are buried in Haskin Cemetery on Crow Mountain.

George A. Gideon was spoken of as "Squire" Gideon as he served his community over a period of many years as a legal counselor and helping all who needed help. Those who remember him speak of his integrity and his broad knowledge of legal affairs.

by Alton Gideon

JAMES GIDEON

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James Gideon, son of James Isham Gideon who was born in Northern Ireland ca. 1749. James Isham's father was a hatter by trade. In the spring of 1764 James set out with two brothers for America. About August of 1764, they landed near Norfolk, Virginia. They settled in Roanoke County, Virginia where they engaged in farming until the War of the Revolution began. They enlisted in the Continental Army and served under Washington. One brother was killed during the war, another later moved to New York.

After the war, James moved to Wilkes County, North Carolina and settled on a farm on the Yadkin river. Here he married a Martha Mills in February, 1787. From this marriage five sons, and two daughters were born: Edward, William, James, Isham, Elizabeth, Sarah and John.

James Isham emigrated to Hawkins County, Tennessee and located his family on a farm near War Creek. There he died of paralysis in 1832 and Martha died in 1834.

James, son of James Isham, was the ancestor of this writer. James was born August 21, 1793 in Wilkes County, North Carolina. He married ca. 1815 in Tennessee or Georgia to a Susan. He died prior to 1850 in Pope County. James served in the war of 1812 and fought in the Battle of New Orleans

under Andrew Jackson. James had enlisted December 10, 1812 and was discharged in 1815. James moved to Pope County between 1837 and 1840 and settled with his family in the Gum Log area. Known children of James and Susan were: William, b. July 1, 1816 in Georgia, Jane and John born in Tennessee.

John married Mary Blackwood in 1857 or '58 in Pope County. He served in the Confederate Army and died in December 1895, in Pope County. Children of John and Mary were: George A., John W., Mary, Edward A., Bedie, Martha and Alice.

William, son of James and Susan, married Lucinda Matthews on March 16, 1837, in Tennessee. In 1840 they moved to Pope County settling in the Gum Log area. William died in 1893, and Lucinda, after 1865, in Pope County. Children of William and Lucinda were: Sarah, John C., who died during the Civil War, Susan, William, Mary, George, Thomas, Leroy, Lorenzo, Granville, Harriett and Robert Mason, (this writer's great-grandfather) born July 30, 1863.

Robert Mason married, first Mary Mullins ca. 1883 in Pope County, and second Melissa Byers in March 1899. Robert was a merchant and the postmaster at Gum Log for 35 years. He died on January 29, 1951, in North Little Rock. Robert, Mary and Melissa are buried at the Center Valley Old Baptist Cemetery. Mary died in 1896 and Melissa August 8, 1961.

Children of Robert and Mary are: Mamie, b. 1884, married Joshua Vick; Floy, b. 1886; Maida (grandmother) b. 1888, married Jay D. Vick; and Georgia, b. 1890, married Edward Darter. Children of Robert and Melissa are: Norma, b. 1900, married W.A. Turner, Sibyl, b. 1901, married A.B. Holliman, Eula, born 1903, married E.V. Gay, Elaine, born 1905, married Carl Morphis, Jewell born 1909 married Stanley Liszsz, Robert and William who died young.

Most of the Gideons have since moved from Pope County. There must however, be some decedents remaining in the county of daughters whose names were changed through marriage.

by Richard Vick

JAMES ISHAM GIDEON

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James Isham Gideon, the founder of this branch of the Gideon family was born in Cork, Ireland, in 1749 of Irish parentage.

In Aug. 1764 he landed in Norfolk, Va. with two of his half brothers, Roger and Frank. They settled on a large tract of land in Roanoke Co., Va. where they farmed until the war of the Revolution broke out.

All three brothers entered the Continental Army and served under Gen. Washington during the war. Frank was killed in a battle in Virginia. After the war James Isham and Roger returned to their homes.

Roger married and moved to New York. James Isham married Martha "Patte" Mills in Wilkes Co. N.C.; who was perhaps of English decent.

He then moved to Wilkes Co. and settled on a farm on the Yadkin R. They had 5 sons

Edward, William, James, Isham, and John; and 2 daughters Elizabeth and Sarah.

James Isham Gideon immigrated from Wilkes Co. N.C. to Hawkes Co. Tenn., where he died of paralysis in 1832, and his wife Patti died in 1834. In politics he was a Federalist or Anti-Tory and religion he and his wife were Baptists. He was a member of the Masonic Fraternity. Although he was a farmer, he was also a Hatter; having learned the trade from his father in Cork, Ireland.

James Gideon, son of James Isham Gideon, the immigrant, was born in 1793 in Wilkes Co. N.C. He was married to Susan before 1816 in Tenn. or Ga. Susan was born in Ga. James served in the war of 1812 with his brothers Edward and William; and were in the Battle of New Orleans with Andrew Jackson. National Archives in Washington DC show James Gideon of Hawkes Co., Tenn. enlisted Dec. 10, 1812 as a private in Capt. Izaiah Renshaw's Co. of East Tenn., and reenlisted in Dec 1813.

Part of the records are missing of his family; but John W. Gideon was the fourth child of James Gideon and grandson of James Isham Gideon and Martha "Patty" Gideon. John W. Gideon was born Nov. 19, 1830 in Tenn. Died in Dec., 1895 in Pope Co., Arkansas. He married Mary Jane Blackwood in 1857 or 1858. The Historical Commission at Little Rock shows he served in Co. I, King's Rgt. of Ark. Inf. He homesteaded land on Crow Mt. N.E. of Russellville, which is part of a farm now owned by a grandson, Reece E. Bowden. He was killed when thrown and dragged by a horse in 1895. He and Mary Jane were the parents of three boys and four girls.

George A. married Mary Elizabeth Scott, who was a farmer and a J.P., active in local politics. He was on the committee planning the present Pope Co. Courthouse.

John William married Oma Tipton and resided in Texas. Edward A. married Elizabeth and also lived in Texas. Mary Ann married Franklin Morphis, Bedie married William Bowden, Martha Ellen married Henry NC Bowden, and Alice married A.M. McKeever. All the girls lived in Pope Co., Ark.

Martha Ellen Gideon Bowden and Henry NC Bowden had bought land from the Ft. Smith Railroad adjoining her fathers land after his death. Martha Ellen bought the land her father left, from her mother and the other heirs. Both pieces of land are now part of a farm owned by Martha Ellen's son, Reece and his wife.

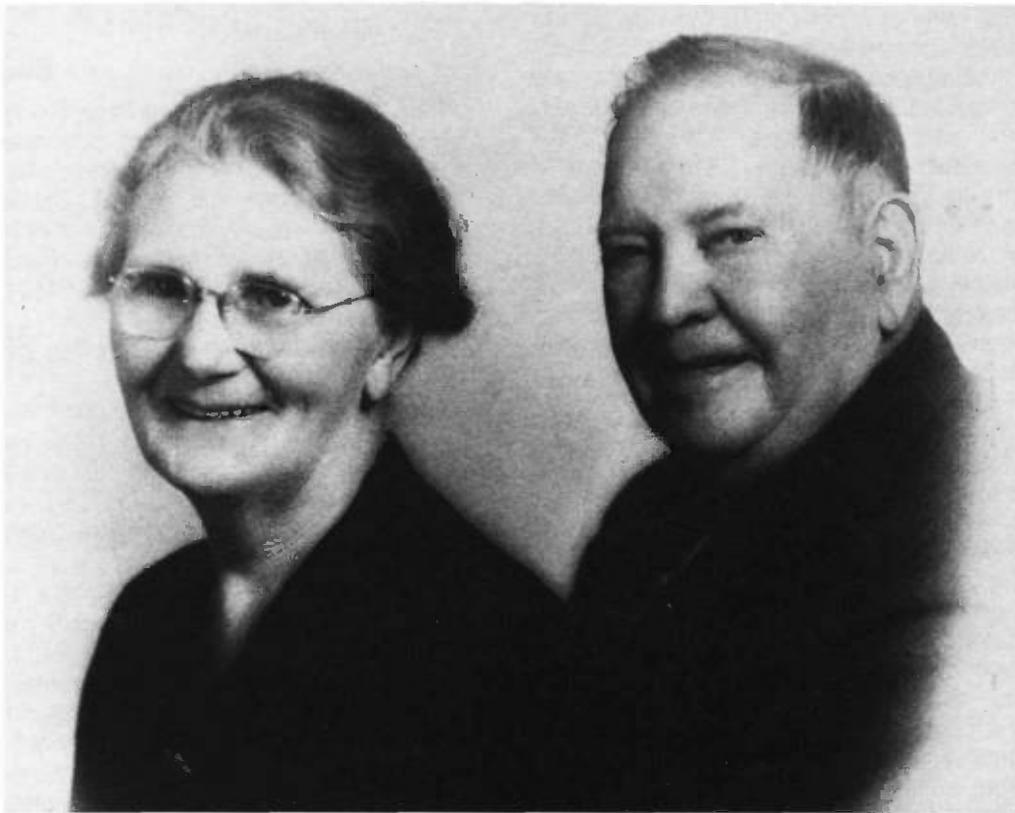
Mary Jane Gideon and Bedie Gideon Bowden, who was also a widow lived in the house of their daughter and sister the rest of their lives.

by Mrs. Reece Bowden

ROBERT MASON GIDEON

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Robert Mason "Bob" Gideon (1863-1951) was born to William and Lucinda Matthews Gideon at Bradley Cove, near Russellville. He married Mary Mullins (1865-1896), who died early leaving four young daughters. They



Robert Mason "Bob" and Malissa Byers Gideon

were: (1.) Mamie, married J.A. Vick of Russellville. Their children were born there: Ethelyn (Joel) Dollar, Leroy Vick, Owen Vick and Joe Vick. They moved to North Little Rock before moving to Oklahoma, where they lived until their deaths. (2.) Maida, married J.D. Vick of Russellville. Their children born there: Robert Vick, Ray Vick, Ina (M.M.) Homan, Irene (Devert) Rainwater and Janet (A.C.) Riley. They moved to North Little Rock, where Lynn and George were born. (3.) Georgia, married Edd Darter of Gumlog. She died in 1914 at age 24. (4.) Floy, died young, unmarried.

In 1899 Bob married Malissa Ann Byers (1878-1961) at Caglesville. She was the daughter of John A. and Jane Bramlett Byers, who were early settlers coming from Georgia. They were the parents of eight children: (1.) Norma, married W.A. Turner of Atkins. They moved to Benton, where their daughter, Marion Erle (Harry) Buie, was born, then moved to Little Rock, where they lived until their deaths. (2.) Sibyl, married Arthur B. Holiman, Sr. of Benton. He was a native of Grant County, but they have made their home in Benton, where their son, Arthur B., Jr., was born and raised. (3.) Eulan, married E.V. Gay at Little Rock. He was a native of Atkins. He is deceased, she lives in Little Rock. (4.) Elaine, married Carl M. Morphis of Atkins. Their children, born at Atkins: Carl R., Richard and Phillip. Carl M. and Richard are deceased and buried at Atkins. Elaine lives at Little Rock. (5.) Lucille, unmarried, lives at Little Rock. (6.) Jewell, married Stan Liszcz of New York, where they have lived and raised their children, Barbara Andrews and Robert. Robert was killed in Vietnam. (7.) Edward, died in 1928 at age 16, of rheumatic fever. (8.) Don, died in 1918 at age 3, of measles.

Bob Gideon moved to Gumlog community

before 1900, and went into business with C.D. "Doak" Ashmore and Robert "Bob" Ashmore. They had a general mercantile store and cotton gin. Bob Gideon managed the store and soon afterwards was appointed Postmaster, a position he held for many years. After he retired he moved to North Little Rock to be near his children. He lived there until he died. He has wives, two daughters and two sons are buried in Old Baptist Cemetery near Russellville.

by Lucille Gideon

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James Gideon, son of Irish immigrant James Isham and Martha "Patty" Mills Gideon, was born 21 August 1793 in Wilkes County North Carolina, (Bible record) and died before 1850 in Pope County Arkansas. He was married before 1816 in Tennessee or Georgia to Susan. Their burial place is unknown. He served in the War of 1812 with Andrew Jackson's force in the Battle of New Orleans. Records in the National Archives at Washington, D.C. show that James Gideon of Hawkins County Tennessee enlisted 10 December 1812 and re-enlisted December 1813 in Capt. Benj. Hewett's Company, then served with Capt. Isaiah Renshaw's Company of East Tennessee Volunteers. Application for back pay states, 10 May 1815 James Gideon Pvt. appointed Nicholas Fain "to collect sums due me for last tour of duty." Pay was \$8 a month.

Pope County census of 1850 shows these children of James living in the county: William, aged 34; Jane, aged 23; and John, aged 20.

William Gideon, son of James and Susan Gideon, was born in 1816 in Georgia and died in Pope County in 1893. He married Lucinda Matthews (1820-1875), who was from a pioneer family that settled in Atkins. Pope County records show that William received 160 acres of land, probably a homestead, in Bradley Cove near Russellville. Their home was there and most of the children were born there. He, his wife, and three small children are buried in Bradley Cove Cemetery. They were parents of fourteen children. Eleven lived to maturity: (1.) Sarah Elizabeth (1838-1907). Married (1) Gaines Ray, (2) Adam Chronister. Children by Mr. Ray were William, Thomas Jefferson, and Alec. All moved to Oklahoma early in life. Children by Mr. Chronister were: Lee, unmarried. Mary Ciceronia. Married (1) Ozro McClain, (2) Mr. Cook. Children by Mr. McClain: Charlie McClain, Norma Oma Faye Vaughn, Joseph McClain, Rhea Butler, Lula Hottinger, Olen McClain, and Kathleen Byers. They lived near Dover. Ella Belle. Married Charles S. Landers. They lived near Dover. Their children were: Ova Reynolds, Evelyn Simpson, and Edith Landers. Children of Evelyn and Willis A. Simpson are Bonita Mosley and Charles W. Simpson. Children of Bonita and F.L. Mosley are Megan Standridge and Charles Curtis Mosley. Children of Charles W. and Glenna Simpson are Mary Elizabeth Nordin and Susan Denise Simpson. All live near Dover. (2.) John C. (1840-1863). Joined the Confederate Army and was killed at Ft. Gibbs (no state given). Unmarried. (3.) George Henry (1849-1911). Married Joanna Ashmore. He was a Methodist minister and served churches in Arkansas and Missouri. (4.) Thomas Jefferson (1851-1937). Married (1) Alice Robinson, (2) Ida Buck. He was a Methodist minister and served churches in Arkansas and Missouri. (5.) Leroy "Lee" (1855-1933). Married Amanda Stevens. Lived in Oklahoma. He was a blacksmith. (6.) Mary Josephine (1855-1933). Married (1) John Bruton, (2) John Weaver. Lived in Oklahoma. (7.) Lorenzo "Dow" (1856-1889). Married Nettie Eades at Pottsville. He died there leaving three small children, Lola Gideon Jones, Woodie Gideon Caler, and Shellie Dra Gideon Caler. (8.) Nancy Arabella "Belle" was born in 1858 and died in 1878 of fever. (9.) Granville Jerome "Bud" (1860-1943). Married (1) Nannie Wilson, (2) Sarah Williams. For years he taught school at Atkins and other places in Pope County before moving to Logan County. Later he moved to Ft. Smith where he and his second wife were oculists. Children by his first wife were Ruth Gideon Higdon and Orpha Gideon. (10.) Robert Mason "Bob" (1863-1951). See separate story. (11.) Harriett Ann "Hattie" (1865-1891). Married Rev. George Casper, a Methodist Minister. He served churches in Arkansas and Missouri.

The writer apologizes to those left out, records were not available. Portions are from the book "The Family of James Isham Gideon and Allied Families," compiled and published by Mrs. Gertrude (Guy D.) Jasserand, of Dodge, Kansas.

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COL. J.A. GILLETTE

James Absalom Gillette was born on Aug. 17, 1845, at St. Charles, Mo., the son of Leonard Flavel and Elizabeth Huffman Gillette. He was educated in St. Charles and finished Westminster College, Fulton Mo. He then taught school and studied law; passed both the Missouri and the Arkansas Bar Examinations. In 1868 he married Miss Rachel LeCompte of Pierce City, Mo. Both the Gillette and LeCompte families were French Huguenots. Mr. and Mrs. Gillette had two sons and two daughters, all born in Missouri. Margaret Nettie, born in 1869, married Judge H. H. McCluer of Kansas City, Mo. Pearl Jewette, born in 1872, married Samuel Schweitzer of Omaha, Nebr. Leonard Cove was born in 1874, and Roderick Orville was born in 1876. Mrs. Gillette died in 1878. In 1880 Mr. Gillette came to Atkins, Ark., where he was one of the town's first attorneys. In 1898 he volunteered for service in the Spanish-American War. He attained the rank of colonel and took part in the Battle of San Juan Hill. After the war he resumed his law practice in Atkins, where he was prominent in his support of the growth and the business of the town. He owned a home and several blocks in Atkins, as well as farmland outside the town. After finishing Westminster College, his two sons joined their father in Atkins. Col. James Gillette married Miss Viola Bruton in 1900; they had no children. He died in 1913; his wife died in 1933. They were both members of the Presbyterian Church.

In 1901 Cove Gillette married Miss Mayme Reynolds of Atkins; they had no children. He died in 1931; she is ninety-six years old and living in Oklahoma. In 1902 Roderick Gillette married Miss Elizabeth Darr of Atkins; they had four children born in Atkins. He died in 1912, and she died in 1955. Jewette Elizabeth was born in 1904. She graduated from Atkins High School with honors then attended the

University of Arizona in Tucson. She died in 1932. Leonard Alvin was born in 1906. After finishing school in Atkins, he attended a trade school in Little Rock. He then worked for several years with his uncle, C.W. Darr, in the construction business. In 1943 he moved to Omaha, Nebr., where he worked for the Kellogg Cereal Co. until his retirement in 1968, when he returned to Atkins. In 1971 he married Mrs. Iva McGee Monroe. They are members of the Atkins Presbyterian Church. Kathryn Pearl was born in 1909. She attended school in Atkins and high school in Knoxville, Tenn., where she also finished Knoxville Business College. In 1930 she accepted a position with the Omaha Public Power District and moved to Omaha, Nebr., where she married Reinhold R. Hofferber in 1938. After his death, she married Cloyd L. Hawley in 1958. Mr. and Mrs. Hawley live in Omaha and are members of the First Presbyterian Church. Sarah Helen was born in 1911. She graduated with honors from Atkins High School and taught there after graduating from Arkansas Tech College. She married J.C. Overstreet in 1932, and they have one child, Linda Kathryn, born in 1940. The family live in Little Rock and belong to Pulaski Heights Presbyterian Church. Linda graduated from Little Rock Hall High School with highest honors. She graduated from Little Rock University summa cum laude, first in her class. She received a B.A. degree with a major in English and a double minor in French and Spanish. At LRU she was elected to Phi Kappa Phi, a national honor fraternity. She received an M.A. degree from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa national honor fraternity for the College of Arts and Sciences. She has taught English at the University of Ark. at Little Rock. Currently she is writing her doctoral dissertation, the final requirement for the Ph.D. degree.

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Daniel Gilmore came to Pope County, from Ill. at about the same time as James Carden. He settled at Galley Rock. The exact year of his arrival is not known. But it was before 1837. In 1837 he was appointed Post Master at Galley Rock.

His first land purchases were recorded in 1839. He owned 120 acres of land in Section 12 twp 6N Range 19W and 72 acres in Section 13, which was the section Galley Rock was in. He also owned about 88 acres south of the river. Daniel Gilmore was a farmer.

According to Court records most of the town lots of Galley Rock were bought from Daniel Gilmore. In December 1860 Daniel Gilmore deeded the control of the public streets in Galley Rock to three men who would act as the ones who would see to it that the people had the right to use the said streets. He reserved all ferry privileges for himself and his heirs.

Daniel Gilmore returned to Ill. sometime after 1860. He died in Ill.

by John C. Stroud

THE GIPSON FAMILY 262

The Gipson family arrived in Pope County in 1881 reportedly by train which must have been more comfortable than in earlier days. The head of the family was Jonas L. Gipson who had been born fifty-four years earlier in N.C. in 1827. Jonas' wife was Louisa "Eliza" (Walker) Gipson also born in N.C. in 1831. They had been married in 1847 in Gilmer Co., Ga. Eventually after locating a farm they settled near Atkins.

Jonas had served in the Confederate Army; joining the army in Aug., 1861 he served throughout the Civil War for the most part in the 23rd Ga. Infantry as a private. This unit participated in many of the important battles in the East.

In 1865 the family moved from Ga. to Winston Co., Ala. By this time a number of children had been born including: Sarah, Eliza, Richard, Augustus L., Mary, Susan, Nancy, Alice and William A. "Dolf" the oldest. Most of whom came to Pope County.

Jonas L. Gipson died in 1888 and is buried in the Atkins City Cemetery with his grave marked by a UDC cross. Eliza his wife died at the home of their daughter Mrs. S.E. Wilson in Atkins in 1921 and is buried in the City Cemetery also.

William A. Gipson married Martha F. Segars in Ala. in 1868. William A. came to Pope Co. with his father. The children of W.A. and Martha Gipson were Sarah born 1869, Emma 1871, Ada 1874, Meomia 1877, Hilliard 1878, Jack 1880 and Authur born in 1885. Sarah married Dick Minyard and had children: Edgar, Guy, and Ola. They moved to Calif. and Sarah later married Chester Smith. Emma Gipson married Neal B. Burnett, 1892. The Burnett family were early settlers in the county. Emma's children were Corry, a World War I vet who lives in Atkins, Fred, Willie, and Phosia. After her first husband's death Emma later married "Uncle Charlie" Walters in 1938 and lived in Atkins until her death in 1961.

Ada Gipson married Rev. Bob Johnson and had children: Eula, Winey, Albin, and Claron. The youngest daughter of W.A. Gipson, Neomia married John J. Matthews in 1906. Their children were Mary Francis, John L. and Vida Margaret. Matthews operated a barber shop on the north side in Atkins. After her husband's death in 1917 Neomia married John Moncrief and moved to Muskogee, Okla. One son Jack was born. She died in Muskogee in 1924 and is buried there. Jack married had a family of four daughters and now lives in Oklahoma City. Of the remaining three sons Hilliard married and had a family; Jack married Mattie McClain in 1900 and moved to Newark, Ark. Jack's son Vernie Gipson lives at Newark and has held Gipson family reunions in the past. The youngest, Authur married Lena Kennedy in 1909 in Independence Co., Ark. Their son Veldean died in the U.S. Navy submarine service in the Pacific in 1944.

After a long illness W.A. "Dolf" Gipson died at his farm near Jerusalem in 1915. His wife Martha died at the home of her son Au-



"William A. 'Dolf' Gipson (1848-1915) and wife Martha F. (Segars) Gipson (1853-1934) with three of their seven children: Hilliard, Neomia (Mrs. John J. Matthews), and Authur Gipson. This family moved from Cullman County, Alabama, to Pope County in the early 1880's."

thur in Morley, Mo. in 1934. Both were buried in the Atkins City Cemetery.

Probably few with the surname Gipson remain in Pope County but many other descendants are and scattered throughout Arkansas.

by John S. Polk

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REV. A.E. GOATES AND WIFE, STELLA MAE GOATES

Johann Gets arrived in South Carolina in 1733 aboard the Pennsylvania Merchant. The name has had several spellings and pronun-

ciation changes as the family moved through North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Arkansas. The first Arkansas John Goates arrived in Pope County in 1841. His Great grandson Arvle Elbert, one of ten children, was born May 16, 1901.

Raised to be a farmer and timber worker A.E. or "Preacher" as he was later called was working with his father when he saw a pretty young school teacher and her father moving to Tag. He said he made up his mind then to marry her though it was five years later when he and Miss Stella Mae Moses were actually married, December 22, 1923 by Rev. J.D. Long. They built a new house on top of Goates Mountain and their first child, Evelyn, was born there. Stella Mae carried the baby and walked in high heeled satin shoes to teach a subscription school about a mile away. Payment was in the form of pigs, a horse and an old car. Their second child, Joie was born in the Old Homestead house. They moved to Russellville in 1926 and operated a Wagon Yard and Boarding House. Noted for good family style meals the business was located on the corner of Van Buren (now D street) and North Arkansas. It was a very popular place for tourists and family friends. It didn't take long for hoboes to learn the Goates' were always good for a meal — too good — they went broke but made many friends!

They spent the 30's in the Rio Grand Valley in Texas where Samuel, Charity Mae and Lily Nelle were born. Lily Nelle died shortly after they moved back to Pope County in 1939.



CHARITY GOATES

They felt called into the Ministry to Pioneer churches in rural Pope County. They affiliated with the Assemblies of God of the Arkansas District Council in 1941.

Before they even got their house built they started Sunday School in the old Price Grove School house after cleaning out the pigs and goats in the unused building. For years once a month preaching had been held but services had never lasted long. A thriving Sunday School has been in existence constantly since they started services and a lovely building now stands on the grounds.

They believed in working to help support the pioneer churches they established. A few years later they were called to set in order and pastor the church at Pleasant Grove. They bought land and built an Assembly of God Church there. In 1956 they moved to Scottsville where they bought a home and began services in the Masonic Lodge Building. Five acres of land and a brick building was purchased from the Hector School District for the Scottsville Assembly of God Church. Their daughter Charity who by this time had finished Arkansas Tech and was teaching school at Hector mortgaged her home to insure payments on the building. They remained as pastors until after the property was completely paid for. During this time the church averaged 50-60 in Sunday School and had a very active youth group, under the direction of Charity Goates.

Arvle was called on many, many times for weddings and funerals. He was considered Pastor to hundreds of people in hours of need and his wife was a highly respected Sunday School Teacher.

All their children graduated from Hector School High School and have become active in Christian Work. Charity as Education and Youth Director and Young Camp Worker, Sam is a minister, Joie is married to a minister, and Evelyn and her husband are Sunday School Teachers. Almost all the grandchildren play instruments or sing or actively participate in Church and community affairs.

Arvle died in 1972 and is buried in the

Goates Cemetery. A long list of ministers and church workers received their start under the ministry of him and his wife. His daughter Charity was severely injured in an automobile wreck in 1975 when some cows were in the road in front of the car she and her mother were in. Hundreds of people were very supportive during the ten months she was hospitalized. She was President of the Hector Teachers Assoc. at the time of her accident and had been secretary of the Pope County Teachers Association.

by Charity Goates

ROY GOATES FAMILY

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In 1810 John L. Goates was born in S. Carolina. He and his wife, Francis lived in Tennessee until after the birth of 4 sons: James H., Landon L., Jerry W. and George W. Benjamin was born in Miss. in 1838. By 1840 they were in Searcy County, Ark. and in 1841 John secured title to land in Pope County North of the Illinois Bayou near Scottsville, where Elbert K. and Eveline were born. Their mother died and in 1866 John married Mary Freeman. Alexander, Andrew and Susan were born to them.

Elbert K. was born in 1846. His marriages to Martha Hickman and Mary Cox produced 11 children: John, William Ira, Aline (Lena) James Henry, Leona, Laurasenia, George, Mac, Stella, Joe and Homer. The family farmed.

John A. was born in 1869. His marriage to Nancy Owens gave him nine children: Roy, Earl, Arvie, Lillie Mae, Lillian Kay, Jewel, Stella, Velva, Johnnie. The older children went to school about three months a year at Price Grove and were tutored by their parents to become good readers. They grew most of their own food, made soap, and had a good potato house that neighbors often used. A trip to Russellville for supplies took very careful planning. In good weather the trip took only two days.

In 1921 Roy was only a young man when his father was killed by lightning. He supported the family and has never lived more than a mile or so from the original homestead. His mother and sister Lillie lived with him until their deaths. Lillie, whose growth was severely stunted by Fever which killed her twin sister in childhood, was unable to attend but was very bright so was taught by the family at home. She became well known in Gospel singing and preaching around the County. Family members led her horse, or pulled a little wagon, or carried her. As the girls were growing up, their home was the Community gathering place for song-fests around the organ, Sunday Dinners, and hair-cutting among the boys. They attended church at Price Grove and Broomfield when traveling preachers were available. These ministers were usually intertained in the Goates' home. The boys — often rode horses to Scottsville, Hector, or Tag for special events. Roy was married in 1928 to Miss Annie Wilson of Liberty Grove. She was a Charter Member of the Russellville First Assembly of God Sunday School. Their

daughter Anna Joyce and her husband, Bob McAlister, live in Jacksonville. Granddaughter Lynn is a student at UALR. Their son, Roy Jr. and his wife Virginia have four children: Bonnie, Beverly, Regina, and Sherman. They live in Russellville where he is an Assembly of God minister and also has been a Foreman at Bibler Bros. Lumber Company for years. The Goates Cemetery near the Illinois Bayou was begun when the body of an unknown soldier was found and buried by two Goates women during the Civil War. He was never identified. The land was later Deeded for use as a Public Cemetery.

Roy and his family have always been very active in the Price Grove church which they still attend regularly. He is considered "Grandpa" or "Uncle Fudge," He and "Aunt Annie" are very special to the many nieces and nephews to the 4th generation of the brother and sisters he helped to raise. For all of them all roads still lead eventually up Granny Gap Motorway to the top of Goates Mountain to see the patriarch of the family.

by Charity Goates

SAM GOATES FAMILY HISTORY

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The land that Sam Goates and his sister Charity own near the Ozark National Forest on Granny Gap Motorway commonly called "Goates Mountain" North of Scottsville holds great meaning for him. Seven generations of Goates Family have lived in the community. Great-great Grandfather, John L. settled there in 1841. Great-grandfather Elbert was born there in 1846, Grandfather Jonathan Andrew Jackson Goates was born there in 1869, and father Arvie Elbert was born there in 1901. Many other relatives have farmed, hunted, fished, laughed, cried, loved, lost loved ones, prayed and played on the old Homestead Acres. The land has never belonged to anyone outside the family. As a nine year old boy in 1939 Sam helped his father build the log cabin that still stands there. It is probably the last actual log cabin that was built in Pope County for a family home.

His roots run just as deep on his Mothers side of the family. James Moses settle near Piney in 1836, the year that Arkansas achieved Statehood. His son Harden was born there in 1839. Harden's twins Joe and John were born near there in 1880. Joe's daughter Stella Mae who is Sam's Mother was born June 7, 1900 the day James Moses died.

Sam learned to work as a very small boy. He chopped sprouts, planted corn, and potatoes, and peas, and worked in the timber woods with his Daddy. He was drawing a paycheck from Bibler Bros. Lumber Company when he was 14. He took care of the family livestock (usually tasting the Shorts to see that they were OK before feeding them to the hogs). A special animal he loved was a White Arabian Colt named Dan. He was more than 20 years old when the family sold him. Sam hunted squirrels and trapped in the Ozark National Forest and on their own land. He fished and swam in the Illinois Bayou. He played Basketball at Hector High School. He graduated from there in 1949. He picked cotton and made the Kansas-Nebraska wheat fields to help support the family and buy a truck. He grew up in a family that worked hard but developed a strong sense of family love and security. He is still very close to all the Pope County relatives. His Dad was a minister and the whole family attended church regularly.

He was sent to Japan during the Korean War. Tragedy struck close when his best friend, Martin Anderson of Pleasant Grove was killed in Korea. They had spent thousands of happy hours together.

Feeling a Call to the Ministry while in Japan he worked closely with some Missionaries that were reaching both Japanese people and American Servicemen. He met and Married a beautiful young missionary named Janice Lien Gehring. Their first child Susan was born in Tokyo. They both attended Ark. Tech and received Master's Degrees from the Univ. of Ark. For a number of years they have been Principal and Supt. of several schools in Northern Ark. With their daughter Sharon they now live in Valley Springs and pastor the Western Grove Bible Church. Susan married Kirt Summers from Dover. They both at-



ARVIE GOATES FAMILY, CHILDREN: EVELYN, JOE, SAM & CHARITY.



SAM, JANICE, SUSAN AND SHARON GDATES.

tended Tech. She is teaching music at Valley Springs.

The family is back in Pope county with family and friends every month.

by Charity Goates

WILLIAM NEWTON GODBEY

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William Newton Godbey was born near Benton (Saline County) Ark. Oct. 10, 1872, a son of B.G. Godbey and Martha Laster Godbey, came to Atkins, in 1889. Married to Miss Lillie M. Sisney and to this marriage six children were born, Wyle, Ryle, Lydia, Leona, Miles, and W.N. Jr., (Pat). His early life was spent on the farm and he first entered business as a barber, in 1901 he moved to Little Rock and established a barber shop there, returning to Atkins about 1907, when he became associated with his father-in-law, A.J. Sisney, in a general mercantile business, this association continued until 1919, when the firm was sold to Cheek Bros., with Mr. Godbey retaining the Funeral Home.

Mr. Godbey and sons re-entered business in 1921 with a general mercantile firm known as W.N. Godbey and Sons. In 1924 the Godbey Motor Co. was established and took over the agency for Ford Cars. He retired from active business in 1935.

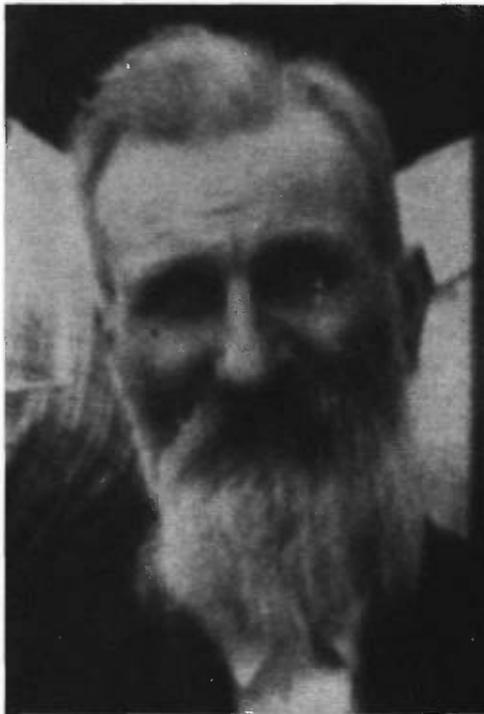
Mr. Godbey was active in civic affairs, having served as Mayor of Atkins, alderman, and member of the school board. He was former road overseer in Wilson Township. He was a member of the local Masonic Lodge, a 32 degree Mason and a Shriner. He was a member of the Baptist church since early life. His death occurred April 10th, 1940.

by Leona Weaver

DANIEL RICHARD GRANT

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Daniel Richard Grant born 1841, died in



Daniel Richard Grant

1917. He married Mary Eakin, born 1847 and died in 1920. They moved to the Hatley Community 3 miles East of Dover. The Grants homesteaded 160 acres and built a log cabin in 1868. They were charter members of the Hatley Missionary Baptist Church. Which is still active in the community.

Born to Daniel Richard and Mary Grant were eleven children.

Daniel Richard Grant served as Pope County Coroner from 1880 thru 1884 then 1888 thru 1894.

Their oldest son William Jordin was born in the Hatley Community in 1872. William Jordin was a farmer and married Clara Grant. Clara Grant was born in 1878. William and Clara had ten children. William Jordin died in 1965. Clara is still living at the age of 99 years and 6 months.

One of the ten children is Ermil Grant born in 1912. Emil married Rosa Turner. They have three children. Ermil was Pope County Judge from 1973 thru 1978.

by Emil Grant

EMMITT MONTGOMERY GRAY

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Emmit Montgomery Gray was the grandson of John Gray, who came to Arkansas from Bedford County, Tennessee, in the winter of 1833 and 1834. He settled in Pope County, in Griffin Township, after traveling the distance with his wife and three children in a wagon. It has been told that when he left Tennessee, Mrs. Gray's mother and father were standing in the middle of the road and waved at them as far as they could see them. She was in her twenties at the time and never did see her parents again.

One son of John Gray was William Ira Gray, who married Leta Delight Montgomery, who was the daughter of Fernaldo Deleno Ello Montgomery and was known as Dee Montgomery. He was living in Appleton and Leta was born there in 1886 and died in 1908. William Ira and Leta were living in Griffin Flat and had a son, Emmitt, who was about four and a half when a daughter, Leta Maud was born and Mrs. Gray died in about fifteen days. Leta Maud was taken by a sister of her mother, Mrs. Kinney Gray and raised by her. Emmitt stayed with his father who soon moved from Griffin Flat to Appleton. They stayed there a short time then moved to Russellville.

After moving to Russellville, Mr. Gray and Emmitt boarded for three or four years where he attended his first school in the Masonic Hall, then went to the High School. After four or five years, Mr. Gray married Effie Tate. He worked in offices the Courthouse, two or three different times, then moved to a farm near the City Dam and lived there about seven years. Mr. and Mrs. Gray had a daughter, Mildred, born about 1912. Mr. Gray died in the flu epidemic of 1918, and Mildred and her mother went one way and Emmitt, went the other. Effie later married a Mr. Bailey who preceded her in death. Mildred married Truman Price of London, who had a heart attack in 1970 and passed away. They were living in Jackson, Mississippi.

Emmitt went to Dover and lived with an Aunt, Ida Lee Montgomery, who had married Luther Turnbow. He attended school at Dover a few years and after the big fire at Dover, when their house was burned, he moved to Russellville. He went to work in Russellville for Russell's Stores and in 1933, he married Maxie Elizabeth Bullock, who was a descendent of a well known family of Pope County. He worked for Russell's stores as a clerk for several years then for sixteen years was manager of the Russellville store. When the Dollar Store became popular, several of the Russell's stores were changed to Dollar stores and Emmitt took charge of six stores below Little Rock. He worked for this firm 39 years. He had married in 1933 and had never changed jobs.

Emmitt and Maxie Gray had two children. Judy, who died in 1943, at the age of four, with leukemia. She is buried at Oakland Cemetery in Russellville. On June 1, 1943, Jan was born. She married Kenneth Rapier.

Emmitt retired about 1968 and worked continually on his family genealogy and was President of the Pope County Genealogy and Family History Group when he was stricken ill and died May 12, 1975. While attending his bedside in Little Rock, November 14, 1974, Maxie had a heart attack and passed away. Both are buried in Oakland Cemetery at Russellville.

by J.B. Lemley

JAMES MILTON GRAY

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James Milton Gray born March 1843 in Alabama served in the civil war when very young Co. C. 35 Ala. Inf. C.S.A. James Milton Gray married Sallie Berry in Ala. born 1847. Later they moved to Tenn. and raised tobacco. To this union was born six boys and four girls some born in Ala., Tenn., and Ark.

John R., John F., Charlie Milton, Will, Oscar, Leon, Emma, Mamie, Edna. In 1886 two half brothers of Sallie Berry Gray, Frank Haney, Ed Haney and uncle Len Eggleston came to Pope County Ark. to pick cotton for fifty cents a hundred. They wrote back to their families to come to Pope Co.

James Milton Gray and wife Sallie Berry Gray, with Sallie's Mother, two married sisters and all their children, Susan Berry Reid married Rev. Oliver Reid, Mary Robbie Berry Parker married Ben Parker. They all chartered a box car on a train in 1887 at Tenn. Bringing with them one team of horses the train stopped in Atkins, Ark. Pope Co., where they settled and are still living. The mother of the Berry sisters & Haney boys died soon after arriving in Pope Co. 1887. She is buried in Shiloh Cemetery Pope Co.

James Milton Gray and Sallie was land owners at Oak Grove, Ark. Pope Co. James Milton was a farmer and timberman lived and raised his family in Pope Co. James Milton Gray died 1920, Sallie Berry Gray died 1922 are buried in Hudson Cemetery, Morland, Ark. Pope Co.

The third son of James Milton and Sallie Berry Gray, was Charlie Milton born 1871 Ala. First married 31 Dec. 1895 to Jennie Hobbs. To this union one daughter was born Beurah, at the age of 9 months Beurah's mother Jennie died then Charles Milton second time married 5 May 1902 to Nellie Melvina Turner daughter of McDonald Turner of Caglesville, Ark. Pope Co. To this union was born five girls and five boys, - Carie Melvina, Sallie Lorebia, Bessie Sue, Mable Oreta, Lula Melvina, Charles Levander, Lewis Milton, WM McDonald, Ernest Levander, Ervin Percy, Charlie Milton a farmer died April 1936, Nellie Melvina Turner Gray died March 1960 both are buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery, Pope Co.

The seventh daughter of Charlie Milton Gray and Nellie Melvina Turner Gray was Bessie Sue born 20 1913 Morland, Ark. Pope

Co. first marriage 15 Oct. 1930 to Roy Walter Judkins born 19 July 1903, son of John Leonard and Arlena Arizona Kirk Pope Co. To this union was born two girls, three boys. Second marriage of Bessie Sue was 17 April 1948 to Horace Guy Reynolds to this union was born one daughter one son.

The first child of Bessie Sue Gray and Roy Walter Judkins was Erma Lee, born 3 Dec. 1931. She married on Jan. 17, 1948 to Harold Glen Masters, born 5 May 1929. She is land owner at Bells Chapel, Pope Co. Erma Lee is a Hair Stylist and owner of Masters Hair Fashions in Dardanelle, Ark. To this union was born two children, one son and one daughter.

Erma Diann Masters married Billy Snider and she is also a Beautician. Erma Diann and Billy are the parents of twins, Angie Lee and Angella Diann and also Heather Jane.

Glen Edwin Masters married Virginia E. Thomas of Pope Co. He is a funeral director and embalmer.

The second child of Bessie Sue and Roy Walter Judkins was Velva Ann, born 2 June 1933, Pope Co. She married Clayton Bryant and to this union was born three boys and one girl. Velva is an employee of Safeway in Tulsa, Ok.

Third child, of Bessie Sue and Roy Walter Judkins was Roy Huey, born 6 Sept. 1935 Pope Co. married Darlene McMahon and to this union was born one son and one daughter. Roy Huey is the owner and operator of a grocery store in Wellston, Ok.

The fourth child of Bessie Sue and Roy Walter Judkins was John Charles, born 13 1938 Pope Co. Married Linda Chesney and to this union was born one son and one daughter, John Charles is manager of Rite-Way Foods No. 1, and No. 2, in the city of Russellville, Ark.

The fifth child of Bessie Sue and Roy Walter Judkins was Melvin Curtis, born 22 April 1945 Pope Co. He married Sharon Mendenhall and they have one daughter. Melvin Curtis has a bachelor degree in Psychology and is a case worker in Tulsa, Ok.

From the second marriage of Bessie Sue and Horace Guy Reynolds was her sixth child Ethel Sue born 1 Aug. 1949 married Kenneth Ray Kinsfather. They're parents of three boys. Seventh child of Bessie Sue and Horace Guy Reynolds was Horace Guy Jr. born April 1951 Pope Co. died at four months old.

by Erma Lee Judkins Masters

ROBERT IRA GRIFFIN

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Robert Ira Griffin was born October 14, 1844 in Pope County, the son of Robert Ira and Margaret Wilson Griffin. He was the grandson of Richard Griffin who came to Arkansas from Tennessee in 1833 and settled on what was later known as the Ford place in the Griffin Flat Community. Richard Griffin was a descendent of John Griffin who landed in South Carolina in 1761 prior to the Revolutionary War.

"Bob Ira's" mother died when he was 1½ years old and his father died when he was

7½ so he really was an orphan. The Wilson family, Aunt Sarah and the older members of the Dixon Wilson family reared him. At the age of 17 he volunteered for the Confederate Army and was assigned to Co. F., 1st Battn, (Stirman's) Arkansas Cavalry, and was a member of Stirman's Sharpshooters. Mr. Griffin went from Norristown to Corinth, Mississippi, and was wounded in the battle there. Discharged from the hospital he engaged in the battle of Baker's Creek, Black River and the awful seige of Vicksburg. He was surrendered at Vicksburg on July 4, 1863. Afterwards he drove cattle from the Red River area to Confederate armies in need of food. He was married to Minverva Ann McCarley and had the following children: Mary Ann Griffin Rankin born 1870, Kate Griffin Chambers born 1871, Robert Ira born 1875, John Henry born 1878, Annie Griffin Ellison born 1882, Piety Griffin Spears born 1890. After the death of his wife in 1917 Mr. Griffin married Mrs. Fannie Rushing. He died February 20, 1937 and is buried in Oakland Cemetery north of Atkins.

by Kate Murdoch

WILLIAM GRIFFIN

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The Griffin family were early settlers in Pope County, having first settled in the eastern part of the county in 1832. They settled in the area of Point Remove and Hacker creeks where the Griffin Flat settlement was known for many years. Griffin Township was also named after the first settler, Richard Griffin. He was neighbors to Chief Glass of the Cherokee Tribe who stayed here a few years after the Cherokee went to Oklahoma. There is one piece of land, just across Point Remove that was cleared just before Mr. Griffin arrived that has been in continuous cultivation since it was cleared.

William Griffin was only a lad when his father left the home in Tennessee for Arkansas, having been born in August 2, 1819, and died July 11, 1878, and is buried in the Ford Cemetery. William Griffin was first appointed to the office of postmaster at Old Glass Village, Feb. 25, 1859. At that time, the post offices were either located in a residence or in a store and it isn't known which place he kept the post office but at one time he ran a store near the Buttermilk community, which wasn't too far from the Old Glass Village Church and west of Ford Cemetery. This store was near the land of Ephraim Lemley, who had settled there in 1840. William Griffin was a Captain during the Civil War. Before the war he married Sarah (Aunt Sally) Lemley, daughter of Ephraim. William and Sarah Lemley Griffin had eight children.

John L. born March 20, 1847, first married Tennessee Wilson, Feb. 19, 1871. She died at the birth of their first child who also died and they were buried in the same casket. The story goes that due to the suffering that his wife went through, John L., decided to make a Doctor, and this he did. He married a second time, Dec. 18, 1878, to Mary Ellen Rankin, daughter of Anthony Lambert and Pati-

ence Ann Jones Rankin and they had nine children.

Margaret L. Griffin, born January 25, 1851, died January 17, 1864.

Mary Elizabeth Griffin, born April 6, 1853, married Rube Gray, Dec. 18, 1870, and died October 12, 1890.

Ava Jane Griffin, born Oct. 10, 1855, married Jim Williams and died November 2, 1885.

William E. Griffin, born January 25, 1851, died January 17, 1864.

Richard, born in 1862, became a doctor and did his practice in Conway county. He later moved to Heber Springs with a son where he died in 1922.

Lydia Griffin, born 1864, married Marion Williams.

Florence Griffin, born 1865, married W.B. Duncan and died in 1900.

Sarah Lemley Griffin was born in 1820 in Alabama and died in Pope County about 1900 and is buried in the Ford Cemetery but there is only a rock marker at her grave and the location is not definitatley known. There are many descendents of this family scattered throughout the United States.

by J.B. Lemley

WILLIAM FRANK GRIFFIN

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William Frank Griffin was born March 12, 1874, in Griffin Flat, north of Atkins. He was the only child of Caleb Griffin who was born March 20, 1850 and died May 20, 1874, and married Mary Jane Carrel, born Sept. 7, 1844, died Dec. 17, 1883, to live. He was a grandson of James Griffin, born in 1817, in North Carolina and died Aug. 19, 1856 in Arkansas and Margaret Ford, born Oct. 23, 1822 and died Feb. 18, 1861 in Griffin Flat. James and Margaret were married in 1845. Caleb Griffin had three brothers and two sisters, Dempsy Griffin a half brother came to Pope County in the 1850's and lived and worked for Uncle Dink Ford, brother of Margaret Griffin. William Frank Griffin was left alone at the age of nine and he was raised by Uncle Dink Ford. As a teenager Frank worked on the farm for Uncle Dink. He ran a dray business from the early 1900's until around 1920. He also sold butter and wood and ran a farm. He started with the Pierce Oil Company around 1910. Frank's Oil Company was organized around 1920. Gas and oil were sold under the Shell name for eight to ten years. About 1928, he took up the Phillips 66 brand, which the company has sold every since.

William Frank Griffin, married Carrie Eliza Johnson, born 1878, died Dec. 2, 1969, on January 23, 1896 and they were the parents of seven children, Anna Marie Griffin, born March 4, 1897, died in February 1904; William Frank Griffin, Jr., born August 23, 1898, died in 1954; Louise Elizabeth Griffin Kinder (wife of Fred Kinder); Carrie Lee Griffin, born October 29, 1904, (wife of Joe B. Stroud), Leslie Johnson Griffin, May 17, 1907 and David Bishop Griffin, born Feb. 25, 1916, married Floy May Henderson.

by John C. Stroud

WILLIAM FRANK, JR. AND LOUIE RAGSDALE GRIFFIN

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William Frank Griffin, Jr. was born August 23, 1898 at Atkins, Arkansas. He was the son of William Frank Griffin, Sr. and Carrie Eliza Johnson.

Frank Jr. being one of the older children in his neighborhood, made a "Flying Jenny" and "Shoot to Shoot" for the younger children. The Fry boys solved the problem of making the "Shoot to Shoot" slick by greasing it with Aunt Meg's lye soap. As a child, he helped his mother with numerous chores around the house including running the clothes ringer and milking cows. At twelve years of age, he professed faith in Christ at the Burks-Hobbs Revival and joined the Atkins Methodist Church.

At the age of twelve he started working with his father, who was one of the most energetic entreneurs in Pope County. One of his first assignments was hauling Mill Ends from the Planer Mill for his daddy's Wood Yard. By the time he was fourteen, his daddy trusted him to haul ice at night to Atkins from the Ice Plant in Russellville. The team of horses he drove knew the road so well from Russellville to Atkins, that even when Frank fell asleep, they could bring the wagon load of ice safely to the Atkins Warehouse. Frank also worked at the Rock Quarry with his daddy. There were nights of fun when he and his daddy would go fox hunting.

He graduated from Atkins High School, where he had the nickname of "Bare" He attended Meridian College, Meridian, Mississippi for two years. His sister remembers that at Meridian he was a "big" football player. He was in Student Army Corps of World War I at Meridian, and was disappointed he was not able to go overseas.

On September 20, 1920, he was married to Louie Pauline Ragsdale of Russellville. The couple lived in Atkins where Frank Griffin was associated with his father in business. Two children were born, a son who was dead upon birth, and a daughter, Betty Sue, now Mrs. William Gordon Blackwell.

Frank Griffin Sr. was associated with the "Griffin and Wild" Dray business for years. Among the items they hauled for delivery were kerosene for lamps and stoves. It was a natural business to be on the ground floor for the emerging gasoline business. In 1921, Frank Griffin, Sr. organized the Frank's Oil Company. Frank Griffin, Jr. changed from driving a team of horses to driving one of the first gasoline powered trucks in Pope County. It was a large International truck. The Company developed various routes on which it had customers. Two of these routes were in Holla Bend and Carden Bottoms.

The couple moved to Russellville in 1921. Some of the years had stormy periods for a small Independent Oil Company. It was only by unflagging perseverance of purpose that the Company was able to weather the storm.

Louie Ragsdale Griffin stood with her husband. Combining a perceptive mind with a plain way of speaking, she could get at the

heart of a matter in language so blunt that no one could misunderstand what she had to say. In days before Presbyterian ordained women as Deacons, she served as a Deaconess in the Russellville Associated Reformed Presbyterian Church. It was a sort of unofficial appointment by the pastor of the church, the late Reverend John L. Boyd.

Frank's Oil Company grew and the Company divided in the Fall of 1946. The Eastern part of the business centered in Atkins continuing as the Frank's Oil Company. The Western section of the business centering in Russellville was organized into the Frank Griffin Oil Company, which continues to be operated by William Gordon Blackwell and Betty Griffin Blackwell.

William Gordon Blackwell worked with his father-in-law, Frank Griffin in the Frank Griffin Oil Company for the eight years before Frank's death. A grandson of Frank Griffin, Gordon Griffin Blackwell, started on the truck with his daddy to make gasoline deliveries at eleven years of age. As he has grown older, he has assumed other responsibilities: filling the truck compartments with gasoline, sweeping the floors of the warehouse and offices, and acting as a warehouse person. Now a Junior in the Russellville High School, he continues a tradition started 67 years ago by Frank Griffin Jr., of son working with father.

Frank Griffin Jr. died September 11, 1957. Louie Ragsdale Griffin died February 18, 1975.

Little things sometimes tell a world about the character of a person. Frank Griffin Jr. was one of a group of Russellville business men who for years played croquet together. An observant croquet friend, who has played on the same courts with him for years, will go out of his way to tell you that Frank was not only an excellent player, but he never placed the ball except to place it rightfully where it ought to be.

by William Oates Ragsdale

THE GUEST FAMILY

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Documents from the medieval carried the name Guest in its original form and is recorded in the Heraldic library register in Holmes Carey Ltd. offices.

The Guest's arrived in England in 878 A.D. during the Viking age. The Guest name was considered hereditary after the 14th century. The Guest's were listed in Maryland as early as 1647 and came from Handworth, England on the ship Deleware with Captain Moore as Commander and were listed as Presbyterians, son of John Henry and Jane Guest. Henry Guest first married Miss Forman. They had three sons and one daughter, Henry II, William and Moses, born in Faqure Co. Va., died in 1841 in Va. He married July 29, 1779 to Anna Allen. Allen Guest, son of William, married Mary Holland. Their son Moses Holland "Jimmie" Guest, born Oct. 11, 1811, Cass Co., died June 4, 1887, in Pope Co., Ark., of pneumonia and was a Primitive Baptist. He married Sarah Minervia Turner, born Jan. 19, 1817, in S.C. and died Mar. 29, 1899 at Rus-

sellville and both are buried in Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley. She burned to death combing her hair in front of the fire place at her home where Sugar Creek is now located. She was a rich girl and he a poor boy so her parents disowned her. The Guests had started with a wagon train to California and arrived at Center Valley in Pope County, before Christmas. Some of the members came down with smallpox and had to winter there. By spring they loved it so well they stayed. Moses Holland "Jimmie" Guest was one of the earliest Masons in Pope County. He started a trading post on Morgan road and hauled his supplies by wagon from New Orleans, Little Rock and Dardanelle. He later owned cotton gins and stores in down town Russellville. He always kept hired help for his wife.

Green Berry Guest, youngest of 10 children, born Feb. 5, 1860, died Jan. 31, 1890, of Spinal Meningitis, not too long after having an arm amputated after an accident at a gin. He married Sept. 25, 1879, to Margaret Catherine Gilmore, who was born Aug. 26, 1859. They lived at 608 West D. Street where their three children were born. In 1978 the home still belongs to the family. William Holland (Bill or Will) born Aug. 20, 1880, lived there when he died April 18, 1955. He married Lillian Louise Hall, born Jan. 11, 1891, daughter of Captain William Calvin Hall, who was born Oct. 12, 1840, Middle Tenn. and was a farmer. He married Louisa Arabelle Tucker, born Mar. 9, 1849, Pope Co., Ark. and died April 9, 1921, at England, Ark. Both are buried in Oakland Cemetery. He had owned and operated hotels, the last one being in the 500 block of S. Boulder. Will learned a trade starting at age 14 for 50 cents a day at Sauerman and Ball machine shop at Russellville Iron Works, 404 Spring St., later D Street and also worked at Smallwoods Light Co., Ice plant and bottling works. He was a lover of music and played clarinet in the Russellville band. He was the first engineer at the Russellville Light and Power company at the dam on Illinois bayou and at the turbines in summer at 300 N. El Paso and D. St. He traveled back and forth by horse and jumper or buggy when we weren't living at the dam. In 1920, he became partner with Jim Ball and owner and operator in 1935 with his children and son-in-laws. He was a photographer by hobby and loved hunting and boating and loved to swap jokes. He was a land owner and built a summer camp on the Illinois bayou above the dam. 4 siblings. Margaret Catharine, born Sept. 27, 1906, married Stephen Olan Howie, Feb. 1923. He was born Oct. 21, 1895 in Lancaster County, S.C. Mildred Elizabeth, born Sept. 1, 1908, married Junious Ray Ward, Sept. 21, 1927, who was born July 25, 1901, at Optonus, Ark., Stone Co. He was a school teacher and died at Mountain View, Ark., June 27, 1957 and is buried in Oakland cemetery at Russellville. Minnie Evelyn, born Sept. 15, 1910, married Sherman Lee Kelton Feb. 8, 1937. He was born Aug. 19, 1910. Helen Jane, born June 16, 1913 and died Oct. 16, 1914.

by Mrs. Margaret Howie

BETHEL GUEST

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Bethel Guest, was named for the family of his mother, Elizabeth Bethel. According to the family Bible of Captain Moses, Guest, Bethel Guest was born in Franklin County, Georgia, Oct. 4, 1814 the son of Elizabeth Bethel and Colbert "Cobb" Guest and a grandson of Captain Moses Guest and his wife, Mary Blair. As a young man, Bethel moved to Mississippi and thence in 1853 to Pope County, Arkansas. October 23, 1855, in Pope County, Bethel married Tinzy (Chronester) Patterson, born in Missouri in 1834, the widow of David Patterson, with two sons, George and John Patterson. By Tinzy, Bethel had two daughters, Nancy Caroline and Mary Guest.

Nancy Caroline Guest, born 1857, married James Bruton Nichols and had three children: John W.B. Nichols that married Bessie Denton and had Herman, John W. B. Jr., Goldie, Juanita and Jewell Nichols. Della Nichols married Burr Scott. Velma Nichols married and moved to California.

Mary Guest married in Pope County Oct. 21, 1877 to Anderson C. Pigg, both of them from Moreland and had, Dora, Nannie A., Dorsey or (Davey) and Ethel Pigg. Nannie A. Pigg was born June 9, 1883 and died in 1958. She married Grant Farley, born 1868 and died in 1958. After wife Tinzy died, Bethel married second in Pope County, Nov. 28, 1858 to Mary (Polly) Angeline (Brown) Sides a widow with two daughters, Amanda and Elizabeth (Betsy) Sides. Betsy married Presley Pigg and Amanda, Andrew Pigg, brothers of Anderson Pigg husband of Mary Guest.

Children of Bethel Guest by Mary Angeline Brown, born in Missouri in 1832.

William Christopher Guest, born Gumlog, Pope County, Jan. 14, 1864, died Nov. 26, 1929, Ada, Okla., married in Pope County, 1867, died single, at Comanche, Okla.

Jesse G. born 1873, died when 20 years old.

Sarah Guest, born at Gumlog, Pope County, Ark. May 31, 1872, died Nov. 27, 1913. She married Oct. 20, 1889 in Pope County, Ark. to Benjamin Franklin Peck. He died in a creek, near a cement plant in 1911 or 1912 near Center, Oklahoma. He and Sarah are both buried at Center.

Children of Sarah Guest and Benjamin Franklin Peck were:

William A. Peck, born Aug. 26, 1890 Comanche, Okla. died 1952. He had married Mable Adams.

Roy Peck, went west, likely to California; Ernest Peck — no information available; Dessa Peck, born Sept. 23, 1901, married Clyde Rucker; Wayne Peck married Robert E. Talley; Glenn Peck — no information.

by James T. Goodbread

CHRISTOPHER NEWTON GUEST

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The family Bible of the Revolutionary War patriot Captain Moses Guest, presently owned by Luther Guest, of Athens, Ga. reflects that Christopher Newton Guest, was born in

Franklin County, Georgia, March 21, 1821, the son of Elizabeth Bethel and Colbert "Cobb" Guest, and a grandson of Captain Guest. As a young man, Christopher, removed to the state of Mississippi and lived near his uncle Morgan Guest and other relatives. In the Civil War in Mississippi, he served as a cook in the Confederate Army. About 1857 in Mississippi, he married Paralee Drusilla Wilson born about 1842 or 1843. In 1868 Christopher and Paralee with five children born in Mississippi moved to Gumlog near Hector in Pope County, Arkansas, to live near Christopher's brother, Bethel Guest, who had settled in Pope County in 1857. Six more children were born to Christopher and Paralee when they again moved, this time to Indian Territory on land that is now the town of Apachee, Oklahoma. Chris died at Comanche, Stephens County, Okla., Nov. 6, 1889 and Paralee, at Ada, Okla., in 1913.

The children of Christopher and Paralee, the first five born in Mississippi the other six at Gumlog or Moreland, Pope County, Arkansas.

George C. born 1858, never married.

John Lemuel Colbert, born 1860, married Sarah (Sally) Brown, Dec. 16, 1879, Pope County, Ark. He married a second time to Ella Howard and the third to Catherine (unknown).

Emma Elizabeth, born 1864, married William M. Horton, April 28, 1880, in Pope County.

William Newton, born Nov. 19, 1865, married Nancy A. Sweeden, Feb. 11, 1883 in Pope County and second to Narcissa D. Whitlock, Sept. 26, 1905 and the third time to Lovey Mae Sims.

Mary Nix, born 1867, married Solomon Arthur.

Nancy Angeline, born March 1869, married Russell Jones Parton Jr. March 23, 1889 in Pope County.

James, died at age 7.

Sheppard Arthur, never married.

Elinor Bell born 1877, married J.H. Skelton, Feb. 23, 1893 in Pope County and she married second to Albert Bolton.

Joseph S., born 1875, married Nellie Jones.

Robert Christopher, born 1883, married Mittie Barringer.

by James T. Goodbread

COLBERT COBB GUEST

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Colbert Cobb Guest, fifth son and eighth child of the Revolutionary War Soldier, Captain Moses Guest and his first wife Mary Blair, and grandson of William Guest and his wife Susanna, was born December 20, 1787, at Pendleton, South Carolina.

As a young man he moved to Franklin County, Georgia, along with his father, his brothers and sisters and it was there that he raised his own family, and died there. He lived in Virginia during the period of 1812 and in Nelson County, Virginia, he married Elizabeth Bethel. The known children of Colbert Guest and his wife Elizabeth Bethel, all born and raised in Franklin County, Georgia were:

Bethel Guest, born Oct. 4, 1814, went to Mississippi and on to Arkansas. He married 1st: Tinzy Chronester Patterson, born in Missouri in 1834, widow of David Patterson. By her he had two daughters: Nancy Caroline Guest and Mary A. Guest. After the death of Tinzy Chronester Patterson Guest, Bethel married Nov. 28, 1858, Mary (Polly) Angeline Brown Sides, in Pope County, Ark. and these children were born: William Christopher Guest, born Jan. 14, 1864, married Tabitha Tenny Sweeden; Sarah A. Guest, born May 31, 1872, married B.F. Beck; Jesse G. Guest, born 1873, died age 20. (Male) Nancy Caroline Guest married James Bruton Nichols and Mary A. Guest married Anderson Pigg.

Sanford Guest, born Sept. 22, 1818, married Salina Stone. This son of Colbert Guest and Elizabeth Bethel remained in Franklin County, Georgia. The 1850 census shows him as a farmer and lists him, his wife, and three children.

Christopher Newton Guest, born March 1, 1821, moved to Mississippi, where he married Paralee Drusilla Wilson, moved to Pope County, Ark. and thence to Comanche, Oklahoma.

Clark Guest, born Sept. 20, 1827. (No record)

Mary Ann Guest, born Nov. 26, 1829. (No record)

The 1850 census of Franklin County, Georgia, Page 663, #1318 reflects Culbert Guest, farmer, age 63, born in Georgia and living alone. The time of his death is not established as known to this researcher.

Colbert (Cobb) Guest, age 63, married second in Georgia February 16, 1851, Susannah Winyard. No children by this marriage.

The above children of Colbert Guest, are all listed in the family Bible of Capt. Moses Guest, which is now (1978) owned by Luther Guest of Athens, Georgia.

by James T. Goodbread

JOHN LEMUEL COLBERT GUEST

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John Lemuel Colbert Guest was born in the state of Mississippi about 1860, died at Duncan, Okla. He was the son of Paralee Drusilla Wilson and Christopher Newton Guest. His grandparents were Elizabeth Bethel and Colbert "Cobb" Guest, of Franklin County, Georgia. At the age of 8 or 9, he accompanied his parents from Mississippi to Pope County, Arkansas, where he grew to manhood. December 16, 1879, in Pope County, he married Miss Sarah (Sally) Brown, age 20 of Moreland. To this union was born nine children: Timothy Spurgeon Guest, married Stella Morris; Lillian, married John A. Scales; Sarah (Sallie), married Hubert Bowles and she died in 1931; Cassie Angeline, married William Stonewall Jackson and she died in 1963 at the age of 74; George Washington, married Lula Raborey (Brethet); Delza, married Taylor Cooper; Esther married James E. Zimmerman, a Minister of the Gospel; Stella, married Paul R. Long; and Ruth married Henry Porter.

After his wife, Sarah Brown died, John married the second time to Ella Howard and they had one child; Kate (Kitty) Guest, who married John Miller and lived at Duncan, Oklahoma.

After his wife, Ella Howard died, John married the third time to Catherine ? and they were the parents of two children: Estela Guest and John Robert Guest and both went to California.

After John Lemuel Colbert Guest died, his third wife, Catherine, married again and became Mrs. D.E. Burton, 400 N. Carrie, McPherson, Kansas.

John Lemuel Colbert Guest was a lawyer and lived in Comanche and Duncan, Oklahoma. He was interested in the Guest family history, carried on correspondence with Captain Freddie Guest a member of Parliament and with the poet, Edgar Allen Guest, who spent a week as a guest of John in his home in Duncan.

by James T. Goodbread

MOSES HOLLAND GUEST

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When news of gold in California reached Georgia, Moses Holland Geust (b. 1812 in Georgia, son of Nathaniel Guest) sold his farm in Milledgeville, bought a Connestoga wagon, and headed west ca. 1851 with his wife, Sarah (Sally) Minerva Turna (b. 1814 in South Carolina, daughter of John Turner). With them came their children, Nancy Melinda (b. 1836), Henry (b. 1838), William (b. 1840), Matilda (b. 1842), Calvin (b. 1844), and Eliza (b. 1848), and a slave woman and her baby. Upon reaching Memphis, Tennessee, they joined a wagon train headed for California. The train was forced to stop in Little Rock, where medical help was available, when smallpox broke out. By the time the epidemic had ended, many people, including Moses, thought it was too late in the summer to travel on westward through the mountains without danger of snowfall, so many on the wagon train settled in Arkansas. The Guests "squatted" on some free land near Gum Log and started farming. John (b. 1854), Mary (b. 1856), and Greenberry (Berry) (b. 1859) were born in Gum Log.

By 1870 Moses was a dry goods merchant in Gum Log, but he moved with his family to Russellville before 1880, where he continued his trade. He died January 4, 1887.

Sally continued to live in Russellville, alone now, but with some of her children and grandchildren nearby in Russellville and Gum Log. Shortly after her eighty-fifth birthday, she was standing on a stool dusting the mantle over her fireplace when a draft sucked her long gingham apron into the fire, igniting it. With her clothing on fire, she ran screaming out of the house. A man driving past in his wagon heard her, jumped down, carried her to the wooden tub of water under the downspout beside her kitchen porch, and doused the flames, but it was too late to save her. She died March 29, 1899.

Nancy Melinda Guest married first Joshua Alfred Ashmore and had a large family in Gum

Log (see Ashmore), and after he died she married the Reverend LaVelle C. O'Barr, Russellville's Methodist minister.

(Mrs. Steve Howie, 1126 No. Boston Place, Russellville, daughter of Willie Guest, granddaughter of Greenberry Guest, will be sending in the other Guest lines)

by Helen Peters Mauk

WILLIAM CHRISTOPHER GUEST

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William Christopher Guest was the son of Bethel Guest and 2nd wife, Mary Angeline Brown, grandson of Colbert "Cobb" Guest, great-grandson of Capt. Moses Guest, Great-great-grandson of William Guest, great-great-great-grandson of John Guest, great-great-great-great-grandson of George Guest and great-great-great-great-great-grandson of John Guest.

George Guest and wife Alice Baylis, arrived at Philadelphia, Penn., in 1680 with five children, Mary; Elizabeth; George Jr.; John and Pheobe Guest. They built a house, "The Blue Anchor Inn" on Dock Street, where they received William Penn, when he arrived in Philadelphia, the house not being complete at the time. George Guest died in Philadelphia in 1685, Alice died at Philadelphia August 31, 1705. George, Alice and their children were born in Birmingham, England.

William Christopher Guest was born at Gumlog, Pope County, Ark., Jan. 14, 1864, the son of Bethel Guest and 2nd wife Mary Angeline Brown. He died November 26, 1929, at Ada, Okla. In the year 1884 he married in Pope County to Tabitha Tenny Sweeden, born July 11, 1870, in Pope County, and died Dec. 22, 1911, at Ada, Oklahoma. She was a sister of Nannie Sweeden, first wife of William Newton Guest Sr. and they were daughters of Tabitha Anis Bartlett & Henry Sweeden. As a young man he was a farmer, later a salesman and later owned a merchandise store. He was a Royal Arch Mason, and senior Warden of Masonic Lodge at Comanche, Okla. June 24, 1896. Served as a lawman for the city of Ada, Okla. Became popular socially as a good singer.

William Guest and Tabitha Sweeden had three children: Jerusha Cleo; Jessie Clio; and William Clarence Guest.

Jerusha Cleo Guest, born July 16, 1901, Ada, Okla. married 1st to Harold Perry Carter, who was born July 30, 1898, Yellville, Ark. and died Sept. 2, 1956 at Harlinger, Texas, the son of Mamie Noe and William Marion Carter. Children of Cleo and Harold Carter were: Helen Louise, born May 4, 1921, married Leonard P. Carter; Harold Paul, born June 28, 1926, married Ann Guest; Donald Perry, born Aug. 26, 1932, married Joyce Watson.

Jerusha Cleo married the second time Ezra Hackley, he died June 17, 1960. In 1970 Cleo was living in San Antonio, Texas.

Jessie Clio Guest, born Nov. 27, 1904. She married Daniel Little and had one child, Daniel Little, Jr.

William Clarence Guest, was born Aug. 22, 1908, at Ada, Okla. He married Zephia Carter, born April 11, 1911. They had one daughter: Jann Guest, born Oct. 8, 1934, married Freeman Scarlett and their children were: Terry Lynn, b. 1954; Christopher Allen, b. 1956; and William Stephen Scarlett b. 1958. They live in Dallas, Texas.

William Clarence Guest, lives in Oklahoma City and is Division Manager of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.

by James T. Goodbread

WILLIAM NEWTON GUEST, SR. 281

Born about 50 miles from Cornith, Miss., Winston County, November 19, 1865, died October 4, 1929 in Valley View Hospital, Ada, Oklahoma. Buried in Wynnewood, Okla. by the side of his first wife, Nannie Sweeden Guest.

The family moved from Mississippi to Pope County, Ark. near Hector. He lived on the Guest family farm of 60 acres and learned to hunt and fish in mountains and streams. Grew up carefree and surrounded by lovely things of nature. He was a great hunter all his life, never tired of this sport, could go out and follow tree dogs all night or ride a horse miles on end following fox or wolf hounds. Around the glowing campfire he could entertain all with his quick wit and charming manner of story telling. He grew up working hard in fields and timber land. The hard work gave him strong body and gave him the good health he enjoyed most of his lifetime. He learned fairplay and honesty. He learned how to speak with a well modulated tone and could impress everyone he met.

When asked about his formal education he would jokingly reply, "I went to school until we came to long division."

He obtained the nickname "Buster" on the occasion of a fight he had one time. Seems he and this man had a disagreement and came to blows. Some of the bystanders remarked as the blows fell, "sounds like he is busting him in pieces." So they called him "Buster" because he could hit so hard. Actually, he was not antagonistic but was rather a peace maker being slow to anger. However, once he became mad, something was sure to happen. He acted as peace maker on many occasions and prevented killings and restored respect and friendship to several men.

He was a super-salesman. He could sell anything, even "B.V.D's to an Eskimo." He was secretary of masonic lodge at Comanche. He was farmer, merchant, pioneer, photographer, banker, hunter, community leader, super-salesman, devoted husband and loving father. He was an astute businessman. He hauled lumber from Texas and built the first store in Comanche, Oklahoma, and helped start the town. He owned one of the first General Mercantile Stores in Ada. "He had a multitude of friends because he showed himself friendly."

William N. Guest, Sr. (Buster) married three time. His first two wives died. He was the father of nine children and stepfather of

five children. Following are his children: William A. Guest, Helen Louise Guest, Joseph Anderson Guest, Anna Christine Guest, Oscar Montgomery Guest, Lillian Mae Guest, Eugenia Narcissa Guest, William Newton Guest, Jr., and Wanda Nadine Guest.

by James T. Goodbread

THOMAS GUTHRIE 282

Thomas Guthrie was born in Mossville, Arkansas, Newton, County Feb. 3, 1858 and died in Russellville, Pope County, Oct. 16, 1923. Before his marriage, he had moved to Russellville, and he married Allie Reed, who was born in Russellville, May 7, 1863 and died, May 9, 1951. She was the daughter of Geo. A. Reed, whose father was an early settler in Pope County, having been here in 1840, when George was born. George first married Minerva Copeland, Jan. 1, 1861, and was the parents of two children, one of which was Mrs. Thomas Guthrie. Mrs. Reed died in 1864 and on Sept. 26, 1867, he married Miss Kate Harkey and they were the parents of three children.

Mr. Reed belonged to the M.E. Church South and after the Civil War, in 1868, he joined the M.E. Church at Center Valley. He served in the Confederate army during a great portion of the civil war, and was promoted successfully to first, second, and third lieutenant, and for a time during the latter part of his service he had charge of his company. After the capture of Dardanelle by the Federals, Mr. Reed took the oath of allegiance, and all through his life set an example of true loyalty and citizenship. He was prominent in the early history of the church in Russellville, he with others cutting sills for the first Methodist church built in this city. He died August 27, 1902.

After their marriage, Thomas and Allie Reed Guthrie lived in Pope County for a few years then moved to Newton County. They then lived in Johnson and Crawford counties but by 1901, was back in Pope County, where they lived until their death. To this union was born twelve children.

Ida, born 1879, Pope County, married Tom Jarnagin; Grace, born 1881, Pope County, married James McEver; Effie, born 1884, Pope County, married Daniel Patterson; George, born 1885, Pope County, married Willie Ethel Hamilton; Elizabeth, born 1888, Newton County, married Walter Goddard; Carl Esco, born 1889, Newton County, married Agnes Baglin and they had four children, Zola, who died in infancy, Hershel, who died in 1951, Gladys, also died in infancy and Laverne, who married Vernon Branch and they have two children. After the death of Agnes Baglin Guthrie May 5, 1957, Carl married Dorothy Emerson, Oct. 4, 1958. Lester Guthrie, born in Newton County, married Abbie Bell; Ernest, born 1895, in Johnson County; Kathryn, born 1897, Crawford County, Arkansas, married Ewell Chappell; LeDona Pearl, born 1901, Pope County, married Clyde Reasoner; Thelma lone, born 1903, Pope County, married Shelby Pogue

and Julie Anne, born 1905, Pope County, married James Ernest Taylor.

Carl Esco Guthrie and Dorothy Emerson Guthrie now live near the old home place on Norristown Mountain, about four miles from downtown Russellville.

by Carl and Dorothy Guthrie

ELMER R. HACKWORTH 283



Elmer and Oma Hackworth

The Hackworth's came to Arkansas from Missouri and settled in Randolph County Arkansas. They previously lived in Tennessee. Elmer Ray Hackworth is the son of James Calvin Hackworth and Mary Emma Hughes Hackworth. He was born in Randolph County at Ravenden Springs, Arkansas, November 26, 1916. While working in this area, he met and married Oma Anna Hull, December 22, 1935. They settled in Johnson County and lived there until 1941, when they moved to Ft. Smith. During the war years, they moved several times but came back to Russellville in 1945. During the war years, they always gave Russellville as their home address. Upon returning here, they purchased the old Pope County Circus Grounds from A.J. Matthews. They still reside on the same block.

Elmer farmed during the early years of married life in Johnson County. During the war years, he worked on Defense jobs. After returning to Russellville, he was a carpenter contractor in and near Pope county for 12 years. In 1953, he joined Life & Causalty Insurance Company as an agent and remained with the company for 23½ years. The last two years serving as a Staff Manager. He retired in 1976.

Elmer and Oma are members of the First Baptist Church in Russellville. He is a member of United Commercial Travelers, Masons and Order of Eastern Star. Oma is a member of the Order of Eastern Star.

The Hackworth's have two children: Elmer Ray Jr, born in Johnson County at Dillen, Ark. October 28, 1938. He is married to Beverly Ann Scott from Carlisle (Lonoke County,) Arkansas. They have three children: Tommy Ray, April 13, 1961; Kevin Lynn, March 15,

1964; Suzanne Michell, November 30, 1974. They now reside in Searcy, Arkansas. Barbara Ann, born at St. Mary's Hospital Russellville, Arkansas, December 7, 1946, is married to James Lee Horton from Russellville. They have one child, Marianne Plesant, April 19, 1974. They reside in Russellville and Jim is employed by the City of Russellville as a Fireman.

by Mrs. Elmer Hackworth

ISSAC J. HALE

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Nicholas J. Hale, a slave owner-frontiersman, born 1813 in White County, Tennessee, was father of several children, exact number not known, two of whom, William (1840) and Issac J. (1843) came to Arkansas. William Hale settled in the Dover area as did his son Jack. The two became involved in the Pope County Militia War in 1880. An ambush near Shiloh Church (between Dover and Russellville) caused William to fall from his horse as shots were fired. Being mortally wounded, William later died at a nearby home.

Issac J. Hale settled in the Scottsville area fathering three sons and two daughters; John, Otis, George Mac, Lillie and Ethel (Pet-ray). George Mac, born 1884, married a lovely lady, Johnnie White, of the Atkins area. They settled in the London area where George took up carpentry as a trade. George and Johnnie had seven children, four of whom lived to maturity. A son died at birth and an infant daughter, Angela, died of plague as did her mother. The others were John White, Orval, Leon, Evelyn, and Marilyn. John White lived in Ohio, fathered one daughter. Evelyn retired in Kansas, had one son. Marilyn retired in St. Louis, Missouri.

Orval "Ottie" Hale born 1911, attended Russellville High School where he was placed in the Athletic Hall of Fame 1931-32 during the coaching career of Wallace Bailey. Orval married Atha Bowers (1914) of Dover (Hatley Community) and raised three children; daughters Janelle Bowers (1944) and Billie Ann (1947) and son James O'Bryan (1941). Janelle married John Hall of Russellville and live in Little Rock with one son. Billie Ann married James Hill of Ozark and live in Kentucky with three children. James Hale married Madelyn Toland of West Virginia, and now resides in Grapevine, Texas.

by Jim Hale

HALL ANCESTRY

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Great, Great Grandfather Hall was Scotch-Irish. He left home and went to work on a horse farm in England. He married the owner's daughter and they came to America. When their first child was born, her parents sent them two very fine horses. We have been told through the years that those horses were the start of the now famous Tennessee Walkers.

William Calvin Hall served in the Confeder-

ate Army and was made a captain before his discharge. He was on his way home when he met Louise Arabelle Tucker and they were married and lived in Russellville, Arkansas. Captain Hall's father was a Freewill Baptist minister and lived in Fayetteville, Tennessee. There were five children: James K. Polk Hall lived in Liota Landing, Mississippi; Columbus Hall (called "Lum") lived in Trail, Missouri; William Calvin Hall lived in Russellville, Arkansas; Lizzie Hall married Henry Hamblin and lived in Fayetteville, Tennessee; and Mattie Hall married John Warren and lived in Mineola, Texas.

Louise Arabelle Tucker Hall was born in Pope County, Arkansas. She was the daughter of Jonah Warren and Mary Walker Shoptaw Tucker. Mary Walker Shoptaw (French spelling — Shoptaugh) Tucker was an excellent seamstress. She did tailoring for the servicemen during the Civil War.

Captain Hall and Arabelle had nine children: Emma Bea Hall married Dr. J.O. Howard, dentist. They had two children — Joseph Omar, Jr., an engineer who lived in Chicago, and Louise Roxanna lived in Russellville, Arkansas.

Minnie Lee Hall married John Mason Hess. Their son, Claude, was a dentist in Amarillo, Texas.

Mollie died at the age of eight.

James Oscar Hall graduated from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. He took his internship in the dental office of Dr. J.O. Howard. Dr. Hall married Montie Jackson. They had two children, Jane Hall Dozier and Frances Hall, and lived in Waco, Texas.

Lillian Hall married Will Guest. They and their children (Margaret, Mildred, and Evelyn) made their home in Russellville, Arkansas. Margaret married Steven Howie and their children were: Jane Elsie Howie, who married Jo Dillinger of Ashdown, Arkansas; Lila Lee Howie married Herman Theodore Jury of Kentucky; Lillian Howie Johnson married Dolphis Johnson of Russellville; Stacy Howie, a staff sergeant, married Lorrene Freeman; and Mike Howie married Nelda McNeely of Georgia. Mildred Guest married Junious Ward and their children were: Shirley Ward who married Ray Wilmoth; Kay Ward married Robert Hunt. Minnie Evelyn Guest married Sherman Kelton and they had one daughter, Caroline Kelton who married Gary Minor.

Lucy Tucker Hall married William Thadus Perkins of Dallas, Texas, and they had four children: Olga married Colonel James Gray of Dallas, Texas; Montie Katherine married Shurtleff; Miriam Alice became Mrs. Lloyd Eddie Hart; and William David married Martha.

Hanes Hall married Winifred Allen and made their home in Worland, Wyoming. Their children were: Dorothy Hall, who married Harvey Nebel of Lovell, Wyoming; Betty Hall married Jim Holzworth of Worland, Wyoming; Calvin Hall married Betty of Clear, Alaska; and Martha Belle married Calvin Largent of Cody, Wyoming.

Captain and Mrs. Hall's ninth child was Martha Warren Hall who later became Mrs. Gordon Rye of England, Arkansas. They had

one child — Edith Belle, who married Bill Robinson of England, Arkansas.

by Louine Howard Vance

GEORGE DICKSON HALL

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George Dickson Hall, born August 5, 1883 and died December 19, 1954. He was born at Ripley, Mississippi.

He was the son of James Henry Hall born May 3, 1849 and died May 9, 1924. James Henry Hall married Eliza Dickson Hall born March 17, 1865 and died June 18, 1931. They were born in Ripley, Mississippi and came to Arkansas with the Elijah Beatys in the early 1880's.

They had eight children, Nannie Blanche Hall Atkinson, George Dickson Hall, Roscoe Henry Hall, William Harvey Hall, Daisy Sue Hall Johnson, Roy Edward Hall and Benjamin Hall.

The James H. Halls moved from Ripley, Mississippi in the 1800's to the Bethany Community South of Pottsville, later moving to the community West of Pottsville known as the Pisgah Community and lived there until their deaths. He was a farmer and owned the home and land that he farmed. They were members of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church of Pottsville.

George Dickson Hall the second child of the late James H. Hall and Eliza Hall married Ona Bamma Beaty. She was the daughter of Elijah Beaty and Lucinda Meddling Beaty. They also lived in the Pisgah Community after their marriage and at Pottsville Arkansas. They moved to Atkins AR in 1910 and made their home there until their deaths.

They were the parents of five children, four sons and one daughter. Their children were, Bertus Hardy Hall who married the former Alylene Jones. They have one son Bertus Don Hall who married the former Alylene Jones. They have one son Bertus Don Hall and one grandson, Grayson Grant Hall. One daughter, Jo Ann Hall Baker. They have one daughter Jennifer Lea Baker. They all live in Fort Smith, AR.

Leon Beaty Hall married Bertha Stover. They had no children. They lived in Pine Bluff, AR. Leon died on April 24, 1964.

Paul E. Hall married the former Ruth Elizabeth Bailey of Atkins. They had no children. Ruth died on August 24, 1974.

Susan Lorene Hall married William E. Duvall Sr. of Chicago II. They had one son William E. Duvall Jr. and he and his wife have three children Don, Diane, and Dave Duvall. They live at Woodstock II. Lorene died on October 6, 1974.

Hughy Britt Hall of Pine Bluff married the former Vernie Ruth Harleston of Atkins. They have one daughter Rebecca Jane Hall Tooke. She and her husband have two sons, Troy Don, Chris Ty and one daughter, Tammy Ann Tooke of Pine Bluff. Britt died February 2, 1977.

The grandparents of George Dickson Hall and Ona Bamma Beaty Hall were the late James H. Hall and Eliza Dickson Hall and Elijah Beaty and Lucinda Meddling Beaty.

The only two living children of the late George Dickson Hall and Ona Beaty Hall are Bertus Hall and Paul E. Hall both of Atkins. Their father is a worker for the Missouri Pacific Railroad.

The family were all Presbyterians until some of the children married and moved to other cities. Paul is a member of the Memorial Presbyterian Church of Atkins and Bertus and Alylene Hall are members of the First Baptist Church of Atkins.

by Paul E. Hall

W.W. "BILL" HAMAKER FAMILY

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John Hamaker, Sr. was born in Pennsylvania in 1780. He married Sarah Elizabeth Spears, the daughter of William Spears. From this union John, Jr. was born in 1810. In 1834, John, Jr. married Velvaridia Evaline Parsons and moved to Alabama. There were several children born to this union. The sons moved from Alabama to Southern Arkansas with the exception of John Marion (1846-1918). He traveled to Pottsville and established a blacksmith shop on the east side of Galla Creek, prior to the construction of the bridge. He married a Pottsville girl, Sara Jane Wells (1854-1900). After Sara's death, John married Jane Parker Long. He came from a family of 10 and was the father of 10: Ada (married D. Porter), Cora (married J. Porter), Mace (married Ola Stepps), Dave (married Hattie Judkins), Lee, Joe, Willie W. (married Viola Workman), Eva (married Sidney Blake), Grace (married B. Garren).

Willie Wells "Bill" was the only son to remain in Pottsville. He farmed land south of Pottsville. November 8, 1907, he married Viola Workman (1889-1978), from Hollow Bend. She was the daughter of George Washington and Nancy Belle Rackley Workman. They continued farming and raised a family: Clifford Eugene, Clyde Cecil, Subil Bernice, Brown, Marlin, Mary Ellen, Betty Sue, and Roland. The family moved to north-east Arkansas to farm in the early 30's. They remained there until 1938 when the family moved to California, except Clyde and Clifford who remained in Arkansas. The family settled in the Bakersfield area. Bill continued farming until his retirement. He died December 23, 1976, and is buried in the Hillcrest Cemetery in Bakersfield. Viola died February 1, 1978, and is buried next to Bill. Subil and Brown are also buried there.

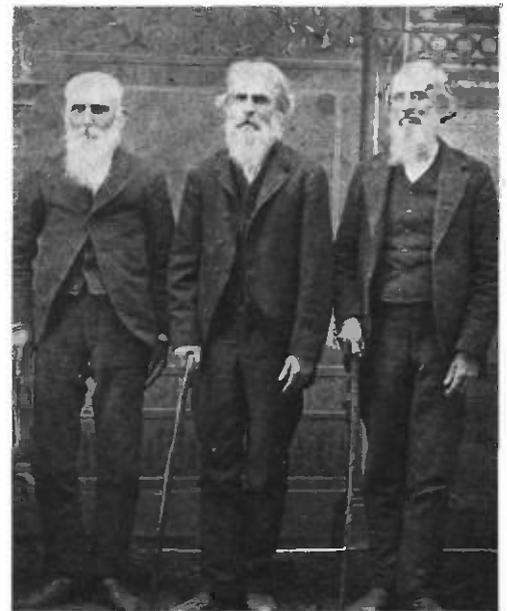
Clifford (born 1909) married M. Hazel Falls, daughter of Tom Falls, in Pottsville. He was a mechanic until his retirement. There are three children: Barbara J. who married George B. Peters. They are teachers and have three children, Sally J. (married M.J. Drennan), Nancy M., and Bruce W. Jane L. married Richard A. Kitt. They are teachers and have three children, Michael A., Brian R., and Erin A. Linda S. married Cleveland O. Reasoner, Jr. She is Prog. Coordinator for ARVAC and C.O. is supervisor of the Russellville Treatment Plant. They have two children, Mary L. and Cleveland O., III.

Clyde (born 1911) married Faye E. Morton, daughter of John Morton. He is a farmer in Dumas. There are three children: W. June married Don L. Osborne. He is a minister and they have two children, D.Jill and David H. Janet O. married George P. Thomason. They have a daughter, Amy N. Johnnie C. married Gary Weaver.

Sybil (1918-1975) married Ozro Ford. They had a daughter, Phyllis A. She married James Hill. They have two children: Steve and Karen.

Brown (1920-1969) married Oleta. Marlin (born 1922) married Mildred and has three children: Allan, Jill and Brent. Mary (born 1925) married Joe Patron and they have three children: Ronnie, Shally and Tracy. Betty (born 1925) married Douglas Riddle and they have two sons: Douglas and Todd.

by Barbara Hamaker Peters



THE HAMILTON BROTHERS
Hugh — Tom — Oliver
(c. 1900)

THE HAMILTON FAMILY HISTORY

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The Hamiltons of Pope County have many descendants. Our information on when they came to Pope County is sketchy as well as exactly who came. We believe William Henry Hamilton, his wife, Ann Latimore and their three sons, Thomas H., Oliver H.P. and Hugh to have been here in the 1830s. William Henry's father, William Hamilton, was born and is buried in Augusta County, Virginia. We do not know where William Henry was born in 1778. Ann Latimore Hamilton was born in Hartford, Connecticut in 1793. Both William Henry and Ann are buried in Baptist Cemetery, Center Valley, Pope County, he having died in 1862 and she in 1875.

We are reasonably certain the Hamiltons were in Pope County in the 1830s as the marriage of Thomas H. Hamilton to Fanny Brigance is recorded on December 19, 1838 in

Pope County. Thomas was born in Huntington, Tennessee in 1819 and died in Russellville in 1903. He is buried in Russellville Cemetery. Fanny Brigance Hamilton died in 1856 and Thomas married Martha Ann Wood. It is believed the Hamiltons settled at Baker's Creek originally, however, Thomas Hamilton had a home on the ground where the present administration building of Arkansas Tech University is today in the 1870s. His daughter, Dorcas Malissa, was married to Jay Williamson in this home in 1876.

Dorcas Malissa Hamilton was born on January 31, 1851 and died January 28, 1927, both occurring in Pope County. She was a charter member of the Central Presbyterian Church in Russellville. She was fondly remembered by her daughter as a wonderful cook and mother, who held firmly to the old



Old home place of the Hamiltons. Dorcas Hamilton married Jay Williamson here in 1876. This is the present site of the Arkansas Tech Administration Building.

Cumberland Presbyterian tradition of never cooking or working in any way on the Sabbath. She was the mother of Thomas Foster, Hattie Ann, James Paschal (Pack) and Benjamin. (See Williamson family history.) She is buried at Russellville.

Other children of Thomas and Fanny Hamilton were: James Monroe, Effie Gilmore (Williamson), Sarah Jane (Spillars), Anderson Simpson, Mary Frances (Perry), Amanda Elvira, Margaret Ann (Maddox) and William Thomas. They have many descendants in Pope County.

by Dorcas Ferguson Patterson and Alice Ann Harris

RICHARD DICK HAMM

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Moses and William Hamm came to America from York County, England in 1752. Here they both married and had children. Moses' wife died, and he later returned to England.

William Hamm's children were John (born 1759), Thomas (no birth date).

John Hamm served under General Marion, the famous "swamp fox" during the Revolutionary war. He married a Blasingane from North Carolina, and later moved to Logan County, Kentucky. From Kentucky he moved to middle Tennessee, then to Lauderdale County, Alabama, finally settling in McNairy County, Tennessee, where he farmed and was magistrate for several years. His death is recorded as October, 1836.

One of John Hamm's sons was Buckley Hamm, and he married Rachel Mustin, who came from London, England prior to their marriage. They had nine children, one of whom was Jim Hamm. Jim Hamm lived in Muscle Shoals, Alabama, where he farmed. In 1876 Jim Hamm moved to Hattieville, Arkansas in Conway County, where he was elected Judge in 1878, serving as such until 1880.

Richard Dick Hamm was the son of Jim Hamm. He married Mattie Doyle. Mattie Doyle's father, Bud Doyle, settled what is called the Doyle Flat out from Jerusalem in Conway County. Bud Doyle's wife was Susan Reynolds, the daughter of Carroll Reynolds. Carroll was the grandson of Hamilton Reynolds and Rachel Clements Reynolds. Carroll was born in 1763 in North Carolina.

Richard Dick Hamm moved to Appleton, Arkansas in 1892 where he purchased a farm. He was married to Mattie Doyle, and of the eight children born to them, three lived to adulthood. Arthur, Trilby and William Ralph. Mattie Doyle died in 1904. Richard Dick Hamm later married Lucy Scroggins, and moved to Russellville, where he was in the furniture and hardware business at 109 Commerce. He was in business with Claud Craig under the partnership name of Hamm & Craig Hardware and Furniture Company. He sold his interest in 1909 to Bob Bailey and moved to Dumas, Arkansas. He went into the mercantile business there for eight years, later purchasing another at Prescott, moving there for two years. In 1924, he and his son, William Ralph Hamm, became partners in the R.D. Hamm & Son

Grocery Co. After Richard Hamm's death in 1938, his son continued in the grocery business, along with the franchise of Allis Chalmers farm machinery. William Ralph Hamm retired in 1969. He served on the Russellville city council and served on the Russellville industrial development committee for over thirty years. He also served on the first airport committee, and served under the late Homer Atkins, the former Governor of the state of Arkansas, as a member of the Arkansas State Safety Council.

William Ralph Hamm married Mary Lillian Whitten of Conway, Arkansas. They have two daughters, Margaret and Mary Kay. Margaret resides in Russellville with her husband, Keith Cogswell, and their three children, Mary Kay, Keith and Ann Margaret. Mary Kay resides in Little Rock with her husband, Ralph Clor, and their three children, Mary Virginia, Margaret Lynn and Ralph, III. Ralph Clor is a Lawyer in Little Rock, and Keith Cogswell has the Ford Agency in Russellville and Pope County.

Arthur Hamm and his wife, Mildred Langford Hamm, both of whom are deceased had two daughters, Wandalyne and Carolyn. Wandalyne and her husband, George Morgan, have a daughter, Susan, and they reside in Little Rock, Arkansas. Carolyn and her husband, Donald Horton, reside in Russellville with her two children by a previous marriage, Dee Ann and Marsha.

Trilby and her husband, George Meier, retired in Pompano Beach, Florida, where they died and are buried.

March, 1978.

by Ralph Hamm

REV. LUTHER HANKINS

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Luther Wayne Hankins, a 1953 graduate of Arkansas Tech University and now pastor of Oakland Heights Assembly of God Church in Russellville, Arkansas, was born January 8, 1915 in the Howard Community in western Pope County near Big Piney Creek. His father, Lafayette Henry 'Fate' Hankins born 1879 in Pope County, and his mother, Ada Hankins, born 1884 near Batesville in IZARD County, were married in 1900 at Silex. They had eight sons (two of whom died in infancy) and four daughters. The sons were: William who married Lillian Johnson, Earl who married Inez Windham, Joe who married Ollie Pearson, George H. 'Jack' who married Faye Bewley, Luther who married Marie Swilling, and Floyd who married Elizabeth Virden. The daughters were: Anna Mae who died in 1936 unmarried, Laura who married Dwight Yow, Faye who married Oscar Lawrence and later Gene Lentch, and Beatrice who married Harold Summerfelt. Mr. Fate was a Justice of the Peace in Martin Township and a director in the Howard School over twenty years. The family attended the local school and church in the Howard Community. In 1933 the family moved to the Gravel Hill Community and five years later to near Russellville, then in 1938 to Dover where Mr. Fate died in 1941. His wife died in 1959 in Russellville. Both of them

along with Mae and Jack were buried in St. Paul Cemetery on Gravel Hill. Three of their sons served in the U.S. Army in WWII, Joe, Jack and Luther.

Fate's father, Joe, born about 1858 in Johnson County, was married to Rebecca Ragsdale of Pope County whose brother, Bill Ragsdale, had served in the Union Army in the latter part of the Civil War. Besides Fate, Joe and Becky had another son, William 'Bill', and a daughter, Bell, who was married to Will Waldo. Joe died in the early 1880's and Becky married a Mr. Collins and had two sons, S.B. 'Bennie' and Houston, and two daughters, Tennie and Ethel Collins. Joe's sister, Catherine Hankins, married a Mr. Melton who was killed by bushwhackers during the Civil War. Later she married Noah Daniels of Johnson County and had a large family.

Ada Hankins was a descendant of the Lee family of Virginia who trace their lineage from Robert the Bruce of England in the 1300's. She had one brother, George Haskins.

The Hankins, the Ragsdale and the Daniels families were all early settlers in Pope and Johnson counties who came to Arkansas from Tennessee before the Civil War. As far as ship and immigration records have been determined, all the Hankins' in the States are descendants of two Hankins boys who arrived in Pennsylvania in 1772, the year of George Washington's birth. Their descendants moved westward and southward from there.

by Luther Wayne Hankins

THOMAS JACKSON HANKINS

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THOMAS JACKSON HANKINS
born Feb. 9, 1896
Pelsor, Ark.

Thomas Jackson Hankins settled at Pottsville in 1919. He was born February 9, 1896. The son of a pioneer family, James R. and Annie Laurie Hopper Hankins, who had settled at Richland, in Newton County. T.J. or Tom as he was most often called, had two brothers and a sister. Tom's great-great



ELSIE LEE HANKINS
born Feb. 23, 1901
Pelsor, Ark.

grandmother was a full blood Cherokee Indian.

On November 6, 1917, Tom married the former Elsie Lee Dickey of Bass, Ark. They moved to Neldia, Oklahoma, where he was postmaster in 1918. In 1919 they moved from Oklahoma to Pottsville, Ark. While at Pottsville he rented farm land and grew cotton.

Tom and Elsie had seven children, two of which still reside in Pope County.

In 1924, Tom moved his family from Pottsville, to land he had purchased at Pelsor, previously known as Sand Gap. Upon his arrival to Pelsor, Tom bought the small store which had been established and maintained by his older brother Rube.

Pelsor is located in northern Pope County, at the crossroads of highways 123, 16, and 7. As a centralized location, the store served as a trading post for road workers, Forest Service personnel, the numerous stave and saw mills, the local people, and later serving the two CCC Camps near by, and the German prison of war camp, located at Victor.

January 7, 1926, Tom Hankins became postmaster, and held office until his retirement 33 years later, on July 31, 1959. His youngest son Jim Leslie assumed charge July 28, 1960 for a short time, becoming the youngest postmaster in the state. Because of school obligations, Jim could not continue as postmaster. Therefore, his sister Tommy Pauline Curtis became and still is postmaster of Pelsor.

Mr. Hankins was more than a store merchant, he was a farmer, land owner, and also owned and operated a grist mill. He traded in land and cattle. During the Depression, Mr. Hankins helped many people.

During the many years that Mr. Hankins lived at Pelsor, he was known far and wide for his kindness and generosity. His home was always open, serving as a boarding house for school teachers, salesmen, ministers, and many others when in need of a night's lodging.

Mr. Hankins passed away November 24, 1961. He is buried at Oakland Cemetery, in Russellville. Mr. Hankins is survived by his wife Elsie, and their seven children.

Don, the eldest son of Mr. Hankins, still resides at Pelsor with his wife Jimmie Lee and son Thomas Scott. Don and his family still operate and maintain the store.

by Jimmie Lee Hankins

JOHN HOUSTON HARALSON

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John Houston Haralson was a great-great-grandson of Peter Haralson who immigrated from Holland to North America in the year of 1715 and landed in Virginia. He married a Chambers and they were the parents of four sons and one daughter. About 1750, these four sons (after the father's death) moved to North Carolina. Paul Haralson, the third son of Peter, married Nancy Sea in 1754 and they had eight sons and five daughters. The first son was born October 12, 1757, and named Herndon Haralson. He received a limited education and worked as a surveyor and as deputy clerk of court in Caswell County, NC. When Cornwallis invaded NC, Herndon hid the records to keep them from falling in the hands of the enemy. He then sought and was given permission to raise a volunteer company and joined the army of Gen. Green. They fought quite a few battles in North and South Carolina and was discharged in 1784, and Major H. Haralson again took charge of the clerk's office in Caswell County.

On the 4th of October, 1791, he married Mary Murphy and they had eight sons and three daughters. One son was also named Herndon.

Herndon Haralson had a son, M.A., who was living at Atkins, Pope Co., AR during the Civil War. He was on the Confederate side and was wounded and lost a leg at the Battle of Chickamauga, TN. After the war he returned to Arkansas and lived near Atkins the rest of his life. He is buried in a family cemetery northwest of the Union Grove Freewill Baptist Church.

John Houston Haralson was the father of Jack Haralson, Price Haralson, Viola Haralson and Leonard Haralson.

Leonard Haralson married Aquila Kendrick and they had eight children: Herbert Wayne married Joyce Justice and lived in Wichita, KS; Shirley Janelle Haralson married Charles Wallace and they have two daughters and live near Morrilton; Betty Rozelle Haralson married Thomas Brown had two children and lived near Morrilton; Michael Don and James Leon (twins). Michael married Connie Breeden and they live in Augusta, KS, and have one daughter; Sylvia Jean Haralson married Thomas B. Perkins, Jr. of Paducah, KY, and they have no children; Esther Haralson married Floyd Patton of Birmingham, Ala., and they have a daughter. The eighth child of Leonard Haralson, John Olen, is at home with his mother, near Morrilton. Leonard died September 23, 1968, at the age of 58, and is buried in the Ada Valley Cemetery. James Leon has not yet married.

Viola Haralson married Thomas E. Morris and they had six children; Thomas Jr., O'Neal, Syble, Bettye, Jimmy and Rebecca. All of whom live in Oklahoma.

Price Haralson married Mattie May and they have five children; Price Jr., Houston, Vernie Ruth, Bobby and Maryland. All of whom live in, or near Little Rock and Sheridan, AR.

Jack Haralson married Erma Cooksey and they had four children; Bob, Stanley, Dean and Donnie. Jack and his family have always lived at Atkins.

Bob Haralson married Georgia Wright. They have three children; Ramona K., Robert and Phillip. Stanley Haralson married Janette Wright (a sister to Georgia) and they have a daughter, Emma. Dean Haralson married Linda Wright (not related to Georgia and Janette) and they have two sons, Kevin and Jeffrey. Jack Haralson died January 15, 1961, and is buried near Atkins. All of Jack's offspring live in, or near, Atkins.

by Stanley Haralson

WILLIAM HENRY HARDEN

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W.H. HARDEN

The son of Leander Smith Harden (born 1829 and died June 3, 1862) and Mary Agnes Boyd Harden (born September 21, 1830 and died October 15, 1880). William was born on their farm on Sandy River at Chester, Chester County, South Carolina, on November 10, 1855. His mother had brothers and sisters living in the same area too. Together they had inherited slaves from their grandfather Boyd, which they sold and divided the money equally. When his folks sold their land in South Carolina they moved west and stopped at Carthage, Leake County, Mississippi. In 1862 his father and Uncle William C. Boyd started for Pensacola, Florida to enlist in the Confederate Army. It was there that his father

broke out with the measles and died a month later from exposure. Uncle William brought the body home for burial and returned to Pecosola to serve in the Army of the Confederacy.

The family did not stay long in Leake County, but went on to the northern part of Mississippi where his mother and Uncle John Boyd bought land together in what was later Tate County. When his mother died she was buried in the Magnolia Cemetery in Coldwater, Mississippi, in the same lot where her sister, Aunt Rachel Boyd, had been buried earlier.

On January 15, 1885, William married Jennie Duty Coleman, the daughter of James Johnson Coleman and Mary Tarkington Duty Coleman. She was born on April 24, 1866, at Marvell, Phillips County, Arkansas. To them were born five children, they were: Ernest Coleman Harden, Mary Duty Harden, Leander Boyd Harden, Sallie Agnes Harden, and Henry Wilkins Harden.

They lived near Coldwater, Mississippi, for many years, and raised their children there. In 1916 they moved to Kensett, Arkansas, where they remained until the death of Jennie on June 1, 1935, and William Henry came to Russellville to live with his daughter, Mrs. Will D. (Mary H.) Vance. He remained here until his death on June 15, 1939. He and his wife are both buried in the Russellville Cemetery.

By David L. Vance

DONALD E. HARKEY

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My father was Edd W. Harkey born in Pope County in 1875 and my mother was Daise Baird Harkey, also born in Pope County. I am Donald E. Harkey, born July 14, 1902, and was a twin to Doris Mary. I attended the Russellville schools, took part in all school activities, representing Russellville in different literary contests. I won contests in declamation, debating and voice, later representing Russellville High School in the Valley contests and received a Silver Loving Cup for the school in each event. I graduated from High School in 1920, then attended the Univ. of Missouri in 1920-22. In the fall of 1922 I entered the Vanderbilt Univ. Dental school and graduated in 1926. While in Dental School I was in the upper one-third of my class, scholastically. I was a member of the Glee Club in both Universities. I became a member of the Psi Omega dental Fraternity, and lived in the fraternity house on the Vanderbilt South Campus. I was made house manager of the fraternity house, was a member of the campus Y.M.C.A., the men's Bible class at school, taught by Dr. W.A. Bryan a member of the faculty. While a freshman at Vanderbilt I became a member of the Kappa Sigma national social fraternity. This gave me an opportunity to take part in all extra activities of the school. I spent four very happy years in this school and graduated in 1926 with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery (D.D.S.).

I came back to Russellville and after passing the Arkansas Dental State Board exami-

nation, I opened my office for the practice of Dentistry, over what was then Price Clothing store on North Commerce. I later moved to 200 1/2 West Main Street where I remained in active practice until I retired Sept. 14, 1971. I was blessed with wonderful health and was happy to work long and hard hours in my office and lost very little time because of sickness. I was a member of Arkansas State Dental Society where I was honored with a fifty year membership plaque; member of North West Dental Society and President of this Society; President of Arkansas State Dental Society. I have been honored with different offices in both organizations. Was a delegate to American Dental Association convention representing Arkansas. A Fellow of the American College of Dentists where I have been granted a Life membership. A member of International Academy of Medicine and Dentistry. I held a fifty year certificate in Arkansas State Dental Society, a fifty year certificate in Kappa Sigma Fraternity, a fifty year certificate of service from Vanderbilt University and a Life membership in American Dental Association.

On May 25, 1933, I married Louise Bruce of Ft. Smith, who was teaching school at Dardanelle, Ark. This was the very best thing I ever did. I have been successful and very happy through the years. Our home was built at 118 East 2nd Street in 1938-39. During my years of dental practice in Russellville, I belonged to several organizations and took part in all activities of our city. I was a member of the Rotary Club where I served in all elective offices (Especially Crippled Adults Committee). I was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, active in building the new Pope County Library while serving on the Library Board, Centennial Library of Atkins, and Dover Library. I am a life member of Friends of the Library and always willing to serve where I can help.

by Donald E. Harkey

DORIS MARY HARKEY

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Doris Mary Harkey was the daughter of Edd W. and Daise Baird Harkey. She was a twin to Don E. Harkey and born July 14, 1902. She attended Russellville High School where she took part in all school activities and entered all piano contests representing the school. She was a good student and always anxious to do anything that needed to be done. She graduated from High School in 1920. That fall she attended Christian college in Columbia (Junior College) where she majored in music and graduated in 1922. In the fall of 1922, she attended Vandervilt University in Nashville, Tennessee where she and her twin brother could be in the same school for that year. In 1923-24, she attended Missouri University where she majored in English and graduated in 1924. She was very active in all University programs. Was a member of Tri Delta National Sorority. After graduating she taught English in the Little Rock school system for several years before marrying Mr. Marvin D. Turnage of the same city, who was with Fordyce Crossett Lumber Company as sales

manager. To this couple was born a son, Marvin Edward Turnage. This family later moved to Fordyce where they lived for several years before moving back to Little Rock, where they still reside.

Doris was very active in all club work and other organizations and a hard worker in the Pleasant Valley Presbyterian Church, where she was a teacher and helped in other activities of the church. She has traveled extensively. The only child, a son, Edward Turnage attended Fordyce grade school and Little Rock High school where he graduated. He later attended Henderson State Teachers College where he got his degree in Science and Marketing. He has his Pilot's license and flies his own plane over a large area selling plane parts and plane insurance. He is a bachelor and it seems that this may be the last of the Ed W. Harkey branch of the Dr. George W. Harkey family.

by Dr. Don Harkey

EDD W. HARKEY

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Edd W. Harkey born Sept. 27, 1872, son of Dr. George W. and Jane Torrence Harkey. Was born in Russellville. His parents homesteaded ground in the northern part of Russellville, where he was reared with his brothers and sisters. At the death of his mother when he was six years old he continued to live in the home place with his father, his married sister, Mrs. J.L. Tucker (Lucy), and her family. He worked for Capt. Peeler (William M.) in his mercantile business. He loved fine horses and owned and ran a livery stable on what is now North Commerce St. He was a member of the City Council.

In 1893 he was married to Miss Daise Baird, daughter of M.H. Baird and Mary Ann Quinn Baird. He bought and sold land, stock, and opened a business selling Banner buggies. Was always busy having property cleared and farmed. He dealt in all types of real estate. On July 14, 1902, twins were born to this couple, (Donald Edward and Doris Mary Harkey). Soon after this Edd and Daise Harkey moved to Mineral Springs, Texas because of Daise Harkey's health but were not able to stay for very long, having to return to Russellville on account of the town fire, where Edd Harkey had two business buildings burned to the ground, suffering a heavy financial loss. These buildings were rebuilt and still stand at 110-112 North Commerce. In 1906 Edd and Daise Harkey built the two story house which is located at 120 East 2nd St. which was just across the street from the school house and one block from the First Christian Church which the family attended, Dr. George W. Harkey being one of the founders of this church, Edd W. Harkey and wife being charter members. This couple lived out their life at this location with the exception of a short period of time each summer being spent on Mt. Nebo to skip some of the hot weather.

Edd and Daise Harkey passed away in 1958 and 1959, respectively, at the ages of 86 and

82 years. They were representative citizens respected in the community, always interested and always participating in city and church affairs as long as their health permitted. Their major activities were concerned with the life of First Christian Church, where Daise Harkey, having an exceptional knowledge of the Bible and a staunch student, worked hard to impart this knowledge to the different classes she taught for many years. Edd Harkey was active in men's bible school classes, Supt. of the Sunday School for many years, served as a deacon then later becoming an Elder, Chairman of the Board, active in church choir, having an exceptional tenor voice, up to the time of his death. He participated in the one day building of the Sunday School Annex on the Church ground. Beside hard work, his main recreation was fishing, camping with Sunday School classes, gardening, and love for fine riding and buggy horses.

Edd Harkey had a busy and hard working life which he enjoyed to the fullest. A very good provider, kind, strictly sober and his first duty was to his family. We all loved him and miss him, so much. But this is the pattern that all life follows and we will continue to follow.

by Dr. Don E. Harkey

DR. G.W. HARKEY

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Dr. G.W. Harkey born in N.C., 1830, was the son of David Harkey, well known as "Ole Uncle Davie" who was born June 20, 1797, in Montgomery Co., N.C. David Harkey moved to Russellville, AR, in Dec., 1839, building his home at the site now occupied by First Federal Savings & Loan. He was the father of 9 sons & 11 daughters. "Ole Uncle Davie" later moved to Palmer, TX, where he died in 1884.

G.W. Harkey was ordained a minister at Austin, TX, in 1862 & earned a doctorate of medicine from Washington University, St. Louis, MO., in 1865. Two sons of "Ole Uncle Davie" returned to Russellville, where brothers J.M. Harkey became a well known merchant & G.W. Harkey served as minister at near-by communities on Sundays, & practiced medicine week days.

In 1886, the Harkey brothers opened a Drug Store in Russellville & experienced a prosperous retail & wholesale jobbing business. The Harkey Bros. processed & packaged many of their medicines as Harkey's Remedies, all proprietary medicines which were sold throughout western Arkansas & eastern Oklahoma. The firm erected 2 of the first brick buildings in Russellville. In 1890, they sold their Drug Store, but continued to process & distribute drugs on a wholesale basis.

Dr. Harkey & wife, Jane Torrence Harkey, were the proud parents of the following children & grandchildren: Lillian Harkey Bernard, 3 children, Joe, George & Madge Bernard Gray; Dora Harkey Oates, 2 daughters, Nina & Ada; R.L. (Bob) Harkey, 10 children, Robert E., Jane Harkey Gardner, George, Mary Har-

key Journey, Kate, John F., Lula, Lena, Mace & Walter; Walter G. Harkey who never married; Edward W. Harkey, twin children, Doris Harkey Turnage & Dr. Don Harkey; John D. Harkey, who died unwed at age 22; & my mother, Lucy Harkey Tucker, 7 children, R.L., 2 children, Ida Lucy Tucker Brashears, & R.L. Jr.; Lela Tucker Williams, 2 sons, James F. & J. Thomas; Kate Tucker Henry, 2 children, James & Lela Jane Henry Wilson; Mary Tucker Smith, 1 son, H. Buford Jr.; James W. Tucker, 2 children, Virginia Bell Hanna & James W. Jr.; Bess Tucker Mosley, 5 children, Jane Mosley Haley, William B., Robert, James L., & Marion Mosley Murset; & John E. Tucker, youngest member of the Tucker family who prepared this history.

Following the death of Dr. Harkey's wife in 1880, he & the unmarried members of his family made their home with my parents. Unfortunately my father, J.L. Tucker died of pneumonia at the early age of 40. The Harkey and Tucker families lived at the old homestead located on what is now East J Street until 1904, after which they built a new house at 5th & Boston.

In order to finance the rearing of 7 children, Lucy Harkey Tucker opened her home to selected lodgers. Dr. Harkey continued practicing medicine week days & to preach at near-by community churches on Sunday. He was a great help to his daughter, by providing a wide variety of vegetables from his large garden adjacent to the house. Following a short illness, Dr. Harkey died Oct. 14, 1915. Lucy Harkey Tucker, my mother, continued to operate her boarding facility until the late 1920's when she was stricken with a cancerous condition which required several operations over a long period of illness. Lucy Harkey Tucker died Dec. 10, 1930.

As a son, I am proud to state she was the most remarkable woman I have ever known & equally pleased to recall that the majority of her attributes, as well as that of her children, were due to the guiding influence of Dr. G.W. Harkey, my grandfather.

by John E. Tucker

JOHN FRANKLIN HARKEY

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John Franklin Harkey, born 23 Aug 1896 in Pope County, was the son of Robert L. Harkey, born 18 Sept 1866 in Illinois and Kathryn Smith, born 12 Jan 1870 in Pope County. Robert L. Harkey was the son of George W. Harkey, born about 1830 in N. Car., and Jane Torrence Harkey, born about 1840 in N. Car., and married in Pope County 15 July 1858.

The great grandparents of John Franklin Harkey were in Pope County by 1840, having left North Carolina about 1838 or 1839. John F's great grandfather, David Harkey was born in N. Car. about 1797 and his wife, Sarah, born about 1803, also, in North Carolina.

John Franklin Harkey married Grace Blanche Fowles 14 Apr 1923. Grace was born 4 Nov 1903 in Richmond, Ind., the daughter of Byron Charles Fowles, born 5 July 1869, Willoughby, Ohio and Jennie Rogers Matlack, born 30 Nov 1870 in Philadelphia.

The one son of John F. and Grace Harkey is John Franklin, Jr., born 21 Dec 1925 in Russellville. John Franklin, Jr married Joalyn Rae Lyda, born 28 Nov 1955, Indianapolis, Ind., the daughter of Thomas Rae Lyda and Martha Baker of Indianapolis.

The children of John F., Jr., and Joalyn Rae are: James Allan Harkey, born 19 May 1955 in Indianapolis; and John Thomas Harkey, born 29 Aug 1937, Indianapolis. James Allan married Melinda Faye Graves, born 4 Oct 1954, West Lafayette, Ind., the daughter of Charles R and Hazel Graves, West Lafayette. James Allan and Melinda Faye Harkey have a daughter, Anjula Kae, born 7 Oct 1977, Jacksonville, North Carolina.

Robert L. Harkey with sons, George W. and John F., Sr operated the Harkey Saddlery Co. and shoe repair business at the corner of West Main and Commerce until the 1906 fire that destroyed the business part of Russellville. After the fire the business was opened at the present site of Linkways Hardware. In addition to the Saddlery and shoe repair business, a tannery manufacturing plant was built at the intersection of No. El Paso and F Streets in about 1930. The tannery manufactured leather for shoe repair, harness accessories, etc. Sales representatives for the leather goods covered the area within 100 mi. of Russellville. The Tannery burned in the late 1930s.

With the coming of the automobile, the saddlery store was disbanded and the shoe shop was moved to South Commerce Street on the site now occupied by Peoples Bank and Trust and was operated by John F., Sr and George W. Harkey. Later the Shoe Shop was moved to 205 North Commerce. Upon the death of John F. Harkey, Sr., the shop was operated by George W. for a few years, then sold to Forrest E. Pennington whose sons have continued to carry on the Pennington Shoe Store and Shop.

by Grace Harkey

ROBERT LOWE HARKEY

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Robert Lowe Harkey, eldest son of George W. and Emily Torrence Harkey, was born 9-18-1866, in Pocohontas, Ill. and was married to Sarah Catherine Smith, daughter of L.M. and Sarah Smith, on 2-12-1887. To this union was born ten children: Lena (2-17-1888), Robert Edward (8-8-89), Sarah Jane (7-30-1891), George William (10-21-1892), Mary Emily (10-24-1894), John Franklin (8-23-1896), Kate (11-18-1898), Lula Smith (11-22-1902), James Mace (2-28-07), Walter Ayers (9-9-1908).

Robert L. Harkey studied medicine at Transylvania College at Lexington, Ky. He returned home and founded the Harkey Saddlery Co. in 1885 when he was but 19 years of age and operated this firm with his sons, Robert E., George W., and John F. until the time of his death, 2-26-30. He also had farming interest and at one time had the largest peach orchard in Pope County. He took great interest in public and civic affairs. He was a member of the Russellville school

board for over 35 years, serving as president and secretary. He was also a member of the Chamber of Commerce board of governors for several years as well as being a charter member of the Rotary Club. As was his parents, he was a life long member of the Christian Church.

Lena Harkey, daughter of Robert L. and Sarah C. Harkey, was born 2-17-1888 and died 1-13-1894.

Robert Edward Harkey was born 8-8-1889 and was married to Ruby Strayhorn of Dardanelle, Ark. There were no children. He died 12-17-1931.

George William Harkey was born 10-21-1892. He married Edna Earl Wren of Conway, Ark. They had one child, an adopted daughter, Edris Sue, who married Robert McArthur. George W. was associated with his father in the Harkey Saddlery Co. He died 8-19-1977.

Mary Emily Harkey was born 10-24-1894 and was married to Lawrence L. Journey of Cabin Creek, Ark. They had two daughters, Margaret Catherine who married William D. Shumate and to this union was born two children, James William and Barbara. William D. Shumate died in 1949 and Margaret C. moved to Calif. and later married Dr. E.M. Gulbrandson. Emily Evelyn married Ogden Hunt of Clarksville, Ark. and they had one child, Mary Jane. Ogden Hunt died 1967 and Emily moved to Texas to be near her daughter.

John Franklin Harkey was born 8-23-1896.

Kate Harkey was born 11-28-1898 and died 7-11-1948 while visiting her brother Dr. Mace Harkey in Canton, Ohio. She never married.

Lula Smith Harkey was born 11-22-1902 and died 10-1-1907.

James Mace Harkey was born 2-26-1907 and was married to Phyllis Cecelia Perkins of Little Rock. To this union was born two children. Sarah Catherine (12-9-1940). She married Herbert Douglas (7-19-1935) of Navarre, Ohio. James Mace Harkey, Jr. (8-18-1942) married Mary Frances Stover (10-19-1947) of Fostoria, Ohio and they had one child, Amasa Ann (2-25-1975). James Mace, Sr. graduated from the Univ. of Ark. at Fayetteville and Ark. Univ. Med. School at Little Rock. He served his internship in hospitals in Charleston, S.C. and New Orleans, La.

He enlisted in the Army during WWII with the rank of Captain and was sent to India where he spent three years.

He started the practice of medicine in Canton, Ohio, where he had a very successful practice as a pediatrician.

He died May 15, 1968.

by Walter A. Harkey

WALTER AYERS HARKEY

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Walter Ayers Harkey was born Sept. 9, 1908 and was married to Mildred Virginia Stanford, born June 21, 1911, daughter of Dr. J.M. and Fannie Webb Stanford, and to this union was born one child, JoAnn, May 5, 1931. She married Travis Crue Morgan, born Sept. 9, 1934, of Texarkana, Tex., and they had six children:

Linda Kay, born Jan. 30, 1951, married Ralph Hays, born Aug. 9, 1949, of Overland Park, Kansas and they had two children, Bretton Travis (1-8-69) and Lisa Marie (1-9-74). Linda Kay Hays and Ralph Hays were divorced and she married Leslie Steven Roeker (6-15-49) also of Overland Park, Kansas.

Jan Morgan (2-23-52) married Terrence James Grego (12-2-53) of Mission, Kansas and they have two children, Timothy James (11-8-72) and Heather Lynn (12-10-77).

Travis Crue Morgan, Jr. (1-14-54) married Helen Patricia Stimphel (1-13-54) of Overland Park, Kansas. They have one child, Sarah Ann (11-17-72).

Pamela Morgan (10-14-56) married Roderick Paul Kline (7-1-54) of Leroy, Ill. They have no children.

Michael Scott Morgan (9-16-66) is a student and lives with his parents.

Kelly Morgan (2-26-68) is also a student and lives with her parents.

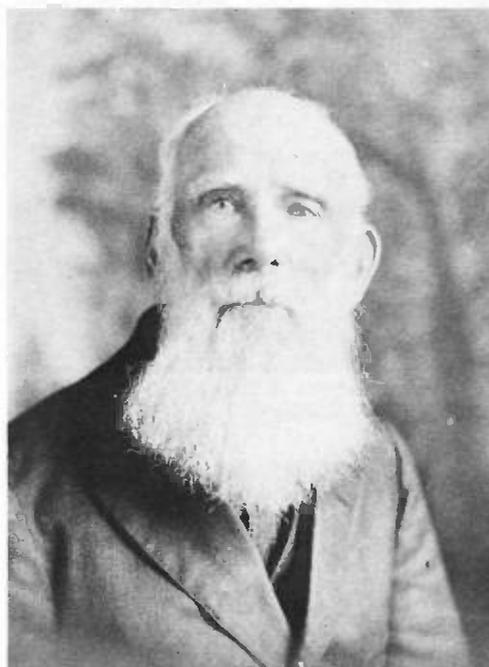
JoAnn and Travis C. Morgan live at Linexa, Kansas. Travis is a Vice President of Business Mens Assurance Co. of Kansas City, MO.

Walter Harkey retired after 44 years service with ARKLA Gas Co. Mildred S. Harkey retired after 18 years as an elementary school teacher. They reside in Conway, Ark.

by Walter A. Harkey

STARLING HARRIS

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STARLING G. HARRIS

Starling Harris was born in De Kalb county Ga., on March 16, 1842, and in the year of 1875, came to Pope County Ark. settling on land that is now known as Colony Mountain. He was reared to a life in his native state, and in 1862 began to work for himself. In June of that year he enlisted in the Confederate Army, becoming a member of Company A, Thirty-eight Georgia Regiment, afterward taking part in the engagement at Cold Harbor, Malvern Mill, Gettysburg, the Wilderness (where he was wounded and on this account was trans-



RACHEL HARRIS

ferred to the State Troops, being commissioned second Lieutenant of Dyer's battalion). He remained in service until the close of the war, then returned to his home in De Kalb County, Ga., and there was engaged in milling for about one year. At the expiration of this time he went to Blount County, Ala. and after farming there for about three years moved to Birmingham, in which place he engaged in the timber business for some three years. He also was in the mercantile business after coming to Pope Co. building a rock store at Ross which is still standing.

He was married on November 11, 1867 to Eliza Jane Bagwell with whom he lived for eighteen years, when she departed this life October 18, 1885, leaving besides her husband five sons and three daughters to mourn their loss. On May 12, 1886, Mr. Harris remarried, to Mrs. Martha F. Mason, daughter of James M. and Mary Tate of Pope County. The names of his children by his first wife were; Charley V., Lavonia V., Ettie L., Oscar G., Gordon P., Sallie A., Albert J., and John C.

Lavonia was married to Riley Leavell May 7, 1890, on what was called the W.H. Kaufild place, on Colony Mountain. He was a farmer and lived in Van Buren County for a year then moved back and built a house at Ross, in Pope County. He died there January 26, 1915 and was buried in the Adams Cemetery on Colony Mountain.

Mrs. Leavell continued living in the same community and same house and raised her children and died there 10 Jan. 1930. Mr. and Mrs. Leavell had ten children: Homer Rufus b. Feb. 28, 1891; Alonzo, b. May 20, 1892; Etta Viola, b. Sept. 1, 1894; Emily Pearl, b. Feb. 11, 1897; Gilbert Calvin, b. Oct. 24, 1899; Argus Glen b. March 25, 1902; Sallie Jewel, b. Aug. 14, 1904; Oscar Rubin b. Nov. 6, 1906; Riley Jackson, b. Feb. 11, 1909; and Edd Vernon, b. Oct. 27, 1912.

Oscar Rubin, b. Nov. 6, 1906, grew up in the Ross community and went to school at Ross. Oscar lived on the farm and worked at a sawmill part of the time. In 1927, he married

Autra Phillips, who was the daughter of John Phillips and Cora Chalk and was raised at Rushing. He continued to farm until 1935 when he moved to Russellville and farmed for the Henry brothers. Lived in the New Bethel community from 1936 until 1941, then moved to the Liberty Grove or Bradley Cove community where he is still living. He went to work for the International Shoe Company in 1950 and retired in 1969. He owns a small farm and has some cattle and works truck patches. In 1970, he again returned to work, this time as a part-time boiler fireman for Ark. Tech.

He and Autra Phillips Leavell had the following children; Cathryn L.; Billy Joe; Bobby L.; Idus L.; Lonnie L.; Clela I.; Phyllis J.; and Deborah R. All the living children are married and still live in Arkansas except Clela who lives in Pittsburg, Pa. Bobby was killed in a motorcycle accident on June 10, 1974; Billy Joe was killed October 31, 1940.

by Oscar Leavell

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Catherine Berthia Stewart Harrison came to Pope County from Chicota, Lamar County, Texas, after the death of her husband, Thomas Caldwell Harrison (1851-1895), sometime before 1899. Thomas was born in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, and moved to Tippah County, Mississippi. He was the son of Elam Harrison (1802-1852) and his third wife Elizabeth Flow (Ellen) Harrison. They were of Scotch-Irish descent.

Catherine ("Kitty") was born in Tippah County, and she and Thomas were married there December 7, 1871. Eight children were born there. Thomas Hinds died at birth August 4, 1880. Leta Leone (1878) died in Texas the same year that her father did.

With the six children who remained Kitty moved to Arkansas, stopping for a while with relatives in Logan County before coming to Pope County to settle. These were Ernest (1873-1945), Luther Harper (1877-1959), Ford (1882-1959), Mary (Mamie) (1885-1903), Richard Faulkner (1889-1918), and Catherine Boyce (Kitty) (1891-1959).

Ernest, the oldest son, was the breadwinner for the family of seven. His wages were 25¢ a day, and the mother was able to do some work for neighboring families, but the family depended on what he could make. September 20, 1899 he married Essie Stewart, the daughter of William Harvey and Mary Jane Dixon Stewart of Tippah County, Mississippi, who had come to Arkansas in 1885. Their only child, Mary L. Harrison, was born in Yell County, August 14, 1902. They returned to Pope County soon after that.

Mary married Marvin Cochran in 1933. They have four children; Mervyn Harrison Cochran who married Lois Hettel; Joe Matt married Martha Roberts; Warren Curtis married Glenna Roberts; Ina Sue Littlejohn Rhymes. Mervyn Cochran has three children: Robert, Debbie, and Thomas. Two boys were drowned while the family lived in Arizona. They live at Moreland now. Joe's children are

Debbie, who married Ronnie Bowden and has one daughter, and John Paul, who married Brenda Bowden. Warren's children are Mary Ann, Glenda Lee, Herbert, Lisa, Stephen, and Harold. Ina Sue has a son and a daughter, Lewis and Susan. They live in Texas.

Luther Harrison attended Erskine College in South Carolina, where he was known as "the man who walked from Arkansas, carrying his shoes to keep from wearing them out." He and his brother, Ford owned a newspaper in Wewoka, Oklahoma, and then Luther was elected to the senate in Oklahoma for a term. Ford was in charge of the print shop for the state penitentiary at McAlester. Luther was later editor of The Daily Oklahoman.

Richard Harrison was a 2nd lieutenant in the army when he was killed in France in 1918, a few days before World War I ended.

Kitty first taught school in Oklahoma for a number of years, then decided to become a nurse. She worked in the hospital in Henrietta, Oklahoma. She married Richard Greek, and they lived in Pine Bluff a number of years. Later, she returned to Oklahoma and resumed her nursing career.

by Mary Cochran

ANDREW JACKSON HARTSELL

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CLYDE ANDREW BURKHEAD



MARTHA MATNEY BURKHEAD

Andrew J. Hartsell was born in Cabarrus Co., N. Carolina the 19th of March 1833; the son of Andrew Hartsell and his first wife,

Catherine Reed. Catherine was the daughter of John Reed the old Hessian soldier during the American Revolution who settled in then Mecklenburg Co. after the battle of Camden, S. Carolina. John Reed's home on Meadow Creek was the site of discovery of the first gold mine worked commercially in the U.S.

On September 5th, 1852 Andrew J. married Margaret E. Love a daughter of John Asbury Love and wife Polly H. McEachern of nearby Stanly Co. N.C. The family of John A. Love moved to Pope Co. Ark., Ill. Twp in the middle part of 1854 along with the Hartsell, Burkhead, Epps, Reed and Smith families. Tradition says part of the land of Andrew J. Hartsell later became the site of Arkansas Tech., but this is unproven.

The children of Andrew J. & Margaret Love who were all born, raised and married in Pope County were (in order of birth): Mary C. who married Wm. C. Fowler; Dulsia Ann who married Fernando Youngblood; James M. who married a "Hinton"; Dora (who had a twin "Nora" who died young) married Newton Bailey; Ida who married Rufus Burkhead; Lucy E. (died young) and John F. Hartsell who married Minnie Hunnicut.

During the War between the States, A.J. Hartsell served as a Corporal in Company "E", 1st Regiment (Gordon's) Arkansas Cavalry, CSA. He was taken prisoner during General Price's raid into Missouri while fighting a rear-guard action at Marais Des Cygnes, Kansas on Oct. 25th, 1864. He was exchanged in March 1865 at Pt. Look-out Maryland & returned to his home in Pope County.

His wife, Margaret died March 4, 1900 and within a year he had re-married Mrs. Ida Warren, the widow of John S. Warren. It is said he had a son, A.J. Hartsell, Jr. by his second wife; but no record has been found of this son. Andrew J. died at Argenta, Arkansas December 17th, 1914 & was returned for burial beside his wife, Margaret Love Hartsell in Oakland Cemetery, Section 3. His second wife who died in 1927 is buried beside her first husband under the name of Ida Warren, in Section 1 of the same cemetery.

Although the name "Hartsell" is no longer prevalent in Pope County, many descendants of his early North Carolina family connections remain in the area.

by Gwendolyn Burkhead Platt

JAMES MADISON HASKINS

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James Madison Haskins (1839-1914) was an early inhabitant of Pope County, Arkansas. He married Nancy Kendall and they lived in Birdseye, Indiana. Nancy died when her family was quite young, and James M. Haskins left Indiana and left his children in the care of relatives in Indiana. He fought in the Civil War for the North.

Around the year 1887, James M. and his son, Charles Augustus Haskins, came to Pope County, Arkansas. James M. was 47 years of age and Charles A. was 20 years of age. Charles A. got a job as a bookkeeper for the cotton gin at Moreland, Arkansas, and also taught school there.



HASKINS FAMILY

Back Row: L to R. Andrew Haskins, Vida Grant, Josie Estella Duvall, Halleck Haskins, Alta Young, Charles A. Haskins, Eva West, Mary E. Haskins, Van Colburn (baby), Tracy Montgomery, Ernest Haskins. Front Row: Avis Duvall, Mary Francis Vest, Polly Duvall, Rayburn Haskins, Noel Haskins, Mary Jane Eaton, Beth Keathley, Paul Haskins, Geraldine Williamson, and Dorothy Moyers.

In March of 1889, James M. Haskins married a lady by the name of Malinda J. Howard of Smyrna, Arkansas. The following July, James's son, Charles A., married Miss Mary Elizabeth Hudson, age 20, the daughter of Francis M. and Mary Hudson of Moreland.

Charles A. (1867-1931) and Mary E. Haskins (1869-1951) lived in Pope County, Arkansas all of their lives. Charles A. taught school at Moreland, Dover, Center Valley, and Gumlog. He taught school for close to 45 years. The family lived near Dover for many years, and also at Hatley and Gravel Hill. Besides teaching, Charles A. also farmed. They had eight children: Alta, Ernest, James, Josie Estella, Eva, Tracy, Andrew, and Halleck. One of their daughters, Josie Estella, (Stell), married Frant E. Duvall, son of Robert J. and Alice Matthews Duvall of Moreland. They were married on November 25, 1918.

Frant (1892-1975) and Stell lived in Moreland the first few years of their marriage and then moved to Russellville. They had two daughters, Avis Lucille and Paula Avanel (Polly). Frant was a cattle buyer and cattle dealer. He was also a minor league baseball player and manager of several Pope County league baseball teams. He was a veteran of World War I and was a member of the American Legion. Stell was primarily a housewife, but also worked as a nurse's aide at St. Mary's Hospital in Russellville. Frant and Stell attended the First Freewill Baptist Church.

Avis L. Duvall (1920-1971) married Herbert E. Gray of Gentry, Arkansas on June 26, 1938. Both Herbert and Avis attended Arkansas Tech at Russellville, then finished their degrees at Texas Tech. They taught school in Texas and in Missouri where Herbert was also school superintendent at Peculiar, Missouri. Avis taught High School English and Latin.

Herbert and Avis had two daughters, Linda and Beverly. Linda Gray married Norman Hannaford of Belton, Missouri. They have a

daughter, Holly Hannaford, and a son, Heath Hannaford. They reside in Peculiar, Missouri. The Gray's younger daughter, Beverly, married Ronald Davies of Oak Grove, Missouri. They have two daughters, Sheila and Lisa, and two sons, Shannon and Ryan. They reside in Oak Grove, Missouri.

Frant and Stell's younger daughter, Polly, married Whitney Harger of Clarksville, Arkansas. They live in Russellville where Polly is employed at the First National Bank of Russellville. Whitney is part owner of the Russellville Printing Company.

Whitney and Polly have one daughter, Sheri, who is married to Jack Branch of Clarksville, Arkansas. Jack and Sheri have two sons, David and Whitney, and one daughter, Allison. They reside in Muskogee, Oklahoma.

by Beverly J. Davies

ISAAC WILEY HATLEY

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Isaac Wiley Hatley was born February 14, 1827 in Stanly County, North Carolina. He married Sarah E. Furr, born October 6, 1827 and died August 15, 1881. He served as a private in Company F, 29th Regiment, North Carolina Infantry during the Civil War. He was captured July 4, 1864 at Chattahoochee, Georgia, by forces under Major General W.T. Sherman. He was in prison at Camp Douglas, Illinois until his discharge on June 16, 1865. Family legend tell that he walked home. His general description on military papers shows him to be five feet, ten inches tall, dark complexion, black hair and blue eyes.

His family, along with members of the Carter, Furr, Safley, Eudy, Bowers and Tal-kington families came to Arkansas after the Civil War by wagon train. They came by boat from Little Rock to Norristown. From Norris-

town they settled three miles east of Dover, Arkansas in the community which now bears the Hatley name. Issac was a farmer and he and Sarah had ten children: Davidson T. who was born October 25, 1847, and died June 10, 1855; Rhoda M., was born September 3, 1849 and died February 23, 1936. She married Rev. Hardy L. Bowers; Elmira was born December 2, 1851, married Adam Lawson Furr, January 7, 1872; William Lovell was born February 16, 1854 and died February 20, 1919. He married Eva Carter, October 10, 1872; Oma J. was born April 30, 1856 and married Buchanan Jaynes; Benty M. was born December 25, 1858; Nicy, no dates given but probably was a baby who died in infancy; John Martin was born January 4, 1867. He served as Pope County Clerk from 1898 to 1902 and as Pope County Sheriff from 1902 to 1906. On December 8, 1904, he married Hallie B. Campbell; Sarah S. was born June 8, 1871.

Elmira, William L., and John M. were married after moving to Pope County. It is probable that Rhoda and Oma were married in North Carolina.

After Sarah's death, Isaac married N.C. Roland on February 6, 1883. He died February 20, 1919. Members of this family who are buried at St. Paul Cemetery on Gravel Hill are Isaac and both of his wives, Rhoda and Hardy Bowers and some of their children. Several family members are buried at McFadden Cemetery at Dover, Arkansas.

by Lina Owens Boyd

WILLIAM LOVELL HATLEY

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William Lovell Hatley was born in Stanly County, North Carolina on February 16, 1854. He moved to Pope County, Arkansas with the rest of the family in the fall of 1870. He married Eva Carter, born April 11, 1849 on October 10, 1872 in Pope County. He was a farmer. He and Eva had eleven children all born in Pope County.

(1.) Mary Matilda (Mollie) born June 26, 1874 died October 29, 1964 married John Jones, born November 21, 1875 died March 31, 1965. They had three daughters and four sons.

(2.) Sarah Jane Vennetta (Sallie) born February 17, 1876 died July 13, 1960 married 1st Thomas J. Petty on January 2, 1898. They had one son. Mr. Petty and the son both died. She married 2nd John Caswell Forrest on August 20, 1902. He was born January 16, 1849 died June 3, 1917. They had two daughters. She married 3rd Robert E. Harwell on February 24, 1923. They had no children.

(3.) Alice Josephine (Josie) born December 12, 1877 died January 10, 1935 married Tom Gentry. They had three daughters and two sons.

(4.) Robert Lee born February 9, 1880 married Willie Mae Rose on July 10, 1901. They had one son and two daughters.

(5.) Rhoda Belle born November 7, 1881 died January 15, 1946 married Ira Jake Bailey on October 19, 1902.

(6.) Mintie Viola (Ola) born February 16,

1884 died December 21, 1917 married Oscar Harwell.

(7.) Minnie Luetta (Etta) born February 16, 1884 died November 22, 1956 married Richard Loyd on August 25, 1907. They had three daughters and one son.

(8.) Julia Mae born January 5, 1886 died July 20, 1941 married Julious B. Smallwood on January 20, 1907. They had six daughters and five sons.

(9.) John William born December 7, 1887 died July 19, 1904 at age 16.

(10.) Maggie Ada Martisha born December 7, 1887 died July 30, 1963 married Willie K. Jones on July 24, 1910. He was born December 13, 1886 died August 2, 1961. They had two daughters and one son.

(11.) Luther Kirksey born December 17, 1889 married 1st Oda Mae Martin on December 22, 1907. They had one son and one daughter. Married 2nd Ermal Rogerson on August 2, 1941. No children.

Eva Carter Hatley was concerned that members of her family would lose the family information she had kept during her lifetime, so in her later years she wrote an article for a local newspaper and listed all her own family and all the Hatley family giving birth and death dates. Her daughter Mollie Jones kept this article and also a journal where she listed all the birth and death dates since that time. Mollie's daughter, Mrs. Mack (Irene) Sturgis still has the clipping and her mother's journal.

by Lina Owens Boyd

ADELBERT STEELE HAYS

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Adelbert Steele Hays was born in Titusville, Pa., Feb. 25, 1872, and was a representative of one of the old families of the Keystone State. His grandfather was William Hays of Venango County, Pa., where he followed farming throughout his life. His son, David Hays, was also a native of the Keystone state and there remained after his marriage to Miss Ella Dale, who was born in Pa., and was a daughter of John A. Dale, a native of Pa., and served as the first sheriff of Forest county, Pa. Following their marriage Mr. and Mrs. David Hays remained in Pa. for a number of years. They removed to Logan county, Ark. in 1879, and for a period of eight years Mr. Hays engaged in teaching school in Ellsworth. He departed this life in Plumerville, Conway county, Ark., in 1890, after which his widow came to Russellville to live with her son. Mr. Hays was a prohibitionist in his political faith and in religious belief he and his wife were Methodist. They had a family of six children, four of whom were: A.S., Dr. J.F., who practiced in Russellville; Mrs. Mary Neal; and Mrs. D.A. Gibson.

A.S. Hays was educated in the schools of Logan county, attending Ellsworth high school, which his father established. He afterward pursued a law course at the Washington and Lee University at Lexington, Va., in 1901-02. He had been admitted to the bar, however, in 1896. As a teacher he had won an enviable position, acting as principal for the high school at Dover for five years, af



A.S. (Steele) Hays

Atkins for two years and at Russellville for one year. It was while engaged in teaching that he entered upon the study of law and qualified for practice in the courts. He practiced as a partner in the firm of Brooks, Hays & Martin, one of the most prominent law firms in the state, up to the time of his election to the office of prosecuting attorney of the fifth judicial district of Arkansas, in 1912. In 1914 he formed a partnership with J.B. Ward, under the firm name of Hays and Ward and they were considered two of the most capable attorneys in northern Arkansas.

While attending his father's school at Ellsworth, Steel had his first adventure in love. Sally Butler, his youthful sweetheart, was a beautiful little girl of seven years. He was nine. Shortly they began writing notes and occasionally Steele would scribble on his slate the words: "I love you."

In 1896 he was elected principle of Russellville High School but could never forget the blue-eyed sweetheart who lived at Ellsworth. Finally, their wedding date was set for November of 1897. He arrived in Ellsworth without any forewarning and flatly announced he intended to take her back to Atkins before school opened. The date was set and they were married Oct. 10, 1897.

The next two years were memorable ones. Their son was born Aug. 9, 1898 and given the name of "Brooks." He was named after Tom D. Brooks a young man with whom Steele had studied law with. The year 1898 marked the beginning of Steele Hays' legal career. It wasn't an easy decision to give up a fixed salary while he sat in an office and waited for his first clients.

After a discussion with Mrs. Hays he decided to be a lawyer and rented a little office down town in Atkins where they were still living.

When Steele Hays moved to Russellville he erected a two story building opposite the court house where he established his office.



Sallie Butler Hays (Mrs. Steele Hays)

He also had an office in his home on Fifth Street where they had moved to on March 17, 1923.

Criminal cases are never pleasant to talk about, but Steele Hays prosecuted Arthur Tillman, the last man to be hanged in Arkansas. The condemned man was convicted of killing a girl and dropping her body in a well.

After settling permanently in Russellville he served as a school director and aided in the various improvements of the city. He was vice-president at one time of the Dardanelle and Russellville Railroad, the shortest railroad in the country.

He was a steadfast supporter of the church. For over 60 years Judge Hays was a Sunday School teacher in the First Baptist Church of Russellville. For 25 years he was a member of the board of deacons.

In his days of teaching he was concerned with the three R's — Reading, Riting and Rithmetic and in his latter years he was still concerned with three R's — Rocking, Reading and Remembering. His days of Rocking, Reading and Rememering came to an end on June 9, 1959. Mrs. Hays had passed away Dec. 6, 1955 and both are buried in Oakland Cemetery in Russellville.

by Brooks Hays

BROOKS HAYS

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My father was born in Titusville, Pa., on February 25, 1872. When his mother's father, Judge John A. Dale came to see the new grandson he asked, "Ella, what have you named him?" to which my grandmother said, "Hiram Adelbert Steele Hays." Mr. Steel for whom he was named, was in the railroad business, so Grandfather Dale said, "named for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and all its branches."

However, my father was generally ad-



Front — Mrs. A.G. Prather, Mrs. Ella Hays, Steele Hays II. Back — Marion Hays, Brooks Hays, Mrs. Steele Hays, Steele Hays I.

dressed as "Steel," though his signature was often "A.S. Hays."

Brooks Hays was born Aug. 9, 1898, at London, Arkansas. Politics and public affairs played major roles in his home life, so it is not surprising that his career early turned to these fields. His first active part in politics came shortly after he graduated from law school in 1922 and helped manage his father's unsuccessful campaign for the same Congressional seat he himself was to win twenty years later.

He received his bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Arkansas in 1919 and his juris doctor's degree from George Washington University in 1922. He also holds honorary degrees from a number of Universities (doctor of laws, doctor of humanities, and doctor of divinity).

When only 30 years of age, Mr. Hays sought the Democratic nomination for governor of Arkansas. In a field of seven candidates, including the incumbent and a closely knit organization, he finished second. Two years later he again ran for governor against the same incumbent, and although he drew far more votes, again was runner up. His first success in a statewide primary came in 1932, when he was elected Democratic National Committeeman, carrying 73 of the state's 75 counties. He was re-elected to the post in 1936.

Mr. Hays became intensely interested in social work and became a recognized authority on farm tenancy in the South. In 1936 he was called to Washington to assist in a legislative program under which tenant families could become independent farm owners. He considers his assistance in drafting the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act to be one of the most gratifying incidents in his legislative career.

He has long fought for the extension of educational and economic opportunities for minorities and others in the South, taking an active part in inter-racial organizations. After coming to Congress he continued his interest in the complex problem. His constructive work on civil rights legislation accounted for his appointment to the Platform Committee of the Democratic National Convention in 1952

and 1956. It was this interest in building bridges of understanding between the races that led him to arrange the Newport Conference between Governor Orval Fabus and President Eisenhower at the time of the Little Rock school desegregation crisis. He paid a high price for his courage when he was defeated for reelection to a 9th term in Congress in an 8-day write-in campaign.

Mr. Hayes is a well-known churchman and in 1959 received the national award "Churchman of the year" from Religious Heritage of America.

He was elected to the 78th Congress in 1942 and served for sixteen years. For eight years he was a member of the Banking and Currency Committee and after 1950 served on the Foreign Affairs Committee.

In the 83rd and 84th Congress he was a member of the Commission of Intergovernmental Relations. In 1955 he was a member of the United States Delegation to the United Nations. In 1958 he was a member of the Select Committee on Space Exploration and Astronautics, which launched the space program.

Mr. Hays married Marion Prather of Fort Smith on Feb. 2, 1922. They have two children, Mrs. Wm. Z. Bell of Bethesda, Md. and Steele Hays II of Little Rock and five grandchildren: Keith Whitman Bell of Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Caroline Rogers of Detroit, Mich.; Steele Hays III of Little Rock; Melissa and Sarah Hays both of Little Rock, also a great-granddaughter, Elizabeth Rogers.

Mr. Hays served on boards or as a consultant to various colleges and while serving as the Director of the Ecumenical Institute of Wake Forest University he chose North Carolina as his home. Upon terminating that service he and Mrs. Hays officially adopted Washington, D.C. as their residence.

by Brooks Hays

JOHN FRANKLIN HEDGPETH

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John Franklin and Harriet Eliza Hedgpeth

were natives of Lawrence Co. Tenn., coming here by train in the spring of 1903.

John F. was born February 12, 1873, and died Dec. 4, 1948. He was the son of William and his second wife, Martha Jane (Miles) Hedgpeth. Wm. Hedgpeth's first wife was Elizabeth McCaslin and married in Maury County Tenn. He was also the grandson of a Revolutionary ancestor, Thomas Hedgpeth (Hudspeth) of Maury Co. Tenn. Many of the decedents of Thomas Hudspeth are members of the Daughters of the American Revolutionary, joining on the record of his services in Surry Co., North Carolina, during the American Revolution. (See D.A. R National 41108)

Harriet Eliza was born January 21, 1874 and died February 9, 1937. She was the daughter of Wm. Thaniel and Betsy Ann (May) Martin, who were both born in Lawrence Co. Tenn. John F. and Harriet E. were married November 26, 1893 in Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

They had eight children, the first three being born in Tennessee. The children are: Martha Ann, born 1894 and died 1904; Henry Wm. born June 2, 1896 and presently living with his son, Don L. in Houston, Tex.; Linsey born May 5, 1898 and died April 21, 1960 and married the former Lois Lile; Charlie F. born April 30, 1905 and married former Myrtle Edwards who resides in the Bethel community; Virgie Odell born Sept. 1, 1908 married Everett Price and lives off Tyler Rd. in the Bishop's Add'n. She has the following children: Mrs. Archie (Iva) Griffith, Mrs. Otho (Ila Dean) Reeves, Mrs. Harry (Mary) Schoonover, all of Calif.; Mrs. G. W. McAnulty, Withita, Kan.; Mrs. James (Carolyn) Hankins, Kenneth and Carl, all of Russellville; Roy born Spet. 16, 1911 died Feb. 19, 1975 and buried at Healdton, Okla. He married the former Helen Willison and has one daughter, Royce E. Moser of Ardmore, Okla.; Lois born Oct. 30, 1916 married Eugene Byrum and resides southeast of Russellville on the old Pottsville Rd. She had the



John Franklin and Harriet Eliza Hedgpeth

following children, Mrs. James (Shirley) Tucker of Harker Valley, Wayland, and Mrs. Donald (Pat) Burge and James, all of Route 1, Russellville; Elmer R. born Feb. 7, 1913 and resides in Rialto, Calif.

When first coming to Russellville, they bought land from Edgar Love, located in Illinois township, just across the railroad south of where the old Prairie Grove school was located. The Ladish Company plant is now located on this property. The children remember attending school in the old wooden building before they built the brick building, which has since been torn down. During the early years in Arkansas, John F. worked in the Bernice Coal Mines.

The family attended the First Assembly of God Church. Harriet Eliza suffered a fatal heart attack as she was on her way to the services at this church.

By Helen L. Hedgpeth

HOUSTON HEFLIN

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Mr. and Mrs. Houston Heflin

Houston Heflin was a great-grandson of John Heflin, who came to the United States from Germany about 1800 and settled in Middlin, Tennessee. He had four sons and one son, Alex Heflin, came to Arkansas, around 1824. He married a Scott and they had six sons and one daughter; Will, Joe, Jim, Dow, Sam and the daughter, Bell.

Alex enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in Co. A, 3rd Ark. Cavalry, during the Civil War. His first wife died and he married Paralee Bly and they had one son, Alex, born Oct. 17, 1833 and died Jan. 22, 1918 and is buried in the Walnut Grove Cemetery, near Hector, Pope County. Paralee Heflin died Nov. 15, at the age of 62 years.

John Heflin, a son of Alex, born Feb. 20, 1864 and died Jan. 30, 1947, married in 1886 to Narcissus Morphis, daughter of Agustin Morphis who had been in Pope County since before the Civil War. She was born Nov. 15, 1867 and died Aug. 15, 1937. John and Narcissus Morphis Heflin had ten children, eight boys and two girls; J.B., Odie, George,

Oliver, Jett, Wallace, Carl, Houston, Etta and Wretha.

Houston Heflin married Irene McCracken in 1927. She was the daughter of L.C. and Fronia Furr McCracken. Houston and Irene have eight children; Houston, Jr., married Reba Teal and they have two children. Their son, Shelby, married Wanda Wilkins, daughter of Dr. C.F. Wilkins and he is a dentist in Russellville. John married a Birge and they had two children and he later married a Chronister and they had one child; Paul married and lives in California and they have two children; Stanley married Efee Marie Schuller of Germany and they have two children; Roger, will be married soon; Sue who married Raymond Johnson and they had two girls and she later married Ray Tucker; Mary, married a Newell and they had three children and she later married a Davis; Patricia married Maurice Corcoran and they had one child and she lives in Little Rock.

When Stanley Heflin was in the army, stationed in Germany in 1968-69, he inquired where the Heflins came from and found they came from in or near the Rhine Valley.

by Houston Heflin, Sr.

CECIL HEFNER

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James Hefner and Epsy Woodard were married in 1895 at Danville, Arkansas. They were known as pioneers of Yell county. They made three trips from Danville to Paris, Texas with a wagon train of 21 wagons. On one trip they spent three weeks on the banks of the Red River waiting for the river to recede enough form them to cross. The last trip they drove 49 head of cattle, letting them graze for food. They decided to settle up Dutch Creek at Macedonia, a little community west of Danville, Ark. They were farmers until their death and were the parents of four children two of which have deceased.

Cecil was the third child born Feb. 12, 1911. He graduated from Danville High School where he played football three years for the Little Johns and after graduation, attended Arkansas Tech at Russellville. He married Veda Lindsey, Dec. 15, 1933. She was born at Wilcox, Ariz., May 7, 1916 and moved to Oklahoma at an early age and from there to Friona, Texas, where she graduated. Her family then moved to Danville, Ark. Cecil and Veda Hefner farmed until 1943, when he was employed by Sugar Creek Creamery at Danville and was transferred to Russellville, in 1949. He worked for the Creamery for 30 years and then retired. Veda also worked 18 years for the creamery. They have four children, all born in Danville: James, 1935; Doris, 1937; Hazel, 1940; and Harold, 1943.

James graduated from Russellville High School and attended Ark. Tech. He married Lavada Reid in Seibert, Colo. where she was attending Graceland Co. They moved to Russellville in 1957, and have three children, born in Russellville; Dale, Sept. 4, 1958. He graduated from Russellville High where he played football for three years and is now attending Ark. Tech; Paul, Oct. 26, 1961 is at-

tending Russellville High School and lettered in all three sports while in Junior High and is on the Cyclone football team. Brenda, Nov. 2, 1962, is attending school in Russellville and is an honor student and a member of the Band.

Doris graduated from Russellville High then attended Capitol City Business College. She married in Little Rock to Leon Foshee in 1959. He attended school at Searcy. Doris is a teachers assistant and Leon is employed by the Pulaski Sheriffs department. They have two boys, Larry, June 22, 1965 and Jerry, Mar. 10, 1970.

Hazel graduated from Russellville High school, married Jimmy Staggs in 1963. They have one boy, Mike, April 5, 1966. Hazel is manager of an outlet store and Jimmy is employed by Otasco. Mike attends Oakland Heights school.

Harold graduated from Russellville High school and married Betty Morgan in 1963. They are the owners of Morgan Day Care Center. Betty is the manager and Harold is employed by Firestone where he has worked for several years. They have two children, Stevin, Oct. 9, 1964. He is attending Middle School where he is in the band and manager of the ball team. Dana, born Oct. 20, 1968, is at Oakland Heights school.

by Cecil Hefner.

BENJAMIN A. HENDERSON

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Benjamin Ailberry (Berry) Henderson and his wife Tulitha Scroggins came to Pope County around 1860 from San Augustine County Texas. Before moving to Texas, where they lived for about ten years, they and two children, James & Sarah lived in Galatia Illinois, leaving there in 1845. During the period that they lived in Texas four more children were born, Thomas J., Alexander, Margaret, and Lucinda. It was at this time the family moved to Arkansas and settled in the area later known as Pleasant Grove Community and still later Buttermilk in Northeastern Pope County at the foot of Iron Ore Mtn.

In May 1870, Mr. & Mrs. Berry Henderson became charter members of the Freewill Baptist Church at Moreland (once known as Cross Plains) This involved a distance of several miles of travel, but with the dedication of this family, together with a good team of mules, helped to establish a place of worship in the sparcely settled area. She is buried at Hudson Cemetery at Moreland. He is buried at Cross Roads.

Another family from Illinois came to this same area in 1862. Henry Tate (1822-1898) and his wife Julia Bond Tate and their family settled on land adjoining the Hendersons. A nephew accompanied them, Dr. Marion Tate, who settled near Hattievile. He was the father of Dr. Alvie Tate of Pope Co., one of the early pioneer doctors. Henry Tate was the first person buried at Tate Cemetery, for which the family donated land. A monument has recently been erected at his gravesite stating this information. Their children were Mariah, Jake, Mary and Judith Clementine. On Janu-



Uncle Alex and Aunt Tine Henderson

ary 2, 1879, a son of the Hendersons, Alexander, 20, was married to Judith Clementine Tate, by W.W. Watkins. These two later became affectionally known as "Uncle" Alex and "Aunt" Tine. To this couple were born five sons and two daughters. Pallie married Cyrus Henderson; Joseph, married Martha Jane Burris; Angie, married James Young; Hugh, married Clara Rainey; Edward, married Ora Darter; William L., married Chloe Freeman; Finis J., married Nora Ramsey. Children of Pallie are; Clyde, married Clara McFadden; Jessie, married Orene Whitesides; Edith, married Arnold Hurley; Roy, married Vada Williams; and Edna. Children of Joseph; Eulas, married Opal Whitesides; Gertha, married James Parrish; Clemmie married Millard Cassel; Millie Mae married Wilburn Venable. Children of Agnie: Myrtle and James Finis who married Walsie Carlon. Hugh's Children; J.D. married Reba Jones. Edward's Children: Carl and Vera H. who married Willie Hunter. William L's children: LaVerne married Troy Cole; Marjorie married Troy Burris. Finis J. Children: Norma Lee married Roy Hobak; Fayburn married Joy Walter; Evelyn married James Carr.

Hugh Henderson, now 90 years old, remembers a few incidents which had been told to him during his early life. It was said that the families often traveled for days during their migration without seeing any other people, and at one period, they traveled about thirty-six hours without finding water, when they finally came upon a farm house with a well of water that could not be drawn dry, and there was great rejoicing. The caravan created no small amount of interest as they traveled through settled areas. They used their oxen to pull their wagon, but also had a team of small young mules, which they found easier to manage, hitched directly in front of the oxen.

As most settlers, they depended on the family dog as a guard as well to hunt game for food. In trailing an animal, the dog strayed too far and having waited as long as possible, the wagons moved on to cross the Mississippi River. Two or three days later, the dog caught up to them, evidently picking up their scent and trail at the ferry.

by Mrs. Wilburn Venable and Mrs. Troy Cole

JOE HENDERSON FAMILY

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Joe Henderson was a tall man, blonde and blue eyed. His twin was just the opposite being short and heavy set. They came from Kentucky shortly after the Civil War.

Joe was a Presbyterian minister and father of: James Samuel, Sally, May, Fanny, Nanny, Paul and Tom.

Sally married Charley Goodman of Russellville, Ark. Their children were Wilburn, Milburn, Renae and Henry.

Nanny or Fanny married a man by the name of Green.

May was married to a Mr. Collins and after he died she remarried but family records don't give his name.

Tom was an artist and living in Louisiana the last the family knew, and his marital status is unknown.

James Samuel (1872-1906) was a carpenter by trade. However he worked on the construction of the lower Piney bridge in 1904. He and his family lived in the Rushing community where the bridge is located. James married Mandy Josephene Hopper (daughter of Adeline Eubanks Hopper and James K. Polk Hopper) in 1897. Mandy was seventeen, James Samuel twenty-five.

James and Mandy Hendersons children

were Edna Ethel, Archie Lester and Katherene. Ethel (1899-) married Bill Rhodes of Hagerville and had four children: Maxine, Carl, Ova Jean and Bill.

Archie Lester died at two and is buried next to his dad James S. in the Rushing cemetery.

Katherene (Kate) (1904) married Bill Miller son of John and Margaret (Mag Davis) Miller. They had four children: Louise, Bill, Lucile and Juanita.

James' widow Mandy remarried Will Price and moved to Hagerville. Mandy died 1922 and is buried in the Price cemetery in Hagerville.

by Juanita Miller Utley

EUGENE L. HENDRICK

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Eugene L. Hendrick, born June 11, 1895 on Crow Mountain, Pope County, Arkansas, the son of James A. and Emma Howell Hendrick. He was one of three boys. Eugene graduated from Atkins High School and taught school in his early years. He was a veteran of World War 1.

Eugene married Elizabeth Holland, daughter of Robert and Jennie Kelley Holland, on February 11, 1917. To this couple were born two sons, James Randall who lives in Little Rock and is employed by Continental Baking Co., and Robert Edwin who is a graduate of University of Arkansas and is an Accountant with an oil company in Houston, Texas.

Eugene was a Democrat, Deacon in the First Baptist Church at Atkins, Arkansas where he was Superintendent of Sunday School and teacher of a Men's Sunday School Class for a number of years.

He worked for Croom Bros., a general mercantile store for a number of years. After leaving Croom Bros. he was bookkeeper for Cheek Wholesale Grocer. He left Cheek Wholesale to accept employment in the Accounting Department of the Arkansas Highway Department, first at Russellville and then was transferred to the office in Little Rock. He also served as City Recorder in 1923.

Eugene passed away on October 20, 1956 after an illness of three years and is buried in City Cemetery at Atkins.

by Mrs. E.L. Hendrick

GEORGE MANLEY HENDRICK

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George Manley Hendrick, born June 3, 1848 in Shelby, Cleveland County, North Carolina, the son of Eusebius and Elzata Wellmon Hendrick. He was one of four children, there being three boys and one girl. He came to Arkansas by ox wagon with his uncle's family leaving North Carolina on November 8, 1869 and settled in Perry County, Arkansas on Fourche Lafave River in 1870. Where he lived at that time is now in Nimrod Lake. He was a member of the Baptist Church, a Democrat and farmer.

George married Martha Jane Howell, daughter of Larkin and Louisa Howell January 16, 1873. The Howell's were also from



Mr. & Mrs. George M. Hendrick

Shelby, North Carolina. To this couple were born four children, John Thomas, Alexander Lee, Avis Idona and Alice Elzada. Avis died in infancy and Thomas at age twenty four, Lee at age twenty three.

George moved to Crow Mountain, Pope County, Arkansas in February 1883 for his health. He left Perry County on February 15, 1883 by ox wagons and arrived on Crow Mountain February 20, 1883. He had a farm and small orchard on the east end of the mountain where the old road come up the mountain. Anyone going to Atkins from the mountain passed in front of his house. Most of the people stopped for water for themselves and to water their teams at the dug well in the pasture after pulling the mountain. The family became members of the First Baptist Church in Atkins.

In 1903 George M. Hendrick and W.L. Mitchell opened a general mercantile business in Atkins. Due to the inconvenience of farming, taking care of the small orchard and trying to help in the store he soon sold his interest in the business to Mr. Mitchell.

On November 4, 1917 Alice Hendrick married John Wesley Bowden, son of Newton and Mary Robinson Bowden, whose parents and grandparents were pioneers of Pope County. To this couple was born a daughter, Euleta Bowden, on November 13, 1918. John Bowden took over the farm and orchard when he married so Mr. Hendrick could retire. They all lived on the farm until November 1925 when the farm was sold and the two families moved to Atkins for Euleta to attend school.

Martha Hendrick passed away on February 16, 1928. George moved to Lubbock, Texas with the Bowdens in November 1928 for Mr. Bowden's health. On December 25, 1928 he became ill with pneumonia and passed away January 1, 1929. Mr. Hendrick with his daughter and granddaughter returned to Atkins to make their home. Mr. Hendrick passed away April 30, 1930 at his home in Atkins.

by Euleta Bowden

JOHN FOWLER HENDRICKSON 316

It is highly unlikely, in the summer of 1885, when John Fowler Hendrickson, and his family left the familiar confines of their home in Hendrickson, Butler County, Mo. for the plains of Cullison, Pratt County, Kansas, that John Fowler dreamed he would spend the rest of his life in Pope County, Arkansas. But that

is what happened.

John Fowler was born on 22 Feb. 1849 in Lawrence County, Indiana, the son of Nathan Wells and Rachel Woody Hendrickson. His mother died at, or shortly after his birth and by September of 1850 he and his father were in Butler County, Missouri. It was in Butler County that he married Emily Jane Burris, who had been born about 1850 in Lawrence County, Tennessee, the daughter of William Carroll and Adelia H. W(M)iggs Burris. They married 14 April 1867, and became the parents of seven children, six of whom married in Pope County.

The family had journeyed as far west as Rock in Cowley County, Kansas, when Emily Jane took sick and died. It is believed she died at, or near the birth of her last child. John Fowler placed his 16-year-old daughter in charge of the younger children, and with his 15-year-old son as helper, loaded his family onto a flat boat and floated down the river, landing at old Galla Rock.

Why he made the move to Arkansas is not known. Maybe it was because part of Emily Jane's family had moved to Pope County in 1839.

Children of John Fowler and Emily Jane Burris Hendrickson were: (1.) Nancy, born 26 June 1869 married John Freeman. (2.) William Nathan born 5 April 1870, married Amanda Sides, daughter of David James and Martha Jane Owens Ennis Sides, on 14 Aug. 1891. He died 27 April 1903 and is buried in St. Joe Cemetery near Atkins. (3.) John Fowler Jr., born in October of 1873 and died 10 Oct. 1900. He married Della Hefner and is buried in St. Joe Cemetery. (4.) Thomas Benton, born 8 May 1878, married Mary Whaley and died on 6 Nov. 1962. (5.) Minnie Mae born 2 Feb. 1881, married W.N. Linder. (6.) Henry Harrison, born 26 Oct. 1882, died 20 June 1960, married (1.) Susan Jenkins, (2.) Ida Johnson, nee Summers. (7.) Clarence, probably the youngest, died young.

In 1892 when he was 48 years of age, John Fowler Hendrickson married 27-year-old Elizabeth (called Ecy) Freeman. He died on 21 April 1931, and is buried in Rushing Cemetery.

Children of William Nathan and Amanda Sides Hendrickson were: Clarence Elmer, born 15 May 1892, died 20 Sept. 1908; Kansasa born 26 Aug. 1892, died 23 Nov. 1959, Married Henry Arnold; Myrtle born 14 Nov. 1895 married (1.) Oscar Arnold (2.) H.M. Scott living, 1978; Beatrice, born 22 Feb. 1898, died 27 March 1898 and twins, Lencie Lot and Lawrence William, born 28 Aug. 1900. Lencie died 3 Feb. 1903. Lawrence is alive in 1978.

by Dorris Dean Hendrickson

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The Pope County Henry family is descended from two brothers of the fourth generation of Henrys in America, Andrew Kerr Henry and Alexander McKeown Henry, who came to Pope County from York County, South Carolina in 1856 and 1872 respectively.

These Irish Presbyterians of the hill counties of the Carolinas, Henrys and others, had organized churches on the Carolina frontier and, when they came to Arkansas, they organized churches as one of their first community acts. The Mt. Zion Church was organized by the "Old School" Presbyterians and the Pisgah Church by the Associated Reformed Presbyterians. Both were south-east of Russellville and only a few miles apart.

The original ancestor of the Henrys in South Carolina was William Henry, born in Ireland in 1715 and died in York County, South Carolina in 1819 at the age of 104 years. He was married to Isabella McKeown. He and his sons fought in the Battle of King's Mountain and family tradition says that Henrys and their neighbors melted pewter plates and molded bullets for the pending battle for several nights. William's son, Alexander, was the father of Charles William, who with his wife, Margaret Kerr, was the parent of Andrew Kerr and Alexander McKeown, heads of the two Pope County branches.

Andrew Kerr Henry, born Oct. 20, 1812 in York County, South Carolina was married to Elizabeth Serenia Parker, born January 9, 1819, daughter of Silas R. and Martha A. Parker (see Parker family history by Carl F. Parker) in 1840 in South Carolina. Adult children of this marriage were: Silas Alexander — married Nancy McClure Bigham, Martha Ann — married 1. John Ferguson 2. Greer Oates, Jane Katherine — married William O. Ferguson, Charles Washington — married Bertha Louise Houser, Mary Elizabeth — married Charles William Henry, and Sarah Frances McCollough — married M.A.R. Ferguson. Also four daughters of Andrew and Elizabeth died in youth.

In 1856, Andrew Kerr Henry, his wife, and their older children, along with six slaves, made the journey from South Carolina to Arkansas in four covered wagons. It was a hazardous trip, requiring nearly three months, and the rainy season overtook them, causing great difficulty in the Mississippi River bottoms. Some members of the caravan, eager to reach their destination, pushed ahead steadily, but Andrew Henry, devout Presbyterian, refused to travel on Sundays. He and his party rested and observed each Sabbath. His teams profited by the rest and he actually reached his destination ahead of those who were too eager to stop on Sundays. Meat for the outfit was usually bears killed along the trail.

When they arrived in Pope County in the New Hope community, they had to live in their covered wagons until better living arrangements could be made. They found cooperative people who let them use corn and hay for their stock and helped them get settled in different ways. Andrew K. Henry bought land from a Mr. McElwee, who had come from York County, S.C. earlier.

The Civil War interrupted the emigration of York Countians to Pope County temporarily. Andrew Kerr Henry enlisted in the Confederate cavalry in 1863 and served until the end of the war, taking part in many engagements. His oldest son, Silas Alexander, also had an interesting Civil War record, serving under

Gen. Bragg in such battles as Chickamauga and with Generals Johnston and Hood in Georgia campaign. When he surrendered at Greensboro, N.C., he was the only commissioned officer left out of an original company of 100, reduced to 14 by time of surrender.

Andrew Kerr Henry was the successful farmer of 240 acres near Pottsville. He and his wife were members of the Old School Presbyterian Church. He died on July 19, 1898 and his wife on Jan. 29, 1894. Both are buried at Pisgah Cemetery.

Their daughter, Jane Katherine, was married to William O. Ferguson in 1868. They had six children, with two of her sons, Guy and Robert, preceding her in death. One daughter, Miss Mae Ferguson, is still living in Russellville in 1978. Katherine Henry Ferguson lived to the age of 86, dying in 1935, a lifelong member of the Presbyterian Church and an inspiration to those who knew her. She remembered both the wagon train caravan and the Civil War. Dorcas Ferguson Patterson is her grand-daughter. (See Ferguson history)

The other branch of the Pope County Henrys, headed by Alexander McKeown Henry, did not come to Pope County until 1872. They made their journey by train and boat, landing at Old Norristown. They bought land and settled near the Andrew Henrys. Eliza Houser was the wife of Alexander. Their children who came to Arkansas were: Fathie Jane (Wylie), Charles William, David Washington, Harriet Amanda (Tate), Sarah Susan (Brooks), Mary Ellen (McAnally), Madison Alexander, and John Thompson Henry.

There are many Pope County descendants of both branches of the Henrys.

by Dorcas Ferguson Patterson and
Alice Ann Harris

JENNINGS MONROE HENRY

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Jennings Monroe Henry was the third son of Silas A. Henry and the fifth generation descendent of William Henry. He was born in Pottsville, Ark., Nov. 14, 1877 and died in Russellville, Ark. May 2, 1942.

He received his education in Pottsville and engaged in farming and then moved to Russellville where he and two of his brothers, Robert B. and Joe G. established the Henry Brothers Horse and Mule Dealers in approximately 1900.

He married Anna Rebecca Jenkins 7-9-1907. She was the daughter of Richard M. and Ellen Jenkins. They were of Welsh extraction, emigrating from Glenmorganshire Co., Wales in approximately 1850. She came to Russellville in 1905 with her mother and stepfather, A. Loyd, who opened the mines at Bernice and Ouita. They were lifelong members of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church and later of Central Presbyterian Church.

Of this marriage there were four sons: Jennings Lamont, Richard Milton, and twins Morris Andrew and John Arnold. Jennings Lamont, M.D. married Dorothy Dibrell 6-3-1932 and had 2 daughters, Dorothy Dianne,

1-23-35, and Cecilia Ann, 7-17-36. After his first wife, Dorothy died, Lamont married Mary Lackey Askew.

Morris Andrew died in a car accident 6-2-41.

Richard Milton married Betty Hankins of Warren, Ark. 6-12-40. They had 2 children, Harriett Anna, 6-2-41, and Richard Milton, Jr., 11-17-47.

John Arnold Henry married Julia Caldwell of Searcy, Ark., 7-25-52. They have 4 children: David Andrew 5-1-53, Julia Ann 8-2-54, John Steven 12-10-55, and Jeffrey Caldwell 2-10-58.

The Henry Brothers Mule Barn at N. Arkansas and West B St. was a landmark in Russellville for approximately 50 years and the main source of horses and mules and other livestock. It was the gathering place for people from the county and mountains as well as Russellville and served as a political center.

In addition to livestock, the Henry Brothers operated a 1,000 acre plantation in Wrightsville, Ark. (now part of the Port of Little Rock). They also had large land holdings in Russellville and Atkins bottoms and large landowners in the city limits of Russellville.

Mr. Henry was the main stock buyer and was in one of the last old-time train hold-ups in Oklahoma.

He served on the City Council for many years, was acting mayor and an elder in Central Presbyterian Church. He played a part in helping locate Arkansas Tech in Russellville, as well as many other civic accomplishments. He passed away at his home at 400 South Arkansas 5-21-1942.

by J.A. Henry M.D.

JOE G. HENRY

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Joseph Greer Henry was born at Pottsville, Pope County, Arkansas March 10, 1882, the son of Silas Alexander Henry and Nancy Bigham Henry, who had come to Pope County in covered wagons with their parents in 1856 from York County, S.C. An article about Silas A. Henry is also in this book.

On November 11, 1909, Joe G. Henry and Susan A. Dodd were married in the Dodd home in Russellville. Susan was the daughter of C.W. Dodd and Ella Langford Dodd, pioneer newspaper people and the great granddaughter of Rev. Cephas Washburn and Abigail Woodward Washburn, pioneer missionaries to the Indians. Susan and Joe were both members of the Presbyterian Church. Joe G. Henry died March 14, 1945 and Susan Dodd Henry died July 17, 1953. Both are buried in Oakland Cemetery, Russellville.

At an early age Joe and two of this brothers, Robert B. Henry and Jennings M. Henry formed a partnership that was to last throughout their lives. It was truly a wonderful relationship — nothing was in writing — just a verbal agreement of faith, trust, and love for each other. The firm was known as Henry Brothers and grew to quite a large farming operation and horse and mule business.

In 1915 "the boys", as they were affec-

tionately called, built a large brick building which still stands at 107 West "B" Street. It had a large entrance room, a visitors room, an office and a modern restroom. It was known as Henry Brothers Mule Barn and for years was the gathering place on Saturday for the farmers from all over the County who brought their wives to town to shop.

There were stalls behind the entrance and a lot at the side where they kept horses and mules to sell. When not showing the horses and mules they were in a pasture, located where Sequoyah School now stands.

Joe Greer Henry was my father and some of my fondest childhood memories are going to the barn on summer nights with my sister, brothers, cousins and friends to play "hide and seek" in the stalls among the bales of hay. Before going home our parents gave us a nickel and we walked a block to Hood's Drug Store, which had an ice cream parlor, where we could get a "Cherry Phosphate", chocolate ice cream soda, or a double dip strawberry ice cream cone.

The Henry Brothers were always interested in seeing Russellville grow and improve and gave of their time and money to Religious, Civic and Social causes. They were all Presbyterians. They were charter members of the Russellville Country Club. Joe G. Henry was on the Board of Commissioners when the present Court House was built.

Henry Brothers expanded in the early 1930's and established one of the first auction sales barns in Arkansas at North Little Rock. Our family moved to North Little Rock in 1934 for Joe G. to manage it, which he did until his death in March 14, 1945. Jennings M. had died in 1942 and Robert B. died in 1953.

Joe G. Henry and Susan Dodd Henry had four children. (1.) Joe Dodd Henry was born May 23, 1911, died November 22, 1963. He was Assistant Director of the Internal Revenue Service in Arkansas at the time of his death. On August 5, 1931 he married Maezelle Wade. Their children: a. Joe D. Henry, Jr., born March 24, 1941 — Married Martha Carole Norman March 21, 1970. Two children: Carole Louise Henry born May 6, 1971 and Sherry Elizabeth (Beth) Henry born October 25, 1974. Sherry M. Henry born June 13, 1951 married Cliff McBryde August 21, 1971. Martha Leigh McBryde born July 18, 1977. All live in North Little Rock. (2.) Ella Margaret Henry born June 22, 1913. Married Lindsey Hatchett March 14, 1942. He is retired Vice President of Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company. One daughter, Margaret born July 9, 1946. All live in Little Rock. (3.) David Washburn Henry born January 8, 1915. Unmarried — Nursing Home. (4.) Irene Henry born April 12, 1917. Married October 7, 1945 Charles H. Browne, Jr., owner and editor of newspaper, Horton, Kansas and retired Major General of the Kansas National Guard. He died July 6, 1973. No children.

by Ella M. Henry Hatchett

JOHN ARNOLD HENRY M.D.

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John Arnold Henry, M.D. was born in Rus-

sellville 10-12-1913, one of twin sons of Jennings M. and Anna Jenkins Henry. He was educated in public schools of Russellville, was valedictorian of his senior class, attended Arkansas Tech 2 years, and was elected first president of Student Body.

John Arnold graduated as M.D. from University of Arkansas School of Medicine in 1937. He served a general rotating internship at Grady Memorial Hospital (Emory University Division), Atlanta, Georgia, and 2 years as assistant and chief resident in OB-GYN. He entered active military service 7-1-1941 and was discharged from active service due to pulmonary tuberculosis.

He was a patient at Arkansas State Sanitarium and later resident physician at the Sanitarium. He entered the practice of medicine and surgery at Russellville, Ark. in 1945. Dr. Roy I. Millard and Dr. Henry formed the Millard-Henry Clinic which has existed over 35 years and is now composed of a group of 12 physicians of various specialties.

Dr. Henry married Julia Mary Caldwell of Searcy 7-25-52 and they have 4 children: David Andrew, 5-1-53, now a senior in Medical School at University of Arkansas, Julia Ann, 8-2-54, a graduate of Arkansas Tech and elementary school teacher, John Steven, 12-10-55, a senior art major and Teaching Fellow at Arkansas Tech and Jeffrey Caldwell, 2-10-58, a sophomore in school of Architecture at University of Arkansas.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry and children are members of Central Presbyterian Church. Both Dr. and Mrs. Henry have served as Deacons and Elders in same church.

Dr. Henry has been active in civic affairs, instigating the flouridation of city water, started the Rotary Scholarship Awards, past president of Pope County Medical Society, past Chief of Staff of St. Mary's Hospital, past member of State Board of Health, served as a member of school board for 10 years, serving as president during intergration of schools, was made alumnus member of Alpha Omega Alpha the only honorary medical scholarship society. In 1974 he was inducted as Distinguished Alumni of Arkansas Tech. Dr. Henry was one of the founders and served as first president (8 years) of Arkansas Valley Savings and Loan Association. Dr. and Mrs. Henry have an interest in travel and the collection of many artifacts especially guns of historical interest.

by J.A. Henry M.D.

SILAS ALEXANDER HENRY

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Silas Alexander Henry, born in York Co., South Carolina, 6-10-1841, died in Russellville, AR, 3-21-1923. Parents were Andrew K. and Elizabeth (Parker) Henry, who emigrated to Pope Co. with their children and 10 slaves in 1856. They made their trip by wagon train under great difficulty, never traveling on Sunday.

Silas A. Henry was of the fourth generation, a descendent of William Henry, Sr. (1715-1819) who, at age 17, emigrated from County Tyrone, Ireland, to Augusta Co., Vir-



SILAS A. HENRY

ginia. He was the only son of a wealthy landowner whose family came from the border country, Scotland, and left his native country, home, and inheritance due to his dislike for his stepmother.

William Henry, Sr. married Isabella McKeown and emigrated to the frontier of South Carolina in 1754, settling at what is now known as Henry Knob, a foothill of Kings Mountain. To this union were born 7 sons and 3 daughters. He was of a decided military character and all of his sons fought in the Revolution. They were in the Battle of Kings Mountain and instrumental in capturing the courier from Maj. Ferguson to Lord Cornwallis, preventing reinforcements of the former.

Silas A. Henry lived at Potts Station and received his education there. He was a life member of Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.

He enlisted in Co. "B", (Parker's Company) of 2nd Arkansas Mounted Rifles and inducted into Confederate Army 7-15-1861, near Bentonville, AR. He fought in the following battles and numerous skirmishes: Wilson Creek, MO, Pea Ridge sent east of Mississippi River in spring of 1862 and fought as dismounted cavalry in Kentucky Campaign, Battle of Richmond and Perryville, back to Tennessee and battle of Murfreesboro, in 1863, battles of Jackson, Tennessee and Battle of Chickamauga. His Brigade (McNair's Brigade) was voted premier Brigade of 135,000 troops engaged. He was in Atlanta Campaign, Dug Gap, Resaca, New Hope Church, Pine Mountain, Kennesaw Mountain, Moore's Mill, Peachtree Creek, Ezra Church, Jonesborough and Lovejoy Station. He was in the Tennessee under Hood, and Battles of Franklin and Nashville. He fought rear guard action under General Bedford Forrest from Nashville to Alabama. Under General Joseph Johnson he fought his last battle at Bentonville, North Carolina and surrendered to Sherman in Greensboro, North Carolina 4-26-1865.

Of 1,200 men in his original regiment there were 84 at the end of the war. Of 120 men in his original company, there were only 8 at the end of the war. He was the only officer left

being wounded twice.

He returned to farming at Pottsville, AR, and in 1869 married Nancy Bigham, daughter of Dr. Robert and Irene Bigham.

To this union were born 10 children: Robert B., Andrew K., C. Walter, Jennings M., John Mc (died at 2 years), Joe G., Thomas S., Dixon B., Lillie McClure and Irene Elizabeth.

He was a democrat and sheriff of Pope Co. from 1894 to 1898 and Co. Treas. 1906 to 1908. When he ran for sheriff, it is said that he was the only man known to receive every vote in his township.

He attended every Confederate Reunion and remained a faithful church member and ardent fox hunter until his death 3-21-1923. In the delirium of his last illness, he was again fighting the Battle of Chickamauga.

by J.A. Henry M.D.

JOHN WILLIAM HENSLEY

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John William Hensley, born in Manchester, Clay County, Kentucky, 1854, second child of a very large family. At age 19, he married Lou Betty Sizemore (of Indian extraction probably of the Shawnee Tribe). He left Kentucky about 1879, and settled in Pettigrew or Fallsville, Madison County, Arkansas, with his wife and three small children. From there he moved his family to Floral, Arkansas, in the White River Bottoms. Since mosquitoes were bad there, he moved his family back west, stopping at Witt Springs, Searcy County, Arkansas. Then he moved to North Pope County, a place called Raspberry Knob. He homesteaded 160 acres of land, cleared it and began farming. In addition, he had a general store, a blacksmith shop, and made coffins. There was always beautiful and choice lumber kept for that purpose. The family of the community dead always called on Uncle John Hensley to make the coffin, and most times without pay. Uncle John was well educated for his day, and was called on to help survey North Pope County into sections and 160 acre tracts as that was the acreage for homesteading. There was no post office near, so he with the help of the Postal Department, established a Post Office, named Raspberry, Arkansas, of which he was postmaster 40 years. Uncle John and Aunt Lou, as they were best known, finished the rest of their days here and died in the 1940s in their nineties.

The fourth child, Irvin Virgil Hensley, born 1881, also the first born in Arkansas, Little Irvin, as he was best known, grew to manhood, attended the country school in North Pope County to 8th grade, and helped his father on the farm. He married Mary Margaret Clinkenbeard (a member of a pioneer family also) in 1910. He farmed and worked for the Forest Service and sent 6 children to the Hector Schools where all graduated from Hector High School. He served his fellow man and community well and at age 65, gave his heart to the Lord and was a member of Hector Free Will Baptist Church until he died 1971 at age 85.

The six children are as follows: Eva, born 1911, graduated from Draughons Business

College, Little Rock, Arkansas, married Darwin Wright, a member of a pioneer family of Lawrence County. To them one son was born, Charles Ervin Wright. They were later divorced. A few years later she married Willis Cain, a member of a pioneer family of Hamburg, Arkansas. To them was born Robert Willis Cain. In 1946 Willis Cain died. Robert grew to manhood, graduated from Russellville High School, served 4 years in the Air Force, and at age 24 years died in East Texas where he was employed by International Telephone and Telegraph, Inc. Eva, now retired, lives in Russellville, attends Russellville Missionary Baptist Church where she is a member, and pursues her hobbies, sewing and handicrafts. Charles graduated from Russellville High School, served 4 years in the Air Force, married Sandra Hallis of Michigan. They have two children, Mark Alan and Ronda Gayle, who attends the Russellville Schools. He is a member of Russellville Missionary Baptist Church, is employed by Cogswell Motor, Co. where he has been 15 years.

Vada, Born 1913, never married, lives in Dallas, Texas, went to night school there and worked for Atlantic-Richfield Oil Co. of Dallas. She is now retired and works at her many hobbies.

Alvin, born 1916, never married, served in the Armed Forces in World War II, lives in Phoenix, Arizona, where he finished his education and now works for an irrigation company.

Goldie, born 1919, lives in Dallas, Texas where she married Elliott Burnett, Jr. She now works for Atlantic-Richfield Oil Co. as a private secretary.

Bessie, born 1922, married Leroy 'Speck' Coffman and lives in Russellville, Arkansas. To them were born Reva Lou and David Lee. Reva Lou graduated from Russellville High School and married David Gray. They now live in Russellville with their son, Christopher Shane. David Lee attends Russellville High School.

Berlin, born 1924, served in the U.S. Navy in World War II, now lives in Dallas, Texas where he married Nellie Manes, and works for Magnolia Oil Co. as a machinist. To them were born Michael John and Jana Sue. Michael drowned in a swimming accident, and Jana is a teacher in the Dallas School System.

by Eva B. Cain

OWEN FRANK HERRIN

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Frank Herrin was born in the Bakers Creek community of Pope County in 1863. He was the son of Owen Herrin, whose arrival in Pope County can not be dated, but it is believed to have been in the late 1830's or early 1840's, and Rachel Campbell Herrin who came to Pope County about the same time with her parents from Middle Tennessee.

Frank Herrin was a farmer and married Amanda Stephenson, also of the Bakers Creek community. To this marriage was born five children, Homer, Theoda, Alma, Enola and Jewell. Another daughter, Ruby, whose

mother died at childbirth was raised as though she was produced from this marriage.

Except for Enola (Mrs. J.J. Barthel of North Little Rock) all of the children of Frank and Amanda Herrin are deceased. Enola's daughter, Mary Amanda (Mrs. Ray Hall) now lives in Oklahoma with her husband and two children.

Homer, a farm equipment salesman, died unexpectedly in 1942 at the age of 44. Amanda, Frank's wife, also died in 1942. She was 69.

Ruby (Mrs. John Thrasher) was 82 when she died at San Antonio in 1975. She had one daughter, Mary Etta (Mrs. Edgar Pichot) and four grandchildren, all residents of Texas.

Jewell (Mrs. Wood Williamson) died in 1970 at the age of 61. She owned and operated Taylor's Flowers in Russellville. Her son William Bryan (Bill) who was born September 9, 1936 continues the operation of the shop. Bill and his wife Nell have two children, Bryan and Sherrie, who are also residents of Pope County.

Alma, known to her friends as Ann, died in 1971 at the age of 68. She never married and lived most of her life with her mother and her sister Theoda. She was a lifelong resident of Pope County as was Theoda and Jewell.

Theoda also died in 1971. She was 70. She was the wife of Robert Feltner who came to Pope County around 1917 with the U.S. Army. Robert and "Ode", as everybody called her, had two children, Robert Franklin and Homer Lee. Both are still Pope County residents. More information about them is included in a separate article about Robert Feltner.

Frank died in 1914 and was buried at Center Valley Cemetery as are his parents, Owen (1877) and Rachel (1911), his wife Amanda (1942) and son Homer (1942), along with many other early Pope County residents.

by Homer Feltner

BARRON DeCALVIN HICKEY

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Barron DeCalvin Hickey was a son of John Hickey who was born in Tenn., 1807. He moved to Ar., Liberty Tw., Pope Co. in the early 1800s. Married Nancy Jane Gibson 21 Dec. 1839. John served as sheriff and tax collector of Pope Co. from 1848-1850. He was a farmer, blacksmith and welder. He homesteaded land on the west side of Pope Co. in 1855 and the settlement became known as Hickeytown. John volunteered his services as blacksmith and welder for the Confederate Forces and died and was buried at his post about 1863-1864, near Rocky Comfort, Ar. John and Nancy were the parents of 10 children: Barron D., Mary J., Martha L., Michael J., James M., Joshua B., Elizabeth, John G., Yell R.C., Morgan G. All lived to adulthood, married and settled in Pope and Johnson counties. Nancy died about 1895.

Barron DeCalvin Hickey was the oldest child of John and Nancy. He was born in 1841 in Dover, Ar. He married Mary Elizabeth Bookout, 18, 13 Nov. 1859 in Dover, Ar. She

was the daughter of John and Miranda Bookout. Barron D. volunteered and served the full duration of the Civil War. He was wounded 7 times, captured and sent North by train, escaped by jumping off the train, rolling down a steep embankment and worked his way through enemy lines back to his regiment. He was a farmer and timberman. Barron and Elizabeth were the parents of 10 children: John, Carrie, Betty, Nancy, Levisa, Myra, Benjamin M., Novela, Charles J., Lee. The family was moving to Texas when Elizabeth and the oldest son, John died of typhoid fever and are buried in Montgomery Co. (1884). The three oldest girls married and remained in Texas. Barron and the four living children returned to Arkansas. Levisa married Robert Knight and moved to Pitcher, Okla. Myra married John R. Nordin and they were active in Johnson Co. affairs until their deaths. Charles J. married Ada O'Neal Winn. They had 7 children. Two of their sons were prominent football players, Leonard and Howard. Howard went on to become coach of the San Francisco 49ers. He is now with the Dallas Cowboys.

Ben M. Hickey was born Aug. 6, 1875, in Hickeytown. He owned and operated a farm on Big Piney Creek and operated a cotton-gin in the valley. He bought and sold timber and live-stock, was active in political and civic affairs. Ben married Anna Marie Stewart of Lamar on 23 Feb. 1902. She was the daughter of Dr. J.J. Stewart and Mary Ellen Rogers Stewart. The Stewart and Rogers families were early pioneers of Pope and Johnson counties. Due to slow transportation in the early 1900s, Anna was called on to set broken bones, deliver babies and dose with fever medicine until the doctor arrived — two or three days later. Ben and Anna were the parents of 10 children: Lois L., Buehal S., Opal, Raymond B., Thurman (Jack), A. Jeanette, Sybil B., M. Beatrice, Robert E., Arlie F. All lived to adulthood except Opal. Ben died 12 Dec. 1944, age 69 and is buried in Hickeytown Cemetery. Anna is 93 years of age and in fair health (b. 8 Oct. 1884). Lois married Bert Trickey and had three children; John H., Iva Nell, Ben D. Buehal married Ruth Braswell, had five children: Buehal Jr., Vernon, Patricia, Bobby L., Helen Ruth. Raymond married Jewell Wilhelm and had 4 children: Melvin G., G. Ray, Ellen Marie, William G. Thurman married Marie Nelson and had 4 children: G. Glen, P. Joan, B. James, L. Jack. Jeanette married Gus H. Bocksnick and had 3 children: Kenneth E., Charles E., Robert E. Sybil married John S. Nordin. M. Beatrice married John Johnson. Robert married Lorene Tipton and had 3 children: Jerry D., Larry E., Gary G. Arlie F. married Bobbye M. Malone and had 3 children: Robert F., Benjamin T., D. Michael.

by M. Beatrice Hickey Johnson

JOHN HICKEY

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John Hickey, born in Tennessee in 1807, moved to Arkansas, Liberty Township, Pope County in the early 1800s. Married Nancy

Jane Gibson 21 December 1839. To this union was born 10 children: Barron D., Mary J., Martha L., Michael J., James M., Joshua B., Elizabeth, John G., Yell R.C., Morgan G. All lived to adulthood, married and lived in Pope and Johnson counties. John served as Sheriff of Pope County from 1848-1850. He was a farmer, blacksmith and welder. He homesteaded land on the east side of Johnson County in 1855 and the settlement became known as Hickeytown. John volunteered his services as blacksmith and welder for the Confederate Forces and died and was buried at his post about 1863-64. He was buried at Rocky Comfort, AR. The oldest son, Barron D., volunteered and served the full duration of the Civil War. He was wounded 7 times, captured, then escaped. Mary J.'s husband, John Brockman, was killed in the war. (Barron's three children residing in Arkansas were Myra Nordin, Ben M. and Charles J.)

John G. Hickey was the eighth child, born May 5, 1855 in Dover, Ark. Married Susan Ann Webb 4 December 1879. They were the parents of 9 children. William, Mary, Cass, Artie, John, Etta, Michael, George and Laura. All lived to adulthood. Mary, who is in her nineties, John, Etta (deceased), and Laura live in California. William, Cass and Artie were prominent farmers in Arkansas, now deceased. George, the youngest son, was an educator in the Pope County School System for many years. Retired from the Lonoke school system, died and is buried at Rest Haven.

Michael J. Hickey born 28 January 1900 in Pope County, married Anna Mae Spillers born 29 January 1906. They are the parents of two sons. Dr. Thomas H. Hickey and John Robert Hickey. Michael J. began his banking career in 1921 with the Farmers Merchant Bank of London, Ark. From there he went to the Bank of Russellville in January 1922. He continued in this position for 46 years, retiring as Vice President December 31, 1968. He served 20 years on the Russellville school board along with 16 years on the City Council. He was a member of the Democratic Central Committee of Pope County for 4 years. He is now Mayor of the City of Russellville, now serving in the tenth year.

Thomas H. Hickey, born 14 May 1924, left Arkansas Tech to volunteer for service in World War II; he spent three years in the So. Pacific. After the war he resumed his education at the University of Ark. at Little Rock. He married Ruth Newton of Russellville who died in October 1977. They are the parents of three daughters: Ellen Malone Whiting of Dover, Nancy Coates of Russellville and Treva Hickey of Russellville. They also have four grandchildren. Tommy Malone, Jamye Coates and Clay and Shane Whiting.

John Robert Hickey, born 27 October 1939 was on the Russellville High School football team. He married Carmelida Moore of Dardanelle. They are the parents of three living children: John R. Jr., Shanna and Thomas. John Robert worked as an Arkansas Highway Patrolman in Little Rock and Fayetteville. He died November 19, 1973 after a long illness

and is buried in Rest Haven.
by Mrs. M.J. Hickey

JOHN RICHARD HICKEY

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Some of my great-great-grandfather Hickey's children lived in Pope County and some just across the county line in Johnson County. I'm not sure which Hickey was the first to live in Pope County so I am going to start with my great-great-grandfather.

John Richard Hickey, who was a doctor, first wife was named Margurete and second wife was Polly. He was born Dec. 14, 1824 and died Oct. 26, 1898. Margurete was born July 2, 1831 and died March 22, 1884. Both are buried near Hagerville, in Johnson County. The children of John Richard and Margurete Hickey were: Alvin (A.H.) Hickey, born March 21, 1851 and lived in Oregon; S.E. Hickey, born Feb. 27, 1853, died March 22, 1884; C.M. Hickey (Charlie), born Feb. 2, 1855, married Fronney Wright. Malindy Hickey, born March 18, 1855 married Matt Brown and is buried in Howard Cemetery. G.A. (George) Hickey, born March 18, 1859, died Aug. 25, 1931. He lived in Oregon and was a bachelor. W.J. (Bill) Hickey, born March 18, 1859, and his wife's name was Molly. A.N. (Bud) Hickey, born March 30, 1865 and wife's name was Kate. They lived in Oregon. Alice Hickey, born August 19, 1870. John (Mc) Hickey, born December 19, 1871. Wife's name was Lizzy. Nettie B. Hickey, born July 18, 1870. Husband's name was Curtis. James Monroe Hickey, my great-grandfather, was born Feb. 27, 1853, died March 22, 1884 and is buried at Hagerville, Johnson Co., Ark. His wife was Dinora Johnson, born Feb. 14, 1857, died Feb. 3, 1937 and is buried at Pollard (White Church) Cemetery near Dover. Great-grandfather James Monroe died at age 31, and left his wife and five small boys. William Thomas Hickey, born Mar. 27, 1870, married Millie Cole and is buried in Ontario Evergreen, Oregon. John Noel Hickey, born July 18, 1873, married Dessie, also buried in Oregon. David Houston Hickey, born Nov. 15, 1875, died Aug. 17, 1923, and is buried in White Church Cemetery, north of Dover, Ark. Granville Johaway Hickey, born Dec. 5, 1877, died Nov. 15, 1903. Married Tina McGee and is buried at White Church Cemetery. Charles Monroe Hickey, born Nov. 29, 1882, married Carrie Johnson and is buried at San Mateo, California. Dinora Johnson Hickey, widow of James Monroe Hickey, married Gabriel Green Partain. He was born April 17, 1845, died Dec. 14, 1920. Their children were half-brothers and sisters of David Houston Hickey, who was my grandfather. Their children were: Victoria Angeline Partain, born Nov. 11, 1886, died in 1913, married Bob Harwell, born 1878, died 1964 and both are buried at Dover, Ark. Dora Partain, born June 31, 1889, died April 1, 1897 at the age of nine. She was burned while burning cornstalks and died later of burns. Albert Partain, died Feb. 22, 1965. Elmer Partain, born Nov. 12, 1894.

Grandpa Partain had been married twice

prior to marrying Grandmother Dinora and had several other children. His second wife's name was Mary C. Pitts and she died May 17, 1884.

Grandfather David Houston (Hous) was a farmer and a stock raiser just as his mother and stepfather were. He was having some stomach trouble and used camphor on his stomach and dried his kidneys up. He died at age 48. He married Josephene McGee, (1881-1955).

Their children were: infant son born dead; Minnie Ines Hickey, 1901-1974, married Ezra Pellham and they had five children: Kattie Alice Hickey, 1903, married Robert Lawrence Wallace and they had three children; David Clinton Hickey, 1905, married Ila Ethilda Harwell, five girls; Elbert Houston Hickey, 1908; Dessie Hickey Ross, 1910, married James Andrew Ross and two children; Connie Hickey, 1912, married Charles McAlister and two sons; Ruby Hickey, 1916, married George McAlister and had three sons, the two youngest being twins; William Lloyd Hickey, 1921, married Loyal Modene Rentfro and they have four children.

by Mrs. Betty Mixon

WILLIAM DAVID HICKEY

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The Hickey's came into Pope and Johnson Counties in the early 1800's. William David was the son of John R. Hickey and Mary Elizabeth Hickey. John Richard was born Dec. 14, 1824 and died Oct. 26, 1898. He is buried in the Hagerville, AR Cemetery. He was a doctor and practiced medicine in Johnson and Pope Counties. John Richard was married more than once and had a large number of children. He was married to Mary Elizabeth who was born in 1810 in the Carolinas, died in 1878 in Martin Township and is buried in the Bradley Cemetery on the west bank of Big Piney in Bull Frog Valley. To them was born two sons. They were William David and Luke Hickey. These two brothers had a lot of half brothers and sisters. Luke was the father of three children: A.N. "Horn", John H. and a daughter. A.N. "Horn" married Mary Shuffield and bore Lou, Utha, Ella, Lottie, Noel, Dwight, Boyd and Bun. John H was the father of Will, Tinnie, Pansy and Obe and one daughter who married Mr. Holmes. William David Hickey popularly known as "Uncle Billy" was born north of Dover Jan. 6, 1851 and died July 23, 1926. He is buried in the Bradley Cemetery at the foot of his mother's grave. He had a flowing white beard, was a farmer and community leader and had extensive land holdings in Pope County. Some now known was an area from Ladd Bluff northward up Big Piney into the mountains. A tract still known as the "Old Hickey Place" is up the mountain at about the point where old Highway #7 and new #7 presently converge. He owned two farms east of Dover in the Hatley Community. For some years he had a contract with Pope County for the "care and keeping" of the indigent on these farms. He was a water jack in the Confederate Army. He, and later his widow, received a pension for his

services verified by Harry Poynter of Dover. He married Nancy Adeline Mathis who was born Jan. 9, 1857 and died Feb. 7, 1935 and is buried beside her husband in the Bradley Cemetery. Nancy Adeline's sister Arbella Mathis was married to Joseph Lee. They were the parents of Jeff Lee who was the father of Homer, George, Albert, Chester and John Lee. She then married Zack Trantham and bore a son named Lloyd. She later married Mr. Bradley who had land holdings on the west side of Big Piney in Bull Frog Valley. The Bradley Cemetery was on this land and therefore received it's name.

To William David Hickey and Nancy Adeline Hickey was born five children: Charles Franklin, Hogue, Harry, William Noel Marberry "Pony" and Hettie. Harry married Hathie and they were the parents of: Scott, Marie, Artie, Joe and two younger girls. William Noel Marberry "Pony" married Bertha Hudlow and had Clara, Glenn, Lynn, W.R., and Hettie. Hogue married Siller Bragg and to them was born Mattie, Fred, Elmer, Chester "Duge", Ida, Bennie, Burl and Rena. Hettie was married to George Curry and they were parents of Fletcher, G.W., Reece and one daughter. Charles Franklin, the oldest, was born Sept. 9, 1871 and died April 3, 1932 and is buried in the Bradley Cemetery. He married Eliza Jane Bailey at Silex, AR Feb. 5, 1896. She was born Feb. 24, 1876 in Springfield, Mo. and died June 4, 1962 and is buried in the Bradley Cemetery.

To Charles Franklin Hickey and Eliza Jane Hickey was born three children: Anna Arbella, William David and Luke Emmett. Anna Arbella was born March 20, 1897, married Harrison Renfroe in 1916. They had six children: Willie Mae, Joseph Charley, Eugene, Bertha Rosetta, Clarence Harlan and Charles Everett Lynell. Luke Emmett was born Aug. 10, 1901, married Frona Pearson Aug. 10, 1933. They have five children: Artie, Ruby Joyce, Nadine, James and Doayne. William David, the second child, was born Nov. 20, 1899 and married Minnie Pearl Hutchins who was born at Hagarville, AR Nov. 17, 1902. They were married on Oct. 7, 1922 in Bull Frog Valley by J.P. Fate Hankins.

To William David Hickey and Minnie Pearl Hickey was born five children: Allie Pauline, Charles Robert, Ilah Jean, Ruby Nell and David Ira. Allie Pauline was born Aug. 5, 1923. Charles Robert was born November 29, 1924. Ilah Jean was born May 27, 1927. Ruby Nell was born June 29, 1929. David Ira was born March 20, 1933.

by Chales Robert Hickey

ANDREW JACKSON HICKMAN

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Andrew Jackson Hickman was born in Tennessee 5 Feb. 1815. He married Eliza, and during the period 1845 to 1850 they moved from Giles County, Tennessee to Pope County, Arkansas with three sons and two daughters. A fourth son was born in 1850 in Liberty Township of Pope County where they settled. The children were: (A.) Henry H.T.: b ca 1836 — m Lucinda Jane Howard — d



JOHN A. HICKMAN
1839-1904

1860's — believed buried at Old Baptist Cemetery near Hector, Pope Co., Arkansas. (B.) Samuel H.: b. ca 1838 — d in Military Service CSA — listed as last paid 31 Dec. 1861. (C.) John Andrew: b 10 Dec. 1839 — m Martha Ann Wilson — d 10 Jun. 1904 — buried Old Baptist Cemetery SE of Hector, Pope Co., Arkansas. (D.) Margaret, E.: b ca 1842 — living at home unmarried 1860 — no further record. (E.) Martha Angie: b 5 March 1845 — m Elbert K. Goates — d 11 March 1882 — buried Goates Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas. (F.) William F.H.: b 20 Jan. 1850 — m Martha (Matt) Ross — d 25 Oct. 1886 — buried Campground cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas.

After the death of his first wife, Andrew Jackson Hickman married Eadie Wilson 14 Jan. 1855. She was the widow of Joe Turnbow. They had no children. A.J. Hickman was a farmer and Justice of Peace. Many of the early marriages list him as Of- ficiant. He died 5 Sept. 1886 and was buried at Old Baptist Cemetery near Hector.

Henry H.T. Hickman died during the 1860's leaving four young children — Thomas Riley, Andrew Wilson, Eliza Alice, and Johnie Bell. Thomas Riley m Mary E. Wittenburg and settled in the Economy Community of Pope County where several of his children still live as respected citizens. A grandson, Guy Hickman, served as sheriff of Pope County. Andrew Wilson Hickman as a young teen-ager ran away from home. He was to marry Nannie Morris and settle in Indian Territory where they had 13 children. He is buried in Col- eman, Johnston County, Oklahoma. Eliza Alice Hickman m James A. Craig. Johnie Bell Hickman m F.M. Eddy.

Samuel H. Hickman, second son of Andrew Jackson Hickman, died in Military Service CSA.

John Andrew Hickman, third son of An- drew Jackson Hickman, educated himself as best he could with limited opportunities, be- came skilled as a blacksmith in early life, served as an officer in Army, (CSA) through- out the Civil War, captured in defense of Vic-

ksburg, served two years in prison — mostly at Johnson Island, Ohio — eventually fur- loughed and paroled from Way General Hospi- tal. He returned to his father's farm in Pope County, Arkansas to regain his health and re- turn to civilian life. He married Martha Ann Wilson who was a young sister to his step- mother. There were 11 children, but most died young. Those living to be adults were: Eadie Parletha m Franklin Monroe Dickey, Mary Ruby m George Hillis Ross, Andrew Scott m Hattie Bullock, Margaret Angelina (Angie) m Dr. A.C. Linton, and J. Dobson m Annie Williams.

John Andrew Hickman is remembered as a good blacksmith, an officer in the Civil War, a Land Surveyor, Pope County Tax Assessor, and above all as a hard working farmer. He is also remembered for donation of all materials for Hector's first school which doubled as a Church. He believed strongly in both. He made his home at Scottsville, later in Petty Town Community, and on a good bottom farm he owned along Illinois Bayou north of Hector.

Margaret E. Hickman, oldest daughter of Andrew Jackson Hickman, lived to be an adult. No record has been found of her after 1860.

Martha Angie Hickman, second daughter of Andrew Jackson Hickman, married Elbert K. Goates. Their children were: John Andrew Jackson, William Ira, Sena (Salina) & Lena, James, Leona, and George.

William F.H. Hickman, fourth son of An- drew Jackson Hickman, m Martha (Matt) Ross. They made their home near Hector, Pope County, Arkansas and their children were: Eliza m Jasper Walters, Robert A. (Bob) m Abbie Friar — lived and died in the Stumptoe Community north of Hector, Naomi m Lee Bullock, Margaret (Mag) m Allen Johnson, and Willie m Lucian Johnson.

by Harmon L. Ross

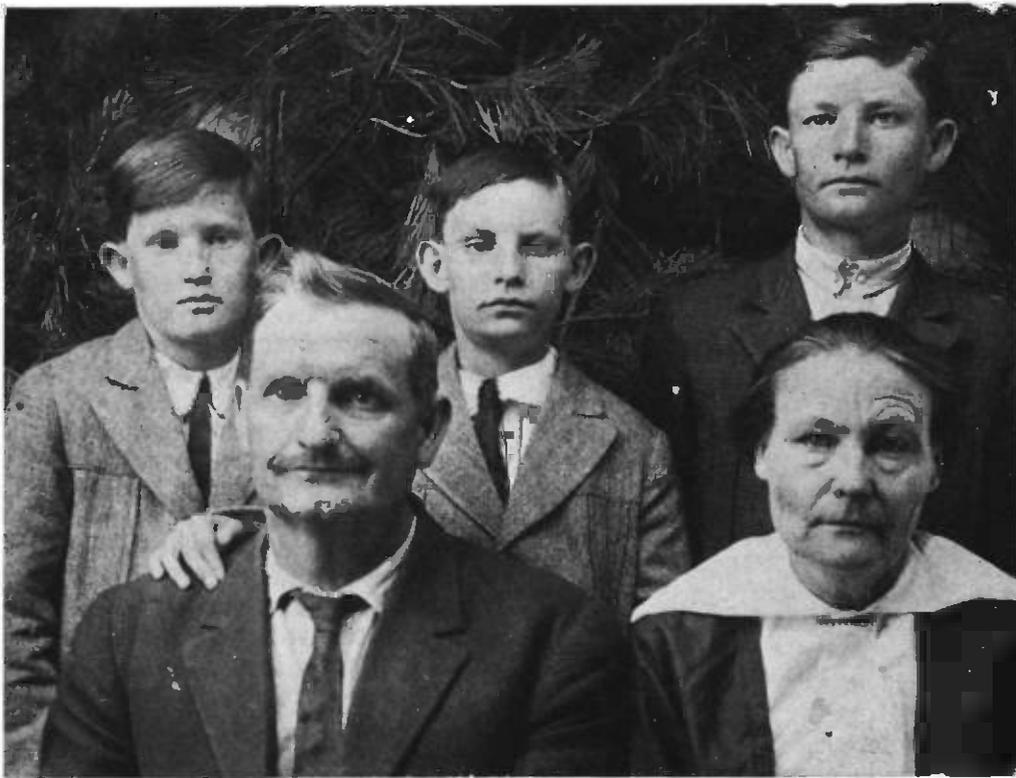
NOAH HICKMAN

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Noah Hickman (born March 23, 1834) was married to Nancy C. Hickman (born October 15, 1835) on November 16, 1854 in Culleoka, Tennessee. To this union were born five chil- dren: William (father of Will and Charlie Hickman), Robert F., Sally, Ella, and Susie.

In 1889 the Noah Hickmans moved from Tennessee to Arkansas, settling in Pope County about two and one half miles south of Newton Springs near where the Cedar Grove Assembly of God Church is now located. All the family came with the exception of Sallie, who had married into the Weatherford family and remained behind in Tennessee.

Robert F. Hickman soon met and married Callie Walker. To this union were born three boys: B.B., Edger, and T.J. Edger died in 1918 during the flu epidemic. B.B. has lived in Russellville most of his adult life and is now a retired carpenter. T.J. (Red) has lived in Covina, California for many years. He, too, is now retired, having served as a custodian at one of the schools.



ROBERT F. HICKMAN, CALLIE WALKER HICKMAN. BACK — T.J. "RED", EDGAR AND BEVE HICKMAN.

T.J. Hickman married the former Mellie Hyder. They are the parents of two daughters, Betty and Patsy. Betty and Patsy married California boys and have families of their own. They are the parents of "some of the best grandkids in the world", if you can believe "Red".

B.B. Hickman married the former Lela West in Morrilton, Ark. on April 23, 1921 with the Rev. Lee R. Lemming officiating, and Walter and Nora Wilson as witnesses. They are the parents of two sons, L.J. and Kenneth.

L.J. married the former Imo Nichols on October 4, 1946. They have three children, Phyllis, Gary, and Joey. Phyllis married Danny Bewley and they have two children, Bryant and Laura. They live in Russellville, Gary is living in New Orleans, La., and Joey starts his Sophomore year in college soon.

Kenneth married the former Gay Dacus and they are the parents of five sons. Kenneth is in the Navy, Randy is a store manager, David is just back from serving in the Navy, Jim is in college, and Jerry is in high school.

by Kenneth Hickman

THOMAS RILEY HICKMAN

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Thomas Riley Hickman was born in Tennessee and came to Pope County, Arkansas, when a young man. He was the grandson of Andrew Jackson and Eliza Hickman and was the son of Henry H.T. and Lucinda Jane Howard Hickman. On February 4, 1883, he was married to Mary Elizabeth Whittenburg. She was the daughter of W. Benjamin and Martha Coleman Whittenburg of near Economy.

To the Hickmans were born seven children, four girls and three boys. An infant girl died at birth. Henry E. Hickman was born February 27, 1885, and he married Willie Fridell Janu-

ary 10, 1909. Henry was deceased February 24, 1976. To them were born one girl and four boys. An infant girl died at age one week. Glen was married to Gwendelyn Barker in 1939. Glen died September 2, 1945. Guy married Elizabeth Gibson in 1940. They had two daughters, Mary Ann and Sara Bess. Mary Ann married Benny Parker of Palestine, Ark. and they have one daughter, Elizabeth Ann. Sara Bess married Charles Henry of Russellville and they have one daughter, Addy Cathryn. Guy served in World War II and was wounded and honorably discharged. Joe married Frances Croom in 1938. They had two children. A daughter, Nancy Jane who is married to Randy Eoff and their children are Jeff and Holly, and Joe had an adopted son, Jody. Joe served a short time in World War II and was honorably discharged due to an injury in a football game when in school. Their youngest son, William Riley, was born in May, 1918, and died in June, 1919.

Ada Hickman, born November 14, 1887, and died October 31, 1906. Single. Andrew Hickman born February 19, 1890, and died September 1, 1927. Single. John Hickman born May 20, 1893. Still living and single.

Esther Hickman was born November 21, 1900, and married December 24, 1922 to J.O. McGuire. To them were born one daughter, Doris Jean. She was married September 2, 1944, to LaMoyne Jones. To them were born two daughters, Karen Barbara, and one son, David. Barbara is married to Mike Ogden and they have one daughter, Jennifer.

Artie Hickman was born October 8, 1906 and is still living and single.

The Hickmans moved from Griffin Flat to one mile south of the Economy schoolhouse on December 2, 1902. This place is known as the Old Sisney place. John and Artie still live on the homeplace. Artie is the only member of the family born on the homeplace. John

served over two years in World War I and he was wounded in action and received an honorable discharge.

by Artie Hickman

THE HICKS FAMILY

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William Wesley Hicks was born December 27, 1835, in Tennessee. His first wife was Elizar Emlery and they had 5 children as follows: Sarah Thomas, born July 12, 1855, and died April 8, 1873; William A., born October 12, 1858; Ella B., born May 2, 1861, and died January 13, 1889; Terneter Doro, born December 1, 1863; And Augustus (Bud), born May 3, 1886, and died January 17, 1894. Eliza died, and on April 11, 1869, William Wesley married Susan Parilee Hastings, who was born February 22, 1847, also in Tennessee.

They moved to Dover, Arkansas, in 1879. They had 4 children before moving to Arkansas. Junior Etter, a daughter, born August 5, 1872, and died April 26, 1873; Martha J. Hicks, born April 22, 1874, and died August 5, 1904; John N. Hicks, born January 2, 1877, and died October 24, 1896; Susan E. Hicks, born April 29, 1879, and died August 13, 1883. After they came to Arkansas, four more children were born; Charley W. Hicks, born October 20, 1881, and died October 6, 1895; George Robert Hicks, born June 28, 1884, and is still living as of May 19, 1978. Emma P. Hicks, born August 8, 1886, and died June 23, 1899. Willis Henry Hicks, born June 3, 1889, and died October 11, 1918.

Susan Parilee helped to rear the 5 stepchildren and 8 of her own. She outlived her husband and 12 of the children before she died on August 21, 1929. George Robert Hicks is the only one left out of a family of 15. He will be 94 June 28, 1978. Robert's sister, Martha J. (Mattie), married Bon H. Lynch. They had one son, Fred A. Lynch, born September 28, 1903. Fred was only 10 months old when his mother died. Fred married Ruby Roberts, who died October 9, 1935. He later married Verniece Stanford. Fred died in 1961. He did not have any children. Willis Henry Hicks married Della Petty. They had 2 daughters, Edna Cathryn and Sue Callie, before he died with the flu in 1918.

Robert Hicks married Clearinda Cleo Brewer, daughter of James Madison and Louiza Holsted Brewer, on December 1, 1901. Clearinda was born May 1, 1884, and died February 18, 1961. They had 2 children, Luther Carl Hicks and Sue Juanita Hicks. Carl married Chloe Roberts and they have 2 children, Luther Carl Hicks, Jr., and Rita Anice Hicks. Luther Carl Hicks, Jr. married Mary Jane Gilbreath, and they have 2 children, Luther Carl Hicks, III, age 23, and Beverly Hicks, age 18. Rita Anice Hicks married William Dunn of Dardanelle, Arkansas, and they had one son James Edwin Dunn, age 23. William Dunn died February 6, 1976. Sue Juanita Hicks married Carl E. Moore, and they have one son, Robert Hicks Moore, who married Betty Jo Nunn of Danville, Arkansas. They have one son, Robert Russell Moore, age 9.



Back Row: George Robert Hicks, Bon Lynch, Martha P. Hicks Lynch. Front Row: William Wesley Hicks, Willis Henry Hicks, Susan Parilee Hicks.

William Wesley Hicks fought in the Civil War on the side of the North. He was captured and put in the Andersonville Stockade. This stockade covered 18 acres and held 18,000 men. He saw men die in large numbers everyday. All they had to eat each day was one pint of cornmeal and one pint of sorghum molasses. They tried to cook this until they ran out of stumps to dig. Hicks decided to make beer out of the meal and molasses, and soon had more money than he knew what to do with, because there was no way to spend it in prison. They ran out of water, so they started praying. They prayed until a spring of water bubbled out and made a ditch of water across the land. Hicks finally persuaded and paid a guard to get word to his commanding officer. He convinced them that he was put in prison by mistake — that he was with the North. They took him to his commanding officer, who knew him, and he was released. He was in a hospital for several weeks. When he was released from the hospital, he had to swim a river on his way home. He swam from early daylight until dusk to get across the river. He would float awhile, then swim until he reached the other side of the river. He slept during the day and traveled at night until he reached home to keep from being caught by bushwackers. He died September 10, 1920. Wesley was the choir leader for years. He had one brother, Issac Hicks, who was a Methodist Minister and was pastor of the Dover Methodist Church for several years. His other known brothers were Green Hicks and William

Hicks. The younger generation, Carl Hicks' families and Juanita Hicks Moore's families all live in Russellville, Arkansas, at this time.
by Juanita Hicks Moore

EVERT ORLANDO HILL

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After the Civil War, there was a migration of settlers from northern Ala. to Arkansas Indian Territory in which several of the Hill families moved west. Among those was Orlando Hill who was looking for better farmland he said. He settled in northern Pope County at Appleton, Ark. in 1879. He married Tamsey Hamm of Morrilton, daughter of county judge James Hamm. His family had moved from North Carolina. James Hill, his father, was a descendant of one of three Hill brothers who came over from England on the ship St. Charles soon after the Mayflower landed. Their oldest brother was sole heir to the family estate so they came to America to find a better life. They were of Scotch and English descent and their mother's family were Dutch.

Orlando and Tamsey Hill had three sons and one daughter: J. Quince Hill, Evert O. Hill, Homer Hill of Russellville, and Margery Hill Fleming of Little Rock. Three babies, one between each of these, died at birth.

Evert O. Hill married Ora Elliott of Appleton in 1908. She was born at Morrilton, April 30, 1892. Evert was born in Appleton May 9,

1884. They moved to Atkins, Ark. in 1909 where he established his tin-working shop.

At Atkins, four daughters were born: Jewel M. Hill; Reba Leah, (Jewel is now at north Little Rock;) Mary Alphreta, and Dorothy Lavetta who died, age 4. Reba Leah, now Mrs. W.E. Sanders of Longview, Texas, has a daughter Wynna Lee, now Mrs. Willie Withers of Buna, Texas. They have three children, Wendy, Will and Wyant. Mary Alphareta (Freda) is now Mrs. Wm. E. Benson of Falls Church, Va. They have three children: Sharon Dwane who married Jerry R. Rachel of Russellville, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Rachel, and have five children all living in Berwick, Pa.: Jennifer Lynn, Debra Kay, Rebecca Ann, Walter Walker, lives in Carrboro, NC and has two children: daughter Stacy and David. Freda's youngest, Wm. E. Benson, Jr. is also in Falls church. He and wife Mary have a daughter, Erica.



Evert Orlando Hill, Ora Elliott Hill and daughter, Jewel Magdaline, 1910.

Evert and Ora Hill's youngest, Genieve Rosalee, was born in Russellville Nov. 21, 1920, soon after the family moved there. She now lives at North Little Rock, Ark. with her husband, Jack C. Ellis, son of Todd Ellis of Russellville. They have two sons, Capt. J.C. Ellis, Jr. of Andrew AFB, who has a son, David; and Lary Steven Ellis, graduate of Henerson State College with a masters degree in drama, who is now in Oklahoma City, OK.

The three Hill brothers, J. Quince, Homer and Evert, all of whom had moved to Russellville, established the Hill brother's hardware store, located on Main Street at the present Linkway's store location. The business was terminated during the great depression of the 1930's.

by Jewel M. Hill

JOHN QUINCE HILL

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John Quince Hill was born in Appleton, Ar-



1874: Mr. & Mrs. W.O. Hill. Standing left to right — Margery, Mrs. T.P. Fleming; Homer Evert O., Mrs. & Mr. J. Quince Hill.

kansas, Dec. 17, 1880, the son of Orlando and Tamsie Hamm Hill. In 1904, he married Elizabeth Roberson who was born Aug. 24, 1885, daughter of Susan Belle Landrum Roberson and William Robert Roberson who was a Confederate soldier.

J.Q. Hill and family moved to Russellville in 1912. He was a deputy sheriff at the time. He later served as County and Probate Judge for three terms. He was also Supervisor for the Highway Commission and later he was Superintendent of the Boys Industrial School at Pine Bluff. He died at Little Rock, Ark. in 1960, at the age of 79.

Mrs. Hill, a former school teacher died at Jacksonville in 1974. They were both buried at Appleton.

To this union was born four children: Meda Edna, died at the age of 9 months; Chloe Winnifred, died at the age of four years; Dr. Lyle Orlando Hill who lives at Jacksonville and Neva Hill Paul (Mrs. Rex) who lives in Greenville, Mississippi.

Lyle Orlando Hill married Geraldine Starner and they have three daughters: Suzanne Elizabeth, married Harry Heidelberg and live in North Little Rock, Ark. and have three children; Virginia Lynn married William Jones and they live in North Little Rock and have three children; Julie Ann married Ramey Kemp and they live in Montgomery, Alabama and have four children.

Neva Elizabeth Hill married Rex Nelson Paul of Mountain Home, Arkansas and they have three children: Rex Nelson Paul, Jr. who is a scientist at Stoneville, Miss. and lives in Le-

land, Mississippi; Mary Elizabeth who married William Mar Agnew and they have one son, Douglas Mar Agnew. Mary Elizabeth lives in Nashville, Tenn. where her husband is a pilot with American Air Lines; Diane Hill married Samuel Horton Rushing. They live in Merigold, Mississippi where her husband owns and operates the first Winery in Mississippi.

by Neva Hill Paul

SIDNEY HERSEL HILL

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Sidney Hersel Hill was born near Atkins March 13, 1905, the son of Porter and Jean Howard Hill. Mr. Hill served in the Air Force 33 months during WW II, 22 months of that time being spent in England and France with the 29th Air Depot Group. On July 3, 1952, Mr. Hill married Mrs. Walsie Murdoch Reynolds, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Murdoch. Mr. Hill spent twenty years in the oil exploration business. Mr. and Mrs. Hill traveled widely in the western part of the U.S. in this line of work. They retired in 1961 and have lived in Atkins since that time. Mr. Hill is the great-great-grandson of Ephraim Lemley, and also the great-grandson of Bradley Hill.

Mrs. Hill has three children: Charles Reynolds, born May 18, 1924; Lillian Reynolds Shelton, born August 18, 1928; Barbara Nell Reynolds Mullican, born July 10, 1933. Charles and Patricia Bailey Reynolds

were married March 24, 1942 and are the parents of Charles Bailey and Sara Reynolds Brock. Lillian and Charles Shelton are the parents of Rebecca Lynn Shelton Young, Mary Susan, Charles Richard, Jr., and Daniel Claud. Barbara Nell and Dean Mullican are the parents of Meleah Rae Runnels, Kay Lynn Christi, and Michael Dean. Mrs. Hill has four great grandchildren: Charles Bailey Reynolds, Jr., John Kenner Reynolds, Joseph Young, and Leah Nichole Christi.

by Mrs. Walsie Murdoch Hill

WILLIAM ORLANDO HILL

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W. Orlando Hill, son of Alford Hill and Lucinda Woods Hill, was born in Killen, Alabama in 7-29-1853. He married Tamsey Hamm born 10-6-1856. About 1880 they moved to a farm in Appleton, Pope County, Arkansas, where he earned his living as a farmer. To supplement his income he carried the mail on Star Rt. to O.K. Post Office in North Pope County for which he received two dollars a day. His wife, Tamsey, was a graduate instructor in Spencerian penmanship which she taught in the schools. They were active members in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Appleton where Orlando served as secretary for many years. He sold his farm in 1910, moved into Atkins and bought property across the street from the Atkins bank. He and son, E.O., operated a hardware and sheet metal business. He lived here until his death March 31, 1918. Tamsey preceded him in death in 8-28-1917.

To this union 7 children were born; three of these died in infancy. Four lived to a ripe old age of eighty-plus and they were J. Quince, Evert O., Homer F. and Margery Hill Fleming.

The fifth child, Homer Franklin was born at Appleton in 8-5-1888. At the age of 14, in one day he split 200 rails and never did believe Abe Lincoln had anything on him. He went to Atkins in 1908 to attend high school and work in a barber shop to pay his way. From there he went to Dardanelle, Ark. to barber. Homer married Jewel Hill of Woodford, Oklahoma, in 7-15-1911, and they lived in Dardanelle until 1914 when they moved to Russellville. In 1919 he went into hardware and furniture business with brother Quince and E.O. After closing of this business in 1929, Homer went to work for the Highway Dept. and remained until his retirement in 8-31-1958. At that time he was supervisor of maintenance over 14 counties through western Arkansas.

To this union two daughters were born: Francis Modean 9-13-1912 in Dardanelle and Almeda Elizabeth 3-28-1916 in Russellville. Both girls were reared and educated in the City and Almeda graduated from Arkansas Tech.

Frances was married to Donaghey Sammons of Conway, Ark. who worked for radio stations KXRJ and KCAB until his death in May, 1973.

Frances was revenue collector at Russellville for 14 years, a member of Quorum Court and an active member of numerous Civic organizations. They were parents of two

girls — Donna D'Jean born in 8-16-37. She is married to Tommy Gosnell and they have 6 children — 4 boys and 2 girls. Donna is an Interior Decorator and Tommy is a Relator in Russellville.

Judy Ann, the second girl, born 5-21-1941, is graduate musician and married to Jim Capps, M.D., from Gurdon, Arkansas. They live in Springdale, and Jim has a clinic, and they have 2 sons and 2 daughters. Judy is an organist at the Baptist Church.

The second child of Homer and Jewel Hill was Almeda Elizabeth and she married Charles J. Robinson of Russellville in 6-21-1937, moving to Ola, Yell County, where C.J. was in lumber business. They returned to Russellville in 1951 for C.J. to complete his education at Ark. Tech, then they moved to Conway where "Tag" was in administrative position in high school.

Their daughter Rebekah K. born 7-8-1941 and son Thomas F. born 9-16-1946 in Russellville. Rebekah is married to Bob Townsell of Casa, Ark. and they have two sons. They live in Conway where Bob has Townsell-Hill Corporation.

The son, Thomas, is married to Doris Lunday of Camden and they have one son. Thomas is a practicing physician in Emergency of Presbyterian Hospital at Charlotte, North Carolina.

Homer and Jewel Hill had transferred their membership to First Methodist Church when they moved to Russellville in 1914. Jewel died in 12-24-1966, but Homer has been an active member there for 64 years.

by Homer Hill

JAMES (JIM) HOBBS

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James (Jim) Hobbs was the son of George Washington Hobbs who was born January 1, 1863, in Newton County, Arkansas, and the grandson of Wash Hobbs. George Hobbs was a farmer and a lawyer, also had a sister named Jane. He was married to Jeanette Conley and they were the parents of four children: Lou (Lee), Kate (Allen English), Rose and James (Jim). Jeanette died at an early age and is buried in Richland cemetery in Newton County. He later married Dollie Rose Ellis, a widow with three daughters. They were the parents of four children: lone (Morton), Opal (Jones), Raymond and Virginia (Smith). Dollie died in January 1957, and is buried in Owens cemetery in Pope County. He died in October 1945 at the age of 82 and is also buried in the Owens cemetery.

James (Jim), was born in 1896, and married Mary Neighbor, soon after returning from World War I. They were married November 16, 1919, by Reb. Andy Bullock on Three Knob Mountain, in Pope County. He passed away July 31, 1961 and is buried at the White Church (Pollard) cemetery, north of Dover, in Pope County.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs were the parents of one son, Thomas Allen, who was born January 4, 1925, at Steubenville, Ohio. Thomas married Kathryn Adams in 1948 and they are the parents of two daughters, Mary Kathryn

and Joan Karolyn. Mary Kathryn married Leon Anderson who is presently the head football coach at Arkansas Tech University and they have a son, Clay Thomas Anderson. Joan Karolyn married Kevin Caughman and all live in Russellville.

by Mrs. James Hobbs

HOFFMAN, FERGUSON AND BROWN FAMILIES

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The parents of Peter Hoffman came to the United States about 1800 AD, settled in North Carolina.

Peter Hoffman, born Lincoln county North Carolina, March 10, 1808, died February 28, 1886 and is buried at Pisgah cemetery, Pottsville, Arkansas.

Anna Hoffman, born Gaston county, North Carolina, April 13, 1810, maiden name unknown.

Peter and Anna Hoffman were married and came to Arkansas by wagon train before 1850 with one known daughter, Harriett R. Hoffman, born Gaston county, North Carolina, April 29, 1838, died March 14, 1910, buried Pisgah cemetery, Pottsville. Harriett R. Hoffman married James P. Ferguson at the home of Peter Hoffman, on the 11th day of June, 1858, county of Pope, Illinois Township. James P. Ferguson died and was buried at Pisgah cemetery, August 31, 1871. Harriett Ferguson later married James Whitesides, January 10, 1884.

Born to James P. and Harriett Ferguson was one known daughter, Sarah A. Ferguson, June 30, 1858, died and was buried Pisgah cemetery, Pottsville, March 30, 1937.

Sarah A. Ferguson married Sam Leonard Brown, December 30, 1876. Sam Leonard Brown, born Milan, Tennessee, October 16, 1850, died and was buried Pisgah cemetery, Pottsville March 30, 1937. In 1913, Sam Leonard Brown and a son, Louis Brown, who still resides, Star route, Pelsor, Arkansas, rebuilt the present fireplaces in the old Potts home at Pottsville.

Born to Sam and Sarah Brown, all born in Illinois Township, county of Pope were the following: Maggie Brown, b. 1887 d. 1943; Beulah Brown, b. 1881 d. 1938; E.E. Brown, b. 10-4-1882 d. 10-23-1958; Mark Brown, b. 1-14-1885 d. 3-20-1910; Charles W. Brown, b. 10-14-1887 d. 6-1-1943; Della Brown, b. 1890; Monnie Brown, b. 9-30-1882 d. 8-11-1896; Louis Brown, b. 1-17-1895; Leonard Brown, b. 1898; Dottie Brown, b. 1901 d. 1977; Cecil C. Brown, b. 2-23-1903 d. 12-8-1906.

Charles W. Brown married Fannye Ross, September 28, 1911. Born to Charles and Fannye Brown were five children. Ruth Brown, b. 1912; Orpah Brown, b. 5-1-1913 d. 10-16-1916; Charles E. Brown, b. 10-14-1914; Eugene Brown, b. 5-27-1917 d. 11-3-1917; Billy Ross Brown, b. 8-25-1920.

Ruth Brown married Oscar McNair of Little Rock and born to Ruth and Oscar was one son, Jimmy McNair. Oscar and Jimmy are now deceased. Ruth later married J.B. Griffin

of Murfreesboro, Arkansas where they both now reside in Brownsville, Texas.

Charles E. Brown married Marinella Owens of Raymondville, Texas and born to them were three children, Judith Raye, Nancy Lee and Charles Jr.

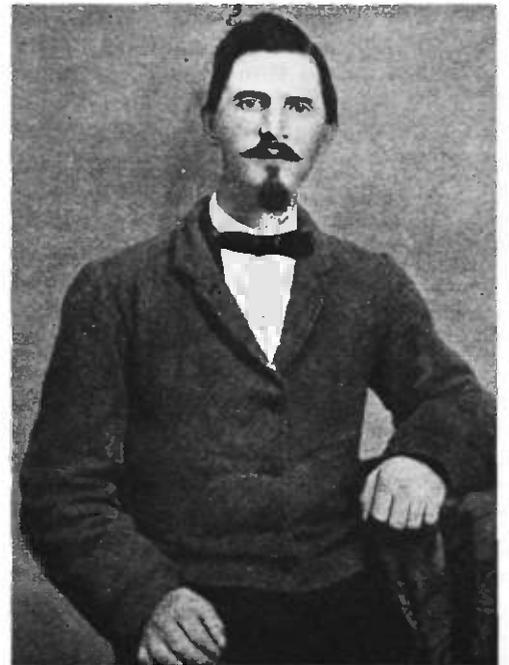
Billy Ross Brown married Virginia Ruth Walker in McAllen Texas, December 20, 1945 and born to them were two daughters. Melonie Ruth Brown, b. September 8, 1947; Julie Raye Brown, b. September 14, 1958.

Melonie Ruth Brown married Jimmy Loren Garrett in Harlingen, Texas, September 16, 1967. Born to Melonie and Jimmy were two sons. James Loren Garrett, b. February 25, 1970 and Clayton Ross Garrett, April 14, 1973.

by Billy Ross Brown

THE J.D. HOGAN FAMILY

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DICK HDGAN, Chief of Buttler's Scouts

The Hogan family came from Ireland and legend has it that the name was O'Hogan. One, William Hogan was born in South Carolina and fought in the American Revolution. He was the direct ancestor of the Pope County family. William had two sons, Lewis and Samuel. Lewis had several daughters, one of which was named Sarah. She married into the Cloud family and had a daughter, Cynthia Marietta. The other son, Samuel, had a son William and this William was the father of James Dickerson Hogan (1838-1923) born in Fairfield Co. S.Ca. In 1866 he married his cousin, Cynthia Mareitta Cloud (1850-1900).

Captain Dick, as his friends called him, was an officer in the Confederate Army and commanded a band of scouts in General Butler's Cavalry. Their assignment was to keep track of the Yankees and report to various southern officers. On one scouting trip Hogan was captured and taken to General Sherman. He reported that at supper time the General invited him to join his party and "it proved to be a nice spread on the ground at the back of his

tent, and I enjoyed it very much." During the night Hogan hemorrhaged from his damaged lung, was examined the following morning by a surgeon who declared him unfit for military duty. Damage to the lung occurred in Stafford Co., Va. in 1863 when Capt. Hogan's scouts invaded a camp of Michigan troops and in hand-to-hand combat he was shot. He was dragged away for dead, but asked for water when the party stopped at a stream to drink. Seeing that he was alive, his men located a deserted house deep in the woods and hid him there. Two men staved to nurse him. When he was able to ride again, they rejoined their ranks. In 1888 the Hogan family moved to the "Jim Wilson farm" four miles north of Atkins. Mr. J.D. traded his land in South Carolina for the farm in Arkansas which belonged to a homesick South Carolina family. Since the distance was great and train travel expensive, the only furniture brought along was a sewing machine and a baby grand piano which had been purchased so that Minnie could take lessons. Other household goods were sold at auction. Trying to make a living on a poor upland farm was quite different from the easier southern life. But what the family lacked in money they compensated for in culture. The girls were well educated for their time and all, except Aimee who had a church wedding, were married in their own home. Following is a list of the Hogan children in order of birth with their respective spouses and offspring. 1. Minnie (Bob Gray); Pauline (Curtis Bright). 2. Hattie (Bob Haney); Mary (Raymond Hudson), Bessie (Dolan Edge) and (Jack Reed), Eddie (Charlie Wilde), Emmett (Viva Ford). 3. Alice "Shug" (Mr. Ross). 4. Irene (Alex Gibson); Aimee Elizabeth (Sam Coates), foster son James Holloway. 5. Brooks — died while on cattle drive to Texas. 6. Mattie (Gus Mathis); Glendine, Virginia (Carl Woodward), Mattie Gus, also known as Martha (Leonard Allen). 7. Walton (Pearl Stubbs); Mary Lois (Earl Conner), second wife Clara Lewis; Jane LaNelle (Frederick Von Wicklen) and (Doy Don Gibson), Walton Lewis (Meda Jane Craig), Ernestine (Robert Basham) (Deed C. Thurman) and (Clyde Swartzwelder). 8. Lois — unmarried. 9. Lionel (Millie Griffin). 10. Alberta — infant death. 11. Mabel (Forrest Finney). Aimee (Virdie Hammock); twins Donald (Winford Turner), Douglas (Shirley Dillon). Only Mabel and Aimee were born in Arkansas.

Walton (1879-1940) and Lionel remained in Atkins. All of the sisters moved away. Mr. Walton was the last person to be granted a pharmacy license under the apprenticeship program. He was at one time president of the Arkansas Pharmaceutical Association. He and Mr. Will Bledsoe were partners in the Bledsoe Drug Store for many years. Bledsoe was superintendent of the Baptist Sunday School and Hogan had the same position with the Methodists. During the week they were staunch friends but on Sunday they were bitter rivals — each trying to have the most people at Sunday School. Mr. Walton helped get Emmett Haney, son of Hattie Hogan, started in the drug store business. Emmett eventually bought the Bledsoe Drug Store. Elmo, son of Emmett, is the third generation

to have a drug store in Atkins.

After the death of his wife (1900) Captain Hogan bought the north half of the three hundred block between Dover St. and Gally St. in Atkins where he built a home on the north east corner of the property. He then moved the children remaining at home into town. When Walton married, he acquired the north west corner of the property and built his home. Lionel lived in his fathers home and continued to farm the old homestead north of town. At the time City Water was installed in Atkins, Lionel became the water commissioner and remained in that position until his death. The two brothers and families, lived side by side until Waltons death. After Lionel died the two widows eventually moved away and the properties were sold out of the family.

Aimee Hogan Hammock, the youngest child of this pioneer family, is still living. She, her twin sons and families are in the Sikeston, MO. area.

Although Captain and Mrs. Hogan had 12 children there were only four grandsons and only one of them carries the Hogan Name. Colonel Walton Lewis Hogan (AF Ret) is in real estate business in Hampton, Va. He has four sons and one grandson. Commander Walton Lewis Hogan, Jr., (Navy Academy graduate) is currently an instructor in the Army academy at West Point. Commander Hogan has one son, Kevin Walton. Captain John Craig Hogan (PhD in Nuclear Chemistry) is stationed at the Army Ridstone Arsenal. William C. Hogan is in business with his father and Richard Ernest Hogan is a home building contractor in Las Cruces, NM. The HOGAN name and the military tradition are being carried on.

by Walton L. Hogan

ARCHIBALD DAVIS HOGINS

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Archibald Davis Hogins came to Pope County Arkansas in 1841 from Dickson Co. Tenn. where his father Abraham Hogins is listed in the 1840 census as a Revolutionary War pensioner from Wake County North Carolina. Children of Archibald Davis Hogins and his wife Louisa Bowen Hogins who lived at Dover were: William born in 1837, married Bettie Edmonston in 1860. They had a daughter Mary Louise and a son William Robert born while his father was away from home and died during the Civil War. (2) Emeline Hogins married Capt. Dan C. Brown Feb. 7 1860 but she and their infant child died while he was in the Confederate army. (3) Ellen Hogins was the first wife of Capt. J.L. Adams. They were married Jan. 2, 1855. She also died during the War between the States. (4) Amanda Hogins became the second wife of Capt. J.L. Adams June 1, 1865. Later they moved to Dallas, Texas and reared a family, returning occasionally to visit relatives and friends in Dover and Russellville. (5) Reese Bowen Hogins born April 15, 1847 received his education at Dover. In Sept. 1863 he joined the Confederate army in Company A Fifth Arkansas Cavalry, and was in the battles at Pine Bluff, Mark's Mill, Poison Springs,

Prarie de Ann, and was with General Price in the Missouri Campaign, was wounded at the battle of Pilot Knob, taken prisoner and confined in St. Louis and Alton, Illinois prisons until Feb. 17, 1865 when he was exchanged at Richmond Va. and regained his command in time to surrender at Marshall, Texas. On returning home he found his widowed mother in a very bad state. She owned farm land both in Yell and Pope Counties but most of her money had been invested in slaves, now free, and all horses cattle and hogs had been taken by bands of robbers. He was active in the militia trouble in 1872 and during the reconstruction days just after the war which was a trying time for Southern soldiers. Reese Bowen Hogins was married to Miss Sara Josephine White, a native of Dover, Pope County Nov. 21, 1867. She was the daughter of Robert White and Harriett Tucker White who came from Tenn. to Ark. as early as 1840. Robert White, a merchant at Norris-town and Dover died at Lewisburg, Ark. in 1864 and was buried there. Harriet White died Nov. 6, 1894 and was buried at Russellville in Oakland Cemetery. Reese B. Hogins followed farming until 1874, was deputy sheriff of Pope Co. and served six years. Again he devoted his time to farming. He owned 100 acres of land near Dover with 80 acres under cultivation, and had 420 acres in Yell Co. with 100 acres under cultivation. In 1888 he was elected County & Circuit Clerk of Pope Co., being the first to serve in the new court house in Russellville after the county seat was moved from Dover. In 1892 he was appointed postmaster at Russellville serving four years. In 1901 he was appointed superintendent of the Arkansas state penitentiary at Little Rock, moving his family there in 1902 where he remained four years as superintendent. He returned to Russellville in 1905, was bookkeeper for R.J. Wilson Mercantile for some time, and was elected mayor of Russellville, holding the office until his death in 1909. In religious and social circles he always took a prominent place, being an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was a member of some other fraternal orders, but his first interest was in Masonry. A member of the Masonic Lodge Russellville Chapter No. 76 and the Grand Lodge of Arkansas, he was also a member of Palatine Commandry Knights Templar. For a number of years he held some office in the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons for the State of Arkansas and was Grand High Priest when he died, March 2, 1909. His funeral was held at the Methodist Church and he was buried with Masonic honors at Oakland Cemetery, Russellville, March 4, 1909. To Reese B. Hogins and Sarah Josephine Hogins were born six children, all living at the time of his death: Mary Rebecca, wife of Andrew J. White of Dover; John Floyd, merchant at Russellville whose wife was Estelle Russell; Augustus Scott, assistant chief clerk for Santa Fe Railroad at Kansas City, Mo.; William Rufus who resides with his parents; Emma May, wife of James P. Faucette of Argenta; Sue Hallie, wife of John A. Ewton of New York, N.Y. William Rufus Hogins married Annie Ferguson at Union City, Tenn. December 25, 1912. He

died Feb. 1936 at Russellville, and is buried in Oakland Cemetery. Sarah J. Hogins died Sept. 6, 1940 and is buried in Oakland. Mary Rebecca White died Oct. 6, 1915 at Dover, buried McFadden Cemetery. John Floyd Hogins, died April 26, 1927 at Russellville, buried in Oakland. Emma May Faucette died July 22, 1936 at Long Beach, Calif. is buried at Little Rock, Ark. Augustus Scott who died Dec. 24, 1949 at Kansas City, Mo. is buried with his parents in Oakland Cemetery. Sue Hallie Hogins Ewton died Sept. 18, 1968 and is buried on the family lot in Oakland Cemetery, Russellville.

by Mrs. Mark Craig

BUEL HOGINS

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Buel Hogins was born in the Pine Hill Community near Dover in 1894. Buel Hogins was the son of Arbel Lemley and William Robert Hogins who's Uncle was Reece Hogins, the famous post Civil War sheriff of Pope County. Buel's grandfather, Robert Hogins (brother to Reece Hogins) was killed while serving as a Confederate soldier in the Civil War. Archibald Davis Hogins one of the earliest settlers of Pope County and the donner of the Old Lake Cemetery, was Buel's great grandfather. Archibald Hogins settled on his property in the wilderness of the area that in now Dover around 1830. Archibald Hogins moved to the county from Tennessee. His family previously migrated from North Carolina where his father, Abraham Hogins, fought in the Revolutionary War.

Arbel Lemley, Buel's mother, was the granddaughter of Ephraim Lemley; also one of the earliest settlers of Pope County (see article on Ephriam Lemley)

After serving in France in WWI Buel Hogins came home to marry his sweetheart of five years, Daisie Powers. Their life together began in the Cottonwood Community (east of Dover). To this union was born five sons: William Reece 1921, Raymond Buel 1922, Jack 1925, G.W. 1928, James Burl 1936.

This family survived the great cotton market crash of 1920, the devastating flood of 1927, the Stock Market Crash of 1929, and the tragic drought of 1930. At one point during this time money became so scarce that Buel was unable to meet the tax delinquent deadline and contemplated a "Grapes of Wrath" movement. Daisie, however, insisted that they maintain their faith and carry on. That very day a check came in the mail from a man, who a few years earlier, unbeknownst to them, shorted them \$75 on some rent cotton. Miraculously this was the very amount needed for the taxes.

After this they began to prosper until Buel Hogins' untimely death in 1937, at the age of 43. This left Daisie with the monumental task of carrying on with 5 sons, ages 2 to 16 years. With her fearless effort, courageous spirit and steady hand she often toiled over 18 hours a day around the place and in the home. As a result of this she and her sons enlarged their farm to near 500 acres. Through their combined efforts the boys were

able to attend school as well as operate the farm. This was accomplished by allocating jobs according to size and age, and required doing much of the work before and after school hours. Conditions became somewhat more managable as the family shifted from row crop farming to a livestock operation.

Presently the youngest son James Burl Hogins is Professor of English at Mesa State College in San Diego California and the author of numerous College text books. He received his Masters Degree at the University of Kentucky.

G.W. graduated from Arkansas Tech and is General Manager of Delta Purchasing, a cooperative in Greenwood Mississippi.

Jack Hogins Phd. was awarded the Purple Heart while serving in Europe during WWII. After receiving his latest at the University of Arkansas he is Professor of Education at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro.

Raymond Hogins attended Harding College and is presently engaged in a successful insurance business in Kearney Nebraska.

Reece Hogins served in the Navy during WWII and the Korean War, attended Arkansas Tech, and is now a Rural Mail Carrier. He resides in Cottonwood and his cattle operation includes the Old Home Place.

by Verna Hogins Bosknick and Maria Hogins

JOHN M. HOLLABAUGH

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The Palatinate, a German state, originally a part of the Holy Roman Empire and located in the upper and middle Rhine River area was known to be the early home of the Hollabaugh Family.

Germany, like other states of the Empire, was governed by powerful and cruel princes whose greed had triggered a war that was to leave all of central Europe in ruin.

In desperation the Palatines turned to the tenets of the two great religious reformers, Martin Luther and John Calvin and responded to William Penn's invitation to the free new land of America where religious freedom was promised.

The passenger list of "The Neptune" reveals that it was in the early 1700's when from that ship our forebears were to first put foot on American soil.

We can only assume that our people did not stay long in Pennsylvania. It is possible that much of the rich land of that area was already under claim when they arrived and evidence indicates that they moved by ox cart and wagon to Lancaster, York, Northumberland and Berks counties; thence on into the Shenandoah Valley to settle on the Yadkin and Pee Dee Rivers in Rowan County, North Carolina. Descendants of the family are still found there.

Along with other early settlers they shared the urge to move ever westward. Probably, it was in the early 1800's that our direct descendants of the Hollabough's settled in Wayne and Perry Counties of Tennessee, where they were to remain until they saw fit to move to Searcy and other nearby Counties of Arkansas.

Statistics reveal that two Hollabough brothers, George A. and John arrived in the Arkansas area about the time Searcy County was organized. In 1868-69 a nephew, John M. lived in Searcy County, then moved on to Pope County.

The economic problems brought on by the Civil War and by the Reconstruction era that followed that war brought about a dispersion movement in the Hollabaugh Family that eventually left its members in many states.

Remaining in Pope County today, we find descendants of John M. Hollabough, who was born August 3, 1844 in Perry County Tennessee, and who died June 29, 1921 and is buried at Hector, Arkansas. His direct children were Thomas Green Hollabaugh, born Nov. 1, 1866; W.M. born Sept. 10, 1868; George M. born July 17, 1872; Martha C. born Nov. 28, 1874; Simpson L. born Mar. 3, 1876; Z.P. born Nov. 10, 1880.

Living in Russellville today are Chief Deputy John Hollabaugh and Bill Hollabaugh, grandsons of George M. Hollabaugh.

by John Hollabaugh

DR. SIMPSON LAFAYETTE HOLLABAUGH

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Dr. Simpson LaFayette Hollabaugh was the son of John M. Hollabaugh and Mary Jane Petty Hollabaugh. They came to Pope County, Arkansas from Tennessee. Simpson L. Hollabaugh was born March 13, 1877 in Pope County. His family lived in the Leta Community near Hector. S.L. married Sarah Ann Churchill on May 20, 1900. Sarah Ann was born November 5, 1884. She was the daughter of Will and Mary (Cox) Churchill. The Churchills were also early settlers of Pope County. Dr. S.L. and Sarah Ann lived at Appleton. Their first two children were born at Appleton: Mettie October 14, 1901; and Roy August 8, 1903. Then they moved to Levy near Little Rock where he received his medical training at the University of Arkansas Medical Center. They lived at Russellville for a while and then back to the Hector and Appleton area. Cassie was born August 5, 1905; Lois was born August 9, 1908; Lonnie born September 5, 1909; William Harmon born August 1, 1912; Ira born July 9, 1914; Arthur born May 10, 1916; Lelus born July 18, 1918; Alta born April 15, 1920; Troy Wilburn born August 8, 1922; and Wanda Marie born June 5, 1925.

Dr. Hollabaugh practiced medicine for 50 years before retiring. He started out on horseback, then horse and buggy and finally a Model T car. He also delivered most of his children. They moved to Dover about 1924. They lived here until his death November 20, 1960. He is buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector. Sarah Ann suffered a stroke and is in Legacy Lodge Nursing Home.

Mettie married Edd Langford September 30, 1917. Their children are; Willis, born October 20, 1919; Gene born November 14, 1925; Louise born September 14, 1930; Irma born August 28, 1932; Margaret born No-

ember 29, 1938; Catherine born February 6, 1941; Mary Ellen born April 21, 1942. Willis married Etta Warnick; Gene married Martha Sue Partain; Louise married Raymond Barton; Irma married Burl Sherman, Jr.; Margaret married Oscar Duvall; Catherine married Veo "Mickey" Cochran, Mary Ellen married Jerry Branch. Edd Langford died May 22, 1978.

Roy married Sue Jones and their children were James Leroy, Gene Wilson and Wanda Lou. James Leroy was killed in a plane crash in Little Rock. Gene Wilson had a heart attack in the Air Force. Wanda Lou lives in Memphis, Tennessee. Sue died and Roy married Mildred Ward on February 9, 1963. They live at Dover.

Cassie had two children before her marriage; Pricilla and Evelyn. She married Sam Gillum and they lived at Chimes, Arkansas. Their children are Alta and Margaret. Cassie died at Russellville during childbirth and is buried at Chimes. She died September 9, 1943. Lois died March 20, 1912 at the age of three and a half from Meningitis.

Thomas married Pauline Hanks and their children are Shirley, Patricia, Thomas Jr. and Janie. Thomas and Pauline divorced and he remarried and lived in St. Louis, Missouri. He died of cancer August 22, 1958 and is buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery, Hector.

Harmon married Mildred Chilton and they had a daughter, Mary Jo. They are divorced and Harmon lives in Dover with his daughter. Ira married Wilma Russell April 4, 1942 in Pennsylvania and their children are Ira, Jr., Doris Mae and Carol Ann. They are divorced and Ira is married to Lou Van Morris and they live in Dover. Their children are Glenn, Lonnie, Cindy Marie and Anna May.

Arthur married Ina Mildred Ross February 28, 1938. Their children are Ina Laverne born July 22, 1939; Virginia Fern born April 25, 1941; Arthur Kent born November 21, 1944; Roger Keith born January 31, 1947; Deborah Kay born December 29, 1957.

Leilus married Eula Lewis April 7, 1947 and they lived in St. Louis, Missouri. He died of cancer September 6, 1957 and is buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector. They had no children.

Alta married J.A. "Bill" Hawkins August 2, 1946. Bill and Alta live in Detroit, Michigan and have no children.

Troy has been married twice. He died of cancer August 16, 1972. He had no children. He is buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery, Hector.

Marie married Troy Hull February 14, 1943. They live in Detroit, Michigan and their children are Joyce Marie, Roger Dale and Roberts.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

PHILLIP CARLYLE HOLLEDGER

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Phillip Carlyle Holledger born October 16, 1791 was the son of Phillip Seaborn Holledger and Mary Carlyle Holledger. Phillip Seaborn Holledger was rescued from the wreckage of an English vessel by Cpt. Holledger. Nothing is known of his parentage but he was adopted

by Cpt. Holledger. Phillip Seaborn and Mary Holledger had three children John, Mary and Phillip C. Phillip C. married Margaret Webb in 1814. Her parents were Merdieth Webb and Elizabeth Jane Haverly who was of the Royal House (probably of Scotland) and was disinherited because of marrying a school teacher, Phillip Carlyle Holledger. They were married in Kentucky. Both were very proud and when they became exceedingly wealthy Father Haverly offered to reinstate her. She and her husband refused to accept his benevolence and so became separated from them and lost trace of them.

To Phillip and Margaret Webb Holledger were born 13 children. Six died in infancy and one Elizabeth Jane lived until about 15 when she died. Phillip Holledger brought his family to Pope County about 1830. He built the first house in Russellville where he lived until he sold the house to a Mr. Russell. The house later became known as the Russell house. George W. Holledger, oldest child of P.C. married Tennessee Rye in 1849. Lavina, the second, married John Jones of Augusta, Georgia in 1845. Sarah Ann married Jerrimah Neaves in 1854. Margaret married John Colburn editor of the Dardanelle Gazette, Jan. 29, 1854. Angeline married Abner Hill a Frenchman in 1860. Mary Ellen was engaged to be married to Colonel Armstrong who was killed in the battle of Wilson Creek the day before their marriage was to have taken place. She died a short time later (Sept). To Sarah Ann Crittington Holledger Neaves and Abel J. Neaves were born a son John who died in infancy. A daughter Ann Eliz. April 29, 1856. Mary Frances Neaves October 6, 1857, Margaret Burton (Molly Clouds mother) October 25, 1859. Abel J. Neaves was a recruiting officer under Gen. Waldo Johnson during the Civil War and was killed October 3, 1863 at Yellville, Arkansas.

Sarah Neaves was married to Jacob E. Bodenhammer in 1867. Their children were George E., who died at age 21 months. Ann Eliz Neaves M. Elija G. Whorton October 10, 1873. They had 5 children. Seaborn E. Whorton 1875, Sarah Minnie born 1878. William L. 1880, Charles G. 1883, Mollie Frances Neaves married F.P. Griffith in 1884. They had one daughter Sarah 1885 died 1888. Margaret B. Neaves married Thomas Haynes Hagan Cloud in 1878. They had 6 children. Lillie Ann born 1878 died 1895. William T. Seaborn born 1881. Elizabeth May 1884-1907. William Arthur Gevin. Mollie Frances born Mary 18, 1886 and married in 1918 (no children) to Arthur Homer Huston born 1885 killed in an explosion in 1936. Nellie Burton born 1891. Charles Haynes born 1897 married Ruth Merritt (three children).

Information furnished by Mollie Cloud Houston. "Information copied from an old Bible while visiting Aunt Margaret Colburn at Russellville, Arkansas in 1907." by Marguerite Tripp and Mollie Cloud Huston

HON HISTORY

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Approximately four miles West of London,

Arkansas, on Highway 64, then north about three miles, and west about three miles on a county road, Hollie T. Hon, Sr. brought his young bride, Opal Lillian Martin Hon. Hollie was the son of Laura Alice Waggoner Hon and DeWitt Clinton Hon. DeWitt's parents were Mose Jasper Hon and Asenyth Hon. Jasper was a son of Samuel Hon. Hollie and Opal begun their life together in May, 1930. Hollie was one of nine children. The others were Octavia, Edna, Mina, Homer, Anna Belle, Sena & Mose, twins, and Archie.

Opal was the daughter of Eva Viola Hossman Martin and Erester Perk Martin of Whorton Mt. in Pope County. Opal was one of six children. The others were Edna, Elmer, Sibyl, Howard and Madeline.

On December 11, 1935, Sharon Belle Hon was born. May 20, 1938, Marilyn LaDell Hon was born and January 24, 1941, Hollie Thomas Hon, Jr. was born.

Shortly afterwards the family moved to a farm which is now known as the S & R Ranch. Hollie sold this farm to Savage & Roberts in approximately 1946.

The family then moved to London, inside the city limits, in what was known as the Dr. Rye place which was south of the railroad.

In approximately 1954 the family moved to Russellville on West 13th St. Then later to East Fourth St. where the Sonic Drive In is presently located.

Marilyn LaDell is married to C.R. Fields, Jr. They have three daughters: Robin Desha, Kelly Renee, and Tanya DeLynn.

Hollie Jr. is married to Sharon Blynn Coffman Hon and they have one son, Brandon.

Sharon Belle is married to William Wesley Martin and they have three sons; Thomas Faris Martin, Leslie Shawn Martin and Lance Jonathan Martin.

On May 23, 1964, Hollie.T. Hon, Sr. passed away. In approximately 1966 Opal sold her home on Fourth St. and moved to a place on "L" St. About 1969 she moved to Highway 7 North where she now resides.

Hollie Sr. was a very honest, dependable and hard working man. He was a farmer in earlier years. Later owned and operated a business in London and ran a taxi service between London and Russellville. In his latter years he was employed by the Street Department in Russellville and the Pope County Health Department. He loved to hunt, most anything except deer, however he never cared for fishing. In his spare time he raised, trained and sold hunting dogs. People from all over the country called and came to him when they wanted a good hunting dog. He also loved to fix up guns and kept his own in the best of shape. He could blue a gun where it looked as good as new. He taught all his children how to hunt and to respect a gun. He taught them the ways of the woods and the animals living there. He taught them how to drive a car and how to swim.

Opal is a happy humorous person who gives all for her family. She was a nurse by trade and learned from on the job training. She learned fast and was very efficient. In later years she did only private duty nursing and was in demand constantly. Her knowl-

edge and ability in her field was handed from word of mouth and she always stayed busy. She gave her best for her family. She taught her children how to love and care for a garden and flowers. She always had both and they were always clean and pretty. Her love and care and consideration for others is more than generous.

William Wesley Martin is a self employed certified public accountant. He loves sports and is a coach for the Little League. All three children share his love for sports.

Thomas Farris Martin will be graduating from Russellville High School with honors May 21, 1978. He has received two scholarships: one from the Naval ROTC and the Air Force ROTC. Each is for four years. He will attend University of Oklahoma at Norman on the Naval Scholarship.

Leslie is an eighth grade student at Gardner Jr. High. Lance will finish the fifth at Crawford.

by Sharon Martin

JAMES W. HOOD

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James W. Hood was born in 1854 and died in 1933. He came to Pope County, Arkansas, from Rome, Georgia about 1876 and settled at Pottsville, working on a farm for the Oates family. He married Susan Finley who was born in 1864 and died in 1944. They were the parents of seven sons: Elmer, Robert Harrison, Alvie Lawrence, Earnest, an infant and Ezra, who was born in 1894 and died in 1902.

James (Jim) Hood served on the Prairie Grove school board for many years.

Samuel Riggs was born in 1854 and died in 1924. He came to Pope County when two years of age, in 1856, from Tennessee. Julia Mathis Riggs, was born in 1853 and died in 1917, and was also from Tennessee. Samuel and Julia Mathis Riggs were the parents of four sons and two daughters: John, Levi, Sam, Tom, Mary and Cordie.

Robert Harrison Hood and Cordie Riggs (born 1889), were married and were the parents of two daughters, Ruth and Maxie. Maxie married Clifton Butler in 1938 and they live in Lexington, Ky. They have two daughters, Bette Ann Butler who married Daniel Enright and live in Chicago and they have two daughters, Elizabeth and Katie Enright. Nancy Jane Butler, married Randy Faulkner and they have two daughters, Susan and Bette and one son, Keith and they live in Kentucky.

Ruth Hood married Ellis Hendrickson (born in Santiquin, Utah) in 1943. They were the parents of one son, Robert Ellis Hendrickson who is married to Marion Rimer Hendrickson and they have a daughter, Marion Elizabeth, born in 1976. Robert has his doctoral hours in Economics at the University of Arkansas. Marion has a B.A. degree in Art from Arkansas Tech University.

Ruth Hood Hendrickson is a cosmetologist and active in her profession. A charter member of the Arkansas River Valley Hairdressers and served as Affiliate Pres. fifteen years and served as President of the State Association for three years. She was ap-

pointed by Gov. Bumpers to the Arkansas Board of Cosmetology and was presented Leadership Awards by the National Hairdressers in 1971 and 1973.

by Ruth Hood Hendrickson

JOHN J. AND ELIZABETH TYSON HOOPER

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According to tradition, five Tyson brothers, William, John, Samuel, Joel and Uriah, left their native land of Wales prior to 1635 for a new home in America. They settled in the coastal areas of Virginia. Soon after these young men appeared in Virginia, people were beginning to move South and West to obtain more land. John Tyson and his wife, Susannika, along with thier son — Mathias Tyson, purchased 100 acres in Accomack County, Virginia, in 1697. Mathias' son, Thomas — one of eight children — was born in Beaufort County, North Carolina Colony in 1698. John, son of Thomas, was born in Pitt County, North Carolina, in 1723. John Tyson and his wife had several children, and it is from his son, Jehu, that we descend. Jehu was a revolutionary soldier in the North Carolina Militia from Pitt County. The Jehu Tyson's moved to Anson County, North Carolina in 1777. Jehu Tyson and his wife, Mildred, saw North Carolina become the twelfth state in the Union in 1789. Uriah Tyson was one of nine children born to Jehu and Mildred Tyson.

In 1796, that part of North Carolina was made into the state of Tennessee which became the sixteenth state in the Union. New lands were made available for settlement, so

Uriah Tyson, with his family, moved by wagons which were drawn by oxen from Anson County, North Carolina, to Montgomery County, Tennessee, about 1807. Samuel Tyson (born in 1815), the fifth son of Uriah and Mary Barber Tyson, and Sally (born in 1820), were married in Montgomery County, Tennessee. To this union, five children were born — Elizabeth Tyson, the oldest, was born in 1839 and on October 17, 1855, was married to John J. Hooper in Pope County, Arkansas. In 1846, some of the Tyson families moved from Tennessee to Ouachita County, Arkansas, and about the same time the James Tyson family moved into Pope County, Arkansas. It is believed that Elizabeth came into the county with the James Tyson Family. She was married to John Hooper on October 17, 1855. To this union only one child was born — John Thomas Samuel Hooper (Samuel), September 24, 1859. Samuel Hooper was a farmer in what was called the "Atkins Bottoms." On January 10, 1886, Samuel Hooper and Nancy Janora Pettit (Nan), daughter of James Madison and Mary Howe Roberts Pettit, were married. Nan Pettit's father, James Madison Pettit, had purchased land from the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railroad Company. The land was a portion of a Federal Land Grant for the construction of a railroad linking Little Rock and Fort Smith. At the completion of the railroad, the land was offered for sale. A few years later, Samuel and Nan Hooper purchased a portion of land — 150 acres — adjacent to the Pettit Farm that had also been a part of the original Land Grant to the Railroad Company.

Eight children were born to the Samuel Hooper's — five boys and three girls. Sammie Hooper Carpenter is the youngest of the



John Hooper and Elizabeth Tyson Hooper

eight. Only three of the children lived to adulthood — Clarence Earl who passed away in 1957, Jefferson Davis who died May 3, 1978, and Sammie. On June 30, 1926, Sammie Hooper was married to John F. Carpenter, son of D.C. and Fannie Jane Williamson Carpenter. John F. is a descendant of John Williamson, whose family history appears elsewhere in this volume. John F. and Sammie Hooper Carpenter have two children — John Thomas Carpenter, born in 1934; and Nancy Jane Carpenter, born in 1937.

John T. is married to the former Melanie Green of Fort Smith. They live in Savannah, Georgia, where John T. is President of Candler General Hospital. They have three children — John Christopher — 19, Kelley Jane — 17, and Laura Lynn, 13.

Nancy Jane Carpenter is married to Lt. Col. Lloyd Woodman, United States Air Force, who presently is Professor and Chairman, Department of Aerospace Studies, University of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi. Lloyd and Nancy have two children, Sammie Lee — 17, and Geoffrey Hooper — 12.

by Mrs. Sammie Hooper Carpenter

JAMES K. POLK HOPPER

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James K. Polk Hopper married Adeline Eubanks. They lived in the Rushing Community where they raised their children, who were:

James K. Polk Hopper, Jr., who married Lela Sayer. James and Lela were the parents of five sons and three daughters; Raymond, James, Udell, Dwayne, Gene, Cleo, Lorraine, and Mary Leta.

Johnnie Hopper, married Joe Adkins and their children were: Auby (son), Henry and Lena.

Mealie Hopper, married Doc Davis (son of Jake and Mary Tucker Davis) and their children were: Jeff, Doc Jr., and Lura Faye.

Mandy Josephene Hopper (1880-1920) married James Samuel Henderson (1872-1906) and they were the parents of: Edna Ethel, Archie, and Katherine.

After the death of James K. Polk Hopper, Adeline, remarried to a Fellers and they were the parents of several children.

by Juanita Miller Utley

C.R. (RUSS) HORNE

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C.R. (Russ) Horne, son of Clifton and Thelma Horne of Paris, Ark., came to Russellville in 1939 to attend Arkansas Tech. In 1941 he married Imogene Shepherd, daughter of Joe D. and Etta Shepherd of Russellville. During World War II he served as a pilot in the Army Air Corp in India and China. After the war he returned to Russellville. He and Imogene have a son, Mike, born in 1942.

In 1947 he along with Joe D. and Jerrell Shepherd started Russellville's first Broadcasting Station, KXRJ (now KARV). He was the station's first manager. For many years area residents knew Russ as the "Play by

play" voice of the Arkansas Tech Wonderboys. He has been very active in civic affairs and was elected mayor of Russellville in 1952, serving one term. He was President of the Russellville Chamber of Commerce in 1954. In 1959 he served as President of the Arkansas Broadcasters Association. In 1961 he was appointed by Gov. Orval Faubus as a member of the Arkansas Publicity and Parks commission, serving until 1968. C.R. was one of the charter members of the Russellville Industrial Development Commission.

Imogene has been active in civic and cultural affairs in Russellville and was a charter member of the Russellville junior Auxiliary, serving as its first president.

C.R. and Imogene are members of the First Christian Church. In 1973 C.R. retired from active participation in the family business.

Michael Horne attended Arkansas Tech and the University of Arkansas. He has three children, Robert Russell (b 1960), Michael Gregory (b 1964) and Lara Leslie (b 1970). In 1964 he married Alpha Peek of El Dorado, Arkansas. Mike and Alpha are members of the First Baptist Church. Mike is president of KARV Radio and has other business interest in Arkansas and Kansas. He is a past president of the Russellville Chamber of Commerce (1972) and the Arkansas Broadcasters Association (1972). He is an active member of the Russellville Industrial Development Commission. In 1972 he was selected as one of Arkansas' 10 outstanding young men. Alpha has been active in church, school and civic work, and has served as president of the Russellville Jr. Auxiliary.

by Michael Horne

JEFFERSON RILEY HORTON

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Jefferson Riley Horton was a son of Pleasant Nance Horton, who was the 4th ch. of Jesse and Dicia Jane Newman, b. 1816, Tenn. Reared DeKalb Co., Ala. 1838 married Lucinda Evert. The young couple joined a wagon train composed of family and friends and headed west. From an Ark. history of Prairie Co. it was formed 1846 and P.N. was the first surveyor. In 1860 he formed a company known as P.N. Horton & Co., with a friend to purchase and operate a saw mill and grist mill near Dover, Ark.

P.N. served in Civil War, Ark. Cavalry. Captured and incarcerated in Rock Island Prison. Word reached Pope Co. he was released but was never heard from again.

P.N. and Lucinda had 11 ch., 9 lived to maturity.

Jefferson Riley born 1852, married Bell Colburn, 1872 in Liberty Twp. To this union was born 8 ch. only 3 lived to maturity. About 1890 the family moved to a place on the Old Wire road. J.R. died 1898, buried Atkins Cemetery.

Jefferson Riley's and Bell's second son, Thomas Newman (Dee) was in Van Buren Co. March 26, 1876.

After the death of his father he assumed the care of his mother, grandmother and younger bro. Scott. They lived near Atkins.

He married 28 Nov. 1909 Lillie Stout b. Dec. 22, 1884, also of Atkins. At this time Dee was employed by the Arkansas penal system at Warner. They moved back to Atkins where a daughter, Lodie Arvell was b. Nov. 4, 1910. For a few yrs. Dee owned a grocery store and meat mkt. He sold the business and was once again employed by the Ark. penal system and was stationed at Warner.

Sometime around 1914 a devastating flood on the Ark. River destroyed the buildings there. All the prisoners were evacuated, as well as personel, to land bought by the state at Tucker, Ark. where a new penal system was established.

Sometime around 1920 he was made superintendent of the Ark. penal system which included the installation at Warner, the walls at Little Rock where the electric chair was kept. as well as Tucker farm.

When he resigned from the penal system he moved to England, Ark. He was engaged in farming. He died of malignant tumor of the kidney, Sept. 24, 1934 and was buried at Atkins Cemetery as is Lillie Stout Horton, Oct. 31, 1971.

Lodie Arvell married Dec. 24, 1928 James O. DuPree, b. May 25, 1904, d. Dec. 14, 1968. He was an Episcopalian as is she.

Children: James O. DuPree Jr., b. Dec. 18, 1929. Married Mary Ann McDonald. Have two children; Thomas Horton DuPree, b. April 11, 1931. Married Jackie Lou Bell. Have three children. All are Methodists.

by Lodie Horton DuPree

PLESSANT EARL HORTON

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Plessant Name Horton married Lwindy (Everett) Horton. Their son, Jefferson Riley Horton was born in 1852; died in 1898. He married Mollie Isabell (Colburn) (1854-1904). Both are buried in Okland Cemetery, Atkins, Ark. Their son, William Jesse Horton (1871-1960) was married to Mollie (Weaver) (1871-1918). He is buried at Glendale, Arizona. Mollie is buried at Okland Cemetery in Atkins. Both were born and raised in Atkins. William operated a gin and oil mill in Atkins. He and Mollie had 4 sons, Earl, Homer, Oscar Lee and Lawrence. Earl was born at Atkins in 1897 and died in 1972. He is buried at Oakland Cemetery in Russellville. He was an engineer of Arkansas Power & Light Co. in Russellville for 21 years; then manager for Russellville Waterworks for 21 years. He served in the Navy during World War I. In 1920 he married Susan Lorean Evans, daughter of L.L. Evans at Atkins. They moved to Paris, where he operated the Ice Plant and Oil Mill. In 1921, they moved to Russellville, They had 3 sons, Donald Earl, William Ray, and Haskell Lee. Donald Earl, born at Paris 1921, graduated from Russellville High School attended Arkansas Tech. He served in the Air Corps in World War II and is a Master Sergeant in the National Guard. He owns Horton's Plumbing & Heating in Russellville. Donald married Lorene Coffman of Paris in 1946. They had 2 sons, Earl Lee and Larry Don. Larry was killed in 1977. Earl Lee has 2

children, Rebecca & Robert. Donald's second wife is Carolyn Hamm, from Hector, Ark. They were married in 1971 and have one daughter, Dee Ann. William Ray, born in 1923 at Russellville, died in 1939 and is buried in Okland Cemetery in Atkins. Haskell Lee was born in 1924 at Russellville. He graduated from Russellville High School and served in Merchant Marines in World War II. He owns Hack's Cleaners in Russellville. Haskell married Mary Ellen Haney of Atkins in 1945. They have a son, James Lee of Russellville (Married Barbara Ann Hackworth in 1972), and one granddaughter, Marianne. All family members attend the First United Methodist Church at Russellville.

Earl's grandfather (maternal) J.W. Weaver, grew up in Pope County and served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War.
by Mrs. Earl Horton

PLESANT NANCE HORTON

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Annie Fronaberger Hasting Horton

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Scott Eddie Horton, Sr.

buried Atkins Cemetery. So is Mollie Isabell "Bell" Colburn Horton.

The oldest son William Jesse had married Mollie Elizabeth Weaver and was out on his own. Thomas Newman (Dee) assumed the care of his mother, grandmother and younger brother Scott. After the death of his mother and grandmother Dee married Lellie Stout in 1909.

Scott attended Atkins High School where he played center on the football team. After graduation he worked for awhile with the State Penitentiary system at Varner, returning to Atkins where he met and married Annie Fronaberger Hasting. Scott built their new home on the western edge of town. They were members of the Presbyterian church. Scott a Deacon and their first three children christened there.

Moved in 1917 to Russellville where Scott worked for Ark. Power & Light. He began as a fireman, soon made night engineer and later became chief eng. at Bernice Coal Mine plant. He advanced to chief. eng. of the Russellville properties consisting of 2 steam and one hydro plants.

In 1925 the family moved to Sterlington, La. where Scott worked for La. P. & L. until retiring 1953. He had a fine woodworking shop. Other hobbies were fishing, hunting, boating and anything pertaining to outdoor life. For several years he managed the La. P.&L. baseball team.

He taught the young married couples Sunday school class, bearing his name, until his death in 1958. Annie died 1974, both buried Monroe, La.

Their children: Vivan b. 1910, d. of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis 1967, leaving her husband A.B. Billings, a son, 2 daughters, 7 grandchildren and one great grandchild; Dorthea m. H.M. Naff; Frank m. Laverne Cox; Britton m. Noble Simmons, have one daughter; Scott, Jr. m. Louise Jones (deceased) have one son and a grandson; Genevieve m. A.E. Walters, Jr. have 4 children and 4 grandchildren; Robert C. m. Mary Jean Lewis, they have two sons and a daughter.

by Mrs. Horton Naff

ERVIN HOWARD

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A 208 Year Story of Englishman John Howard and his descendants, of whom Ervin Howard of Pope County, Arkansas, was one.

John avoided a commoner's debtor citation, by stowing away on a sailing ship bound for America. He was discovered at sea and indentured to the ships captain, for his passage and other expenses. They landed in Philadelphia in 1770, and John was hustled off to a plantation in Georgia, to work off his bond in full.

A son, John Henry Howard, was born in Georgia, September 24th 1801. John Henry's son Ervin Howard was born in 1827, and following soon were his brothers, Irving Benjamin, Joeseeph, and George. All born in Georgia. Birth dates not clear.

At age 23 Ervin married a Mary Anne in 1850, who bore a son, William M. An 1850 Census fails to list Mary Anne.

Afterwards, Ervin headed West. On the way he met Roxalena Hixon, age 27, a Tennessee born school teacher. He married her March 19th, 1854, in Texas. Next we find the Ervin Howards in 1860 farming land in Booger Hollow, Pope County Arkansas. An 1860 Census lists the family Ervin 36, Roxalena 33, William M 10, Thomas Converse 5, John Sebastian 3 and Eugene 1.

The next son, Joseph Omar Howard (the narrator's father) was born in Pope County, Arkansas, June 28th, 1861.

With the Civil War raging, Ervin Howard, enlisted in a Rebel Cavalry Regiment, early in 1861, at Pope County, Arkansas. He was seriously wounded at the battle of Pearidge, Ark., in February, 1862. After field treatment, he was sent home as unfit for active duty. Eventually, he was discharged as 1st Lt., Co. B. Storman's Arkansas Cavalry, Major Brooks, C.S.A., in command. After much good nursing at home, Ervin is able to ride again.

Feeling the War's disruption, the Ervin Howard's decided to try again elsewhere. Toward the end of 1862 they headed back to Texas.

The Ervin Howard family is on the move again. About 1862 they go back to Texas. Roxalena Isabel, was born in Paris, Lamar County Texas, December 1st 1863. Euwin Laommie Howard, born in Waco September 26th 1868, and the baby sister, Mary Anne (Molly) was born in Waco Also, May 16th 1871.

Ervin's brothers Ben and Joe persuaded him to bring his family (now a considerable work force) back to Arkansas, and join them on a good size farm, near Big Piney, Pope County, Arkansas. This they did, around 1873. All hands worked hard, and by 1875 they had the farm in pretty good shape. One day the three brothers hitched a team to a farm wagon and started at 3 am to drive the nineteen miles to Russellville. They bought needed supplies, did some visiting and returned to the farm, getting there about 9 PM. They found their wonderful farm thoroughly ransacked.



Picture made at the Hall House in the 500 block of S. Boulder in 1899. Capt. William Clavin Hall, Louise Arabella Tucker Hall, Emma B. Hall Howard, Dr. Joseph Omar Howard, Minnie Lee Hall Hess, Lilly Hall Guest, Jonah Edward Hall, picture is of Dr. Oscar Hall, Hanes Hall, Joseph Omar Howard II, Martha Warren Hall Rye, Grandma Tucker, seated in chair, Claude Hess, Lucy T. Hall Perkins.

A gang of five desperados, aptly called bushwhackers, came by the farm. Seeing no able bodied defenders, these bandits began to rob and pillage, and molest the women for sport. The robbers drove away with every valuable that they could haul. The brothers did not rest, but worked through the night, setting up the place for living, the best they could.

Ervin, Ben and Joe, headed back toward Russellville. They rode the team horses, and one old mule overlooked by the robbers, bare-back to town, arriving about 3 PM.

They bought more supplies for the farm and contracted for delivery back there. They bought three saddle horses with saddles, three Winchester rifles, three Colt 45 Revolvers, and 200 Rounds of Ammunition. After refreshing themselves, the three rode away to deal with the five bandits. The trail took them through S. E. Ark, N. W. La., N. W. Texas and Western Oklahoma.

After ninety days and five bandits dead, the Howard brothers returned to their farm, and enjoyed peace and security the many years following while any of the Howards ran the Big Piney farm.

In 1876 Ervin Howard, tired of farming, set out with his family for another try to better themselves.

Ervin traded his interest in the farm to Ben and Joe, for 2 farm wagons equipped for camping, 2 teams of horses, 2 milk cows, 1 pack mule, one milk goat with kid, plus assorted dogs and cats.

The Ervin Howards are off to Texas again, lock, stock and barrell. Twelve miles a day was the most the wagon train hoped to make. Roxalena paid \$5.00 for a used Doctor Book in Little Rock. She had the other books on Reading, Writing and Arithmetic, and with a 10 x 14 Slate, she was ready to teach again. Roxalena sat by Ervin the driver, reading to him from the books, weather permitting. Er-

vin, had a wonderful memory, but in his busy life, he had not had the time to learn to read and write.

Ervin was beginning to memorize many subjects in the Doctor Book and other Texts.



GRADUATING DENTAL CLASS IN 1887. TOP — CHARLEY McLANE, CHARLEY COIL AND JIM TOBERMAN. LOWER — GUSS WEBB, TEACHER DR. HENRY DAVIS AND J. O. HOWARD.

A weary Roxalena was slightly encouraged. A veteran of various territorial wars, and the Civil War, Ervin was experienced in repairing and healing both human and animals.

At night, after the children and animals had been fed and bedded down, the now eager pupil Ervin practiced reading and writing on the slate by the fading camp fire — weather permitting.

Delays were inevitable. Progress was much slower than hoped for.

Frequently they stayed over at a farm for three or four days to a month. The whole family working on the farm to earn much needed cash.

We do not know the date when they arrived in Denton County Texas, but Ervin could now read and write. They rented their first house for \$1.50 per month, and selecting a clean board, Ervin painted a very good sign.

Dr. Ervin Howard
Physician & Surgeon

Dr. Howard was very successful, and doctoring beat farming for making a living. Ten years later he went to a school in Austin, Texas, and earned his Medical Degree.

The son, Joseph Omar Howard, was now grown and punching cattle on the Chisum Trail. (Many years later, Dr. J. O. Howard, Dentist, was secretary of the Chisum Trail Association)

A traveling Dentist, Dr. Henry Davis, graduated 5 cow boy helpers as full fledged Dentists, including my father, Dr. J. O. Howard.

This in the year 1887, near Chillcothe Texas. (I have a photo of this ceremony)

Lets take note here of Dr. Ervin Howards daughter, Roxalena Isabel Howard, born in Paris, Lamar County, Texas, December 1st, 1863. This enterprising daughter established a large cattle business, beginning by following herds on the Chisum Trail, picking up new born calves, too weak to keep up with their mamas.

My father, Dr. J.O. Howard, Dentist, was married in McAllister, Oklahoma, October 10th, 1894, to Emma B. Hall, eldest daughter of Capt. Wm. Calvin Hall, of the Rebel Tennessee Carns Battery, and Louise Arabella Tucker, of Russellville, Arkansas. The Tuc-kers were druggists and inn keepers, hailing from Kentucky. I, this narrator, was born Joseph Omar Howard II, September 10th, 1895, in Nocona, County Seat of Montague County, Texas. My maternal grandmother was present, as well as Mother's two sisters, Lillie and Lucy, to witness for my lawful status. My sister Louise R was born in Waco, Texas, October 9th, 1899, where Dad practiced dentistry.

By, the Grace of God, my Sister, Mrs. Louise Vance, of Russellville, me of Chicago, Ill., as well as Mina Belle Brockman (Molly's daughter) of Sayre, Oklahoma, survive to this day, the 18th day of April 1978.

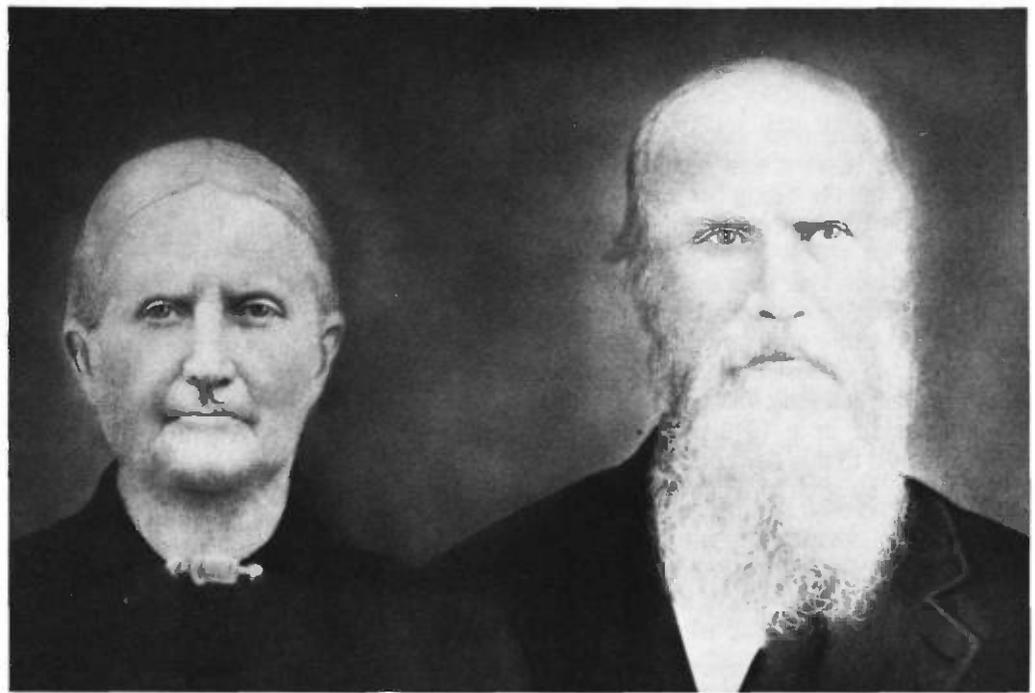
Note: John Henry Howard, born in Georgia Sep 24, 1801 died in Silex, Ark., Dec 27th 1895. Age 94 years, 3 months and three days. May God Bless him, wherever he is.

by Joseph Omar Howard II

JOSEPH HOWARD

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Joseph Howard, born in Cobb County, Georgia December 10, 1827, came to Arkan-



Joe Howard and Frances Medlin Howard

sas with his parents, Matilda Brown and John Howard, in 1843. He was the first of 19 children by John Howard whose many descendants have populated Pope County and other parts of the world. "Uncle John", as he came to be known, was born in Lincoln County, North Carolina September 24, 1801. He and Matilda Brown were married in 1826. After Matilda died in 1860, he married Bettie Jones and lived with her until her death in 1890. After Uncle John Howard died on December 27, 1895 at the home of Joseph Howard, the Russellville Democrat reported him to have been the oldest man in Pope County. The statements in the Newspaper account of his life indicate that he was as good a man for the County as he was prolific.

Joseph Howard reached adulthood in Pope County, married Mary Frances Medlin who was born here in 1838, served in the Confederate Army, became a highly respected farmer and land owner, and served in the Arkansas Legislature 1898-1899. As a generous as well as a prosperous man, he gave each of his seven children 20 acres of land for farm home sites when they married and subdivided his large land holdings for their use in establishing an economic base for their families. The children of Joseph Howard inherited from him significant farm property in Pope County. The children were Matilda Frances who married Jeff Lee (5 children) and George Grimmit, Mary Elizabeth who married Jim Bailey (1 child), George Erwin who married Lula Davis (1 child), Ida Spencer (3 children), Lizzie Leavell (3 children) and finally Mollie Harris, Joe Henry who married Lou Bradley (2 children), Martha Ellen who married Bill Lovelady (13 children), Nora Ann who married George Ladd (3 children), and Susan Emma who married Harve Newton (1 child). These families blessed Mary Frances and "Mistah Howard", as she called him, with a total of 32 grandchildren. The Community on their side of Piney Creek became known as the Howard Community, the local school became known as the Howard school, and the church on the school site is still referred to as Howard Church. The Ladd Community, Ladd School, Ladd Bluff and Ladd Hill across Piney Creek from Howard Community were named for James Ladd, another early pioneer of Pope County. The two communities combined are known as Bull Frog Valley, named for the Indian Chief Bull Frog who lived in Martin Township before the Howards and Ladds. When James Ladd died from exposure after a bear hunt in the Winter of 1876-77, it was Joseph Howard from the community across the creek who presided as "Clerk of the Sale" of the personal property from the Ladd estate. These two pioneer families of Bull Frog Valley were later joined when James Ladd's son,



HOWARD REUNION 1928

Left to right. 1st row: Joe D. Waldo, Ed Watson, Jeff Lee, Gladys Lee Grant, Nettie Lee Jones with Bro. Floyd Ray Lee, Ruth Newton Hickey, Harve Newton, Anita Page, W.D. Page, Wayne Page, Dick Lee, Loyal Bates Stewart. 2nd row: Joe Lee, Mollie Harris Howard, Matilda Howard Lee, Mary Frances Howard, Ellen Howard Lovelady, Louise Waldo Breedlove, Maye Lovelady Waldo, Mary Ellen Waldo Shuffield, Zade Wilson, Rilda Waldo George. 3rd row: George Howard Jr., Minnie Page Newton, Joe Newton, Velma Lee Jones, Leona Moses Page, Edna Waldo Johnson, Lois Lovelady Hickey, Noel Hickey with baby Verdell Hickey Deavers, Audra Lee Cowell, Bernice Waldo Standridge, Eunice Lee Shuffield, Katie Lee Norman. 3rd row: Joe Dickey, Jewell Waldo Dickey, John Page with baby son John M. Page, Eunice Ladd Page, Chester Lee with baby Daughter Louise Lee Killer, Lou Hobbs Lee, Doc Bates, Zoe Lovelady Bates with daughter Jazzine Bates Page, Boyd Hickey, Gretchen Lovelady Hickey, George Lovelady, Jewell Newton Lovelady with son George Wilson Lovelady.

George Washington, married Joseph Howard's daughter, Nora Ann. Eunice Frances Ladd Page of Dover descends from this union.

Joseph Howard died January 17, 1913. Mary Frances Howard was honored by the Howard Community during her 90th birthday celebration in 1928 and continued to keep her own house for almost as long as she lived. Grandma Howard lived until she was 98 years of age in 1936. She was buried next to Joseph Howard at Annie's Chapel Cemetary in Johnson County. Most Howard descendents eventually left Bull Frog Valley after Grandpa Howard passed on in 1913 although a few have remained to this day.

by John M. Page

THE HOWELL FAMILY HISTORY 354

Howell is a very well-known name in the annals of Pope County. The particular subject of this article is primarily Laban Clark Howell, early Pope County pioneer and great-great-grandfather of Dorcas Ferguson Patterson. Laban Clark Howell and two brothers, English Jesse Howell and James Hunter Howell, came to Arkansas in the early 1830s and settled as follows: English Jesse and family in or near Dardanelle, Yell County; James Hunter and family in Pope County at what is now Russellville; and Laban Clark at Scotia on the Arkansas River. Most of the present day Howells in Pope, Yell and Johnson counties are probably descended from one of the three brothers.

Father and mother of these three Howell brothers were Amasa Howell, born in Delaware in 1761, son of Samuel Howell, and Martha Cole, about whom an interesting story is told. She was the daughter of James Stephen Cole of England, supposed to have been a cousin of King George III. Martha Cole was probably born after her parents had removed to the United States, in North Carolina according to family Bible records. Martha's mother was known as "Granny" Cole and she is supposed to have received boxes of gold from King George III until the Revolutionary War, evidently due to the kinship of her husband. Her grandchildren are supposed to have called her "Red Coat, Red Coat" during the war, so apparently they were Tories.

It is not known when or where Amasa and Martha met or married but English Jesse and James Hunter were born in Virginia in 1790 and 1792 respectively. Then the family moved to Tennessee, where Laban Clark was a private in the War of 1812, East Tennessee Volunteers from October 1814-May 1815. He apparently settled after the war at Elizabethtown, Kentucky, where his father had bought much land, although the father returned to Tennessee himself. Laban Clark had married Fannie Wilson, daughter of Samuel Wilson and Mary Ingram in February, 1817. From Elizabethtown, Kentucky, Laban Clark and his family moved to Arkansas, along with his two brothers mentioned before from Tennessee.

Laban Clark Howell was engaged in mer-

chandising at Scotia and was Postmaster there at one time. He also served as Representative from Pope County to the Territorial Legislature of Arkansas in 1835. In 1836, at the time of the Mexican invasion of Texas, the United States called on Arkansas for one regiment of mounted volunteers to guard the frontier bordering on Texas. Laban Clark Howell raised one company, assuming the title of Colonel, and when various companies were formed into a regiment in the southern part of the state, he was made commander of the regiment. They were stationed for a number of months at Fort Lawson on Red River, than at Fort Gibson, where they were discharged.

Laban Clark died April 10, 1845 and is buried at Scotia. His wife died April 30, 1847 and is also buried there. In 1943 a government marker was placed at his grave by some of his descendants, showing that he was a veteran of the War of 1812. Dorcas F. Patterson was a member of this group.

Children of Laban Clark and Fanny Wilson Howell living to adulthood were: Mary Wilson (Williamson), Martha Cole (Wallace), Samuel Wilson, Eleanor (Ward), Wiley Blount (died in Great American Desert on way to California in Gold Rush of 1849), Susannah Richards (Southmayd), Sarah Ann (Watson), Jesse Laban, Lucinda Light (Moses).

Mary Wilson Howell was married to David Foster Williamson at Scotia on December 29, 1835. They were the parents of eight adult children and many descendants, including the writers of this article. They are buried in Shiloh (Williamson) Cemetery in Pope County.

For additional information on descendants of David Foster Williamson, see Williamson family history.

by Dorcas Ferguson Patterson and Alice Ann Harris

ENGLISH JESSE HOWELL 355

English Jesse Howell was born in Virginia on Feb. 25, 1790 the oldest of 8 children born to Amasa and Martha Cole Howell. He married Nancy Amis near Rogersville, Hawkins Co., Tenn. on Oct. 29, 1813. This union produced 7 children: James Amis, Thomas Amis, Haynes Amis, William Claiborne, Laban Clark, Lucy Haynes, and Elizabeth Mary Howell. E.J. Howell probably brought his family to Ark. during the early 1830's. His wife died on Aug. 22, 1834, in Independence Co., Ark. Soon thereafter he remarried, this time to a widow from Va. by the name of Elvira Davidson Curtis. He and his new wife had 2 sons, both born in Ark., Robert D. (born Oct. 13, 1836) and English Jesse, Jr. (born March 31, 1840. By this time the whole family had relocated to Pope Co. where they are listed in the 1840 US census. Here E.J. Howell became quite prosperous by the standards of the day; and upon his death on Oct. 17, 1854, there was considerable property to be divided among his heirs. Prior to his death, his wife had inherited a slave from her brother in addition to a slave she had purchased with her

own money. E.J. Howell died intestate and his wife's separate property was exhibited as part of her late husband's estate. Her husband's children by his first wife disposed of various lands, slaves, and personal property as they saw fit; some of which Elvira felt belonged to her and her sons. She and her children then became embroiled in lengthy legal proceedings against her step-children in an attempt to seek redress.

Of the two children born to Elvira and E.J. Howell, Robert eventually married Margaret Williamson and remained in Ark. until his death on March 25, 1879. The marital history of E.J. Howell, Jr. is somewhat in question. It is certain that he was married to Abby Langford, Minerva Webb, and Jennie Wharton. He may have also been married to a Martha Alex and Nancy Kirkpatrick. The marriage records for this period have burned so much is in conjecture. He had four children: Nettie (born Feb. 21, 1862) whose mother appears to have been Martha Alex Howell; Zebbie Lee (born Feb. 7, 1872) and Dora Loudella (born Oct. 7, 1873) whose mother was Minerva Webb; and finally William E. (born Aug. 1886) his son by Jennie Wharton. His first three children were born near Russellville in Pope Co. After his marriage to Jennie Wharton, E.J. Howell moved with his new wife and children to Ellis Co., Texas. His son described the journey: "Not many months after (the marriage to Jennie), the old farm and home was sold and the family started to Tex. This was in 1877. The move was made in a covered wagon, taking 4 weeks to make the trip. Quite a search was made to find a satisfactory location. In the meantime, there was lots or rain, mud and chills. At the urgency of the homesick wife, the family faced about to begin the journey back to middle Tenn. (her home). On arriving at Little Rock, Ark. the family wagon and team took a boat down the Ark River to the Miss. River, and up same to Memphis, which is about 400 miles. Then in wagon to Nashville, on to Murfreesboro, and to Woodbury, Cannon Co. arriving in Mar. of 1878. Here the family lived until late fall of next year. Then the family with other relatives and friends all got ready to go back to Tex. That year Yellow Fever was raging in the Miss. River Basin. To avoid danger, the trip was planned to cross the river by going north through edge of Ky., southern Ill., Mo., and the Indian Territory. Quite a few dangers were encountered, especially within the Indian Territory." Of his children, Nettie married Dr. Robert Love of Tex., Zebbie Lee married Laura Middleton, Dora married Marvin Turner, and William never married. English Jesse Howell led a full life until his death in 1913, as a Confederate soldier, gin operator and livery stable owner, farmer, and family man.

by Timothy A. Turner

FANNY RANKIN AND DR. HENRY A. HOWELL

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Fanny Rankin Howell, daughter of W.H.

Rankin, was born June 21, 1875 and died January 29, 1944. Dr. Howell was born July 8, 1874 and died November 26, 1955. They were married in 1901 in Russellville, Ark and moved to Holdenville, Oklahoma. They had two sons, William Claiborne Howell and Frank Rankin Howell.

William Claiborne Howell was born February 9, 1903 and now lives in Oklahoma City, Okla. He married Etna Harry of Holdenville in 1935. She died in 1957. In 1967 he married Blanche Marshall of Wichita Falls, Texas. She died in 1973. He did not have any children by either marriage.

Frank Rankin Howell was born March 8, 1905 and died September 12, 1967. He married Emma Jane Biggers of Wewoka, Okla., September 27, 1930. They had two children, a son and a daughter. William Frankin Howell was born March 11, 1932. He married Suzanne Broadus of Owenton, Kentucky December 22, 1953. They have three sons: Mark Patterson Howell, born September 5, 1955, Todd Rankin Howell, born July 16, 1957, and John Claiborne Howell, born October 9, 1962. Sarah Frances Howell was born January 29, 1937. She married James Troy Anderson, Jr., July 20, 1965 of Houston, Texas. They have two daughters, Sydney Jane Anderson, born December 10, 1966, and Susan Elizabeth Anderson, born March 3, 1970.

by a Howell descendent in Okla.

JAMES HUNTER HOWELL

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James Hunter Howell, born in Grayson County Virginia, May 30, 1791, and his wife, Elizabeth Etter Howell, born in Abington, Virginia, November 21, 1792, came to the Arkansas River Valley from Virginia in the 1800's and settled at Norristown, Pope County, Ark. James Hunter died May 18, 1848, and his wife Elizabeth Etter, died December 24, 1876. They are buried in the old Norristown Cemetery, which overlooks the Lock & Dam on the Ark. River. They had ten children — Amasa, George, Jesse Cunningham, Martha, James, Sarah, Rufus, Henry, Lucy, and Elizabeth. Their third son, Jesse Cunningham, was born in Hawkins County, Tennessee October 29, 1818; and his wife Adalissa Hardaway Howell was born in Hardin County, Kentucky, March 29, 1824. They moved to Pope County from Elizabethtown, Kentucky in April 1852 and bought land in the vicinity of South New Hope on the Ark. River. He was a farmer, stockman, & slave owner. They had eight children — George, Sarah, Nancy, Elizabeth, Elbert Hurley, Alice, Ann Mary & Jessebell. Jesse Cunningham died February 14, 1860. His wife, Adalissa, died April 15, 1873. They too, are buried in the Howell lot in the old Norristown cemetery.

After Jesse Cunningham's death in 1860, war came to the valley. Adalissa Howell was left on their farm with six children. The eldest son, George, joined the Confederate Army (Alice, the sixth child had died).

Soon, because of the war activities, it became impossible to till the land and keep the slaves, so the slaves were set free and even-

tually all families were ordered to sign pledges under oath that they would not feed or assist the Southern soldiers in any way. Some signed, but Adalissa Howell refused — so she and her children, along with others who refused to sign were sent to Texas, however, before they reached their destination, peace was declared, & they returned home. When they reached the Ark. River at Dardanelle, they were ferried across, which took Adalissa Howell's last \$5.00. When she reached home, everything had been taken. Conditions on the farm were such that the family moved to Russellville. George Etter became the Station Agent for the newly completed railroad. He married Nora Scott Howell, daughter of Captain Andrew Scott of Scotia. They had one son, Elbert.

Ann Mary married Judge R.B. Wilson and they had four children — Mary, Howell, Adalissa, & Robert.

Jessebell married a professor Allen and moved to Phoenix, Arizona. They had two daughters — Jesse Creighton & Sadie Luhr.

Elbert Hurley lived in Russellville, but ran the family farm and cotton gin. He married Ursula York, who came to Russellville with her parents from Milton, Illinois in 1872. They had five children — Lennie, who died in infancy, George, who became an electrical engineer in Portsmouth, N.H.. He was married and had one daughter, Eleanor Bevan.

Mary married Rea Steadley of Carthage, Missouri, they had one child, Mary Jean Irish, and two grandchildren, Jean Brelsford and Kent Irish. They had three greatgrand daughters. Irene lives in Russellville. She was a legal secretary for 22 years, then a Civil Service employee for 17 years. She is now retired. She was married to John Swilling.

Renfrow, the youngest, was a salesman and sales manager for the Crossett Chemical Plant at Crossett, Ark. He is married to Lora Shepard of Mena and is retired and living in Atlanta, Georgia. They have no children.

by Irene Howell Swilling

LABAN COLE HOWELL

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Laban Cole Howell was the fifth child of English Jesse Howell who was born in 1790 in Grayson County Virginia. His parents were Amasa Howell born 1761 in Delaware and Martha Cole born in 1762. Tradition says that her family were Tories as her grandchildren called her "Redcoat".

Early in the 1830's English Jesse and two brothers, James Hunter and Laban Clark moved from Hawkins County, Tennessee to Arkansas and settled within 50 miles of each other. Laban Clark served in the War of 1812 and is buried in the family burying ground near Scotia.

English Jesse settled in Norristown, Pope County. He married Nancy Amis, born 1793, died 1834 in Batesville, Arkansas, and is buried there. They had seven children. He was a farmer and was awarded the contract in 1834 carry the mail from Little Rock by Harrisburg, Point Remove, Dwight, Scotia, Spadra Bluff, Morrisons Bluff, Logans and

Short Mountain to Crawford County Court House, 145 miles and back twice each week. The mail traveled the Ol Post Road, which now gives access to Old Post Road Park on the Arkansas River, one mile south of Russellville. He also owned land in Yell County.

Laban Cole Howell, the fifth child, was born in Hawkins County, Tennessee in 1821 and married Malinda Alzira Perry, born in 1830 in Tennessee. He was a merchant in Pope Co. in 1850 but moved to Johnson County where he was Swampland Agent there. He owned a river bottom farm on lower Spadra and started a tannery by Spadra Creek. When the steamboat Old Umpire #2 went to the bottom of the river near his farm in 1854 the event was much discussed. He was progressive and when the town of Clarksville was located became one of the first citizens. He is buried in Oakland Cemetery in Clarksville. He was the father of nine children, one, John served as Secretary to the State Senate.

His second child, Volney Howell, was born in Pope County in 1850. He married Martha Ella Cox, born 1859. She was the daughter of Eliza Jane May and Anderson Buchanan Cox, pioneer circuit rider in the river valley, who served forty-eight years in the ministry and was much respected. Volney was a farmer, served as justice of the peace and treasurer of Johnson County. He was the father of four children. He and his wife are buried in Oakland Cemetery in Clarksville, Arkansas.

Ada Buchanan Howell was born in 1879, their first child. She was a citizen of Clarksville all her life except for a short period of her married life when she and her family lived in Dardanelle, Arkansas. She married Robert Pascal Yearwood, born 1873. His family came to Arkansas and settled in Johnson County before the Civil War, migrating from Tennessee. Ada and Robert were the parents of ten children, which included two sets of twin boys. Robert Yearwood was a farmer and owner of a cotton gin in Clarksville. They are buried in Oakland Cemetery in Clarksville.

A daughter, Lucy Ella Yearwood, born 1900, in Clarksville, married John Wallace Sallis Jr., born 1901. He was the son of May Real, born 1865 in Texas and John Wallace Sallis Sr., born 1863 in Mississippi. John Sr.'s family moved to Arkansas after the Civil War and settled in Logan County Arkansas. He was educated at Cane Hill College and was a well known educator and owner and editor of the former HERALD-DEMOCRAT in Clarksville. Lucy and John Jr. attended the College of the Ozarks and he became owner and publisher of the newspaper after the death of his father. While these two men, father and son were in business together they published Mrs. Langford's book, HISTORY OF JOHNSON COUNTY. John Jr. was later an executive with the American Institute of Laundry in Joliet, Illinois. Lucy and John had four children, Betty May born 1923, Ada Dawn born 1925, Joan born 1928 and John Wallace III born 1936.

Ada Dawn Sallis married Wallace Crawford Cowan, born 1924 in Pope County. Wallace Crawford is a merchant, second generation owner of Cowan-Goodwin Co.

by Ada Sallis Cowan

LAFAYETTE, EDWARD BEAMON, AND BLYNN HOWELL

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Lafayette Howell, came to Arkansas from Cherokee County, Alabama, in 1882. He settled in Cabin Creek (now Lamar) Johnson Co., Ark. He was a farmer and cotton ginner, born in 1858 in Ala. and was one-half Cherokee, died in 1917, at Lamar. His wife was Letha Jane Kelley, three-fourths Cherokee, born in 1851, and died in 1944. They were married in Alabama and to this union was born three children: Edward Beamon (1881-1939); Lawrence L. (1895-1918), was shot and killed for his patriotism to the United States, during World War I. He was working at a mine in Logan Co., and someone came along selling Liberty Bonds and another person started running down the U.S. They had a few words but Lawrence went on to the boarding house. He called his girl friend and told her he would be over soon and as he went out the door, the man who he had a few words with, hollered at him, he turned and saw the gun and started on out the door and the bullet hit him in the back of the head, killing him instantly. He had been married and they had one daughter. Lil Howell, married a Schrum and moved to Okla. and they had three children: Charlie, Beamon and Beatrice.

Edward Beamon Howell married Myrtle Brown (1881-1921) in Clarendon, Ark. He was a cotton ginner, carpenter and farmer. He moved to Moreland, in Pope County, in 1922, and here he married Artie Maxwell Reed and they had one daughter, Patsy. Ed and Myrtle had three boys and one girl: Edward Beamon II, (1907), (Ike), married Mary Moose of Morrilton and they had two boys and a girl, Edward Beamon III, Michael, and Margaret. Ike was a cotton ginner and a mechanic and lives in Morrilton. Blynn Miller Howell, (1909); Roy Felix Howell, (1911) married Ruby Florence Caudle. They moved to Washington, then to California. They had one boy and one girl, Beamon D., and Florence Jane. Roy was a trouble shooter for the San Diego Gas and Electric Company before retiring. They now live in Yuma, Ariz.

Blynn Miller Howell was born in Flat River, Mo., moved back to Lamar with his father and at the age of ten, moved to Moreland. He attended school in Mo., Lamar, Knoxville, Atkins and Moreland, Ark. He married Maxine Boen at Moreland in June 1929 and in December they moved to Russellville. After a lot of hard searching, he finally went to work for the Arkansas High Department, worked there for four years, then went to work for Blount-Baldwin Co., as a mechanic, worked there for 25 years and a half then went into the refrigeration business for himself and worked at this for 17 years, then retired. He and Maxine were the parents of two daughters and a foster daughter: Wanda Lou, born Aug. 9, 1933, married Glen Henderson and they had two boys, Reginald (Rusty) and Kevin; LaDonna, born 1947, married James Helms and they had two children, Kimberly Karrol and James Michael; Vickie Lee, born in 1946, at Little

Rock, married Wylie Justice and they had three children, Angela, Mark and Allen.

Blynn and Maxine were converted and joined the First Assembly of God Church in Russellville in 1932, where he is still a member. Maxine had passed away Oct. 1, 1975. Blynn taught the 12 year old boys Sunday School class before being elected S.S. Superintendent where he served for 37 years. He was also President of the C.A. Class one year, on the deacon board for 30 years. He also served on the City council for 8 years and on the Russellville School Board for 8 years.

by Blynn Howell

STEPHEN OLAN HOWIE

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Five Howie men came to America from Scotland. A disagreement occurred on a ship and some of the brothers changed the spelling of their names to Howey.

Stephen Olan Howie, born Oct. 21, 1895, in Lancaster Co., S.C. served in World War One in France and Germany, under Samuel L. Parks, 118 Inf. Co. G 30 Div.

He came to Russellville, Ark. after the War to work in the Ouita coal mines with his uncles, Dock Lewis and B.V. Lewis, Tad Walter, and Jim Mars. Della Osborn (Mrs. Frazier) Moore was his aunt.

S.O.'s parents were Eldridge Stacy Howie and Fannie Inez Lewis Howie of S.C. Both buried in Bell Air Cemetery in Indian Head Community Cemetery in S.C. near Charlotte, N.C. His grandparents were William Stacy Howie and Polly Gordon Howie, and he also was a fourth cousin of a fourth cousin of Andrew Jackson. He had nine brothers and two sisters.

S.O. met Margaret Catharine Guest at a church workshop, and after both attended 2nd District Agriculture School were married Feb. 23, 1923, Pope Co. (Russellville). Margaret C. Guest Howie was born Sept. 29, 1906, and was turned over to her blind grandmother Guest at the age of two years as her "eyes", although she lived in the house with her parents.

Grandmother told the story of her parents, Dave and Mary Harrell Gilmore. Dave hunted and trapped during the winter. On one trip he came home after three or four days in the woods very hungry and tired. He asked where the food was. He was told it was in the pots out on the ash hopper. He asked what it was doing out there. He was in the habit of going off and not leaving enough wood cut!

S.O. and Margaret had six children: Jane Elise, born Feb. 4, 1925, married Joe Chun-ling Dellinger of Ashdown, Ark., Little River Co. Lela Lee, born May 3, 1927, married Herman Theodore Jury of Nelson Co., Ky. Fannie Lillian, born Nov. 4, 1932, married Dalphis Vandellis Johnson of Pope Co., Ark. Stephen Olan, born Apr. 11, 1935, died Aug. 18, 1935. William Stacy, born May 9, 1940, serving with U.S. Army, married Lorene Jane Freeman of Lurton, Ark., Newton Co. Michael Bernard, born Aug. 11, 1946, U.S. Marine, died Oct. 28, 1975, married Nelda Gale

McNeely of Port Wentworth, Ga.

They have thirteen grandchildren: Donna Jean Johnson Eubanks, Rickey Don Johnson, Shelbia June Willis, Herman Theodore Jury, Jr., Margaret Elizabeth Jury, Judy Ann Jury, Katherine Marie Jury, Rebecca Jane Dellinger Eubanks, Martha Lynn Dellinger Crites, Joe Steve Dellinger, Stacy Ann Howie, Cindy Patricia Howie, Michael Ann Howie.

They have seven great-grandchildren: Larry Alan Eubanks, Vanessa Eubanks, Tommy Lee Johnson, Kimberly Dawn Johnson, Chad Douglas Willis, Robert (Robby) Cheuning Eubanks, and Amanda Catharine Crites.

by Margaret Guest Howie

WILLIAM HERBERT (HERB) HOYT

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William Herbert (Herb) Hoyt and Hildegard Theresa Clarawalter were married in Conway, Arkansas on July 4th 1946.

Herb was born in Conway, Arkansas on Sept. 10, 1919. He was the son of Joseph Frank and Mary Frances Miller both moving from Morrilton to Conway. His paternal grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frank Hoyt from Corpus Christi, Texas. Maternal grandparents were Pete and Mary Frances Miller and great grand parents were Joseph and Elizabeth Scholle who came from Germany to near Morrilton. He attended St. Joseph grade and High Schools in Conway. Herb served in the U.S. Air Force in No. Africa during World War II.

Hilda was born in Conway Ark. on Aug. 6, 1924 and attended St. Joseph grade and High schools there. Her parents were John and Josephine (Rumker) Walter Jr. Her paternal grandparents were John and Mary Louise (Dietrich) Walter 1st, and her maternal grandparents were Chris and Mary (Sprecklemeyer) Rumker, both families coming from Germany.

Herb and Hilda came to Russellville on July 16, 1947. He was a Steam fitter working for International Shoe Company at the then new factory here. He became maintenance engineer when the factory opened on Sept. 1, 1947.

On November 29, 1955 the first of six children to them was born Wm (Bill) H. Hoyt Jr.; then Hildagarde Teresa (Terri) on June 7, 1957; on Oct. 24, 1958 John Walter Hoyt; Karla Cecile on February 25, 1961; then Timothy Alan on November 11, 1962; then Andrea Gale on September 13, 1966. All were born in St. Mary's hospital and attended local schools. Bill, a graduate of Russellville High school, attended Ark. Tech. Univ. 3 semesters and now attends UCA at Conway. Terri, also a Russellville High School graduate, is a fine arts major at Tech and the wife of Joseph Gibson Roddy. John is a graduate of Russellville and is presently employed with Bechtel Corp. as a draftsman. Karla, Tim and Andrea are presently attending area Russellville grade and high school.

by Wm H. Hoyt

U.L. HUDLOW SR.

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U.L. Hudlow, Sr. was a son of William Riley Hudlow who moved from Tennessee to Pope County and homesteaded 220 acres, near Moreland, Ark. Pope County in 1857. The deed to the property was signed by President Van Buren. The property stayed in the Hudlow name just a few years before another son, C.C. Hudlow died in 1960.

U.L. Hudlow, Sr., was born in 1877 Pope County, Ark. and died in 1966, in Pasadena, California. He married Nancy Chronister, daughter of A.D. Chronister, in 1897. Nancy born in Dec 1872, lived to be 100 years of age and died in Pasadena, California, in January of 1973. U.L. Hudlow and Nancy Chronister Hudlow were the parents of five children.

May Hudlow married M.E. Hanks in Pope County and they now live in Pasadena, California.

William Lois, married Pearl Bewley and they live in Shreveport, La. She was also of Pope County.

Gladys Hudlow married T.E. Anderson in Pope County and she now lives in Pasadena, California.

Joyce Ruben married Ethel Sills of Pope County and they now live in Yucaipa, California. Ethel finished Arkansas Tech in 1934 then taught school two years at Sunny Point before moving to Pasadena, Calif.

U.L. Hudlow Jr. married Bernice Linger from Fullerton, California and now lives in San Diego, Calif.

U.L. Hudlow Sr., was agent for the Standard Oil Co. about 1919 to 1922. He drove a large team of mules and delivered kerosene and gasolene in cans to all the country stores throughout Pope, Yell, and in some of Johnson County. Later, the Model-T Ford took the place of the mules. When Joyce was a small boy he would go with him on these trips and when they sold out they would return to Russellville for another load and sometimes be gone for two or three days at a time. In the early 1920's he took another job. He was lowest bidder on the Star Mail Route between Russellville and Dover, Scotsville and Hector. Mr. Hudlow and son, Lois, carried the mail for the next four years and Mr. Hudlow went along in the oil business. In the middle '20's he was agent for the Continental Oil Co., in Russellville and was part owner of a gasolene station on the North Side until he

moved to Pasadena, California in 1936.

There are still some Hudlow relatives in Pope County.

The Hudlows in America have been traced back to the year of 1753.

by Joyce Ruben Hudlow

HUDLOW, WM. RILEY 1857

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Wm. Riley Hudlow was a great-grandson of Andrew Hudlow who arrived at the Port of Philadelphia in 1753, at the age of 23, from Germany on the ship Edinburg.

Wm. Riley was born July 23, 1829, at Knoxville, Tennessee. He married Elizabeth Gooble, born July 22, 1831, at Knoxville, Tennessee. They were married in 1850 and came to Pope County, Arkansas in 1857 and settled west of the present town of Moreland, which at that time was called, Cross Plains. He was a cotton ginner, JP, and the first post master of Moreland Post Office. His oldest sons delivered the mail on horseback.

Wm. Riley's wife passed away in 1872, leaving him with several small children to be reared, the youngest, the late James A. Hudlow, being only three months old. He married again in 1873 to Mary Francis Harris.

Margaret Hudlow, daughter of Wm. Riley and his first wife, Elizabeth, married Will George and they settled in Pope County and raised their family there. Also, the late James A., U.L. and C.C. Hudlow married and raised their families in Pope County. However, before World War II, U.L. and his family moved to California where he passed away.

James A. Hudlow, had three sons; Joseph, Joyce and Grady. Joyce lives in Dardanelle and Grady lives in Russellville and is a retired electrician.

Grady married Mae Rue Partin in 1929, and they have two boys, Charles and George. Charles operates "Charlie's Auto Supply" on South Arkansas, in Russellville and George is a construction Engineer and lives in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

by Grady Hudlow

HUDSON FAMILY RECORD

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There was a man by the name of Levy Hudson whose ancestors came to America from England during early Colonial days. When a young man, Levy Hudson married a girl named Hunt and settled along the Ohio River in Kentucky near the line of Illinois. They reared quite a large family of children, all of whom (save one) married and settled in Kentucky and Illinois. I know the names of none of the children except Eli, a son who settled in Illinois and Jeremiah who came South when a young man.

In 1812 or 1815 Jeremiah Hudson came from the state of Illinois (where he was born in 1790 or 1793) to the Northwest corner of the state of Alabama, where he met and in 1815 or 1816 married Mrs. Lavina (Jones) Davis. They had four children — Samuel King in 1817; Spedia in 1819 or 1820; Andrew



U.L. Hudlow Sr. family, 1924.

Jackson in 1822 and Francis Marion on March 20, 1829.

In 1830 Jeremiah Hudson moved about 2 miles from where his son Francis Marion was born, into the state of Mississippi, where he died in 1834 from the effects of being thrown from a horse which he was riding.

Lavina Jones Hudson, wife of Jeremiah Hudson, was born in the state of Alabama in 1793. In 1808 she was married to John Davis, to whom 3 children were born. They were Polly in 1809; Daniel in 1811; and John in 1813. The husband died in 1814. Lavina Jones Hudson was very small and plump, always weighing less than 100 lbs. After the death of Jeremiah Hudson, she practiced mid-wifery extensively until old age forced her to retire. In old age she made her home with her son Francis Marion Hudson, until she died in September, 1866 at the age of 73. She was for many years a member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

Polly Davis (half sister of FMH SR.) was born in 1809. At an early age she married a man in Mississippi by the name of Davidson to which union at least 4 children were born — Andy, Lavina, Jane and Louise. We received a letter from Aunt Polly in 1904 when she was 95 years old. I believe she lived to be almost 100 yrs. old. Lavina and Jane came to Pope County, Arkansas in 1844. Lavina married Elijah M. Yates about 1849 and was the mother of Sallie (Yates) Smith; Bettie (Yates) Brown; John Pryor; Eliza M. and W.A. Yates, all, of whom went to Oklahoma. Lavina Yates died about 1867.

Jane Davidson came to Pope Co., Ark. in 1844 and about 1852 was married to James Milligan and they reared a large family. She died about 1890.

Andy Davidson moved to SE Missouri about the close of the Civil War and his mother Polly Davis, lived with him. They later moved to Oregon.

Daniel Davis (FMH Sr., half brother) lived in Mississippi until the close of the Civil War and was a successful and respected farmer.

Samuel King Hudson (brother of FMH Sr.) When he was a boy of about 15 years old, Sam was bumming around in the state of Tennessee near his mother's home. He worked for a man by the name of John Pryor Yates, fell in love with the man's little daughter, Elsie Yates, came with the Yates family from Tennessee to Pope Co., Ark. in 1833 and in due time was married to said Miss Elsie Yates. They had one child, Mary Lavina Hudson. Elsie Yates Hudson (wife of Samuel King Hudson) died soon after the birth of her child. In 1844 the said Sam K. Hudson returned to the state of Mississippi and brought his mother, his 15 year old brother, Francis Marion and 2 young nieces to Pope County, Ark. on the north fork of Illinois Bayou. (The nieces were Lavina and Jane Davidson, daughters of his half sister, Polly.)

A few years after this Sam K. Hudson again married and raised a large family of children. He moved to the state of Oregon in 1852, returned on a visit to Pope Co., Ark. in 1883 and stayed about 7 months. He died at Portland, Oregon in 1906 at the age of 89 years. He accumulated much property, raised a fine

family, with whom I kept in touch until some time after his death. His daughter, Mary Lavina, married in Pope Co., Ark., became a mother and she and her baby both died there.

Spedia Hudson married a man named Wiley Smith and moved to Texas in 1853.

Andrew Jakcosn Hudson (brother of FMH Sr.) raised a large family in Arkansas where he died at a ripe old age.

Francis Marion Hudson Sr. was born in Alabama on March 20, 1829. He came to the north part of Pope Co., Ark. in 1844 at the age of 15. He fell in love with Mary Magdalene Yates to whom he was married January 16, 1848.

To this union 10 children were born — one little infant which died at birth; Jeremiah, born Nov. 28, 1849 (married Fannie Duvall, 3 children); John Pryor, born Oct. 28, 1851 (died at the age of 18 years. He is the first person buried in what is now Hudson Cemetery at Moreland, Ark.); Spedia Emaline born Sept. 15, 1853 (died in childhood); Amanda, born March 12, 1858 (died in infancy); Sam King, born June 6, 1860 (died in childhood); Elsie Jane, born Aug. 22, 1855 (married G.W. Duvall, 7 children); Francis Marion Jr., born March 1864 (married Nancy Linderman, 9 children); Andrew Jackson, born April 25, 1871 (married Tamsy Simpson, 9 children).

F.M. Hudson Sr. professed a hope in Christ in 1849 and in 1850 the First Freewill Baptist Church in Pope Co., Ark. was organized at his house and he became a charter member. The present Freewill Baptist Church at Moreland was organized at his house on Sunday May 1, 1870 and he became a charter member.

F.M. Hudson Sr. enlisted as a private in the Arkansas Infantry of the Confederate Army in the War Between the States on Dec. 21, 1861 at Dardanelle, Ark. and served for about a year. He was in a Union prison for war prisoners for a time. He died Oct. 29, 1920.

Andrew Jackson Hudson (brother of F.M. Hudson Jr.) lived past the age of 90 years and died in Oklahoma.

John Pryor Yates (father of Mary Magdalene Yates who was the wife of Francis Marion Hudson Sr.) was born in the state of Georgia in 1772 of colonial stock. In 1814 he married a girl of a wealthy family in Georgia. Her name was Sallie Martin, daughter of Samuel Martin. They moved at once to Tennessee where there were born to them the following children — Betsy in 1815; Elsie in 1817 (married Samuel King Hudson); Nancy in 1819; Gabe S. in 1821; Elijah M. in 1824 (married Lavina Davidson) Lucinda in 1824; Mary in 1828 (married Francis Marion Hudson Sr.); Abe in 1830; John Pryor in 1832; Absolum in 1834 and Sarah in 1836. The aforementioned Mary Magdalene Yates, born Sept. 15, 1828, married Francis Marion Hudson Sr. on January 16, 1848.

Francis Marion Hudson Jr. moved with his parents to the Moreland community in Pope Co., Arkansas at the age of 2 years. He married Nancy Linderman, daughter of Barney Linderman. They had nine children — Andrew Barney (died as a baby); Raymond Samuel, Herman Pryor, Mary Hattie, Elsie Katherine, Robert Ellis, Roy Francis (died as a baby),

Emet (died in infancy) and Flora (died in infancy).

Francis Marion Hudson Jr. lived a long and meaningful life and died at the home of his daughter, Mary Hattie (Hudson) Nichols in Clarksville, Ark. in 1949 at the age of 85 years. During his long life he had a variety of careers and always served his community and his fellowman. He was prominent and influential and at one time was a large land holder. He was a farmer, a school teacher, a general store owner a lawyer, served 4 terms in the Arkansas State Legislature, and in his later life was an ordained Baptist minister. He was over 6 feet tall, big boned but of slender build. He had one eye removed in his youth due to an infection.

Nancy Lutecia Hudson (wife of Francis Hudson Jr.) was born in Indiana, the daughter of Harriet (Dunne) and Barney Linderman Jr. She moved with her parents to Moreland, Arkansas when she was about 12 years old. F.M. Hudson Jr. said that he first saw Nancy when she was 12 and was standing on a box and washing dishes. He remarked then and there the he was going to marry her some day. Nancy Hudson was short and plump and was reputed to have a sweet disposition. She died Dec. 7, 1928 at the age of 62 years.

Raymond Samuel Hudson married Mary Haynie of Atkins, Ark. and they had three children Edwin (killed in a car accident in California in 1969), one daughter; Neva Rae (married Colonel Ned Thomas of West Virginia, two children — Nedda Rae and Greg; and Norman (married twice, seven children). Raymond a graduate of the University of Ark., was a lawyer, a grocer, a farmer and a member of the Arkansas State Legislature. Norman Hudson is a lawyer. Raymond died in 1953.

Herman Pryor Hudson married Pearl Chronister of Moreland, Ark. They had 8 children — Dee Jay, Elaine, Geraldine, Leta, James Francis, Clois Dale, and twins, Don and Doyne. Herman lives in Russellville, Ark., and has been a farmer and a policeman. Dee Jay Hudson married Gladys McGuhan and they had three children, Freddie, Phyllis, and Kay. Dee Jay is a grocer in Sherwood, Arkansas. All his children are married and have children; Elaine Hudson married W.O. "Bus" Hice, a tax assesor and they have four children and live in Morrilton, Ark. Billy, Kathy, Charles and Danny. Billy is married to Carol Ann and they have two children; Kathy is married to Benny Robinson and they have 3 children; Charles is unmarried; Danny is married and they have 2 children; Geraldine Hudson married Audley Scarborough, a druggist and lives in Clarksville, Ark. They have two daughters, Sylvia and Marion; Leta Hudson married Brown Lewis and they had two daughters, Lynn and Beverly. She later married John Eszes and they had a son and a daughter, Eva and Mike; Lynn has two boys; Beverly has twin girls and a boy; Eva has a boy; Mike is unmarried. All reside in California. James Francis Hudson is living in the state of Washington. Clois Dale Hudson (unmarried) lives in Detroit, Michigan; Don Hudson is married to Ila Jane Bowden and they have three children; Linda Pearl is married to

Daniel Davis, a band and choir director, they have one child Karce. Gary Don is married to Bessie Boze and they have one son, Scott Alan. They reside in Moreland. Joanan Grace Hudson (unmarried) of the home. Doynne Hudson married Dana Crites and they have three children; Barbara, Edward, and Laura of the home. Don and Doynne have several large commercial laying hen houses in and around Moreland, Arkansas, along with a large egg production plant. Pearl Chronister died Jan. 31, 1939. Herman died June, 1975. Elaine died in 1973.

Mary Hattie Hudson married Boyd Thomas Nichols on January 31, 1922 at Moreland, Arkansas. They moved to Atkins, Arkansas, where Boyd worked in a grocery and feed store. A son, Wayne Terrell, born in 1924, died at the age of 18 months. Twins, Van Ray and Wanda Fay, were born on July 6, 1926 at Manila, Ark. Van Ray died at the age of 9 months. Boyd was a grocer in Clarksville, Ark. for over 20 years, then retired and became a farmer. Wanda Fay Nichols married Roger Peyton Meador of Dumas, Ark. on Nov. 25, 1949 at Clarksville, Ark. They live in Conway, Ark., where Roger is a medical representative for Merc Sharp and Dohme Drug Co. They have an adopted son, Mark Thomas born June 24, 1955. Wanda Fay graduated from the University of Arkansas and worked for a time as a newspaper reporter and in public relations. Mary Hattie Hudson Nichols was a school teacher for several years before her marriage and during the early part of her marriage. Boyd died April, 1977.

Elsie Katherine Hudson married Earl Braden in 1923. They had one daughter, Nancy Gail, born January 27, 1939. Earl died in 1962. He was a grocer. Elsie was a school teacher early in her marriage. Nancy Gail Braden is an elementary school teacher at Ft. Smith, Ark. Elsie died in Feb., 1974 at Ft. Smith.

Robert Ellis Hudson married Florence Myrtle Bishop in 1932. Ellis was a high school teacher at Magnolia and Russellville high schools, until he retired in 1967. They have one son, Francis Marion Hudson III, born Sept. 8, 1935. Francis received a Ph.D. degree from the University of Texas and is now head of the Mathematics department at State College of Arkansas in Conway, Arkansas. He is the author of two Mathematics textbooks. He is married to Sandra Foster and they have two daughters, Amanda Sue, born July 4, 1966 and Shannon Marie, born May 14, 1968. Shannon Marie died of pneumonia just after midnight of Easter Day April 12, 1971 at the age of 2 years and almost 11 months. A daughter Cindy Lee was born Aug., 1972.

by Francis Marion Hudson II

SAMUEL KING HUDSON

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Samuel King Hudson (born in Alabama in 1817) arrived in Pope County, Arkansas in 1833 from Tennessee with the family of John Pryor Yates. Later he married Elsie Yates and they had one child, Mary Lavina. The wife died soon after the birth of the child. Sam then went to Mississippi and returned to Ar-

kansas with his mother, his brother, Francis Marion aged 15, and his two nieces, Lavina and Jane Davidson. They settled on the north fork of the Illinois Bayou in Pope County. Sam moved to Oregon in 1852, married again, raised a large family and became a large landholder. He lived to be 89 years old. His daughter, Mary Lavina, married in Pope County, became a mother and she and her baby both died there.

Francis Marion Hudson, Sr., who was born in Alabama in 1829, lived in Pope County from 1844 until his death in 1920. He was a merchant and postmaster. F.M. served as a private in the Confederate Army in the War Between the States and was a captive in a Union Prisoner of War Camp in Corinth, Mississippi. He once remarked that he preferred dodging bullets to the body lice he received when a prisoner. F.M. always wanted to look his best. When he was 85 years old, after riding 8 miles by horseback to a meeting, he wore his celluloid collar all night because he was afraid he couldn't get it on the next day. When he returned home, he couldn't speak because the collar had been so tight. The First Freewill Baptist Church in Pope County was organized at F.M.'s house as was the present Freewill Baptist Church of Moreland — the latter on May 1, 1870. He was a charter member of both. F.M., Sr. was married in 1849 to Mary Magdalene Yates and to this union 10 children were born. They were: Jeremiah (married Fannie Duvall, 3 children), Elsie Jane (married G.W. Duvall, 7 children), Francis Marion, Jr. (married Nancy Linderman, 9 children), Mary Elizabeth (married Charles Haskins, 7 children, Andrew Jackson (married Tamsy Simpson, 9 children), John Pryor, who died at the age of 18 in 1870, and was the first person buried in what is now Hudson Cemetery, and Spedia, Emaline, Amanda and Sam King, who died in infancy or childhood. Descendents of Elsie Jane, Francis Marion, Jr. and Mary Elizabeth still live in Pope County. Descendents of Jeremiah and Andrew, who migrated to Oklahoma, are nearly all still located there.

Lavina Jones Hudson, mother of Sam and Francis Marion, Sr., made her home with F.M. during her later years. She practiced mid-wifery until old age forced her to retire.

Francis Marion Hudson, Jr., who was born near Moreland in 1864, was a well-known Pope County resident, having careers as a farmer, merchant, attorney and school teacher, and serving 4 terms in the Arkansas State Legislature. In his middle 40's he became an ordained Baptist minister and preached at over 1600 funerals. F.M., Jr. and Nancy Linderman were married in 1886 and they had 9 children. They were Raymond Samuel (married Mary Haynie of Atkins, 3 children), Herman Pryor (married Pearl Chronister, 8 children), Mary Hattie (married Boyd T. Nichols of Moreland, 3 children), Elsie Kate (married Earl Braden of Moreland, 1 daughter), Robert Ellis (married Florence Bishop of Clarksville, 1 son), and Andrew, Roy Francis, Emmett and Flora, who died in infancy. F.M., Jr. died in 1949 at the age of 85 at the home of his daughter, Hattie (Mrs. B.T. Nichols) in Clarksville. Until about a year before his de-

ath, he had not been treated by a physician in over 45 years.

Herman Pryor Hudson lived in Pope County most of his life and was a resident of Russellville at the time of his death in 1976. He lived to be 83 years old. He had been a policeman and a farmer. His youngest children Don and Doynne, twins, reside near Moreland and are the owners of the Hudson Brothers Hatcheries. Don is married to Jane Bowden and they have 3 children and 2 grandchildren. Doynne is married to Dana Crites and they have 3 children.

Robert Ellis Hudson, F.M., Jr.'s youngest son, was a Pope County resident for a number of years and was a teacher at Russellville High School and the Pottsville Schools. He is retired and he and Mrs. Hudson live in Conway, where their son, Francis Marion Hudson III is chairman of the Department of Mathematics at the University of Central Arkansas. He is married to Sandra Foster of Louisiana and they have 2 daughters.

by Mrs. Wanda Faye Meador

CARROLL HUFFMAN FAMILY

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Carroll Huffman and Evelyn Goates were married May 15, 1943 at the first Methodist Church in Russellville. His parents were Joseph Elzie and Bitha Huffman. Her parents are the late Rev. Arvle Goates and Stella Mae Moses Goates.

Elsie Huffman was about two years old when he and his brother George and sister Mary were brought to Pope County by their widowed mother, Melinda Taylor Huffman, from the Springfield, Missouri area where they were born. Mrs. Huffman later married David Wilkins. Elsie Huffman lived in the Price Grove Community about 80 years.

He was a hard working farmer, but always supportive of his family and friends. He and his wife Bitha had nine children. The first child, Zelma died in infancy. The other children are Carroll, Treba, Ray, Ilah, Leemon, J.E. Pauline and G.A. All still live in Pope County. Eighteen descendents of Elsie are regular attendants of the Price Grove Assembly of God Church. Three grandchildren Randy Huffman, Patricia Boyd, Pat Owens, her husband Ernie and sons Ricky and David form a gospel singing group that is a real asset to their church.

Carroll Huffman spent 44 months in the Air Force during World War II and received many decorations. Ray was serving in Europe and Leemon in Asia at the same time.

When Carroll returned from overseas in 1945 he and Evelyn bought the old school at Scottsville that had been converted into a house. After much painting, Papering and repairing they completed their work and were ready to move into their first home, but the house burned to the ground the very night their work was finished. Encouraged by family and friends they were soon busy, building a new house. The house was built as funds, were available, so in order to invest everything into the new house they walked six miles daily, doing without a car. Within the

year they were living in the new house.

The year 1952 was an eventful one for the Huffmans. Carroll began working in January for the U.S. Forest service at Hector, and has worked there continually since that time. On Feb. 2, 1952, after being married almost nine years, they became parents for the first time, when their son Randy Carroll was born. Later that spring they bought the Ben Ross property and moved back to Price Grove. They lived there until about 1969 when they bought the Bibler homeplace from Burl and Gladys Dean, and have been living at Scottsville since then.

The entire Carroll Huffman family has been active members of the Assembly of God Church at Price Grove, working hard to help the congregation replace the old one room school building used for worship with a nice concrete block building. On two separate occasions Randy had perfect seven year attendance at the Sunday School.

All the Huffman Children received their education at the Hector School. After graduation Randy attended Ark. Tech. He is married to The former Carolyn Christy of Plainview, Texas. They have a daughter Christy Gail born June 24, 1976.

Bobby loves the outdoor life and is an avid hunter. He is employed by the U.S. Forest Service at Hector.

On their 35th wedding anniversary Carroll and Evelyn saw their daughter Judy receive her diploma from the Hector School — thirty-five years and two days from the time Evelyn received hers from the same school.

by Mrs. Evelyn Huffman

HARLEY B. HUFFSTETLER

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Harley B. Huffstetler was born in Lincoln County, N. Carolina about 1812. He married Rachael Costner about 1834. Their children were Sarah Ann, C. Elminer, Margaret F., Mary Ann, John P. and possibly David, Elizabeth and Martha. This family lived in N. Carolina and Tenn. They came to Pottsville about 1850 and probably lived on land now owned by John Harris and Adolph Vodrazka. Rachael died in the 1840s. By 1860, the children of Harley and Rachael had married. Sarah m. Wm. Smith, later Elias Plott. C. Elminer m. Wm. Redmond, later James Jones. Margaret m. John J. King "Blacksmith." Mary Ann m. James May, later John Pennington and Jacin Stegall.

Harley Huffstetler and Sarah Ann Walker married in 1860. Sarah Ann was born in Miss. They started their family in the Civil War years. Harla Ann was born in 1862, Caldona, about 1864, William L. about 1869, Elizabeth 1873 and Tennessee "Tennie" 1876. The Civil War hurt the family terribly. John P., James May, and Wm. Redmond died for the confederate cause and possibly David and James H. Waler, Sr., brother of Sarah Ann. The family stayed at Pottsville. Jay Hawkens held Harley's feet in the fire to get information and terrorized the family. Some of their neighbors were K. Potts, Harley sold him land in 1860, F. Plott, S. Parker, David "Jeff" Logan and Margaret "Peggy" Logan, sister to

Rachael, Harley's first wife, and James H. Walker, brother of Sarah Ann. James' and Elizabeth's sons were James Henry Walker and Moses Parn Walker. Elizabeth m. J.M. Blanton in the 1870s. Harley died in the 1870s.

Sarah Ann Huffstetler married James O'Hara in 1879. They had two daughters, Matt and Doris.

Caldona m. Leonard C. King. Harla Ann m. S. Cowan, Wm. L. Huffstetler m. Ella Spillers, Elizabeth m. William Walter Dennis of Hattieville. Tennie m. Zack Dennis. Henry D. Dennis was born in 1827, probably in Ark. His sons, James "Jim", Nick, Zack, and Will, farmed in Burnett Twp. and Conway Co. Henry died at Atkins in 1894. Nick died young. Jim married Varnie Granberry. Their children are Mac, Cazie, Bonnie and Columbus. Elizabeth and William Dennis had two sons, Walter William and Alfred. Elizabeth died about 1897.

About 1898 the James O'Hara and Zack Dennis families moved to Yell Co. They farmed near Danville and worked at the Bert Johnson brick yard at Danville. Zack and Walter helped build the brick business buildings at Danville. Walter and Alfred lived with Grandmaw O'Hara and Zack and Tennie. Zack and Tennie Huffstetler Dennis' children are Lillie m. John Wood, Pearl m. Marvin Vestal, Cloys m. Edna Wilson, Taylor m. Ruby Kenon, James "Cled" m. Maxine Tillman. Carrie m. Arthur Holliman, Zack "Bud" m. Geneva Lane, Walter m. Addie Kitchens, Alfred m. Phebe Vestal. Walter Dennis and Arthur Holliman were in the Army in France in World War I. Poppa Zack was injured in a wrestling match and his condition got worse. The family moved to Danville so he could be near a Doctor. He died in 1913. Grandmaw Tennie worked and kept the family together. She sewed, sold cloth, did housework and cooked for people. She was an example of goodness to many people. Grandmaw Tennie married Frank Barnett in 1921. He ran the generating plant at Danville. Grandmaw Tennie died in 1945.

John and Lillie Wood Children are Bessie, Ruth, Odell and Lamar. Marvin and Pearl Vestal's children are John T., Maudie, Helen, MacRay, Margaret, Ted, Betty, and Dale. Cloys and Edna Dennis' Children are Lavone, Laverne and Mary. Taylor and Ruby Dennis' children are Leroy, Mary T., Loyde, and Bruce. Cled and Maxine Dennis' children are Paul and Larry. Zack "Bud" and Geneva Dennis' children are Gary and Randy. Walter and Addie Dennis' children are Denver, Ruby Nell, Herman and Kent. Alfred and Phebe Dennis' children are Richard, Ida Bell, Reba, Tommy, Harold, Mary, Billy, John, Bobby Joe. Cazie Dennis and Bonnie Dennis Ferguson live at Russellville. Walter and Gladys' children are Ann, Leon, Bobby and Cecil.

Carrie Daisey Dennis m. Arthur Albert Holliman, son of "Ben" and Annie Harris Holliman. Annie and Martin Harris came to Pope County in 1877 with their grandmother, Sarah Lavinia Rhyne Weathers. Ben Holliman was the son of Albert and Francis Holliman of Wake Co. N.C. They came to Ark. about 1850, Yell Co., 1866. Albert died at home in

Sevier Co. in 1864 while on sick leave from 2nd Ar. Calv. Volunteers Conf. Carrie and Arthur's children are Charles W., lives at Russellville, works for Rye Motors, Patsy works for Sears, Russellville, Dennis lives in Calif., Frances Kay Holliman King and dtr. Celeste live at Dardanelle, Ott Holliman lives at Ola.

by Ott Holliman

MAJ. WILLIAM HULL

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Major William Hull born in Lincoln County North Carolina May 5, 1820. He married Sarah Francis Pruitt (born April 12, 1826) in 1848. Sarah had one daughter by a former marriage, Amanda Dilwood, who was born in 1846 in North Carolina. The Hull's probably moved to Arkansas in 1849. U.S. Census records show them living in Marion County Arkansas November 28, 1850.

To William & Sarah were born: William Champion, April 8, 1850; Dave, June 17, 1851; Sara Catherine, December 17, 1852; Elizabeth, 1854; John, March 6, 1857; Major Washington, January 25, 1859; Richard, February 18, 1866. All were born in Arkansas. U.S. Census shows the family living in Richland Township in Newton County on July 10, 1860, and Allen Township in Pope County, August 17, 1870.

William Champion married Mahalia Ann Tumbleston (born in Pope county in 1849) April 30, 1870. To them were born four sons: John Franklin, February 4, 1891 (married Ida Freeman); William Major, August 6, 1872; David Allen, February 24, 1874, (married to Francis P. Nordin, Bertha Smith, & Laura Self); and Henry Vinson, February 23, 1878. He died August 21, 1879.

William Major married Amanda Arkansas Nordin May 9, 1898, at Treet, Ark. by Justice of the Peace John Harris. Amanda Arkansas was born at Symrnia Ark. October 14, 1879, and was the daughter of Hamton Webster Nordin and Elizabeth Brown Nordin. To William and Amanda A. were born 8 children: David Franklin February 14, 1899 — June 17, 1963, He married Mary Jane Millsap and they had 5 children: Lorene Clayburn (Vernie), James Ira (Mary Jones) William Arlie (Opal Williams), Nettie E. Adams (Troy), & Kenneth (Margie Deckard); Andrew Vinson, September 18, 1901 — 1919; William Edger, October 26, 1903 — 1904; Myrtle Ada, January 7, 1905 — 1923; James Monroe, December 4, 1908. He married Oma Bowman and they had 2 children: Melba Marie Tomlinson (Tommy) died 1967, Melvin Miro (Jeannie Kerns), later married Angie Ross Vick. Esther Gladys, November 15, 1914 — 1915; Oma Anna, December 7, 1916. Married Elmer Hackworth and had two children, Elmer Ray and Barbara; Lester Lee, July 19, 1921, married Leona Wheeler and had one son, Leonard Clint (Patsy Kelly), later married Francis Heflin and had one son, Lonnie Lee. Lester Lee served in U.S. Air Force during World War II, August 1941 to Nov. 1945, 44 months of which was in foreign countries.

The Hull's occupation was always farming until the later years when William Major did

some timber work and worked for the U.S. Forest Service. He helped build the first Forest Service roads in Pope, Johnson, and Newton Counties. He worked under the Supervision of Ben Vaughn, Dug Shaddox, and H.R. Koen.

William Major and Amanada were charter members of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Russellville. They moved to Russellville in September 1942 and bought property at 1209 North Detroit. William Major died there August 16, 1949. Amanda Arkansas died December 31, 1966 at St. Mary's Hospital. Both are buried in Oaklawn cemetery in Russellville.

by Mrs. Oma Hackworth

NEWTON CHRISTIAN HULL

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NEWTON CHRISTIAN AND LULA KATE HULL

My grandfather, Newton Christian Hull, was born in Ireland. His family came to the United States in 1859 and settled in the New England states, near Boston, Massachusetts.

They bought a plot of land out deep in the woods and built a log cabin. Grandfather lived there with his mother, father, brother and sister. He was ten years old.

One day he went out to pick berries. On his way back home, he heard screaming and a lot of noise. He hid behind some bushes and watched the Indians kill his mother, father, brother and sister. They took what they wanted and burned the cabin. (I've heard him tell this story a number of times.)

Later, he lived in Missouri, married my grandmother, Lula Kate, and came to Arkansas. They had five children. They were Frank, Ray, Lidia, Fred, and Dottie. My father's name was Frank and my mother's name was Hattie Moore. Mother died soon after I was born so my grandparents took me in.

My father married again and was working for the Henry Brothers, Bob, Joe, and Jinks. Jinks was the father of Dr. Henry. They operated a livery stable which is now Bill's Tractor lot. They had a well with a pump where they watered the horses and mules.

When I was about four years old, I'll never forget my father saying that Jinks had a set of twin boys and he was stuck with two girls. My stepmother had given birth to a girl.

My grandparents operated a very large two story hotel. It was located north of the Presbyterian church. It caught fire on New Years night, 1904. During the excitement of the fire, they forgot that I was asleep in their room. My

uncle and aunt, who were still in their teens, thought about me. They couldn't get in the room where I was, so they found an old walking stick with a curved handle, reached in through the window, locked it around the little iron bed that I was in, and pulled it over to the window. The building was a total loss. My grandparents rented a house across the street from the Van Boswells.

Later they operated a grocery store and restaurant, which is now Leonard's Hardware. My grandfather would stand out in front of the building each day, ring a bell and announce the menu. My grandmother became sick and died. I continued to live with my grandfather and an uncle, who was still at home. A black man took over the cooking and household chores.

One day, a Sunday, a man came in and wanted to buy a can of tomatoes. He said his child was sick and wanted to make some soup for him. Grandfather said it was the law not to sell anything on Sunday, but he would give him the can of tomatoes. The man went around to the court house and told them he had bought the tomatoes and where. To keep from going to jail, my grandfather ran off to another town. His sons sold out everything, so I had to go and live with my father and stepmother. I was five or six years old.

Grandfather stayed hid until he became sick and came to our house, where he died. He is buried by my grandmother in Oakland Cemetery.

by Margaret Hull Wood

HULL-WILBANKS-CLAYTON FAMILIES

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Major and Sarah Frances Pruitt Hull came to Marion Co., Ark. from No. Carolina between 1840 and 1850 moving to Pope Co. (Treat Area) between 1850 and 1870. Both were born in No. Carolina, Major in 1820 and Sarah in 1826. Their children were, Sarah Catherine (Woodward), William Champion (Bill), John Major Washington, Elizabeth, David and Richard. Many Hull descendants remain in Pope Co.

Elizabeth (born in 1854) married Dr. Joseph Zadok Wood and had Rebecca Josephine (Josie) (Tumbleson), Joseph Franklin, Sarah Francis (Fannie) (Shook), William Richard (Bill), Lydia Vester (Wheeler), and Benjamin Zadok. Many of the Wood families remain in Pope Co.. After Dr. Wood's death, Elizabeth (called Betty) married John Allen Clayton.

J.A. was born in Green Co., Ill. in 1860. He was the son of Ambrose L. and Susan Ford Clayton. Ambrose was born in Benton, Ky. in 1832. He and Susan had John Allen, Sadie (Casey), William (Willie), James Madison (Jim), Mary Josephine (Beliew), and Sarah Francis (Williams), Richard, Frank, and three girls that died in infancy. Ambrose married Nancy and they had one son Jimmy. He then married Susan Redmond and they had Bud, Willard, Len, Ambrose Jr., Sabina (Biny) (Fowler), and Annie. Sadie's descendants re-

main in Pope Co. but the others are in Okla., Ill., and Mo..

John Allen was a teacher, peddler, store keeper, and farmer. He had only one arm due to a wagon accident at the age of twelve. J.A. and Elizabeth had John Turner, Ambrose Lafayette, Archie Boyd, and Betty Jane. Turner and Arche's families remain in Pope Co.. Ambrose was killed in World War I.

Betty Jane (born in 1893) married Benjamin Harrison (Ben Joe) Wilbanks (born 1888). He was the son of James and Marianda Janie House Wilbanks. Both were born in Howell Co., Mo. in 1858 and came to Pope Co., (Treat area) in 1881. They had Marion Franklin, Lawson Ervin, James Issac, Susan Marianda (Russell), John William, Charlie Monroe, Newton Jasper, and Benjamin Harrison. Franklin's family remain in Pope Co., the others are in Calif. and Okla. Ben Joe and Betty Jane had Minnie Elizabeth (Jones), James Allen, Eunice Sabina, Edna Mae (Dare), Elsie Ruth (Cowen), Leona Bernice (Taylor), and Ambrose L.. Lizzie died at age 19 leaving no children, Allen is deceased and his family is in Calif.. Edna is deceased and part of her family remain in Pope Co.. Ruth, Bernice, Eunice, and Ambrose and their families remain in Pope Co..

Eunice married Arvie Earl Clark and they had Bettye Lee, Arvie Earl Jr., Billy Joe, Ronald Gene, and Donald Dean. Arvie is deceased but the rest of the family remain in Pope Co. This brings the line to me, Bettye Lee. I am married to William Glen (Bud) Wait. We have two children, William David and Rhonda LeAnn. We live at Dover on my husband's homeplace which has been in the Wait family since 1912.

by Bettye Clark Wait

THE HUMPHREY FAMILY

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William David Humphrey, No. 8, 1870-Apr. 6, 1900, and wife Ella Reed Humphrey, No. 27, 1869-Apr. 26, 1926. Picture taken about a year before he was shot & killed in 1900. Children: Jasper and Lena.

John Humphrey born about 1750, left North Carolina in 1801 and moved to Dickson County Tenn., where he was a neighbor to the Rye and Rushing families. The decedents of all three of these families later moved to Pope County Arkansas. John Humphrey was one of three Justices of Dickson County, 1804 to 1807. His will in 1825 was long and detailed, listing seven children. The oldest, John Howard, born before 1775, Horatio, Stokley, Clarinda, Sophia, and Jenisa.

In 1839 John Howard Humphrey by this time a large land owner, listed the following children in his will. George, Stacy, Martha, Sophia, Mary (Polly), David, Absolom, and William. The last three were minors. Polly married George Rushing the son of David Rushing, one of Pope County's earliest settlers. In about 1837 David Rushing and his five sons moved to Pope County close to Dover, and it seems that David Humphrey and his brother William came to live with their sister Polly and her husband George Rushing after the death of their father.

On Jan. 6, 1843 David married Elizebeth Linzy the daughter of Hiram and Sarah Linzy. David and Elizebeth owned several farms just north of Piney. They had the following children: John Howard, born Nov. 9, 1843, Martha, born 1844, George Washington, born 1846, Abraham, born April 19, 1850, James Daved, Born Jan. 19, 1853, Wm., born 1859.

Tragedy then struck this family. Elizebeth died on Feb. 16, 1860 and was buried next to her father in the family cemetery on the Linzy farm. Just five months later on July 28, 1860 David died and was buried in the old Rushing Cemetery. All of the children were minors, and George Rushing, David's brother-in-law was appointed by the courts as executor of the estate and guardian of several of the children.

Abraham was raised by Jessie Bringle. He married Dorthula Herrin, the daughter of Owen and Rachel Herrin Jan. 20, 1870. They had the following children: Wm. David, born Nov. 8, 1870, Margaret, Rachel, and Martha all died young, Nettie, was born Oct. 9, 1880, and Abraham Franklin was born Nov. 6, 1884. Dorthula Humphrey died Nov. 9, 1908, and on Aug. 8, 1909 Abraham married Cynthia Devine. They had one child, Dortha, born April 12, 1914. She married Lloyd Epps Sept. 16, 1929 and lives in Calif. Cynthia Humphrey died Mar. 11, 1915 and Abraham married the third time, Sary Treece. Abraham was a member of the Baker Creek Presbyterian Church for 25 years, as well as Sunday School Supt. for that many years. He was a member of the Baker Creek School Board for 16 years. He joined the Confederate Army at 15, but became ill and never saw battle. Abraham died Aug. 14, 1929, and is buried between his two wives, Dorthula and Cynthia, in the Center Valley Cemetery.

William David, the oldest son of Abraham and Dorthula, married Ella Reed the daughter of John and Rebecca Reed of Clarksville, Nov. 26, 1892. They had four children: Archie, Jasper, Lena, and Argie. Wm. David moved his family to Wagoner, Okla. while it was still

a territory. He became a night marshal and was shot in the back and killed April 6, 1900. His wife and children moved back to Clarksville. Ella died in Wichita Falls, Tex. at the home of her daughter, Lena Hill, April 6, 1926, and was buried next to her husband in Wagoner, Oklahoma.

Archie, the oldest child of Wm. David and Ella died young and is buried in Wagoner, Okla. Jasper left home when only sixteen and went to Alaska, where he worked for a number of years until he moved to Vancouver, Canada, where still lives (1978), at the age of 86. Lena Humphrey married Carl Hill of Russellville, Ark. They have two children: Harold and Vetty. Carl Hill died a number of years ago and is buried in Russellville. Lena Hill is still active at the age of 82, and lives in Wichita Falls, Tex.. Argie Humphrey married Margaret Llewellyn, the daughter of Henry and Martha Llewellyn in 1918. They had the following children: Wm. David, died as a infant, Robert L., born Oct. 31, 1920, Argie Jr. born 1922, George A. Born 1924 Paul E. born 1928. Margaret Llewellyn Humphrey died May 6, 1949.

by Robert L. Humphrey

THOMAS BERT HURLEY

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Thomas Bert Hurley, was born in Mississippi, near Albany, Union County, August 6, 1839. He was the oldest of seven children born to John and Mary Gunter Hurley and came to Arkansas at an early age. Both the Hurley and Gunter familie came to the U.S. from Ireland.

The brothers and sistes of Thomas Bert were: Henry Jefferson, Amanda, Nancy, Sanda Ray, Caroline and John Franklin. Their mother died when Thomas was ten years of age and a short time later, their father was murdered near Little Rock, Ark. The children returned to Mississippi and Thomas Bert was mostly on his own. He hired out to farmers and was later an overseer over the farms.

About 1860, Thomas heard there were better openings in Arkansas for his labor so he came into Arkansas but his residence was soon ended when the Civil War started. He was one of the first to volunteer and was under the command of Gen. Joseph E. Johnson. He later served under Beauregard, Hood and Johnson, again. When the war was over, Mr. Hurley was surrendered near Raleigh, North Carolina, one thousand miles away from home with one silver dollar in his pocket. He got a few rides on what trains were left, but walked most of the way.

He returned to Mississippi, but soon came back into Arkansas and settled permanently in Pope County. The first year in Pope County, he worked for J.L. Burns, near where Rock Springs church is now located. That fall, probably 1871, he married Margaret Grinder, whose family had come to Arkansas from Tennessee. To this union were born six children: James Henry, October 14, 1872; Nanvy, August 25, 1874; William Lee, April

10, 1877; Andrew, 1879; Georgia Bell, February 12, 1882 and Charles, born in 1887.

James (Jim) Hurley, married Onie Turnbow; Nancy, married Clark Hamilton; William, married Ether Turnbow; Andrew, married Dora Rowland; Georgia, married Will Wooten; Charles, married Minnie Bailey. All of the children spent practically all their lives in Pope County.

Jim was a farmer but served in other capacities. He served two terms in the state legislature, was a deputy sheriff under the late Frank Oates, and held one job as road overseer for the county.

Will Hurley, spent most of his life as a merchant in Hector and at one time, his general store served most of Northern Pope County.

Andrew and Charles, carried on their father's tradition as farmers.

All of the children of Thomas B. Hurley, were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and served as elders, song leaders, delegates and in all capacities vital to church work.

The children of Jim and Onie Hurley, were Chloe, who died in infancy, Bervie C., Lois and William Marcin. B.C., married Stella Rowland who died in 1960, he then married Thelma (Talkington) Reynolds. Lois, never married and Marvin, married Sue Caldwell. Marvin died in 1972.

Nancy and Clark Hamilton's children were: Bell, who died early in life; Henry, married Robie Farmer who died and now he has remarried: Edward, was killed in World War I; Emmitt who first married Mable LaFan and after her death, he married the former Nora Kinslow; Velma, died when just a girl; Ore, married Estelle Reed; Willie married Burl Brown; Rheba, first married Othel Craig who was killed in World War II. She is now married to O.S. (Hob) Langford. The youngest son, Dewey, is married and his wife's first name is Betty.

The children of Will and Ether Hurley, were: Leonard, who married Mildred Burgess and he passed away August 4, 1968. Sylvia who married Albert Talkington and Lelus, who married Berna Mae Wright. Lelus passed away in 1976.

Andrew and Dora Hurley were the parents of: Willard, who died in 1952; Bert, married Nola Tackett and he was killed in an accident in 1931. His widow later married Bert's brother, Joe; Arnold, married Edith Henderson; Mable, first married John Garrigus who died in 1929. She later married Elbert Harris and Doyle, married Juanita Cox: Fay, the youngest son died and Pauline, married Gordy Stubbs, Jr.

The children of Will and Georgia Wooten were: Burlen, married Imo Andrews; Chlora, married Jay Loomar; Sybil married Burling Kinder and Louise, married Roy Egbert.

Charlie and Minnie Hurley had one adopted son, Benny, who married Ruth Allison.

Several years have passed since the beginning of this family history and a number of the older ones have gone on to meet their reward. However, a lot of their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren still remain in the Pope County area.

by Louis Hurley

ALICE HURST

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Alice Hurst was a daughter of William Britten and Nancy Rebecca Crow Hurst. She married Richard Burris and they had seven children; Edna, Fred, Paul, Edith, Gladys, Georgia and William.

Edna married Luther Virden and they had one son, Gerald. Gerald married and had one child, Sharon. Sharon married and a son, Jason.

Fred married Marie Miller and they had two daughters, Billye Sue, was one and she married Paul Tackett and they had a daughter, Mona. Mona married Paul Ritzenhamer and they have two children.

Paul married Lila Webb.

Edith married Ralph Whittenburg who was a former County Clerk and County Judge of Pope County. They had two children, James and a daughter. James married Edna Mae Thomas and they have two sons, James Michael and David Ralph.

Gladys married Bete Brock and they had one daughter, Sherry. Sherry married Steve Littlefield.

Georgia married Bill Swillings.

William married Retha Patterson and they had three children: Paul Don, Richard, and Jana Gail. Jana Gail married Steve Ferguson and they have one daughter, Paula.

by Evelyn June Walker

ARKIE HURST

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Arkie Hurst was a daughter of William Britten and Mary Rebecca Crow Hurst. She married Richard Rowlands and they became the parents of six children: Stella, Bertha, Clyde, Sybil, Floyd, and Bob.

Stella married Bernie Hurley and they had three children: Bennie, Billye Kathy and Betty Lou. Bennie married James Tackett and they have five children; Jerry, Linda, Peggy, James Robert and Richard Allen. Jerry married Margie Welch and they had one son, Jeff. Linda married Dick Buchannon and they had one child, Revecca. Peggie married Charles Fountain and they had one daughter, Ashley. James Robert married Betty Rackley. Richard Allen wasn't married. Billye Kathryn married L.D. Coffman and they had one son, Samuel Lawrence who married Gail Wolf. Betty Lou married Lloyd Cochran and they had three children, Nancy, Janna and Ann. Nancy married Kenneth Parrish and has two children, Amanda and Tracy. Janna married Mike Bartlett and Anne married Robert Murdock and has one child, Kelly.

Bertha married Fay Price and they had one daughter, Sue Carol. Sue Carol married William F. Brunner and they had one daughter, Bonnie.

Clyde married Gertrude Reed and they have one son, Don Reynolds.

Sybil married Bob Henry Chambers and they have one son, Gene. Gene married Ann Duvall and they have two children, Gregg and Christy.

Floyd was killed while serving in the army.

Bob married Fern Newton and they have three children, Gary, Betty Jane, and Don Robert. Gary married Willette Humphrey. Betty Jane married John Ed Chambers, and they have one son. Don Robert isn't married.

by Evelyn June Walker

EMMA HURST

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Emma Hurst was a daughter of William Britten and Nancy Rebecca Crow Hurst. She married Ben Garrigus and they had four children: Jonnie, Maud, Jess, and Jamie.

Jonnie married Edd Gentry of Amarilla, Texas. They had three sons, Hurst, Rayburn and Eugene.

Maud married Amos Bullock and they were the parents of five girls: Mildred, Amy, Ellen, Lois, and Bobby Rose. Mildred married Ralph Thurston; Amy married Curtis Wiesner; Ellen died before marrying.

Jesse married Millie Bailey and they had five children: Claud, Roselyn, Jesse Burl, Wanda and Bobby. Claud died while serving in the Army; Roselyn married Bill Ross and they had one child, Pamela. Pamela married Frank Berry and they have one child, Charlotta. Charlotta married Howard Shaffer and they have four children; Shelly, Dennis, Angela and Rebecca Ann; Jesse Burl married Patricia Johnson and they had four children; Michael, Richard, Claudine and Joseph; Wanda married Charles Dyer and they have two sons, James David and William Jody; Bobby married Harold Gauldin and they had two children; Allen Jesse, and Julia Ann.

Jamie married Florence Garrigus and they had four children.

Emma was a descendent of pioneer Pope County residents and spent most of her life in the Hector, Rock Springs area.

by Evelyn June Walker

JOHN BLEDSOE HURST

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John Bledsoe Hurst was a son of William Britten and Nancy Rebecca Crow Hurst. He married Roxie Ann Lemley and they were the parents of: Audra Bernetta, Jonnie Marie, Ruth, Orpha, Hugh Willard, Marjorie, Vida Pearl and Mamie Rebecca.

Mamie Rebecca, oldest child of John Hurst, married James F. Cole and they had three children, Mary Ella, Leon and Paul Edd. Mary Ella married Marshall Neal Bullock and they had one son, Jerry Wayne; Leon married Wilma Duvall; Paul Edd married Delta Rye and they had two children, Wayne and Linda.

Audra Hurst, married James William Webb and they had five children: Donald, Virginia, Evelyn June, Marilyn Jean and Billye Carol. Donald married Earlene Burris and they have one son, Bruce; Virginia, married Anthony J. Nolly and they have two sons, Joseph and Donald. Joseph married Diane Delancy and they have a son, Eric; Evelyn June, married William Dale Walker and they had three children, Robert Dale, Carolyne and Roy Dean, Carolyne married Bruce McCarver and they have one daughter, Jennifer; Marilyn married

Charles Louis McGrew and they have three children, Charles Louis, Jr., Karen and Jim; Billye Carol married Raymond Braselton and they had one child, Sharon.

Jonnie Marie Hurst married Joe McAdams and they had two sons, Ralph and James. Ralph married Litty CeJarnett and they have five children, Ann, Renee, Jimmy, Joey and Robert. Ann married Bob Moore and they had one daughter, Ashley; Renee married Jim Graham; Jimmy married Linda Fisher. James married Martha Williams and they had three daughters, Barbara Jane, Stephanie Kate and Nike Marlene.

Ruth Hurst, married Phillip Trigg and they had four children, Lonus, Burl, Ruth Ellen and Ronald. Lonus married Dorothy Vobler and they have four children, Linda, Priscilla, Todd and Jeffrey. Linda married Gerald Swanson, Priscilla married Michael LaVoux and has one daughter, Jamie; Burl married Sue Jones and they have two daughters, Karen and Carol Jane. Karen married Doyle Robinson, Carol Jane married Don Hubbard and they have one daughter, Celeste; Ruth Ellen married Joe Becker and they have one daughter, Belinda; Ronald married Lillian Cross and they had one son, Kenny. He later married Jerry Roberts and adopted her daughter, Bridgett.

Orpha, married Virge Boland and they had one son, Steve. Steve married Beverly McDonald and they have two children, Cindy and Steve Jr.

Hugh Willard Hurst, married Ethel Dockson and they had two daughters, Roberta and Phyllis. Roberta married Carl Mullison and they had three children, Linda, Cheryl, and Charles; Phyllis married Bruce Jennings.

Majorie Hurst, married Troy George and they have two children, June and David. June married Jim Robinson and they have four children, Susan, Donna, Russell and Robbie. Susan married Dennis Bush and they have two sons, Jeremy and Jack; Donna married Lenny Whitley. David married Shelby Abbott and they have three children, Raymond, Bill and Lee Ann.

Vida Pearl Hurst, married Durard Burnett and they had four sons, Paul, Pat, Bill and Johnny. Paul married Mary Coffman and they have a daughter, Karen; Pat married Betty Lou Davis and they have two children, James and Patty Gail; Bill married Sharon Fryer and they have a son, Blake; Johnny married Patty Wesner.

by Evelyn June Walker

MARY HURST

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Mary Hurst was a daughter of William Britten and Nancy Rebecca Crow Hurst. She married John Alewine and they had six children: Billie, Mattie, Henry, Walter, Edd and Ernest.

Billie married Hattie Sorrells and they had five children: Imo, James, Vera Sue, Julia and Jane (twins). Imo married Andrew Smith and they had one son, Jimmy. Jimmy married Carol Roberts and they have a son, Mark. James married Betty Mullins and they have three daughters; Judy, Martha and Chyril. Judy married John Johnson. Vera Sue, mar-

ried Kenneth Acock and they had three children: Larry, Jana and Bill. Larry married Donna Smith and their children are: Tammy, James and Amanda. Jana, married Jimmy Dennis and Bill is also married. Julia married John Price and they have two children; Mike and Cindy. Jane married Perry Rachel and they have one daughter, Deana.

Mattie Alewine married Bill Duvall and they had three children, Rayburn, Carroll, and Glen.

Walter Alewine married Laura Jeffres and they had one daughter, Jane.

Henry married Aris Haney and they had one daughter, Wanda Jean. Wanda Jean married Tom Snyder and they have two children.

Edd married Mable Duvall and they had one daughter, Billye Sue. Billye Sue married Paul Loveless and they have two sons, Mark and Gregg.

Ernest Alewine married Flossy Jones and they have five children: Gerald, Tressa, Paul, Lee and Mary Sue. Gerald married Norma Broadstreet and they had three children; Teressa, Richard and Russell. Paul married Anita Young and they had one child, Richard Lee. Mary Sue married Tom Parks and they had three children; Susan, Karen and Jimmie.

by Evelyn June Walker

ROBERT FULTON HURST

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Robert Fulton Hurst was a son of William Britten and Nancy Rebecca Crow Hurst. He married Mattie Lemley and their children were Grady, Fred, Alma, Maud, Imo, Woodrow and Willie.

Grady married Clara Garrigus and they had three children: Vivian married Lyle Gilbert and they had three children, Perry Lyle married Sharon Powell and they have four sons, Don; Allen; Bryan; and Jeff; Ricky married Pattie McGowen and they had one daughter, Lynn; Delana married Harvey Mayes; Betty Jo married Bob McKee and they had two children, Debbie and Wayne.

Fred married Maud Bailey and they had two daughters, Beryl and Pauline. Beryl married and was the mother of Carolyn, Barbara, Meg and Susan; Pauline married Elmer Bonnitti.

Alma married Giles Trigg and they had four children; Mary Lou married Alton Presley and they had Artie and Debbie; Karen married Edd Davis and they had one child, Penny.

Maud married Tom Tripp and they had two children, Shirley and Patsy. Shirley married Bill Hollabaugh and they had five children, Pat, Pam, Debbie, Michael and Stephen; Pat married Robert Schwegler and they had two children, Jason and Bridgett; Pam married Johnny Lueker and they have two sons, Johnny Brandon and Wesley; Debbie married Don Wilder and has one son, Jeff.

Woodrow Hurst married Vivian Wycoff and had one son, Sammy.

Imo married Elvie Johnston and had three daughters, Joann, Jeanette and Sandra. Joann married Herbert Driggers and had three children; Jeanette married Tommy Johnson and had two children; and Sandra.

Millie Hurst died in an accident.

by Evelyn June Walker

WILLIAM BRITTON HURST

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Mr. and Mrs. William Britton Hurst

William Britton Hurst was born in Bedford County, Tennessee, on April 21, 1840. He fought in the Civil War with Company K, 8th Infantry, in the Battle of Chicamauga, and became part of Consolidated Regiment about 1865. He settled in Pope County, Arkansas, with his family in 1885. He had married Nancy Rebecca Crow, and they settled on 60 acres of land just west of Appleton in Griffin Township, Section 16, where they lived until they died.

He was a farmer and raised cattle and sheep. She had a spinning wheel and made the wool thread for her loom, which she used to make carpets for her floors and comforts for her beds, and socks and sweaters for her family. He died in September, 1921, and she died April 17, 1919. They were members of the Point Remove Primitive Baptist Church on the Lemley Plantation. They are buried in Pope County at the Cross Roads Cemetery near Appleton, Arkansas. They had seven children; Emma, Robert Fulton, John, Elbie, Mary, Arkie, and Alice.

Emma married Ben Garrigus. Their children were Jonnie, Maud, Jess and Jamie. Robert Fulton married Mattie Lemley and their children were Grady, Fred, Alma, Maud, Imo, Woodrow and Millie. Elbie married Bill Martin and their children were Sadie, Thelma, Ezra and Willie Mae. Mary married John Alewine and their children were Billie, Mattie, Henry, Walter, Edd, Ernest and Stella. Arkie married Richard Rowlands and their children were Stella, Bertha, Clyde, Floyd, Sybil and Bob. Alice married Richard Burris and their children were Fred, Paul, Edith, Gladys, Georgia and Bill.

John Bledsoe Hurst married Roxie Anne Lemley, granddaughter of Ephrim Lemley, early pioneer settler of Pope County, and their children were Mamie Rebecca, who married James F. Cole, and their children are Mary Ella, Leon and Paul Ed; Audra Bernetta, who married James William Webb, and their children are Donald, Virginia Sue, Evelyn June, Marilyn Jean, and Billye Carol; Ruth, who married Phillip Trigg, and their children are Lonus, Bearl, Ruth Ellen, and Ronald; Jonnie Marie, who married Joe McAdams, and their children are Ralph and James; Orpha, who married Virge Boland, and they had one son, Steve. Hugh Willard, who married Ethel

Dickson, and they had two children, Roberta and Phyllis; Marjorie, who married Troy George, and they had two children, June and David; Vida Pearl, who married Duard Burnett, and they had four sons, Paul, Pat, Bill, and Johnny.

The family of James William Webb and Audra Bernetta Hurst continues to the present time: Donald married Earlene Burris and they have one son, Bruce; Virginia Sue married Anthony Nolly, and they have two sons, Joe, who married Dianne Delancy, and they have one son, Eric, and Donald; Evelyn June married William Dale Walker and they have Robert, Carolyn, married to Bruce McCarver with one daughter Jennifer, and Roy Dean; Marilyn Jean married Charles McGrew and their children are Charles Louis, Karen and Jim; Billye Carol married Raymond Scot' Braselton and their daughter is Sharon.

by Evelyn June Walker

THE REV. W.D. ISBELL FAMILY

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William Dolphas the youngest son of Rev. and Mrs. James R. Isbell, born Jan. 2, 1866, at Huntsville, Alabama. He married Nancy E. Orr in 1885. Their son, James Joseph, was born May 4, 1886. In the fall of 1887 they moved to Warren, Ark., and stayed one year, moved to Perry Co., Ark. where Levy and Ely, twin sons, were born in 1889 and died the same year. William Sherman was born May 4, 1891; Thomas Andrew was born July 7, 1893; Robert Jesse was born 1896 and died 1897. In the fall of 1897, we moved to Conway Co., across the river from Morrilton where the only daughter of the family, Clemmie Palestine was born, Mar. 18, 1898. That same spring a terrible overflow drove us and many other families to higher ground. Also, because of health problems we moved in Sept. of that year to Hector (Pope Co.). This move left many memories in my mind; I don't remember where we camped the first night, but we stayed Saturday night in the Buttermilk community near Appleton where one of the men that was moving us got sick so we went to Hector next morning so he could see a Doctor or get some medicine.

We had started to the Treadwell school house community on the North Fork of the Illinois bayou, but next morning this man thought he should return to his home; and I never will forget my feelings as a seven year old boy as these men (R.C. Chapple and Boss Bricksey) drove off leaving us among strangers; but the people were very gracious toward us when they learned that most of us were sick with malaria and financially broke.

Hector was a small village with two or three stores, one of which was owned by Saul Arthur. Jim Webb had a cotton gin and grist mill. Charley Price was the blacksmith, and if I remember right, the school and church was in the same building, and there was a whiskey still that had been captured and chopped full of holes hanging in a tree.

That winter we moved to the Wheeler Hall community about half way between Hector and Appleton. The school (Oak Grove) was

near where Welcome Home church is now. After two or three years the school was moved to the Wheeler Hall where it remained until it was consolidated with Walnut Grove and a new building erected near where the Walnut Grove church is now.

Father was converted before leaving Ala., and soon felt the call to the ministry, but declined until the early nineties. In the early part of his ministry he was an evangelist, riding a blind horse, averging three sermons a week; he also farmed with the same horse. He organized a Free Will Baptist church at the Wheeler Hall soon after moving to the community. The minutes of the Antioch Association of 1900 shows that he pastored four churches that year. We lived in that community until the fall of 1904, moving to the Oak Grove community, East of Moreland, where mother died in Feb. 1910, and Father died in Oct. 1913.

James J., married Jennie B. Coffman in Jan. 1903. She died in Jan. 1906. He then married Ola Johnston in Jan. 1908. She died in Oct. 1955, and he died in June 1963. They lived at Warren at the time and were buried there. W.S. Married Maggie Johnston on Nov. 6, 1906, and she died Feb. 8, 1974, was buried in St. Joe cemetery north of Atkins. Maggie and Ola were sisters, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnston of the Oak Grove Community. Andrew married Bertha Johnson, Oct. 22, 1911; she was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R.M. Johnson; Andrew died Sept. 8, 1926 and was buried at St. Joe cemetery. Clemmie married Will Warren, Aug. 3, 1913, and he died April 22, 1945 and was also buried at St. Joe.

by Rev. W.S. Isbell

JESSE PARK IVESTER

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Jesse Park Ivester was born June 1, 1884. He was a coal miner, and came to Russellville, Arkansas, in 1907. He married Bertha Vandergeeten, and in 1913 they built their home at 1400 South Denver in Russellville. The house is still standing and is owned and occupied by their daughter, Hazel I. Briscoe.

Bertha's was born in Belgium in 1891. Her parents were Joseph Vandergeeten, born in 1869, and Catherine Newton. They came from Belgium to the United States and later settled in Russellville in 1907. Joseph was also a coal miner and they had the following children: Bertha, who was only three weeks old when they came to the United States; Campbell, who first married Maggie Spainhour; Rose who married Dennie Edge; Louis, who never married; Mary who married Jesse H. Griffin; and Josephine, who married Louis Charles Evans.

Jesse and Bertha had the following children: John L., who married Margaret DesJarden; Hazel M., who married Lenuel Adney Briscoe; Jesse Park Jr., who married Edith Fern Tucker; Joseph A., who died in infancy; Charles Ray, who was also married, died in 1948; and Ruby Mary, who married Don S. Shilling.

J.P. Ivester, Jr. and Hazel I. Briscoe are still living in Russellville, Arkansas. John L.

Ivester lives at Grady, Arkansas, and Ruby M. Ivester Shilling lives at Irving, Texas. Mary Vandergeeten Griffin and her husband live at Leslie, Arkansas. Josephine Vandergeeten Evans and her husband live at Mayflower, Arkansas. All of the other members of the Vandergeeten family are now deceased.

Mrs. L.A. Briscoe

ALLEN ANTHONY JACKSON

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Allen Anthony Jackson was born June 10, 1869 and died March 15, 1938. He married Dora Alice Sanderson, who was born July 21, 1875 and died October 1, 1940. Her parents came from Tennessee and Allen's parents came from Kentucky before the War Between the States. My grandfather served in the Civil War, and because of the terrible weather conditions, my other grandfather developed pneumonia and died.

The Jacksons settled on Crow Mountain, but after my grandfathers death they moved to near Russellville, after the Civil War was over. The children, three boys and one girl, lived near Russellville. One son, John M., lived on his home (Jackson Hill) near Center Valley Road and is now still used. Grandfather's name was Andrew. As history tells it, the Jackson name was a very famous name; one of the very first to land on our shore (ancestors shoveled fuel on the boat to pay for the passage over to this land). They first settled in Pennsylvania; some shifted to the South, but most scattered in the North; and as history goes, some joined the Democratic Party and others the Republican. Later as you know, the Democratic Party and Republican Party traded parties (sort of like horse swapping). They did not know what party they

were affiliated with. Now there are Jacksons everywhere in the States.

Mother's parents (Sanderson) settled in Center Valley and spent their lifetime there raising their family, four boys and four girls. I still have possession of the homeplace and small farm site. I hold the original patent for this land dated March 1, 1860, and signed by President Buchanan and others in Dardanelle, Arkansas, where the Federal Land Post was located. The US Land Office was in Clarksville. It was filed April 1, 1856, Certificate Number 3967, to William Boen.

by Roy V. Jackson

ANDERSON JACKSON

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Like many of Arkansas' pioneer families, the Anderson Jackson family owes much of its heritage to the state of Tennessee. Having come to Arkansas from Wayne County, Tenn., Anderson (born Feb. 19, 1819) and his wife Nancy Scott (born April 2, 1818) were both natives of the Volunteer State. Their children William 19, Jas. N. 17, and Mary A. 12 were also born in Tenn. prior to the families settling in Pope County in 1848. The family established first residence on Crow Mt. near Atkins. Los S.J. was born sometime between 1848-50, making this child the first born to the family in Arkansas. Other children listed in the 1860 census include Andrew 8, Hannah E. 6, Tennessee M. 3 and Geo. N. 18, who was born in Tennessee.

Classified as a farm family, the Jacksons were industrious people establishing one of the counties oldest gins and grist mills in Gumlog Township. The gin was operated by mule powered cotton presses. On the lower level of the frame structure existed a grist mill



WILLIAM JACKSON FAMILY

First Row: Roy Jackson, Orey Dixon, John Dixon, Harold Scott, Opal Dixon Thomas, Jay Jackson, Wilma Scott Keeton, Edna Jackson Jones, and Pearl Jackson Capps. Second Row: Annie Jackson Honey, Lou Ann Jackson Dixon, Eugene Dixon, Walsie Jackson Long, Ora Belle Dixon Ferral, Leta Scott Huffman, Etta Jackson Murdock, Sarah Jane Jackson Scott, and Guy Jackson. Third Row: Sula Dixon, Hous Dixon, Earnest Dixon, McDaniel Jackson, Martha Jackson, Elizabeth Austin Jackson, William Jackson, Claude Dixon, (Baby) Jewel Jackson Bennett, Meda Reynolds Jackson, Oscar Jackson and W.J. (Jim) Scott.

which supplied corn meal for residence of the area. Around 1905 the gin was sold to the Williker family and later moved to Atkins.

Along with hard work, the family also believed in education. Close to the family home on Crow Mt. stood a log schoolhouse which was called "Jackson School", where many of the early settlers attended class sessions.

When the civil war broke out, the families oldest son fought for the confederacy. Upon returning from war, William resumed farming and married Elizabeth A. Austin (b. March 23, 1843 in Tenn.) on August 2, 1866 in Atkins. To this union several children were born, three of which were still births. Mack D. was the oldest born in 1867, followed by Mary S. 1868, Lou Ann 1870, Sarah J. Sally 1873, John E. 1876, Oscar M. 1877, Guy 1880, Pearl 1889 and T.A. who only lived a few months.

Nancy Scott Jackson died Jan. 11, 1882, preceeding the death of her husband Anderson, who died Jan. 14, 1888. Both were buried in Hoskins cemetary on Crow Mt. Following Andersons death William inherited the estate.

Around 1905 the family moved to Atkins, where a new home was completed on West Railroad Avenue. William continued to live at this residence until his death on March 4, 1911. At that time his wife inherited the home. Each child received 40 acres of land with the exception of Mary Jackson Speer, who received 80 acres and Lou Ann Jackson Dixon, who was given 65 acres, all of which is located in the Atkins bottoms. Mack Jackson was appointed administrator of the William Jackson estate.

Many descendents of Anderson Jackson remain in Pope County, primarily in Atkins.

by John K. Wiley

ROY V. JACKSON

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Born in Pope County, Arkansas, on August 31, 1896; attended Russellville Schools; also completed General Motors School of Accounting and Business Management. I was in school when old frame high school building was destroyed by fire. All students were sent to different vacant buildings upstairs uptown over other buildings which the School Board had arranged to use until the new building could be rebuilt. A new brick school was built on the original ground (US Post Office is located here). During my high school days I belonged to Russellville band. The band was made up of high school students and a part of the Old Regiment Band. They served during the Mexican Conflict and had disbanded active duty and were anxious to play in our band. We practiced regular drilling on the Agriculture College ground (now Buerkle Field). We competed with 40 Arkansas bands in Little Rock in a July, 1916 contest. Believe it or not, we took first place and received money. What we did not know was we had also been selected to go on an 18-day trip covering all the principal cities (New York, Washington, DC, Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis, Virginia Beach and others), traveling on all steel train

Missouri-Pacific advertising Arkansas. No other state had undertaken to do this. We were proud of this accomplishment, and it was a first trip and very educational for us youngsters. The youngsters of the band marched and played in these cities. Also we displayed samples of our State's resources. We talked about this for many years after. Mr. Harvey Couch was our leader. He was then auditor for AP&L.

I served in Expeditinary Forces in Europe during WWI. I married Dexter Lemley. We had two daughters, Dorothy and Ellen. Dorothy graduated from Stevens College, Columbia, Missouri, and also Hendrix College. Ellen graduated from same colleges. Dorothy married Robert McCoy. He also graduated from Hendrix College in the same class of Dorothy. Ellen married Jack Northington. He attended Arkansas Tech and graduated from Hendrix. Both Dorothy and Ellen's husbands served in WWII as officers in the overseas conflicts. Jack Northington died of cancer and Robert McCoy lives in Russellville and is in the furniture and appliance business. Dexter died of cancer in 1968, and later in 1970 I married Floy Norwood Smallwood. I formed a partnership in 1920 with Forrest Lemley after WWI. We had the Chevrolet-Buick franchise for 33 years known as the Jackson-Lemley Chevrolet Company. We also had extensive business operations of farms and other businesses. Forrest died in 1968.

I am a member of Masons, recieved 50 year pin from Grand Lodge; a Shriner; charter member of American Legion Post 20, past Commander; served in many civic organizations; member of First Christian Church; past Chairman of Board; Deacon for 20 years since marriage; grew up in Methodist Church where all family belongs. My hobbies are hunting and fishing.

by Roy V. Jackson

WILLIAM AND ELIZBETH JACKSON

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Elizabeth (Austin) and William Jackson had a cotton gin and a sawmill on Crow Mt. before

moving into Atkins. They were land owners in the Atkins bottom. The home they occupied in Atkins still stands on South Railroad Ave. They had 8 children. Mack Daniel Jackson, deceased; Sue Spear, deceased. Mother of Minnie and Maude Spear of Atkins; John Jackson, deceased; Lou Ann Dixon, deceased; Sarah Jane Scott, deceased; O.M. Jackson, deceased. Father of Ray Jackson of Atkins; Guy Jackson, deceased. Father of Gipson Jackson of Atkins; Pearl Capps now living in Arizona.

William Jackson died March 4, 1911. He and Elizabeth are both buried in the Atkins Cemetery.

Mack Daniel Jackson, first born of Elizabeth and William Jackson was born on July 5th, 1867. He married Martha Ann Scott (3-12-1867) from another pioneer Pope Co. family. They made their first home on Crow Mt. before moving to the Atkins area, eventually settling north of Atkins where Jay Jackson now lives. Children born to Mack and Martha Jackson include: Annie (Haney), Etta (Murdock), Ora (died as a young child), Ethel (Haney), Walsie (Long), Jay Jackson, Roy Jackson, Theta (Morton).

Mack once gave his Uncle Oscar Jackson 7 bu. of cottonseed for a pocket watch in 1903. A grandson, Charles now has the watch.

Mack Jackson was a life long farmer, farming part of the land in the Atkins bottom that had been passed down from his parents. Martha Ann died 12-30-1919 at the age of 52 and is buried in the Atkins Cemetery. Mack Jackson lived to be 76. He passed away May 1, 1944 and is buried beside Martha Ann in the Atkins Cemetery.

Roy Jackson recalls that as a boy, gypsies camped across the road from his father's farm, north of Atkins.

In 1924, Roy Jackson helped his father, Mack cut and haul gum logs from Mack's son-in-law's farm (Dr. Arther Haney) on Oak Creek to the mill in Atkins, to build a barn at his home in what is now the 400 block of Jackson St. in Atkins. In 1944, Roy Jackson had the barn moved to his farm on Route 2, Atkins. The barn still stands and is in daily use. Roy Jackson (5-9-1903) married Grace Alyene Martin (5-18-1907) on March 2, 1929,



MARTHA ANN (SCOTT) JACKSON, MACK DANIEL JACKSON IN 1917 MODEL CAR.

when Grace was a high school senior. They settled in the Atkins area, where Roy was already farming. They had 2 children, Charles Edward born Nov. 9, 1935 and Shirley Ann, born Nov. 14, 1937. In June of 1943, after the "big over-flow", Grace and Roy moved out of the bottom area to make their home on Route 2, south of Atkins, where Roy still lives. Roy continued to farm (part of the land being a portion of the land his father and grandfather had owned). He retired in 1975. Grace was active in church work and in the Atkins Home Demonstration Club until her death January 28, 1972.

Charles Jackson married Carolyn (Berry) of Dardanelle, June 2, 1957 in Fayetteville, Arkansas. They have one daughter, Kelly born July 24, 1965 in Bakersfield, Ca. After making their home in California for 15 years, they moved to Sanford, Fla. where they now reside. Charles is an entomologist, involved in agricultural chemical research.

Shirley Ann was married to Don Canerday of Russellville and had a son, Jon Jackson Canerday born March 10, 1956 in Russellville, Ark. Jon is now a senior at Arkansas Tech University. Shirley, now married to Frank Pickle is a teacher in the Atkins Public Schools and makes her home in Atkins.

by Charles E. Jackson

JOHN WESLEY JARNAGIN

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Delphia Elizabeth Gibson was born in Leslie, Searcy County, Arkansas, on September, 13, 1888. Died in Richmond, California, February 4, 1948.

After she was left an orphan on the death of her father, her mother had died a few years before, at the age of nine years she was put in the care of some people who were going to Russellville, in a covered wagon. She was the sister of Richard Gibson, who for many years was a coal miner in Russellville. He died in Russellville and is buried there.

At the age of sixteen she was married and returned to Leslie to live for a short time, but when her marriage ended in divorce she went back to Russellville, where she was employed by a Dr. Berryman for several years as a practical nurse.

In 1910 she married John Wesley Jarnagin. He and nine brothers and sisters were born in Clarksville, Arkansas. He died in Russellville in 1931 and is buried in the Jarnagin burial plot in Clarksville.

They had five daughters, three who survived. They are Edna Faye, Mary Louise and Ruth. All three received most of their schooling in Russellville. Louise graduated from Russellville High School in 1931, when it was located at the site of the Post Office, now. She married and moved to California, and still lives there. She and her husband have a small "ranch" there.

Edna married in Russellville and in 1943 she, her baby daughter, Harva Clubb, and our mother moved to California. Mother died in Richmond, California in 1948. Her body was

returned to Russellville for burial.

Ruth married Albert Watts, in Russellville, and except for a few years in Tennessee, has lived there ever since. Albert died there in 1976 and is buried there.

The Jarnagin family tree has been traced back to the early 1700s, and it shows that the family has been in Arkansas since late 1700s, or early 1800s.

by Mary Louise Jarnagin Childs

LEE JOBE

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Lee Jobe came to Pope County before 1875, as a young man and at the age of 18, married Jane Gilliam. He was a farmer and a member of the Free Will Baptist Church. After marrying, they moved to Enterprise, Indian Territory, and stayed a few years then moved back to Pope County, north of Atkins where he stayed until he passed away and is buried in the Shiloh Cemetery. Lee and Jane had three children: Roxie who married Jack Lewis; Will J., married Anna Byrum and Mack, who died about 1918 and had never married.

Will J. and Anna Byrum Jobe, belonged to the Free Will Baptist church and he was also a farmer, and a 32nd degree Mason. In 1904, he and his family made a trip to the Indian Territory, in a covered wagon to visit his father. They farmed there a few years and then moved back to Pea Ridge, north of Atkins, to raise his family. He was born in 1875 and died in 1950 and is buried at St. Joe cemetery on Pea Ridge. Anna Byrum Jobe was born in 1875 and died in 1925. Will and Anna were the parents of seven children: Ester who married Henry Loveless; Mack, married Clara Akins; William (Bill), married Bernice Cothren and they left Pope County in 1927, for the oil fields of Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana where he now resides; there was a girl who died about one and a half years old; John Adam Franklin who died in 1912; James Levoy, died in 1918 and Janie, who married Willie Skelton and they moved to California a few years ago, where he died and she came back to Pope County. They had four children: Paul, Billy; Gary and Janie who married David Clark.

Mack and Clara Akins Jobe were married in 1923 and they had one child: Donald Fay, who now lives in Racine, Wisconsin and he has three children; Debbie who married Marty Baker and they have one child and live in Pope County, near Appleton; Michael Don and Kirt Allen and both still live in Wisconsin.

Clara Jobe passed away May 9, 1946 and was buried in the Hudson Cemetery at Moreland. In July of 1949, Mack married Aleene Story Taylor. Mack farmed for a few years after he married and then started working for grocery stores, working for Ralph Ham in the store and in a cream station for eleven years then worked for A1 Grocery for eleven years and later went to work for the Russellville schools in the Junior High School cafeteria and worked there for eleven years. He then retired and now is doing a little carpenter work and painting.

by Mack Jobe

WILLIAM CHESTER JOHNSON

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William Chester Johnson was a grandson of O.H.P. Johnson who came to Pope County from Mississippi, before the civil war. O.H.P. Married the second time to Elizabeth Guest Barron and they were the parents of seven Children.

Rev. Richard M. Johnson, the second child of this marriage was born October 10, 1870. He married Florence Burris and they were the parents of Bertha, William Chester, Lester, Richard and Nora.

William Chester Johnson, born November 11, 1896, married Alice Venable. Chester (as he was called) was a farmer, lived most of his life on Isabell Creek in the Oak Grove Community. He attended school at Oak Grove and Church at the same place. He has always attended the Freewill Baptist Church. Chester and Alice were the Parents of Nine Children.

William Dolan, born February 5, 1920, Married Viva Rhea Blankenship in 1938. They have a daughter Lillian Louise who Married Troy Reid of Leola, Arkansas.

Elsie Lorene, born July 4, 1923, Married Hollie Gene Rackley in 1941. They were the parents of two children: Carl Gene, who Married J. Pearl Rowley, and Judy Ann.

Audra Ellen, born April 8, 1925, Married Ernest L. Powers in 1946. Ernest was elected as Pope County Clerk in the 1964 election and has served in that Office for the past 13 Years.

Betty Jewell, born March 19, 1927, Married Jack Powers in 1946. Jack is a brother to Audra's husband.

Nona Ruth, born May 25, 1929, Married Joe D. Baker in 1946. They are the Parents of one daughter, Lawanna Sue, who Married Clifford Earl Duvall.

Wilma Louise, Born May 9, 1931, Married Jerald Donald Burris in 1958. They are the Parents of two children; Jerry Lynn and Jan-nie Louise.

Dalton Fay, born July 25, 1935, Married Shirley Ruth Condley in 1957. They are the parents of two Children; Rhonda Denise and Lisa Renee.

Glenda Sue, born July 21, 1940, Married Billy Don Duvall in 1959. They are the parents of one daughter, Angela Kay.

Donald Ray, born May 31, 1947, Married Wilma Lorene Hill in 1966. They are the Parents of one Son, Brian Keith.

by Glenda Sue Duvall

DAVID McLIN JOHNSON

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David McLin Johnson was born June 19, 1811 in Tennessee. He married first to Elvira G. (Lee or Campbell?) and had the following children: Porter M. Johnson born April 30, 1835 married Susan M. Langford; Marion Henry Johnson born 1837 married Martha J. Gilbreath; James Y. Johnson born 1839; Elvira Elizabeth Johnson born 1841 married Thomas Palmer; David M. Johnson born 1843; and Lucien W. Johnson born 1847.

David McLin married second to Rebecca

Rose and had Granvil R. Johnson born 1854 married Kate Cudd; Dianora Johnson born 1857 married first to James Monroe Hickey and second to Green Partain.

David McLin's third marriage was to Martha Jane Lewis Brantly and they had Victoria Ann Johnson born 1865 married first to John L. Helderbrand and second to John Seeman; Martha Angeline Johnson born January 25, 1867 married Henry Owen; George M. Johnson born April 25, 1869; Anderson Lattie Johnson born December 27, 1870 married Mary Ellen Grace; and David McLin Johnson born June 2, 1872 married Belle Harris.

D.M. was a farmer, sawmiller and a member of the Masonic Order. He settled in Pope County, Arkansas along with two of his brothers in 1848. He later moved to Hagerville in Johnson County, Arkansas.

Some of the grandchildren of this early Pope Countian are: Mrs. Viola Johnson Cobb of Dover, Arkansas; Mrs. Alida Belle Johnson Bibler of Scottsville, Arkansas; Mrs. Connie Hickey McAlister of Dover, Arkansas; Mrs. Lillian Johnson Hankins of Russellville, Arkansas; Mrs. Juel Johnson Rentfro of Richmond, California; Mrs. Lura Owen Standridge of Dover, Arkansas; Mrs. Lola Mae Seeman Huckabee of Wichita, Kansas; and Mrs. Angeline Palmer Young of Plainview, Texas.

D.M. Johnson died May 21, 1872 and is buried at Hagarville Cemetary in Johnson County, Arkansas.

by C.L. Boyd

JEPHTHA JOHNSON

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The Jephtha Johnson family of Liberty Township, came from Kentucky to Pope County as early as 1840 according to the Federal Census. Jephtha (CA1780-1846) and his wife Sarah (1790-Between 1850-60) a native of South Carolina, were the parents of the following children; Pernice who married (1st) Ellis A. Gardner and (2nd) Daniel James; William S. who married Salinda Rankin; Jane who married a Phillips; Joel M. who married Frances A. Caudle; John W.; James C. who married Cincinnati Simpson, and another daughter who married a Guess and had a son Granderson Guess.

Joel M. Johnson, a son of Jephtha, (1822-1866) a native of Kentucky, was married 17 October 1844 in Pope County to Frances A. Caudle (1831-After 1880) a native of Tennessee. They also lived in Liberty Township and were the parents of Eliza, John T., William Elmore who married Martha A. Brown, Alfred W. who married Lucinda Barker, Sarah, Lydia V. who married Jesse I. Robertson, and Susan L..

William Elmore Johnson (1851-) a native of Arkansas and his wife Martha A. Brown (1855-) a native of Arkansas were married 10 January 1879 in Pope County where they lived in Liberty Township. They were the parents of Mary G., Stephen, William Harrison who married Saletha Ellen Jones, Luly Ann who married Jack Morris, Liz who married George Kerns, Polly who married Dave Morris

and Jenny who married a Watkins.

William Harrison Johnson (1876-1953) a native of Arkansas and his wife Saletha Ellen Jones (1874-1953) were married 25 Dec. 1895 at the home of her parents. They were the parents of Lyda LueVernia, who died young, Norm May who married George Martin Laffoon, Charley Perry who married Eval Jenkins, Iah Gertrude who married Sidney Floyd McCain, Alfred Wayne who married (1st) Bertie Hatley (2nd) Ruth Young, Lyda Laverna who married Trebor Burris, Robert Elmore who married (1st) Nellie Hatley, (2nd) Edna (Roach) Eakin, Allie Loyce and Alta Tennessee who died young, and William Dallas who married Kathryn Bullock. They lived in Cottonwood Community out of Dover.

William H. & Ellen Johnson's descendants who still call Pope County their home are Robert Elmore Johnson, Iah G. (Johnson) McCain and Norma May (Johnson) Laffoon of Dover; and children of Robert Elmore and Nellie Johnson, Avanel (Johnson) Hottinger, James Elmo Johnson and his children James Russell and Robin Suzanne, Robert Kirksey Johnson and his children Deborah Sue and James William, and Jerry Johnson.

by James E. Johnson

PERRY JOHNSON

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Perry Johnson, born in Mississippi, moved to Tennessee, then to Arkansas, before the Civil War. He was born Sept. 6, 1836, died July 31, 1920. He was a Corporal in Co. G, 1st Ark. Cav. (C.S.A.) during the civil war. Two brothers came to Arkansas with him, Kirk and Cebe. Soon after 1900, Kirk was shot by mistake. The person doing the killing was laying for some one else but it was night, so he mistook Kirk for this person. Cebe, lived just across Gumlog on Highway #105, for several years but later moved to Ohio.

Mr. Perry Johnson raised his family on Isabelle Creek close to Oak Grove. He was married before the war to Elizabeth Strickland who died shortly after the war with fever and he later married Betty Baron. She was a Guest before marrying Mr. Baron, who died while in the war. They married about 1867, had several children: Henry; Richard Morgan, who went by R.M. and "Doc", married Florence Burris; Sarah, married Grant Brown; Sam, married a Sweeden; Tom, Also married a Burris; Oyl, married Mary Whorton; the youngest, George, married Ida Akin.

In 1901, R.M., bought 200 acres of land below Oak Grove, where he raised his family. Bertha was born in 1895; Chester, 1896; Henry, 1899; Richard, 1901; and Nora, 1909. They farmed, ran a general store, where they kept everything from clothes to hardware and most anything a person needed. They also had a blacksmith shop and a grist mill, where they did work for other people. The boys always thought their dad was a little hard on them for all the work they had to do and especially on Saturday afternoon when the neighbor boys would be going swimming and they had to work.

Mr. Johnson was also a preacher and a lot

of times he would have to leave on Saturday afternoon to make his appointment, thus leaving Mrs. Johnson, in charge of the store and the boys dividing the shop and grist mill work. That is the way they were brought up, to work hard and make an honest dollar. They worked six days a week and went to church on Sunday.

Mr. Johnson was a lover of Gospel music but had never had the opportunity to learn music so he hired W.F. McGee, to teach the first music school at the Oak Grove Church. When it was raining and the family couldn't work, they would gather around and start singing. Singing was their biggest recreation.

Richard Johnson, fourth child of R.M. Johnson, married Velma Pierce, daughter of Marsh and Stella Pierce who lived on Pea Ridge, February 19, 1928. He farmed and did logging work and hauled stave bolts and cross ties, mostly in wagons. In 1945, he moved to Russellville to work in a garage for Wesley Carlisle. He worked with Mr. Carlisle and his son L.D., until L.D. took a government job and Richard moved in a building next to Ralph Hamm's store on North Arkansas Ave., and worked for himself until 1962. That year, the Russellville Schools built their first bus garage and they hired Richard to work there and he did so eight years. On October 26, 1968, Mrs. Johnson died and he worked one more year then retired.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson had three children; Dolphus, married Lillian Howie and they lived near Russellville; Gwendlyn, married Herbert E. Singleton and they live on Linker Mountain; Dorothy Lee, married Harold Griffith and they live in Missouri.

by Richard Johnson

PORTER MONROE JOHNSON

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PORTER MONROE AND SUSAN LANGFORD JOHNSON

Porter Monroe Johnson was the son of David McLinn Johnson, born in Tenn., June 11, 1811, died May 21, 1872 and was buried in Hagerville Cemetery in Johnson Co., Ark. He came to Pope County, Ark. from Tenn. ca. 1847. He was married in Tenn., to Elvira G. Campbell (?) who was born in Tenn. in 1810. My grandfather, Porter Monroe Johnson, David McLinn's Oldest child, was born April 30, 1835, in Tenn. and died April 24, 1918 and is buried at Boiling Springs Campground cemetery near Hector, Pope Co. My grandfather's brother (also born in Tenn. 1837) was Marion Henry Johnson. Both my grandfather and his brother Henry reared their families in Pope County.

When they were about 17 and 15 years of age, they drove cattle for a Captain Russell to Calif., ca. 1852, and panned for gold for a few years. They returned to Pope County, Ark., my grandfather bringing some of the gold nuggets with him. My grandfather, Porter Monroe Johnson married Susan B. Langford Oct. 14, 1873, who was born March 3, 1850 and died Nov. 6, 1910. She is buried in Boiling Springs cemetery. David McLinn's second wife was Rebecca Rose.

David and Rebecca Johnson had two children, Granville Johnson, 1850 and Dinora Johnson, 1857. Dinora was married twice. First to James Hickey and later to Green Partain, both of Pope Co. She had children by both husbands and they were all reared in Pope Co. She was buried in Pope Co. Granville married and raised his family in Johnson Co. and is buried there. David McLinn married a third time to Martha Jane Lewis Blantley. They had five children, Victoria, Martha, George M., Anderson Lattie, and David M., all of which raised their families in Johnson Co. Anderson Lattie, has a grandson, C.L. Boyd, living in Dover who did most of the research for this article.

My grandfather's brother, Henry, raised his family in Pope Co. and he is buried at Broomfield, north of Dover, Ark. He was listed in Pope Co. census as having been a dry goods merchant in Scottsville, Ark. (Pope Co.)

Porter Monroe, my grandfather, was a farmer, however his father David McLinn was a doctor. I don't know about his certification but his old doctor books are still in the family with some of my relatives. He was also a Master Mason. The emblem of Free Masons is on his gravestone. My grandfather and grandmother had ten children:

Elvira Catherine, born July 30, 1874, died Sept. 18, 1880.

Albert Sidney, born Oct. 11, 1875, died June 25, 1932, in Calif., and is buried there. He married Margaret Hickman of Hector who was also buried in Calif. They had three daughters all living in Calif., Lola Johnson, Okla Hutchins and Bessie Bennett.

Edward Porter, born Sept. 4, 1877, died May 3, 1880.

Margerate Arlettie, born Jan. 21, 1879, died Jan. 27, 1963 in Calif. She married Byron Friar of Pope Co. and both are buried in Calif. They had two sons, Burl deceased and Tom, living in Calif.

Lucian William, born April 18, 1882, at Hector, Pope Co., died Mar. 9, 1970, in Calif. He was married to Willie Hickman in Hector, and both are buried in Calif. They have three children living in Calif., Haney, Clyde and Adele Linwebber.

Emarene, born Dec. 3, 1884, died Mar. 1885.

Maranda Viola, (my mother) born Oct. 25, 1880, still living — celebrated her 97th birthday in 1977. She married Almous Charles Cobb, Nov. 22, 1908. He was born in Dover, July 18, 1876 and died Aug. 4, 1964 and is buried in Dover. They had three children: Zella Mae Cobb, who has taught school in Pope and Yell Counties for over 40 years, still living in Dover. Golan H. Cobb, married DeLois Vick of Russellville and now lives in Little Rock

where he works for A.S.C. They have a son, Calvin who lives with his wife Wanda in Gulfport, Miss. They also have a daughter, Janet, married to Bill Clement, who is presently band director of Atkins Public Schools. Janet teaches music there too. Doyle Monroe Cobb, who lives with his wife Linda in St. Petersburg, Fla. He has a son Richard and a daughter Jana, who married Nickolaus Millar. They also live in St. Petersburg. Richard is with I.R.S. and Jana teaches the 4th grade.

Ethel Mae Johnson, born Aug. 27, 1885, died June 15, 1970. She was married to Samuel C. Turnbow of Hector. They are both buried in Russellville Cemetery. They had three children: Lelan, a Presbyterian minister, who died in 1940. Calvin, a social studies teacher at North Eastern College in Tahlequah, Okla., and Leveta, (Mrs. R.L. Graves) of Benton, Ark. R.L. was Supt. of Schools in Pope Co. several years.

Bessie Melvina Johnson, born July 11, 1887, died Nov. 6, 1905, buried in Boiling Springs Cemetery.

Samuel Clifton Johnson, born May 3, 1890, died Oct. 24, 1967, buried in Langford Cemetery near Scottsville, Pope Co. He married Ollie Meek, March 6, 1914. She was born in Tenn., but lived most of her life in Pope County, and still lives in Russellville with her son, Lelan, who has been a jeweler at Shepard's for the past 23 years. There are children besides Lelan. Chester, living in Long Beach, Calif. He and his wife, Lee, have two daughters, Linda and Lanette. He has a daughter, Sherry, by a previous marriage. Leo Susan died Dec. 12, 1976. She was married to Verless Light. They made their home in Pine Bluff. She is buried there. They have a daughter, Karen, not living in Pope Co. Stanford of Scottsville married Ruth Cochran of near Hector. They have six children; Kenneth, married to Vickie Jones has 2 children, Denise and Kevin. They live in Russellville. Bobby Joe married to Teressa Jones has 4 children, Steven, Stanley, Angela Ruth and B.J. They live in Dover, Ark. Ronnie has one son, Michael. Dennis and Donna have one son, Dennis Lynn. Sandra, a senior in Hector High School and Doyle Wayne still in school. Lamoyne, who married Winfred West (now deceased) has five children. Anna Lou married Jim Boswell has four children and lives in Millington, Tenn. Patti married to Ralph Hart and have three children and live in Rosebud, Ark. James and Boyce live in North Carolina. Ina lives in Russellville and Anita lives at home. Lamoyne then later married Wanda Johnston and they live in Russellville. The older children finished Russellville High School.

The Johnson's were mostly farmers, however, Allen and Lucean were carpenters. Some were teachers — all were hard-working honest people.

by Zella Mae Cobb

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William J. Johnson and wife Elizabeth P.



JAMES H. JOHNSON

who were born and raised in Giles County, Tenn. with their four children, slaves, household goods, and farming tools came to Arkansas in 1859 with a caravan of other settlers who were coming west to seek a new home. They settled two miles north of the now Atkins at the foot of Crow Mountain. The children who came from Tenn. were — William who when grown married Nancy Dixon in Aug 1873, Children were Thomas, Leona, Ben and Katie. Martha married Alfred Dixon in Sept. 1875. Josephine married Tom Cook in July 1874 and John married Mary Dollar in Feb. 1878 — children Walter, Florence, Maudie, Birdie, Pearl, Kate, Ernest and Lester. Martha and Alfred Dixon had one daughter, Tom Cook and Josephine had two children, Mattie and Reece.

The children that were born in Arkansas were Fredonia who married William Travis. Their children were Susan, Clarence, Otis, Esther, Carrie, Pearl, Maye and Joe. George W. died, never married. Elizabeth who married John Reid had one child, Lois. James H. who married Sarah E. Pew in 1894, they had one child, Amye. He later married Margery Fryer in 1913, one child James H. Jr was born to them. Robert H. married Ada Gibson, Their children were Eula, Wincy, Albin, Claren, Deanie, Christine, Mary A., Emma who never married died as a teenager. And Paul who married Minnie Evans, their children were Euna, Florette, Herman, Joe, Leo, Harvey and Pauline. Children of William and Elizabeth Johnson married Arkansas pioneers, their children did after becoming Arkansas citizens, by birth or migration.

William J. Johnson was a farmer. He served in the Civil war in Co. 6 4th Reg. Arkansas Cavalry from 1863 to 1865. In the latter part of 1880's he took his wife Elizabeth, children George, Elizabeth, Emma, James and Paul to Corsicana, Texas to make a new home for his family, but soon his wife Elizabeth, son George and daughter Emma died with T.B. and are buried there. William J. came back to Pope County near the place he first settled in 1859 to live out the rest of his life, died in 1899 and is now buried in Oakland Cemetery near by.

The Johnson children attended school at Oakland school that was north of the now Atkins. None of them went to College but my father James H. Johnson who went to the University of Arkansas and received a B.A.



SARAH ELIZABETH PEW JOHNSON

degree in 1894. He taught school around over the County and at Argenta now N. Little Rock while attending the University Law school at Little Rock from 1899, receiving his Doctor of Law degree in 1904. He taught the 6th grade at the new red brick Atkins school that was opened in the fall of 1904. Also teaching a two months summer term of school in 1905 at Oakland school. He practiced law until 1921 when he became Post master of Atkins Post Office. He had the largest Law Library of any one in Pope county. He died with Brights disease in March 1925 and is buried in City cemetery at Atkins.

Amye the only daughter of James H. and Sarah E. Johnson was born on August 18th 1898 — was born near old Galley Rock in the river bottom. Her mother Sarah Pew Johnson died in 1899 and she was raised by her maternal grandmother Margaret Reed Pew one and a half miles north east of Atkins.

William J. Johnson owned and operated a cotton gin run by horse power. He and his sons fed cotton into the feed boards by hand. He with many other pioneers left a great heritage in Pope County.

by Mrs. Amye J. McGraw

ZACHRIAH JOHNSON

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Zachriah Johnson was the father of O.H.P. Johnson, who was born in Mississippi, September 19, 1836. O.H.P. and two brothers, Cephus and Kirk migrated to Pope County, Arkansas, before the Civil War. O.H.P. Johnson married Elizabeth Strickland and they had one child: John Johnson. O.H.P. later married Elizabeth Guest Barron, Feb. 21, 1867, by W.A. Strickland and they had seven children.

Henry Johnson, born March 4, 1868, married Lara Hice and he died Feb. 12, 1910. He and Lara Hice Johnson were the parents of: Oliver Johnson, who married Ocie Virden; Ernest Johnson, married Ethel Kimbell; and Lucy Johnson, married Elmer Hopson.

Rev. Richard M. Johnson, born Oct. 10, 1870, died July 31, 1946. He married Flor-

ence Burriss and they were the parents of: Bertha Johnson, married Andrew Isbell; Chester Johnson, married Alice Venable; Lester Johnson, married Stella Jobe; Richard Johnson, married Velma Pierce; Nora Johnson, married Edward Virden.

Rev. Samuel Johnson, born Sept. 26, 1872, died July 14, 1909. He was married to Nan Sweeden and they were the parents of: Elmer, who married Alsie Bevers; Della, married Sam Bevers; Esther, married Printis Moss; Rhea, who married Clyde Poteet.

Sarah Johnson, born Dec. 15, 1875, married Grant Brown and she died Feb. 24, 1948. Sarah Johnson and Grant Brown were the parents of: Emma; Cassie, who married Chester Kinder, Golda, married Homer Eakin.

Rev. Thomas Johnson, born Oct. 28, 1878, married Martha Burriss and he died Aug. 4, 1957. He and Martha were the parents of: Lloyd, married Gertie Kinder and Zula, who married J.N. Hice.

Oliver Johnson, born July 4, 1882, died in Feb. of 1919. He married Mary Horton and they were the parents of: Alta; Vestie, married Ed Venable; Lila, married Monroe Davis; Ollie, married Otto McGuire.

George Johnson, born Oct. 30, 1884, died May 11, 1954. He married Ida Eakin and they were the parents of: Zella, married Clarence Davis; Odell, married Hazel Mullins; Eula married Archie Mills.

by Richard Johnson

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Mr. and Mrs. William Henry Johnston

William Henry Johnston was a son of James Marion Johnston, who was born July 19, 1837 and died June 6, 1912. He served in both the Confederate and Union forces during

the Civil War. First fought as a Confederate soldier and became very ill with pneumonia during a retreating action and had to be left behind, was captured by the advancing Union forces, nursed back to health while a prisoner and later joined the Union Army. He is buried beside his second wife at the Johnston Cemetery, 7 miles north of Goodlett, Texas, on land he dedicated as a cemetery from his homestead.

Manervy J. (Schradear) Johnston, born May 14, 1847 died Jan. 5, 1863. She was the first wife of James Marion and they were married Oct. 9, 1858 and she is buried at Williamsburgh, Kentucky. Died when the second son was fifteen days old. Her two children were: William Henry "Big Henry" Johnston, born April 6, 1861 and Emanuel Johnston, born Dec. 21, 1862.

Lucinda (Hatfield) Johnston, born Aug. 31, 1847, died Nov. 26, 1911. She was the second wife of James Marion Johnston and was married Aug. 5, 1866. She was the daughter of one of the Hatfield family of the famous family feud in Kentucky and Tennessee between the "Hatfields and McCoys".

William Henry and George Washington Johnston, sons of James Marion Johnston, originally from Kentucky, lived and reared large families in Pope County, Arkansas.

George W. married Malissie Louranda Bolton of Mulberry (Crawford Co.). They lived in the Harley community from 1901 until 1911, than at Moreland and Hickey Town before moving to California. Their children were: Walter, Bessie, Jim, Luvenia, Alta, Enzy, Hat-tie, Flora, Mayme, Odus and Jewell.

William Henry married Julia Ann Barron, Oct. 2, 1881. She was the step-daughter of O.H.P. (Uncle Perry Johnston) of the Oak Grove Community, east of Moreland. Her mother was Mary Elizabeth Guest, who first married Jason Barron who died of natural causes while serving in the Civil War. Soon after their marriage they built a home near Oak Grove where they raised 10 of their 11 children to be grown and married. They were charter members of the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist church, established in the late 1880's. The children received all their schooling at Oak Grove. Their children were: Jace, married Mary White; Will married Minnie Clemons; Belle married R.C. Teague; Ola married Joe Isbell; Alice married Tom Arnold; John married Ethel Witt; Maggie married W.S. Isbell; Lee married Sindie Ennis; Lillie married George Venable; Arthur married Roxie Ennis; and Julious Grant died in infancy.

Their third son (John) was one of the first to die with the flu in 1918; and John's youngest son, Elvie, was a Free Will Baptist minister, who because of health problems went to Florida in 1953 and organized and built three churches before he died in 1965. The first as at Aurbandale, then Haines City, and Lake Wales, where he was pastoring when he passed away. Another grandson, Geno Johnston, is also a Free Will Baptist minister, who with many other relatives still live at Oak Grove and attend the church that their grandparents helped to establish.

William H. Johnston was a Deacon of the Oak Grove church and was probably elected at

the organization of the church. He died Sept. 13, 1916 at the age of 55 and his wife died at the age of 73, Nov. 26, 1934.

by Rev. W.S. Isbell

MEREDITH JOLLEY

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Meredith Jolley and Nancy Logan Jolley were the parents of Thomas Meredy, born 18 June 1838, and Dulcena, born 27 January 1834. Dulcena married Carter Burgess. She died 22 June 1934 at the age of one hundred and is buried in Burgess cemetery. Thomas Jolley was married to Easter Burgess, a sister of Carter Burgess. They had a son named Thomas Mack C. born 28 September 1865, in Cleveland county N.C. He was wed to Malissa Jane Smith, 24 February 1889, in Pope County. Malissa was born, 3 September 1870 to Gillum and Mary Brooks Smith, near Mill Creek.

Malissa Jolley bore 13 children, they were: Vant L., Clayton A., Al Cammeron, Don M., Gertha B., Lee Roy, E. Lloyd, N. Chester, Dortha B., Maxie Jane, Ethel and Joseph L. died in childhood, and one, unnamed, died at birth.

Mack and Malissa lived in Pope county most of their lives. Late in life he ran a second hand store on North Arkansas Avenue. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home in Russellville on N. Knoxville Road. They were married a little over 54½ years when he died, 24 September 1943. She was living with a daughter in Ventura CA, 12 April 1955, when she died. They are buried at East Point cemetery.

Vant was married, 27 August 1911, to Shellie Florence Shinn, daughter of Silas M. and Mary B. (Carr) Shinn. Shellie was born in Pope county 27 July 1889.

Vant and Shellie had five children: Arvel Littleton, born 29 January 1913, died 6 September 1914, after a bad accident. His mother and father were making jelly, his father was tightening a lid on a jar when it slipped out of his hands and spilled on the toddler. He lived only a few days after this. Velma B., born, 10 September 1915, S. Irene, born 27 January 1918, and V. Neal, born 29 August 1920, and an infant daughter died at birth 6 June 1930.

Velma married Ernest Smith, from Yell county, 22 September 1934. They have one daughter Frances C., born 25 December 1940. She is the wife of William L. Ellis. They have three sons, William S., born 15 December 1962, Jeffery L., born 26 December 1964, and David L., born 13 September 1968.

Irene became the bride of James A. Rachel, 22 July 1939, on the front lawn of Mrs. Lillie Rachel. Mrs. Rachel's daughter Faye was married to Lloyd Smith the same Saturday afternoon.

James and Irene have three daughters, Nilene F. Zell J. and Retia G. Zell is married to Johnnie H. Lewis, Jr. She has a step daughter, J. Ruth, born 13 July 1960, and a son Gary Ray, born 22 February 1970.

Neal was married 1 December 1949 to Billie

J. Barham of Atkins. Neal died 13 December 1973. He was survived by his wife and four sons, Glenn N. Willis Ray, Don Edward, and Billie Van.

Glenn is married to Elizabeth Snow. Ray is married to Jeanette Shaddon. They have one daughter Charity Michell, born 28 December 1975.

by Zell R. Lewis

THOMAS MACK C. JOLLEY

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The latter part of the eighteenth century Thomas S. Jolley, born June 18, 1838, and Easter Burgess Jolley (wife) born September 11, 1839, came to this part of the country from Tennessee, and settled near Russellville. The family of six girls and one boy were born in North Carolina, and Tennessee, are: Cynthia (Cynth) . . . never married; Cassandra (Cass) . . . never married; Freddie I. (Fred) . . . married Charlie Murberger; June . . . married Alf Murberger; Louisa (Lou) . . . married Sam Runion; Katrina (Kitty) . . . married, August John.

Thomas Mack C. Jolley, the son was born in North Carolina, September 28, 1865. The mother, Easter Burgess Jolley, died August 30, 1906, near age 67 years. The father, Thomas S. Jolley, died November 30, 1913, age 75 years.

The son: Mack C. Jolley, as he always signed, received his schooling, and grew to manhood here in Pope County, and on February, 24, 1889, in the Shinn home with James R. Shinn as J.P. officiating, he was married to Malissa Jane Smith, an only daughter of Gillum, and Mary Ann Brooks Smith, another pioneer family of this area. Ellen Shinn and Eli Smith, brother of the bride, were the only attendants. Malissa Jane Smith, was born September 3, 1870.

The couple lived their entire married life in Pope County, they celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their home in the 500, block of what is now known as North Knoxville Street in Russellville.

Uncle Mack, as he was called by his friends and associates, was affiliated with three fraternal orders, Masons, Odd Fellows and Woodmen of the World. He was a progressive farmer, and the early part of the 1900's, he suffered a severe accident with some farm machinery, getting the right hand mangled resulting in the loss of some of the fingers. He took the prize on different occasions for his, "sorghum molasses," made from cane he grew and processed with his own equipment.

He operated his own well drilling machinery and sunk many water wells for people in Pope and adjoining counties.

He owned and operated his own saw mill and timber equipment and with his sons was active in the timber business in this and other counties of the state for several years.

He was a faithful supporter and promoter of civic and school affairs, and was an active member and president of the Mountain Springs School district on Norristown Mountain when that district was consolidated with the Russellville Public School district. The

rock building with the names of the members of the board on the corner stone, built during his administration, still stands in 1978, and is now used by the town of Norristown, as one of their public buildings. Then during county fair time, when the accompanying carnival shows set up their "booths" and "horror houses" on main street in downtown Russellville between the streets now named "Denver" and "Arkansas" Avenue, where the huge round watering tank stood. Uncle Mack pleased the youngsters by setting up the first machine in this area to make "cotton candy" for them. This was demanded on other public occasions.

The last years in public service Uncle Mack owned and operated his own second hand store on North Arkansas Avenue, in the location of what is now a part of the city mall. Because of ill health he was forced to retire in 1938, and sold the business to James A. Ford, who later moved to South Arkansas Avenue, where he is still in business.

Uncle Mack was an avid fisherman and spent his leisure hours fishing after retiring.

Mack C. Jolley died September 24, 1943, at the home of a daughter, Dortha Powell, address at that time was 1019, South Ithica, Russellville. He was four days short of 78 years, and preceded his wife almost 12 years.

Malissa Jane Smith Jolley died, April, 12, 1955, at the home of the daughter Dortha Powell, then living at 145 South Hemlock, Ventura, California. She was nearing her 85th birthday.

They were both laid to rest in the East Point Cemetery, in this county. Mack C. and Malissa J. Jolley were blessed with a large family of children, 9 boys and 4 girls. Three of the children died early in life, a girl, Ethel and a boy, Joseph, lived several months, but the other boy, unnamed died shortly after birth.

The 10, surviving to adulthood, their spouses parent of their children are: Vant L., married Shellie Shinn . . . 5 children . . . father, mother, and 3 child. deceased Clayton A. . . . Clara Evans . . . 5 children all living . . . father deceased. Al Cameron . . . Ida Moore . . . 6 children . . . father, mother and 1 child deceased. Mack Donald . . . Lillie Brown . . . 5 children . . . father and 1 child deceased. Girtha Bethi . . . John Fulford . . . 5 children . . . father, mother and 1 child deceased. Lee Roy . . . Violet Pruitt . . . 3 children . . . father and 1 child deceased. Espy Loyd . . . Vera Chappell . . . no children . . . husband deceased. Nin Chester . . . Anna Eloise Dinwiddie . . . no children . . . both living. Dortha Beatrice . . . Festus H. Powell Sr. . . . 2 children . . . parents and children living. Maxine Jane . . . Glenn G. Moore . . . 4 children . . . father and 3 children deceased.

As of June 1978, only 3 of the above children of the Mack C. Jolley family are living, 1 boy, and 2 girls, they are, N.C. (Chester) the boy, and Dortha Beatrice, and Maxine Jane, the girls.

N.C. Jolley, now lives in Springfield, Oregon, and Maxine J., who is now Mrs. Leonard Peterson, Route 1, Dover Arkansas. by Dortha B. Powell Shofstall

THOMAS MEREDY JOLLEY 398

Thomas Meredy Jolley born June 18, 1838 Cleveland County, N.C. He was one of 10 children raised there on the Jolley Plantation. He married Easter Louise Burgess.

According to the Cleveland County Census 1850 Thomas Meredy Jolley Born June 18, 1838, Easter Louise (Burgess) Jolley born 1840 Cleveland County N.C. Thomas Meredy Jolley served in the war between the North and South. He was a Recruit for Company F 8th Georgia Inf. C.S.A. He was in the Battles of Lookout Mt. and Chickamauga. When the war was over, he and his wife and children together with his sister Dulcena (Jolley) Burgess and her husband Carter Burgess and their children, loaded their worldly possessions in covered wagons and started for Arkansas. They arrived in the Fall of 1872 in Illinois Township Pope County, 4 miles North of London, Arkansas. They got land and built a Log house.

Carter Burgess, Wife and Children, Went on North from there close to Big Piney Creek, and settled there. Thomas Meredy Jolley and wife raised 7 children who got married and had families of their own.

Mark Carter Jolley Born Sept. 27, 1865 Cleveland County, N.C., Lou (Runion) Jolley Born 1867 Cleveland County, N.C., Kitty (John) Jolley Born 1869 Cleveland County, N.C., Tennie (Shafer) Jolley Born 1871 Tennessee, Fred (Murberger) Born 1873 London, Arkansas, Lilly (Bookout) Jolley Born 1875 London, Arkansas, Lona (Clark) Jolley Born 1877 London, Arkansas.

Mack Carter Jolley married Malisa Jane Smith, Daughter of Gillum George Smith, who lived in the Ball Hill Community, near Millcreek. They bought 40 acres of land joining Grandpa Jolleys place on West side. They got timber off the place and had lumber sawed at Mr. Jeff Smith saw mill to build their house.

The had 13 Children 8 boys and 5 girls of which 10 lived to have Families of their own.

My Father farmed untill I was 14 years old. Then he sold out and bought a sawmill and went into the lumber Business. We moved to Noristown Mt. 1918, Dad put the Sawmill on Mr. Frasher Moore place and cut lots of lumber. We bought a place at the foot of Noristown Mt. West of Russellville, Ark.

They have three Children still living. Dorothy Shofstall 1123 N Greenwich Ave. Russellville, Ark. Maxine Peterson Route One, Dover, Arkansas. Nen C. Jolley and Anna E. Jolley 1577 1st St. Springfield, Oregon.

by Nen C. Jolley

VERNIS NEAL JOLLEY 399

Vernis Neal Jolley was born, 29 August 1920, at Mill Creek, Pope county, to Vant L and Shellie F. (Shinn) Jolley. Both Vant's and Shellie's parents were early pioneer settlers of Pope county. Neal was the fourth child born to his parents. Arvil the oldest died early in

life, and a baby sister died at birth. Neal's two surviving sisters are Velma (Jolley) Smith and Irene (Jolley) Rachel.

Neal was drafted into World War II the 11 September 1942. He and a friend William L. Sims left Russellville the same day. He was discharged 10 December 1945 at Jefferson, Missouri.

Neal worked for Arkansas Power and Light Company in the early 1950's, but quit to return to farming. He and his father had a peach orchard, and raised cucumbers for the Atkins Pickle plant. They also raised sorghum cane. In the fall when the cane was ready for harvest it would be striped, topped, cut and hauled to, the family, sorghum mill where the juice was extracted and cooked to make sorghum syrup. For a number of years this was the only sorghum mill in the community and farmers from miles around would haul their sorghum cane here to have it made into sorghum syrup. This mill was used until 1965.

Neal was wed to Billie Jean Barham, of Atkins, 1 December 1949. Billie was the daughter of Willis and Maxie (Garrigus) Barham. Neal and Billie lived on the land deeded to him by his mother. The land was deeded to Shellie from her father Silas M. Shinn who homesteaded it.

Neal and Billie were the parents of five sons: Glenn Neal, Born 15 September 1950, Willis Ray, born 14 September 1953, Paul Wayne, born 11 July 1954 — died 13 July 1954, Don Edward, born 31 July 1957, and Billie Van, born 9 August 1960.

Glenn Neal married Elizabeth Rose Snow, 30 June 1972. Elizabeth is the daughter of Nolan and Clara Dell (Galentine) Snow.

Willis Ray married Pasty Janette Shaddon 29 February 1975. Janette is the daughter of Samuel Eugene and Peggy Janette (Pazdura) Shaddon. On the 28 December 1975 Ray and wife were blessed with a beautiful baby daughter — Charity Michelle.

Neal died 13 December 1973 at St. Mary's Hospital. He is buried at Booher cemetery.

by Ray Jolley

ALEXANDER MARSHAL JONES 400

Harold A. Jones, Ena Annette Thompson, Hazel Maxwell. Thomas Benton Jones, Jane Keenan, Quentin H. Jones, Billy W. Jones, and Nell Norris are the eight living children of Alexander Marshal Jones and Avice Idona Kendrick who were married on Crow Mountain — where they were both born and reared — at the home of Robert Scott, Elder in the Mars Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church and J.P., on March 23, 1904. Avice, born February 15, 1887, was the daughter of Isaac Morris Kendrick and Hannah Elizabeth Jackson. Isaac was born in Tennessee October 9, 1843 and was brought to Pope County as a baby. He died at Atkins December 2, 1925. His mother, Ann, was born in South Carolina. His father was probably Jesse whose will is on file in the Pope County Court House, he having died in 1849. Hannah Elizabeth, born September 20, 1855 — died March 12, 1944 — was the daughter of An-

derson and Nancy Jackson. The Jacksons were both born in Tennessee, he having been born February 18, 1819 — died January 14, 1888 and she was born April 2, 1818 — died January 11, 1882. They lived on Crow Mountain before the Civil War. The Kendricks and the Jacksons are buried in the Haskins Cemetary on the mountain in marked graves. Anderson was a Mason.

Alexander Marshal Jones — born April 20, 1883 died January 31, 1957 — was the son of Alexander Garrison Jones and Ellen Ann Williamson who were married November 3, 1868 in Yell County. Ellen Ann was born April 2, 1849 in Pope County, died May 12, 1931. She was the daughter of George W. Williamson and Ellenor Steele. Ellen Ann's parents came to Pope County shortly before her birth. George W. was born in Tennessee January 29, 1811 while Ellenor was born in Virginia in 1815. They were early land owners in Pope County but lived in Yell County during the Civil War. They returned to the Crow Mountain Area shortly after the War. George W. died November 4, 1876 while Ellenor lived to October 8, 1881. He was a Cumberland Presbyterian Minister, Ellenor was listed as a Charter Member of the Center Point Cumberland Presbyterian Church on Gumlog in 1878. They are buried in the Shiloh-Williamson Cemetary in unmarked graves. Alexander Garrison Jones was the son of Jonathan Jones — born South Carolina 1800 — and Rebecca Garrison — born Hall County Georgia 1808. Alexander was born Montgomery County Illinois March 31, 1849 and died March 3, 1920. He and Ellen Ann are buried in the Bowden Cemetary on the Mountain in marked graves. He was brought to Yell County in the Delaware vicinity in the mid 1850's and moved to Crow Mountain before 1870 with the Williamson's and lived there with his wife till death. They Homesteaded land in the mid 1870's one mile west of the Mars Hill Church. He and Ellen Ann were Charter Members of the Center Point Church and the Mars Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church at its orgini-zation in 1891. Avice still lives and the eight surviving children live in the Pottsville-Crow Mountain vicinity.

by B.W. Jones

BEN JONES 401

Ben Jones of Pope County, Arkansas married Mary Ellen (Ella) Talkington, granddaughter of Issac M. Harkey. Issac had married Marion (Mira) Shinn, daughter of Silas and Elizabeth Little Shinn, early settlers of Pope County. Their daughter, Hester A. Harkey married C.B. Talkington and they moved to Round Rock in 1869 where their children were born.

Ben and Mary Ellen Jones lived at Piney near Dover where their first child, Mamie was born in 1889. When she was just a small child they moved to a farm at Round Rock, east of what is now Highway #7, where their other children were born.

Pearl Jones who married George Linker and lived in Pope County on Linker Mountain

until the 1930's and they moved to New Orleans, Louisiana, where they now live. They had three children, Odell, Junior and Lorraine.

Homer Jones married Norma Ewing and lived in Pope County all of their lives except a few years in Oklahoma. Homer and Norma had two daughters, Madelene, who married Ellis Dunlop, and they live in Kirby, Arkansas. Martha Ellen married Jack Faulkner of Russellville and they live in Little Rock. Homer is now deceased.

Jessie Jones married James Smith and remained in Pope County all their lives. James and Jessie had four children: R.L., who died overseas; Doyle Britten, who lives with them; Delores, married Dewey Buffington and they live at Little Rock; Mary Ellen, is married to Jerry Williams and they live in Houston, Texas.

Roy Jones married Mildred Karnes and they lived in Pope County until the 1940's when they moved to California. Roy is now deceased. He and Mildred Jones had two children, Billy Roy and Ruby Jean. Ruby Jean married J.D. Boley of Dover and they now live in Modesto, California.

Mamie Jones married Silas Hamilton in 1906 and they had two children, my sister and I. (Ruth Owens.) Jessie Lea was born in the Boston Mountains in 1907. I was born in 1914 in Pope County just east of Highway #7 between Round Rock and Dover. When I was two years of age, my parents moved to Oklahoma and came back to Round Rock when I was six. I attended school at Round Rock until my mother Mamie Jones Hamilton married again to Clarence Reynolds at Gravel Hill. I went to school there until I was fifteen and I then went to Paris, Arkansas and stayed with my sister and attended school there until I married William Taylor Gattis. We had three children; Billy Gene, Bobby Ray and Karen Sue.

In 1950, William died and I was left with three children to raise and my sister and her husband helped me in a great way. In 1964, my sister, who had married Clyde Owens, was killed in an automobile accident along with her daughter-in-law and grandson. In 1966, Clyde and I married and soon moved back to Pope County where we still live.

by Ruth Owens

HOWELL JONES

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Howell Jones 1846-1902 and Jennie Lewallen Jones 1848-1904, came from Missouri to Shiloh, Pope County, North of Atkins, in the 1870's. They were of the Methodist Faith. They had nine children: Amanda Jones Ennis 1873-1957; Alice Jones DuVall 1874-1965; Josh Jones 1877-1951; William Jones 1878-1948; Minnie Jones DuVall 1881-1962; Ephraim Richard Jones 1883-1964; Tenny Jones Whiteside 1888-1939; Hattie Jones Davis 1890-1920; Bertha Jones Austin 1893-1922.

Ephraim Richard Jones married Elizabeth Jane Leggett 1881-1970, in Atkins July 5, 1903 by Judge "Squire" Clifton. They had

Eight Children, Nineteen Grandchildren, 29 Great Grandchildren, and Eight Great Great Grandchildren. Ephraim Richard Jones was a Farmer in the Atkins area until they moved to California in 1943 and worked in the Shipyards near Richmond. Their children were: Arvil Victor Jones 1905-1909; Arlie Vivian Jones Burnett 1906-1972; Alton Ephraim Jones 1908-1916; Alyne Josephine Jones Hall 1910-; Reatha Ann Jones Moore 1912-1961; Audbrey Burvel Jones 1914-; Richard Buel Jones 1917; Ernest Howell Jones 1923.

Arlie Vivian Jones Married Willie Burnett their children were: James Clavin Burnett 1925; Billie Edmond Burnett 1927; Esta Lee Burnett Brady 1929; Randall Gene Burnett 1932; Linda Jane Burnett Xiques 1939.

James Calvin Burnett Married Josephine Vance, their children were: Carol Sue Burnett Heath 1946; Gloria Jo Burnett Richardson 1947; Julie Ann Burnett Jackson 1951; Nancy Elizabeth Burnett 1953; Rebecca Lea Burnett Walker 1955.

Carol Sue Burnett Married Walter Ivan Heath, and they have one child: Heather Michelle Heath 1973.

Gloria Jo Burnett Married Jackie Burris Richardson, Their children are: James David Richardson 1968 and Kimberly Renee Richardson 1972.

Julie Ann Burnett Married Terry Dale Jackson, and they have two children: Derek Benjamin Jackson 1973 and Dylan Lee Jackson 1978.

Billie Edmond Burnett Married Doris Neegoard, their children were: Sharon Burnett Litzkus 1947, Peggy Burnett Childs 1949 and Billie Jean Burnett Gourd 1951. Billie divorced Doris in 1965 and married Cathryn Goff.

Sharon Burnett married Donald Wayne Letzkus and they have one child: Brian Wayne Letzkus 1969.

Billie Jean Burnett married Mike Gourd, and they have one child: Michell Todd Gourd 1969.

Esta Lee Burnett Married Charles Brady, their children were: Michal Sean Brady 1954, Joseph Patrich Brady 1955 and Katherine Linn Brady 1958.

Randall Gene Burnett Married Mona Wallace, their children were: Donald Ray Burnett 1955, Larry Wayne Burnett 1958 and Roger Neil Burnett 1961.

Linda Jane Burnett Married Peter Xiques, their children were: Peter Christopher Xiques 1962 and Marin Elizabeth Xiques 1971.

Alyne Jones Married Birtus Hardy Hall, their children were: Elizabeth Joann Hall Baker 1936 and Bertus Don Hall 1938. Elizabeth Joann Hall Married Charles Kenneth Baker, they have one child: Jennifer Lea Baker 1969. Bertus Don Hall Married Barbara Ann May, they have one child: Grayson Grant Hall 1968.

Retha Ann Jones married Virgil Moore, their children were: David Carol Moore 1937, Shirley Ann Moore 1938 and Lynn Allan Moore 1940.

David Carol Moore married Joyce Hardiman and their children were: David Allen Moore 1956, Gary Moore 1958-1960, Nancy Lynn Moore Goforth 1960 and Susan Moore 1962.

David Allan Moore married Barbara Brook-

man and they have one child: Bryan Allan Moore 1977.

Shirley Ann Moore married Leon Jeffers and their children were: Sheryle Ann Jeffers 1960, Cathy Lea Jeffers 1961 and Debbie Rea Jeffers 1963.

Lynn Allen Moore Married Linda Ward and their children were: Lynette Moore Mitchell 1959, Larry Moore 1961 and Lanny Moore 1966.

Audbrey Burvel Jones Married Elva Stanley their children were: Wanda Sue Jones Turley 1934 and Norma Jean Jones Wolfe 1937. Wanda Sue Jones married Eddie Turley their children were: Vickie Jean Turley 1955, Louise Rene Turley 1957, Gloria Kaye Turley 1960 and Sonya Kaye Turley 1960. Norma Jean Jones married Jimmie Wolfe their children were: James Darrel Wolfe 1961, Joel Lee Wolfe 1962 and Kevin Jay Wolfe 1964.

Richard Buell Jones married Estel Gibson their children were: John Richard Jones 1942, Joseph Benjamin Jones 1943 and Floyd William Jones 1945.

John Richard Jones Married Gloria Ann Flores they have one child: Nancy Ann Jones 1963.

Floyd William Jones Married Mary Ann Condova, their children were: Elizabeth Ann Jones 1972 and Natalie Louise Jones 1975.

Joseph Benjamin Jones married Terri Jones, their children were: Joleene Jones 1974.

Ernest Howell Jones married Christine Wright, their children were: Ernest David Jones 1948 and Patricia Ann Jones 1951. Ernest David Jones married Mary Barker, their children were: Eric Jones 1971 and Ian Jones 1976; Patricia Ann Jones married Westly Smith Jr., their children were: Joel Smith 1969, Jamie Smith 1971 and Jenny Elizabeth Smith 1973.

by Mrs. Bert Hall

QUENTIN JONES

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Quentin Jones, the son of Marshall and Avis Kendrick Jones, married Lucile Wilker, the daughter of John and Bertha Wirth Wilker. Lucile's grandfather, Henry Wilker, came to Arkansas with the German migration which arrived in the Arkansas River Valley shortly after 1880. Quentin's grandparents were: Alexander G. Jones, born in Illinois about 1850, and his wife Ellen Ann Jones born in Arkansas in 1850. The maternal grandparents of Quentin were: Isaiah and Hannah E. Jackson Kendrick, born in Tenn in 1853 and Ark 1851, respectively.

The children of Quentin and Lucile Wilker Jones are: Wayne Allen, Dewey, and Cristy Kay.

Wayne Allen married Donna Bowers, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bowers of Atkins. They have a daughter, Carmen. Wayne is a certified public accountant and is with the Dave Garrett accounting firm in Russellville.

Dewey married Patricia Eubanks, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Argus Eubanks. Dewey is an accountant with Gardner-Mobley

Clinic of Russellville.

Cristy Kay, a high school junior, was a delegate to Girls State this year. She is an active participant in athletic and scholastic activities at Pottsville High School.

Quentin and Lucile operate a cattle and broiler farm on the south side of Crow Mtn. The farm was formerly owned by the Fred Schmoll family, another family that came to Pope County with the German migration of 1880. Although Quentin and Lucile Jones operate a successful farm, Quentin is also a skilled carpenter and electrician and has built many modern homes on and near Crow Mountain.

Orpha Wilker, a sister of Lucile Jones, lives on a farm near the Jones farm. Orpha married Joe Gideon, the son of Albert and Gertrude Hadley Gideon. The Gideons grow broilers and have one son, Jeffrey.

Kenneth Wilker, the youngest son of John and Bertha Wirth Wilker, is another neighbor of his sister, Lucile Jones. Kenneth operates a broiler farm on the old Wilker place. Kenneth married Daphne Phillips, the daughter of Timothy and Sylvia Phillips. The Kenneth Wilker family have had three children, Karl, Lisa Kay, who died before her 2nd birthday, and Julie.

Karl married Julia Reed, a daughter of Carl and Pauline Horn Reed. Karl and Julia have a baby daughter.

Julie Wilker is a student in Pottsville High School.

With new and more productive farming practices the Mars Hill community of Crow Mtn. has other advantages, such as the paved highway that passes the Quentin Jones farm connecting to Interstate 40 and US Highway 64.

by Erma Dikes

ROBERT FOX JONES

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Robert Fox and Laverne Maloney Jones

Robert Fox Jones was born in Dallas County, Arkansas, December 13, 1848 and came to Pope County with his half-brother, George, during the year 1865 settling north of Scottsville. Mr. Jones grew to manhood during the time of Reconstruction, or as is frequently called, "Carpet Bag" rule. He was one of the leaders in that ugly conflict and in a reincounter with the enemy on one occasion shot and killed one of the leaders when he, with three companions, were fired upon. He was noted for his bravery and for the unerring aim with which he fired his English 44-calibre

cap and ball muzzle loading pistol.

When peace was restored in 1874, no man was happier than he and he at once fell in line on the side of peace, law and order, and good government.

He purchased a home northeast of Dover where he lived until the death of his wife, Laverne (Maloney) Jones, after which time he made his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Johnson, until his death on August 29, 1929, being near 81 years old.

Robert and Laverne Jones were survived by five sons and one daughter, all citizens of Dover community.

John and Molly (Hatley) Jones had 7 children; Ethel, Clarence, Irene, Fay, Calvin, Bertha, and I.F. Jones. Clarence, Fay, and Calvin are deceased. The three daughters live in Dover, the surviving son in Little Rock.

Bill and Ellen (Jones) Johnson had 10 children. Three daughters, Allie, Lydia, and Alta died in early childhood. Charles, a resident of Phoenix, Arizona died 8 years ago. Norma, Ila, and Robert are residents of Dover. Wayne and Lydia reside in Little Rock. Dallas lives in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Floyd and Minnie (Sinclair) Jones had 8 children. Gyrene, A.C. and Sue are deceased. Arnold, Robert, and Alma live in Walla Walla, Washington, Bobbye in Greenwood, Mississippi, Laura resides in Russellville.

Sam was married three times. All three wives preceded him in death. His first wife, Erma (Landers) Jones died in childbirth when their daughter Hazel was born. Sam married Pearl Elizabeth (Barger) Jones when he was 41 years old. To this union was born 6 children; Inez, George, August True, Jean, Ruth, and Edward. Three sons reside in Dover. Three daughters in Russellville and one in Conway. After Pearl's death at age 34, Sam married Iva (Stone) Jones. They had one daughter, Bobbye Anne, who lives in California.

Will and Henry were twins. Will married Ada (Hatley) Jones. To this union 3 children were born. Lawrence and Jewel are deceased. Treva lives in San Jose, California.

Henry also had three children. Henry married Martha (Gross) Jones; both preceded their children in death. Gerald and Otto are deceased. Augie lives in Phoenix, Arizona.

Of Robert Fox Jones, his good friend, Judge J.T. Bullock said: His life was a fine model for his descendants to pattern after. No braver, more peace-loving, honorable good citizen than he ever lived in Pope County. Robert died in full faith of eternal life, being a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

All the heirs of Robert Fox and Laverne Maloney Jones have done well in life for themselves and their families. All are law abiding, good citizens.

by Jean Jones

W. H. JONES FAMILY

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The W.H. Jones Family of Pope County, has a very interesting and rich heritage.

My great-great grandfather, Thomas Jones came from Tennessee to Missouri prior to Dec. 23, 1844. Rumors of the gold rush in 1849, caused him to decide to go to California with two of his neighbors. They made an agreement not to come back until they had a keg of gold; the keg being owned by Thomas. There was a long train of ox carts and men on horseback for the great trek west. There were slaves driving 20 ox-loads of bacon and ham. They were encamped near Kansas City, when Thomas overheard them plotting against him. When the keg was half-full, they began to discuss coming back to Missouri. When the discussion was over, Thomas Jones had disappeared and his sons later learned that he was killed, but his grave was never found.

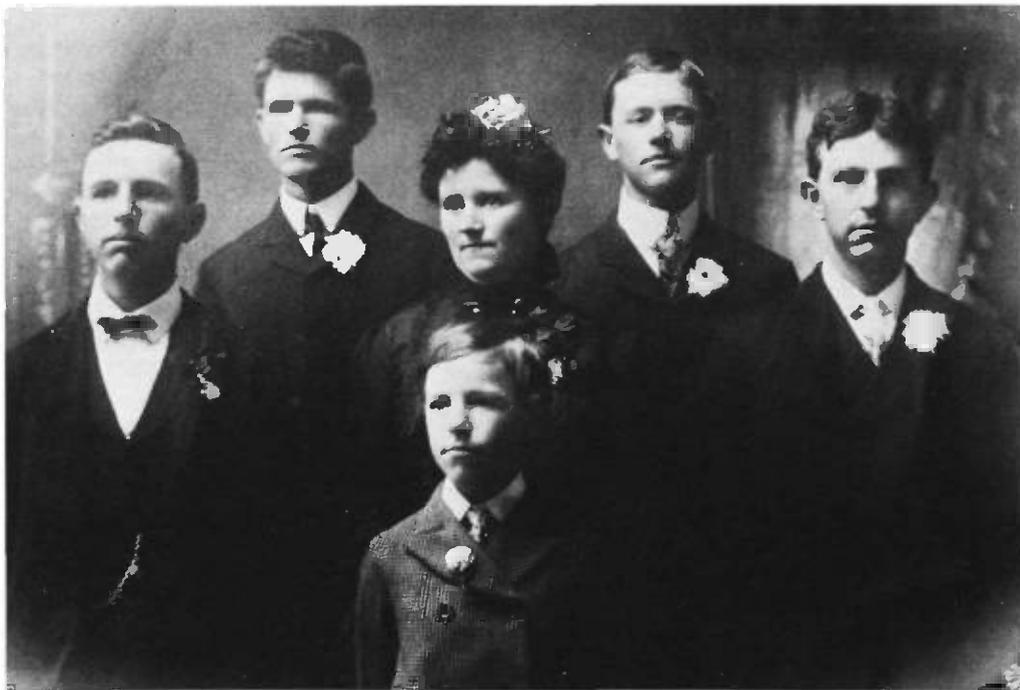
He owned quite a bit of land that was divided into eleven portions as there were ten children and his widow surviving. At his death, he owned 1,760 acres of land and his original home on the Cedar River is still called the "Jones Plantation."

Francis Minter Jones was my great grandfather who married Clementine Sweeney. He was sitting on a black horse where a camp meetin was in progress. Grandma came to Arkansas while she was in her "teens" and was at the camp meeting, which was the "highlight of the year", when Frances M. Jones saw her. Little is known about him, but he was a tanner and cobbler by trade. He married Grandma about 1850. She was married four times and was a widow four times shortly after each marriage. All her grandchildren called her "Grandma Williams" as Burton Williams was her last husband. Francis M. Jones and Clementine Sweeney had one son, William Henry Jones, who was born Jan. 8, 1853, at Patterson's Bluff, Arkansas in Logan County. Her third marriage was to James D. Farmer and they had one son Jim, which gave a half-brother to W.H. Jones.

Grandma Williams said, at one time, Grandpa Farmer came by home when the "bushwhackers soon approached. Grandma was spinning, but she hastily hid Grandpa between the feather bed and the straw-tick. They were unable to find him and he went back to his lines. Grandma Williams, with others, hid



Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Jones



W.H. JONES CHILDREN

R. — R.O. Jones (Ralph), Roland V. Jones, Minnie Belle Jones, R.C. Jones (Carl), James William Jones (Bill), Roscoe F. Jones.

under a bluff and watched the battle of Dardanelle and shelling of the town from boats, during the Civil War. She also told of going to Little Rock through a blockade and carrying provisions back in small bundles tied to the hoops inside of her skirt.

Times were hard and it is difficult to understand how Grandma Williams reared her children. She said she had to work hard and always had a garden and a few chickens. As an old lady she lived in an apartment that was attached to the home of my Grandfather Jones in Atkins. At regular intervals she smoked her small clay pipe. Her home-grown tobacco was mixed with dried sumac leaves. The leaves looked cherry red drying in the sun on her porch. She lived to be over 90 years old.

Grandpa Jones' father died when he was a year old, and he was very young when he began assuming responsibilities. At the age of twelve he operated his own ferry over the Arkansas River, a large log raft skillfully constructed. This was during the Civil War and he was making money carrying soldiers across the river. One day he ferried a group of Yankee soldiers across and they refused to pay. They cut the silver buttons off his coat and tore up the raft. W.H. walked down the river, retrieved the logs, and put the raft back together. I think this incident typifies his character. Grandpa attended the public schools but, by private study, he obtained the equivalent of a college education.

In 1868, the Sykes family moved to Arkansas and Grandpa Jones was, by accident, at the boat landing. My future Grandmother, Eliza Sykes, prepared to be very aloof to these "Westerners". She was very aware of her pretty clothes and had been upset over the move from Bowling Green, Kentucky, to the wilds of Arkansas. Grandpa rode past her wagon and she said later, "He was big and handsome and a man at fifteen." Love followed this meeting, and in a few months, they

were married, at the age of sixteen. On their wedding day, it is unusual that Grandpa stopped on his way and had his picture made, holding his marriage license in one hand and the bouquet for the bride in the other. Grandma did not find fault with Grandpa that she wasn't in the picture. Everything "papa" did was all right. He was the Lord and Master of their household Grandma the helpmate.

Grandpa worked as a clerk for Bill Cravens for \$3.00 per week. Grandpa received \$500.00 from his father's estate and he saved this money and continued working for Mr. Cravens. When Mr. Cravens died in 1890, Grandpa bought out the two stores that Mr. Cravens owned.

W.H. Jones was now a prominent and well-known businessman. He owned the first telephone line, a mutual line from Prairie View to Clarksville. His buggy was the first in the county, and he owned the second surrey in 1887. His friends elected him County Clerk and he moved to Paris, selling his stores and establishing one in Paris.

New methods of doing things and the future were of importance to Grandpa. While County Clerk, he bought the first adding machine and ledger typewriter. With the idea of expansion ever before him, he was always looking for new locations.

During Grandpa and Grandma's more than 50 years of married life; they went almost every year to Colorado Springs in the summer. In winter they would go to Hot Springs, Arkansas for the baths. They owned a summer home on Huckleberry Mountain near Prairie View.

Grandma Jones was loved by all of her grandchildren and she was always interested in all that the young people were doing. She was not a "story book grandmother." There was always candy or cookies, and you were not given something and told to run away.

Mr. & Mrs. W.H. Jones had nine children, losing 3 or 4 by death at an early age. They

had 14 grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

In August 1909, W.H. Jones with his sons, Will, Ralph, and Carl Jones and their families moved to Atkins from Paris, Arkansas. W.H. Jones was soon recognized as a masterful businessman. He first established the W.H.; R.O. Jones (my father was R.O. Jones) and Co. mercantile firm. Later, they built two gins, owned and operated an Ice Plant, and they also operated a "bottling works" where they made and sold "soda-pop." The Company was now known as the "Atkins Gin & Ice Company." During the Atkins period W.H. Jones & sons engaged in various enterprises. W.H. Jones organizes the Atkins Electric Light & Power Co. The Company was incorporated with several businessmen owning stock in the company but the "Jones Family" owned the controlling interest, with W.H. Jones as President, until his death. Will Jones, at that time managed the Kewanee Gin Co., in partnership with his father, in Missouri.

Previously, Mr. Jones in operating the Gin Co. had used a steam engine as a source of power. Later, the company decided to use the steam engine to pull a generator for an electrical system. The town of Atkins granted a franchise to W.H. Jones and L.L. Evans, May 6, 1913 for the first electric system to be installed, in the town, which would manufacture, furnish, and distribute electric energy.

The electricity was first available from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. One afternoon a week the electricity was used for ironing purposes. This early electric service had many obstacles to overcome, and possibly the greatest one was that of getting people to accept the use of electric current in their homes. The merchants, at first, were reluctant to use the electricity as they had ceiling lights that used coal-oil. Over a period of years a new corporation had to be formed. There were only four stock-holders and R.O. Jones (Ralph) was President. The Arkansas Power & Light Company purchased the Atkins Electric Light and Power Company April 17th, 1930.

W.H. Jones died Feb. 15, 1929. The Atkins Chronicles stated that the life of W.H. Jones had been an inspiration to everyone, and that he probably did more for the upbuilding of Atkins and community in the past twenty years than any other citizen.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J.C. Dawson of Conway assisted by Rev. J.B. Stevenson of Atkins; also Honorable Steele Hays of Russellville gave tribute of love and respect to Mr. Jones. He was buried in the Atkins cemetery with Masonic Rites. As a tribute to respect, all business houses in Atkins closed for the funeral.

by: Minnie Lee Jones Emmert

CHARLES LEE JORDAN

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Charles Lee Jordan was born Feb. 12, 1903 to Clem and Mariah Carter Jordan who lived part of his life on his father's homestead on Crow Mountain. One of eleven children, his family lived in a log house with only one fire

place, used for both heating and cooking. Charles remembers his mother's spinning wheel with which she spun yarn to knit socks, sweaters, caps, gloves, and other clothes the family used. All food such as meat, milk, butter, eggs and cotton was a source of income and all kinds of vegetables were grown. Wheat and corn was ground for bread, every summer after the crops were "laid by," there were camp meetings at the Center Valley Camp ground and people from all around came to camp for the day with ministers from all the churches and denominations doing the preaching.

Charles married Okla Walters, daughter of Jess Walters of Pottsville in the summer of 1921 and they had five children; Rosemary who died at the age of 18 months, Barbara, Charles Lee Jr., Doyle Dean, and Blanche. Okla died Nov. 25, 1937 and is buried beside daughter Rosemary in Hoskin Cemetery on Crow Mountain. Charles was then married to Bertha Ward in 1953, she died in 1970 and is buried at Concord, Arkansas. They ran a grocery store at Mablevale, Ark. before retiring and moving to Greers Ferry Lake where he lived until 1976 when he moved to Poplar Bluff, Mo., to live with his daughter, Barbara, who is a nurse, anaesthetist at a hospital in Poplar Bluff.

by Mrs. Doyle Roberts

CLEM WOODSON JORDAN

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CLEM AND MARAH JORDAN

Clem Woodson Jordan was a son of Littleberry Jordan who moved to Crow Mountain in Pope County, Ark. from Georgia in 1860. He married Marah Euin Carter, daughter of Seith and Mary Emma Anderson Carter, who settled in Yell County, Arkansas, after moving from Kentucky. They all made the trip to Arkansas in wagons, taking several weeks for the trip.

Clem and Marah had eleven children, the eleventh being Elsie, who married Archie

McAnulty, son of George Edward and Sara Elmira Jobe, of the Maple Springs community. They were married on October 8, 1927. They too settled on Crow Mountain and lived there most of their early married life. They had four children, Jewel Dene, Gerald, George, and Nina Jean. They were all raised and lived on Crow Mountain until they were grown and began to work in Russellville. The family left the farm in 1950 being the farm that Littleberry Jordan had homestead in 1860 and passed on down through the years.

Jewel Dene married Alan Ross in 1960. They live in Dardanelle, Ark., and attend First Assembly Of God Church in Russellville, Arkansas. They have four children, Dennis married Kathy Ware of Russellville and have one child, Randall married Kay Dollar of Russellville, they have one daughter, Lisa who is four years old. Dennis and Randall both live in Russellville. LaDonna isn't married, still lives at home. Debby married James Mashek, they have one daughter, Wendy, who is 15 months old. They live at Dardanelle.

Gerald married Iladean Boen in 1952. They had three boys, twins born November 2, 1956, named Zane and Dane, Dane died November 5, 1956, he is buried at the Bowden cemetery on Crow Mountain. Dale is still at home, a senior in Russellville High School. Zane is married to Mary Cosby, they have one daughter, Dana, 19 months old. Mary is from Danville, Arkansas. Zane is in the Army, they are stationed in Germany. They attend the First Assembly Of God church in Russellville.

George married Betty Price in 1952. They live in Haysville, Kansas and have one daughter, Diane who is married to Steven Gordon. They also live in Kansas. George and Betty attend Assembly Of God Church in Wichita.

Nina Jean married Emmitt Hipps in 1950. They live in Valley Center, Kansas. They have one son Steven married to Jeannie Dosier. They have one daughter Brenda who is a senior in high school. Nina attends First Assembly Of God Church in Valley Center.

In 1956, after all their children were mar-

ried, Archie was called to the ministry, which took him and Elsie all over Arkansas. He pastored Assembly Of God Churches at Thompsons Chapel, north of Atkins, Pleasant Grove, and Howard outside of Dover, Lee's chapel at Lamar, Belleville Assembly at Belleville, Arkansas, Branch Assembly Of God at Branch, Arkansas, Salem Assembly Of God at Salem, Arkansas, Earnest Chapel outside of Walnut Ridge and Bay Assembly Of God at Bay, Arkansas, where he was stricken with cancer. He gave up pastoral work in June of 1971, and moved to Dardanelle, where he died on March 12, 1972. He is buried at Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain. Elsie still lives at Dardanelle, where she has lived since the death of Rev. Archie McAnulty at the age of 64.

by Jewel Dene Ross

CLEMENT JORDON

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Clement Jordan was a son of Little Berry Jordan who was born in Georgia, Nov. 25, 1816, and his wife Angleine, born in Georgia, Nov. 30, 1834, moved to Pope County, Ark., from Georgia about 1860. They were the parents of eleven children, the oldest three being born in Georgia. These children were Lewis, Sarah Ann, James, Stephen, Rubin Pickney, Clement, Mary, Lorra, John, Alva, and Parale. Little Berry Jordan died August, 1894, and his wife died July 21, 1896. Both are buried in Center Valley (Old Baptist) Cemetery, Pope Co., Ark.

Clement Jordan, the sixth child of Little Berry and Angeline Jordan, was born in Arkansas, 1865. He, like his father, was a farmer. Clement married Mariah Carter, born in Ark., 1869, in 1887. Their children were Henry, Mary Emma, Andrew, Iva, Dewey, Tom, Mae, Charley, Linzy, Earl, and Elsie. Clement Jordan died in 1954, and his wife Mariah died in 1941. Both are buried in Center Valley (Old Baptist) Cemetery, Pope Co., Ark.

Mary Emma Jordan, daughter of Clement



Clem W. Jordan and wife Mariah E. Carter Jordan with 9 of their children — 1907.



CLEM W. JORDAN — AGE 87
1865-1954

and Mariah Jordan, was born in Pope Co., Ark., November 28, 1891. On October 22, 1908, she married George Edward Mullins, born in Pope Co., Ark., July 25, 1891, the son of Willis Franklin and Francis Izadora Dodson Mullins. They were the parents of twelve children: Heatha Lucille, born Nov. 1, 1909; Lola Mariah, born Nov. 28, 1911; Norma Mae, born Oct. 3, 1913; Willis Loy, born Jan. 10, 1916; Wilbert Doyle, born June 1, 1920; Emma Eulene, born Nov. 23, 1922; Ina Frances, born May 13, 1928; Clemmatt Lee, born Dec. 21, 1930; Margie Marie, born Feb. 1, 1933; Veda Bennett, born Jan. 4, 1935; Maida Emily, born May 2, 1918-died Nov. 11, 1923; James Edward, born May 5, 1925-died Sept. 25, 1926. The family moved from Arkansas to Oklahoma in 1920. George Edward Mullins died March 8, 1971, and is buried in Haskell, Okla., where his widow still lives.

by Sandra Bogue

DICKSON LANIER JORDAN

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Dickson Lanier Jordan was born in Florence Ala., July 25, 1865, came to Arkansas in 1882.

He was first married to Miss Susie Beeson, and to this marriage five children were born two died at an early age, three lived to be grown Clyde, Bill and Garland.

After the death of his first wife he married Miss Mittie Burnett and they had one child, Ella Boone Close.

Mr. Jordan had extensive real estate holdings, including hundreds of acres of farm lands and some town property located in Atkins.

Many farmers looked to him each season for help in financing their crops, he being one of the largest individual money lenders in the county.

He died April 11, 1929.

by Leona Weaver

IDA MAE JORDAN

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Oscar and Mae Jordan Bowden in 1916.

Ida Mae Jordan was born 12-9-1900 to Clem and Mariah Carter Jordan who lived on part of his fathers homestead on Crow Mt. there were 11 Ch. 10 of which were born in a two room log house until about 1910 when a larger house was built here Mariah died in 1941. Clem stayed on with a dau. and family until 1950 when they moved to Russ. Clem died in 1954. The following are their children and families. Henry Jordan m. Callie Sipes 6 Ch. Viola, Floy, Carl, Edna, James & Finis, Henry & Callie are buried in Calif. Carl Jordan m. Mildred Simpson, 1 son Bobby. Andrew Jordan never married, b. in Calif. Emma Jordan m. Ed Mullins live in Haskell OK. 9 Ch. Lucille Lola, Loze, Norma, Margorie, Ina, Bernetta, Doyle, & Eulene. Iva J. M. Hattie Owens 3 Ch. Troy, Marcedis, Virginia. Dewey J. M Erma Kelly both buried in Little Rock, 4 Ch. Virginia, Margorie, Ava & Herbert. Tom J. m. Lula Huey 7 Ch. Betty M. to Newell Whitman 9 Ch. Willian & Ann deceased: Faye, Russell, John, Glen, Goldman, & Ruth. Josie J. m Albert Nugeng (deceased) then m. Homer Browder. Inez J. m. Frank Huey 1 Dau. Marie m. Ray Avery 3 sons Tom, Charles & Richard. Ray J. m Donna 3 Ch. Terri, Ronald, & Lynn. Audie J. M. Bob Muse. Louise J. M. Ronald Stiger 1 son Brandon. Tom J. is b. in West Monroe, La. Lula moved to La. near a dau.

Mae J. m. Oscar Bowden 3 dau's. Myrtle, who died in 1921 of typhoid fever. Ellen m. Doyle Roberts 4 Ch. Alvin N. not Married, Jo Ella m. Leon Alvey 4 Ch. James, Pam, Steve & Michael. Richard m. Ruby Casey they live on part of his Grandfather Bowdens place. Martha m. Willian Jones 3 Ch. Mary Ellen, Russell & Marsha. Doyle & Ellen and their entire Family attend the Mars Hill C.P. Church Virginia B. m. E.R. Jones 3 Dau's Zettie m. Wayne Knight 3 Ch. Greg Angela & Mike. Brenda m. Mike Robertson 1 son Keith. Gail

M. Bill Clark 3 Ch. Randy, Melissa, & Denise. Oscar & Mae farmed they grew Sweet potatoes to bed in the spring to sell plants, they sowed cabbage seed in the fall to sell plants at gardening time he also sowed and sold tomato plants. They shipped plants all over the state. Oscar, Mae & Myrtle are b. in Bowden cemetery. Charley J. m. Okla Walters 4 Ch. Barbara, Blanch, Jo & Dean. Okla is b. in Haskin C. Linzy J. m. Flossie Heflin both b. Haskin C. 5 Ch. Dorothy, Sam, Raymond, Norman & Leeroy. Earl J. moved to Calif. at early age he married there had 3 Ch. Joyce, Robert & Jenette. Elsie J. m. Archie Mcanulty 4 Ch. Jewell, Gerald, George & Nina. Archie is b. at the Bowden cemetery on Crow Mt.

by Mrs. Doyle Roberts

LITTLE BERRY JORDAN

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The Little Berry Jordan family made an eight week trip by wagon train from Atlanta, Georgia to near Russellville. Most of the wagons were drawn by oxen teams, & traveled twelve to fifteen miles a day. They were on the road during the election of President Abraham Lincoln in 1860. It took several days to pass through the boggy wilderness of Mississippi. Here the roads were made of poles to keep the wagons from sinking in the mud. The road was made & maintained by the military as a connecting link between Chattanooga, Memphis & Arkansas Post which was the capital of Arkansas Territory until Arkansas was admitted as a state in 1836. At intervals the pole road was widened to form campsites where travelers could spend the night.

Little Berry & Angeline homesteaded on Crow Mt. & remained there the rest of their lives. They had one son, James, who was born in Georgia. After moving to Russellville seven other children were born. They were John, Alvie, Clem Lena Woodson, Lewis, Parale & Sarah. Little Berry & Angeline are burried in the Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley in Pope Co. One son, Clem spent all of his life in Pope Co. most of it on the home place, he was born in 1865 and married Mariah Carter in 1888 & farmed as long as he was able to work, they raised 11 children, Henry, Emma, Andrew, Iva, Dewy, Tom, Mae, Charley, Linzy, Earl & Elsie. THEY ALONE with the children of Henry Bowden and Kurt Cochran walked 3 mile to school every day, they attended the Liberty Hill School & Methodist church.

Andrew left home in 1907 looking for a better life, he wrote his parents for two years & stopped. His parents didn't know what happened to him, it wasn't until his death that his brother Earl, who had searched years for him, found they had lived only a few miles from each other in Davis, California where Earl still resides.

Clem Jordan died in 1954, his wife died in 1941. Both are buried in Old Baptist Cemetery. Another child, Mae married Oscar Bowden, whose parents were also pioneers of Pope Co. Oscar & Mae spent most of their married life on the farm he bought from his parents in which was a peach orchard. Oscar

& Mae had 3 children. Murtle who died at the age of three with typhoid fever, Ellen & Virginia. The family raised sweet potatoes to sell & to bed the next spring for potatoe plants. In later years they build chicken houses & this was their source of living until retirement. Mae died in 1971 & Oscar in 1974. Both are burried in Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mt. Their daughter, Ellen married Doyle Roberts who was the son of John Thomas & Mary E. Roberts, Doyle & Ellen have 4 children. James, Pamela, Steven & Mike. Martha is married to William Jones. They have 3 children, Mary, Russell & Marsha, all the family lives on Crow Mt. Daughter, Virginia Bowden married E.R. Jones, they have 3 daughters, Zettie who lives at Searcy & is married to Wayne Knight, their children are Michael, Angie & Greg. Brenda who is married to Mike Robertson have one son, Keith. Gail is married to Bill Clark they have 3 children, Randy, Melissa & Denise. All of the family lives on Crow Mt., but Zettie.

by Mrs. Doyle Roberts

FRANK GOLDEN JUDKINS

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Frank Golden Judkins was the grandson of Rachel Blackburn Judkins who arrived in Bryant's Cove, Conway Co. Ark. in 1881 traveled by covered wagon from Evansville, Ind. Accompanying her on the journey were two sons, Dave Judkins and wife Ann Minnie Judkins, Hiram Judkins and wife Barbe Minnie Judkins, brothers married sisters. John Leonard Judkins an unmarried son, born Jan. 6, 1863, and a brother of the Minnie sisters, Dave Hackett Minnie, also made the journey. It is said six children were born in Indiana to Rachel Blackburn Judkins and John Lewis Judkins, and of those six one son and two daughters remained there.

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The remaining son, John Leonard Judkins, was married Oct. 12, 1883 to Arlina Arizona Kirk, born Aug. 25 1865 daughter of Caleb Kirk and Ellender Durham. After marriage they moved to Crow Mountain, his mother lived with them. There they purchased land and started there family around 1899 then moved to Bells Chapel and purchased land there. John Leonard was a farmer and well driller. His mother Rachel, blind for several years before her death passed away Nov. 11, 1900 and was buried in Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain, Pope Co. Ark.

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The seventh son of John Leonard, Frank Golden, was born 16 Feb. 1898 Pope Co. married 25 Feb. 1921, to Erma Belle Lazenby was born 1 Nov. 1900, daughter of Rosco Bell Lazenby and Mary Elizabeth Grigg of Pope Co. Frank Golden was a well driller and farmer so was his father. Continuing to live on the Judkins farm in Bells Chapel Pope Co. To this union was born four children all in Pope Co. One son (born and died 9 Jan. 1924) and three girls.

The first child of Frank Golden Judkins and Erma Belle Lazenby Judkins was Inez born 13 Dec. 1921 in Pope Co. married 7 Feb. 1942 in Pope Co. to Paul Loyd Sweeden, born 23 Sept. 1921 Pope Co. She is land owner of a part of the John Leonard estate.

Inez and Paul built their home on this land in Bells Chapel in 1947 where they have lived and reared their five children. They all attended and graduated from Atkins schools, four boys one girl. All married children are girls from Pope Co. and are still living in Pope Co.

Jackie Judkins Sweeden married Gracie Ann Willcutt of Pope Co. Jackie is a auto mechanic. They are the parents of one son and one daughter Marshall Brian and Jacqueline Ann.

Ricky Loyd Sweeden married Patsy Lou Travis of Pope Co. Ricky is also a auto mechanic. They are the parents of one son and one daughter, Rhonda Leigh and Erick Lane.

Robbie Lynn Sweeden married Margie Louise Martin of Pope Co. Robbie served in the U.S. Marine Corp. Received training in factory mechanic. They have one son Jeffrey Lynn.

Nancy Elizabeth Sweeden is a Beautician and is owner and operator of Nancy's House of Beauty in Atkins, Ark. Pope Co.

James Paul Sweeden married Melinda Kay Childress of Pope Co. He is a heavy equipment operator and is self employed in Pope Co.

Twins girls was born to Frank Golden Judkins and Erma Belle Lazenby Judkins, Nina Sue and Betty Lou 9 April, 1933 in Pope Co. Bells Chapel. Betty Lou died at birth is buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery. Pope Co.

Nina Sue married Billy Franklin Sweeden of Pope Co. a cousin to her sister Inez's husband, Paul Loyd Sweeden. Nina Sue Judkins Sweeden and Billy Franklin Sweeden are the parents of two sons. Frank Preston, Jon Myron.

Frank Golden Judkins died 3 Feb. 1947 and is buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery Pope Co.

by Inez Judkins Sweeden

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The eighth son of John Leonard, Roy Walter, was born 19 July 1903, Married 15 Oct. 1930 to Bessie Sue Gray born 20, Feb. 1913, Moreland, Ark., Pope County, daughter of Charlie Milton Gray and Nellie Melvina Turner of Pope County. Roy Walter was a farmer and salesman continuing to live in the Judkins home in Bells Chapel. To this union was born five children all in Pope Co. & attended Bells Chapel school. Later the school consolidated with the Atkins school. The school building is now owned by Roy's brother, George.

The first child of Roy Walter and Bessie Sue Gray Judkins was Erma Lee, born 3 Dec. 1931. She married on Jan. 17 1948 to Harold Glen Masters, born 5 May 1929. She is land owner of part of the Judkins estate at Bells Chapel, Pope County. Erma Lee is a Hair Stylist and owner of Masters Hair Fashions in Dardanelle, Ark. to this union was born two children, one son and one daughter.

Erma Diann Masters married Billy Snider and she is also a Beautician. Erma Diann and Billy are the parents of twins, Angie Lee and Angelia Diann and also Heather Jane.

Glen Edwin Masters married Virginia E. Thomas of Pope County. He is a funeral director and embalmer.

The second child of Roy Walter and Bessie Sue Gray Judkins was Velva Ann, born 11 June 1933. She married Clayton Bryant and to this union was born three boys and one girl. Velva Ann is an employee of Safeway in Tulsa, Ok.

The third child, of Roy Walter and Bessie Sue Gray Judkins was Roy Huey, born 6 Sept.

1935 married Darlene McMahon and to this union was born one son and one daughter, Roy Huey is the owner and operator of a grocery store in Wellston, Okla.

The fourth child of Roy Walter, and Bessie Sue Gray Judkins was John Charles, born 13, Dec., 1938 married Linda Chesney and to this union was born one son one daughter, John Charles is manager of Rite-Way Foods No. 1 and No. 2, in the city of Russellville, Ark.

The fifth child of Roy Walter and Bessie Sue Gray Judkins was Melvin Curtis born 22 April 1945. Married Sharon Mendenhall and they have one daughter. Melvin Curtis has a bachelor degree in Psychology and is a case worker in Tulsa, Okla.

Roy Walter Judkins died Feb. 5 1973 in Pope County, Ark. and is buried at Bells Chapel Cemetery.

by Erma Lee Judkins Masters

CURTIS EMERSON JUSTICE

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Curtis Emerson Justice, born in 1919, Arabia, Ohio. While serving his country in the army stationed at Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Arkansas, he met and later married Sue Ellen Crutchfield, having been introduced by their friend Joe Deevers. After his discharge they went to Ironton, Ohio, to live a year then returned to Arkansas. He bought a garage business on Arkansas Avenue, Russellville, Arkansas, from E.G. Crutchfield, in the fall of 1946. He operated the business for approximately two years then renting the place and returning to Ohio. It was rental property for a number of years before it was sold.

They have one child, Etta Janet. They lived numerous places, Memphis, Tennessee, Boulder, Colorado, before moving back to Arkansas in 1974.

Earliest date resided in Arkansas 1943
by Mrs. Sue Justice

SOLOMON KEENER

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Solomon Keener was born in Lincoln Co. N. Carolina in 1821. He was the son of Adam and Mary Finger Keener. His great-great grandfather, Casper Keener, came to the United States in 1738 from Germany. Several grandsons of Casper's served in the Revolutionary War.

The early Keeners in N. Carolina were Lutheran and Farmers. They owned large farms and a few slaves. They also had large families. As land grew scarce they moved on to Tennessee, Alabama and Arkansas and other states.

There is a tradition that in the 1850's a wagon train left Lincoln Co. N. Carolina for Arkansas, about 150 families were in it. It is presumed that Solomon and Elmira Withers Keener and their four children; Martha, Mary C., William L. and John A. (Jack) were in this group. They arrived in Arkansas about 1853 at Galla Rock. Margaret Adeline and Ephriam S. were born in Arkansas.

In 1856 Solomon Keener bought 160 acres

of land in what is now Bells Chapel Community in Pope County Ark. He paid the United States Government 75 cents per acre for this virgin timber land. They were very busy clearing land to cultivate and building houses and barns. These early pioneers worked together, especially while building their crude dwellings. It's amazing the skill some of these men had in log hueing. Some still remain in good condition today. Those logs were very straight and uniform in thickness with the building corners perfectly notched and fitted with a self locking joint.

Solomon and his wife Elmira both died in 1861. It has been said he died because of a snake bite. They left a family of small children ages two to sixteen years. These children were divided out to relatives and friends to be cared for. The land was sold in Probate Court in 1871 for about \$3.50 per acre to Keener descendants. This same land was later passed down to four children of William L. And Savannah Keener. Lewis Albert, Virgil Preston, Rea America and Oriol Dewey each received forty acres. In 1951 Iverson Keener bought forty acres from his father Lewis A. Keener. The other land of the estate was sold outside the Keener family during the depression years of the 1930's. Some of the Keeners moved away to find jobs in the cities. It became very difficult to make a living raising cotton for five cents a pound on poor upland soils.

As world war II came many young men left to serve their country. Some never returned home to live but settled elsewhere.

There are many descendants of Solomon Keener. Some still live in Pope County, but many have moved to other counties and states.

Ephriam S. was taken to Illinois when he was two years old by a relative, Sebron Withers. John A. (Jack) moved to Ashdown, Arkansas about 1880-1890. A grown son Thomas E. remained in Pope County. William L., son of Solomon lived and died on the Keener farm. His house and barn are still standing. Margaret Adeline Keener married Elbert Sleeker and lived in Pope County. Most of the older Keeners are buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery near Atkins, Arkansas.

Iverson and Dorothy Keener own and live on one forty acre block of the original Keener estate. He is a wood worker and is employed by Arkansas Tech University. They have three children; Dr. Melvin Keener, Dianne Keener Reed and Amy Keener.

by Iverson Keener

TOLBERT REMUS KEENER

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Tolbert Remus Keener (1888-1962) was born at Bells Chapel, near Atkins, the oldest of twelve children of Thomas Ephriam (1869-1946) and Martha Jane Barefield Keener (1869-1948), early settlers of Pope County. He was a farmer. He married Maye Lazenby on Mar. 7, 1909, daughter of William P. Lazenby (1844-1927) and Elizabeth Blackburn Lazenby (1847-1924). William P. Lazenby came to Arkansas from North

Carolina in 1869 and homesteaded in the Bells Chapel Community Southwest of Atkins. He was a cotton buyer.

Tolbert R. and Maye Keener had ten children (including two sets of twins), eight of whom are still living. They are: Jonnie K. Burton (1911) now living in Osceola, Ark., retired clerk from Mississippi Co. Health Dept.; Reba Lee (1916) and husband Ben Forsyth live in Granite City, Ill.; Carl Tolbert (1918) and wife Mae, live in Oklahoma City, Okla.; Billy Dean (1920), and wife Gladys live at Dell, Arkansas where he is a farmer. Margaret Jean (1920) and husband, Theron live in Russellville. Annette (1924) and husband James Alton Griffin live in Granite City, Illinois. Janette (1924) and her husband James A. Johnson live in Watsonville, Calif. Jack Thomas (1928) and wife Mary live in Granite City, Illinois. Rachel Naomi (1909) and Paul Eugene (1913) both died in infancy.

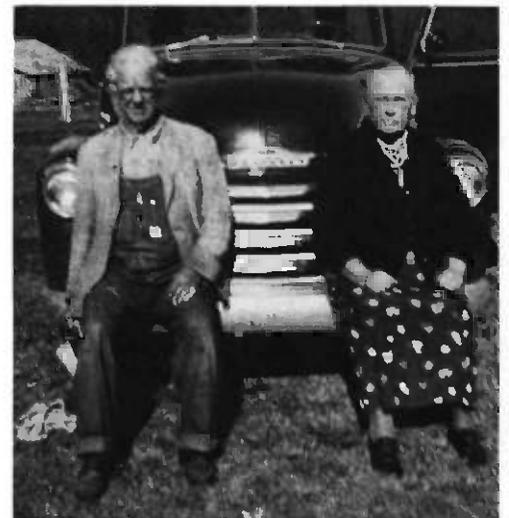
Tolbert R. and Maye lived in Pope County until 1934 when they moved to Mississippi County. From there they moved to St. Louis, Mo. where they lived until their deaths. They are buried in Sunset Hills Cemetery between Granite City and Edwardsville, Illinois.

There are fourteen grandchildren. Joe Young, St. Petersburg, Fla., Jimmy Young, Robstown, Tex., sons of Jonnie Burton; Lorraine Forsyth, daughter of Reba, Granite City, Ill.; Jerry Alton Griffin, Granite City, Ill. and James Wayne Griffin, U.S. Army, in Germany, sons of Annette; James, Earl Dean, Patsy and Carlene, children of Janette, Watsonville, Calif.; Shirley Mae, daughter of Carl & Mae, Oklahoma City; Sandra Lee, Sylvia Ann, and Billy Edwin, children of Billy Dean, Dell; and David Hunter, son of Margaret Jean, Russellville.

by Margaret Keener Bartlett

SOLOMON SPENCER KELLEY

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SOLOMON SPENCER KELLEY AND WIFE, IDA AUSTIN KELLEY

Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. Whitehead were married January 10, 1861. Their children were Solomon Spencer Kelley, Evey, Melda and Daniel LaFayette Kelley. They first came to Pope County Arkansas from Bloomfield, Stoddard County, Missouri and

settled in the Bottoms area near the Arkansas River. Louisa died there October 3, 1887, and was buried in this area. In 1898 Champion homesteaded 160 acres of land about 12-15 miles north of Hector on Fork Mountain. He and his children farmed the land. Solomon Spencer Kelley was born Sept 15, 1872. Champion J. Kelley died September 3, 1901, and was buried at a family cemetery on the Fork Mountain Place.

Solomon Spencer married Rose Belle Texanna Wheeler on Oct 7, 1894. She was born November 5, 1875. They made their home at Solo. They had two children Lloyd Champion Patric Kelley born June 9, 1895 and Arthur Daniel Kelley born January 28, 1898. Rose B.T. Kelley died March 13, 1906, at the age of 30 leaving the boys ages 10 and 8 with their father to rear. She was buried at the Mountain Place family cemetery.

Solomon Spencer Kelley then married Ida Austin also of Solo, March 19, 1907. Ida Austin was born in Christian County, Missouri on December 9, 1881. Her family came to Pope County, Arkansas in 1886. Sol, Ida and the boys moved to the Fork Mountain Place and had their family. They had 11 children. All born at the Mountain Place with the help of a midwife, Mrs. Pendleton. The only death was Clarence who fell off a horse and broke his leg on April 27, 1926. Dr. A.C. Linton set his leg but infection set up and he was taken to Russellville but died May 4, 1926. A small service was conducted by Preacher Kerns and Clarence was buried at the Family Cemetery on Fork Mountain. The Kelleys made their living farming and they carried the U.S. Mail on horseback. They carried the mail from Hector to Witts Springs for many years. Arthur, Burl and Doyle Kelley usually carried the mail while the younger children helped in the fields at home. The children walked many miles to go to school at the Forks of the Creek School. They bought the old Hamilton Place on East Fork moved there and farmed the land. When the mail route was cut out, the Kelleys found it necessary to move, in order to find work. They moved to Russellville in the Prairie Grove Community. Here they got the U.S. Mail contract from Russellville to Hector. The Kelley boys carried the mail for several years. The children that were school age and still home went to school at Prairie Grove School near Russellville. They lived here approximately 8-10 years. Then they moved back to the Retta Community on East Fork.

By this time the Forks of the Creek School had consolidated with Hector School and Russell and Hester attended Hector School. Russell was the only child to graduate — he graduated from Hector High School. The large creek at East Fork posed many problems for settlers on the back side. They made a foot bridge high above the water but many times the water would be so high that they couldn't even get to the foot bridge to cross over. The children remember overnight visits at the home of Aunt Polly Sykes when the water was so high that they couldn't get home from school. They also remember a real treat — getting to go to town about once a year. They also got a new pair of shoes once a year. The Kelley boys would pick up needed items on

the mail route or a peddler would bring many things around in a wagon. Some supplies were also kept at the post office at Retta. They made all their clothes from purchased material and wool from their own sheep. Practically all their food was grown at home also. With a total of 13 children, it took a lot of work to produce enough food for everyone. The children remember getting up at 4:30 in the morning to get an early start in the fields. Although times were hard, they also had good times, like that little something special at Christmas time and a relaxing fishing trip on the creek bank. Sol and Ida moved to Route 1, Atkins in about 1950. Their son, Doyle Kelley, bought the Mountain Place and the home place on East Fork. The Kelleys lived on their son, Herbert's place here at Atkins while he lived in California. Solomon Spencer Kelley died August 7, 1959 at St. Mary's Hospital. Ida lived with her granddaughter, Ruth Rudder, until her death January 3, 1967. They are both buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector. The children of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley are: Ethel Iola born 1-13-1908; Burl and Murl (twins) born 8-30-1909; Clarence born 9-30-1911; Doyle born 2-24-1913; Herbert born 5-20-1914; Zola May born 12-16-1916; Thurman Woodrow born 5-24-1918; Luie born 12-23-1919; Russell Howard born 6-11-1922; and Pearl Hester Ann born 2-27-1924.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

LLOYD CHAMPION PATRIC KELLEY

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Lloyd Champion Patric Kelley was the grandson of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County in 1898 at Fork Mountain near Hector. He is the son of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Rose Belle Texanna (Wheeler) Kelley. They also settled in Pope County near Hector. Lloyd was born June 9, 1895. Lloyd married Ona Rackley and they lived on East Fork near Hurricane Creek close to Hector and farmed. Their first two children were born in Pope County: Illah was born July 11, 1917 and Hershel was born November 11, 1919. When their children were very young, they moved to Oklahoma and had the rest of their family. Loeta was born July 22, 1924; Faye was born July 13, 1926; Lloyd Champion (L.C.) was born August 28, 1929; Kenneth Wayne "Chick" was born April 6, 1933; and Yvonne was born July 30, 1936. There were eight children in all but one died young. Lloyd Champion Patric Kelley died November 23, 1954. He and his wife are buried at Sanbois Cemetery in Stigler, Oklahoma.

The family of Hershel Kelley of Stigler, Oklahoma was the only history of Lloyd's children available at press time. Hershel married Imogene Brazeal, daughter of Ode and Hattie Brazeal. Their children are Barbara Kay born April 9, 1943; Linda born July 13, 1945; and Ellen born September 6, 1949. Barbara Kay is married to Keith Underwood and they have

three children: Bryan born October 22, 1968; Sherry born April 29, 1971; and Scott born June 15, 1972. Linda is married to John Wade and they have a daughter Kelly born December 1, 1969. Ellen is married to Richard Patton and they have two children: Ricky born November 15, 1965 and Robert born September 19, 1968.

As for the other children of Lloyd Kelley: Illah married Clifford Latta and they live in Chino, California; Loeta married Burk Raby and they live in Jinks, Oklahoma; Faye was married to J.C. Markham — divorced, and she lives in Pomona, California; L.C. lives in Sunny Mead, California; "Chick" lives in Stigler, Oklahoma; Yvonne is married to Joe Starnes and lives in Grand Junction, Colorado.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

ARTHUR DANIAL KELLEY

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Arthur Danial Kelley is the grandson of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled on Fork Mountain near Hector in 1898. Arthur is the son of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Rose Belle Texanna (Wheeler) Kelley. He was born January 28, 1898. Arthur carried the mail on horseback from Witts Springs down to meet the mail coming from Hector. He would meet his step-brothers usually Burl, Murl or Doyle Kelley and they would exchange mail at a half-way point. Arthur also went to the wheat harvest in Oklahoma when he wasn't on a mail route. Arthur left home and the last time anyone heard from him he was in California. But there was a period of about twenty-five years that no one even knew where he was. His family tried to locate him in 1959 when his father died but couldn't find him. He came back to Russellville a few years ago and didn't tell about his mystery years. He is at Stella Manor Nursing Home in Russellville after a stay at the Veterans Hospital in Little Rock. Arthur never married that we know of. He is 80 years old at the present time.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

ETHEL IOLA KELLEY

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Ethel Iola Kelley Harris is the granddaughter of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County at Fork Mountain near Hector in 1898. Ethel is the oldest child of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled in Pope County near Hector. Ethel was born January 13, 1908, in Pope County near Hector. She went to school at Forks of the Creek School near Hector. She was married to Lloyd Church, son of Marion and Martha Church. They were married only a short while and had a daughter, Ruth Evelyene, born July 28, 1929, in Pope County. They divorced and Ethel and Ruth moved back to the Kelley home. Being the oldest child, Ethel had many responsibilities



ETHEL IOLA KELLEY HARRIS, HUSBAND, ORDA HARRIS AND CHILDREN: LEWIS, BONNIE AND KAY.

and had to work hard. She cooked meals, spun yarn from sheep's wool, made clothes, plowed the fields, and many other things at home. She even helped out when one of her brothers needed her by carrying the U.S. Mail on horseback. Ethel married Orda Harris on November 6, 1937. He was the son of George and Lucy Harris. They lived in the Russellville area and Bradley Cove also near Russellville. Orda was a farmer. He farmed many years for Mr. McCutcheon and also many years for Jack Shull. Their children were all born in Pope County: Lewis Arnold was born March 18, 1940; Bonnie Mae was born September 2, 1943; and Wanda Kay was born March 18, 1949. Orda suffered from severe asthma during his life and died with an asthma attack and heart attack on 7-1-69. He is buried in Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain. Ethel makes her home on Crow Mountain where she enjoys sewing, gardening, and crocheting.

by Janice Coffman Hollabough

LLOYD CHURCH AND ETHEL IOLA KELLEY

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Ruth Church Rudder is the great-granddaughter of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County at Fork Mountain near Hector in 1898. Ruth is the granddaughter of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled in Pope County near Hector. She is the daughter of Ethel Iola Kelley Church and Lloyd Church. Ruth Evelyene Church Rudder was born July 28, 1929, in Pope Co. She lived with her grandparents, Solomon Spencer Kelley and

Ida (Austin) Kelley, most of her growing-up days. She went to school at Prarie Grove near Russellville and at Hector. She married Cleo Rudder April 13, 1946. He was the son of Sol and Stellah (Shepherd) Rudder of Solo near Hector. They lived with his parents on Solo Mountain for a while and then built a house close to his parents. Their first three children were born while they lived here. Brenda was born January 16, 1947, at Russellville; Jimmy was born April 30, 1948 at home; and Larry was born January 8, 1950 also at Solo. Cleo drove a bulldozer and worked in the bolt woods. They went to California for a few years. They did farming while in California around the Stockton and Linden area. They came back to Pope County, Arkansas and settled in Russellville. Cleo worked for Sugar Creek, Dr. Pepper and Mac Bryan doing bulldozer and roadwork. Their fourth child, a son Tommy Ray was born in Russellville May 8, 1954. Ruth worked at the Shoe Factory for almost 4 years while they were in Russellville. While they lived in Russellville, Grandma and Grandpa Kelley were at her house and he took sick while they were there and died at St. Mary's Hospital August 7, 1959. Grandma Kelley continued to live with the Rudders until her death January 3, 1967. They moved to Crow Mountain in March of 1962. They went into the laying hen business and gathered eggs. Cleo also drove a school bus for the Pottsville School and drove a feed truck for Valmac. Their youngest child, a daughter Barbara was born on Crow Mt. August 9, 1962. A tornado wiped out their chicken business and they didn't build back. Cleo bought his own feed truck at this time and began hauling feed for industries. At the present time his business has increased to three feed trucks and they haul feed for Cargill, Purina, and Pope County Co-Op.

Brenda Joyce Rudder was born January 16, 1947 in Pope County, Russellville, Ar. She attended schools at Hector, Russellville and graduated from Pottsville. She married Carroll Duvall September 10, 1964. He is the son of Ray and Wilma Duvall. Brenda and Carroll have lived at Morrilton and Plumerville and live at Oppello at the present time. Carroll is a truck driver and does mechanic work. They have two sons: Timothy Carroll born September 9, 1965, and Christopher Carroll born December 7, 1974. Both were born at Morrilton. Timothy goes to school at Morrilton.

Jimmy Wilson Rudder was born April 30, 1948 at Solo. He went to school at Russellville and Pottsville. He married Ann King, daughter of Henry King of Pottsville on September 24, 1965. They have lived at Rusvl. and Pottsville. Their children are: James Douglas born Feb. 11, 1967; Steven Dewane born Nov. 12, 1969; Angela Kay born June 12, 1971; and Tracy Lynn born Dec. 24, 1973. Their children attend school at Russellville. Jimmy is field supervisor for Cargill and Ann works at Wal-Mart. They reside at Sherman Acres on Crow Mountain.

Larry Eugene Rudder was born Jan. 8, 1950 at Solo. He went to school at Russellville and Pottsville. He was married to Joyce Coffman, daughter of Lattie and Anna

Sue (McCuin) Coffman for a short while. They divorced and he married Linda Hardcastle of Dover. They have a son, Bryan Lee born Nov. 6, 1977. Larry has worked for Newton, Inc. and he is presently employed by his father driving a feed truck. Linda is a bookkeeper at Stella Manor Nursing Home. They live on Crow Mountain.

Tommy Ray Rudder was born May 8, 1954 at Russellville. He attended school at Russellville and Pottsville. He married Debbie Wheeler of Pottsville July 7, 1973. Tommy has worked for Mortons and at the present time he is mill foreman at Cargill and drives a feed truck for his father. Debbie attends Arkansas Tech University and they live in Pottsville.

Barbara Ruth Rudder was born August 9, 1962 at Russellville. She has attended Pottsville schools and will be a Junior in Pottsville High School this fall.

by Janice Coffman Hollabough

ETHEL IOLA KELLEY AND ORDA HARRIS

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The children of Ethel Iola Kelley Harris and Orda Harris are Lewis Arnold, Bonnie Mae, and Wanda Kay. They are the great-grandchildren of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County at Fork Mountain near Hector in 1898. They are the grandchildren of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled in Popel County near Hector.

Lewis Arnold was born March 18, 1940 at Russellville. He attended schools at Russellville and Hector. He married Patsy Ruth Coffman May 15, 1960. She is the daughter of Doyle and Ida (Martin) Coffman. They lived in Russellville and Lewis worked for Arkansas Valley Hatchery. Their first child, a daughter Arnetta Faye, was born in Russellville February 25, 1961. They moved to Little Rock in 1963. Their other children were born in Little Rock: Gregory Arnold — June 25, 1963; Patricia Elaine — March 2, 1965; and Jodie Marie — October 13, 1966. Lewis does glass work — he has worked for Capital Aluminum and Allied Glass. Their oldest child, Arnetta Faye is married to Tony Slagley and they have a son, Gregory Dwaine born February 29, 1978. Tony does maintenance work and they live in Little Rock. Lewis and Pat's other children attend schools in Little Rock.

Bonnie Mae was born September 2, 1943. She attended school in Russellville. Bonnie married Jerry Kelso and they have a daughter, Teresa Lynn, born June 30, 1961. They divorced and Bonnie married Ernest Moss and moved to Little Rock. They have a son, David Lee, born July 3, 1965. They divorced and Bonnie moved back to Russellville and married Joe Renard. They are divorced. Bonnie is a beauty operator and lives in Russellville.

Wanda Kay was born March 18, 1949, in Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas. She attended schools in Russellville. She married Clyde B. Harris, Jr. and they live on Crow

Mountain. They have two daughters: Kathy Marie born June 16, 1967 and Bonita Gale born January 5, 1969. The girls attend school at Pottsville. Junior is employed by White Feed Mill and he has also worked for lumber companies.

by Janice Hollabaugh

BURL KELLEY

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Burl and Murl Kelley

Burl Kelley is the grandson of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County in 1898 on Fork Mountain near Hector. He is the son of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled in the Hector area of Pope County. He is a twin to Murl Kelley and they were born August 30, 1909 at Fork Mountain. He went to school at Forks of the Creek School near Hector. He carried the U.S. mail while he was at home from Hector toward Witt Springs on horseback. He also carried the mail to Deer and also to Harrison at different times in his youth. He married Gladys Morphis on April 12, 1934. She is the daughter of Asa and Bertha (Bowden) Morphis. The Morphis family lived on Crow Mountain and also around Prarie Grove near Russellville. The Kelley family, at one time, lived at Prarie Grove, too. This is where Gladys and Burl became acquainted and married. They lived with the Kelley family for a while after their marriage. They then moved to Pine Hill community near Dover. Their oldest daughter, Evelyn, was born March 20, 1935 at Dover. They moved to Ouita, near Russellville where Burl was a farmer. Burl was also in the U.S. Navy for three months. He had a Honorable Discharge for medical reasons. They lived at Pottsville, where their son, Coy "Buddy" was born August 27, 1937. They moved back to Dover and there their youngest child, a daughter Polly, was

born. They then moved back to Russellville and have lived there for the last thirty-five years. Gladys worked at a cannery and also worked at the Shoe Factory in Russellville for eighteen years. She is retired from the Shoe Factory. Burl has mostly carried the U.S. Mail for a living, but has also farmed, repaired and sold small miscellaneous types of equipment and worked at the Sale Barn Livestock Auction in Russellville. They now reside in Russellville.

Evelyn was born March 20, 1935 in Dover, Pope County, Arkansas. She attended school in Russellville but quit in the 9th grade to go to work. She married Dean Motley in June, 1954. He is the son of Dellar and Murl Motley. He is a service station operator. They lived in Russellville where their three children were born: Danny Dean — January 20, 1956; Janet Lynn — February 11, 1959; David Allan — August 25, 1961. Evelyn and Dean were divorced in 1962. Evelyn married Dale Giddens on September 11, 1964. He is the son of Sherman and Gladys Giddens. They have lived in Russellville, Arkansas and Dallas, Texas. He was a roofer until their new business venture — Starlight Do Nut Shop in Russellville. Danny works for his father at Motley's DX but is at the present time recovering from injuries in a recent auto accident. He attended the Russellville Schools. Janet Lynn graduated from Russellville High School and is now working for Starlight Do Nut and living in Russellville. David Allan will be in the 11th grade at Russellville High School next fall.

Coy "Buddy" Kelley was born August 27, 1937 at Pottsville. He went to school at Russellville. He served in U.S. Navy. He married Sharon Harris on March 1, 1963. She is the daughter of George and Kathleen (Bell) Harris. They have lived in Conway, Russellville and Pottsville. Buddy has worked at the shoe factory, and has been owner and operator of Pottsville Ornamental Concrete since 1973. They have 2 sons; Gregory Scott born 12-29-63 and Jeffrey Lee born 7-31-66. They also have an adopted daughter, Kay (Hardin) Kelley born 3-28-61. Sharon was married before her marriage to Coy and Kay is her daughter. Kay will be in the 11th grade, Greg will be in the 9th grade and Jeff will be in the 7th grade this fall. They attend schools at Pottsville.

Polly was born 4-25-40 at Dover. She attended schools in Rusvl. through the 10th grade. She married Loran Lee Hovis 10-4-55. He is the son of Chester and Cleo (Kinslow) Hovis. Lee is a career man in the U.S. Army. Most of his time was spent in Ft. Campbell, Kentucky; Ft. Bragg, North Carolina; and Germany. He was an M-P in the Army. Polly traveled with him most of the time but their first 3 children were born in Rusvl.: Michael Loran — 8-20-57; Diana Lynn — 8-17-59; Shelia Marie Catherine — 4-19-68. Their youngest child, Christopher Scott, was born 8-6-73 in Ft. Campbell, Kentucky. They live in Russellville, Pope County, Ar. where Lee is employed by the Nuclear Plant. He has been a law enforcement officer and has also done painting and teletype work. He is retired from the U.S. Army. Their son Micheal Loran is employed by Sam Jamell Tile Co. in Rusvl.

Diana Lynn also lives in Rusvl. Shelia Marie Catherine will be in the 5th grade in the fall and Christopher Scott will be kindergarten age this fall.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

MURL KELLEY

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Murl Kelley was the grandson of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County in 1898 at Fork Mountain near Hector. Murl was the son of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled in Pope County, Arkansas. Murl was born August 30, 1909. He is a twin to Burl Kelley. They were born in Pope County near Hector. Murl helped on the mail routes while he was home and helped farm. He went to school at Forks of the Creek School. He married Daisy Bohanan, the daughter of George and Laurie Bohanan. They lived at Forks of the Creek and had two children — Jess and Jewell. Murl and Daisy divorced and he moved back home with his mother and dad. Later, he married Ann Bates and they lived around Dover and Bakers Creek in Pope County. Murl was a farmer and had a mail route to Harrison. Murl and Ann divorced and he remained a bachelor until his death. He lived just outside of Russellville. He did odd jobs and worked at the Sale Barn Livestock Auction. He died December 3, 1971 and is buried beside his mother and dad at Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

DOYLE KELLEY

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Doyle Kelley and wife, Lavada Kelley and children: Kenneth and Carl.

Doyle Kelley is the grandson of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. Whitehead Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County in 1898 at Fork Mountain near Hector. Doyle is the son of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida Austin Kelley. They also settled in the Hector area. Doyle was born in Pope County near Hector February 24, 1913. He went to school at Forks of the Creek. He helped on the mail route from Hector to Retta and other surrounding areas. He also had the Solo Mountain mail route at one time. While he was at home living in Russellville around Prarie Grove, he drove the mail route from Rus-

sellville to Hector for several years. He married Lavada "Okie" Coffman daughter of William Sherman Coffman and Nellie (Hughes) Coffman on June 17, 1932. He was a farmer for a while then moved to Earle, Arkansas to carry the U.S. mail. He was here for about 3½ years and then went to California. During World War II he worked at a Defense Plant and later on he worked at a glass company for a short while. He then moved to LaPuente, California and run a mail route until his retirement in 1971. Lavada also worked while in California. She worked at Goodyear for seventeen years retiring in 1963. Their children are Carl born July 14, 1939, and Kenneth born October 19, 1943. They both attended schools in California and received the college degrees from Mount San Antione Junior College (Mr. Sac) and California Polytechnic College. They both work in computer operations. Carl is a programmer and Ken is an analyst for General Dynamics. Carl lives in LaPuente and Ken lives in Diamond Bar, California. They are not married. Doyle and Lavada live in LaPuente, California but they spend the summer here in Pope County at Route 1, Atkins just down below Pottsville. They enjoy camping, hunting, fishing and traveling.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

HERBERT KELLEY

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HERBERT KELLEY AND WIFE ESTHER KELLEY

Herbert Kelley is the grandson of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County in 1898 at Fork Mountain near Hector. Herbert is the son of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled near Hector. Herbert was born in Pope County, Arkansas May 20, 1914. He went to school at Forks of the Creek School near Hector. He helped carry the U.S. mail while he was home and helped farm. He married Esther McCary, daughter of Nolan and Lydia (Baker) McCary. They were married December 22, 1934. They lived in Russellville for a while and then moved to Delaware, Arkansas where Herbert worked for a lumber industry. He worked at the plainer mill for Eb Moore and Jess Furnam. He then



BOBBY AND MARY JO WADE, KEITH, STEVEN AND CHARLES

went to serve in the Navy during World War II. He was stationed in Virginia and California. Esther stayed with her step-brother in California while Herbert was overseas twenty-nine months. After his discharge from the service they bought a farm on Crow Mountain, Pope County, Arkansas. They farmed on Crow Mountain until 1942 when they bought some land at Route 1, Atkins, just below Pottsville. They have lived here approximately fourteen years. They went to California for about twelve years. During this time his father and mother, Sol and Ida Kelley, lived on his farm near Pottsville. While they were in California, Herbert worked as a mail carrier and worked in a real estate business. Esther worked for General Foods for many years while they lived in California. They both retired and moved back to near Pottsville, Pope County, Arkansas about 1964. They enjoy gardening and fishing and Herbert loves to hunt. They have no children but have several pets.

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ZOLA MAY KELLEY

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ZOLA MAY KELLEY WADE AND HUSBAND CECIL WADE

Zola May Kelley Wade is the granddaughter of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. Whitehead Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County in 1898 at Fork Mountain near Hector. She is the daughter of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida Austin Kelley. They also settled in the Hector area. Zola was born December 16, 1916 in Pope County near Hec-



GORDON, JOYCE, SHERYL AND DENISE COFFMAN

tor. She lived in the Hector area and went to school at Forks of the Creek and also lived in the Russellville area and went to school at Prarie Grove. She married Cecil Wade of Russellville, September 17, 1934. He is the son of Joe and Lillie (Foley) Wade. Their first child, a daughter Ruby Joyce, was born in Russellville June 28, 1935. They moved to Brinkley, Arkansas where they had a U.S. mail route and Gazette route for four years. Their second child, a daughter Jewell Loice, was born June 18, 1937, at Brinkley. They then went from Brinkley to California for one year and then back to Russellville. Cecil was a Jackson cookie salesman and Gazette carrier while in Russellville. Their third child, a son Bobby Joe, was born July 27, 1940, in Russellville. They went back to California where Cecil worked as a welder in the shipyards until 1944. The went from California to Gallup, New Mexico where he worked as a brakeman on the Santo Fe Railroad. Their fourth child, a daughter Charlotte Ann, was born January 12, 1945, in Gallup, New Mexico. Then they moved back to Pope County, Russellville, where their fifth child, a daughter Sharon Gale, was born July 26, 1949. They owned a wrecking yard business near Pottsville and moved there after a few years. They started selling Haydite concrete blocks for Mr. O'Kelley out of Conway. They added various other concrete products to their business such as 4''-24'' culvert tiles for roadways and a machine that produced 4'' drain tiles. Eventually they went completely out of the wrecking yard business and increased their present business to include mortar mixers, brick laying tools, and masonry tools. They also added a gift shop. Their business was called Wade Masonry. They also made other concrete ornamental products such as picinc tables, bird baths, and various other figurines. They made most of their own molds and custom-made molds for people desiring specific things. In 1973 they sold their business to a nephew, Coy Kelley. At this time Wade Masonry produced over 300 different items. The business is still located at Pottsville. It is now called Ornamental Concrete. The Wades still operate a scaffold rental service but most of their time is spent traveling, playing music, fishing, camping, and gardening. They still live at Pottsville.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

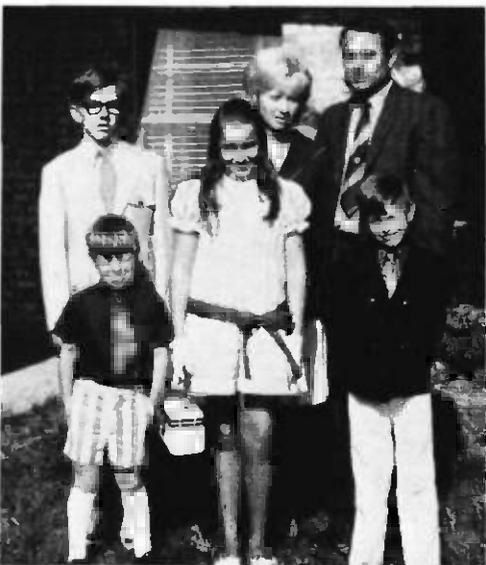
ZOLA MAY KELLEY AND CECIL WADE

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The children of Zola May Kelley Wade and Cecil Wade are Ruby Joyce, Jewell Loice, Bobby Joe, Charlotte Ann, and Sharon Gale. They are the great-grandchildren of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County at Fork Mountain near Hector in 1898. They are the grandchildren of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled in Pope County near Hector.

Ruby Joyce was born in Rusvl., Pope Co., Ar. June 28, 1935. She graduated from Rusvl. High School and continued her education for 1½ years at Ark. Tech. She married Gordon Coffman, son of Eulan and Edith (Miles) Coffman on Feb. 13, 1954. They went to Reno, Nev. to get married. He was in the Navy stationed in Calif. and she was living with an aunt while working in Calif. to be near Gordon. Gordon also graduated from Rusvl. High School and Tulane Univ. at New Orleans, La. Cheryl, their first child, was born Nov. 8, 1956, while Gordon was still in the service. Cheryl was born in Rusvl. Their 2nd child, a daughter Denise, was also born in Rusvl. Feb. 18, 1958, shortly before they moved to Kansas City, Mo. Gordon has worked for IBM Corp. for app. 20 yrs. They were in Kansas City for about 2 yrs., then Redhook, N.Y. for 13 yrs., then Boca Raton, Fla. where they are living at the present time. Joyce operates a real estate business and Gordon is about to retire from IBM to help in the business. Their oldest child, Cheryl, is married to R.J. "Dick" Hrabik. They live in Dover, Minn. where he is employed by IBM and she is employed at Wal-Mart. Denise is a Jr. in college at Boca Raton, Florida.

Jewell Loice was born in Brinkley, Ar. June 18, 1937. She graduated from Rusvl. High School and married Franklin Stites on Dec. 23, 1955. He is the son R.T. and Faye Stites of Newport, Ar. Frank graduated from Ark. Tech. They lived in Rusvl. while he attended college and St. Genevieve, Mo. where he was employed by Miss. Fuel. Their 1st 2 children



FRANK AND JEWEL STITES, DAVID, KIMBERLY, JEFFREY AND JOHN



Ronnie and Sharon Thomas, Sean and Kerri

were born here — David Franklin Oct. 12, 1956 and Kimberly born Nov. 14, 1959. They moved to Monroe, La. where Frank is still employed by Miss. Fuel. Their 2 other children were born there — Jeffrey on July 18, 1964 and John on May 26, 1966. Their son David lives in Rusvl. Ar. where he is employed by Ornamental Concrete, Highway 7 So. Kim is in her 1st yr. of college in Monroe, La. Jeffrey and John also attend schools in Monroe.

Bobby Joe Wade was born in Rusvl., Pope County, Ar. July 27, 1940. He graduated from Rusvl. High School and Ark. Tech. He also attended the U of A at Fayetteville for a short while. He married Mary Jo Powell, Dec. 29, 1962, daughter of Glen and Mary Carolina (Waldo) Powell of Rusvl. They lived in Pope Co. around Pottsville when their 2 children were born: Keith Allen—Nov. 8, 1963 and Steven—July 24, 1966. Their youngest child, a son Charles, was born in Fayetteville, Nov. 7, 1967. Bob has worked for IBM several yrs. and they have lived in Olatha, Kan. and Va. They are now living in Greenbrier, Ar. and he is still working for IBM and Mary Jo does substitute teaching. She only needs a few hours to complete her college degree and plans to continue her education some day. Their children go to school in Greenbrier.

Charlotte Ann was born in Gallup, N.M. Jan. 12, 1945. She graduated from Rusvl. High School and attended Ark. Tech for 2 yrs. She married Robert Zim Rye Oct. 6, 1962, son of John Grady and Mary (McQuene) Rye. Bob graduated from Ark. Tech and they have lived in Rusvl., Batesville, Little Rock, and Fort Smith. Their oldest child, a daughter Sherry Lynn, was born in Rusvl. Dec. 5, 1964. Their daughter, Deborah, was born in Batesville on Dec. 2, 1967. They live at Fort Smith, Ar. where Bob is an accountant at Whirlpool Corp. and Charlotte does part-time bookkeeping work for Mazda. Their children both attend schools in Fort Smith.

Sharon Gale was born in Rusvl. July 26, 1949. She graduated from Pottsville H.S. and attended Ark. Tech for 2 yrs. She married Ronnie Thomas on Aug. 8, 1970. He is the son of Wayne and Wyena (Hale) Thomas of Lavaca, Ar. They lived in Rusvl. while he attended and graduated from Ark. Tech. He also worked for Kroger Co. while attending col-

lege. Their 1st child, a son Sean Wade, was born Sept. 22, 1974 in Dardanelle Hospital. Ronnie has worked for the Kroger Co. in Rusvl. and Little Rock. He is presently manager of the Kroger Store at Lonoke, Ar. Their 2nd child, Kerri Lorisa, was born Dec. 27, 1976 at Conway, Arkansas.

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THURMAN WOODROW KELLEY

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THURMAN KELLEY AND WIFE VIOLET AND SON, TERRY MITCHELL

Thurman Woodrow Kelley is the grandson of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County, Arkansas in 1898 at Fork Mountain near Hector. Thurman is the son of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled near Hector. Thurman was born in Pope County May 24, 1918. He helped carry the U.S. mail a little, while he was home but he mostly helped farm. He attended school at Forks of the Creek School near Hector, Prarie Grove School near Russellville and Junior High School at Russellville. He continued his education later in his life in California and also through correspondence work. He entered the U.S. Army June 3, 1942. This was during World War II and he served in the Pacific against the Japanese. He gained recognition as an expert rifleman for rifle no. 1903, the M-1 rifle and also as an expert sniper rifleman. He won the Combat Infantry Badge and the Asiatic Pacific Service Medal. Thurman was cited for the Silver Star. This is the third highest award in the U.S. Army for bravery and service beyond the call of duty. He received letters of accomodation from his Generals and also from the President of the United States. He was injured during combat and received 50 percent disability for back injuries. He was Platoon Sergeant in the 81st Wildcat Infantry Division. After his discharge from the Army, he married Violet Ruth Robinson on December 1, 1945. She is the daughter of Roy and Laura (Fulford) Robinson of Russellville. They have lived in Russellville, Arkansas; Senith and St. Louis, Missouri; and Delano, California. Thurman worked as a cotton gin inspector,



ROBERT AND CHARLOTTE RYE, SHERRY AND DEBROUGH

did irrigation work and was a truck driver. Their only child, a son Terry Mitchell, was born June 30, 1955 in Delano, California. They returned to Arkansas, Pope County, in December 1962. Thurman has been an Assembly of God minister for the past ten years and has been a rural mail carrier for the past eight years. They live at Route 5, Ray Lee Addition in Russellville. Their son Terry graduated from Russellville High School and attended Arkansas Tech. He married Beverly Bocksnick and they also live in Russellville. Terry has worked for KARV Radio Station and is presently planning to continue his college work at Arkansas Tech University. Beverly is employed by West-Gibson Store in Russellville. Thurman and Terry and their wives are the owners of the old Fork Mountain place near Hector which Champion J. Kelley home-steaded in 1898.

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LUIE KELLEY

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Luie Kelley, wife Divoma and children, Jack, Ann and Patsy

Luie Kelley is the grandson of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County in 1898 at Fork Mountain near Hector. He is the

son of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled near Hector. Luie was born 12-23-1919 in Pope County. He went to school at Forks of the Creek School near Hector and Prarie Grove near Rusvl. While at home he helped farm and also helped Doyle Kelley on the Rusvl. to Hector mail route sometimes. He married Divoma Marshall while he was still in the Army. They married 1-20-41. Divoma was the daughter of Jim Hardie Marshall and Josie (Young) Marshall. Luie and Divoma lived at Delaware, AR. where he worked at the plaining mill. They moved to Los Angeles, Calif. where he was a machinist working with automatic screws. Their 1st child, a son John "Jack", was born 8-2-43 in Los Angeles. They moved to Crow Mountain, Pope County, AR. and their 2nd child, a daughter Ann, was born 7-17-45 at Atkins. While they lived on Crow Mountain, Luie farmed and worked for a cannery. They moved from Crow Mt. to Rt. 1, Atkins down below Pottsville. Their 3rd child, a daughter Patsy Lou, was born 3-31-49. While Luie lived at Pottsville, he went to school at Pottsville on a special program. He received a 4-yr. certificate in stock farming and agriculture through the Pottsville School. Luie worked for his sister and her husband, Zola and Cecil Wade, running a wrecking yard at Pottsville. He continued to work at the wrecking yard, and also at the concrete and masonry supply business. His wife Divoma also worked at Wade Masonry. She died 9-3-74 from a cerebral hemmorage and is buried at Pisgah Cemetery near Pottsville. Luie still works in the concrete business. He works for Coy Kelley — Ornamental Concrete which was originally Cecil and Zola Wade — Wade Masonry. He operates the Highway 7 So. location of Ornamental Concrete in Russellville. He married Atha Aline Thomas on June 23, 1975 and they live at Pottsville.

Jack was born 8-2-43 in Los Angeles, Calif. He attended school at Pottsville until the 10th grade. After the 10th grade he moved to Hector to live with his aunt, Hester Coffman. He then attended Hector High School. He married Mary Jo Williams, daughter of Roy and Chloe Williams of Appleton. They lived at Pottsville where their first 2 children were born, Shelia and Mike. They also lived in Temple, Texas and Atlanta, Georgia. Debbie Jo and Jackie were born in Atlanta, Georgia. They then moved to North Carolina. Jack is a brick-layer and construction worker. They divorced and Jack got the four children. He took care of them alone for about 1½ — 2 yrs. then he married Debra Dean Sweat. They have a son, Christopher, born in 1976 in Linden, North Carolina. They live in Linden, North Carolina now.

Ann was born 7-17-45 at Atkins, Pope County, Ar. She graduated from Pottsville High School. She married Bob Latham 9-7-63. He is the son of A.J. and May Latham. They have a daughter, Dedra Ann, born 1-3-65. They divorced and Ann married James Phillips 10-8-67. James is the son of Gus and Pearlie (Stone) Phillips of Dover. They live at Pottsville and have 2 sons: Shelby Lynn born 11-24-67 and Shannon Dale born 9-19-69. James is a truck driver. Shelby will

be in the 5th grade this fall and Shannon will be in the 4th grade at Pottsville School.

Patsy Lou was born 3-31-49. She graduated from Pottsville High School and Petit Jean Vo-Tech and is an LPN. She married Clint Hull 10-12-68. They lived at Rusvl. where their daughter, Tina was born 4-4-69. They moved to Rt. 1, Atkins just below Pottsville. Their second child, a son Chad, was born 3-4-75. They still live at Rt. 1, Atkins and Clint is store manager for West-Ark Equipment Co. in Rusvl. Pat is Dr. Mauch's nurse at Millard-Henry Clinic in Russellville.

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RUSSELL HOWARD "BUD" KELLEY

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RUSSELL "BUD" KELLEY AND WIFE NOELLA AND CHILDREN, SHERRY AND CARLEE

Russell Howard "Bud" Kelley is the grandson of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County in 1898 at Fork Mountain near Hector. Russell is the son of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled near Hector. Russell was born in Pope County June 11, 1922. Russell attended schools at Forks of the Creek near Hector, Prarie Grove near Russellville and graduated from Hector High School. He served in the U.S. Navy. Russell married Margaret Choate and they made their home in Russellville. Their son, Gary, was born in Pope County in 1949. When he was three years old, they moved to Huntington Park, California. They divorced while Gary was a young boy. Gary lived in different places while growing up. He lived with his father and went to different schools in California. Gary lived with his uncle, Luie Kelley, at Route 1, Atkins and went to school at Pottsville. He also lived with his aunt, Hester Coffman, at Route 1, Hector and went to Hector High School. Since then he has lived in different areas.

Russell worked in the steel industry for several years while in Huntington Park,

California. He moved to LaPuente, California in 1961 and became a gardener. He does gardening and landscaping work for different people in this area. He married Noella Smith in 1965 and they have two children: Sherrie born July 25, 1967 and Carlee born August 14, 1974. They still live in LaPuente, California and Russell is still a gardener. Their daughter, Sherrie, will be in the 7th grade this fall.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

PEARL HESTER KELLEY AND CLIVIE COFFMAN

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The children of Pearl Hester Ann Kelley Coffman and Clivie Edward Coffman are Janice, Marlene, and Jearl Edward. They are the great-grandchildren of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled in Pope County at Fork Mountain near Hector in 1898. They are the grandchildren of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled in Pope County near Hector.

Janice was born July 16, 1946 at Solo Mountain in Pope County. They lived at Solo until Janice was about 1½ — 2 yrs. old when they moved to Walnut Grove for a short while and then to Welcome Home Community between Hector and Appleton. She attended school at Hector and graduated in 1964, salutatorian of her class. She went to Arkansas Tech and worked as receptionist at St. Mary's Hospital until 1965. She went to work at Peoples Bank in August 1965 and married Arthur Kent Hollabaugh Nov. 26, 1965. She worked at Peoples Bank for 10 yrs. where she had several positions including Asst. Cashier and Note Dept. Supervisor. Kent is the son of Arthur and Ina (Ross) Hollabaugh of Dover. Janice and Kent lived at Russellville for a short while and then built a home at Welcome Home Community beside Janice's mother. They have two daughters born at St. Mary's Hospital in Russellville — Kelly Annette born June 18, 1973, and Andrea Leigh born February 3, 1977. Kent has worked for Continental Telephone Co. for the past 11 yrs. Janice is attending Arkansas Tech University and will complete requirements for a B.S. Degree in Elementary Education this fall. They attend Welcome Home Freewill Baptist Church where Janice is Preschool Sunday School Teacher and church pianist.

Marlene was born December 28, 1949 at Pope County — Welcome Home Community near Hector. She attended school at Hector and graduated in 1967. She attended Arkansas Tech for 2 yrs. then married William Stanley "Bill" Newton, Jr. August 16, 1969. He had attended the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville for 3 yrs. and was in the third year at Pharmacy School in Little Rock when they married. He was a former Razorback football player and graduate of Russellville High School, where he was in the High School Hall of Fame. He is the son of William Stanley Newton, Sr. and Mary Walton (Smith) Newton. Marlene and Bill lived in Little Rock while



BILL AND MARLENE NEWTON. THEIR CHILDREN CHRISTY MARIE AND AMY LYNN.

Bill finished Pharmacy School and Marlene attended the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. He graduated in 1970 and they moved back to Russellville where he worked at Walker Drugs. He became half-owner of Walker Drugs and the name was changed to Newton's Pharmacy. Marlene continued her education at Arkansas Tech and graduated in 1971 with a B.S. Degree in Elementary Education. Their first child, a daughter Christy Marie, was born December 25, 1972 at St. Mary's Hospital in Russellville. Marlene taught 4th grade at Oakland Heights School for 2 yrs. Their second child, a daughter Amy Lynn, was born December 20, 1976 also at Russellville. Christy will be in kindergarten this fall at Dwight Elementary School. Marlene and Bill are now owners of Newton's Pharmacy and co-owners of West Side Pharmacy in Russellville. Marlene does substitute teaching in the Russellville School District. They reside at 2404 West Third Street in Russellville, Arkansas.



JEARL COFFMAN AND WIFE EILEEN AND EDDIE AND JOSHUA DAVIS.

Jearl Edward "Buddy" Coffman was born April 9, 1951 at Hector — Welcome Home Community. He attended school at Hector and graduated in 1970. He has worked at several jobs including: raising chickens in Hester's chicken house, working at Firestone, working at Wade Masonry, driving a Budweiser truck, harvesting hay for people and he is presently doing carpenter and construction work. He also does hay baling work during the summer months. He married Eileen Wilson February 19, 1977 and they live at Appleton. Eileen is the daughter of James Bruce and Dorothy (Gowan) Wilson. Eileen has 2 sons Edward James Davis born December 22, 1969; and Joshua James Davis born July 1, 1974. Eddie will be in the 3rd grade at Hector this fall. Joshua goes to preschool Head Start at Appleton. Eileen enjoys cooking, sewing, and other crafts. Buddy and Eileen enjoy square dancing together.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

PEARL HESTER ANN KELLEY

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PEARL HESTER ANN KELLEY COFFMAN AND HUSBAND — CLIVIE. CHILDREN: JANICE, MARLENE AND JEARL.

Pearl Hester Ann Kelley Coffman is the granddaughter of Champion J. Kelley and Louisa M. (Whitehead) Kelley. Champion J. Kelley settled at Fork Mountain near Hector in 1898. She is the youngest child of Solomon Spencer Kelley and Ida (Austin) Kelley who also settled in the Hector area. Hester was born February 27, 1924 in Pope County-Fork Mountain near Hector. She attended school at Forks of the Creek School near Hector, Prairie Grove School near Russellville and the Hector School. She had to quit school after the 11th grade to help work at home. She and Ruth Church were the only children at home then. She also worked at Earle, Ar. while Doyle and



JANICE AND KENT HOLLABAUGH AND CHILDREN, KELLY AND ANDREA.

Lavada Kelley lived there. She picked cotton and worked at an ice cream parlor. After that she came back home to Hector and helped at home. Hester married Clivie Edward Coffman August 25, 1945. He is the son of Walker Bealer Coffman and Callie Bohanan Coffman of Hector. They bought some property on Solo Mountain, cleared the timber, and farmed the land. Their oldest child, a daughter Janice, was born at Solo July 16, 1946. They sold the Solo Mountain place to Ira Sanders and bought property between Hector and Appleton from Lloyd Parrish. Clivie cut the timber off the land to build their new home. While their house was being built, they lived at Walnut Grove Community in a house beside Clivie's father. Clivie, Hester and Horace Condeley built the house. They moved between Hector and Appleton at Welcome Home Community and their second child, a daughter Marlene, was born December 28, 1949. Their third child, a son Jearl Edward, was born April 9, 1951. Dr. A.C. Linton delivered all three children. Clivie worked in the timber woods and was a farmer. He also went to California in the fall of the year to do seasonal work in the walnut crop around Stockton and Linden. Hester managed the farm while Clivie was in California and at first she didn't have any means of transportation; therefore, neighbors such as Hobart and Ruth Blackwell would take her to get any needed groceries or other trips she needed to make. Also Ruth Rudder, Brenda and Jimmy Rudder stayed with her one time while Cleo was also in California. Brenda and Janice started to school together in 1952. The farm got to be more than Hester could manage with three small children, so Clivie decided that the fall of 1956 would be his last trip to work in California. He would stay home and take care of his family and the farm. October 25, 1956, Clivie was poisoned from supposedly accident release of fumigation in the walnut plant at Linden while he was still in the fumigation room. He suffered for 4 days in the county hospital at Stockton. Hester flew to his bedside, but he never regained consciousness. He died October 29, 1956, at the age of 41.

His funeral was at Welcome Home Church conducted by Rev. W.S. Isbell. He is buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector. Hester has remained a widow up to the present time. Times were hard for her but she managed to raise the three small children and also take care of the farm. At different times she had help from nephews Jack Kelley, son of Luie and Divoma Kelley; Lewis Harris, son of Ethel and Orda Harris; Larry Rudder, son of Ruth and Cleo Rudder; and Gary Kelley, son of Russell and Margaret Kelley. They each lived with her for a while and helped on the farm and went to school at Hector. In order for Hester to support her family, she had a chicken house built to produce broilers in 1962. She raised chickens for H.M. Osborn out of Dardanelle for 10 years. Through hard work and many sacrifices she provided for her children. They all graduated from high school and two attended college. The high price of required automatic equipment for the chicken house forced Hester to quit the chicken business in 1972. Since then she has continued to raise some cattle but also had to go to work outside the home. She worked for Morton's and CM Vending for a number of years. She is a cook at St. Mary's Hospital at the present time. Her children are all married and she has continued to live at the house she and Clivie built in 1948. She attends church at Welcome Home Freewill Baptist Church near Hector. Hester loves to "spoil" her grandchildren, and enjoys sewing, crocheting and gardening in her spare time.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

JAMES KELLY, MARY BRIDGES KELLY

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My parents came from Ireland around the year 1863 and arrived at Ellis Island. Father came from County Clark, Mother from County Claire. They came over for religious freedom and because my father's brother could get him a job on the railroad. They lived in New York, and Hoboken until their children, James, Bertha, Francis and Mary were born. Then a job was open in Russellville, Arkansas and by train here they came and settled in a yellow section house, free rent, free coal, free oil, surrounded by freedom of religion, this became their America. He became a section foreman in charge of twelve or twenty men to lay the track and drive the spikes by hand. There Eve, who died as an infant and myself, Joe was born.

We as a family have called Pope County and Russellville our home. Eve, Father, Mother, Francis, Bertha have all passed on leaving Mary, Jim and Joe, (myself) we are still around and Pope County and Russellville we call Home Sweet Home.

I remember the unpaved streets of Russellville, the first car, owned by J.C. Faulkner the water trough in front of the old opera house, Henry's mulebarn the pontoon bridge at Dardanelle, the D. and R. No. 9 Railroad, Plunkett Jarrels Warehouse, the old yellow freight house (still there) the men marching in

the streets training to go to fight World War number one, to end all wars, the unloading of the circus trains, the downtown street carnivals, the corn doctor, the umbrella man, old clay lighting the oil lamps on the railroad, the hobos who were never turned down for a meal by Mother, the old jail, old court house, old school house that every winter the snow caved in the roof and we would have classes in empty buildings down town. I attended my fourth grade class in an old butcher shop, no wonder I like hamburgers so much. Sometimes my class would be in the old Hood's Drug Store when as a small boy I bought my first ice cream cone, and also my first toy, I was run out of the store many times for playing with the toys but he knew I was a steady customer, in fact, I sold him lots of old bottles to put his patent medicine in. It cured everything but cancer, but then they didn't know what cancer was. He had the best jelly beans in town. Yes, my play yard was down town, I guess I was the town pest but I did get an orange from Plunkett Jarrels Wholesale house if I promised not to come in.

Who cannot forget the depression, rabbit stew, banks closing, World War No. 2, no gas, no cars, no sugar, WPA, but all in all we were happy as a family. During the Depression, at Christmas time, we had very little, but not as we read every week now all spills are not chemical spills, on Christmas Eve a box car full of hard candy and lots of goodies turned in our yard and we as well as the whole town filled tubs and thanked the insurance company that gave us a "Happy Christmas".

Yes, memories of Pope County and Russellville (home) will be forever. Our family now is James, his wife Flo, Joe, my wife Leota, and our daughter Jo Ann, and Mary who still lives in Russellville.

Pope County's heritage could never be contained in one book, there are too many great families, great stories, that resided and now resides in the great county of Pope.

by Joe Kelly

MRS. FLORENCE MARTHA CROWELL KERR

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Mrs. Florence Martha Crowell Kerr was born 5 November 1881 near Solgohachia in Conway county. She was the daughter of Michael and Emma Florence Crowell, and the wife of Edgar Kerr.

In 1924 she graduated from the Los Angeles Bible Institute.

Mrs. Kerr began her work in Pope county schools prior to 1946. She traveled from school to school telling Bible stories using flannel backed pictures on a flannel cloth. It was with great enthusiasm that the children watched and listened as the stories were told. On each visit Mrs. Kerr would quote a scripture and write on the chalkboard where it was located in the Bible. She would then tell the students if they would memorize and quote the verse when she came again she would give them a pencil, with a Bible verse on it.

At Thanksgiving the boys and girls loved to



Mrs. Florence Martha Crowell Kerr

show their appreciation to her. The teachers would fix a box and the children would bring jars of home canned fruits and vegetables for her.

Mrs. Kerr traveled in a wagon pulled by a horse for several years, later she hired a taxi.

She lived at Scottsville and went to some of the close schools once every week. The other elementary schools were visited once every month. She worked through the Scofield Bible Church of Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Kerr died, 13 August 1971, in Pope county after influencing the lives of many children and adults with her christian testimony. She was laid to rest in the Crowell family cemetery near Solgohachia.

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CHRISTIAN KERSTEN

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Christian Kersten was born in Ottersum, Germany 1841. He was a coal miner who wanted out of the mines. He was married to Elizabeth Josten (Kersten) in 1873. She was born in 1843. He brought his family to America in 1882. They came to Morrilton by train, looked at land at St. Vincent, but didn't like hilly ground. On Sunday he headed west, found 40 acres he liked (4 miles east of Atkins, tws. 7 range 18) and built there. He bought 200 acres more, north of where he was, later. He cut wood and hauled to the trains, farmed wheat and cotton, raised cattle, and had a wheat binder and sorghum mill. He and his family attended the Catholic

Church where he helped talk the church people into building it where it is now instead of on Crow Mt. Elizabeth died in 1907, he died in 1915. They had 6 children; Mary (1876-1944) married Henry Bauman, 6 children; Josephine (1878-1961) married Fred Schmoll, 5 children; William (1883-1976) married Elizabeth Gunderman, 13 children.

William was born on the old homestead, attended Catholic Church, walked to school in German town, now Blackville and Kenwood area. He and Elizabeth married in 1908 at St. Vincent. She was born on Sept. 19, 1891. He rode his horse to St. Vincent across Point Remove creek to court her. He wanted to be an engineer, but his dad talked him into farming. He farmed with mules and raised cotton.



Elizabeth Kersten and William Kersten

The homestead caught fire in 1933 or 34 and burned down. They moved across the tracks. Family and friends helped them, rebuild with one carpenter being hired. He went to Montana for five years and the family stayed at St. Vincent. When he was 44 (1937) he was hit by a car while driving his team to town. It broke both ankles and they wanted to amputate, but he said he would sue. Later he tried to handle the plow while kids drove the team. He died on Sept. 8 1967, Elizabeth died Aug. 13, 1974, both in Morrilton. They had 13 children: Helen — died early age; Catherine (1914-1966) married Joe Charneck, lived Balto, Md. no children; Christopher (1919) married Mary Nottenkamper, Atkins, Ark. 5 children; Wilhelmine (1921) married Angelo D'Angelo, Pittsburgh, Penn. 4 children; Joseph (1922) married Ethelene Harvill, NLR, Ark. 4 children; Marie (1924) married Joe Sweeney, Detroit, Mich. 1 child; Fred (1926) married Bernice Teague, Morrilton, Ark. 1 child; Clarence (1928) married Flora June Kersten, divorced, Atkins, 6 children; Raymond (1930) no marriage, Atkins; Rose (1931) married John Reeves, Longview, Texas, 3 boys; Rita (1933) married Jeff Montgomery, Fayetteville, Ark. 4 children; George (1935) no marriage, Mt. Pleasant, Texas; 2 children died at early age.

Clarence was born on Oct. 20, 1928, in Atkins, attended Catholic Church and school. When he was 6, he and his brother, Ray caught the sweet potato shed on fire and everything burned down. He played softball and baseball on church team. In 1946, he left and went to work for West's Tree Service. Not knowing how to drive, he drove a truck from Little Rock to W. Memphis and almost wrecked several times. He married Flora on Sept. 9, 1950 in Mena, Ark. She was born in Mena in 1933. They moved around and settled in Texarkana, Ark. for 6 yrs., came back to Atkins in Dec. 1961. They bought 65 acres of old homestead north of track and built a house, also bought 120 acres of blackland, raising soybeans and 40 acres of pastureland for hay. His wife went to work at Crompton Ark. Mills in 1963. In 1974, he sold blackland and went back to work for West's Tree Service. They have 6 children who helped work on the farm. Wayne Allen born 1951, married Georgia Porter in 1972; Dorothy June (1952) married Irvin Johnson, 1971; Caroline Marie (1956) married Jeffrey Haney, 1978; Janice Ruby (1957) married Bob Austin, 1977; Jane Ellen (1959) married Robert Crabtree, 1977; Sandra Diane (1961) is a junior at Atkins High School.

Wayne graduated AHS 1969, spent 4 yrs. in Marines, returned to Atkins 1974, and has 4 yrs. in the National Guard. He bought a place adjoining the old homestead, goes to school at Morrilton Vo-Tech, and his wife works at Crompton Ark. Mills. They have 2 girls, Debbie Dawn and Leslie Ann, one girl died shortly after birth (Darlene). Dorothy grad 1971, 5th in class, husband works at Crompton Ark Mills, and has spent 6 yrs. in National Guard. They live south of Atkins but plan to build on land east of Atkins. They have 2 girls, Audrey Lynne and Delaney June. Caroline grad AHS in 1974, 3rd in class, grad

Ark. Tech University 1978, major in accounting, lives in Fayetteville, Ark. Jeff is a student at University of Ark. majoring in bacteriology. (no child.) Jan grad AHS in 1975, attended Ark. Tech for 1½ yrs., lives in Tulsa, Okla. Bob is an accountant at World Airlines. Jane grad 1977, second in class, lives in Omaha, Nebr. Robert is in the USAF. Sandy is a cheerleader, plays basketball and lives at home with mother in Atkins. She is a Junior at AHS.
by Dorothy Johnson and Wayne Kersten

WILLIAM KERSTEN

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William Kersten was a son of Christian Kersten, 1841-1915 who was born in Ottersum, Germany, and married Elizabeth Josten 1843-1907; This marriage brought forth 6 children 3 boys and 3 girls; One son and one daughter died at unknown ages; Mary 1876-1944 married Henry Bowman 1870-1959; Josephine 1878-1961 married Fred Schmoll born 1878-1943; William 1883-1967 married Elizabeth Gunderman, 1891; John died about age 12; To Mary and Henry Bowman 7 children were born, Chris, Elsie, Ernest, Josephine, Henry, Frances and Louis.

To William and Elizabeth 13 children were born, Catherine, Chris, Joseph, Wilhelmena, Clarence, Raymond, Marie, Rose, Rita and Fred. Four of the thirteen died at birth or at a very early age.

The Kersten's were among the first Catholic families to settle in the Atkins area.

To Josephine and Fred Schmoll were born 5 children, Dorothy, Carl, Hilda, Christian and Clara. The second child Carl Schmoll married Dorothy Nottenkamper. This union brought forth five children, Carlene, Jo Ann, Louis, Bernardine and John.

These families have lived and still live in the city of Atkins since the year 1882.

The saying "You've come a long way baby" really tells it all in all our glorious past. These dates I have submitted in this book ring bells with me. Each time I think of the years involved on this small page my whole body tingles with pride to be able to write these small bits of information for my children and their children to read in years to come.

by Bernardine Harvill

REV. LEON KETCHERSIDE

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Rev. Leon Ketcherside is an Ordained Minister of the Assemblies of God and is the grandson of Will and Callie (Wheeler) Ketcherside and Decator and Sarah (Crites) Weir. Both families are from the Russellville area and North to the Boston Mountains. There are some old land marks that bare the name (EO) the Ketcherside fire tower near Lurton, Arkansas. The family originated in Scotland. There are ancestors residing there who spell their name as we do, KETCHERSIDE. Some of our ancestors have changed the spelling of their names to distinguish between families for one reason or another. Will Ketcherside had one daughter and six sons: (1) Lillie — lives in



Rev. Leon C. Ketcherside, Mrs. Lesdene Burton Ketcherside, Danny Ray Ketcherside, Leonna Dean Ketcherside.

Stockton, Calif.; (2) Charles Henry, deceased; (3) Floyd, deceased; (4) Tidon, deceased; (5) Chester, deceased; (6) Ed, lives in Stockton, Calif.; (7) Ellis, deceased.

My father was Charles Henry Ketcherside, a rock mason. My mother was Flossie Lucille (Weir) Ketcherside, a housewife and a practical nurse. They had eight children: Mack, Katherine, Buddy, Florence, Leon, Charles, Jane and Vernon.

I was married to Lesdene Burton on 3-16-51. She was the daughter of Lester and Lillie Burton of the Economy Community north of Atkins. They moved to Hugo, Okla. in 1933. She returned to Arkansas to live with her Aunt, Mrs. Nancy Ann Lunningham, a few months before we married.

We have two children, one daughter, Leonna Dean, born 10-14-58, at Lake Village, Ark., where I was pastoring the New Bethel Assembly of God Church. She is a sophomore at the Assemblies of God College, Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Mo. She sings with the World Wide Revival Time Choir and is a very accomplished musician.

We have one son, Danny Ray Ketcherside born 1-5-60. He was born in Pine Bluff, Ark. We were pastoring the First Assembly of God Church in Star City, Arkansas, at the time. The entire family are all accomplished musicians.

Lesdene Ketcherside returned to school and became a nurse and also a very skilled floral designer.

Rev. Leon Ketcherside returned to school and entered the field of Criminology.

The family owns their home in Atkins, Arkansas and is pastor of the Bells Chapel Assembly of God Church.

by Rev. Leon C. Ketcherside

ELIJAH KING

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The Pope County 1850 census shows that Martha Harkey (12), with her father James

and mother Eliza, was residing in Illinois Township. The same source pin-points the time of her arrival from North Carolina as the late 1840's. Elijah King, "walked from Georgia" as a "bare-foot boy of 12" according to family lore. Since most males and some females accompanying the wagon trains west did just that — maybe he did. This would get him to Pope County in the late 1840's — with or without shoes. His first authenticated record found so far is in the County Clerk's office and is of his marriage. Elijah King (20) and Martha Harkey (19) were married in the home of her parents December 2, 1856.

Elijah acquired land from his brother John who had received a patent for land homesteaded in 1859. At intervals he added surrounding acreage until he owned at least 250 acres. He farmed and operated a cotton gin and a licensed distillery. The roster of names as the family increased reflected the origins of both parents. It is likely she and her children attended the nearby Pisgah Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. The land belonged to her brother Cicero who sold it to the Trustees in 1851. Elijah was one of the founders of the Galla Creek Masonic Lodge and installed as the first Worshipful Master October 14, 1875. Fifty years later his son Tom served in the same capacity.

The 1880 census lists Thomas as the four year old son of the Kings and Alice Idell (Della) as the one year old daughter of Robert and Mattie Dunn. The Dunn family had arrived in the county in the 1850's when Robert was six. Tom King and Della Dunn were married in 1896. When Elijah King died in 1899, his son farmed the family place. He held jobs on township, county and state levels. From his father he passed to his children as a heritage the spirit of family pride and solidarity. Although Della's formal schooling was limited, she possessed a love of books and implanted in many of her descendants as interest in and a desire for learning. She saw to it that her children attended the Methodist Church on a regular basis. He was a member of the Pope County Quorum Court that voted to erect the Court House, erected in 1931.

The four sons and five daughters of this family compose the third generation. Three of the four sons fought in two wars (Army, Air Force, Navy). One followed a successful business career in Mayfield, Kentucky. One chose the legal field. Two chose to work out-of-doors with the freedom from confinement it offered. While living in Pope County, Max worked with the Game and Fish Commission and the State Highway Department. The surviving son — Neal, before he retired was Legal Advisor with the Veterans Administration in Louisiana. In Pope County, he had been an Attorney, a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, and a member of the Arkansas State Legislature.

Four of the five daughters put homemaking high on their lists of priorities. They all played contributing roles, wherever they lived, in more than one of these areas — business world, professional field, social and religious activities. Three of these sisters are living: (1) Evelyn King, Russellville (2) Chloe King (McGuire), Kelly Corners, New York (3) Ina

Gene King (Ferguson), Pottsville.

Lloyd Elijah King Jr., a great grandson of Elijah and Martha King, is the only male by the name of King in the 4th generation. He was a Pediatrician in Memphis before becoming a Professor in the school of Medicine at Vanderbilt University. There are eight other G-fours pursuing various careers: teacher (7 at one time or another); beauticians; a student completing work on her doctoral degree; guidance counselor.

Fourteen progeny, most of them under 30, are classified 5th generation. We find three farmers; waitress; homemakers; students on all levels; clerk; Military career. Four of this group reside in Pope County and are the grandchildren of Ina Gene King (Ferguson).

A boy of 7 and his sister of 5 bring the descendants of Elijah into the 6th generation. They are the great-grandchildren of Nola Inez King (Whayne). Their father, her grandson, is a farmer at England, Arkansas.

Return the focus of your minds eye back to the late 1840's as a ten year old girl was making that slow journey from North Carolina and near the same time a twelve year old boy was making his journey from Georgia. Don't you wish that they — for one brief moment — might have held in focus the rest of the picture as it unfolded over the next 130 years?

by Evalyn King

WILLSON C.H. KING

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Willson C.H. King, was born in Tennessee Dec. 3, 1836 and died in Pope County, Ark., Sept. 10, 1893. He had moved to Missouri where he fought during the Civil War in Co. C, 6 Mo. Cav., C.S.A. He married Etha L. Petty who was born Jan. 24, 1847 and died May 20, 1877 and they had five children: Ida, Martha Bell, Joe S., Mary E., and Etha. Joe was born Aug. 7, 1873 and was killed by a falling tree, June 15, 1890. He and Odus Maloney were cutting down a tree and a limb hit him. Odus had to go for help and when they got back he was near death and soon passed away. Mr. King was running a store and saloon at Scottsville at the time. Mr. and Mrs. King, Joe and Mary who was born Mar. 18, 1875 and died Jan. 20, 1906, are buried in Old Lake Cemetery north of Dover.

Martha Bell, born in 1872, married Rev. Wayne G. Morgan in 1897. Mr. Morgan had married Maud Rankin and they had one child, Orel Morgan and she then passed away. Mr. Morgan and Martha Bell had one child, Frankie. He was a Missionary Baptist preacher and he died July 22, 1899. He was born May 15, 1869 and he and Maud Rankin Morgan are buried in the Appleton Cemetery.

Frankie Morgan, married John McClain on July 16, 1916. His parents were Jim and Cinderella McClain who were from Georgia. They came to Pope County about 1883. They had eight or nine children, eight of which are: Omer, Marshall, Doyle, John, Cannie, Ola, Ethyl and Elsie. John was in World War I and was scheduled to go to France but had the flu and was quaranteed and he didn't have to go. It was a rough time as they didn't have any

nurses in the camp and every one had to help each other. They moved a boy out of the tent John was in with spinal meningitis and John was quaranteed again.

John and Frankie Morgan McClain had three children: Mary Kathryn married John Atwater and they had one child, John II; James McClain married Kitty Price and they have two children, Dennis who married Sharon Holt and they have one child, Nancy married a Wright and they have no children; Johnie Marvelene married William Shadrack and they have three children, William Jr., Jessie and Sherril Ann and all are married. Sherill married Travis King.

John McClain was a farmer while in Arkansas, later moved to California and worked for Douglas and Northrup aircraft and retired from Douglas in 1968 and they moved back to Russellville where he passed away June 11, 1974.

by Mrs. John McClain

THE WILLIAM ELIJAH KING FAMILY

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William Elijah King, born Jan. 25, 1867 in Pope County, Arkansas, was the son of Elijah King born in 1839 in Elijay Murry County, Georgia and brother of Thomas King whose story is elsewhere in this book.

As William grew up he attended different Special Schools, most of them to learn advanced math. He related often incidents that occurred as he rode a mule across country from his home near Pottsville to classes on Norristown Mountain, also Dwight Mission.

On Dec. 25, 1889 William E. King married Minnie Bell Teeter oldest child of James L. and Sarah E. Teeter. They settled on a farm near Pottsville. As a farmer "Bill" was considered progressive. He contoured his rows when plowing and gave his livestock the latest feeding programs. With the help of his children his farm produced well. The Kings won prizes each fall at county fair time on his livestock as well as corn, peanuts, sorghum, hay and apples.

There was a big family of children even by standards of that day. There were eleven of them. Ellen King who was the oldest married Walter A. Reed. They raised six children.

Oscar the second child, died at age eighteen victim of pneumonia.

James E. King served his country in the Navy in World War I. Upon returning home he married Ethel Rackley, oldest daughter of James A. Rackley. They had four daughters, all of whom attended some college after Jim took a job at Fort Roots and lived in Little Rock.

Albert King (Joe) married Bertha Baker. They soon moved to New Mexico and raised a family of eight children there.

Ruth King early became a school teacher. She married C.V. Robinette who was a member of the faculty of State Teachers College in Conway. They had a family of two boys.

Irene King attended Arkansas Agriculture

School in Russellville where she met and married Elmer Hamm of Newton County. They moved there to raise a family of five children.

Wade King married Lourille Pryor a long time primary teacher at Pottsville. They have two girls.

Rhea King attended Teachers College then got a school teaching job in Thorton where she met and married Coby Council. They later moved to Pasadena, Texas to raise three children. Rhea retired as a teacher in the Pasadena schools. Hazel King got a degree in Home Economics from State Teachers College at Conway. In the middle thirtys she took a job with the State Extension Office and worked around Stuttgart. She married Robert Clibourne. They worked in different states in the fortys but settled in Texas where they raised their daughter.

Raymond, the youngest in the family earned his wings in the Air Force during World War II. He was an instructor at an airbase in Texas. He married Martha Fausett and settled in Houston to raise their son and daughter. Both Bill and Minnie King believed in hard, honest work and required that from their children as long as they lived on the farm but they also inspired them to get a good education and the children in turn inspired the grandchildren to get a good education. Most of them not only finished high school but attended some college many earning degrees. One grandson, Dr. Dayne Hamm, is president of Veterinarians of this state and lives in Fayetteville with his family. Another one, Dr. Jack Hamm is head of the Math Department at Ark. Tech University. Still another, Dr. Allen Robinette is chief technician in the Laboratory for Dunhill Pharmaceutical Supplies, and Dr. Dennis Robinette is in Japan, working for the federal government studying the effects of the atomic bomb in that country.

It is a big family yet and one William and Minnie King would be proud of if they were here.

by Robert Wade King

REV. JOHN KINSLOW

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The first Kinslow to come to Arkansas was Rev. John Kinslow, a Cumberland Presbyterian minister who came from Kentucky in 1849. His first wife's name was Candis. They had three children: Ben, Aaron, and Amanda. John's second wife was Martha. They had six children: John T., Ezekial, Walter Tom, Warren, George, and Candis.

Rev. Aaron Kinslow, the second son of John Kinslow, also a Cumberland Presbyterian minister, was married to Haney Templeton. They had thirteen children: Anna, who married Lonnie Bradford; Winnie (died young); Walter Lee was married first to Flora Venus, second to Ona Lemley, and third to Rena Tripp; Willie who married first to Gertrude Harris and second to Ona Stevens; Dora who married Will Myers; Maudie who married first to Thurman Lemley and second to Wesley Carlisle; Duffie who married Verlon Jones; Jimmy who married Belle Jones; Emmer who married Sid Stevens; Floyd who married first



Seated — Rev. and Mrs. W.L. Kinslow. Standing — their children Virgel, Grady, Bernice, Tom, Lillian, Raymond, Walter Mark, Clyde, Stella, Lucy, James and Doris.

to Jewell Williams and second to Thelma Bowden; Nettie who married Evert Jackson; Johnny who married first to Lora Brock and second to a Maggard; and Nora who married first to Mervin Barton and second to Emmitt Hamilton.

Aaron Kinslow died in 1924 at Russellville and is buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley. Haney, his wife, died in 1937 on Crow Mountain and is also buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery.

Rev. Walter Lee (W.L) Kinslow was born Oct. 23, 1883 near Appleton. He was a farmer and merchant and served as postmaster at Caglesville from 1921-1953 as well as being a Cumberland Presbyterian minister. He died

Dec. 30, 1966 and is buried at Rock Springs. His first wife was Flora Venus. They had no children. She died Dec. 23, 1904 at age 19. His second wife was Ona Lemley. They had three children; Virgil, who married first to Willia Legg and second to Ruth Farnham; Grady who married Artie Epperson; and Bernice who married Rev. Lytle Hallum, a Free Will Baptist minister. Ona died March 23, 1911. W.L. then married Rena Tripp, June 29, 1913. Rena died July 7, 1964. Rena, Ona, and Flora are buried at the Rock Springs Cemetery.

W.L. and Rena had nine children: Thomas Aaron who was married first to Imogene Johnston and second to Louise Kinder; Lillian who married Sewood Gray; Raymond who

married Ella Hudson; Walter Mark who was married first to Lavelle Hurley and second to Bernita Bradford; Clyde who married Dortha Kinder; Stella who married Carl Henry Andrews; Lucy who married Arvil Hudson; James who married Janie Goodman; and Doris who married Henry David Blalock, Jr. Clyde, Raymond, and Tom are all Cumberland Presbyterian ministers.

Clyde Kinslow was born May 23, 1922 at Caglesville. He married Dortha Kinder, daughter of Rev. J.D. and Nona Cagle Kinder, Dortha was born October 23, 1925. They were married June 28, 1941 at Moreland by Rev. F.M. Hudson. They have three children, Jo Ann, Kay Lou, and Bobbye Gail. Jo Ann is married to Larry Darter who is Pope County sheriff. They have two sons, Danny and David. Kay Lou is married to Kurt Richter who is plant accountant for Purina Mills in Russellville. They have three children, Brian, Jessica, and Robyn. Bobbye Gail is married to Rev. Sammy Austin, an Assembly of God minister. They have four daughters, Tina, Marla, Lori, and Jeni.

Dortha taught school in Pope County for eleven years. Clyde has served as school administrator in Pope County, was public relations director for Arkansas Tech, served as overall administrator for ARVAC, Inc., holds a bachelor's degree from Arkansas Tech, a master's degree from the University of Arkansas, and has done further study at the Memphis Theological Seminary. He was ordained as a minister in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in 1958 and has served rural churches in Pope County since that time. He represented Pope County in the Arkansas House of Representatives for fourteen years from 1952-1966. Clyde represents the fourth generation of Cumberland Presbyterian ministers in the Kinslow family. He also has a nephew and a great-nephew who are Cumberland Presbyterian ministers making six direct generations of Cumberland Presbyterian ministers in the family. Clyde is presently serving on the Pope County Quorum Court representing the third district.

Clyde and Dortha now reside at Caglesville within a mile of where they were both born and raised.

by Clyde Kinslow

DR. C.L. KIRKSEY

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Dr. C.L. Kirksey was born 2 December 1836 at Alamucha, Miss. Shortly after the birth of C.L., the father, a farmer and stockman, moved his family to Butler, Ala. C.L. Kirksey attended school at Gaston, Providence and Eutaw prior to attending the University of Tuscaloosa, Ala. which was also a military school.

When the War between the States came, C.L. entered Confederate service as a third Lt. He participated in a number of furious battles including the Battle of White Oak Swamp where he was dangerously wounded, receiving a bullet that he would carry most of his life.

After the War, he taught school for a time



Seated — Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Kinslow. Standing — Kay, Bobbye, and Jo Ann Kinslow.

and then enrolled in medical school graduating from Atlanta Medical College with a M.D. degree in 1874. Before the end of that year Dr. C.L. Kirksey, his wife and four sons were settled in Pope County at Dover. Dr. Kirksey once said that the most important event of his life was his marriage in 1866 to Miss Mary P. Grace. She was the daughter of G.B. Grace. Mrs. C.L. Kirksey was a woman of rare beauty and attainment, an excellent homemaker and a devoted Christian. Both Dr. and Mrs. Kirksey joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in Dover and both were a vital part of the operation of that church. Mrs. Kirksey was a church school teacher. Dr. Kirksey became a lay leader and later served as the pastor of the Dover Church in addition to his full-time work as a physician. (In "Methodism in Ark. 1816-1976" Dr. Walter Vernon refers to Dr. C.L. Kirksey as both "a medical doctor and an early Methodist preacher.") He was also a Mason and deeply loyal to the principles of this Order.

The children of C.L. and Mrs. Kirksey were: Foster, who died soon after finishing medical school; Madison L., who settled in Chichalah, Yell County, built a reputation for skill and ability in the medical profession; Robert L., the third son to study medicine, moved to Owasso, Okla. where he practiced medicine until his death; and Woodville, the youngest son, who was a successful farmer.

The children of Dr. Robert L. Kirksey were: Grace, who married James Yancy Poynter 20 July 1910; Mamie, who married Basil Poynter in July of 1911; Odell J. Kirksey, who practiced medicine in Mulberry; and Emma, who married Paul Alexander, a farmer of Mulberry.

In 1901, Dr. C.L. Kirksey moved to Lott, Texas hoping that the move would improve his failing health, which was a direct result of the wound that he had received in the Battle of White Oak Swamps. An operation was performed in which the bullet was removed, but the operation was not a success and Dr. C.L. Kirksey died at home in Lott, Tex. 4 Sept. 1904.

Among the many descendants of Dr. C.L. Kirksey and his wife, Mary Grace Kirksey, are to be found numerous physicians and members of other professions who, like Dr. Kirksey, have and are serving their fellowmen in an unselfish manner.

by Mrs. Grace Poynter

CHRISTIAN KNOERNSCHILD

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In the year of 1885 Christian Knoernschild, oldest son of Henrich and Sophia Knoernschild moved from Augusta, Missouri to western Pope county where he started clearing and farming. Christian married Anna Meckert from the area, they had one son Emil and three daughters.

Emil, was born in 1894 lived and worked on the farm all of his life, he died in 1974. Emil and his wife Rose Marie reared nine children eight sons and one daughter. Two of the sons live in Pope county now, Leo who still lives on the family farm and Richard who resides in Russellville.

Four children are included in Richard and Beverly's family they are Donald, Trudie, Richard Douglas and Shelly all who are residents or students in Pope County.

by Richard Knoernschild

JOSEPH PAUL KORKAMES

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Joseph Paul Korkames came to America from Beirut, Lebanon, in 1908. He settled in Texas originally, and after several years of hard work, he opened a confectionary and theater in Temple, Texas. In 1914, he returned to Lebanon and met and married Mary Sadie Salamouni. He returned to Temple, Texas, with his new bride and continued with his business operation. They had five children: Thomas Paul, Mary Josephine, Adele Elizabeth, Joseph Edward, and George Albert.

In 1929, he sold his business in Temple, Texas, and moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma. He operated a sandwich shop there for about 9 months.

In 1931, he and his family moved to Russellville, Arkansas. He started The Famous Chili Company in 1932. With the help of his wife and family he also opened a sandwich shop known as the Russellville Sandwich Shop which was located across from the present Pope County Courthouse. Mr. and Mrs. Korkames became known around Russellville as Papa and Mama Joe.

The family moved to Ft. Smith, Arkansas, after the Russellville business burned, and they continued in the chili and cafe business there. In 1943, Joe Korkames died after a long illness, but his wife and family continued operating the family enterprise known as The Famous Cafe located on Rogers Avenue.

The oldest son, Thomas, married during the war to Tina Shirley from Altus, Arkansas in 1942. Mary Jo married in 1944 to Ronald Hobaica, also of Lebanese descent, whom she met while he was stationed at Camp Chaffee in Ft. Smith. Adele married Jim Erhard from New York, and Albert married Judy Keeton from Van Buren.

In 1950, Ronald and Mary Jo with their 3-year-old daughter, Mary Ann, moved back to Russellville and opened The Famous Drive-In on South Arkansas Avenue which was in operation until 1973. Mary Jo was familiarly known as Korky by her many customers which mainly included Jr. High and High School students.

In 1960, Mary Korkames closed her cafe in Ft. Smith after 25 years of operation and returned to Russellville where she is still living with her daughter. Mary Jo's daughter, Mary Ann, married David Rollans after they both completed Arkansas Tech. They and their 3 children are permanently settled in Russellville. David is a teacher in the Middle School and Mary Ann is employed by the Employment Security Division after teaching for several years.

The Famous Chili business is still a family operation. Joe and his family own and operate the Famous Chili and Meat Company in Ft. Smith, and Thomas and his family operate

The Famous Chili Company in Bristow, Oklahoma.

by Mrs. David Rollans

JAMES LADD

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Seated: George W. Ladd. Standing: Raymond Ladd, Eunice Ladd Page, Nora Howard Ladd.

James Ladd came to Arkansas as a youth from Ladd Cove, near Monteagle, Tennessee where he was born about 1835. His father, Terrill Ladd went to Tennessee from Alabama, descended from Amos Ladd III, who moved to Alabama from North Carolina. Amos Ladd, Jr. went to North Carolina from Virginia, the birthplace of Amos Ladd, Sr. The father of Amos, Sr. was John Ladd who moved to Norfolk County, Virginia from England in 1673.

James Ladd married Artnecia Miller in Yell County, Arkansas. They settled in Martin Township in Pope County, Arkansas prior to the Civil War. After service in the Confederate Army, he owned 90 acres of land in Martin Township that became known as Ladd Community and where the Ladd School was located. Six children were born to James and Artnecia Ladd. They were Sarah, Amanda, Anna Frances, Emeline, George Washington, and James Franklin.

James Ladd was a successful farmer and land owner according to the Courthouse records of his will of January 14, 1877, and the appraisal of his personal property dated February 26, 1877, following his death. His death was caused by exposure on a bear hunt and followed the death of his wife Artnecia. They are buried at the Old Lake Cemetery near Dover.

James and Artnecia Ladd left, along with four older daughters, two small sons, George and Jim who were born in the early 1870's. Jim died as a young adult near Dallas, Texas. George lived with an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sloan, in Yell County, until he was



L to R: Sarah Ladd George, George W. Ladd, Amanda Ladd Ragsdale.

12 years old. He then lived with his sisters and brothers-in-law, Sarah and Dave George in Yell County and Amanda and George Ragsdale in Pope County until he was an adult. His education was made possible with the help of Steele Hays, a Pope County teacher and lawyer who became his mentor and life-long friend. He married Nora Ann Howard, daughter of Joseph and Frances Howard, who came to Arkansas from Georgia, served in the Confederate Army and also served in the Arkansas Legislature in the late 1890's.

George Ladd also became a successful farmer and businessman and served two terms as Sheriff of Johnson County. As a person, he was regarded as a sensitive and generous man. George and Nora Howard Ladd, along with their two sons, Norried who died in infancy and Raymond who died as a young adult, are buried at Annies Chapel Cemetery in Johnson County.

In 1978 James and Arnetcia Ladd have four living grandchildren. These are: Eunice Ladd Page, daughter of George and Nora Howard Ladd; Ernest and Willard Ragsdale of Dover, and John Ragsdale of Oklahoma, all sons of Amanda Ladd and George Ragsdale.

by John M. Page

MATTHEW LAFAYETTE LAFFOON

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Matthew Lafayette Laffoon was born December 11, 1885 in Giles County, TN. He was the son of William Rufus Laffoon and Sallie Boatwright Laffoon. He and his parents and other family members moved to Boone County, AR, where he met and married Rhoda

A. Dodson, daughter of Eli and Carolyn (Cantrell) Dodson on March 20, 1879. To this union 10 children were born: Edgar Poe, Eli, Minnie Maud, Lily Aud, George Martin, Cora Belle, Flora, William, Euna, and Ethel.

In the winter of 1896, "Uncle Fate" as he was commonly known, along with his wife and eight older children, left Boone County by covered wagon "seeking greener pastures", heading south across the Boston Mountains. Finding the Cottonwood Community near Dover to their liking, they settled there — where their youngest son Willie died. Later Euna and Ethel were born. In the early nineteen hundreds they moved to the Pine Hill Community where they lived until his death, August 29, 1929. Rhoda lived until June 18, 1945.

Edgar Poe, the oldest son, married Frances Ann Sinclair. They lived near Dover and were parents of 7 children, five living to adulthood. The children were: Jewel, Leonard, Guy, Glen and Lois. Jewel married Cecil Jennings (now living in Russellville), they had five children, two died in infancy. Louis lives in Russellville; Charlene married Pat Pickens, they have three children Becky, Roger and Shannon, and live in Houston, Texas. Jimmie married Patricia Lorenz. They have two daughters Lauren and Kelly and live in Downy, California.

Leonard married Vivian Berry of Leachville, AR. They live in Paragould, AR. Their children were Billie Ann (Jonesboro, AR) who married Dr. Roland Mullins. They have two sons, Joel and Gary; Bobby Lee who married Marilyn Hughes. They live in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, with their children Valorie and David. Betty, married Arlen Ferguson. Their children are Jo Ann and Danny and they live in Jonesboro, Arkansas.

Guy married Mary Berry, sister of Vivian,

Leonard's wife. They, too, live in Paragould. They had two sons. The youngest, Larry, died in 1962 at the age of 14. Lowell, married Brenda McDonald. They have three sons: Scott, Gregory and Christopher and live near Paragould. Glen married Noyes Mickler of Opelika, Alabama. They live near Paragould and have two sons, Neil and Kelvin.

Lois married Robert Dollar of Russellville, they adopted a son and lived in Collinsville, Oklahoma until Lois' death in 1973.

by Guy Laffoon

E.D. LANDERS

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It took 3 months for the Landers' to travel from Georgia to Arkansas in 1877. During the Civil War the Landers' plantation home was destroyed, as was the case of many families during this time. The Landers' home was near Curry Hee Mt., about 100 miles out of Atlanta. Thirteen families made this journey together to Arkansas, traveling part way by boat. E.D. Landers, 2 brothers and a sister settled first in Montgomery Co. Soon afterwards E.D.'s brothers and sister moved to Oklahoma. Their names were Bailey, Henry, and Mrs. Susie Landers Wright. E.D. came to Pope County, namely Hatley community. He was ordained a Baptist preacher in 1877, and gave the land for the Pine Grove Baptist Church. (Now called Hatley Baptist.) E.D. was a circuit rider. He rode horseback and preached once each month in Pottsville, London, Pless Mt., and other small churches. He had a beard which made him appear older than he actually was and to this day people talk of "Old Brother Landers" even though he died at age 51.

E.D. married Mary Elizabeth Taylor in 1878. They had 5 children: Charles, Julia Ida, Cleveland, Emma, and Jasper. Cleveland died of a ruptured appendix. He was married to Rona Crandell (Barton). This was prior to the paving of highway 7 between Dover and Russellville. Cleve could not ride in a wagon over the rough road so 8 men walked and carried him on a cot from Dover to Russellville and put him on a train to go to the hospital in Little Rock.

Charles Landers married Ella Belle Chronister in 1902. Charles was a farmer, being best known for his big watermelon patches and watermelon feasts on the lawn of his country home. In his later years he was called Uncle Charlie by almost everyone, even his grandson, Charlie Simpson. He was chairman of the Democratic Party in Pope County for many years, and was a big deer hunter, camped at Waldo Camp, played cards all night and would "sleep" on the deer stand the next day. Uncle Charlie's wife, Ella, was a dainty little lady but full of energy. She supervised a cannery which was located where the Hatley Church now stands.

Uncle Charlie and Ella had 3 daughters. Ova, born 1903, died 1963, married Raymond Reynolds 1933. She was a school teacher and principal of Dover High for several years. Evelyn was born in 1910 and married Willis (Doc) Simpson in 1930. Edith was

born in 1916, and died of polio at age 12.

Evelyn Landers and Doc Simpson had 2 children. Bonita, born in 1931, and Charles, born in 1933. Evelyn's husband, Doc, died in 1936. Evelyn went to Arkansas State Teachers College in Conway and became a school teacher. She taught school 31 years, taking a 4 year leave of absence (1955 thru 1958) to hold the position of Pope County Clerk. Evelyn is now retired and lives with her son, Charlie Simpson and his family, on the original farm land that was owned by Uncle Charlie Landers (her father). Charlie Simpson married Glenna Sue Standridge in 1956. Charlie has 20,000 laying hens and he is also a carpenter. Charlie loves deer hunting just like his grandfather, Uncle Charlie Landers. Charlie's wife Glenna is a supervisor with Southwestern Bell Telephone in Russellville. Glenna and Charlie Simpson have 2 daughters: Mary Elizabeth, born 1958, married Ron Nordin 1977, and Susan Denise, born 1965. Susan is 13 years old at this writing and attends Dover High School.

Evelyn Simpson's daughter, Bonita, married F.L. Mosley in 1949. F.L. came to Pope County in 1946, with his parents, Routh and C.C. Mosley, from Texas. Routh Mosley taught in Dover High School for many years. Bonita and F.L. Mosley had 2 children: Megan Maria, born 1953, married Jerry Lee Standridge 1971, and Charles Curtis, born 1957, died 1975. Charlie Mosley was killed in a car accident near Long Pool. Bonita's husband, F.L. Mosley, is a building contractor and partner-owner of Dover Construction Co.

This family is the first to have 3 generations graduating from Dover High School: Evelyn Landers (Simpson) 1929, Bonita Simpson (Mosley) 1949, and Meg Mosley (Standridge) 1971. These three are all school teachers and have all taught in Dover Elementary at the same time. They have found it is impossible to explain to the children who is who's mother — they think it is crazy.

Bonita and F.L. Mosley's daughter, Meg and her husband Jerry Standridge, live on the very spot in which E.D. Landers gave to the Baptist Church back in 1877. (The church site has since been moved.) Bonita and F.L. Mosley live on the spot where Uncle Charlie Landers built a home for his bride in 1903. All the land that was E.D. Landers and later Uncle Charlie Landers is still in the family and they all live on this land in the Hatley community.

by Bonita Simpson Mosley

BENJAMINE LANGFORD

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Benjamin Langford, early pioneer of Pope County, Arkansas was born about 1780, Virginia, son of Henry and Mary Langford. Henry Langford died in Greenville County, S.C., Sept. 1794 leaving his wife, Mary and children; Robert, Matthew, Stephen, Benjamin, Henry, Nancy, Sarah and William Langford. Benjamin married "Martha" Patsy Pace, daughter of John, Sr. and Ann Russell Pace, 1805 in Greenville Co., S.C. "Martha" Patsy Pace was born, 1780 in Virginia. Benjamin Langford purchased a tract of land on South

Tiger River, March 12, 1807 in Greenville Co. The Langford's lived there for several years. Their older children were born in South Carolina. In the Feb., 1809 "Squatters Census" of Madison Co., Mississippi Territory, Benjamin is listed as being on 320 acres on Indian Creek with eleven slaves. In the fall, 1817, Benjamin and Patsy started their migration Westward, spending time in Tennessee, but soon moved on to Jackson County, Ala. where they remained for several years. Benjamin is listed as Justice of the Peace of Jackson Co. as of Aug., 1820. Sons, John P. Langford and Robert Berry Langford were born in Alabama.

The Ben Langfords were well settled in Pope County, Ark. by 1830. They lived in the Boiling Springs Community on Illinois Bayou, a few miles above Dover. Benjamin Langford is thought to have been one of the early judges Pope County and probably the first Justice of the Peace. Marriages were being performed by him as late as Oct., 1842. Ben Langford was one of the Commissioners appointed to find the "ideal spot to locate the permanent seat of justice" for Pope County. Benjamin and Patsy were Charter Members of the Methodist Church, the first Church to be established in the County at Boiling Springs. D.F. Williamson wrote, 1876 that the settlements on Illinois Bayou above Dover were most numerous and compact, high in morals, orderly, well to do good citizens and among them, Hon. Ben Langford and son-in-laws John S. Price, Thos. J. Gardner, R.S. Bewley and John Ridge. The Ben Langfords lived near where the now historic Cemetery at Boiling Springs Camp Ground is located, Ben helped with the burial of little Eli Brown, the first to be buried there, 1843. Some of the Langfords are also buried in this Cemetery, probably Ben as he died there in 1844. Benjamin Langford's Will, proved August, 1844 includes his wife, Patsy and children: Anna, wife of John Ridge; Eveline, wife of R.S. Bewley; the children of deceased daughter, Sinai who married Thos. J. Gardner; son Milton H. Langford of the Republic of Texas; John P. Langford and Robert Berry Langford of Pope County. M.H. Langford, born Feb. 27, 1815, Greenville Co., S.C. died in Bandera, Texas, Oct. 30, 1898. He married Mary Ann Banta, June 22, 1843, Lamar Co. Tx. They migrated through Texas, settling in the Hill Country in Bandera and Uvalde Cos. After the birth of ten children, Mary Ann died, 1870. Milton H. married Martha Ann Rowland Cryer and lived in Uvalde Co., Tx and had two children. His older sons, Benjamin F. and Berry Langford remained in Bandera Co, highly esteemed citizens. Robert Berry Langford and family were living in Williamson Co., Tx, 1860. John P. Langford remained in Pope County and lived in Scottsville community where he was postmaster for many years.

by Mrs. Marjorie F. Langford

CALVIN R. LAZENBY

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Calvin R. Lazenby, born 29 Nov. 1813 in North Carolina was married 25 Aug. 1842 to

Emily Elizabeth Tomlinson, born 9 May 1823, daughter of Grove Tomlinson. They later moved to Georgia, where Calvin R. was a wagon maker. Thirteen children was born to this union with only four sons lived to make the trip by boat up the Ark. river, to Ark. Their sons were William Preston, Marshal, Rosco Bell, and Walter, They settled in Galla Rock Township Pope Co. in 1869.

William Preston, age 25 told how when the boat was threatened to be wrecked one party on the boat rushed to the lower deck in order to take care of his keg of favorite whiskey he was bringing to the new country.

Calvin R. Lazenby, applied for a grant of 80 acres in which he received and homesteaded. Also he was land owner in which he purchased from the Little Rock and Forth Smith Railroad. His home and barn was built of logs, some as large as eighteen inches in diameter. He also owned his own blacksmith shop and farmed. In later years, he was injured by a cow breaking his leg. Left with a limp walked with a cane, Calvin R. Lazenby continued to live in his home in the Bells Chapel community until his death, 28 Nov. 1903 his wife died 19 Jan. 1885 both are buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery Pope Co.

The eleventh son of Calvin R. Lazenby and Emily Elizabeth Tomlinson was Rosco Bell born 13 Sept. 1860 Ga. First married 22 Dec. 1881 in Pope Co. to Notre Grigg, born 21 Mar. 1862 N.C. No children to this union. Notre became an invalid died 7 Feb. 1892 buried in Bells Chapel Pope Co. Rosco Bell Lazenby, married second time on the 20 Dec. 1893 to Notre's sister Mary Elizabeth Grigg, born 11 Jan. 1871 N.C. They were the daughters of Alfred Randolph Grigg, born 5 Dec. 1837 N.C. and Nancy Elizabeth London born 26 Jan. 1835 N.C. Alfred Randolph Grigg, was trustee in the first Methodist Episcopal Church South organized in 1876. The church was called "Bell's Chapel" and soon the community was called by the same name. Rosco Bell Lazenby and Mary Elizabeth Grigg were parents of seven children. Two died in infancy. Floyd Grigg, Erma Belle, Alva Fay, Colquette and Walter Price. Rosco Bell Lazenby was a Pope Co. road over seer and continued the blacksmith work lived on the farm owned by his father. Rosco Bell Lazenby died 20 Dec. 1938 and Mary Elizabeth Grigg Lazenby died 24 June 1952 both are buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery, Pope Co.

The fourth daughter of Rosco Bell Lazenby and Mary Elizabeth Grigg Lazenby was Erma Belle born 1 Nov. 1900, Pope Co married Frank Golden Judkins born 16 Feb. 1898 Pope Co. son of John Leonard Judkins and Arlina A. Kirk Judkins of Pope Co. Frank Golden was a well driller and farmer so was his father. Continuing to live on the Judkins farm in Bells Chapel Pope Co. To this union was born four children all in Pope Co. One son (born and died 9 Jan. 1924) and three girls.

The first child of Erma Belle Lazenby Judkins and Frank Golden Judkins was Inez born 13 Dec 1921 Pope Co. married 7 Feb. 1942 to Paul Loyd Sweeden, born 23 Sept. 1921 Pope Co. She is land owner of a part of the Lazenby estate. To this union was born five children, four boys and one girl all in Bells Chapel. They



Alva Ray Lazenby, Roscoe Bell Lazenby, Floyd Grigg Lazenby, Erma Belle Lazenby, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Lazenby. In front of the old Lazenby home at Belis Chapel. It is a log house covered with siding.

all attended and graduated from Atkins schools, all married pope co girls and are still living in pope co.

Jackie Judkins Sweeden married Gracie Ann Willcutt Pope Co. Jackie is a auto mechanic. They are the parents of one son and one daughter, Marshall Brian and Jacqueline Ann. Ricky Loyd Sweeden married Patsy Lou Travis of Pope Co. Ricky is also a auto mechanic. They are the parents of one son and one daughter, Rhonda Leigh and Erick Lane.

Robbie Lynn Sweeden married Margie Louise Martin of pope co. Robbie served in the U.S. Marine Corp. Received training in factory mechanic. They have one son Jeffrey Lynn. Nancy Elizabeth Sweeden is a Beautician and is owner and operator of Nancy's House of Beauty in Atkins, Ark. Pope Co.

James Paul Sweeden married Melinda Kay Childress Pope Co. He is a heavy equipment operator and is self employed Pope Co.

Twin girls was born to Erma Belle Lazenby Judkins and Frank Golden Judkins, Nina Sue and Betty Lou 9 April, 1933 Pope Co. Betty Lou died at birth an buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery. Nina Sue married Billy Franklin Sweeden Pope Co. a cousin to her sister Inez's husband, Paul Loyd Sweeden. Nina Sue Judkins Sweeden and Billy Franklin Sweeden are the parents of two sons. Frank Preston, Jon Myron.

Frank Golden Judkins died 3 Feb. 1947 and is buried in Bells Chapel Cemetery Pope Co. by Inez Judkins Sweeden

JOHN CALVIN LEAVELL

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John Calvin Leavell was born October 26, 1825 and died August 10, 1909. His wife was Emily E., who he had married in Georgia, before coming to Arkansas. She was born April 14, 1837 and died January 12, 1895. The Leavell's moved to Pope County, Arkansas

from De Kalb, Ga., along with the Harris family. Mr. and Mrs. Leavell reared the following children: Mary L., born January 15, 1858; John F., born March 21, 1859; James G. born July 1, 1861; Emily E., born January 26, 1863; Missouri P., born February 1, 1866; William Riley, born April 4, 1868; Charles E., born September 9, 1870; Julia A. born March 25, 1872; Martha C., born April 17, 1876 and Andrew H., born April 9, 1878.

At the same time, a sister of John Calvin, Rachel, came to Arkansas with them. Years later she married John C. Harris, Sr.

John Calvin's brother and wife, Marion Francis and Polly Leavell came to Pope County about the same time from De Kalb county, Ga., and settled close by and reared their six children, two boys and four girls. Making the move with the Leavell's was the Edward Harris, family, who settled at Rocc on the John Pinkey place at the foot of Pinkey Cove Rock and reared nine children.

Riley Leavell, married Lavonia Harris on



John Calvin and Emily Leavell

May 7, 1890, on what was called the W.H. Kaufild place, on Colony Mountain. He was a farmer and lived in Van Buren County for a year then moved back and built a house at Ross, in Pope County. He died there January 26, 1915, and was buried in the Adams Cemetery on Colony Mountain.

by Oscar Leavell

GEORGE, RAY AND STANFORD LEE

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Stanford Lee is the son of the late Ray Lee, who was the son of George W. Lee, who came to Arkansas from Oklahoma in 1899, first to Pike City in Pike County, then to Cowell, and later Moore, Newton Co. He was married to Sarah Phelps, in Oklahoma and to this union was born four children: Claude, died at the age of 12; Ray, married Alta Blalack in 1915, and they had nine children; Delbert, married Nora Dare and they had one daughter; Gertrude, married Harry Poynter and they also had one daughter.

George Lee, bought and sold timber in the Boston Mountains. In 1917, while still in the timber business, he bought a building in the 400 block of N. Arkansas Ave. and for several years, his wife, Sarah, ran the Lee Hotel. On the corner of D and N. Ark., there was a Livery Barn, run by Mr. Lee. The hotel burned in 1926 and other businesses were built there. He remained in the timber business for several years before passing away in 1937.

Ray Lee started in the timber business at an early date and in 1917, moved to Russellville and went into the dray business. After a year or so, he started cutting hardwood timber for barrel staves and barrel heads for the Export Cooperage Company, by contract. He hauled the timber out of the mountains to the railroad in Russellville, in the beginning by horse and wagon. The Cooperage Co., had a mill at Leslie and Memphis but the timber was shipped to Memphis. In 1921 or '22, he bought his first motorized vehicle, with hard rubber tires and a chain drive. He thought he was in hog heaven when he had something so modern. He continued to cut and haul timber for the Export Cooperage and in 1927, they moved their mill from Leslie to Russellville and Mr. Lee bought a fleet of International trucks to do te hauling. He hauled for this plant until they merged with the Chickasaw Wood Products Co., then the National Distilleries and when they went out of business, in 1952, he bought the plant and moved his hardwood flooring mill from Shiloh, north of town, to the site of the Cooperage mill. He also ran stave and heading mills all over the Boston Mountains, cutting timber for the Cooperage, until the timber was cut out.

In 1937, Mr. Lee bought the Ford Agency from Eual Walthal and operated this until he sold to Mr. K.B. Cogswell, in 1949. He opened a Ford tractor implement business across the street and continued to operate this until he was killed in an accident, Jan. 17, 1954. Ray and Alta's children were: Ray Jr. married Margaret Storment and they had

three boys; Stanford, married Zelfhia Rauhoff and they had three boys; J.W., married Mary Brown and they had three children; Rebecca, married Earl Stacy and they had one boy; Sarah, married Jim Radcliff of Chicago, while in Calif.; David, married Hazel Hood, they had four children and live in Austin, Texas; Alta Ruth, married in Calif., but now lives in Russellville; Paul Harold and Mary Meriata, died in infancy.

Stanford Lee was born Oct. 12, 1920, was educated in the Russellville schools, is a veteran of WWII, and worked in the hardwood and trucking business, then in the house moving business and in 1966, he was elected Pope County Tax Assessor, a office he still holds. He and his wife are members of the First Assembly of God Church in Russellville, where he is teacher in an adult Sunday School Class.

by Stanford Lee

ROSA GRACE LEE

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Rosa Grace Lee, born in Pope County in 1903, presently living near Scottsville where she has spent nearly all of her seventy-five years, was the daughter of Smiley Edgar Lee, born 23 July 1872 in Miss and Tressie Cleo Murdock, born 19 Nov. 1872. Rosa Grace Lee was the granddaughter of William Smiley Lee, born 30 Oct. 1848 in Campbell Co., Georgia, and Eliza Ann Cook, born 8 Jan 1849. The Lees came to Pope Co. early in 1898 from Miss., possibly from Greenville.

Those Lees coming into Pope Co. in 1898 from Miss. included the grandfather and wife (listed above) and three unmarried sons: Earl, William and Oscar Lee. A fourth son, Smiley Edgar Lee, his wife, Tressie Cleo Murdock Lee and two children: Lawrence, born 27 Nov. 1895; and Minnie May, born 22 Nov. 1897; arrived in Pope Co. possibly a month later than the rest of the family.

Of the three unmarried sons that William Smiley Lee brought from Miss. to Pope Co., Oscar never married. Earl Lee married Ann Bailey of Appleton in 1901 and their only child, a daughter, Lavada, died in infancy. Will Lee married Ethel Stafford of Appleton in 1902 and their three children were: Cline E., Annis, and Fern. Annis Lee Brown, a daughter of William Smiley Lee, lost her husband in 1909 and shortly after the death of Mr. Brown, arrived in Pope Co. with her son and two daughters: William, Charlie and Annie Lee.

Lawrence, the oldest child of Smiley Edgar and Cleo Murdock Lee, married Emma Bailey of Pope Co. and they had one son, Clifton Dwight. Later Clifton Dwight married and has three sons and a daughter. The children are: Lawrence William, Donald Edward, Randd Dwight and Peggy Ann. Lawrence was a veteran of World War I and died at Dermott, Ark. in 1928.

Minnie May, married William Marion Kendrick of Pope Co. and their three sons and four daughters were: R.H., Robert, Benny, Lorene, Cleo, Edna Ruth and Grace Helen.



SMILEY E. LEE AND WIFE TRESSIE CLEO LEE

Later the whole family moved to Stillwater, Okla.

Lucy Bell, married Arthur Crouch and their four children are: Arthur Jr., Leon, Edward and Emma Jo. Lucy Belle resides in Hamburg, Ark.

Rosa Grace, (who provided this history) the 4th child of Smiley Edgar and Cleo Murdock Lee, married James Morris Rowland. Their four sons and daughter are: Raymond Lee, Joseph Morris, Wilbia Jack, Harold Wayne and Rosemary. Later Rosa Grace married George L. Treadwell.

Myrtle, married Loy Coffman and their children were: Loy Jr and Jerlene.

Velma Ruth married Leon Riley. Their six sons and two daughters were: Richard, Larry, Barney, Chester, David, Randy, Wanda Fae, and Bonny Sue.

Nora Edna married Ernest Sanders. Their two sons and two daughters are: Ernest Jr., Roy, Sherley and Laquita.

Roy Luther Lee, the 8th child of Smiley Edgar and Cleo Lee married Gladys Byrum.

Most of those Lees who came to Pope Co. in 1898 are buried in the Rock Springs cemetery near Hector.

Rosa Grace's children all live in Calif. except Harold who is in Norfolk, Va. where he is about to complete a career in the U.S. Navy. Rosa Grace has 18 descendants.

by Mrs. Rosa Grace Lee Treadwell

HISTORY OF JAMES ISAAC LEFAN

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William Thomas LeFan, father of James Isaac Lefan, was born in France in 1829. He came to Alabama in the mid 1800's. His son, James Isaac, was born November 25, 1851 in Lauderdale County near Florence, Albama. James Isaac and Wealthy Agnes Clark of Flor-

ence, Alabama were married in Lauderdale County, Florence, Alabama. The family came to Arkansas by train about 1891, settled in the Gumlog community, then moved to Center Valley in 1901. The one hundred year old home still stands surrounded by cedar trees one hundred four years old.

James Isaac died in 1904, and Wealthy Agnes lived until 1941.

Eleven children were born to this union, five of whom were born in Lauderdale County, near Florence, Alabama. Minnie Lucinda was born in 1881, married George Bowden of Gravel Hill in Pope County. She died in 1977. William Thomas II was born in 1883, married Cora Lee Ewing of Russellville, Pope County in 1906. He passed away in 1927. Rosa Elvira was born in 1855, married Robert M. Ashmore of Gumlog in Pope County. She died in 1966. Cora Bell was born in 1889, married Edgar Mathews of Pope County and later married J.W. Boydston of Faulkner County. She resides in DeWitt Arkansas.

The other children were born in Pope County, near Russellville, Arkansas. Mary Hestella was born in 1894, married William Early Chronister of Pope County in 1911. Florence Mabel was born in 1898, married Emmett Andrew Hamilton of Pope County in 1916, and died in 1967. Wincie was born in 1903 and still resides in the same location near Center Valley with Hestella. Wincie and Hestella are active members of the Fifth and Greenwich Church of Christ. A set of twin boys and one girl born to James Isaac and Wealthy Agnes died in infancy.

William Thomas II and Cora Lee LeFan lived in Pope County, Russellville, Ark. They had six children. Ewing Eugene was born in 1907, married Laura Virginia Daniels of Little Rock, Arkansas. They had two boys and a girl, the boys are deceased. They are now retired and live in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Opal Irene was born in 1909, married Julius Grady Reed of Atkins, Arkansas. They have one son, Charles Edward Reed who resides in Russellville. Irene and Grady are retired in Russellville. Thomas Doyle was born in 1912, married Rita Edom of Mt. Ida, Arkansas, and had two daughters. They are retired and live in Phoenix, Arizona. Herschel Haney was born in 1915, deceased 1929. Aline Maxine was born in 1919, married Glenn M. Good of Prague, Oklahoma. They are retired and live in Kansas City, Missouri. They have one son and one daughter. Virginia Elizabeth was born in 1925, married James Street, Jr. and has one daughter. She is now married to Irving S. Bobrow and resides in New York City.

Numerous descendants of James Isaac live in Pope County at the present time.

by Irene LeFan Reed

ERNEST MONROE LEMLEY

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Ernest Monroe Lemley was a grandson of Ephraim Lemley, an early settler of Pope County. Ephraim had twenty-one children to live to be grown and at least eighteen of them to marry, so for this reason there are a lot of Lemley descendents in Pope County, al-



J.B. AND MARY ELLEN McANALLY LEMLEY

though some of them have moved to regions beyond. One of his sons that stayed in Pope County was Joseph L. Lemley and so did all of his children.

Ernest was born May 10, 1888, at Appleton, and moved to Russellville with his father in 1905. He had attended grammar school at Appleton and continued his education in the Russellville schools. He was quite an athlete and once while still at Appleton, he visited his brother who was teaching school at Mt. View, north of Russellville, and they had a matched game of baseball with the Prairie Grove team, east of Russellville. Ernest pitched for Mt. View and they won the game. He was quarterback on the 1907 Russellville High School football team until a broken collar bone ended his football career. In 1910, he married Bessie Berry who was formerly from Mt. View but was living in Russellville. They attended the Methodist church and when the Assembly of God was established in Russellville became Charter members. In 1916, he was elected deacon and remained until his death and also church secretary most of that time and a teacher of an adult Bible class. He ran a bakery with his step-brother after his marriage but decided farming was what he wanted to do so he followed this for a livelihood until he became disabled in 1938. He and Bessie had two children, the first dying in infancy then on Nov. 17, 1915, J.B. was born. Ernest died October 1, 1955, and is buried in the Russellville cemetery.

J.B. attended the public schools of Russellville, his first school being taught at the Assembly of God Church. This school only lasted one year and he then attended Crawford, then the first Junior High that was built on South Arkansas Ave. and high school where the Post Office is now located. He played in the band and orchestra at school and sang in the glee club. In 1935, he married Mary Ellen McAnally whose grandfather was an early Methodist minister of Pope County. He worked at various jobs, cooperage, grocer-

man and salesman, then in 1955, went to work as a City mail carrier in Russellville. He retired from there in 1976. He served in WW II and the Korean conflict. He was secretary and President of various civic organizations and in 1974, was listed in "Personalities of the South." He and Mary Ellen had two children, Edwin and Charles.

William Edwin Lemley, born in 1936, attended the Russellville schools where he made the Hall of Fame in sports at the High School. He attended Arkansas Tech for three years then went to work for the Russellville Post Office as a clerk. He is an accomplished musician and is pianist for the First Assembly of God Church. He married Shirley Rye, in 1959, and they have three children, Sheila, Sherri and Gregory.

Charles Ray Lemley, born 1947, also attended the Russellville Public schools and also made the Hall of Fame in Sports, the second set of brothers who have accomplished this. He attended University of Central Arkansas on a scholarship and twice came in seventh in the NAIA National trackmeet as a pole vaulter. He received a Master's degree in 1971 and is now teaching the Russellville Middle school. He married Pam Glenn of Louisiana in 1967, and they have three children, Deanna, Leah and Nathan.

by J.B. Lemley

EPHRAIM LEMLEY

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EPHRAIM LEMLEY
1796-1891

One of the early settlers of Griffin Township, Pope County, was Ephraim Lemley, who was born in South Carolina in 1778, son of Peter and Milley Lemley, who were from Penn. and Virginia, respectively. Peter died in 1799, leaving Milley with several children so

she soon remarried. Ephraim couldn't get along with his step-father, so he left home at an early age. They had moved to eastern Tenn., so Ephraim joined the forces of Andrew Jackson for the year 1814-15, as a substitute and fought in the battle of Talledega, Ala. Soon after the war, he married Elizabeth Pearson, a native of Virginia and they lived in Madison county, Ala., and they were the parents of six children. It isn't known when his second marriage took place nor when they separated, but she came separate and apart from him to sign the deed to his land in 1838, when he moved to Arkansas. His third marriage was to Margaret Adams, in Bib county Ala., Nov. 28, 1832. In the fall and winter of 1838-39, he and Margaret and all his children came to Arkansas and first stopped at old Lewisburg, on the river south of Morrilton. They were there when the 1840 census was taken but only stayed there a little over a year for the malaria was so bad that they moved to Griffin Township, Pope County, and took up land in the section just west of the Griffin land.

He donated the land for a Primitive Baptist church on Hacker Creek in the vicinity of Griffin Flat and the church was known as the Glass Village Primitive Baptist Church. In later years, this church ceased to exist but the congregation moved to Atkins, and they later consolidated with a congregation at Russellville and the church is still in existence and is known as the Glass Village Primitive Baptist Church.

Although Ephraim Lemley had very little education, he was educational minded and saw to it that his children received a grammar school education. In 1881, he and others petitioned for a school and one was established in Sec. 26, T9N and R18, known as Lemley District No. 55.

Ephraim was a large landowner and before the civil war, owned several slaves, a cotton gin and grist mill. He was on the first Grand Jury to convene at Dover, after the Civil War. Just how much of the trouble his family got involved in after the war isn't known. He had six sons and a son-in-law to fight for the Confederacy, the son-in-law and one son dying in service.

Ephraim married four more times after the death of Margaret in 1860. He had twenty-two children, 21 of whom lived to adulthood, by his first three marriages: Morris and John, 1818; Pleasant, 1819; Moses, 1827; Martha, date unknown and Sarah, 1830. These six by his first and second wife. William, 1830 and Horatio, 1831, may have been by second wife. Then, Thomas, 1833; James 1834; Francis Marion, 1836; Elizabeth, 1838; Ephraim Jr., 1842; Andrew, 1844; George, 1845; Alexander, 1849; Josephine, 1851; Joseph L. and Richard M., 1852 and Luvonia, 1859. The date of the birth of Victoria isn't known.

In 1890, Mr. Lemley's house burned with all his belongings, including his bible so all records were burned. He died in Feb. 1891 and his last wife, Edith Hickman Lemley, two days later and both are buried in the Kinslow cemetery near Appleton.

by J.B. Lemley

JOSEPH LAFAYETTE LEMLEY 457



Mother's Day — 1940. Four Generations Joseph L. — Ernest M., Edwin and J.B. Lemley.

Joseph L. Lemley, was a twin to Richard M. Lemley, being born December 26, 1852. Their father was Epharim Lemley, a pioneer of Pope County, who settled in Griffin Township in 1840.

Joseph L., grew to manhood near Appleton and received his education in a log school house near his home. In those days, a lot of the houses were built of logs and at times there wasn't much between the logs to break the wind. J.L., went to spend the night in one of those houses with a friend, lay his trousers between the logs for the night and the next morning they were gone. His friend had a goat that had eaten his trousers and he had to go home in his night shirt. He was only a boy during the Civil War and didn't have to serve although several of his brothers did serve.

He first married Jane Cole, March 8, 1874, and they had six children. After her death in 1883, he married Nan Chaney who died in 1900 and in 1902, he married Martha Linton Richardson, widow of T.J. Richardson. He had no children by his last marriages, but Martha had several of her own.

Mr. Lemley was a farmer and raised his family northwest of Appleton and they were members of the Sulphur Springs congregation of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Appleton. In 1905, he traded his land at Appleton, for a section of land on the northside of Russellville, that later became the Lemley addition to the City of Russellville. He and his wife became charter members of the First Assembly of God Church in Russellville, in 1914. She died in 1935 and J.L. moved to Dover for a while then back to Russellville, where he died July 28, 1940. He and his three wives are buried at the Appleton cemetery.

Alexander (Alex) Lemley, born in 1875, died Mar. 14, 1948. He married Ida Reynolds and they lived for a while in Langport, Texas,

where two of their children were born. Clarence who was a banker and Ernest J. who was manager of a large dry goods store in Clarksville for many years. Their third child, Vester, was born at Appleton in 1900. He was a farmer, grocerman, fireman and policeman. He retired from the Russellville fire department and was living in California when he took sick, moved back to Fort Smith and died at the Russellville Hospital. Alex and Ida were charter members of the First Assembly of God Church in Russellville.

Ruth E., was born in 1877 and died in 1894. She was engaged to marry Gus Mathis, but died before marrying.

Florence, was born 1878, and died in Pomona, Calif., in 1960. She married George Stokes and they had two sons, Ottis and Cletis. She had joined the C.P. church at Appleton but in later years joined the First Assembly of God in Russellville.

Evie, born 1882, married General Tuck and they had seven children: Pauline, Hazel, Brown, Ruth, Edna Earl, Virginia and John Ambrose. They were members of the C.P. church and spent their married life in Dover and Appleton.

Leamon J., born in 1884, died in 1959. He was first a school teacher, then a banker and later a grocerman. He married Lucy Hill, daughter of a prominent doctor in Russellville and they had four children: Janie Rose, Mary Elizabeth, Elese and Ruby. They were members of the C.P. church at Dover.

Ernest Monroe, born in 1888, died in 1955. In 1910, he married Bessie Berry and they also were charter members of the Russellville Assembly of God Church. They had two children; the first dying in infancy and the second, J.B., being born in 1915.

by J.B. Lemley

JOSEPH MERLE LEMLEY 458

Joseph Merle Lemley is a descendent of two pioneer families of Pope County, Arkansas. His great-grandfather, Ephraim Lemley, born in S.C., migrated to Pope County in 1839, from Alabama. He served in the War of 1812, from Tennessee and settled in Madison County, Alabama, then to Pope County. He was married six times and was the father of 21 children, (one report says 22 children). He had married Margaret Adams in Alabama in 1832 and she was the mother of 15 children. Francis Marion Lemley was born, November 7, 1835, in Alabama. He fought in the Civil War for the Confederacy, was captured once but made his escape. He died in March 1919, at the age of 84. He was an elder in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Appleton and a very active member. He married Caroline Turnbow, daughter of another Pope County pioneer. She was born Feb. 4, 1837 and died at the age of 64. They were the parents of twelve children: Ellen, Andrew J., Annie, William Marion, Victoria, George, Tom Jeff, Joseph (J.D.), Scott, Walter, A.N. (Napoleon) and Nannie.

James Edmond Canerday, born Nov. 9, 1825, died March 10, 1869. He married the

daughter of a Dr. Stutts near Iron City, Tenn. and they were the parents of James Shelton Canerday. He was born Oct. 20 or 29, 1845 and died at Appleton, Ark. January 26, 1917. His first wife was Mary Jane Hamm, born Nov. 15, 1846 and died July 30, 1895. They were the parents of seven children: John Spinks, Freeman (Bud) Fernando, Tamsie Cathryn Jane, Minnie Ida Elizabeth, Samuel Ira, George, and Elvis (E.E.) Canerday. James S. Canerday married the second time to Mollie Blackburn and they had no children. Mary Jane Hamm Canerday was the daughter of Jim Hamm, County Judge of Conway County, and Salida May Hamm.

Joe Daly Lemley, son of F.M. Lemley, was born March 24, 1876, died April 10, 1938, age 62. He married Minnie Ida Elizabeth Canerday, daughter of James Shelton Canerday. They were married in 1898. She was born Dec. 22, 1878 and died Oct. 6, 1959. They were living in Russellville at the time of the death of each. Both are buried at Appleton, Arkansas. They were the parents of five children: A baby boy who died in 1904, A girl named Goldie, died Oct. 9, 1903; Pacola Porter, born January 7, 1899, married Carl Porter and they were the parents of two children: Billie Joe Porter who is a Lawyer and geologist; Bettye Porter married Ralph Houk.

Thelma Ann Lemley, married W.W. (Dot) Chronister and they had one son, Donovan Ray who married Jane Whitmore of Little Rock.

Joseph Merle Lemley, born June 12, 1914, Atkins, Ark., married first Annette Luck who was born Aug. 1, 1920, and they were the parents of Joann Luck Lemley. Joann Luck Lemley married William Roy (Bill) Wilson of Waldron, Ark. He was born December 5, 1941. They were the parents of a daughter, Elizabeth Anne Wilson who was born Oct. 20, 1967 while William Roy was enroute to Vietnam. Then a son was born, William Mark Wilson, August 20, 1970 at Little Rock.

Joseph Merle married the second time to Merle Lyndes whose home was in Montana and she was born April 17, 1916. They have two adopted sons, Robert and Jay. Robert Merle married Barbara, who was born in Ohio May 5, 1940. They have one son, Robert Allan, born Aug. 29, 1968 and a daughter, Shanna Jo, born Feb. 26, 1971. Jay W. Lemley, born Aug. 29, 1941 at Cincinnati, Ohio, married first to Sandra (Sandy) Waite at Denver and they had one son, Jay Allan, born Jan. 29, 1966. Second marriage was to Linda, and they have two children: Aaron Jay, born Sept. 20, 1968 and Timmy, born July 6, 1972.

Joseph Merle attended high school in Russellville, Ark. where he was a member of the football team. He was in the Armed forces in Europe during World War II, and has been in the Real Estate and Insurance business for a number of years in Russellville, Arkansas.

by J. Merle Lemley

PLEASANT G. LEMLEY 459

Pleasant G. LEMLEY was a son of Ephraim



PLEASANT G. LEMLEY

Lemley, who was an early settler of Pope County, Arkansas. Pleasant was born in Alabama July 14, 1819 and came to Arkansas with his father in 1838-39. In 1840 he hewed logs for the house where his father was still living in 1884. By 1843 Pleasant had married Nancy FLETCHER of Conway County, Arkansas. On April 2, 1853 he and a brother, Horatio, left Arkansas with a wagon train headed for the Oregon Territory. After six months on the trail they arrived in Benton County, Oregon on October 2, 1853. Later they moved to Eugene City. While in Eugene Mr. Lemley studied law and helped in forming the State Constitution when Oregon was admitted to the Union in 1859.

Next they moved to eastern Oregon and later on to the Washington Territory to be near their sons who were in Idaho prospecting for gold. He is listed in the history of Washington as being a Judge and pioneer of eastern Washington.

Pleasant G. and Nancy Fletcher Lemley were the parents of eight children: Mary, Sarah Jane, John C. and Frederick born in Arkansas; Christopher Columbus born on the Black Fork of the Green River in Utah while they were on the trip to Oregon; William Henry, Aby, and Tony Nolter born in Oregon.

Sarah Jane Lemley who was born Sept. 16, 1844 in Little Rock, Arkansas died Sept. 15, 1921 in Prineville, Oregon. She married William Henry MILLIORN in 1853 and they had ten children: Thomas H., James, Maud M., Lucy A., Zoe W., Pleasant Gwine, George Duffield, John, Hank M., and Phillipa Eugenia who is still living in central Oregon.

George Duffield Milliorn married Nellie Bly ROBERTS in Crook Co., Oregon in 1903. Their children were: Frank Robert born Feb. 11, 1904 and died Nov 2, 1973; Maud Blanch; and Ison Click.

Frank Robert Milliorn married Glenda May STUART of Prineville, Oregon and to this union were born Barbara Ardelle, Jack Ronald, and George Joseph.

Barbara Ardelle Milliorn who was born Feb 12, 1932 at Prineville, Oregon married Larry Oliver MILLER on Sept. 29, 1950 and they have four children: Cathy Jean, Larry Steven,



NANCY FLETCHER LEMLEY

Carolyn Elaine, and Cynthia Ann. They have lived in Portland, Oregon for about 25 years where Larry is a bridge inspector for the Oregon Dept. of Transportation.

Cathy Jean Miller is married to Micheal Lee MEYER, Larry Steven married Virginia TURLEY and Carolyn Elaine married Gerald Allen READ.

by Barbara Milliorn Miller

W.C. (CELLIE) LEMLEY

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W.C. & GEORGIA LEMLEY

W.C. (Cellie) Lemley, was born and reared, two miles west of Appleton, Pope County, on the Hector road. His father was Andrew Lemley, and his grandfather, F.M. Lemley, F.M., was born in Alabama in 1835 and came to Arkansas with his father in 1839. The wife of Andrew was Eliza Raspberry whose folks had come to Pope County from Mississippi, looking for a healthier climate, and settled on a mountain, north of Hector, that still bears the name of "Raspberry Knob."

F.M. (Uncle Jack) Lemley, served with the Confederacy during the Civil War and was captured by the Union soldiers. He and another soldier tried to escape by laying low

on their horses and riding out at night. F.M. made it but the other soldier was killed. After coming home, he hid out for a while but one Sunday morning he put on a white shirt and started to Sunday School and he saw some Bushwackers coming. He took to the woods and blacked the shirt as black as he could get it so they wouldn't see him. F.M. married Caroline Turnbow and they had twelve children. After her death he married M.E. Houser and later Maudie McDaniel but had no children by these two marriages.

Andrew was the second child of F.M., being born in 1859 and died in 1905. He and Eliza married in 1879 and they had eight children, three dying in infancy. Living to be grown were: Lula, Fannie, Emmett, and Cellie. Andrew cleared the land where they lived at the time of their marriage. This was near where Welcome Home Church is now located. In those days, they would have a log rolling when they built a house and neighbors came in to help. Cellie still has the platter that his father bought to serve meat in when they built his house.

Cellie Lemley's schooling was in a two story school building south of the present building on Poe Creek. They didn't go too much by grades but he finished the equivalent of the eighth grade by the time he was eighteen. He spent all his time on the farm as his father had died when he was young. Cellie left there in 1924.

He married Mamie Holyfield in 1918, who lived only three years but they had two children; C.L. and Louise. After five years, he married Georgia Crowder, who was a school teacher and a mother to his children. They moved to Kenwood, Conway County, and farmed there 23 years. The 1927 flood had ruined the levees and the landlords tried to build them back but they would wash out again so Mr. Lemley moved to Southeast Missouri and farmed until 1951. He became ill and had to quit work for a while then went to work in St. Louis at a steel mill. He began to have trouble with his eyes so he retired in 1966.

Mrs. Lemley, missed one term of school after moving to Missouri but other than that she taught school until she retired in 1967 and they moved to Russellville. They are members of the First Presbyterian Church in Russellville and the Pope County Historical Association. D.L. married Charlene Oates of Pottsville and they had one daughter, Carol. They farmed in Eastern Arkansas. Louise married Carl Turner and they remained at Kenwood and farmed there until he passed away. They had three boys, Jimmy, Gary and Mike.

by W.C. Lemley

WILLIAM FORREST LEMLEY

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William Forrest Lemley was a great-grandson of Ephraim Lemley, farmer, Appleton, Ark., b. Fairfield District S.C. 1798, served in War 1812 as a substitute. Deacon Primitive Baptist Church. Came to Arkansas from Alabama with second wife, Margaret

Adams. Ephraim had 22 children, was married 6 times, and died at the age of 94; buried Appleton, Arkansas.

The 12th child of Ephraim was Francis Marion, known as Uncle Jack, b. Alabama; in 1835 married Caroline Turnbow and had 12 children (3 died in infancy). Served in Army of Confederacy. Elder in Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Served as director of Appleton School District. Died Appleton, Ark. 1919.

Their 4th child, William Marion (Will) Lemley, b. Appleton 1864, died Atkins 1929. Member of Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Married Nora Dean Reynolds 1885. They had 10 children. Will acquired considerable fortune and at the time of his death was considered one of the wealthiest men of Pope County. He owned & operated a large plantation along Ark. River. He was also in retail grocery, dry goods, and hardware business.

Will and Nora's 5th child, William Forrest, sometimes called W.F. b. at Atkins 1896, died 1969, married Mary Elizabeth Tygart, b. 1897, died 1972. During their married life, they lived in Atkins, Morrilton, & Russellville. Members of First Christian Church. Lived in Russellville over 40 years. Forrest was in business with his brother-in-law Roy V. Jackson (Jackson-Lemley Chev.-Buick Agency). Served on the Russellville School Board when Dwight Elementary School was built. His granddaughter Myra was a member of first first grade class in this new school. Forrest played football as a young man & went to Draughon School of Business in Little Rock. His wife Mary went to Crescent College in Eureka Springs. Mary & Forrest had two children, Elizabeth Lee (Betty) and William Marion (Bill) born 1927.

In 1950 Bill married Wadena Marie Scott, daughter of Vena Marie Welch and Wade Hampton Scott of North Little Rock. Bill & Wadena are graduates of Hendrix College, where they met. They are members of First United Methodist Church & have made their home in Russellville continuously except for a year (1955-56) in Fayetteville, Ark. where Bill received an M. B. A. degree at the University of Arkansas. Bill was in Chev.-Buick business with his father after graduating from Hendrix College; then had the Dodge-Plymouth dealership, was comptroller of A.V.I. & in private practice as a C.P.A. before he became a faculty member of Arkansas Tech. In 1973, he became Dean of the School of Systems Science at Arkansas Tech University. Wadena has served on the Russellville Planning Commission since 1962 and is active in the Methodist Church.

Myra Susan Lemley is Bill & Wadena's only child, b. Nov. 15, 1954, at Russellville. Myra is the 6th generation Lemley to live in Pope County. She married James David Darter on May 23, 1976, in the First United Methodist Church. David is the son of James & Ina Roberts Darter of Russellville.

by William M. Lemley

VESTER LEMLEY

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Vester Lemley was a descendent of Ep-

hram Lemley who came to Pope County in 1840 and settled in the Griffin Township. Vester's father was Alex Lemley, a grandson of Ephraim. Vester was born August 23, 1900 in Jerusalem near Appleton, Arkansas in Pope County. He attended school at Shilo and then finished his education in Russellville. He joined the service during World War I shortly after his 17th birthday as his 2 brothers, Clarence and Johnny were both in service.

On March 1, 1924 Vester married Lena Lillian Lasater of Fort Smith. They had 2 daughters, Betty and Lena. Betty attended school in Russellville, graduating in 1943 and then she attended Arkansas Tech. She married the Rev. Joe Higgins on February 28, 1944 and they moved to California in 1953 and have pastored churches there ever since. They presently are pastoring the East San Diego Assembly of God and have for the past 16 years. They have 3 children, Beth, Joe, Jr. and Candyce. Beth is married to Wesley Abernathy and they have 2 children, Melissa who is 8 and Matthew who is 2 and live in Lakeside, California (near San Diego). Joe Jr. is Athletic Specialist for the City of La Mirada, California. Candy just completed her sophomore year at Southern California College in Costa Mesa, California. Lena also attended school in Russellville, graduating in 1950. On August 18, 1950 she married E.T. Collins, also of Russellville and they moved to California in January, 1954 and have pastored churches there ever since. At the present time they are pastoring the First Assembly of God Church of Gardena, California (near L.A.). They have 1 daughter, Cheryl who is married to Kevin Beall and they live in Carson, California (near Gardena) and have 1 son, Christopher who is 1. Joe serves as Executive Presbyter and E.T. as Sectional Presbyter for the Southern California District Council of the Assemblies of God in addition to their pastoral duties.

Vester was involved in some type of law enforcement for a total of 51 years, beginning in 1917 when he became a Deputy Sheriff of Pope County and continued as such until he moved to California in 1957. During this time he had served 27 years for the Russellville Fire Department, 17 years of these as Fire Chief. He started working for the Russellville Police Department in 1934 and served the Department for a total of 15 years. After moving to California he worked as Security Guard for Lockheed Aircraft Company, Redlands, California until his retirement on his 68th birthday in August, 1968. Before working for the Police Department, he and his dad Alex Lemley ran "Lemley and Son Grocery" on North Arkansas Avenue. He was a charter member of the First Assembly of God Church of Russellville and passed away June 16, 1969 in Russellville.

by Lena Lemley Collins

JESSIE FRANKLIN LEONARD

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Jessie Franklin Leonard, founder of Leonard's Hardware Co., oldest retail business in Russellville, was born in N. Carolina

in 1866, was left an orphan and at age of 14, lived in Kansas City with an Aunt, until he moved to Atkins, Ark., where he was a telegraph operator for Mo. Pac. Railroad.

He married Sarah Ellen White in 1888, the 13th child of J. Madison White Sr., both 22 years of age. A son, John White Leonard was born in 1889.

The family moved to Russellville in 1902, when John was 12 years of age. John W. walked his cow all the way from Atkins, and when they reached the railroad crossing the noon whistle blew, the cow sat down and wouldn't go another step. This funny story has been told many times, to the children and grandchildren in the family.

J.F., Sarah, and John W., moved to 503 Jefferson Street, now known as S. Commerce, in 1906. J.F. became partner's with Mark Patrick in 1902, in a hardware and furniture store which was called Patrick & Leonard. The building was one block north of the present location, 118 N. Commerce, then known as Jefferson Street.

John W. was a member of the graduating class of Russellville High School in 1908, then attended the University of Missouri where he received a degree in Electrical Engineering.

John W. married Jessie Jeannette Paul in 1913, daughter of Annie Mead and Robert Owen Paul of Little Rock, Ark. She was 18 years of age. They lived at 400 S. River Street, now known as Denver Ave., present home of J.P. Leonard.

Patrick and Leonard dissolved partnership, and John W. became a partner with his father in 1916. The name changed to J.F. Leonard Co.

Three children were born to John W. and Jessie Leonard. (1) Marguerite Leonard, born 1915, married Hays Gibson, they have 4 children: David Hays, James Leonard, Paul Franklin and Marguerite Gibson Doss, and 8 grandchildren. (2) Jeanette, born 1918, married W.O. Tibbels, they have three children: Mary Jess Tibbels, Jeannette Tibbels Smith, Paula Tibbels Parker, and two grandchildren. (3) John Paul Leonard, born 1931, married Shirley Jean Jackson, born 1937, in Greenville, Miss., daughter of Mrs. B.E. Huckabee and the late Leroy Percy Jackson of Greenville, Miss. They were married in 1957, and have 4 children: Elizabeth Ellen, born 1958; Shirley Lucille (Lucy), born 1961; John Paul Jr., born 1964 and Jessie Amanda, born 1970.

John W. and son-in-law, W.O. Tibbels went into partnership in 1945, after the death of J.F. Leonard. John Paul and W.O., became partners in 1955, when John W. retired. W.O. retired in 1977. His sons-in-law, James Larry Smith, husband of Jeannette Tibbels, and James Earl Parker, husband of Paula Tibbels, became partners with John Paul Leonard in 1977.

Jesse Franklin Leonard died in 1943, age 83. John W. Leonard died in 1957, age 67. Sarah White Leonard died at the age of 60, in 1926. All are buried in Oakland Cemetery in Russellville, Ark.

Jessie Paul Leonard, mother of John Paul, is still living at 503 S. Commerce. There are

25 descendents of J.F. Leonard: 1 son, 3 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

John Paul finished High School with the class of 1949, in Russellville. He then attended Ark. Tech, until the Korean War, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, 1951-54. Returned home with the rank of SGT. He and his family belong to the First United Methodist Church in Russellville, and live at 400 South Denver.

by John Paul Leonard

WILLIAM PRESTON LEWALLEN

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William Preston (Uncle Press) Lewallen, was born Jan. 7, 1832, near Fackler, Jackson County, Alabama. His parents were: Daniel and Elizabeth — Lewallen, both of whom were born in Tennessee. He married Mary — and their children included Mary Elizabeth, Nancy Jane, Martha Ann, Lavisa, W.O. and Eliza. An old newspaper article states that he fought in the Civil War and quotes him as saying, "I was one of the boys that helped whip Gen. Rosecrans' 60,000 veterans at Chickamauga." He and two of his comrades dragged a 10 pounder up Missionary Ridge because so many of the artillery horses had starved.

About 1870 the family left Alabama and moved to Pope County, Arkansas. They settled on Gumlog where he cleared a large farm. In 1881, his wife died and in later years he married Mrs. Evy Burton. The Lewallens were members of the Primitive Baptist Church. Several of the children are known to have married and reared families in Pope County. Mary Jane married Howell Jones; W.P., married Mollie Griffin and Lavisa married A.J. Matthews. When Preston died in 1909 only two of his children were still living — W.P. and Lavisa. In 1920, Lavisa Lewallen Matthews and all her children moved to Oklahoma. There are descendents of William Preston Lewallen still living in Pope County.

by Mrs. W.B. Smith

WILLIAM L. LEWIS

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William L. Lewis was born in Mississippi in 1829, and came to Pope County, Arkansas, with his father and five brothers, before 1850. He married Margaret Scarlett who was born in Tennessee. During the gold rush days, the family of five brothers and their father, went to California and settled at Stockton, Calif. William Jefferson was born to William L. and Margaret Scarlett Lewis, Nov. 22, 1855. Soon after the birth of William Jefferson, they decided to come back to Arkansas so they got passage on a boat for New Orleans around the Cape Horn and on the way, William Jefferson took typhoid fever. He was very sick and the whales began to follow the boat making it very rough. The Captain told Mrs. Lewis that she was going to have to throw the boy overboard for the whales smelled him and were going to wreck the boat. She pleaded with the Captain

to give her another 24 hours and he finally consented. She did a lot of praying and working with the boy and the next day the fever broke and when this happened, the whales left the boat. They continued and landed in New Orleans, then took another boat up the Mississippi and the Arkansas and landed at Old Lewisburg. Somehow they got to Atkins and built a home just north of town, next to Crow Mountain.

They lived here and farmed until the Civil War broke out and William L. went to war. He had been gone about two years when he came home to see his family and soon after arriving, the bushwackers came and found him. They marched him a little ways from the house, stood him by a cedar tree and shot him. William Jefferson, wasn't too old and he was hiding in the barn and saw this happen. He knew one of the bushwackers. Mrs. Lewis died in about two years and William Jefferson was left an orphan. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis were buried in the Oakland Cemetery, north of Atkins.

Uncle Joe Poe who was an early settler of Appleton, heard about William Jefferson and as he had lost a leg and was on a wooden leg, took Jeff, (the name he always went by) in to help him with his chores. Uncle Joe lived just east of Appleton and his brother, George lived north of Appleton. Uncle George had a daughter, Kate, and in the process of time Jeff and Kate were married. They were married Dec. 18, 1875. He bought 40 acres of land on the county line of Pope and Conway counties and later added to it until he owned 140 acres. He lived there and raised his family. His children were: Ruby who married Will Tyler; Posey, married Doph Boland; Samantha, never married and died with typhoid fever. Leona, married Charley Maxie; Emmitt, married Gertrude Rankin and his twin sister, Emma, died when she was about three years of age. All were at some time members of the Appleton Cumberland Presbyterian Church and William Jefferson was an Elder for more than 40 years and Sunday School Superintendent for 26 years. Jeff had joined the church in 1876 and died Sept. 1, 1933. Mrs. Lewis died Sept. 13, 1940 and both are buried in the Appleton Cemetery.

Emmitt Lewis was the youngest child of Jeff and Kate Poe Lewis and was born in 1888 and died in 1951. He was a farmer and was a member of the Appleton C.P. Church and lived in the same neighborhood all his life. His farm was the same place that his father owned on the county line. The church and community of Appleton was the center of their activities. Gerturde Rankin lived on the road from the Lewis place to Appleton and after a time, Emmitt and Gertrude were married. She was born in 1889 and died in 1967.

William Everett was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis to live to adulthood, being born Feb. 26, 1918. He received his education in the Appleton and Hector schools. He began farming at Appleton, raised turkeys, chickens and for a few years raised pickles for the Atkins Pickle Company.

He married Iva Lou Owens, June 18, 1941. They were the parents of two children: Linda, who married and has three children and

Janice who is also married and had two children. William Everett still lives on the Joe Poe place east of Appleton.

by William E. Lewis

BARNEY LINDERMAN

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Barney Linderman was born in Germany and was married there to Catherine Shearer or Scherer June 19, 1835. They immigrated to the United States shortly after their marriage and settled in Tipton County in the state of Indiana. They had at least three children: Barney Jr.: William born April 18, 1853, and Susan, born Nov. 20, 1855. Barney Linderman Sr. enlisted in the Union Army in the War Between the States on Dec. 11, 1863. While in the line of duty he contacted chronic diarrhea and died in Tipton County, Indiana Feb. 22, 1866. Susan Linderman was married to Germain Smithson in Indiana. Barney Linderman Jr. served in the Union Army in the War Between the States and suffered the loss of four fingers in Battle. He was married to Harriet Dunne and they had three daughters - twins Kate Melissa and Nancy Lutecia and Ranie. After the death of Harriet Dunne, Barney Linderman Jr. married LaBelle Bell and they had a daughter, Artie. Barney Linderman Jr. and his wife Harriet Dunne moved from Indiana to Moreland, Ark. sometime after the Civil War. Kate Melissa Linderman married John Bell and they had a son, Claude. Ranie Linderman married John Gunter and had a daughter Hattie. Nancy Lutecia Linderman married Francis Marion Hudson II in Moreland, Ark. and they had 9 children- Andrew Barney (died as a baby) Raymond Samuel, Herman Pryor, Mary Hattie, Elsie Katherine, Robert Ellis, Roy Francis (died as a baby), Emmet (died in infancy) and Flora (died in infancy). Nancy Hudson died Dec. 7, 1928 at the age of 62 years. Ellis Hudson married Florence Bishop. They have one child, Francis Marion III. He is married to Sandra Foster, 3 children. One died in 1971 age 2 yrs. and 11 months. Hattie Hudson married Boyd Nichols, 3 children, one survives. Wanda Faye married Roger Meador. They have an adopted son, Mark Thomas. Elsie married Earl Braden, one daughter Nancy Gail. Raymond married Mary Haynie of Atkins, 3 children, Neva Rae, married Ned Thomas of West Va. 2 children. Norman, married twice, 7 children and Edwin, killed in car accident 1969, one daughter. Herman Pryor Hudson married Eva Pearl Chronister, 8 children. D.J. married Gladys McGeehan, 3 children: Freddie 3 children: Phyllis 3 children: Kay 2 children. Elaine married W.O. Hice, 4 children; Billy & Carol Ann 2 children: Kathy & Benny Robinson 3 children: Charles unmarried: Danny married & 2 children. Geraldine married Audley Scarborough, 2 children Sylvia & Marion. Leta married Brown Lewis, 2 children Beverly & Mary Lynn, later married John Eszes 2 children, Eva & Mike. James Francis, no children. Cloys Dale, unmarried. Don Hudson married Ila Jane Bowden. They have 3 children Linda, Gary, & Janan. Doyne

Hudson married Dana Crites. They have 3 children, Barbara, Edward & Laura.

by Doyenne Hudson

REV. JUDGE BATTLE LINDSEY 467

Rev. J.B. Lindsey was born at Mansville, Okla., about 17 miles east of Ardmore, between Ardmore and Tishomingo, which was the capital of the Chickasaw tribe. When a boy, he fished quite a lot with his blind grandmother, who was a good fisherman and he figures this is why he likes to hunt and fish so well and too, there is some Indian blood in him.

Rev. Lindsey's father, Elbert Shelby "Sheb" Lindsey was born in Lamar, Arkansas, Jan. 7, 1880. His mother was a Daniels and they owned a saw mill on Piney and she used to drive a ox wagon hauling lumber. After Mr. Lindsey was eight years old his parents moved to the Indian Territory and stayed there the rest of their days. Rev. Lindsey had never heard of the Daniel's until he started to Arkansas to hold a revival in 1944 and his father mentioned it to him. While attending a Fellowship meeting near Fort Smith, he heard a Rev. Daniels being called on to dismiss. He made his way around and introduced himself and during the conversation found out that Rev. Daniels grandfather and Rev. Lindsey's grandmother were brother and sister. He has met a lot of Daniel's since then and has also met some Lindsey's that he knew nothing of. His grandfather had a brother, Seldon Lindsey who was United States Marshall in the Indian Territory.

"Sheb" Lindsey had an uncle named Judge Coke Lindsey, another named King Lindsey, one named Battle Burkett Lindsey and one named Elbert Shelby and their mother had reserved the right to name the first born boy to each son. She was tall, weighed about 300 pounds and meant what she said so she named Rev. Lindsey, Judge Battle.

Judge Battle got his first job when he was 14 years of age on a highway construction job, helping lay steel to pour concrete. There were 64 black men and Judge in the ditch. One water boy and one water bucket and when he came around every one got a drink out of the same bucket with the same cup. You didn't get out of the ditch to get a drink and you worked from six in the morning until six at night. He finally worked his way up to Superintendent for John R. Alley Construction Co. of Oklahoma City.

In 1931, Judge got saved and healed the same night and felt he was called to preach, then in July he and Mrs. Lindsey got married. He had no money so he borrowed ten dollars to get married had to buy her a new hat to get married in and gave the preacher two dollars and they went off on a little trip, six or seven miles to the country. He began to preach and work, for at that time a preacher could preach for a month or two and maybe get five dollars. This was still in the middle of the "Great Depression."

He first came to Russellville in the fall of 1944 to hold a revival for Rev. Higgins in the

Assembly of God Church. They had a good meeting so he was ask to come back the following year, so he did. At this time, Rev. Higgins had resigned and they wanted Rev. Lindsey to take the church. He at first refused but at the insistence of the church and Rev. Laister the Executive Presbyter, and with only one no vote, he came to Russellville and stayed for eight years. The first thing he did was to get the old church building finished, put in some more Sunday School rooms, built a new parsonage and put a big water cooler system in the church, then got new pews for the church. He encouraged the boys who were endeavoring to put in the radio station and as a result the church got the first chance at the 11 o'clock broadcast on Sunday morning and they still have that broadcast. The Ministerial Alliance decided to try to dry up the county, with its' ungodly beer joints and with the help of a man from Little Rock the effort was begun. By the time it was over, Rev. Lindsey and the pastor of the Methodist church were the only ministers who stuck it out. Beer and liquor was voted out of Pope County. He resigned in 1952 and went to another Pope County church at Covina, Calif. After 18 years and because of ill health he resigned and moved to Oklahoma, taking a small church and he began to get better so he came back to Russellville when the opportunity presented itself in Aug. of 1973. After being here for a while he had the opportunity to pray with and to see a man saved who was a main leader against him during the liquor drive.

Rev. and Mrs. Lindsey have been in the ministry 47 years and have been all over the United States and several foreign countries and never knew much about Arkansas. But now, he has retired and is living in Russellville, Arkansas, near the land where his father first saw daylight nearly 100 years ago.

by J.B. Lemley

EPHRAIM LINKER

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Ephraim Linker moved from Concord, North Carolina, to near Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas before the civil war. He and his family settled on what is now known as Linker Mountain, the mountain being named after the Linker family. The small cemetery going up the mountain, off of Highway #7, is the Linker family cemetery.

Ephraim's children were: Dock, Darrel and Steve Linker, Minnie Linker Williams, wife of Albert Williams and Dolly McCalister. Ephraim had a step-son, Ishmo Cagle who owned Cagle's Mill. Cagle's mill was located on the Illinois bayou where the old dam is at present. After a few years Ishmo Cagle passed away and his half-brother, Steve Linker ran the mill from 1898 to 1905. When Steve moved on down the creek to the present Linker farm, Ephraim's son, Dock lived by the old dam and raised his family there. Dock ran the power plan for the Arkansas Power and Light Co., lived and worked there for many years. Dock and Steve could remember hearing the cannons being shot off at Dardanelle, during the

Battle of Dardanelle at the Civil war, all the way to Linker mountain.

by Annie Williams Moriarty

ALSTON E. LINTON

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The Family of Alson E. Linton (1791-1861) and wife, Frances Forehand (1793-1876) came from Tenn. to Pope Co., Ark. 1840. Their 4th son, Jesse Walker Linton (1824-1899) left an Insurance Policy dated 1882, when he was Jailer, Dover, Ark. stating he had a sister 68 and a bro. 66 living in good health and one sister and five brothers dead. Their ages and causes of death are listed but no names. Censuses tell us his four bros. were James L., Silas S., William D., and Thomas J., and one sister, Martha. The others are unknown.

Alson E. and Frances Linton lived to see their families help settle the new State of Ark. and bring law and order to the communities. James L. Linton was elected Sheriff three times 1854-60. He and his son, William E., Captain Thomas J., and William L., son of Silas, served in the Civil War. George Thomas Linton (1848-1919), son of Jesse W., and wife Margaret Ann Langford (1862-1909) helped establish Newton Springs Church and School near Hector, Ark. Clifton and Dr. A.C. Linton taught there. Lintons helped maintain cemeteries and gradually helped to fill them around Hector, Scottsville, and Dover.

Albert Edward Linton (1892-1964), older son of George T., and wife Mary Bell Dalrymple (1892-1967), youngest dau. of John Dee and Tennessee Ann Dalrymple, married Pope Co. Ark. 4-24-1910. They lived in Atkins, Ark. 1912-14. He helped an electrician wire Atkins. He was elected Road Overseer for Jackson Township, Hector, 1927-28. They had six children all born in Pope Co. Ark. They are- (1) Vera L. Grable (Mrs. Guy H.) graduated Hector H.S. 1932. They are enjoying his retirement after 33 years at Firestone, Memphis, Tenn. Have one daughter, Mary Leigh Gibbons (Mrs. Davis W.) Cosmetologist. Grandson, "Davy" Gibbons Jr. (2) L.D. Linton (1912-1974), married Elma Houston, Trumann, Ark. Have two sons, Billie J. Linton, Air Controller Dallas-Ft. Worth Airport. Served in Air Force in States and Ankara, Trukey. Wife Barbara and he have three children, Mark Allen, Paul Arthur, and Laura Marie. Retired Captain Sterling Lee Linton served in Army in Hawaii, Vietnam, and Germany. He lives in Clarksville, Tenn. with wife Loraine and three children; Henry Gibbs, Cathy Loraine, and Debra Lee. (3) Rheba V. Linton married Hercul Leon Bonds (1915-1947). She is retired from The Singer Co. Trumann, Ark. after 35 years. Son Jimmy Leon lives at home. (4) Glyn Merwin Linton, Brick Mason, married Earline Holly, Trumann, Ark. Two children- Lois L. Watts (Mrs. R.E.) lives in Osceola, Ark. with husband and two sons, Bryan and Jeffery. Glyn Michael Linton is a student at Trumann, Ark. (5) Albert "Pete" Leamon Linton is The Director of Advertising for Army Recruiting in the North-east. He is stationed at Ft. Mead just outside

Washington D.C. He was in Germany 10 mi. from battle at the Rhine River when they surrendered. He served as M.P. in Phillipines. He went from New York City to Eniwetok for the first Atomic Bomb tests. Quiet a change of scenery! (6) Gertru Charlene Linton married John C. Arment (1925-1976) at Trumann, Ark. He was an Auditor for the Federal Marketing Administration, Baltimore, Md. Their daughter, Rhonda Kay Arment attends the University of Maryland.

by Vera L. Linton Grable

DR. ARTHUR C. LINTON

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Arthur C. Linton was born in Pope County, Arkansas in 1882 to George Eldridge Linton and Tennessee A. Deshazo Linton. His grandfather, J.L. Linton served as sheriff of Pope County for several terms. His maternal grandfather, Dr. Allen C. Deshazo, was born in France, but practiced medicine for many years in the north portion of Pope County.

Arthur C. Linton received his grade school education in the Hector Area and at Russellville. He then taught school and helped his father with farm work to secure money to attend medical school. He was able to enter Memphis School of Medicine in 1902 for three years. This was followed by two years at Little Rock P. & S. College and Arkansas Medical School. He also spent one year at Little Rock School of Pharmacy.

In the early 1900's Dr. A.C. Linton married in Pope County, Arkansas, Margaret Angelina (Angie) Hickman. She was the daughter of John Andrew Hickman and Martha Ann Wilson Hickman. They raised their family in the Hector Area of Pope County. Their children were: (1) Royce: died young of diphtheria - buried in Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas. (2) Ronald S.: born 28 Nov. 1910 - died 16 May 1911 - buried Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkan-

sas. (3) Rayburn: Still living - never married.

Ronald S. Linton was the victim of a tragedy. The Primitive or Hardshell Baptist Church had an annual gathering (foot-washing) in the Broomfield Community on the second Sunday in May. This spring gathering was always well attended and looked forward to. In the year 1911 Martha Ann Wilson Hickman and her daughter, Angie Hickman Linton, were attending and riding with Uncle Green Bullock and his family. A second spring-seat was placed at the rear of the wagon for them. Ronald, the young son of Dr. A.D. Linton and Angie Hickman Linton, was on his grandmother's lap. At the steep hill just east of Broomfield the spring-seat tipped backwards spilling it's occupants. The child, Ronald, died as a result of this fall.

Angie Hickman Linton was to die before the surviving son, Rayburn, was raised. She was buried at Campground Cemetery near Hector. Rayburn Linton lived with his grandmother, Martha Ann Wilson Hickman, near Hector and attended school until she died in 1924.

After the death of Angie Hickman Linton, Dr. A.C. Linton married (2) Lula Burns, widow of Jim Bailey. She was not to live long. He then married (3) Gertrude Oliver. She was born in 1882 and died in 1970. There were no children from this marriage, but they raised two adopted daughters- Marion, and Wanda. Marion married Ridge Whitlock.

In the year 1906 Dr. A.C. Linton at the age of 24 began a medical practice that was to continue for 62 years. He was to live during this period within a mile and a half of his birthplace at Hector in Pope County except for a five year early period when he practiced in the Appleton Community.

In the early years he travelled by horseback deep into mountains, along dark trails, and across swollen streams. He later graduated to a Model T Ford.

During the many years of his medical practice Dr. Arthur C. Linton delivered nearly six thousand babies covering several generations

in the same families. His pay was often very little and might consist of produce or farm animals from the neighboring farms.

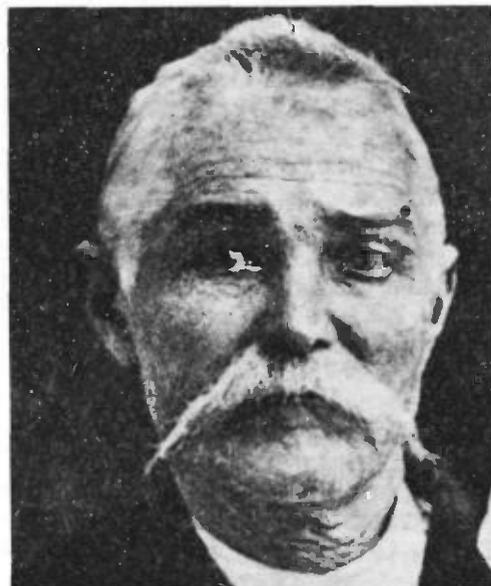
The American Medical Profession honored Dr. A.C. Linton with a Certificate of Merit for 50 years in the practice of medicine. He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and was always interested in and helpful with the educational and other affairs of the community.

Dr. Arthur C. Linton departed in 1968 and is buried, along with his last wife, at Rock Springs Cemetery, near Hector, Pope County, Arkansas.

Rayburn Linton, son of Dr. A.C. Linton and Angie Hickman Linton, attended school at Hector, taught school for several years, served in the U.S. Army during World War II., and now lives at Phoenix, Arizona.

WILLIAM D. LINTON

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SAMUEL MARTIN LINTON

William D. Linton was the son of Alstone E. Linton who was born in North Carolina in 1793, married Frances Forehand, Davidson Co, Tenn. 29 July 1812. Their children all born in Tenn were: James Lewis, Silas S, William D, Jesse W., Thomas Jefferson and Martha. The family except Silas was in Pope County by 1844. The other four sons married in Pope County prior to 1850. Silas, his wife and five children had joined the group in Pope County by 1850.

William D. Linton, the 3rd son of Alston E. and Frances, born 1823, married Susan McCune, a Kentucky native, in Pope County 7 Mar. 1844. Their three children were: James, who died while still a child; Samuel Martin, born in 1849; and Georgia, born 1861, married Samuel Walker 21 May 1877. While we don't have a date of the death of William D., it is assumed that his death took place during the latter years of the Civil War. William's father, Alston E died 30 March 1861.

Samuel Martin Linton worked as a storekeeper, trader and farmer supporting his widowed mother and sister. After the death of Susan Linton, possibly in the late 1880s,



Dr. and Mrs. A.C. Linton

Samuel Martin married Matilda Battenfield. It has been said that Samuel Martin Linton picked his bride as a baby. She was the daughter of G.W. Battenfield of Ohio and Matilda Stanford, a native of Miss. The children of Samuel Martin and Matilda were: William George, born 29 Sept. 1890; Robert E. Lee, Margaret Sue Linton Howard who died 1977 in Calif; and Anna Mae Linton Merritt. Samuel Martin Linton, who was more than 20 years older than his wife, died in 1910. Later Matilda married A. Danley and had two children: Helen Danley and Anthony B. Danley by the 2nd marriage. Matilda died in 1963 at the age of 90.

William G. Linton, the son of Samuel Martin Linton, married Arona B. Rowland 8 Jan. 1911 in Pope Co. Arona was born 20 Mar. 1889. William G. lived near Scottsville working for Pope County Roads and working on construction jobs. The children of William G. were: Mary Sue, born 21 Oct. 1911, died 2 Feb. 1915; William Love, Sr., born 28 June 1916; and Cora Belle, born 13 July 1925. Cora Belle married Merle Cowen of Ft. Smith 2 Nov. 1943. Their children are: William Leonard, Joan, Harrel and Susan Cowen Majalca. Cora Belle Cowen and her family are now located in Tucson, Arizona.

William Love Linton, Sr. married Mildred Lois Wallace, daughter of Green and Louella Cooper Maupin Wallace 3 Nov. 1941 in Montensanto, Wash. They lived in several states but returned to within a stone's throw of the site of William's birth at Scottsville. Their children are: Linda Joyce, born 26 Sept. 1943; and William Love, Jr. born 30 May 1948.

Linda Joyce Linton married Del R. Miller 23 Aug. 1963. Linda Joyce is a 1963 graduate of Ark Tech and Del is 1964 graduate of U. of Ark in chemical engineering. Their daughter, Brittney Lynn, born 27 Sept. 1971, Baton Rouge, La. where they lived since 1964. In Aug. 1966 they moved to Mesa, Arizona.

Lillian Love Linton, Jr. married Anna Dale Bull 31 May 1969 in Spring Creek Church. Anna Dale is daughter of Clyde and Emma Bull, Bellville, Ark. William and Anna Dale are graduates of Ark Tech, 1970 and 1971 respectively. Anna Dale has been employed by Dover Schs, since 1971. William Love is employed by Production Credit of Russelville. Their children are: Deborah Ann, born 6 Aug. 1972; William Love, III, born 12 July 1976; and Russel Dale, born 2 February 1978, all born at St. Marys Hospital in Russellville.

by Mildred Linton

THE LLEWELLYN FAMILY

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James Llewellyn, born April 7, 1830 and his wife Margaret, born Feb. 9, 1832, came to America in 1869 looking for new hope. At that time they had three sons: Richard, David, and Henry. Margaret was pregnant when they left Masteg Wales, and gave birth to her fourth son, Paul while on the high seas. They first settled in Newbury, Ohio, then moved to Zanesville, Ohio. In 1884 when Henry was 17, the Llewellyn family except Richard moved to

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Hector, Ark., and bought farm land. Margaret died Oct. 7, 1894, James Llewellyn died Sept. 15, 1902, and they are buried in the Old Baptist Cemetary, which joins the John Llewellyn property, near Hector.

David lived and farmed near Hector until 1915, when he was shot and killed by Dee Poe. Paul taught school for a number of years near Hector, then lived in Russellville the rest of his life. Henry Llewellyn took his wife, the former Martha Hallabough, daughter of John and Mary Hallabaugh, whom he had married Dec. 23, 1891, and moved to Russellville, entering the employ of R.L. Coats and Co. Henry and Martha had seven children, two dying in infancy, the other five were; Catherine, John, Margaret, Marjorie (twins), and Lucy. Henry Llewellyn died Feb. 17, 1915 after a lengthy illness at the age of 48. At the time of his death he was City Recorder for Russellville. Martha, his wife survived her husband by 48 years and never re-married. She lived to be 89, and died in 1963. Marjorie one of the twins died during the flu epidemic of 1918. Catherine married Tom Morgan and they had three children: James, Catherine, and Rufus. John married Edna Blackwell in 1917 and they had two daughters. Lucy married Dwight Morgan and they had five children: Wanda Lee, born Sept. 4, 1925, Marjorie Allene, born Sept. 11, 1927, Mary Louise, born Oct. 21, 1929, Margaret Sue, born Mar. 24, 1932, and Harold Lloyd, born Jan. 27, 1934.

Margaret married Argie Humphrey in 1918 and they had 5 boys. William David died as a infant, Robert Llewelly, born Oct. 31, 1920, Argie Jr. born 1922, George A. born 1924, Paul E., born 1928.

Margaret Llewellyn Humphrey died May 6, 1949, and was buried on Mothers Day. Argie Humphrey is still active at age 80, and lives in Marthas Vineyard, Mass. Robert Humphrey married Esther Jo Payne of Texas City, Texas June 9, 1939. They have four children: Robert J., born Feb. 5, 1941, Margaret L., born Jan. 6, 1943, Martin D., born Jan. 19, 1945, and Rebecca R. born April 5, 1947. Robert and Esther own a chain of appliance stores in

Alabama, and live just out of Birmingham, Ala.

Robert J., their oldest son, married Hazel Ford March 17, 1962 and is an executive with Control Data Corp. They live in Marretta, Ga. They have three children: Robert, born June 18, 1963, Kecia, born April 19, 1965, and Scott, born July 30, 1968. Margaret married (1) Charles Hester June 14, 1963, one daughter, Misty, born Dec. 1, 1970. Margaret married (2) Leland Downs, and have one daughter, Cristy, born Nov. 18, 1975. Leland is the President of a Sales Company. Martin D., married Vickie Lamson Feb. 6, 1971. They have no children. He is a Design engineer, and lives in Seattle, Washington. Rebecca, is a Certified Inhalation Therapist, and lives in Birmingham, Ala.

by Robert L. Humphrey

JAMES SAWYERS LONG

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James Sawyers Long arrived in Russellville, Ark., Dec. 4, 1925. He was born in Macon, Miss., in 1888. His father was Samuel Dismukes Long D.D. and his mother was Lillie Sawyers Long. His mother died when he was a little boy and his father married Josephine Peck Long of Virginia.

Mr. Long graduated from a high school then from Emory and Henry College in Virginia. After teaching several years, he enlisted in the army during World War I, became a Sergeant in Casual Company 5224. When the war was over, he attended Yale School of Forestry and graduated with a Masters Degree in Forestry. The U.S. Forestry sent him to Columbus, Ga., then transferred him to Russellville, Ark., where he lived until he died May 20, 1965. He was a 32° Mason, a Shriner, Past President of the Lion's Club, and the instigator of the Arkansas Valley Historical Association. (Forerunner of the Pope County Historical Association.)

On July 12, 1927, Mr. Long was married to Dr. Lulu V. Long, of Shippensburg, Pa., a Chiropractor. She was born in Bendersville, Pa., Oct. 8, 1886, her parents being Daniel A. Long and Mary Elizabeth Shenk Long. They moved to Shippensburg, when she was a baby. Dr. Long was a graduate of Shippensburg State Normal School, attended Penn. State College, Bucknell University and graduated from the National College of Chiropractic. She taught school several years then practiced her profession.

To this union was born one child; Elizabeth Dismukes Long, born July 3, 1930, at St. Mary's Hospital in Russellville. She graduated from High School, Arkansas Tech, and the University of Tenn. with a A.B. Degree.

She married Clayton C. Brewer of Paris, August 10, 1950. They had five children; Elizabeth Abba born in Knoxville, Tenn.; Sharon, born in Louisville, Ky.; Cynthia and Nancy, born in Syracuse, New York and James born in Utica, New York. The family now live in 14 Terrace Hill Dr., New Hartford, New York.

By Mrs. James S. Long

ALISON LOVE

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Alison Love, oldest child of Saloma Darr Love and Calvin M. Love, married J.T. Bigger, a descendent of a pioneer Yell Co. family, in Russellville on Dec. 10, 1888. They lived in Dardanelle but moved to Atkins around 1895. They had four children, Rea Migna, Opal Iona, Sybil Bell and Cloete, a son. The three younger children were born in Pope Co. The Bigger family was active in the Macabees Woodmen of the World. Eastern Star and activities of the Atkins Methodist Church. Rea Bigger was a graduate of Ouachita College and she studied music at Ark. State Teacher's College and Central College in Conway and at Ark. Tech in Russellville. She was a member of the Ark. Music Teachers Association. She married Ben Allen Mayo Jr. of Morrilton and they had one daughter, Migna Irl. Rea was a member of the John C. Darr chapter of the U.D.C. In 1932 she married Will A. Bowman and she and Migna Irl moved to Memphis where she resided until her death in 1955. She was active in the Beethoven Club and other musical circles in Memphis. Opal married Andrew J. Croom and they also had a daughter, Virginia Love. A.J. Croom was descended from a line of pioneer merchants in Atkins and he continued the tradition, having stores in Atkins, Russellville, Springdale and Harrison, Ark. Opal was very active in civic affairs. At one time she was president of the Civic Club of Atkins and she was also president of the John C. Darr chapter of the U.D.C. which was named for her great uncle. She was a delegate to the state convention of the U.D.C. She was interested in acting and directed many home talent plays. Like her mother and sisters she took an active part in the circles of the Methodist Church in Atkins. Opal was on the board of Pope Co. for the underprivileged and helped feed needy children at school and other needy people during the 1927 flood. She was very interested in anything that was good and helpful for the community. She died in 1932 in the hospital in Russellville. Sybil Bigger was a graduate of Ouachita College and the New York School of Music and Arts. She also did post-graduate work in piano and voice at the New York School and other colleges. She married Barney C. Gorham of Magazine, Ark. The Barney Gorhams moved to Atkins around 1929. Barney was the assistant postmaster for a time and Sybil was among the founders and the first president of the Atkins Music Club. They had no children. They lived in Atkins and took part in many civic affairs until 1951 when Barney Gorhams lumber business took them to Colo. where they now reside. Sybil has continued her musical interests there. Alison Love Bigger resided with them also until her death in 1965 at the age of 97. The youngest child and only son, Cloete, died at the age of 6 in Atkins. J.T. Bigger died in Atkins in 1945. Rea Bigger Bowman's daughter, Migna Irl Mayo married Walter Thomas Howell of Clarksville. They live in Memphis, Tenn. His family were pioneer residents of Johnson Co. They have one son, W.T. Howell Jr. He and his wife, Eloise Denny Howell of Houston,

Tex. live in New Mex. They have no children. Opal Bigger Croom's daughter, Virginia Love, married Stanley B. Graydon. He was descended from the Bell family of Pope Co. and the Graydon family of Yell Co. Both are pioneer residents. They reside in Springdale, Ark. and have no children.

by Migna Irl Mayo Howell

JAMES WILLARD LOVELAND

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James Willard Loveland (July 1856 - September 1942) as a young man moved from Colorado to Pope County (Born in Mass.). There he married Florence Poe (September 1870 - October 1932) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Poe. They had six children, two sons, John Willis and Roscoe, four daughters, Ora, Ira, Irma, and Terry. He and his wife were buried at Appleton.

John Willis Loveland born 3/29/1889. He married Minnie Lacy (5/3/1896 - 6/16/72 buried at Appleton) July 2, 1917, daughter of John Henry Lacy (9/18/1871 - 9/13/1956) and Annie Reynolds Lacy (8/20/1875 - 1/21/1958). They had 8 children, Thomas, Unnamed twin sons, Millard Yale, John Willard, Ruby Clara, Ira Lee, and Ora Floann. John Willis was a farmer and lived at Appleton until he retired. He now lives at Russellville. Thomas died when he was 9 months old and is buried near Petit Jean. Unnamed twin sons (Stillborn). Millard Yale born 8/28/25. He married Ora Nell Delph. They have one daughter, Judy Nell and three sons Millard Wayne, David Bruce, and Glen Mark. They also have 7 grandchildren. Millard is retired and they live at Greers Ferry. John Willard born 4/19/28 married Mildred McQuerry. He lives in St. Louis and works for the Missouri Pacific Railroad. They have two sons, John Wendell, Alan Lee and three daughters, Paula Faye, Karen Lynn, Joy Yvette and one granddaughter. John Willard is also a free lance writer. Ruby Clara born 2/18/31 manages a Life Uniform Store and lives in Little Rock. Ira Lee born 8/3/34 married Carol Ogden. He works for Standard Rendering Company and lives near Dover. They have one daughter, Carol Anne, and three sons, Leslie, Johnny Lee, and Micheal. Ora Floann born 8/11/40 married John B. Bartlett. They live in Marshall, Missouri and they have two children, Beverly Diane and John Bradley.

Ora Loveland married William Nichols (deceased). They had four children. Ora lives in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Roscoe Loveland and wife Etta had five children. Roscoe died and was buried in California.

Ira Loveland married John Herndon and they had two children. Ira and he husband are both deceased and are buried in the Little Rock area.

Irma Loveland married Ted Lay (deceased) and they had four children. Irma lives in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Lettie Terry Loveland (1/20/1907 - 10/8/1910) is buried at Appleton.

by Floann Bartlett

CARL BENTLEY LOYD

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Carl Bentley Loyd born April 2, 1906, on Tucker Mt. Pope County Arkansas. He was the first son of Jackson Murphy and Belah Melvina Loyd, and grandson of David C. and Nora Ann Burris Loyd.

Belah died of Pneumonia on January 31st 1920, leaving Jack and five children Carl, the oldest 13 years at the time.

The next five years were spent on Tucker Mt. living with Jim Loyd, brother of Jack.

On March 8, 1925 Carl married Delia Mae Dotson, daughter of James J. and Minnie Page Dotson, of Shinn Mt. The newlyweds moved to Tucker Mt. to live with his family.

In the fall of 1925 Carl left the Mt. to work on a plantation in Newelton, La. There on April 7, 1926 the first child was born. She was named Helen Bernice. When Helen was three months old the family left La. to return to the mountain.

Carl worked cutting timber, and the family was living near Dover, when the second child a son, was born on July 20, 1929. He was named James Bentley, and always called JB.

When JB was still a small boy, Delia became very ill with Typhoid fever. The family worked on plantations and for a time a saw mill in Dover. The years were hard and two children were born, and died, as infants in this time. Helen and JB both began school at Dover in 1936.

Carl bought his first truck, and was hauling lumber for Ark-Mo lumber company, and the family was living in Russellville when Linda Carleen was born on November 13, 1941.

In 1942 Carl moved his family to Ft. Smith where he remained in the trucking business. While living there on October 3, 1943 the last child, a son, Larry Dean was born.

In 1966, Carl was operating a service station and a portable building sales lot. He also had his own truck to haul the buildings with. Larry Dean was working with Carl by this time.

In February 1967, while operating the station alone, there was an attempted robbery. Carl was shot through the arm. Although the bullet didn't do much damage, shortly after that Carl had a heart attack and was disabled there after.

Larry lived at home and kept the portable building business as well as having some cattle which Carl enjoyed very much.

In 1971 the Loyd's returned to Russellville and on May 16, 1973 Carl suffered a fatal heart attack. He is buried at North New Hope cemetery.

Jack Loyd in later years, as his health failed, was forced to live with his children and grandchildren, and his last years were spent at Stella Manor nursing home at Russellville. Jack kept a clear mind and was very interesting to talk to about his early life. He was able to read the Russellville paper daily, which he never missed. On November 16, 1973 Jack Loyd died at the age of 90 years. He is buried at Ball Hill cemetery with Belah.

Helen married Rupert Brown son of Jack and Selma Brown of Russellville. They have

three daughters. Rublene, Beatrice and Barbra.

Rubelene lives in Russellville with her son, and daughter, Clay and Sarah Bishop.

Beatrice married Frankie Harris of Russellville and they have one son James.

Barbra married Landol Swinney, a missionary Baptist minister, and they are at Dumas, Ark.

James Bentley married Charlotte Hartley, daughter of Avery and Leona Jackson Hartley of Ft. Smith. They have four children Jimmy, Ronald, Anthony and Mary Louise.

Jimmy married Kathie Thompson daughter of Paul and Jean Thompson of Hector. They make their home in Russellville.

Ronald, Anthony and Mary Louise live at home in Russellville also.

Larry Dean married Debby Mayhan daughter of Benny and Shirley Mayhan of Russellville, where they also make their home.

Carleen and Delia make their home together in Russellville, and Delia has one sister and one brother also living in Pope county. Thurman, brother of Carl, also remains in Russellville. Herman twin of Thurman lives in Charleston, Arkansas. The only living sister of Carl, Norma Mayhan, makes her home in Salisaw, Oklahoma.

Mrs. James B. Loyd

THE LYNCH FAMILY

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The Lynch family migrated to Pope County in 1881 from Pumpkin Bend in Depew Township, Woodruff County, in the personage of brothers Bonner Horatio (born Oct. 8, 1875) and Darius Henry (born Dec. 22, 1873) Lynch, the sons of Nep and Josephine Gregory Lynch, were accompanied by their maternal grandmother, Sarah Gregory, and first settled on Linker Mountain. The day is best remembered by young Darius as the same day Sam James was shot and killed.

Sarah Gregory was a Civil War widow living on a \$12 monthly pension and together with the earnings of the boys from cutting railroad ties eventually bought the family homestead on Water Street in Dover.

Darius was crippled as a teenager in woodlot accident, never married and farmed his entire life until he died on March 13, 1955.

Bonner married Mattie Hicks and had one son, Fred Alva born Sept. 28, 1907. Mattie died at an early age as did Fred's first wife Ruby Roberts. Fred married again in 1940 to Vernice Stanford and had no children. He worked for the Arkansas Highway Department and was an avid fisherman until his death on Dec. 13, 1959. Bonner married Mary Malinda Catherine Pless on Dec. 15, 1908 and had another son, Odess born on June 18, 1910. Farming his entire life, Bonner became a stockholder of the Bank of Dover and appeared on the bank calendar with his prize registered bull "Sweet Rose". Bonner died August 1, 1933.

Odess married Thelma Crow, the daughter of Kyle and Marlin Spain Crow, on April 1, 1934. Odess farmed and was crippled in 1939 in a trucking accident while hauling sorghum

cane. He owned the Conoco gas station which was on the site of the old Eakes & Mumford garage on Market Street in Dover from 1941-46. During the '50's, he owned and operated the Gulf and ESSO stations. In 1961, the family moved to Conway where he owned and operated Lynch Motor & Equipment Co. until his retirement in 1971 to Apache Junction, Arizona.

Odess and Thelma have five children. Betty Ann (born Jan. 14, 1936) was the first graduate of Dover High School of which both parents were also alumni. She is married to C.S. Burnett of Texas, has no children, lives in Whittier, Ca. and is a bank officer for Security Pacific Bank. Sue Evelyn (born Sept. 25, 1937) married William Henry Norris of Kentucky in 1958. They have one daughter, Tracy Louise born Sept. 27, 1959. After she divorced, she married Charlie Jones, a career Marine Officer and attorney, in 1972. She is a school teacher in San Diego, Ca. Ruby Nell (born July 6, 1941) is also a school teacher, living in Whittier, Ca. All three of the Lynch girls graduated from Arkansas Tech, majoring in education. John Lynell (born Aug. 22, 1946) served in the U.S. Air Force and is now self-employed as an auto mechanic in Abilene, Texas. James David born July 19, 1956) resides with his parents and is attending junior college in Arizona.

by Sue L. Jones

MADDUX-PRIMM-PRIOR FAMILIES

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In 1635 the Maddux family migrated from Wales on the ship "Abraham of London" to settle in Jamestown, Va. A great grandson, Evin Powell Madux, born Dec. 5, 1815, married Caroline Clifton, born Feb. 16, 1820, in Ala., then in 1869 moved his large family to Ark., settling in Pope Co. near Point Remove Creek. Evans Powell died April 15, 1879 and four days later April 19, his wife died. They are buried in Happy Bend Cemetery, east of Atkins.

Of the 11 descendents of Evans Powell and his wife Caroline many figured prominently in the early history of Pope Co.

Grandmother, Alabama (Bam) Maddux was born Feb. 14, 1851 near Center, Ala. They moved by ox cart and boat to Pine Bluff, Ark. finally settling near Atkins. Bam's chore, in case the yoke of oxen decided not to move, was to hold the cat to the nose until they decided to move again. Alabama (Bam) married J. Greene Primm, (born Brownsville, Tenn. Aug. 29, 1847) Jan. 4, 1872, and they built their home near Point Remove Creek. Grandfather Primm fought for the South in the Civil War, and I have a picture of these soldiers at The Old Soldiers Reunion at Gravel Hill, north of Russellville. (made about 1900)

The Primm Bridge, named after grandfather, (the only one left standing on Point Remove Creek after many floods) was torn down in 1976. In 1915, he retired from farming and moved to Atkins. J. Greene died July 22, 1917, and "Bam" died Feb. 27, 1925.

Both are buried in Happy Bend Cemetery.

Of their 6 children, the youngest was Rebecca Powell (Rhea), my mother. She attended Economy Schools, and was married to Orlando Prior in 1916. Orlando was a rural mail carrier for 30 yrs. on Rt. 2 out of Atkins, retiring in 1942. When retiring, he said that he had carried on horseback, motorcycle, Model T Ford, and 1930 Chev. Many times he swam on horseback across flooded streams to deliver a piece of mail. He loved to hunt and fish. Rebecca loved flowers, and many people stopped by to look at her beautiful Yard. Orlando's grandparent came to Pope Co. in 1860's. His father was Young William Prior and his mother Tabitha Petit. Orlando's father was robbed, shot in the back, and killed in 1893, at his grist mill, north of Dover.

From this marriage 2 children were born, Winnie Wells (Nov. 11, 1916, and William Orlando (Bill) July 16, 1918. Winnie Well married H.L. "Ickey" Franks Nov. 3, 1936, coach at Atkins High School 1936-1939. He had many records in sports and one very successful Football team at Atkins. They have one son, Robert Lee Franks, Sr. at UCA, accomplished Musician, majoring in music. Graduates 1978. William (Bill) married Pauline Gunderman Dec. 26, 1939. They have 3 children, Paula Rose, Robert Orlando, and William Lee, and 6 grandchildren all residing in Memphis, Tenn., except Paula Rose and family.

by Winnie P. Franks

ELIHU EMORY MAGGARD

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Elihu Emory Maggard was born in Letcher County, Kentucky, Aug. 22, 1855. He was a son of James and Abby Boggs Maggard and a grandson of Samuel and Rebecca Robertson Maggard, early settlers of Letcher County from Rockingham County, Virginia. He was married on September 4, 1876 to Nancy Cornett. She was a daughter of Judge Joseph E. and Sally Brown Cornett and a granddaughter of William Cornett who was a Revolutionary Veteran and an early settler of Perry County, Kentucky. Her grandfather Brown was the first school teacher in Letcher County, Kentucky. The Maggards left Kentucky in the autumn of 1889 and moved to Taney County, Missouri where they settled near present Bradleyville. A few years later they came to Newton County, Arkansas and lived for a short time near Cowell. By November 14, 1897 they were living in the Holla Bend Bottom in Pope County. It was on that date that Nancy Cornett Maggard died. She was buried in the Galla Rock Cemetery near Atkins, Arkansas. Around 1900 Elihu Maggard married Mary Jane Standridge, a daughter of Alexander and Cinda Ross Standridge. In the summer of 1900 the Maggard family moved by covered wagon to near Maud, Oklahoma. (This writer's mother was ten years old at the time and walked most of the trip behind the wagon.) By Christmas of 1900 the family was back in Pope County, Arkansas. They lived for a few years on the upper Illinois Bayou but by 1910 had moved to Treat on Big Piney Creek.

A few years after that date they moved to the vicinity of Russellville. Elihu Maggard died on Feb. 22, 1923 and is buried in the Ball Hill Cemetery. His home was in the Pleasant View community at the time. His second wife died in September of 1949 and is also buried at Ball Hill. His first family consisted of the following members: Mary and Rachel who died as children in Kentucky; Sally, who married John Brixey and last lived near Wynne, Cross County, Arkansas; Joseph E. who married Pearl Ashcraft and lived near Russellville; David, 1886-1913 (he was the first Maggard buried in Ball Hill Cemetery); James Irvin 1888-1938, married Willie Connerly and lived at Russellville, Arkansas; Susie A. who married Jesse W. Phillips and last lived at Clarksville, Arkansas; Riley Cullen 1892-1925, married Calla Bookout and lived near Russellville; Frances (Fanny) died as a child. Second Family: Henry A. who married Hallie Austin and lives at Pleasant View; Emmett; Harrison, who married Nina Humphrey and lives at Pleasant View, and Cynthia who married John Lolley, Laddie Ferguson, and a Martinez and now lives at Fresno, California.

by V.N. (Bud) Phillips

JOHN HUMPHREY MALONE

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Following his service in Smith's Co., 6th Miss. Cavalry 1861-1865, John Humphrey Malone (16 Oct 1842-2 May 1912) settled in Mississippi after marrying Sarah Martin (1845, Georgia). Here John Will was born in 1867 and Jacob A. in 1869. Then Jack migrated with his family up the Arkansas River in 1871 to London, Arkansas where Robert E. was born in 1871 and James F. (18 Mar. 1875-3 Mar. 1941) was born. There was also another son, Genie and a daughter, Clemmie, who died at the age of eight years.

The Malones lived at first with Martin relatives and then Sarah died in 1880. Jack was a farmer. After her death, Jack married Zoria M. Wadgers on 10 May 1882, and they had one son, Claud. She remarried in 1886 and Jack retained the son. Then Jack remarried to Minerva Ann Cothren (7 July 1859-Nov. 1938) on April 25, 1886 and they had: Cora on 22 Nov. 1886; Birdie on 17 Dec. 1888; Andrew J., on 10 Sept. 1890; Thomas J., on 29 Dec. 1892; Ester Allie on 14 April 1895, and Mary Elizabeth on 2 May 1899.

Jack was kin to the William T. Malone, born in 1817, who fell at the Texas Alamo in 1836. Sarah's mother was Melissey Martin (1815, Georgia.)

Jack Humphrey Malone and Sarah Martin Malone were buried in the East Point Cemetery.

J.F. Malone married Nettie Stewart in Indian Territory in 1902 and when she died in 1910, married Annie Malone in 1914. From the first marriage there was a son, Coy and from the second, James. James married Cora Mae Byrd from Russellville and they had three daughters. James served 25 years in the Army and now works for civil service and has worked at various locations. Coy had two

sons and a daughter and worked as a carpenter.

by James F. Malone

CLAUDE TRISTRAM MARABLE

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Triz Marable's father, Draughn William Marable, was born in Gwenette Co., Ga. on Oct. 28, 1867. He married Blanche Ethleen Sikes, born Dec. 15, 1877 in Clark Co. Ga. He moved to Ark. from Macon, Georgia with his father-in-law, Phillip Zackariah Sikes, and Mr. Sikes' three sons, Claude, Jake, and Madge Sikes. Six colored laborers came with them to Ark. The men left Ga. Christmas Day, 1898 bringing tools needed to build homes and clear the land they had bought. They settled about one and a half miles north of the Illinois Bayou bridge north of Hector.

The women arrived in Ark. in June 1899. Triz's mother had three children that were born to her in O'Connell Co., Ga. when she traveled to Ark. Triz's father and the Sikes' men farmed, ran a sawmill, gristmill and a cotton gin.

Draughn, Triz's father, bought the farm in the Walnut Grove community in 1914. Triz is one of eleven children born to Draughn and Ethleen. Their children were Hugh Archibald, Clara Lou, Lillian May, James Z., Claude Tristram, Ima Ethleen, Jesse Alford, Norma Uronia, Phillip Leroy, Draugh Lavoyne, and Paul Michell.

Draughn died in Nov. 1918. Ethleen died on March 10, 1922.

Triz married Hazel Churchill, born in Pope Co. in 1906. She is the daughter of the late A.J. and Aronia Mae Voss Churchill. After their marriage in Jan., 1923, they made a home for Triz's younger brothers and sisters until they were grown. Seven children were

born to Triz and Hazel. They are Edwin J. (1924), died in infancy, Virginia Jacqueline (1926-1972), Othello Willidean (1927), Ronald Gene (1932), Partick Wayne (1938), Claudia Maxine (1941) died in infancy, and Larry Claude (1944).

Triz farmed the land he bought from his brothers and sisters. This farm is now owned and operated by his son, Ronald Gene.

Triz is a Freewill Baptist. He has served as a deacon since 1938. He holds a citation for his work in the AAA in its formative years. He worked with Mark Tripp, Charles Howell, Charles J. Owens and others during his 21 years of service. He assisted with the "cotton Plowup", and the cattle killing programs of the Depression years. Later he had a broiler and cattle operation and worked as a carpenter in the Hector area. He has been a member of the Hector Masonic Lodge No. 497 since 1926. He has served as a Democrat committeeman for Jackson Township for forty-three years.

Triz retired from public work in 1966. He is now active in community work in the Walnut Grove area.

Jacqueline married Luel Dean. Jacqueline died of leukemia in 1972. Luel is retiring and lives in Livermore, Calif. They have two daughters, Gail Dean Aufdenkamp and Janet Dean Beatty. Gail and Don live in Manteca, Calif. with their two sons, Mark and Brett. Janet and Jack live in Russellville, with their daughter, Susan.

Willodean "Cutter" married Jack Biffle. They operate a poultry and cattle operation in Hector. Jack works for the State Highway Dept. Their children are Michael and Debra. Michael and wife, Brenda (Darter) live in Hector with their daughter, Christy. Debra and her husband, Nickie Schembra, live in Hector, also.



Photo of Draughn and Blanche Marable and children
Front row from left: Paul, Phillip Leroy, Draughn Lavoyne, Boy standing next to father: Jessee, Girl standing next to mother: Norma. Third row: Claude Tristram, Ima, James Zachariah. Back row: Lillian, Hugh, Clara Lou.

Ronald is married to Ina Garrigus. They have a poultry and cattle operation in Hector. Ron is Sales Manager for KCAB-KWKK radio in Dardanelle and Russellville. They have two children, Rhonda and Keith. Rhonda is married to Terry Anderson. She attends UALR majoring in Physical Therapy. Keith attends high school in Hector.

Patrick is married to Sue Ellen McClellan. They reside in Fayetteville, Ga., where Pat is with the Civil Service. They have two children, Michelle, and Patrick.

Larry is married to Sherry Pace. They reside in Bartlesville, Okla. where they both are employed at Phillips Oil Co.

by Hazel Marable

CHARLES EDWARD (CHARLIE) MARTIN

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Charles Edward (Charlie) Martin, son of W.A. and Catherine Martin, was born in 1873 in Pottsville. It was his grandparents, the Martins and Bradleys, that settled in Bradley Cove before the Civil War. The Bradleys moved from N.C. W.A. & Catherine had ten children: Clarence, Sam, Homer, Alvie, Lilly, Hattie, Mattie, Lola, Cora, and Charlie.

Charlie married Sarah Evelyn (1875-1950) who was born near Gum Log and the daughter of Judge and Mrs. William Thompson. Charlie was a farmer, but he was also the postmaster at Pottsville from 1901-1913. He and his wife were members of the Pottsville Methodist Church. To them were born five children: (1) Thompson Laurelle married Mildred Dollar and worked for Pulaski Co. in Little Rock. Their son Thaddeus Eugene (1925-1968) married Jeanette and they had twin children: Tim and Kim. (2) Charles Mignon married Lois Beard and he is retired from R.J. Reynolds and lives in Warren, Ark. (3) Lady Evelyn (1904-1971) married George Weather-ton (-1954). Lady Evelyn was postmaster at Pottsville for 30 years, 1939-1969, and George worked for the Missouri Pacific Railroad. They had one daughter Billie Ann (1927-) who married James Erwin Martin son of Erwin Jess and Pearl Esther Gerber Martin. They have one daughter Jana Beth (1945-) who married Jimmy Earl Bratton and their children are Stacey Suzanne (1965-), Sara Lynn (1970-), and Jimmy Scott (1975-). (4) Edward (Dub) Lemoyne married Reba Barnard. They have two daughters Lemona Kay (1942-) who married John Ingram. They have three children: Laura, Johna, and Marty. Dub and Reba's second daughter was Pamela Audra married Maxie Mathis, son of Max and Billie Mathis, of Plainview, Ark., and they have one son Max. (5) Grace Helen (1910-) married Charles Ray of Booneville, Ark. Grace Helen is a retired schoolteacher. They had three children: Helen Jayne who married Norman Ehren and their children are Mark and Steven. Joyce Ann married Melvin Raborn and their children are Melinda and Phillip. Charla Jean married Joe Wilson and their children are Todd, Jo Dee, and Kelton.

by Billie Ann Martin

J.J. MARTIN

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J.J. Martin was born in Lawrence County, Alabama, May 5, 1833. He was married to Martha Johnson June 3, 1855, who was born in Franklin County, Alabama, April 12, 1837.

In 1859 they moved to Pope County, Arkansas, and settled about four miles north of London, and here proceeded to make for themselves and their children a home. Of this union there were ten children, Lou Martin, born in Alabama October 7, 1857. Joe P. Martin, born January 13, 1859. Belle Martin was born January 13, 1862. George Martin was born July 19, 1864. Lee G. Martin was born November 11, 1866. J.N. Martin was born August 9, 1869. Mary Martin was born February 8, 1872. Jess M. Martin was born March 1, 1877. A.L. Martin was born February 15, 1879. Pinkie Martin was born March 30, 1882.

The remainder of this article concerns the family of Lee G. Martin, the fifth child of this union.

Early in life L.G., as he was commonly known, moved to London acquired some farm land, established a General Merchantile Store, and a cotton gin. He married Sarah C. Taylor, daughter of Harp Taylor and Mary Clementine Pless Taylor, on November 12, 1888. The names of their children are as follows:

Mayme Martin, born 1890, married Rev. G.C. Johnson, they had one child, Mary Elizabeth. She married Guy Carder, and they have three children, Bettye, Butch, and Mary Carolyn.

Ethel Martin, born 1892, married Otis Hale. They had two children, Ilah May and Otis Lee.

Ora Lee Martin, born 1894. Married John Mark Rye. They have four children, John Gaines Rye, married to Frances Curran. Eugene Harold Rye, b. February 1918, d. June 1922. Jerry Marcus Rye, married Ellen Evans, they have four children, Jerry Byron Rye, John Davis Rye, Linda Sue Rye, Jo Ellen Rye. Byrn Luke Rye, married Mary Jane Keller, they have four children, Paula Rye, Bruce Lyn Rye, Steven D. Rye, Randall Mark Rye.

Milton Martin, born 1896, married to Edna Earl Howard, they have two children, Louise, married to William Goode and they have two children, Glendon Goode and Karen Goode. Milton Russell Martin married Rose Piazza and they have two children, Russell Wayne Martin and Susan Gail Martin.

Doyle Martin, born 1898, married E. Reaves Alston. They have two children, Bettye Lee Alston, married Harry Blich, their children are Milton Edward Blich, John Anthony Blich, Sherrilyn Blich, and Gypsy Blich. And Frances Alston married Jay Cruze, they have two children, Stephen Cruze and Gary Cruze.

Erwin Jess Martin, born 1901, married Pearl Gerber. They have four children, Sarah Elizabeth, married Clarence Laughter. They have two children Rosemary Laughter and Nancy Laughter. James Erwin Martin, married to Billie Ann Weather-ton. They have one child, Jana Beth Martin. Robert Leighton Martin married Carol Hoff, they have two chil-

dren, Dawn Martin and Bob Martin. Beverly Ann Martin married Lee Eagle. They have one child Carrie Leann Eagle.

William Odell Martin, born 1906. Single.

Mary Kathryn Martin born 1910. Married George M. Roys. They have two children, George Pat Roys married Patsy Goodwin and they have three children, Robert Steven Roys, Mark Goodwin Roys, and Mary Kathryn Roys. George Pat Roys and Patsy Roys are divorced. He is married to Deloris Towry. And Jerry Michael Roys married to Janet Strickler. They have two sons, Michael Benjamin Roys and William George Roys.

Woodrow Wilson Martin, born 1912. Married Bonnie Lindsey. They have one daughter, Wanda Martin. She is married to George Brown, and they have one daughter Georganna Brown.

by Kathryn Martin Roys

JEFF AND JANE MARTIN

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Jeff Martin married Jane Bowlin and moved to Dover from Newton Co., Ark. Jeff Martin lived to be in his nineties. Jeff and Jane were both buried in the Mcfadden Cemetery at Dover. They had 6 children: Markey Martin, a son; Ozzie (Elliott); Oda (Hatley); Elmer Martin, a son; Cressie (Baker, then Cherry); Lan- ceford Martin, a son, died as a young man.

Markey Martin born in 1885 married Willie Dee Eveatt. They had 4 children before she died in 1928 at the age of 42. She was buried at the Mcfadden Cemetery in Dover. Markey Martin later married Noreen Kizzer and moved to Bentonville where he was a store clerk. Markey and Noreen had two sons, Billy Mark who died as a young man, and William Townsend who is now married, has children, and lives in the Rogers, Ark. area. Markey Martin died in 1962 and was buried in Bentonville, Ark. The 4 children born to Markey and Willie Dee were: Gussie, Grace, Alta, and Roy Martin.

Gussie married Kirksey Turner and had two sons. James Donald lives in Brea, Ca. He and his wife, Johnnie Faye have 3 daughters and one son. Harold Gene and his wife, Sarah, live in Greenwood, Ark. They have 4 daughters.

Grace Alyene (died Jan. 28, 1972) was married to Roy Jackson of Atkins on March 2, 1929. They had 2 children. A son, Charles Edward and his wife Carolyn (Berry), have a daughter, Kelly, and live in Sanford, Fla. A daughter, Shirley married Don Canerday and had a son, Jon Jackson Canerday. Shirley now married to Frank Pickle lives in Atkins.

Roy Martin married Juanita Cheek of Atkins in 1928 and they have one daughter, Virginia Lee. Virginia Lee married Harold Russell and they live in Atkins.

Alta Joy married Edgar Stone of Atkins and had one daughter, Glenda Sue. Glenda married Jimmy Hallum and had 5 sons: Steve, Gary, Eddie, Jimmy, and Tony. The Hallums live in Springfield, Ark.

by Charles E. Jackson

ANDREW JACKSON MATTHEWS 485

Andrew Jackson Matthews (1849-1914) married Willie Ann Thompson (1861-1979) daughter of Judge and Mrs. William Thompson of near Russellville. A.J. was the son of Catherine Davis Matthews (1825-1900) who lived north of Atkins on Pea Ridge. A.J. was a farmer all of his life and he and Willie Ann were members of the Methodist Church at Shiloh, north of Atkins. He is buried in the Shiloh Cemetery and she is buried in the Wash Duvall Cemetery. To this union was born two daughters: Nancy Catherine and Julia.

Nancy Catherine (Cassie) (1879-1915) married R.E.L. Duvall (1874-1934) of Atkins. R.E.L. Duvall was the son of Andrew Jackson and Sarah Scott Duvall who came to Pope County from Louisiana after the Civil War. R.E.L. was a merchant in Atkins and was mayor as well as a member of the State Legislature for two terms. He was a Freewill Baptist Minister and is buried at Shiloh Cemetery. To this union were born 10 children: (1.) Nora Lee (1894-1943) married Thomas Hillis and they lived in Appleton and Atkins. They had three sons: Raymond, Ralph, and Woodrow. (2.) Andrew La Fayette (1896-1947) married Freddie Lawrence and lived in Appleton. Their children were R.D., Fay, Jr., Guyann, and Fay Lawrence. (3.) Flora (1898-1947) married Festus Turnbow and lived in Russellville. Their children were Inez, Reba, and Betty. (4.) Mable (1900) married Coties Gilbert and lived in Russellville. Their children were Andrew Jennings, Billy Donald, and John Robert. (5.) Troy (1902-1971) married Tincie Duvall and they lived in Russellville. Their children were Janie who married David Bibler and Betty Viet. (6.) Sara (1904-) married Lawson Williamson and lived in California. Their children were Lawson, Jr., Lillian, James, Edward, Nina, and Peggy. (7.) Edward (1906-1967) married May Payne and they lived in California. They had two sons: William Lee and Bobby. (8.) Jack (1908-) married Beulah Loyd and they live in Oklahoma. They had one daughter Catherine. (9.) Nina (1910-) married Ellis Reynolds and they live in the Hopewell Community north of Atkins. They had one daughter Nancy. (10.) Julia Inez died at the age of 9 months in 1915.

Julia (1882-1968) was the second daughter of A.J. Matthews. She married C.L. Gardner and they lived in Russellville. Julia taught school many years and C.L. was a groceryman. Their children were: (1.) Lady Clare who married John Sommerville and live in Texas. They had two children: Suzanne and Patrick. (2.) Don, a retired dentist, married Margaret Jones of Atkins and they now live in Fort Smith. Their children are Donna and Gary Andrews. (3.) C.L. married Phyllis Holton and he is a physician in Aurora, Ill. Their son is John Holton. (4.) Mary Alice married B.W. McCormick and lives in Arkadelphia. They have one son, William Robert. (5.) John married Ellen Gray and is a retired dentist in Russellville.

Mable Duvall, daughter of A.J. and Cassie

Duvall, married Coties Gilbert. Their children are as follows: (1.) Jennings (1920-1969) married Ruth Spaulding (1920-1973). Their children were David Wayne (1942-1958), Cheryl Ann (1944-) whose children are Stacy and Devin, Patty Lynn (1949-) who married Bill Hooten whose children are Brain and Shad, Mary Youvonne (1955-) who married Johnnie Williamson children are Jeffery Scott, and Larry Scott (1958-) (2.) Billy (1925-) married Betty Bruce and their children are Bruce Randall (1951-), Gayle Lynn (1954-), Jeffery Scott (1957-), and Mark Daniel (1960-). (3.) John Robert (1936-) married Nancy Marvin and their children are John Robert, II (1960-), Hope Allison (1963-), and Kristin Leigh (1966-).

by Mabel Gilbert

EDWARD MATTHEWS 486

Edward Matthews, the son of Daniel Webster and Eliza Catherine (Dixon) Matthews was born March 31, 1893 in Atkins, Pope County, Arkansas and died February 28, 1977 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He grew up in Ola, Arkansas, moving to Little Rock as an adult. The family moved to Tuscaloosa, Alabama in 1941 where he was employed by the Veterans Hospital as a physiotherapist. He owned and operated a dry cleaning establishment for many years. In later years he was the manager of the Veterans Hospital Credit Union.

A graduate of Tyler Commercial College in Tyler, Texas, Mr. Mathews was a veteran of World War I serving in France in the 142nd Field Artillery.

He retired as a Captain in the Arkansas National Guard. He was a member of the First Christian Church, Tuscaloosa, American Legion, Veteran of Foreign Wars and was a 32nd degree Mason.

His grandparents were Andrew Mason "Dick" & Mary E. (Strickland) Matthews and John C. and Sarah P. (Stout) Dixon. On February 22, 1920 he married Mabel Louise Cook, daughter of Lewis Edward and Carrie Rebecca (McKenzie) Cook. Their children were: Edward Freed who died young; Catherine Rebecca who married Albert Vincent Powell; Margaret Irene who married Eugene Guyland Cowart; Mary Evelyn who married Dr. Paul A. Crow. His grandchildren are: Dr. David G. Cowart, Jan Catherine Cowart Weissinger, Carol Ann Crow, Stephen Crow, Susan Margaret Crow, Christopher Albert Powell and Liza Margaret Powell.

Frank Ward Matthews was born September 1, 1896 in Atkins, Arkansas, the son of Daniel Webster and Eliza Catherine (Dixon) Matthews and grew up in Ola. He served in the navy in World War I on the USS Kansas. He has resided in Mayfield, Kentucky for many years where he was Vice-President of one of the largest men's clothing manufacturers in the United States until his retirement. He married Ada Estelle Crain on June 20, 1925 in Metropolis, Illinois and their children are Daniel Edward Matthews and Anna Paul Matthews Carr. Mr. Matthews' grandchildren are Anna Louise, Terri Lee and Mary Ellen Matthews

and Daniel Matthews Carr and Margaret Catherine Carr.

Margaret Irene Matthews Cowart was born June 7, 1925 in Russellville, Arkansas, the daughter of Edward & Mabel Louise (Cook) Matthews and the granddaughter of Daniel Webster & Eliza Catherine (Dixon) Matthews and Lewis Edward & Carrie Rebecca (McKenzie) Cook of Yell Co. She attended the public schools of Little Rock and the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Alabama where the family moved in 1941. She married Eugene Guyland Cowart on June 24, 1946 in Tuscaloosa. Their children are Dr. David G. Cowart of Columbia, S.C. and Jan Cowart Weissinger of Huntsville, Alabama. Her grandchildren are Arthur Keyton, Kelly Caitlyn & Eugene Cowart Weissinger. Mrs. Cowart resides in Huntsville, Alabama where her husband has been active in the Space Industry, being the Chief Engineer on the Lunar Rover. Mrs. Cowart is an avid genealogist, an artist and a member of the First Christian Church, the Huntsville Chapter of DAR and many genealogical societies. She has been an editor of "Valley Leaves" the genealogical quarterly of the Tennessee Valley Genealogical Society.

by Margaret Cowart

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Stephen Matthews was born ca 1805 probably in the northeastern section of Tennessee and was probably the son of Daniel and Elizabeth Slaughter Matthews of South Carolina. He married July 6, 1825 in Lawrence Co., Tennessee to Sarah "Sallie" Perkins. He moved from Lawrence County, Tennessee to Marion County, Arkansas and then to Pope County around 1842. His children were: Daniel, Leroy, Andrew Mason, Mary Jane, Sarah Ann, William L., John Wesley, Josinor, Elizabeth, Joan and Margaret.

Andrew Mason Matthews was born September 14, 1834 in Lawrence County, Tennessee and died from a fall from a roof on June 16, 1916 and is buried in the City Cemetery in Atkins. He married Mary E. Strickland (who was probably the daughter of James C. and Margaret A. Craig Strickland). He served with the 1st Battalion (Stirman's) Cavalry as a private in Co. G. He was taken prisoner on May 17, 1863 at Big Black River bridge in Mississippi. He was exchanged on December 25, 1863. Their children were: Evaline who married Elam Robinson, Daniel Webster who married Eliza Catherine Dixon, Margaret F. who married Sherman Wooten, John, Seena Elizabeth "Bea" who married first Thomas Nelson and second Plez W. Torrence, Stephen, Julia May who married William McLaughlin and probably James M.

Daniel Webster was born February 21, 1861 in Atkins and married Eliza Catherine Dixon. He died January 7, 1942 in Ola, Arkansas. Their children were: Gladys May, Andy Everette, Innas Bell, Edward, Frank Ward and Edith Irene.

Gladys and Innas died young; Andy Everette married Eunice Holliman; Edward married Mabel Louise Cook (daughter of

Lewis Edward and Carrie Rebecca McKenzie Cook) and had Edward Freed, Catherine Rebecca, Margaret Irene and Mary Evelyn; Frank Ward married Ada Estelle Crain and had Daniel Edward and Anna Paul; Edith married William F. Millner and had Betty Ann and Max Fretwell Millner.

Edward Freed Matthews died young, Catherine Rebecca Matthews married Albert V. Powell. Margaret Irene Matthews married Eugene Guyland Cowart and has two children: David Guyland who married Georgia Ann Jackson, and Jan Catherine who married Arthur Keyton Weissinger and has three children; Arthur Keyton, Kelly Caitlyn and Eugene Cowart Weissinger. She is now married to Christopher Dexter Potter. Mary Evelyn Matthews married Dr. Paul Abernathy Crow and has three children: Carol Ann, Stephen Paul and Susan Margaret Crow.

by Margaret M. Cowart

LEROY MATTHEWS

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Leroy Matthews was the son of Stephen Matthews who came to Pope County, Arkansas, with his wife Sarah (Perkins) Matthews in 1841. Stephen Matthews was born in Tennessee about the year 1805. His father, probably Daniel Matthews, had come to Tennessee from South Carolina before 1800.

Stephen Matthews grew up in Lawrence County, Tennessee, and about the age of twenty he married Sarah Perkins on July 6, 1825. In 1839 Stephen decided to move his family West to the new state of Arkansas. He settled first in Marion County, Arkansas, near the Missouri border. This area was truly a frontier region. Matthews remained in Marion County only about two years. He and his growing family turned to the Southwest probably looking for more fertile farm lands and settled at Center Valley in Pope County. He remained in the county until his death sometime after 1880. He most likely was buried at the Old Baptist Cemetery near Russellville. Sarah, wife of Stephen Matthews, died June 9, 1882.

Stephen's son, Leroy Matthews, married Lavena Jane Harrelson on March 16, 1854. His second wife was Elizabeth "Lizzie" Turner. Leroy's first wife had died August 15, 1863. Leroy died April 3, 1873, and is buried at the Old Baptist Cemetery in the county. His children were John Henry, William James "Whitt", Bell, Anna, Eliza, Stephen A. and Charles. John Henry Matthews married Cora Murdock January 5, 1881, and had children: James, Charley, Omer, Hugh, Ilah and Ada. John Henry died in 1941 and is buried at Oakland Cemetery in the county.

John Henry's son, Omer Matthews, married Esther Sproles December 6, 1908. His children are Henry Lafayette, Mary Margarete and Wilson David. Henry married Glendean Boland, Margarete married Gilbert V. McGowan and Wilson married Martha Gauldin. Omer died January 24, 1969, and is buried at Oakland Cemetery in Pope County.

by Margarete Matthews McGowan

REUBEN MATTHEWS

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Reuben Matthews, born 1821, in Scott County, Missouri, came to Pope County Arkansas as a young man (about 1840). He was a descendent of Edward Matthews a Revolutionary War soldier who moved into New Madrid County, Missouri from Kentucky about 1801. On May 9, 1843, he married Nancy Catherine Davis (born January 23, 1826) daughter of John and Dicey (Benefield) Davis who had also moved into Pope County from Scott County, Missouri. Reuben and Catherine Davis Matthews had the following children: Matilda, who married George W. Duvall; A.J., who married (1) Willie Thompson and (2) Lavisia Lewallen; and Alice who married R.J. Duvall. There were also children named Sarah and John.

The Matthews lived on Pea Ridge and many of them are buried at Shiloh. They were active in the Methodist Church. Reuben served in the Home Guard during the Civil War. The date of his death is unknown but it was before 1880. Catherine often acted as a nurse for her brother, Dr. Richard H. Davis, and also as a midwife in the community. She died in 1900. The children of A.J. Matthews and Willie Thompson were: Cassie, who married R.E.L. Duvall and Julia, who married Clarence Gardner. Mrs. Coties (Mable) Gilbert and Mrs. Ellis (Nina) Reynolds who now live in Pope County are daughters of R.E.L. and Cassie Matthews Duvall. Dr. John Gardner of Russellville is a son of Julia Matthews and Clarence Gardner.

The children of A.J. and Lavisia Lewallen Matthews were Mary, Leona (Young), Edgar, Amanda (Brown), Elton, Bessie (Poe), Estelle and Frances (Poe). After the death of A.J. Matthews, Lavisia and all her children moved into Oklahoma, (about 1920). The children of Alice Matthews and Robert Duvall were: Adrain, Omer, Frant, Clarence, Leonard, Addie (Malone) Dell (Barton) and Nora (Sanderson). Leland Duvall, the Farm and Business Editor of the Arkansas Gazette, is a son of Adrain Duvall. Matilda Matthews and George Duvall's children included Fred and Elmer.

by Mrs. W.B. Smith



ANDREW (UNCLE DICK) MATTHEWS
(1834-1916)

1853. Leroy married Lavena Harrelson, 1854 and later Elizabeth Turner. Leroy's son William "Whitt" helped survey the townsite for Atkins. William "Uncle Tut" married and lived near Gum Log Creek. The youngest John W. married Margaret Gray in 1865. He operated a saw mill at Russellville after the Civil War where in 1881 tragedy struck; his right arm being cut off by a circular saw. John W. lived in Russellville until his death in 1908.

Four of Stephen Matthews' sons fought in the Civil War. Dan and Leroy served in the 15th Arkansas Confederate Militia. John W. fought for the Union in the 4th Arkansas Union Cav. Andrew joined the Confederates in February, 1862, and was attached to the 1st Arkansas Cav. He fought in the battles of the Vicksburg Campaign in the Spring of 1863 was captured at the battle at the Big Black River bridge May 17, 1863, and sent north on a Union steamboat to spend the rest of the year in Union prisons. Tradition says he escaped shortly before his exchange at City Point, Virginia. By April, 1864 he was back home. He lived at Atkins until he died the result of a fall in 1916.

Andrew and Mary E. Matthews had eight children: James, Evaline, Daniel, John J., Seena "Bea", Julia and Stephen. Daniel married Eliza Dixon in 1887. He owned a barber shop in Atkins during the 1880's and 90's. A grandson James E. lives in Little Rock.

John J. "Tub" born 1865 married first Mattie Beckham, 1888; she died ten years later. Their children were Ruby who married Homer Burnett, Mildred who married Claude Jordan, and Amma who married Samuel "Carl" Southerland. Ruby had one son Homer C. who lives in Kansas City. Ruby died in 1973. Amma lives in Kansas City; her husband died in 1959. John J. married second to Neomia Gipson in 1906. Their children were Mary Francis, John L. who married Mary Beth Higby, and Vida Margaret who married James K. Polk in 1938. John L. and wife live in Neodesha, Kansas. They have three children John L. "Lan", Nancy and Jill. All married with children. The Polks live in Little Rock and have three sons James E. who married Bonnie Simpson and have a daughter Jamie; John S. who married Sue Jines and have a daughter Susan; and Lynn M. married to Polly Dixon with a daughter Sara.

STEPHEN MATTHEWS

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The Matthews Family

The founders of the Matthews family in Pope County were Stephen Matthews born in Tennessee, 1805 and wife Sarah. They had married in Lawrence County, Tennessee, 1825. In 1839 the family moved to Marion County, Arkansas; then in 1841 to Pope County settling at Center Valley. Their children were Daniel, Leroy "Buck", Andrew "Uncle Dick", Josinor, Joan, Elizabeth, Margaret, Mary, Sarah, William "Uncle Tut" and John Wesley. All born in Tennessee except the last two. Stephen died after 1882; that being the year of his wife's death.

Concerning the sons of Stephen Matthews: Daniel married Eliza Strickland and later Sarah Wilson. Andrew married Mary E. Strickland,

John J. Matthews died at Atkins in 1917; as is his father he is buried in the Atkins City Cemetery.

by John S. Polk

JOHN MATHIAS MAUS

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John Mathias Maus, born May 25, 1877 was brought to the Atkins area direct from Germany in August of 1881. He was born in Rinnen in the Nord Eiffel part of the Rhineland near the Belgien border. His parents who decided on and took the momentous step were Mr. and Mrs. Peter Maus.

Most of the next twelve years were lived at the Maus place just west of Atkins between the railway and what is now Highway 64. There he grew up into a citizen of the New World his parents had chosen for him. Though enjoying only two years of formal schooling he had the benefit of the rich religious and German culture his parents passed on to him. He was brought up going to Church every Sunday where he was instructed in Christian truth and living. The Maus family and the other migrants from Germany had Assumption Catholic Church to serve their religious needs and it was important socially for here they could meet with others who had their same problems in this different land with others with whom they had only an imperfect understanding. When John was sixteen he went to work as a clerk in Reiss Mercantile at Atkins, for nine years he worked there, he began with room and board and a salary of \$5.00 a month.

During the last of these years he courted Catherine Berkemeyer of the St Vincents Community 10 miles north of Morrilton. In many respects her story of life till then was like his, she was born May 18, 1877 in Rheda Westphalia Germany, her parents brought her to St. Vincents the same year as the Maus family, they arrived around April 1, 1881.

Her story differed in that having eight years in the Catholic school there she subsequently taught in the same school for seven years, it must have been some experience handling eight grades during vacation time. These schools were organized in the county to teach the teachers of that county.

John and Catherine married in fall of 1902 and lived in the house they had just build on Town hill, this was to be the only home they had together. At this time John started a store of his own financed in large part by Catherine's savings.

The next 14 years were happy and peaceful years, the business prospered and seven children were born to them. In 1914 the first car, a Model T was bought and if the Sunday weather was good the family would go for a jaunt over the dirt roads, driving through rural communities like Bells Chapel where perhaps a singing was in progress and stopping for awhile.

But clouds were gathering and in 1914 war broke out in Europe. English propaganda went to work in this country painting the European Germans as monsters given to every horror and crime. In April of 1917 Pres-

ident Wilson took our country into the war. The propaganda, the state of war between our nation and Germany placed the German Americans in a precarious position. A business rival was quick to seize the opportunity and attempt to use the spirit of the country to dispose of John Maus and his business. Though his life was threatened he stayed and when the war was over John Maus and his business were still in Atkins. It took a while for the feelings to die down but when about 13 years after the war John B. Maus, son of John was elected to the city council that time was over, John B. promptly saved the City Water System by raising \$35,000 in back taxes to keep bondholders from taking over the system.

In the 1970's another son of John, Raymond served on the three man commission that oversaw the expansion of waterwork facilities including the new supply from Galla creek.

In addition to the two sons mentioned John and Catherine raised 7 other children, a tenth died in infancy during World War I. The oldest daughter Clara, became a nun and a teacher and as Sr. Remegia she devoted 40 years to teaching in Catholic Schools in Arkansas and Missouri, the next daughter worked with her father for several years and then married Carl Thines of Morrilton where she still lives, the Third daughter Hilda became a registered nurse, then married Oscar Oswald, she has since lived in Little Rock, a fourth daughter Catherine married Henry Smith of Kansas, they still live at St. Paul, Kansas. Lawrence the second son became the first citizen of Pope County to be ordained a Catholic priest and has since spent 40 years as a pastor in various churches in Arkansas. Rita the fifth daughter served in World War II in the U.S. Navy, married a fellow Naval member, James Carfagno and with James has lived in Atkins ever since. A fourth son, Clarence was a torpedo plane pilot in the Pacific during World War II and went down with his ship, the Carrier Liscome Bay in the Gilbert Islands. John and Catherine Maus left 33 grandchildren.

John Maus started two businesses, both of them are still running — The Maus Company of Atkins, being run by Raymond Maus and Maus Impletment Company of Morrilton, run by a grandson, Bernard Maus.

John Maus died July 6, 1950 and Catherine died March 5, 1957.

by Rita M. Carfagno

HENRY COLUMBUS MAY

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Henry Columbus May was born in Alabama on January 3, 1873 to Henry Clay May and Margaret Elizabeth Bradley May. His father was a Civil War Veteran. His grandfather was a full blooded Irishman, having come to America from Ireland. Henry Columbus had five brothers and one sister. They were James, Samuel, Richard, Harve, Matthew and Minnie May Huddleston. The family came to Conway County from Alabama when Henry Columbus was twelve years of age. His father was born on December 12, 1842 and died on

November 12, 1920. His mother died in 1930. They are both buried in Old Hickory Cemetary near Morrilton.

Henry Columbus married Savannah Georgia Hicks on December 16, 1900 at Hattieville. She was born on January 14, 1881 to James Madison Hicks and Margaret Josiephene Barnes Hicks. Henry Columbus and Savannah Georgia later moved to Pope County. They became the parents of three sons and two daughters. They are Samuel Columbus born on July 15, 1902, James Ancel born January 4, 1916, John Nathaniel born September 15, 1920, Mattie Josiephene born November 30, 1904 and Annie Esther born June 19, 1910.

Samuel Columbus married Myrtle Smith in January 1922. They had nine children. They are Earvin, who died on August 16, 1972, Irene, Allie Eulene, Imogene, Sammie Ray, Margie Ruth, Jeanette, Maxine and Evelene.

Earvin married Bobby McCabe. Their children are Kenneth Earvin, Robert Lynn, Keith and Mary Lou. They have one grandchild, Kenneth Earvin May Jr.

Irene married Claude Robinson. They have two daughters, Joyce Robinson Kelly and Nancy Robinson Qualls. They have one grandson, Keith Kelly.

Allie Eulene was married to the late Earl McClaren. They had three children, Janie McClaren Roach, Paula McClaren Sharum and Jimmy. They have three grandchildren, Jason and Brian Roach and Emily Sharum.

Margie Ruth married Bud Norman. They have one son, Eddie.

Imogene married Robert Roberds. They have five children, Sharley Jo Roberds Pettit, Donald, Terry Lee, Michael and Lesa. They have four grandchildren, Krista Pettit and Brad, Mark and Matthew Roberds.

Sammie Ray married Imogene Easter. They have four children, Dale, Anita, Teresa and Doug.

Jeanette married J.D. Holyfield. They have no children.

Maxine married Johnny Rudder. They have two sons, David and Tommy.

Evelene married Dwight Turner and they have no children.

Mattie Josiephene married Price Monroe Haralson at Atkins on February 9, 1924. They have five children, Vernie Ruth, Houston Cleabus, Price Monroe Jr., Bobby Joe and Marilyn Josiephene.

Vernie Ruth married Hughey Britt Hall. He died on February 2, 1977. They have one daughter, Rebecca Jane, who married Jerry Clinton Tooke. They have three grandchildren, Troy Don, Tammy Anne and Ty Christian Tooke.

Houston Cleabus married Nadine Montgomery. They have five children, Houston Cleabus Jr., Stephen Kermit, Deborah Lynn Haralson Killough, Pamela Nadine and Kevin Joe.

Price Monroe Jr. married Sybil Price. They have four children, Herman, Margaret Haralson Raines, Ricky and Terry Lee. They have one granddaughter, Angela Raines.

Bobby Joe married Norma Gray Jenson. They have two sons, Robert Lowell and David Joe.

Mary Josiephene married Truman Wayne Brown. They have four children, Regina Carol, Randal Wayne, Paul Dean and Barry Gene.

Annie Esther May Moore had one daughter, the late Hattie Louise Ivie and one son, Billy Warren.

Janes Ancel May and his wife, Lillie, have three children, Pasty Ann, Deborah Kay and Johnny Clay. They have one granddaughter, Tina Louise May.

John Nathaniel married Edith Wilson. They have one son, John Nathaniel Jr., and two grandsons, Jerimy and Phillip May.

Henry Columbus May died in August 1934 and Savannah Georgia Hicks May died on March 17, 1971. They are both buried in Oak-land Cemetary near Athens.

by Mrs. H.B. Hall

WILLIAM JASPER MAXWELL

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William Jasper Maxwell, a native of Alabama, served in the union army during the civil war. He married Mary, a native of Cheatham county, Tennessee shortly afterwards, and lived there until 1882. From there they moved to Moreland, Arkansas where they farmed.

They went to the Free Will Baptist Church at Mt. Enid just north of the Kinder Cemetery on the old Moreland — Caglesville road. William, being a Catholic, would stay outside. He apparently listened to the service from outside, and one night went inside and was converted.

William Maxwell died in 1885 of pneumonia at the age of 42 and was buried in the Hudson Cemetery at Moreland. He left his wife with 7 children. They had a very hard time. His wife never remarried.

Gardner Byndum Maxwell was the third youngest child of William and Mary Maxwell. He was born in Cheatham county, Tennessee, and was two or three years old when his father died. He and his brothers and sisters went to Moreland and Oak Grove to school. They went two months in the summer and two months in the winter. Some of his teachers were Betty Bowden at Oak Grove and Charlie Haskins and George Bell at Moreland.

They got one pair of shoes a year, late in the fall. Once when they were picking cotton while barefoot, they had to constantly stomp their feet to keep warm since there was frost on everything.

In 1899, when G.B. (Byndum) was 16, his mother died at the age of 54.

In 1900 he moved to Pea Ridge and married Elzady Catherine Duvall. He was 18 and she was 17. Her father was a prosperous farmer and helped them until they could get a start.

During the next few years they lived in Atkins, where he was a store clerk on Pea Ridge and on Gravel Hill near Moreland. G.B. was taken sick with pleurisy and pneumonia while his wife and oldest son, Homer, did the farm work and picked cotton to keep them going.

They bought the John Ben Davis store on

Pea Ridge and ran it for two years. They then sold it to Jeff Duvall. After that they farmed.

G.B. helped found the Free Will Baptist church at Shiloh, (since closed) and was a deacon there. He was a well liked man and a respected leader of the community and helped support the community school at Shiloh. Later he worked for consolidation with the Atkins district so that the children could go to high school without having to pay tuition there and provide their own transportation.

The children born to G.B. and Elzady Maxwell were Homer, Mary Lois (Gray), Norma (Duvall), Opal (Murdock), and Robert Earl. Homer lives in Russellville; Mary Lois near Hector; Norma in Tulsa, Oklahoma; Opal in Jacksonville, Arkansas; and Robert Earl in Nashville, Tennessee. All still have or will have homes in Pope county.

Elzady Maxwell died in 1959 at the age of 76 and G.B. died in 1973 at the age of 90. They left 16 grandchildren and many great grandchildren, and some great great grandchildren.

by Randall Gray

WILLIAM McALISTER

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William McAlister was born in 1821 in Georgia. He married Mary Howard, daughter of John H. and Matilda Brown Howard in Pope County in 1842. They settled in the Pleasant Grove Community north of Dover and raised a family of 12 children. William's brothers, Andrew and John, and sister Sarah Marinda were living in this community, with their mother Elizabeth, in 1850.

On the night of January 26, 1874 three men burst into the home, as the family was setting by the fireside, and shot and killed William. Mary was wounded in the arm making it necessary to amputate it. The original papers relating to the trial and conviction of these men are in the Pope County Courthouse and have been microfilmed and filed in the State History Commission in Little Rock. The January 31, 1874 Arkansas Gazette referred to this as "another bloody affair in Pope County" prompting the Governor to offer a reward for the murders. They were later tried and convicted but escaped before they could be sentenced.

The first son of William and Mary McAlister was John McFadden McAlister and he was born in September of 1853 in Martin Township. He married Mary Lucrecy Moses in 1872. Aunt "Creasa", as she was called, was the daughter of early Pope County settlers, James P. and Zinah George Moses. The McAlisters farmed 200 acres of land in the Piney Community. This Piney farm was left to John's sons Ed, Otto and Leo and is still owned by the McAlister family. John and Creasa were the parents of a son Jimmie who died in 1889, two daughters, Etta May who married John S. Partain and Arley Lucrecy who married Jim Murphy. Other children were Otto who married Maggie Brooks, Leo who married Sylvia Kunze and later Claudia Allen. Another son Ed and Anna Elizabeth Teer were married on their horses, she on a side

saddle, in 1901.

Ed and Anna McAlister moved by wagon, leading their milk cow behind, to Sand Gap where Ed taught school. This was a distance of 25 miles, taking two days to make the trip. They later returned to the Pleasant Grove Community where they ran a store, farmed and raised cattle. Their family of 6 boys and one girl were all born here. Two boys died in infancy. The oldest living son, Don, died in 1976. The other boys, Joy, Zerl and Ed Garvis live in Dover and the Pleasant Grove Community. Their only daughter, Audra E., married Bert L. Page and they live in Russellville. Ed and Anna McAlister have 10 grandchildren and a number of great grandchildren living in the county.

by Anna Page Fields

REV. W.J. McANALLY

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Rev. W.J. McAnally, born in Tennessee, 1874, moved to Texas, then to Arkansas in 1884. Moved near an Uncle, Winston McAnally on Gravel Hill, Pope County. He was here until October, got involved with another preacher in a controversy concerning the "Color Line" and the Brother Hood of Freedom, a Pope County political organization, then moved back to Texas. He was back in Pope County in 1886, pastor of the Appleton Methodist church. In 1887, his wife died while he was pastor of the Atkins Methodist church. They had three children: Walter, John and Freddie. Mr. McAnally and R.L. Selle edited The Methodist Herald in 1889, and it was published by Walter McAnally. He married again to Mary Ellen Henry in 1888 and they also had three children: Elbert Henry, Will and Lillie Mae. For health reasons he moved to Oklahoma in 1890, then to Texas and back to Arkansas in September 1893, where he died November 16, 1893. He and his second wife and Lillie Mae are buried in the Russellville City Cemetery.

Elbert Henry McAnally, born in 1891, was raised by his Uncle, Billie Henry, after his father and mother passed away; she died in 1901. He married Sarah Rankin, who was a descendent of a pioneer of Pope County, Anthony Lambert Rankin. Elbert, farmed, worked in the coal mines and was a Rural Mail Carrier several years out of Dover and Gum Log. In 1936, he went to work for Lt. Gov. Bob Bailey at the State Capital; remained under Lt. Gov. Nathan Gordon and was either Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Senate for several sessions. He took time out from the state job to work at Marche, a defense plant at Little Rock during World War II. He died in 1964, Gov. Fabus attending his funeral in Russellville. By his marriage to Miss. Rankin they had two children: Mary Ellen and Flora Beth. She died in 1925. He married the third time to Mrs. Mildred Wilson and they had one child: Ruby Louise. Mr. McAnally and Sarah Rankin McAnally are both buried in the Russellville City Cemetery.

Mary Ellen, attended school at Dover, Atkins and Russellville, She married J.B. Lemley in 1935 and they had two children: William

Edwin and Charles Ray. Edwin married Shirley Rye and they have three children and Charles married Pam Glenn and they also have three children. Mary Ellen worked as a sales clerk in Sterling Stores, later in food services at Arkansas Tech and in the Russellville Schools, then as a clerk in a shoe store.

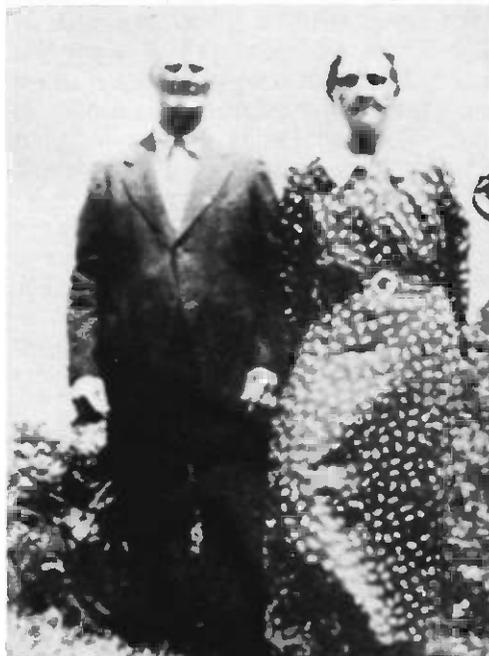
Flora Beth, was raised by Ruth Rosser Green in Little Rock, and attended school there. She married William Clements of N. Little Rock, who was a grocerman and later head of Federal Housing in N.L.R. They had one daughter, Suzianne, who married Johnny Jackson and they have two children.

Ruby Louise, lived with her father at Little Rock and for a while at Boles, Arkansas where she attended school and married Ernest Bruton. They moved to Little Rock and they had three children: Glenda, who married a Hale; Jeanette, who is also married and Ernest, Jr. (Ernie), who is a student at Little Rock University. She later married a Rhoden and moved to Michigan.

by Mary Ellen Lemley

REV. ARCHIE McANULTY

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Mr. and Mrs. George Edward McAnulty

Rev. Archie McAnulty was the son of George Edward (Ed) McAnulty who was born in Pope County, November 2, 1872 and died May 1, 1946. Ed, was the son of Cyrus J. and Mary McAnulty who was born in North Carolina and came to Pope County before the Civil War. He was a farmer and fought for the Confederacy during the war from Pope County.

Cyrus and Mary were the parents of at least seven children: Adam, William A., John W., Moses S., George Edward, Monroe and Calvin.

George Edward was born in Pope County and married Sarah E. Jobe, who was the daughter of James R. and Elizabeth Jobe and was born November 9, 1876 and died January



Rev. and Mrs. Archie McAnulty

13, 1946. Ed was a farmer and lived on Crow Mountain in the Maple Springs Community. To this union was born six children: William Roosevelt who married Atha McGarity; Elizabeth, married John Harris; Ada, married Ira Choate; Myrtle, married Leonard Blankinship; Edna, also married a John Harris and Archie, born January 2, 1908, and died in 1972.

Archie became a minister in 1956, for the Assembly of God and was ordained in 1959. He pastored churches in Pope, Yell, and Franklin counties and in Eastern Arkansas at Salem, Swifton and Bay, Arkansas. He was pastoring at Bay, Arkansas when he took sick and moved back to Russellville where he passed away.

On October 8, 1927, Archie McAnulty married Elsie Jordon, who was of a pioneer Pope County family. She was born June 9, 1912. To this union was born four children: Jewell Dean, Gerald, George W., and Nina Jean. Jewell Dean married (1) Bryant Hipps and they had one child, LaDonna. She later married Alan Ross. George W., married Betty Price, daughter of Everett Price and they had one child, Diann. Nina Jean, married Emmitt Hipps and they had two children, Steve and Brenda.

Gerald McAnulty married Ildene Boen of Clarksville, in 1952 and they were the parents of three children: Zane and twin Dane, Dane dying in infancy. Zane married Mary Ellen Cosby of Danville, Arkansas, and they have one child. He is presently stationed with the U.S. Army in Germany. Dale, finishes Russellville High School this year (1978) and has already enlisted in the Marines.

Gerald was an employee of the International Shoe Company of Russellville for sixteen and a half years, Morton Foods, eight years and is now with Dow Chemical Company. He and Ildene attend the First Assembly of God Church in Russellville.

by Gerald McAnulty

WILLIAM ROOSEVELT McANULTY

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Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus J. McAnulty

William Roosevelt McAnulty was a son of George Edward (Ed) McAnulty who was born in Pope County, November 2, 1872 and died May 1, 1946. Ed, was the son of Cyrus J. and Mary McAnulty who was born in North Carolina and came to Pope County before the Civil War. Ed, married Sarah E. Jobe, and they farmed and lived on Crow Mountain in the Maple Springs community.

William Roosevelt was born September 3, 1904 and died November 6, 1977, and is buried in Sikeston, Missouri. He was married in Pope County to Mary Atha McGarity, September 20, 1928. She was born February 15, 1912. To this union was born eight children, seven of whom are still living.

William Roy and Robert Troy, born April 25, 1930. William Roy never married and still lives at home in Overland, Missouri and works for Community Tires at St. Louis, Missouri. Robert Troy, married Dorothy Ellen Neal, who was born August 14, 1934, of Popular Bluff, Missouri. He is body shop foreman for Town and Country Ford in St. Louis. They have six children: Ruth Ellen, born August 7, 1950; Kenneth Lynn, born August 7, 1952; Rhonda, born January 2, 1954; Robert Troy, Jr., born June 5, 1960; Chyrle Ann, born February 20, 1962; Mary Christine, born February 11, 1976.

James Edward McAnulty, born July 28, 1932, married September 6, 1952, to Vivian Marie Hampton of Sikeston, Missouri. She was born April 6, 1936. He is a truck driver for Morgan and Whittman. They had three children: Janice Marie, born September 9, 1953; Mary Ann, born July 17, 1956 and James Edward, Jr., born April 21, 1959. James Edward is in the Army. Vivian died in 1975 and James Edward married Cora McCormack, born May 5, 1940, on June 1, 1976.

William Roosevelt and Mary Atha McAnulty had a daughter that was still born, October



The William Roosevelt McAnulty family

1937 and buried at Dell, Arkansas.

Harold Gene McAnulty, born April 29, 1939, married Jan Huelett, born May 14, 1939, in April 1962. He is an assistant Director of Magdalla Foundation. To this union was born one child, Jana Lynn, February 6, 1964. They were divorced in 1972 and he later married Shari Gross on May 12, 1978. She was born July 1941.

Forrest Glen McAnulty was born November 11, 1943. He married Vaughn Marie Hughes March 2, 1962. She was born July 27, 1945. He drives for Bankers Dispatch in Springfield, Illinois. To this union was born two children: Vaughn Marie II, November 8, 1962 and Forrest Glen, Jr., November 22, 1966.

Benny Carol McAnulty, was born December 9, 1946. She married Dale Travis July 2, 1965. She is Supervisor, Delux Check Printers. To this union was born three children: Michael Ray, July 10, 1966; Richard, born July 2, 1968 and Christie Ann, born October 22, 1970.

The three oldest children of Robert are married: Ruth Ellen married Rodney Mueller, who is a building contractor, June 29, 1974. They live in Duarte, California and do not have any children. Kenneth Lynn, married Janet Johnson of Potoski, Michigan, where he now lives, on June 1, 1974. He is a minister and has one child, a son, Kenneth Lynn, Jr., born September 17, 1975. Rhonda, married David Bundy, June 12, 1976, and they live in Overland, Missouri. He works as a computer manager.

The two oldest daughters of James Edward are also married: Janice Marie married Lynn Marion who works with a Rug Company. They have two children, a son, Tony, born December 1970 and Christie, born December 1974. Mary Ann married James Shields and they have two children, a girl, Dawn Marie born May 1975 and a boy, Jason, born June 1977. James is in the Army.

by Mrs. W.R. McAnulty

THOMAS JEFFERSON McCAIN

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Thomas Jefferson McCain, who was born in Obion County Tennessee, 11 December 1860, came to Arkansas around 1880. He was the son of Ezekiel Richard McCain and his wife Sarah Jane Wallace, daughter of Andrew Wallace, who lived in Henry County Tennessee. He was married 5 January 1890 to Lou Newton, a daughter of Kanon K. Newton and his wife Alcy Elizabeth Shuffield, of Johnson County.

T.J. and Lou McCain were the parents of Lora Ethel McCain, born 10 August 1891, who married Alva J. Stutts; Ermine Elizabeth McCain, born 28 October 1893, who married William Thomas Talley; Sidney Floyd McCain, born 25 January 1895, who married Ilah Gertrude Johnson; Johnny McCain, born 20 April 1901, who died 20 June 1902; and an unnamed child born 17 December 1903, who died 21 December 1903. Lou died 7 January 1904 and is buried in Mt. Springs Cemetery at Chickalah, Yell County Arkansas.

The grandchildren of this couple are: Alva Stutts, Jr. of Dexter, Missouri; Melba Rhea Talley (who died young); Don Talley of California; Joyce (McCain) Harms of Little Rock, and Kenneth H. McCain of Fort Smith.

by Sue E. (Tucker) McCain

ERNEST L. McCLAIN

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Ernest L. McClain, son of Marshall Luther and Ida May Powers McClain, was born March 2, 1893 near Rogers, AR. The family moved to Gorman, TX when Ernest was small. He married Beulah Victoria Gregg April 4, 1920. To this union nine children were born; Tura May, Jay L., Floyd, Audrey Mildred, Virgil, Vallie Gene, Curtis Doyle, Lois Leona and James Henry. Eight of the children

are surviving. Tura May passed away March 7, 1964. Late in October, 1940, Ernest and family moved to Arkansas and resided on Tucker Mountain until Ernest died Sept. 22, 1952. Most of the children attended Linker Mountain and Dover Schools. Three of the sons, Virgil, Doyle and Henry, graduated from Dover High School. Virgil worked in the Bank of Dover for several months. In March 1960 Beulah returned to her home town of Dublin, TX and stayed there until August, 1975 when she moved back to Dover. She attends the United Methodist Church. One daughter, Audrey Mildred Winters Wilson lives in Dover where she is employed at the Dover School lunch room. Her first husband, Clyde Winters, son of Frank and Bertie Clay Winters, was born and raised on Shinn Mountain. In 1952, the family moved to Illinois where they remained until Clyde passed away April 19, 1969. In 1970, Mildred and her two sons, Jay and Danny, returned to Dover where the boys attended school. Jay graduated from Dover High School in 1972 and joined the Army. He was stationed in Germany most of his three years. He returned to Dover in 1975 and in 1976 married Sheena Marie Standridge. Jay and Sheena live in Russellville and Jay is employed by the Russellville Police Department and Sheena is employed at Bradley Chiropractic Clinic. Danny is presently a sophomore at Dover High School. Mildred's husband, Frank Wilson, is a native of Waldon, AR. He is retired and spends a great deal of time fishing. In 1972, Ron and Evelyn Winters Mainhart moved to Russellville. Ron is a Sergeant with the Russellville Police Department and Evelyn is employed by the City. Their sons, Keith and Kevin, attend Oakland Heights School. Bob and Betty Winters Levey moved to Russellville in 1976.

They own and operate Tastee-Freez West Main. Their son, Bob, is a sophomore at Russellville High School and a drummer in the band. Their daughter, Robin, is in eighth grade at Gardner Jr. High School. Vallie Gene Prince Spragg moved to Dover with her husband, Joe, in 1972. They are employed at Gardner Jr. High School. Vallie's first husband, Lonnie Prince, was a native of Hector, AR. They had three children; Lynell, Roger and Elaine. Lynell died in 1957 and Lonnie in 1959. Roger and his wife and daughter reside in Ill.

Elaine and Eddie Carroll and their children, Brian and Kristie, moved to AR in 1977. Elaine works at Tastee-Freez West Main and Eddie works for West-Gibson. Brian attends Oakland Heights School. The other McClain children live around the United States; Floyd lives in Murdock, IL, Jay lives in Costa Mesa, CA, Doyle lives in Midland, TX, Virgil and Henry live in Oregon and Lois lives in Sikeston, MO.

by Beulah V. McClain

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Dr. Erwin Lawrence McDonald, editor



REBECCA GENEVA POWELL McDONALD

emeritus of the Arkansas Baptist News-magazine and, since 1972 religion editor and editorial columnist of the Arkansas Democrat, Little Rock, was born Oct. 31, 1907, at London, Pope County, Arkansas. He was the first of six children of Rev. Frank Floyd and Rebecca Geneva Powell McDonald, Southern Baptists. Two of the children, David Lester and Herschel, died in infancy. Others were: Ola Cyrena (first wife of Leonard Price) now deceased; Mildred Gladys (widow of Ivern N. Shinn), Russellville; and Frankie Fay (Mrs. Vlm Dawson) of North Little Rock. His father

died during the influenza epidemic of 1918 and two years later his mother married Mack Hatton (M.C.) Hines of London. To this union were born three children: Rheba May (Mrs. Finis Whorton) of Covina, Calif.; Minar Louise (Mrs. Warren K. Voigt) of Tulsa, Okla.; and Dr. Marlin Powell Hines, a member of the faculty of Texas Arts and Industries University, Kingsville, Texas.

Dr. McDonald received his elementary education in Pope County rural schools and at London. He graduated from Russellville High School in 1928. His first year out of high school, he was superintendent of Jerusalem High School, in Conway County. He graduated from Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, then a junior college, with the associate in science degree, in 1934. He was ordained to the Southern Baptist ministry on May 18, 1938, while city editor of the Daily Courier-Democrat at Russellville. He gave up newspapering in the fall of 1941 to continue his education. He received the bachelor of arts degree magna cum laude from Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Ark., in 1943 and was a member of the Ouachita faculty for one year before moving to Louisville, Ky., to study at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and to pastor Sligo Baptist Church at Pendleton, Ky. He graduated from the seminary in 1947 with the master of theology degree and joined the seminary staff as director of public relations. He left this position in 1951 to become director of public relations at Furman University, Greenville, S.C. Three

years later he moved his family back to Louisville to become coordinator of Kentucky Baptist Schools and Colleges, from which position he moved back to Arkansas, early in 1957, to become editor of the Arkansas Baptist News magazine, a position he held for 15 years. In 1958 Dr. McDonald received the honorary doctor of letters degree from Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky. Other honors include: Distinguished Alumnus, Ouachita Baptist University; Alumnus of the Year (1972), The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; and Distinguished Baptist Minister, Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, Ark.

Dr. McDonald was married, March 1, 1930, to Mary Elsie (Maria) Price, a daughter of Arch and Maudie Martin Price of London. They have two daughters, Avis Jeannine (Mrs. Dr. Sam H. Jones) of Dothan, Ala., born Oct. 19, 1931, and Judy Carole (Mrs. J.W. Lucas) of Little Rock, Ark., born Nov. 23, 1940. They have three grandchildren, Rebecca and Alison Jones and Jay Wesley Lucas.

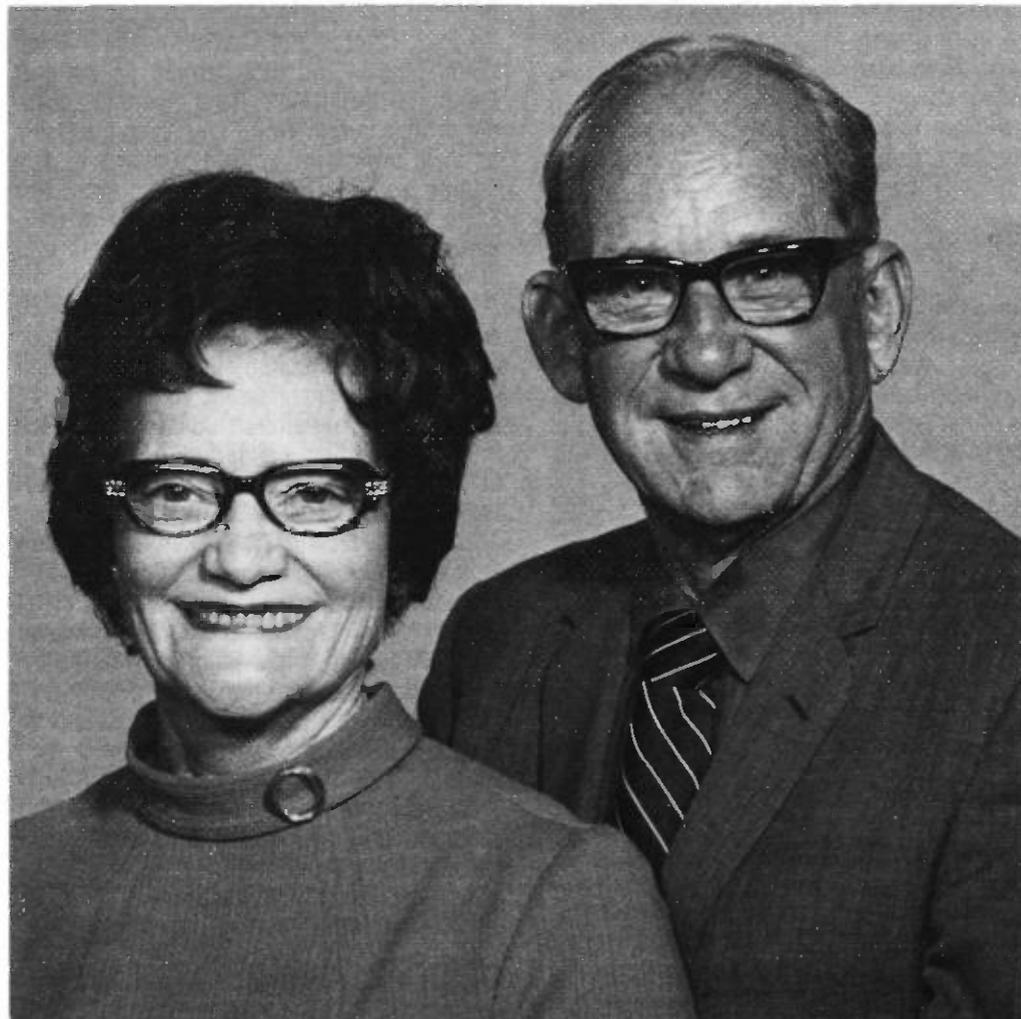
The McDonald family, through Rebecca Geneva Powell, trace their forebears back to England in the 1600's, through the Shinn branch. Erwin L.'s great grandparents David and Sarah Elizabeth Shinn Harkey came by wagon train from North Carolina to settle in Pope County in 1839. His great grandfather William Jackson Harkey, a son of the David Harkeys, was a baby on the wagon train trek. (For details, see Josiah H. Shinn's "The History of the Shinn Family in Europe and America," a copy of which is in the Pope County Library. Dr. McDonald's grandparents on his mother's side included James Barnett Powell, who was born at Huntsville, Ark., on April 15, 1849 (a son of Josiah (Joe) Powell, native of Hickman County, Tenn., and Delliah Powell, a native of Illinois) who married Genavia (Geneva) Harkey of Russellville on Aug. 8, 1874, who was born to William Jackson Harkey and Mary Malinda Reed on Dec. 13, 1859. Dr. McDonald's paternal grandfather was Alfred Hickman McDonald, who was born in Pennsylvania, a son of William P. McDonald (born Nov. 17, 1817 and died Nov. 30, 1858) and Mary Ann Reynolds McDonald, who were married Feb. 17, 1842. Alfred served in Company B of the 192nd Pennsylvania Infantry in the Civil War and was given an honorable discharge at Harper's Ferry in August 1865. He was married to Eliza C. Bishop and moved his family to London, Pope County, in the late 1870's from Pennsylvania. Dr. McDonald's great grandparents Benjamin (born Sept. 29, 1829) and Caroline Wood Bishop (born Aug. 5, 1831) also migrated from Pennsylvania to Pope County, settling on a farm near London.

by Erwin L. McDonald

WILLIAM L. McELWEE

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William L. McElwee was born July 6, 1837 in York County, South Carolina, the son of William and Elizabeth Neeley McElwee. His grandfather, John Calvin McElwee fought in



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the battle of King's Mountain during the Revolutionary War. The McElwee home was located in what is now King's Mountain National Park. In the early 1850's William L. moved with his parents to Liberty Township, Pope County where they purchased land part of which is now within the Holla Bend Wildlife Refuge near Pottsville. The McElwee family were members of the Pisgah ARP Presbyterian Church. On April 7, 1858, William L. was married to Mary Taylor, daughter of Hugh Taylor who also lived in the Pottsville area. One child Nancy Sipperana was born to them on February 26, 1859. On July 15, 1861 William L. joined Col. Ben T. Embry's 2nd Arkansas Mounted Rifles and moved into the southern part of Missouri where he died at Harrisonville on Sept. 24, 1861. He received no wound; he died from either measles or smallpox. His headstone is located in the Pisgah Cemetery. After his death his widow married Noah Cooper and lived with Nancy and the children of the second marriage in the Economy area. The families of the late William C. Murdoch and Lula Murdoch Burnett are descended from William L. and Nancy and many of them still live in the Pope County area.

by Katie Murdoch

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JIM AND MYRTLE ROBINSON MCGARITY

William Edward McGarity born in Cork County Ireland, October 1, 1818. It is not known what age he immigrated to America but landed in South Carolina then later immigrated to middle Tennessee. He married Rebeccah Finley at Coffeyville or Landing, Tenn. Three sons William, John, and James.

In the late 1800's a daughter, by a former marriage; Nancy Ann and her husband, Milton Stevenson, immigrated to Faulkner County, Arkansas, and settled near Damascus.

Soon after, William and Rebeccah McGarity and sons also immigrated to Arkansas. They lived in Faulkner County for a short time then moved to Pope County where some of Rebeccah Finley cousins lived.

The Ft. Smith Railroad was being built on the site of the now, Missouri Pacific R.R. The three McGarity sons helped in the building. John, as a watchman, somehow lost an arm.

William married Elsie Jones and John married Nevada Owens. My father, James, married Myrtle Ruth Robinson, daughter of Mary Elizabeth Rackley Robinson and Elam Newton Robinson. James and Myrtle farmed. He built a house on Whig Creek in 1907 and farmed there until after Myrtle's mother and step-father bought the Bud White house on El Paso Street in Russellville. James and Myrtle, and children moved in December 1912 to the large two-story home that Myrtle's mother and step-father built in the late 1890's on what is now Hwy 64 (the house was on the site, where an eating place now stands across from the bowling alley).

They lived there until James died in August 24, 1953. They had sold off most of the land across the Hwy. The first parcel was sold to Sadie and Jack for their Shetland Pony Farm, then others as house sites. Myrtle sold the last part to the farm to a Mr. Bewley in 1956 or 1957 and moved to Missouri to be close to her children. When Reece and Clarice Lucille came back to Arkansas, she lived in a trailer in their yard. After being ill for 8 years a son moved her back to Missouri, where she died January 2, 1973.

William McGarity moved to Texas. He and his wife are both buried in Texas.

John and Nevada moved to California in 1943, where he worked in the ship yard. They stayed in California after the war, and are both buried there. They had 3 children O.E. McGarity, R. Lehman McGarity, and Inez Dane (Mrs. R.R. Dane); all of whom reside in California.

William had several boys, most of whom still live in Texas. One son, Loie McGarity and his family live at Wynn, Arkansas.

James and Myrtle had 7 children — Clarice Lucille who married Reece E. Bowden live on Crow Mt. east of Russellville. Lura Faye married Odie Morphis, died in 1923. Herman Carlton who married Flossie Hampton lives in Arizona. Mary Atha M. Roosevelt McAnulty lives in St. Louis, Missouri. Elam Edward and his wife Barbara live at Essex, Missouri. Robert Glen died in infancy. James Earl and wife Grace live in Brooklyn, Mich.

Myrtle and James reared Lura Faye's daughter, Bobbie (Mae Ruth) from infancy. She married Roy McAnulty and lives in Morehouse, Missouri.

by Mrs. Reece E. Bowden

JAMES HENRY McNUTT 504

James Henry McNutt and Laura Jane (Owen) McNutt were married in 1887. James coming from Tennessee and Laura from Missouri, arriving in Arkansas in Oxen drawn wagons in the company of their parents. They lived in Heber Springs several years before moving to Neeley in Yell County. In 1897 they came to Pope County, first to Pleasant Grove in Holla Bend. Later, they moved to Appleton for several years and then finally to Pottsville.

James died in 1926, Laura in 1928. Both are buried in the Pisgah cemetery. There were 13 children, 5 living as of this date. Remaining in Pope County either all or most of their lives were John W., Hugh A., James H., Biddie, Essie and Laura.

John W. McNutt (1878-1952) the eldest son of James and Laura married Ida Bell Haney and they were life-long residents of Pottsville. Of their seven children only Gladys and Vestal remained in the area after marriage. Gladys married Ollie Baker and Vestal married Robert (Bud) Brown. John, employed by Falls and Sinclair General Mercantile is remembered for his quick and easy smile behind the large handlebar mustache. He claimed not a single enemy in all of Pope County — simply because he would never serve on the school board!

James H. McNutt married Vurnia May Parham from Appleton and they had seven children. Three of the children, Mary Evelyn, LeRoy (Buck), and Gracie Marie Hubbard live in Pope County. James, a farmer and carpenter, at age 78 still is very active, skidding logs with a team at his son's saw mill. Living proof again that hard work never killed anyone!

Biddie (1893-1971) married John Silas McGuire and there were nine children. Of these, Otto, James, and Ruby live in Pope County. Biddie and John farmed and at one time John served on the New Hope school board. This "New Hope" was located between Caglesville and Appleton, just north of Cross Roads.

Essie, born in 1893 married A.J. (Arch) Bradford and they have four children. Two of the four, Mildred and Charles, reside in Pope County. Essie and Arch farmed 17 years at Pleasant Grove in Holla Bend, spent five years out of state during World War II and then back to their own farm at Gum Springs in Yell County for 16 more years. Now in Pottsville, Essie at age 83 is still very active and alert, caring for her own home, vegetable and flower garden.

Laura (1902-1947) was born near Appleton and married Luther McCoy. Their son, W.G. (Dub), attended school in Russellville and went to the Aleutian Islands with Battery "F" of the 206th Anti-aircraft Coast Artillery Unit in 1941. Becoming a pilot during World War II he is now with the Federal Aviation Administration in the Hawaiian Islands.

Hugh A. McNutt (1882-1942) married Frona Sue House and they reared seven children. Twins were their first born, dieing at birth or shortly afterward. Hugh, also known as "H.A.", was in the plumbing and sheet-metal business. Of their seven children, Robert L. (Bob), the youngest, remains in Pope County. Bob married Catherine O. Williamson in 1944 after returning from overseas during World War II and they have two children. They are Robert L., Jr. and Jan-Nette, both residing in Little Rock

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GEORGE WASHINGTON MEEK 505

George Washington Meek was born about

1824. His birthplace and parentage are unknown. He married Martha Jane Sims on April 15, 1847, in Pope County by John H. Williams, J.P. She is the daughter of Absalom and Catherine Sims and was born Dec. 21, 1826 in Alabama. See Sims story. George and Martha Meek had two sons; James Henry, born Jan. 29, 1848, and Richard Henderson, born Dec. 25, 1852. I have seen records giving their birthplaces as Indian Territory, Arkansas, and Texas. George W. Meek apparently died with Martha returning with her sons to her parents home near Hector. She remarried to Alston Hill on Nov. 6, 1859 at her father's house by J.G. Brewton. Mr. Hill had seven children by a previous marriage. Step-father and step-son relations were not great about Civil War time according to legend so the boys left home as teenagers do. Martha died July 28, 1880 with burial in Sims Cemetery near Hector, Arkansas.

James Henry Meek married Mary F. and they had at least six children that grew up in the Hot Springs area. They died 1930 and 1920, respectively, and are buried in Avant Cemetery in NW Garland County. Some of their descendants attended Ark Tech in the 1960's.

Richard Henderson married Francis. This couple was nomadic in there habits. It is believed that none of their nine children were born in the same house. They were William Henry, Mary married Peters, Martha, Joe M. married Emma Bates, Charley B., Dewitt married Allie, J. Thomas married Ollie and Honey, Ruth married Chaneolis and Frisch, and Minnie. It is believed that Richard Henderson died in the early 1920's in Oklahoma and that Francis died in the late 1920's in Washington. Charley B. married Mrs. Nannie E. Hawn and he operated a blacksmith shop in Russellville during the 1920's.

William Henry was born April 10, 1870 and married Mima Lizzie Echols on Mar. 15, 1901. She was born Mar. 14, 1874 the daughter of Hiram Augustus Echols and Sarah Lane Ross. They had ten children: Richard Augustus, Jessie, Dora Mae, John William, Mamie V., Albert Allen, Thomas Franklin, Joseph Omer, Walter Elridge, and Ida Sadie; the last five being born in the same house after she refused to continue moving often.

Mamie Viola was born Dec. 15, 1906 east of Hot Springs before the family settled on Glacie Peau in northern Garland County. She married Walter Franklin Godwin on Jan. 9, 1939. He was born Sept. 8, 1898 at Hawes to William Harrison and Holly Rowan Godwin. Mamie and Walter have three children; Walter Earl, Paul Milton, and Nancy attended Ark Tech. Walter E. married Aug. 18, 1963 to Louise Scheible. Their marriage was the first solemnized at the Wesley Foundation Chapel in Russellville. Their children are Malinda Louise and Walter David and are currently living in Monticello. Paul married Mary M. Wolfe on July 22, 1967 in Kansas City, Kansas. Paul, Mary, Katherine, and Kimberly are presently living in Nashville, Tennessee. Nancy Ann married Lloyd Michael Hardgrave on Dec. 27, 1967 in Hot Springs. Nancy, Mike, and Jason William are living in Col-

orado Springs, Colorado.

by Louise S. Godwin

THE MELTONS OF POPE COUNTY ARKANSAS

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After serving with Duckworth's 7th Tennessee Cavalry during the Civil War, William Pierce Melton, wife Martha and family moved to Morrilton, Arkansas. Pierce and a brother Charles became land owners and the melton addition to Morrilton is listed on maps at the conway county courthouse.

Pierce's son Benjamin Franklin Melton and Viola Boudra of Lick Mountain were married January 24, 1888 at Morrilton. In 1900 Ben moved his family to Pope County and settled at Atkins. They lived in the Atkins vicinity for a few years and then moved to a saw mill site near the town of Appleton. Ben worked as a sawyer at many sawmills throughout Pope and Conway Counties, the mills were owned by R.H. (Dee) Yow of Appleton. Ben raised a family of eight children at Appleton; Lorza Lee, Luther Lanareus, Gertrude, Joseph William, Martha Mae, Howard Franklin Lee, Claude Horton and Noel Nelson. Ben was a very active member of the Appleton Presbyterian Church as both teacher and song leader. He spent the rest of his life in Pope County and dying of a heart attack in 1924 was buried beside his wife at the Appleton cemetery.

From Ben's children, Joe spent most of his life in Pope county. Joe joined the Army at Russellville June 5th, 1917 serving in France, Belgium and Luxenburg. Exposed to the deadly chlorine gas of WWI, Joe suffered lung damage which stayed with him the remainder of his life. Honorably discharged Mary 14, 1919 he returned to Pope County and married

Gertha Edna Wright of Moreland. They were married in Atkins June 22, 1919 by the Rev. R.B. Venable. Joe attended Arkansas Polytechnic College in 1922 and 1923 taking Vocational Training on the GI bill. During the first few years of their marriage they lived in and around Russellville and Atkins. When the floods of 1927 came they were living near the river in the Atkins bottoms. As the water began to rise they loaded their belongings into a truck and moved to brother Luther's near Blackwell, their vacated home became flooded with 4 to 5 feet of water.

During late 1931 Joe and Gerta moved to Appleton and purchased the Joe Hillis property on old Clinton Road. They paid Mrs. Joe Hillis \$300 cash for the house and 15 acres settling down to move no more. Summer of 1937 Joe cashed service bonds from WWI and for \$700 built a new home. As the home was being constructed the family spent several months living outside and in sheds. When the house was finished the happy family gave a large ice cream supper inviting firends and neighbors for miles around. The doors of his home were never locked and the many freinds and relatives of Joe and Gertha loved to stop by usually spending many days. Joe was well known for his building and finish carpenter work, building many of the homes within Pope and Conway Counties. He was an avid hunter and fishman, known as "Uncle Joe" to his many friends. One of the high lites of his life came in 1926 on Point Remove creek near Economy. He and his Brother Howard were fishing with a trotline when they landed a 110 lb. catfish. Joe passed away in his Appleton home on July 20th, 1969 and was buried in the Appleton cemetery, burial place of the Ben Melton family. Gertha still resides at the old home place surrounded by many of her children and grandchildren. She



MELTON

Photo taken in the vicinity of Appleton in 1915. Lying in front — Lyhue Hayes. Front row left to right — (1) Eva Rainey, (2) Joseph W. Melton, (3) ? Lawrence, (4) Grady Hillis, (5) Bernie McAdams, (6) Clive Brandt. Second row left to right — (1) Unknown, (2) Bo Rainey, (3) Orville Backus, (4) Clyde Turnbow, (5) Lester Lawrence, (6) ? Murphy. Back row left to right — (1) Claude Melton, (2) Bob McAdams.

has 10 surviving children, 33 grandchildren, and 17 great grandchildren.

There were 11 children born to Joe and Gertha all of which attended Appleton grade school and Hester High School.

Seven of Gertha's children are currently residing in Pope County; Margie Mareau (Melton) Harper and husband Everett reside at Appleton. Ola Loeta (Melton) Owens, Husband Dennis and family reside at Appleton.

Nina Ruth (Melton) Fay, Husband Jack and family reside at Appleton. Edna Marie Melton deceased in motorcycle accident July 1947, buried at the Appleton Cemetary.

J.M. Melton and wife Jane (Boland) reside at Galt, California.

William James Melton, wife Karen (Richardson) and family reside at Atkins.

Ruby Faye (Melton) Parsley, Husband Sam and family reside at Elk Grove, California.

Troy Ben Melton, Wife Mae (Williams) and family reside at Appleton.

Floy Ann (Melton) Fox, Husband Roy and family reside at Lubbock, Texas.

Mary Jo (Melton) Williams, Husband Randall and family reside at Appleton and Plainview, Arkansas.

Joseph William Melton Jr., wife Janell (Ennis) and family reside at Appleton.

by J.M. Melton

PIERCE KELTON MERRILL

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Pierce Kelton Merrill was born in 1899 at Harrison, Arkansas. His father, Pierce Merrill, was born Near Louisville, Ky., July 8, 1854. When about 32 years of age he came to Arkansas, where he taught school and worked on a farm. He was licensed to preach in 1887 and travelled as a Circuit Rider for the M.E. Church, South from the North Arkansas Conference. In 1893 he married Ida Belle Kelton of Harrison. They had three children, Howard, who settled in New Orleans, Mildred, who married Guy R. Farris and resided in Conway, and P.K. The father contacted acute Bright's disease and died at the age of 47. Shortly after his death the family moved to Conway, Faulkner County.

Grandfather John H. Kelton of Knoxville, Tenn., volunteered April 15, 1862 in the War Between the States, and was honorably discharged in 1865. Very little family history is known about the Merrill or Kelton families.

P.K. grew up in Conway and married Emma Lea Berry in December 1942. They adopted two children, Wm. Kelton (Bill) and Catherine Sue, who died in 1975. Both children graduated from Russellville High School. Emma Lea's father, Wm. Andrew Berry, born in 1871 was a one-room country school teacher in Conway County, later moving to Conway and serving 20 years as U.S. Postal Clerk. He and his wife, Katherine Ristine Cureton, had five children, Wm. Madison (Bill), James Richard, and Emma Lea; Hugh Eli and Annie Leah died in early childhood.

After P.K. graduated from Conway High School, he attended Hendrix College where he was a four-year letterman, all-state end in football, all state third baseman and was

selected as best all-around athlete by Hendrix College students. He received the bachelor of arts degree from the University of Okalahoma and his PhD from Vanderbilt University.

Following two years service in World War II he served as civil aeronautics administrator in Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana. In 1944 he joined the Arkansas Polytechnic College (University) staff. During the 33 years he lived in Pope County, he was well known as a speaker for civic, religious and fraternal groups throughout Arkansas. He was a member of First United Methodist Church. He was listed in "Personalities of the South," "Community Leaders of America" and "Who's Who among College Professors."

He was a 33rd degree Mason. He received many masonic, DeMolay, Rainbow, Boy Scouts and Tech awards, for civic, fraternal, and educational work.

P.K. passed away in 1977 and is buried in Rest Haven Cemetery, Russellville.

by Emma Lea Merrill

REVEREND WILLIAM HENDERSON METHENEY

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On September 5, 1837 in Dyer County, Tennessee, a baby by the name of William Henderson Metheney was born. No one knew at that time that he was destined to become an inspiration for others.

Twenty years after his physical birth, his spiritual birth took place. His first sermon was at Pleasant Hill, Tennessee, on Christmas day. The year was 1868 that this first sermon was preached. He was ordained deacon at Somerville, Tennessee in 1872. In 1876 he became an Elder in Yellville, Arkansas.

Reverend Metheney's preaching was stern, strict, and uncompromising. He was of the Puritan type, and saving grace was the keynote of his preaching. The following statistics are from his own records. There were 3,213 souls converted under his ministry; 2,502 persons received into the church; 722 infants baptized; 1,318 adults baptized; and 287 marriages.

At the outbreak of the Civil War, Reverend Metheney joined the Confederate Army. He was lieutenant and Chaplain of his company. He was wounded at the battle of Gettysburg and was taken prisoner by the Federals. Due to the fact that he was a Mason, the Captain allowed him special attention, which Reverend Metheney said was all that saved his life.

Reverend Metheney joined the Arkansas Conference in 1875 as a circuit rider. In 1876 Reverend Metheney, Reverend B. Williams, Reverend Pledger and Reverend A.H. Williams were returning on horseback from the Arkansas Conference in Yellville. They stopped at Fort Douglas for lodging. Moonshiners had mistaken the umbrellas fastened to the minister's saddles for guns, and fired at the ministers. Reverend Metheney and Reverend Burton Williams were wounded and Reverend Pledger died.

On June 22, 1881 Reverend Metheney married Mosley Horton in Pope County, Ar-

kansas. His children Mattie, Lucy, John, Winfred and Carroll were living with him. Mattie, Lucy, John, and Winfred were by Reverend Metheney's first wife Martha Doyle Metheney who had died. Carroll was by his second wife Mary McCarroll who also had died. Sarah, Reverend Metheney's second child, wasn't living with him at this time. His children admired him greatly for his dedication to his ministry. Reverend Metheney never visited his children because his calling of God was first in his life. His daughter Lucy fainted into the rose bushes upon hearing of her father's death.

Another daughter Mattie, made her own soap from fat trimmed from pork. The soap was made in a big iron kettle. She had a sweet Christian spirit and greatly loved. She had six children, Leslie Guthrie, May Guthrie, Robert Guthrie, Loyd Guthrie, James P. Hampton and Orrick Winfred Hampton. Her sons, Robert and Orrick followed in their grandfather's footsteps and became Ministers.

Orrick Hampton is also director of Kare Youth League in Arcadia, Ca. This is a sports organization. He has five children, Orrick, Francis, Philip, Arlis, and Arleta. His residence is in Arcadia.

The last church Reverend Metheney pastored was the First Methodist Church in Berryville, Arkansas. He was Minister of this church for two years until his death. His church admired him so much that they placed a stain glass window in his memory. His death occurred the night of May 2, 1901. He was leaving the parsonage to feed his horses a mile away. He had a love for horses and they were his means of transportation. When he didn't return, his wife became worried. Sixty-five citizens joined hands and marched across the field. At 2 o'clock the body was found. He died suddenly of a heart attack, and was lying peacefully on his back with an ear of corn in his hand. His motto had been: "For me to live is Christ."

by Anleta Hampton

JAMES E. MILLARD

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Three Millard brothers came from England with Roger Williams and settled in Rhode Island. One of these brothers came to Pennsylvania. One of his descendants, Samuel Millard, settled in Sullivan County, Tenn. One of his sons, James E., moved to Arkansas in 1845. They were camped on the north side of the Arkansas River, near Morrilton, waiting for the water to subside so they could. While they were waiting, Robert Newton Millard was born, the first known person of the name to be born in Arkansas. James settled on Dutch Creek, in Scott County where all of his children grew up. Robert married Salena White, also from Tenn. This writer can remember when all seven of Robert's children lived within two miles of the old home. John M. was the second son of Robert. He was a farmer and teacher. Robert N. Millard had a farm, a country store, a saw mill, a cotton gin, a grist mill, and a shingle mill. He was a staunch Methodist and a leader of the com-

munity. However his wife, who also belonged to the Methodist Church, was a Primitive Baptist. In later years John joined the Primitive, or Hardshell, Church, as it was often called. The family always attached a lot of importance to religion.

It was hard to make a living on the farm in the early days in Arkansas. Many of the Millards moved away, seeking greater opportunities. John M. Millard continued with his teaching and education gaining his college degree long after he was married and had a large family. He gave all six of his children the opportunity for higher education.

The writer was the eldest of these six children. He finished high school at Danville, attended Hendrix College, and graduated in 1928 from The University of Arkansas Medical School. He married Mildred Scott Leighton in 1928. Her ancestors came from Ireland by way of Maine. She is a registered nurse, having had her training at Wesley Hospital, Wichita, Kansas. Roy and Mildred have one son, Leighton Millard, who is an orthopedist in Little Rock. He married Sherril Lou Hooper, also a nurse, who had her training in Charity Hospital New Orleans. They have three children. They are Roy Leighton Millard, a teacher. He married Judith Geisler, and they have one son, David Leighton, born Sept 23, 1977. Sherril and Leighton have Mary Jennifer, a senior in the University of Minnesota, and Michael Wayne, born in 1968.

Dr. Roy Millard practiced in Dardanelle from 1929 until 1936, when he moved to Russellville. He has done general practice and general surgery, and is a Fellow of The American College of Surgeons. He retired in 1971.
by Roy I. Millard

MILLER FAMILY HISTORY

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Sidney Miller was a real roving gambler. No one seems to know where he came from but census records show him to be a resident of the hotel run by William Henry Harrison Poynter. The hotel stood where C.L. and Betty Poynter's clothing store and their son's (Kirk) insurance agency are now in Dover. He met and married W.H.H. Poynter's sister Mary McFadden Poynter. (daughter of William Lewis and Cynthia Orrell Poynter). They lived for a while in Fredonia, Kansas then returned to Dover. They bought land out Rushing Road and there is where Mary reared their two sons (John Albert & Benjamin (Bud) and one daughter (Maude) while Sidney rode the riverboats and traveled across the country gambling. Sidney would come home every few months but the actual farming was overseen by Mary. They lived well as Sid was a professional and good at his avocation, however Mary was a staunch Methodist and would have preferred him to give up his lifestyle. He wouldn't and this was a burden for Mary for several years. One trip home found Sid critically ill with pneumonia and while Mary nursed him to the best of her ability he was too ill to respond to treatment. At his death Mary burned the deeds to several choice pieces of property located in Pine Bluff



The Bud Miller Family

Bud & Lou, John, Henry, Jim and Kay.

proper. The property was that which Sid had won on his last gambling trip.

The daughter of Sid and Mary (Maude) married Richard Cornell. Their children were Clyde (who married Lura Carr), Nora Cornell Barker, Sue Cornell Teal, Roy, Charlie and another daughter whose name I don't know.

Bud married Lou Taylor. Their children were John, Henry, Kay (male), James Ancel, Oscar and Ed.

James Ancel (Jim) married Sarah Simmons their children were: Utlie Simmons Owens (whose children are Cordelia Simmons Lewis and Jimmy Ownes) then Afton Casey, Hallie May Nation, Pearl Gossett and Irma Frances (deceased).

Their other son John Albert married Margaret (Maggie) Davis. They had Lois Miller Carstetter, Walter Sidney, Arley, Glen, Fred, Evelyn and Joe.

Lois married Gwen Carstetter, they had two daughters Ima Jean, and Kathryn. Arley married Lois Owens they had three daughters, Frances, Gloria and Virginia. Glen married Zelma? Fred married Hazel Franklin they have one daughter Barbara. Evelyn who married Bob Newman and had two sons, Bob and Glen Carrol. Joe was married to ? and the father of Peggy Lucile who died in infancy. Walter Sidney or Bill as he was more commonly known married Katherine Henderson. Bill was born November 17, 1901, Katherine's birthdate is February 22, 1904. They married January 15, 1922 in Dover. After their marriage they moved out Rushing Road across Piney Creek to where Bill's parents lived. His grandmother (Mary Poynter)

was still living and was a frequent visitor in their home.

Bill and his brothers loved to play ball (baseball) and wrestle. Many a Sunday afternoon would find the brothers and their Dad who was a left handed pitcher all on the same team and ready to "play ball". They were good at it too.

Bill and Katherine had Louise, Billy (the only grandson with the Miller name) Lucile and Juanita (Nita). Louise married Al T. Reed. They have two sons Jim and John. Bill married Erma Hamlin. Bill and Erma's children are Danny Joe (who died at birth) Linda, Billy, Jr., and Jerry Wayne. Lucile married Charles Reuss and they had Mike and Steve Reuss. Juanita (Nita) married Harold Davis Utlie. She has one son by a previous marriage (Russell) then two daughters Donna Kathleen and Nancy Diane and the youngest child Daniel.

by Juanita Miller Utlie

JEFFERSON DAVIS MINOR

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Jefferson Davis Minor came to Arkansas from Alabama, when he was about fifteen years of age, along with four brothers. Fate, moved somewhere near Fayetteville and was killed there. Bud, died in January of 1936, at the age of 84. George lived near Bells Chapel, Pope County, and also died in 1936, at the age of 94. Tom, went to the mountains and lived near Mountain Home. Jefferson Davis was 70 years of age when he died in 1931. His father was James Minor and his grandfather, Marshall Minor.

One time Jefferson and Bud rode their horses to Mountain Home to visit their brother and it took three or four days to make the trip, stayed two or three days, then three or four days back. A son of Jefferson, offered to take his father to Alabama to visit the family who was left behind, but he said it had been fifty years since he had seen his sisters and he didn't care about getting acquainted with them again, so they didn't go. However, in later years the son did visit there.

Jefferson Davis married Ella Wilson, daughter of Joe Wilson. They were living in the Economy community and Mrs. Minor was visiting in the Griffin Flat community in order to be near Dr. John L. Griffin, when her son, Luther, was born. He was born May 23, 1894.

Luther married Stella Webb, daughter of W.A. and M.A. Webb, April 19, 1913, and they had six children: Webb, Jim, Mary Ellen, J.L., Cora Sue and Dale. During World War I, he was number 19 on the draft. They were giving the examinations for the Army over the Jenkins Drug Store, now Newton's. Mr. Minor went down and took the examination and Old Doc Berryman was signing for the ones to go or who would be exempt. Luther told Doc that he was ready to go and Doc told him he was crazy that there would be no allowance for his wife and he would only make eighteen dollars a month. So, he never did have to go, although he felt like he should.

He moved to Russellville in 1927, to go to work for the Post Office. It wasn't until December of that year before his wife came as they had a new baby at the time. He is now retired, retiring in 1960, with 33 years and 4 months service.

Before moving to Russellville, he went to church and school at Burnett Cove. He wasn't too interested in church at the time as they only had preaching occasionally, but it was a place to go. His first school teacher was Julia Matthews, daughter of Jake Matthews, who lived at Gum Log. She later married Clarence Gardner. His second teacher was her half-sister, Mary Jane.

Mr. Minor attended the Hartford School of Music at Hartford, Arkansas and has taught many singing schools in this county and surrounding counties. He has been attending singing conventions ever since he can remember and has directed singing in a lot of places. He has been active in the 5th and Greenwich Church of Christ in Russellville, since its organization, being both choir director and Bible teacher. At this time his wife's health keeps both of them from attending regularly.

by Luther Minor

EDWARD MOBLEY

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Edward Mobley, born in Kentucky 1787, married Sarah Simons 29 May 1824 in Warren County, Kentucky. Edward and Sarah with seven children moved to Pope County by the mid 1840's and settled north of the Illinois Bayou on what is now known as the Wallace Ridge. Later Edward Mobley sold his land to

Andrew Wallace and moved to the Scottsville area. A Mobley cemetery located two miles west of Scottsville contains 15 graves but only the headstones of Isaiah Mobley, born 12 Feb. 1835, died 13 Feb. 1885; and his wife, Mary (Polly Brown Mobley, born 1 Sept. 1835 and died 26 Feb. 1912.) No burials were made there after Feb. 1912.

Mary, the youngest child of Edward and Sarah Mobley was born in Pope County in Nov. 1845. Mary and her older sister, Martha drove a yoke of oxen to Little Rock to meet their brother, Isaiah, when he returned home from service in the Civil War.

Mary Mobley married William Allan Stanford 22 July 1863 at Scottsville. He served in the Civil War with Co. A, 35th Ark Inf Reg of Hawthorne's Brigade at Port Hudson, La. W.A. Stanford participated in the Battle of Little Rock, 10 Sept. 1863; Mansfield, La March 1864; and the Battle of Jenkins Ferry, Ark on 30 Apr. 1864. The five children of William Allan and Mary Mobley Stanford were: (1) Matildia Jane, born 12 Apr. 1866, married William Stanley Newton 14 Sept. 1890. (2) Robert (Bob) Stanford, born 17 May 1867, married Emma Adams. (3) Sibbie, born 28 Sept. 1869, has a surviving daughter, Maude Bailey who married Dwight Maloney. This couple lives in Russellville. (4) John Stanford, born 28 June 1871 was never married and died 15 May 1942. (5) James H. Stanford (my father) born 17 Sept. 1876 at Scottsville, married Lala Adams in 1908. They had nine children, five lived to be adults.

Vernice Stanford (the writer), born 12 Aug. 1913 at Dover, married Fred Lynch 4 Sept. 1942. Fred died 13 Dec. 1960 leaving no children.

Ruth Stanford, born 27 July 1916, married Y.W. Whelchel 21 Oct. 1940. Mr. Whelchel is a regional transportation planning coordinator with headquarters in St. Louis where they reside. They have a daughter, Jane Elizabeth, born 2 June 1946 who married Kenneth Oliver 8 Sept. 1967. The Olivers have two children: Elizabeth Ann, born 18 Nov. 1969 and Stephen, born 9 June 1976. The son of Ruth and Y.W. is Larry Whelchel, born 25 May 1951, married Mimi Adkinson 14 Feb. 1975 and they have a daughter, Julie, born 19 Jan. 1977.

Emma Sue Stanford, born 18 Dec. 1918 married Ray Garner 11 Sept. 1958.

Sibbie Stanford, born 20 Aug. 1922 married Roy Lee Dart 25 Nov. 1950.

Boyd Gaylan Stanford, born 13 Nov. 1924 married Mary Sue Swain in 1946 and they have two children, Virginia Ruth, born 21 Jan. 1948, married Richard Morehart in May 1968. The Moreharts have a son, Nathan, born April 1974. The second child of Boyd and Mary Sue was Charles Gaylon, born 26 Sept. 1950, who is married and has two children: David Stanford, born 7 Nov. 1975 and Diana, born 20 Nov. 1977.

by Vernice Lynch

JOHN C. MONTGOMERY

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The family of John C. Montgomery and

Matilda (Grayson) Montgomery to Pope County. John C. Was born in Tenn. in 1800. came to relatives in Ark. as a young man, settled in Monroe County. The Grayson family and that of their married daughter Sarah Jones were there. John C. and Matilda were married in 1831. Matilda was born in Miss. in 1800. Four children was born to them before Matilda died in 1842. John C. died two years later. Those remaining of the Grayson and Jones family had left Monroe County a few years before due to the unhealthy conditions there, going to Conway County and settling just east of county line near Appleton. Soon after John C. had died a friend of the family took the four children to their mothers family near Appleton. In 1852 Patience Ann Jones their cousin was married to Anthony Rankin of Appleton, and the four moved in with the Rankin's until they were married. They married into familys who had been in Pope County and well known, respected citizens.

1st. child Salina (born 1832 died 1907) married in 1854 to James Lemley (born 1834 died 1920) Their children being Venora, Orabell, Brad, Scottie, Vendelia, and Ello. Venora (born 1855 died 1926 first marriage to Jim Burton in 1874. second marriage to Willis Berry in 1878. Orabell first married Andrew Parsons second marriage to Bill Hogan. Ello married W. Lee Hamm in 1887.

2nd. child William (born 1836 died 1859) married in 1854 to Lamona Poe (born 1837 died 1906) Their children being James, John F. Willie and Nora. James (born 1855 died 1908) married in 1879 to Eva Linton. John F. married in 1889 to Annie (Baker) Tyson. Willie married Author Burmell. Nora married in 1893 to John H. Reynolds.

3rd child Fernando D.E. (known as Dee) (born 1838 died 1911) married in 1861 to Mary Jane Cheyne (born 1844 died 1921) Their children being William, Mary E., Stephen, Dora, John, Maud, Leolen, Lattie, Mervin, Leta and Iva. William (born 1862 died 1887) married in 1887 to Mary Ashmore. Mary E. (born 1864 died 1922 married in 1881 to Finis E. Wilson. Dora (born 1870 died 1949) married Kenny Gray. Maud (born 1875 died 1952) married in 1900 to Charley Brant. Lattie (born 1877 died 1958) married in 1896 to Kate Rowland. Mervin (born 1882) married in 1909 to Edna McCracken. Leta (born 1884 died 1908) married in 1903 to William Gray. Iva (born 1886 died 1960) married to Luther Turnbow.

4th child Virginia (born 1841 died 1912) married in 1858 to Dr. John W. Bruton (born 1836 died 1898). Their children being Elvera (known as Elmore), R.L., Viola Therora, Nettie, May E. and John Homer. Viola (born 1869 died 1933) married J.A. Gillette. Therora (born 1874 died 1903) married Frank Blair. Nettie (born 1878 died 1963) married in 1900 to Robert Ira Griffin. May E. (born 1884 died 1959) married George E. Brooke. John Homer married Millie Goats.

Salina and Mr. Lemley of the Epharim Lemley family, reared their family at Pine Hill near Dover and are buried at Dover cemetery. The others reared their familys at Appleton and buried at Appleton Cemetery. Dee and Dr. Bruton served with the Confederate Army.

William died young. Dr. Bruton practiced medicine. Dee became a merchant and all were active in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Appleton.

This Montgomery family resided in Pope County in 1852. John C. Montgomery came to Arkansas Post in 1819.

by Joseph D. Montgomery

MARION ELAINE MURDOCH MONTGOMERY

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Mrs. Marion Elaine Murdoch Montgomery, daughter of William Claud and Ida Fridell Murdoch was born at Economy, Arkansas February 6, 1916. She attended Atkins Public Schools, is a member of the Atkins First Baptist Church, and was past matron of Chapter 512, order of Eastern Star. Elaine was married January 13, 1934 to Robert Jordon Young, Jr. A son, Robert Lane Young was born November 20, 1936. Later Elaine worked in defense work at Arkansas Ordnance Plant at Jacksonville, Arkansas during World War II. Her second marriage was to William Jennings Pitts December 20, 1943, a Sgt. in the U.S. Army. Sgt. Pitts adopted Robert Lane giving him the legal name Robert Lane Pitts. Sgt. Pitts was mobilized with the 153rd Infantry of Arkansas National Guard from Yell County in 1940. He served in the Aleutian Islands and was later transferred to the 96th Infantry Division and sent to the South Pacific in 1944. He participated in the Phillipine Invasion of Leyte Island and also participated in the invasion of Okinawa where he was killed April 14, 1945. He is buried in the Hawaiian Punch Bowl National Cemetery in Honolulu having been moved there from the 96th Division Cemetery on Okinawa. Eugene Weldon Montgomery, son of James A. and Bessie Easterwood Montgomery and Elaine Pitts were married November 10, 1946. Eugene attended Conway Public Schools and was later employed by Arkansas Power & Light Company. He entered military service in the U.S. Army in March, 1942. He served in the European Theater of Operations as Cpl. in Co. C of the 90th Infantry Division which was attached to General Patton's 3rd army. He participated in the D Day invasion of Normandy and received five battle stars for service in the European Theater of Operation. After being discharged in October of 1945 he returned to work with Arkansas Power & Light Company in Atkins. Later he was transferred to Little Rock as a Supervisor of a High Line Crew. He was stricken with a fatal heart attack while at work in Jacksonville Sept. 22, 1969 and is buried at Oakland Cemetery 3 miles north of Atkins. Mr. Montgomery was a member of Geyer Springs Baptist Church, a Mason, and a member of the A P & L Club having worked for the company for 32 years.

Robert Lane "Bobby" Pitts attended Atkins Public Schools graduating with the class of 1954. He was a member of the all-state football team in 1953 & 54 and is a member of the Atkins High School Hall of Fame. He attended college at Ouachita and Arkansas Tech before entering the U.S. Marine Corp. in 1956. He

was assigned to the Armed Forces Special Group of the Atomic Energy Commission. After his discharge in 1959, he was married to Barbara Louvane Dixon, daughter of Olin and Barbara Dixon of Hector. They are the parents of four children: Barbara Elaine, Sherri Elizabeth, Robbi Lynn, and Robert John David. Barbara is married to Timothy Scott Lemley, son of Genevieve Ehemann Lemley and the late Joseph Andrew Lemley. They are the parents of one daughter, Robyn Reyna. Mr. and Mrs. Pitts are members of Atkins First Baptist Church. He is an ordained deacon. He is 1978-79 president of the Atkins Lions Club and is presently the manager of B & B Trucking Company in Atkins.

by Mrs. Marion Elaine Montgomery

W.A. MONTGOMERY

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W.A. Montgomery, physician and surgeon, was born at Abbeville, Mississippi on November 27, 1856. He was married to Azalia T. Huston of Tyro, Mississippi on November 10, 1880. They came to Atkins to make their home in February 1896 where he practiced for about forty years, helping many young doctors get their start in life. He participated actively in the civic life of Atkins. He was one of the organizers of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of Atkins where he served as Vice President. He was a steward in the Methodist Church, a Mason, past president of Pope County and Yell County Medical Society, a past president of Arkansas State Medical Society, a past president of Pope County Democratic Committee and a past President of the Atkins School Board, on which he served for 21 years. He was a graduate of Memphis Medical Academy and Vanderbilt University and took post graduate courses at Northwestern University. Dr. Montgomery of Atkins was appointed to membership on the Arkansas State Medical Examining Board by Governor Martineau. Dr. Montgomery was one of the best known physicians in this section of the State. Dr. Montgomery was from a family that holds a unique record for the number of physicians it had produced. His father was a physician, as were four of his father's five

brothers. Dr. Montgomery had six brothers and five of them were practicing physicians. Dr. Montgomery was appointed by Governor Martineau as a delegate to the National Educational Licensur and Hospital Meeting from Arkansas, which was held at the Palmer House in Chicago, February 6, 7 and 8th, 1928. The Montgomerys were the parents of six daughters, Erma Embry, Ola Griffin, Effie Bost (Bill), Vida Cheek and Lucille Dowdell. Dr. Montgomery died at his home of a heart attack on March 2, 1934. Mrs. Montgomery died after a long illness on July 25, 1951. Dr. Montgomery owned the first automobile in Pope County.

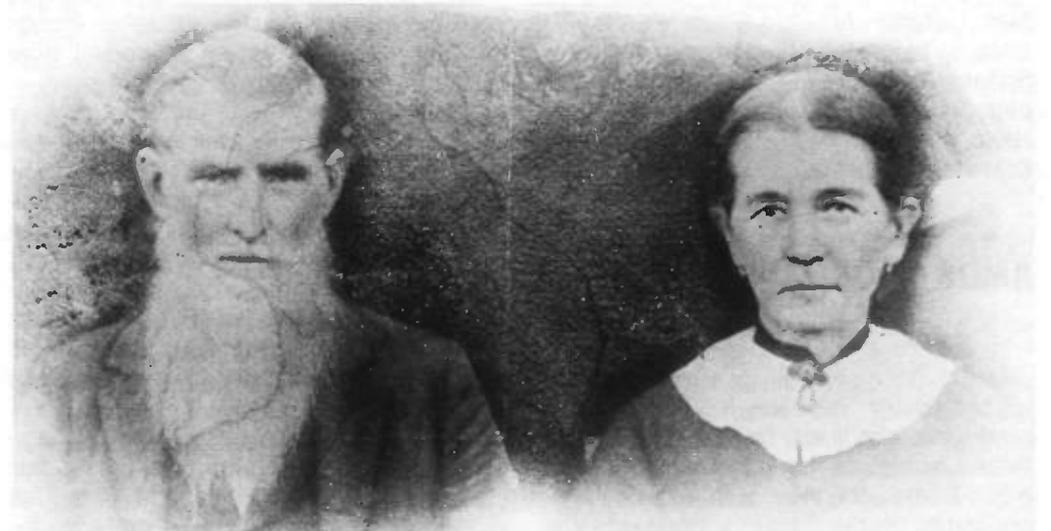
by Lucille Dowdell

JESSE M. MOON

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Jesse M. Moon came to Pope County in 1871 from Bartow County, Georgia by boat to Dardanella traveling with several Turner families who were brothers to his wife, Nancy Josephene Turner Grogan Moon, whom Jesse married 7 Feb. 1867 in Georgia. Nancy's 1st husband was killed in the Civil War. Her son by 1st husband was Henry Grogan, born 24 Aug. 1861 in Georgia, died in Pope County around 9 Jan. 1875. Jesse M. Moon was a Confederate veteran who served in Co. D, 56th Ga. Inf. His parents were Thomas and Nancy Moon who lived in Marietta, Georgia during the Civil War. Their children with dates of birth are: (1) Mary A. 12 Nov. 1817; (2) Martha A., 22 Aug. 1819; (3) Elizabeth Yancy, 1 Dec. 1821; (4) James Adam, 28 Nov. 1823; (5) Isaih Manning, 5 Apr. 1825; (6) Tabez P.M. 5 Dec. 1828; (7) Levi T. born 2 July 1831; (8) Jesse M. Moon 22 Aug. 1833; (9) Little S. 16 May 1836; (10) Charles B. born 11 Sept. 1840. These dates came from Thomas and Nancy Moon's family Bible, now in the home of Ruth Moon Roberts, a great granddaughter of Thomas and Nancy Moon. We are indebted to Ruth for so graciously sharing this information.

I, Hallene R. Tucker born 24 Feb. 1913, married Milton C. Tucker of Pottsville Arkansas. I am also a great granddaughter of Jesse and Nancy J. Moon. Jesse Moon farmed in



Jesse M. Moon and Nancy Josephene Turner Moon

Center Valley, Pope County. His children were; (1) Mary Ann Elizabeth born 1 Feb. 1868 in Georgia, and married John Wm. Rentfro, 23 Nov. 1884 in Pope County. John was born 6 Aug. 1859 in Conway County, Arkansas. John's parents were David L. Rentfro and Mehulda Whitehead Rentfro who came from Knox County, Tennessee to Arkansas. John and Mary A.E. Rentfro's children were; (1) Eddie, born 1885, died 1888; (2) James D. born 2 Feb. 1888, married Martha Murphy and had children; Maudie, Arthur, Oliver, and Arvel L. Rentfro. James D. died 20 Nov. 1973 in San Jose, California. (3) Ira Wm. Rentfro born 7 Aug. 1890, married my mother, Ann Sims, 24 Dec. 1911, she was daughter of J.A. Sims and Susan Pierce Sims, and was born Dec. 13, 1889. My brother Hanie R. Rentfro was born 5 Oct. 1915, he married Coi Watson in Dardanelle, Arkansas. Their children are Carroll, and Sharon, Hanie died 17 June 1976. Our mother died 1 Dec. 1915. Ira Rentfro married Mrs. Juel Johnson 12 Dec. 1920 their children are; Carl Wm. Rentfro born Dec. 12, 1921; O. Mae, born 18 May 1924; L. Laverne, born 19 Nov. 1927; Bobby J. born 9 Sept. 1941; Juel Johnson had daughter Syble born 1 Sept. 1918. (4) Addie Rentfro born 14 Jan. 1893, married Ed Ross, and had Pearl, Finis, Ernest, and Richard Ross. (5) Delle M. born 25 Apr. 1895, married Mary Cashell and had Harold and Aubrey Rentfro. Delle died in San Pablo, CA. 6 Mar. 1978. (6) Alex, born 16 Aug. 1898, married Elizabeth Cartwright, and had son J.C. Rentfro; (7) Genia B. born 20 Jan 1901, married Elmer Partain, and had Leslie and Athelene Partain. (8) Thomas E. Rentfro born 4 Aug. 1903, married Lois Allen, they had Modene, and Albert Fay Rentfro. (9) F. Marion Rentfro, born 1st Sept. 1906, married Etsel Benefiel, and had sons, Raymond, Eulas, and Cletus Rentfro. Jesse and Josephene Moon's (3) child was Luella T. Moon born 9 May 1870 in Georgia, married John Murphy 16 Feb. 1888 in Pope County. (4) Thomas W. Moon, born 1872 in Pope County, Arkansas married Mollie Gotcher. They and their children are buried in Center Valley, except Rose Moon. (5) This daughter born Sept. 10, 1875, died 23 Sept. 1875. (6) Sarah (Sally) Moon, born 1878, married Theodore Weaver, and had Beuna, William, Mae, Clarence, Isa, and Ralph Weaver. (7) William, born ca 1881, and married Mattie Spillers, then moved to Oklahoma, their children are William M., Ruby, Scottie, Lottie, Hallie, and Ruth Moon Roberts who lives at Oakhurst, Oklahoma.

by Mrs. M.C. Tucker

AMOS MOORE AND PARTHENIA MOORE

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Pope County, Arkansas, has always had a great number of Moore families, and many of them are related. One line descended from Amos Moore who, along with his wife Parthena and his mother Elizabeth, moved to Pope County, sometime before 1850. Amos was living in Martin Township in 1850 about six

miles west of Dover, Arkansas, and was 25 years of age.

Very little is known about Amos except that he was born in Kentucky, and married Parthena (last name unknown) a native of Tennessee; that he was a farmer; and that he fathered seven children by two wives. He and his two wives are buried in the Rushing Cemetery. Amos and Parthena had five children — Sara, John Thomas, James Evans, Yelland Archibald, and Mary. After Parthena died, Amos married Margaret Trigg. Their marriage license was recently found in the Pope County Courthouse by a great granddaughter — Norma Gilman. The date on the license is Sept. 19, 1877. Amos and Margaret had two children: Louis Burl and Margaret Ellen.

Amos' mother, Elizabeth, a registered midwife, was born in Virginia in 1808 and was married three times. Nothing is known about the fate of her three husbands and, so far, people interested in the family tree have not been able to find the first names of Elizabeth's husbands. She probably married the first two, a Moore and Birkhead, in Kentucky and married a Brockman after she came to Arkansas. Elizabeth had two children from each marriage, Sara and Amos Moore, Noah and Elizabeth Birkhead, and John and Elizabeth Brockman. All of these children, except John, were alive when Elizabeth died 1883, and they were mentioned in her will. Elizabeth is buried in the Durvin Cemetery, Delaware, Ark.

Amos' oldest son, John Thomas, married Darcus Isbell. They farmed and operated a country store at Famous (later called Mooretown), about six miles west of Dover, Ark. In 1903, they bought a general merchandise store in Cabin Creek (Lamar), Ar., and moved there. Sometime during the 1920's, they moved to Guthrie, Okla., and lived there the remainder of their lives.

John and Darcus had seven children: John Amos married Dora Alice Pless, and they had five children, Charles, Bertha, Mae, Stella, and Elbert. Eliza married Joe Eubanks, and they had two children, Calvin and Anna. Anderson married Verdie Reed, and they had two children, Clyde and Lucy. Rena married Odus Rushing, and they had two children, Roy and Ruth. Phineas (Finn) married Lucy Manley, and they had two children, Henry and Marie. Cassie married Albert Bonds, and they had two children, George and Irene. Phoebe married Nolan Bonds, and they had three children, Genivere, Charles and Margaret.

Thus the Moores were united in marriage with most of the early prominent families in the Pless, Rushing, and New Hope communities. Most of them were members of either the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at New Hope or at Rushing (Piney). However, about 1925, all of these families, except Anderson's, moved to Guthrie, Okla., where they lived until their deaths. Anderson moved to Vancouver, Washington, and remained there.

When John Thomas and Darcus left Famous and moved to Cabin Creek, John Amos took over the store and the farm. Dora Alice had died. He and his children expanded the business and increased the farming operation. He built a cotton gin and a grist mill.

Famous had a post office in the store, and John Amos was the postmaster. Mail was delivered to the store twice week from Piney Station. When the Rural Free Delivery Act was passed in 1912, the post office was discontinued and mail was delivered from Dover, Ark. The store served as a place for the assessment and collection of taxes for the surrounding community. In 1923, John Amos sold the store to his younger son Elbert, and moved to Guthrie, Okla., where he operated a grocery store until he died.

John Amos and Dora Alice's children lived most of their lives in and around the Famous (Mooretown) community. They were farmers, teachers, and business people. Charles married Vestal Potts, and they had three children, James, Charles, and Frances. Bertha married Eugene Rollow, and they had one child, John. Mae married Charles Hink, and they had two children, Charles A. and Alice. Stella married Charles Harmes, and they had three children, John William, Robert, and Betty. The grandchildren of John Amos have chosen a variety of occupations, and all, except one, have moved away from the former Mooretown community.

Because Bertha was the oldest of John Amos' daughters, she became housekeeper and nursemaid for the younger children. Later she married Eugene Rollow and moved to Dover, but this sojourn away from Mooretown did not last long as Eugene died and Bertha, with her small son, John, moved back to the farm and resumed her former duties. She helped care for the sick, sat up all night making shrouds for dead neighbors, and helped her brother carry on his expanding business. Although she was not a midwife, she was often called on at birthings.

John Rollow married Alice Hill Holding of Montgomery, Alabama and they have one daughter, Madelia Hill. John, who has retired after teaching forty-six years in the Arkansas Public Schools, including thirty-one years at Arkansas Tech University, has always been active in civic and community affairs. Alice, a former professor of Speech at Tech and is still active in Theatre Guild at Tech, is a Speech and English teacher at Gardner Junior High School.

by John Rollow

AMOS MOORE AND MARGARET ELIZA MOORE

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After the death of his first wife Parthena, Amos Moore married a spinster school teacher, Margaret Eliza Trigg of Martin township on September 20, 1877. They were married by Rev. W.W. Watkin, a Presbyterian minister. Amos continued as a blacksmith and farmer. To this union were born Louis Burl and Martha Ellen. Margaret died in 1896 at the age of 56, leaving two teenagers. Amos had preceded her in death, exact date is not known. They are buried in the Rushing Cemetery.

Louis and Ellen made their home with John Thomas Moore, their half-brother. Louis attended the Mountain Springs School, where he met and fell and in love with Elizabeth

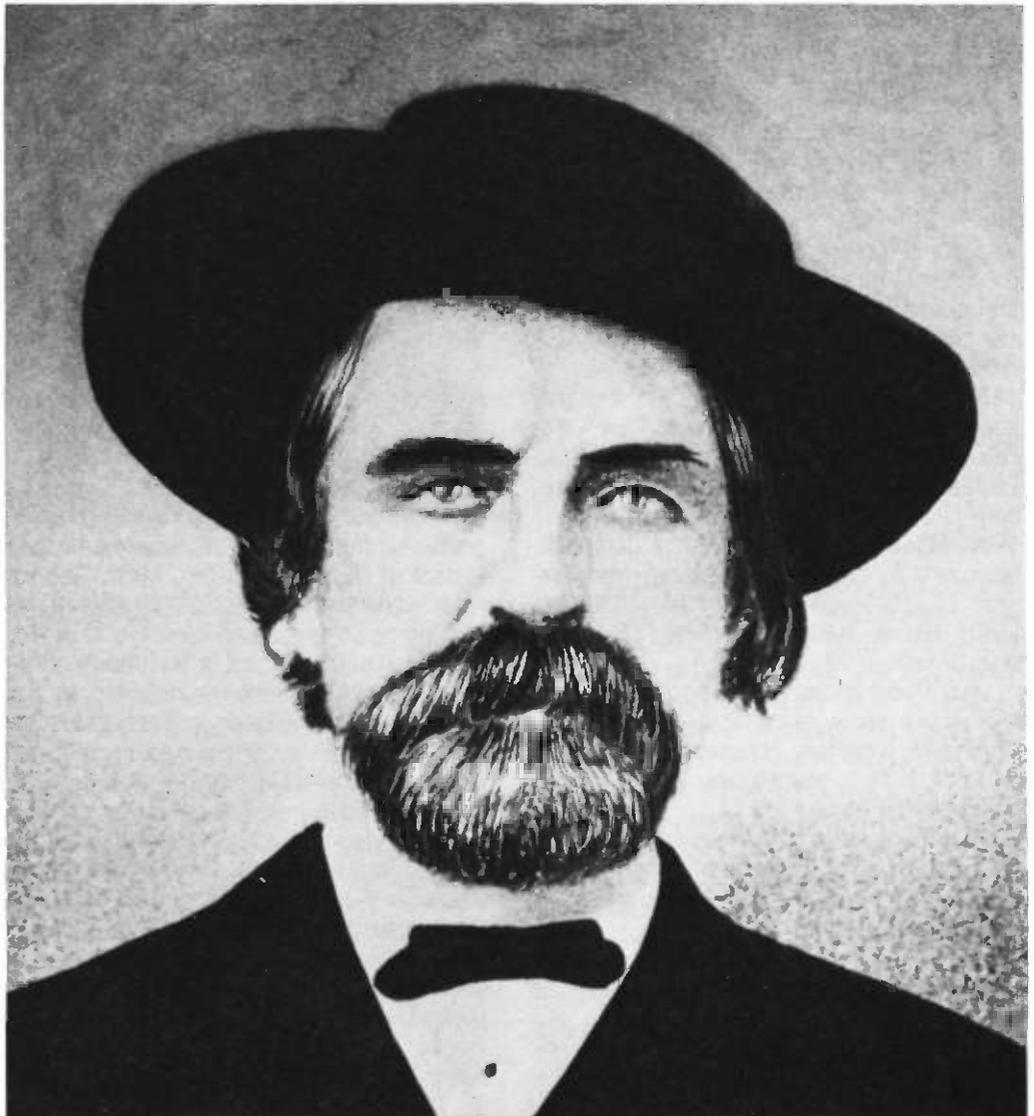
Eulalia Stewart. They were married by Rev. Joe Henderson on April 13, 1901.

Louis and Elizabeth lived at Famous, Arkansas, where he worked as a farmer and operated a cotton gin and grist mill. They had four daughters: Gertrude Irene, Margaret Parthena, Sybil Laura, and Vivian who was born in Valiant, Oklahoma. Louis worked as a night watchman for the town of Valiant and also drove a dray, delivering freight to the townspeople. The family had moved to Oklahoma, where Elizabeth's family lived, to seek employment. Later Louis moved the family back to Famous (Mooretown).

Louis Moore's favorite pastime activities were hunting and fishing. He was a happy-go-lucky person and had a nickname for everyone. At one time he served as constable in Martin township. His wife, Elizabeth (Lizzie), was a neighborhood nurse and very good seamstress. In addition to being a farmer's wife, she found time to sew for other people, to make a garden, to can for the family, to raise chickens and geese, to make quilts, and to make clothes for her four daughters.

Elizabeth died of typhoid fever in September, 1918. Louis and his daughters moved to the Rushing community later that fall where he had purchased the Homer Rushing home on Parker Mountain. Exactly two years, two months, and two days later Louis died of pneumonia. He had become ill after duck hunting. Louis is buried beside Elizabeth in the Rushing Cemetery. Twin sons who died at birth are also buried there.

by Norma Gilman



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THE LOUIS B. MOORE FAMILY 519

Gertrude Irene, Margaret Parthena, Sybil Laura and Vivian — daughters of Louis B. and Elizabeth Stewart Moore attended school at Mountain Springs while living at Mooretown. After their mother died in 1918 — they moved to Big Piney (Rushing) Community where they lived with their father for two years. Here they attended the Big Piney school and Gertrude, the eldest, taught for a while. Louis died in 1920, leaving the four girls with an aunt, Ellen Moore Reid until Gertrude married Martin L. Riedel of the Big Piney Community in 1921. They with their baby daughter, Kathryn Maxine, left Arkansas in 1923 to seek employment in Lansing, Michigan, where they now live. They took Sybil and Vivian with them and made a home for them until Sybil's marriage. Martin's brother Will had already gone to Michigan and he helped them get established.

Margaret and her husband Norman Price and baby daughter, Norma Jean went to Michigan three months after her sisters left.

Martin worked for the Motor Wheel Corporation for several years then for Oldsmobile, Division of General Motors, until he retired after 35 years of service. They had another daughter, Patricia Beryl, in 1934.

Kathryn married Donald Pruden; a chemical engineer with Ford Motor Corporation. They had five children — Diane, David, Richard,

Douglas and Kevin. They all live in or near Detroit, Michigan. Riedels have three great-grandchildren. Patricia married Carlton Whitney, and they had one daughter; Sylvia. Carl died in 1977. He worked for the Consumer's Power Company of Michigan as a surveyor.

Sybil married Richard H. Clark in 1924; then Vivian went to live with Sybil and finished high school. The Clark's had one daughter, Irma Jane. Richard died in 1961 and Sybil lived alone, until 1975. She married Raymond Bell and moved to Arkansas and established a home in Russellville. Raymond died a year and a half later. Sybil is still living in Russellville. Their daughter Irma married Henry Lohr, Jr. They had two daughters; Mary Lou and Kathryn. Henry died in 1971. Irma later married Stuart Chalker. They live in Lansing Michigan. Mary Lou married Lee Suurmeyer and they had one daughter, Leanne. Mary Lou and Lee are now divorced.

Vivian married Henry T. Price in 1930. They had two sons — Terry Arnold and Timothy Michael. Henry died when Timothy was three years old. Vivian later married Earl M. DeWaters, an accountant. They lived in Lansing, Michigan until Earl retired in 1970. They had come to Arkansas on numerous trips and decided that was where they wanted to retire as the climate, economy and beauty of the state appealed to them. They became residents of Russellville, Arkansas in January

1971. They had one Daughter; Beth Ann. She is married to Michael Bradley a teacher in the Ypsilanti, Michigan high school. Beth works for Social Services. They have no children. Terry married Doris Hayes, and they have three daughters; Kerry Irene, Kelly Ann and Krista Sue. Their home is Richardson, Texas, where Terry is associated with the National Cash Register Corporation. He graduated from the Lansing Business College in Michigan. Timothy Price is unmarried and lives in San Diego, California. He is in Urban Planning and Real Estate. He and Beth Ann are graduates of Michigan State University.

Earl and Vivian are both members of the United Methodist church and are active in church and retirement activities.

by Vivian Moore DeWaters

THE DAVID FRAZIER MOORE FAMILY

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David Frazier Moore was born in Charlotte, North Carolina, March 21, 1851, and died November 27, 1937. Della Tefenia Osbourne was born in Charlotte, North Carolina February 10, 1856 and died January 23, 1928. David and Della were married January 14, 1873 in Charlotte and to this union was born: Mary Louella Moore Bidler, born January 2,

1874 and died January 25, 1955; Emma Elizabeth Moore Smallwood, born September 12, 1875, died August 28, 1926; Carrie Amanda Moore Mayfield, born October 23, 1876, died October 19, 1935. Laura Leona Moore Tate, born March 27, 1879, died April 28, 1964. M. Catherine Moore Parrish, born March 21, 1881, and died May 23, 1942. Augusta F. Moore, born October 13, 1883, died September 27, 1913. David Frazier Moore and wife came to Pope County, Arkansas and homesteaded a tract of land on Norristown Mountain, Russellville, Arkansas, in 1884. He built a log home and the five younger children were born there. They were: Zeb Vance Moore, born April 11, 1886, died February 12, 1909. Dewitt Talmadge Moore, born December 31, 1888, died February 11, 1950. Marium Mamie Pearl Moore Campbell, born June 5, 1891. Earnest Moore, born August 12, 1893, died January 26, 1956. Ida Lucile Moore Jolley, born June 17, 1896, died December 24, 1968.

Later David Frazier Moore bought land and built a two story home right on the top of Norristown Mountain. He later sold that property and built a beautiful home on the old homesteaded place.

Mr. Moore was a farmer and orchardist. He was a member of the Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge Number 274 F. and A.M. in Russellville.

by Mrs. Bob McAnulty

MARGARET PARTHENA MOORE 521

Margaret Parthena Moore, daughter of Louis and Elizabeth Moore, granddaughter of Amos and Parthena Moore, married Norman Aaron Price in January, 1922. In December, 1923, after crops were harvested, Margaret and Norman and daughter, Norma Jean, left Russellville by train to join the rest of the family who had moved to Lansing, Michigan, a few months earlier. Later Margaret and Norman had two other children — William Louis and Sharon Anne. William Louis, served in the Pacific fleet aboard the USS Kadashan Bay in World War II, and later married Joyce Arlene Blanding of Greenville, Michigan. He is a technician for the National Cash Register Company in Detroit, Michigan. They have seven children—Sheila Jo, William Louis, Jr., Robert Norman, Thomas Michael Ronald Terry, Wallace Eric, and Cheryl Lynn. Sheila is married to Daniel Swartz; they had two children — Jennifer and Bryan and live at Turk Lake, Michigan. William, Jr., married Diane Wisner, graduated from Michigan State University majoring in music. They now live in Morrice where he is band director at the high school. They have one son Benjamin William. Robert Norman is graduate of Michigan Tech and is employed by the Eaton Manufacturing Company as an engineer. He is married to Carol McIntyre and they live in Indian Trails, N.C. Thomas Michael is a Navy career man aboard the Batfish, a nuclear powered submarine. Ronald Terry is also in the Navy at Great Lakes Naval Training Base. Wallace Eric is a senior in high school. Cheryl is in junior

high school.

Sharon Anne married Clifton Little and they had three sons — Michael David, Brian Wayne, and Wendell Curtis. Later Sharon and Clifton were divorced and she married Harvey Purchis. They have one daughter, Sharon Anne. Harvey is a Quality Control Engineer at the Motor Wheel Corporation in Lansing, Mich. Michael David married Frances Riggs of Elizabethtown, Ky. He served three years in the Army and they now reside in Maysville, Ky. Brian Wayne is in the army at Fort Knox, Ky. Wendell Curtis is still living at home while attending a junior college in Lansing. Sharon attends junior high school in Charlotte, Michigan.

Norma Jean married Lee Gilman, now deceased. She is Registered Nurse, having graduated from Edward W. Sparrow Hospital School of Nursing, Lansing, Mich. She has held responsible positions throughout her nursing career and has been active in professional organizations and in the Church of the Nazarene. In 1976, Norma returned to Pope County and is now living in Russellville. She is a nursing instructor at the Johnson County Hospital in Clarksville, Ark. In March, 1977, Margaret and Norman Price moved to Russellville. Norma's son Randall Craig is a teacher for the mentally impaired at the Beekman Training Center in Lansing. He is married to the former Nancy Kaye Nulph of Alma, Michigan. They are both graduates of Central Michigan University. A daughter, Cynthia Margaret, is married to John Paul Dodds from Mitchell, Indiana. Both are graduates of Olivet Nazarene College in Kankakee, Ill. They are presently making their home in Kansas City, Missouri, where John is a Divinity student at the Nazarene Theological Seminary, and Cynthia is a certified teacher in Missouri and Kansas.

The Church of the Nazarene has played an important role in the religious life of this branch of the Moore family. Norman and Margaret served the church actively for many

years and now the grandchildren are involved in service for the church.

by Norma Gilman

WILLIAM NEWTON MOORE FAMILY

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William Newton Moore, born around 1850, and known as "Uncle Billy" was an early settler of Pope County. On October 12, 1887 he assisted with the organization of the St. Joe Freewill Baptist Church located at Pea Ridge north of Atkins. The original building has been replaced with a new one in which Sunday school and preaching is still held every Sunday. Uncle Billy was married to Mary Ann Riggs, and to them were born six children one of whom was John Wesley (Johnny) Moore.

John Wesley, in his later years, was called "Uncle Johnny" by most people. He was born Nov. 8, 1868 on Isabell Creek north of Atkins, and most of his life was spent in this area. It was here that he met Mary Carolyn Patterson, born May 11, 1870. They were married on September 12, 1886 in the Isabell Creek community with Shirk Peck performing the ceremony. They became the parents of nine children, all born and raised at the old home place on Isabell Creek. The family attended church at St. Joe, and the children walked one and a half miles to Burris school house. Uncle Johnny was a farmer, and about twice a year he would drive a wagon and team to Atkins for supplies for the family. These usually consisted mainly of staple items such as sugar, flour, coffee, etc. Most of the food was raised on the farm by the family. They often gathered apples from the orchard and buried them in sand in the cellar, and these were their Christmas apples. In 1920 Uncle Johnny moved with his wife and one daughter, Etta, to Atkins where he lived until his death on July 17, 1944. His wife died May 11, 1963. Two of their children, Cora and Etta,



Left to Right (John Wesley Moore Family). William, J.A. (Hobert), John Wesley (father), Mary Carolyn (Mother), Arizona, Hester, Etta, and Cora Moore. (Old home place located on Isabell Creek north of Atkins).



Duel and Etta Patterson and daughter, Atheleen.

are still living.

Cora (Mrs. Malon Davis) was born November 2, 1904. She lives in Atkins, and is a member of the Freewill Baptist Church at St. Joe. She has one son, Leo, married to Lesola May, and they are the parents of three children.

Etta was born April 20, 1907, and was married to Henry Duel Patterson on May 4, 1924. She and her husband live in Russellville, and are members of the First Freewill Baptist Church. They are life long residents of Pope County. H.D. (Duel) is a retired farmer and wholesaler of bananas. They have one daughter, Elizabeth Atheleen (Mrs. Emmett E. Wade) born Feb. 11, 1925 on Isabell Creek near the old home place of her grandparents, Johnny and Mary Moore.

Atheleen was raised in Pope County, attended Pottsville High School, Arkansas Tech, and has approximately seventeen years service as an employee of Western Arkansas Telephone Company. She was married to Emmett E. Wade on August 5, 1945. They currently reside in Russellville where Emmett is employed with the Arkansas Employment Security Division, and Atheleen is an employee of Jack N Jill Childrens Shop. Both are members of the Fifth and Greenwich Church of Christ. To them were born two sons, Michael Edward and Thomas Anthony.

Michael (Mike), born July 19, 1946, graduated from Arkansas Tech University, spent four years in the U.S. Air Force from which he received an honorable discharge with the rank of Staff Sergeant. He is married to Elaine Turney (Quitman, Ark) and they have a son, Seth Edward, and a daughter, Amanda Heather. Mike and Elaine are members of the Fifth and Greenwich Church of Christ in Russellville.

Thomas Anthony (Tony), born July 4, 1949, is a graduate of Arkansas Tech University, and he is married to Bettye Gaye Henson (Cave Creek, Ark), and they have two children, Angela Kelli and Teri Michelle. Tony and Bettye are also members of the Fifth and Greenwich Church of Christ.

Mike and Tony with their families reside in Russellville, and both are contractors with the Corps of Engineers, and also do building and construction of dwellings.

by Mrs. Atheleen Wade

ALEXANDER ROSS MOORES

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In the spring of 1895, Alexander Ross Moores, of Richmond, Arkansas, was prospecting for a more healthful location for his family and for a more promising community in which to re-establish his business. Richmond was at that time the county seat of Little River County. Ashdown now has that distinction.

The well known of Jeff Davis families were also old residents of Richmond but in 1895 were living in Russellville. Mr. Moores spent the night with Judge Davis, father of Jeff, while on his way to Fayetteville with the thought of locating in the University town and the Ozarks area.

Judge Davis had other ideas. Russellville was a growing town. There was a need for a new mercantile business. A brand new store building was for rent on the site now occupied by the Leming Drug Store. A lovely home was offered for sale and would be available for early occupancy.

As a result, the new store building was rented. A new stock of goods was brought from St. Louis. The new owners took possession and "THE NEW STORE" came into being.

The preceding was written by Mrs. Nellie Virginia Cook Moores, wife of A.R. Moores, who was born November 5, 1861, the day Lincoln was elected for his first term. Her mother, Mrs. Ellen Van Voorhees Cook of Holly Springs, Mississippi, became an investor in The New Store and after Mr. Moores death the firm was incorporated as E.V. Cook Mercantile Co. Managers of the store were William Oates, W.H. Lueker, Van A.R. Moores, and Van Moores Jr. Begun as a furnishing store it developed into a junior department store serving the area for over 81 years until it was closed out in 1977. Van A.R. Moores Sr. was born in Russellville in 1895, married Eileen Allbritten after serving in World War I, and was a church, business, and civic leader until his death in 1966. Ula Moores was born in Richmond and moved to Russellville with her parents at the age of five. While employed as a teacher in the school district she met and married Dr. W.L. Hurie, pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church who

later was president of the College of the Ozarks for more than 26 years. Their daughter Mary Virginia married Paul E. Parks of North Carolina and they reside in Savannah, Georgia.

Van Moores Jr. married Mary Alice Wepfer of Nashville, Ark., in 1950. They had two daughters, Mary Eileen, who is a graduate of Hendrix College, and Brenda, a graduate of the University of Missouri School of Journalism. In 1961 Van married Marilyn Hartje of Conway, Arkansas. They are members of the First United Methodist Church and co-owners of Shinn Funeral Services, Inc.

by Van A. R. Moores

THE MORELANDS

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The MORELANDS who were early settlers of Pope County, Arkansas, were the sons and grandsons of JAMES and MARY (GARNER) MORELAND of Union County, South Carolina. James Moreland died there about 1 October 1833, leaving his wife, Mary and eight children. Soon after his death his son William Wyatt Emsley Moreland and wife Maria (Stribling) Moreland and family, and his sister Malinda Moreland who had married William Williams and their children left for Arkansas. (It is possible that an older brother Levin Walter Moreland, a Minister, had already gone to Arkansas before James died. Reverend Levin Walter Moreland died in Yell County, Arkansas, (will dated 17 June 1845). We believe he was a son, but as yet have only family names to connect him to our family.) By 1836 three of the Moreland brothers owned a Steam Sawmill in Pope County: Orman Kimbro Moreland, Jeremiah Moreland and William Wyatt Emsley Moreland. Orman Kimbro Moreland is shown on the Census of 1840 in Pope County, but in 1841 he turned everything he owned there including his 346 acres of land over to his brother W.W.E. Moreland and from then until the 1870's his son Robert Rufus Moreland seemed to be in charge of the Sawmill. There was for many years a Post Office in Pope County named, we believe, for our Moreland brothers.

THE MORELANDS BY FAMILIES:

ORMAN KIMBRO MORELAND (born 16 March 1812, N.C. died 14 February 1860 in Sevier County, Arkansas) married Jane V. Foster in Union Co. S.C. 31 August 1828 and had: William Adolphus Moreland b 18 December 1832 married 1. Jane Stevenson; James M. Moreland b 25 July 1836 S.C. married Sarah Jane (unknown); Sarah A. Moreland born 10 Nov. 1840 married William Hastings Carlton 2 Sept. 1874 in Cass County, Texas; Elizabeth Jane Moreland born 16 December 1843 Johnson Co. Ark. married 1. John R. Henderson; Marily Emily Moreland born 13 Dec. 1847 Ark.; Amanda Rebecca Moreland born 7 Jan. 1852 Ark.

Family of WILLIAM WYATT EMSLEY MORELAND: wife was Maria Stribling, He was born in 1802 in N.C. Children: Thaddeus born 1835; Benjamin born 1828; James Clinton born 1832; Robert Rufus born 1834; William Henry Harrison Moreland born 1840; Frances

Moreland born 1836.

Family of JEREMIAH MORELAND AND WIFE MARY A. Children: Luveser C. born 1831 S.C.; James T. born 1833 S.C. Mary A. born 1834 S.C.; Emilia born 1836 Arkansas; Edward born 1838 Arkansas; Rufus born 1843 Ark.; Josephine born 1844 Ark.; Zapherine born 1846 Ark.; Laury born 1849 Ark.

Family of MALINDA MORELAND and her husband WILLIAM WILLIAMS: children Mary Ann Williams born 1834 S.C.; John Williams born 1836 Ark.; James C. Williams born 1838 Ark.; Sarah Jane born 1842 Ark.; Julia C. born 1844; Joseph Williams born 1846; Charles M. Williams born 1851; and James Williams born 1847.

The family of ANDREW JACKSON MORELAND and wife Mary Ann (unknown) children; Mary Emily born 1843 Ark. and James born 1847 Ark. They may have had other children.

The writer of this information is a great granddaughter of ORMAN KIMBRO MORELAND through his daughter, Sarah A. Moreland who married William Hastings Carlton, parents of my father, John Thomas Carlton.

by Marie Carlton Wilkerson

ORMAN KIMBRO MORLEAND

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One of the early settlers of Pope Co., Ark. (1840 census) was Orman Kimbro Moreland, (son of James) born March 16, 1812, married Aug. 31, 1828, Jane V. Foster, born Sept. 1, 1813 S. C. Orman and Jane with two small sons, moved all of their possessions from their home on the Pacelot River in Union Co., S.C., to settle in Ark. It is from this family that Moreland, Ark. gets its name.

Orman and family moved about or did a lot of visiting, before his death Feb. 14, 1860, Sevier Co., Ark., leaving a widow and six children. (1) William Adolphus, born Dec. 14, 1832 Union Co., S.C., died July 10, 1897, buried Wortham, Freestone Co., Tex. He first married Nov. 16, 1854, Hempstead Co., Ark. Jane Elizabeth, (daughter of John and Nancy (Yates) Stevenson) born Aug., 26, 1832, died July 10, 1878, Navarra Co., Tex., To this union was born, (A) Nancy Jane, Oct. 28, 1855, died Dec. 6, 1878. (B) Mary Elizabeth, June 17, 1858, died Aug. 25, 1874. (C)Martha Ann, Jan. 25, 1860, married Oct. 2, 1883 A.L. Jones. (D) William Kimbro, Feb. 8, 1862, Hopkins Co., Tex., died Sept. 28, 1914, Buried Jayton, Kent Co., Tex., married Sept. 16, 1883, Annie Elizabeth, (daughter of James T. and Mary (Thomas) Sexton). They had fourteen children, names not given. (A Granddaughter, Louise (Stracener) Payne, 3609 W. Potter Dr., Glendale, Az., helped prepare this sketch). (E) James Henry, May 23, 1868, died 1927, buried Jayton, Tex., married Minnie (daughter of Robert and Martha Henritta (Stevenson) Raiford). (F) Ella Lee, Oct. 25, 1870, died Feb. 1937, married first J.M. Trent and second Ed Dial. After the death of his first wife, William, married April 9, 1884 Amelia Matilda (daughter of William K. Leetch). They had two children, (G) Robert Adolphus, June 17, 1886, died 1973 buried

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Jayton, Kent Co., Tex., married Dec. 5, 1921 Bertha May Vencil. (H) Lula Ivora, Jan. 4, 1889, she died unmarried. (2) James M. Moreland, born July 25, 1836, Union Co., S. C., married July 1, 1860 Sevier Co., Ark. Sarah Gabell Jackson, (3) Sarah Ann Moreland, Nov. 10, 1840 Johnson Co., Ark., died Jan. 22, 1884, Cass Co., Tex., married Sept. 2, 1874, William Hastings Carlton, (son of William Elias and Mary (Hastings) Carlton), Sarah was Williams second wife, they had four children. (a) Ada Elizabeth Carlton, Nov. 14, 1878, Cass Co., Tex., died Nov. 6, 1970, buried in Texarkana, Tex., married, Dec 12, 1898, Ennis C. Bryon. (b) John Thomas Carlton, Feb. 21, 1880, Cass Co., Tex., died Jan. 8, 1955 at Idalou and buried at Resthaven Cemetery Lubbock, Tex., married Jan. 12, 1912, Era Verona Bryan. (Information on this family is given by their Daughter, Marie (Carlton) Wilkerson, 154 East Salem Dr., Montgomery, Ala.) (c) James Elan Carlton, Aug. 30, 1881, Cass Co., died 1935, unmarried. (d) Mary Emily Carlton, Jan. 2, 1884, Cass Co., Tex., died Aug. 5, 1901, unmarried. She and her parents are buried Creekmore Cemetery, Dalton, Tex. (4) Elizabeth Jane Moreland, Dec. 16, 1843, Arkansas Co., Ark., died Dec. 7, 1905, buried Tira Cemetery, Hopkins Co., Tex. She first married, March 1, 1862, Sevier Co., Ark., John Hendrickson, and second, Green Smiddy, they had Tom, Ella, and Sally. (5) Mary E. Moreland, born Dec. 13, 1847 De Sota Co., Miss. (6) Amanda Rebecca Moreland, born Jan. 7, 1852 Quachita Co., Ark. She married Samuel J. Wilson, they had Hugh, Luther, John, Emma and Virgil. (Amanda's Granddaughter, Mrs. Helen Mercer, 1107 W. 7th. Street, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, has the original Bible of Orman and Jane, the source used for names, birth place and birth dates for their children.).

In 1833 the estate of James Moreland was sold in Union Co., S.C., where he died, leaving a widow, (believed to be, nee, Mary Garner), and eight children. The older children were born in N.C. and the younger ones in S.C. This may have been due to the change in the state lines. The known children were, (1) William Wyatt Emsley, born 1802, married Moriah Stribling then Tennessee Hogan, (1850 they were in Johnson Co., Ark.) one of their Sons, Robert Rufus and wife Sarah (Madden) Moreland lived in Pope Co., in 1860. (2) Jeremiah, born 1805, and wife Mary A., were in Quachita Co., Ark., 1850. I believe it was their Daughter, Mary, that Married Aron Franklin in Pope Co., Ark., Aug, 23, 1860. (3) Orman Kimbro, born 1812, (of this sketch). (4) Malinda, born 1814, married William Williams, and lived in Johnson Co., Ark. It is believed the other children were, (5) Mary, (6) Leven Walter, married Mary James May, (7) Robert K. and, (8) Andrew.

by Mrs. Robert Payne

WILLIAM WYATT EMSLEY MORELAND

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William W.E. Moreland (1802-1863) came

to Arkansas Territory from Union County, S.C. in the summer of 1834, bringing his wife, Moriah (Stribling) Moreland and four small children; Thadeus F. 9, Benjamin F. 6, Jason C. 2, and Robert R. 1. There would be born to this family in Arkansas; Frances E. (1836), William H.H. (1840), Alfred J. (1842), Caroline V. (1844), Linley Marcus (1846), and Thomas (1848).

Although W.W.E. Moreland first settled in the Pittsburg Neighborhood of Johnson County, by 1837 he was joined in Arkansas by brothers; Jeremiah, Orman Kimbro, and Andrew. Also arriving in 1837 was a sister, Milinda (Moreland) Williams.

Having been moderate land owners and farmers in South Carolina, the Morelands quickly obtained land and began farming. William W.E. Moreland and Jeremiah Moreland entered land in Pope County in 1839 and 1841. Thadeus F. Moreland entered land in this county in 1849. Prior to 1850 the Morelands owned land in Pope and Johnson Counties.

In 1838, W.W.E. Moreland and his brother, Orman K. Moreland purchased from B.H. Martin and Mat. M. Martin, a steam sawmill and grist mill located on Cedar Creek in the west part of Pope County. These mills were operated by the Morelands until 1858 when they were sold to Joseph A. Wilson and Robert J. Wilson by the Moreland sons, Jason C. and Robert R.

Thadeus F. Moreland married Mary E.?, there were no known children. Benjamin F. Married Mary Emeline May of Pope County, Sept. 30, 1851, Rev. Lewis Johnson officiating. Jason Clinton Moreland and Mary E. Turner were married November 27, 1856 by the Rev. Anderson Cox. Robert R. Moreland and Sarah Adelia Madden were married September 7, 1857 by the Rev. Anderson Cox at the home of James Madden. Their children were; Robert Emsley, Jeff Davis, and T.B. Sarah died in 1867 and Robert later married Tennessee Hogan. There children were; Louisa Hogan, Mary J. (Icy), Lillie A., Ann, and Maud. Frances E. never married. William H.H. Moreland went to Texas after the civil war and married Mary E. Bidby. They had five children, Molly, Cassie, Robert H., Flora P., and Elijah D., all of whom resided in northeast Texas.

Alfred J. never married and was killed during the civil war. Caroline Virginia died young. Linley Marcus married Annie E. Houston, reportedly a distant relative of Sam Houston, they had one child, Robert A. Moreland. Thomas Moreland died young. There are apparently no Moreland descendants now living in Pope County.

The original Postoffice of Moreland, Arkansas was established May 22, 1856, about one and one-half miles northwest of what is now Moreland, Arkansas. This Postoffice was apparently named for the Moreland Township and according to the recent Postmaster, Ralph H. Graham, the name was for the Pioneer Moreland Families of Pope County.

Although W.W.E. Moreland lived most of his years in Johnson County, he, along with his descendants contributed significantly to the early development of Pope County by pro-

viding lumber, services, cattle, stock and farm products.

by Warren E. Moreland

EZEKIEL & NANCY (KENDRICK) MORPHIS, EARLY PIONEERS

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Ezekiel MORPHIS, b ca 1793 in TN, was married (possibly in TN) to Nancy (whose maiden name is thought to have been KENDRICK/KINDRECK.) The parents of Ezekiel and Nancy are still undetermined. Nancy was b ca 1795 in TN. At least (11) children were born of this union, all in TN prior to the move to Arkansas in the mid 1800's.

Ezekiel & Nancy MORPHIS, with their family were enumerated residing with their son Augustine and his wife Malissa on the 1860 Randolph County Arkansas census. Age reported was Ezekiel 67, and Nancy age 65 years.

It is very possible that there are present day Pope County descendants who could add much to this family history from their own family records. The following information (complete in no way) has been compiled from records found in Pope County Marriage records, Atkins Chronicle publications, Pope County Cemetery and Funeral Home records — prior to the publication of the Pope County Cemetery Books. Various census records were also researched. The compiler has interviewed several Pope County residence through the generous hospitality of Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Kendrick of Pottsville. Lloyd is also directly descended from Ezekiel & Nancy (Kendrick) Morphis.

Children of Ezekiel & Nancy (probably KENDRICK) MORPHIS are thought to have been as follows, not necessarily in this exact birth order: Mary MORPHIS born in Tenn; married to Wint Bowden; Rene Morphis born in Tenn; married to (Tom?) Kendrick; Hannah MORPHIS born in 1817 in Tenn. Probably never married as she was Hannah MORPHIS, 89 Yr Old in the 7 Sept 1906 issue of the "Atkins Chronicle." Lucy H. MORPHIS born in 1827 in Tenn. Susan Ann MORPHIS born 24 February 1832 in Tenn; married 7 September 1854 @Pope County ARKANSAS to James I. Scott who was called Prarie Jim on Crow Mtn. He was the son of George Washington & Mary (called Polly) Hill Scott who were also Early Pope County Pioneers. (7) Children were born as follows: Joseph Auguston (called Joe), John Green (compiler's grandfather), Rhoda Ann, Mary Elizabeth, William Jimmy, George Washington, & Samuel; all were thought to have been born on Crow Mtn or in the Gum Log TWP.

She died 31 December 1914 at her home on Crow Mtn, just one minute before the clock struck midnight to ring in the NEW YEAR. The Atkins Chronicle reported date of death as 01 January 1915, but the son and grandson who were present tell this story about the clock ringing shortly after they found her dead. She is buried by her husband at HASKINS CEMETERY on Crow Mtn. (NOTE: Jim & Susie SCOTT were the compiler's great

grand parents.) (Miss) Elizabeth (called Liz) MORPHIS born in 1834, in Tenn. Never married as she was listed as Miss on the 07 September 1906 issue of Atkins Chronicle when she was age 89 years of age. Nancy MORPHIS born in 1839/40 Tenn; married to Will Heflin. Joseph D. (called Joe) MORPHIS born in 1840 Tenn; married 14 February 1856 @Pope County Arkansas to Nancy Emmaline Brewer, ages 21 & 16. (11) Children were as follows: Dowell, Zeke, Sidney, George, Jim, John William (called Billy), Martha, Caroline, Harriett, Hubert, & Homer. Joe was the oldest of twin boys (this is verified in the 07 Sept 1906 Atkins Chronicle) who remembered the trip from TN to ARK when just a small boy. Augustine/Augustus (called Gus, Joe's twin); born in 1840 in Tenn. Married Malisa Gideon per Pope County Marriage Book "C" page 37, 1856. He was age 21 years. (12) Children were as follows: Henry, Eziekel Francis (called Frank), Narcissus (called Doat), Lucy H, Nancy E., Jasper, Liz (probably the Eliza Jane whose home he was in when he died), Hannah, Rene, Charlotte, Suzie, & Joseph William (also called Billy.) D. on Crow Mountain at the home of Eliza Jane (called Liz) MORPHIS. G— D— ? MORPHIS; born 1842, in Tenn. per the 1860 Randolph County Arkansas Census. Charlotte MORPHIS born in Tenn; married Dave Harris. Children are not known, but one grandson is said to be Clayde Harris who was living on Crow Mtn near Maple Springs School District in 1975.

by (Mrs.) Marcus Leo Fletcher

FRANK MORTON

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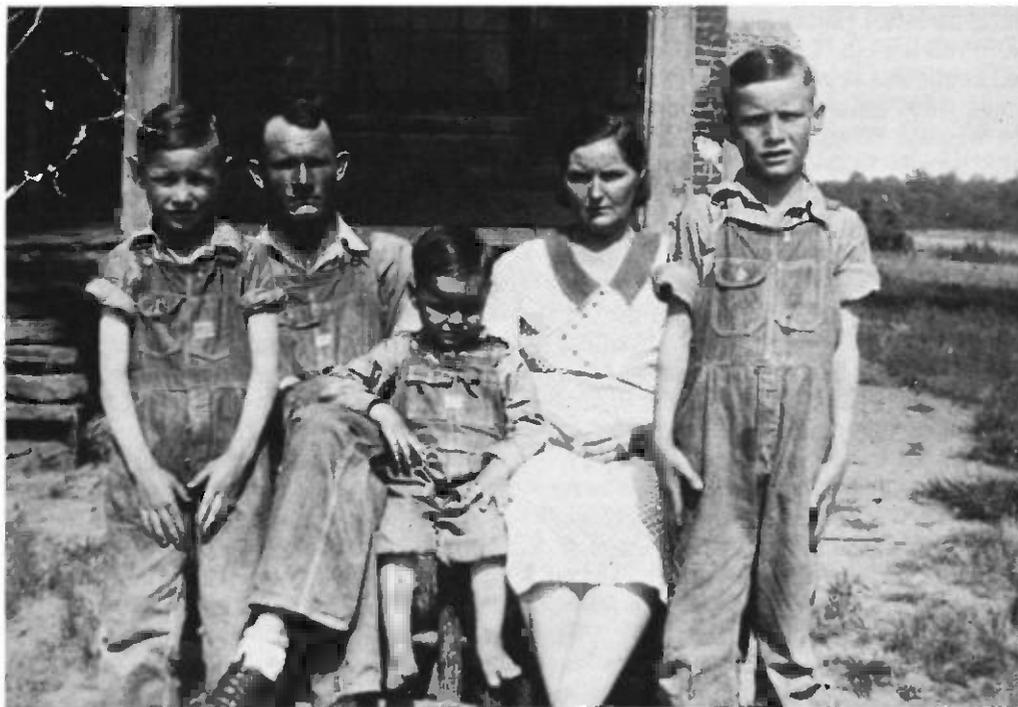
Frank Morton, born in Albemarle, N.C., 1850 was the oldest of a large family. He was

a corn-husker and N.C. champion wheat cradler. For 7 years, he traveled extensively while working in Northern States. Betty Bumbalow, his grandmother, was a Cherokee who, as a young maiden, escaped "The Trail of Tears" by hiding when large numbers of Indians were moved to Oklahoma. In 1880, he came to Arkansas by train, settling between Pottsville and South New Hope. He married Louella Hunter, daughter of Berry and Nancy Hunter about 1889. The Hunters, former Georgians, traveling by steamboat, settled near Reed's Ferry and engaged in farming. Berry was wounded while serving the Confederacy. Two (2) sons died as infants. Alma, John, Lawrence, Ruff, Delphia, and Dow reached adulthood. Frank was a farmer. Once the family traveled to Palmer, Texas by covered wagon but later returned to Pope County. He died suddenly in 1909. Lawrence was killed by lightning while taking shelter under a tree during a rainstorm. In 1944, LouElla passed away, and was buried on Mother's Day. John died in an automobile accident. Alma, 87, and Ruff, 81 are still living.

James Dow was born in the Pottsville area in 1904. He left home at an early age and enlisted in the Army when 16 years old, serving at Ft. Eustis, Va. Forty-Eight (48) years later his grandson, Jim Morton, also served there. In 1924, he and Delphia Workman, daughter of George and Georgia Ann Rackley Workman, were united in marriage. The Workman's were pioneer farmers near Pottsville. To them were born three sons: Edward in 1925, Wilson in 1927, and Charles in 1930. Edward and Wilson became auto mechanics, Charles farmed. Dow farmed in Holly Bend Bottom. Automobiles and radios were scarce in those days, but in 1930 he acquired one of each. Each Saturday night found their home wall to wall with people who came to



Morton Family
Standing — Ruff, Larence, Alma, John. Seated — Delphia, Frank, Lou Ella, Dow.



Wilson, Dow, Charles, Delphia and Edward Morton.

hear "The Grand Ole Opry" on the old six battery radio. They stayed until it left the air at midnight. Dow died in 1952; Delphia passed away in 1976. They and their parents are buried in Pisgah Cemetery near Pottsville.

In 1925, James Edward was born three miles south of Pottsville. He served as an Infantryman in World War II, was in the Battle of the Bulge and was among the first American troops entering Berlin, Germany. In 1946, he married Alma Snoddy, daughter of Frank and Pearl Ferguson Baker, whose forefathers were Montgomery County pioneers. She joined him in Berlin, where he was serving with Army Occupation Forces. A son, James M. was born in 1947. The army returned the family Stateside in 1948 because of the Russian Blockade of Berlin. A daughter, Jane was born in 1949. During most of his 20 years as an auto mechanic, he operated his own business. Disability forced his retirement in 1970. He was active in Community affairs; serving as Mayor of Pottsville 1970-1975, was instrumental in acquiring a City Hall, Fire Department, and Water System. He and both his children graduated from Pottsville High School. 1944-1965-1967. Except for 3-4 years, grandchildren of great-grandchildren of Frank Morton have attended Pottsville schools for the past 55 years. Two attend presently.

James M. (Jim) served 3 years in the Army; one year in Viet Nam. In 1970, while his sister and her husband were with the army in Berlin, he visited them, his birthplace, parents former home and Miss Emma Treger, the German lady who lived with his parents twenty-two years earlier. In 1977, he received an Accounting Degree from Arkansas Tech University, and is employed by Bechtel Power, Corp. in Russellville, Arkansas. Jane Morton Armstrong has one daughter, Kelly, and a son, Ricky. These families live in Pottsville and attend the Baptist Church.

J.E. Morton

JUDSON COLE MORTON

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My mother, Ola Morton Robertson, ask me to write the history of her family, the Judson Cole Morton's. I'm writing a few things I remember about Grandpa Morton. He was a very special person to me. As our birthdays was only one day apart, his on Oct 3, and mine Oct. 4, we always celebrated them together as long as he was close enough to come to my house after I married Fred Motley. I'd always trim his mustache and cut his hair. Also his special dish was vegetable beef soup, so I'd make this for him.

Also, Uncle Elmer, "we kids" called him Uncle L., he and Aunt May didn't have any children of their own, so they helped raise Aunt Lula's daughter, Marth Lillian, and Uncle L. would go to Russellville in a wagon pulled by a team of mules. He'd sit on a bale of hay and when we'd see him coming back would run out to the road and he'd pitch quarters and half dollars out to us. We'd be thrilled to get the money. So he and Aunt May were very special to me.

Then Aunt Carrie and Uncle Guy families and "Mother and Dad", Ola and Winfred's families would get together on the 4th of July each year. The boys, especially Robert and Wheeler would see who could eat the most pie at one setting. So, you can see that we all had a lot of fun growing up.

Judson Cole Morton, born Oct. 3, 1852, in the state of Mississippi, died Jan. 12, 1946 in California and was buried at Pisgah Cemetery, Pottsville, Arkansas.

His family came over from London England and George Morton chartered the Mayflower and Speedwell. The first American novel, "The Power of Sympathy" was written by Sarah Morton, published in 1789. The first free Public School was established by John Morton at Plymouth in 1671. The first Vice President of Harvard was the Rev. Charles

Morton who came over in 1636.

Judson Cole Morton came to Pope County, around the year 1892. He farmed land on the road to Bethany. During the Civil War, he owned slaves and when they were freed he gave each a piece of land to build a house on and live there if they wished. He first married Sallie Walraven and they had no children. His second marriage was to Sarah Cloud and they were the parents of three children: Elmer, Lillie, and Will T. Morton.

Elmer Morton, born Dec. 13, 1882, married May Follet, of St. Louis, Mo. and they had no children.

Lillie Edna Morton, born Sept. 3, 1884, married William Bruce Porter to whom was born one daughter, Floy Bruce Porter Jones. Lillie married a second time to a Ferguson and they were the parents of John Thomas Ferguson, born May 6, 1912. Lillie Ferguson died April 28, 1973, at Pottsville.

Will T. Morton, born Jan 20, 1886, married Susie Falls, daughter of Erastus Falls, Dec. 12, 1909. They were the parents of: Sybil, born Dec. 3, 1910, married Cloud Helley and they have one boy and two girls; Dr. Roscoe Morton, born July 28, 1903, married Mary Jane Tolliver and they now live in St. Louis; Reba, born 1915, died Oct. 17, 1943; W.T., Jr., born Jan. 13, 1919, married Vivian Witehoff and have two children, one boy and a girl but now divorced; Geraldine, born May 4, 1921, married Charles Hamilton Tabler; Hazel Jean, born Feb. 27, 1923, married Acie Lee Wiggans and they have one daughter; two infants, Donald and Larry who died in infancy.

Judson Cole Morton, married the third time to Martha Whitely and they had four children: Frank, Carrie, Ola and Lula Morton. (Another died in infancy). H. Frank Morton, born July 20, 1889, married Minnie Ethel Matthews of Lamar, Ark., and they were the parents of eleven children: Henry Funston, born March 12, 1917, died from an injury in being thrown from a horse on Dec. 8, 1932; Iva Marie married Howard Dole and they have two girls, Rita and Ruby; Ethel Geneva, married Howly Bishop; Leland Matthews, married Esther Alma Lang; Aaron Cole, married June Miller; William Don, married VELMA Haskins; Reuben O., married Betty Berry; James Lawrence, married Majorie Sue Hinton; Daniel Foster Frank Ralph; Lis Jane; Paul Joseph, born between Ruben and James died when about two years old with pneumonia.

Carrie Morton, born June 18, 1893. At the time of her birth, they lived where Mr. Holland lives now. She married Guy Ferguson and their children were: Robert Morton Ferguson; Ilah; Katie Ellen; Martha Lou; Mary Geneva, Guy Jr., Don and Dean.

Ola Morton was born June 1, 1897, close to where Jack Jones lives at this time. She married Winfred G. Robertson Nov. 15, 1913. Guy and Carrie were their escorts. Mr. Tom King, JP at Pottsville said the ceremony. They sat in front of the King home in a buggy, drawn by a horse. This was the mode of travel at this time. Born to this marriage was six children: Ena, born Aug. 28, 1914, married Horsting Bowden and they had one boy and three girls; Edna, born Oct. 4, 1915, married Fred W. Motley and their children were one

girl and three boys. Paul William Motley, their youngest son was killed in Vietnam, Feb. 23, 1969 at the age of 23, and left one son, Dennis Paul Motley. Edna remarried to Orval Ray Moore, March 31, 1962, at Floydada, Texas. Wheeler Robertson, born Dec. 3, 1917, married Leota Teeter and they have two boys and one girl; Winfred Judson (Dub), was born Nov. 16, 1919, married June Wood and they had four boys and one girl who died at birth; Paul, born Feb. 9, 1922, married Naomi Hughes and they had two girls; Glen, married Clara Wood, and they had four girls.

Lula Morton, born Sept. 2, 1900, married Fred Williamson and two children were born to this marriage: John Cole and Martha Lillian. Lula divorced Fred and she married again to Hershell Hartsill, and they have one child, Loren Hartsill.

Judson Cole married the fourth time to Eva Lee Bradford Green, widow of F.M. Green, and born to this union was J.E., born May 15, 1926. After his fourth marriage, he lived in Russellville for several years, then Eva moved to California and he and J.C. remained in Arkansas. He made his home with a son, Elmer for several years and then as he grew older, he went to California and lived with Eva until his death.

by Edna Motley Moore

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In 1810 James P. Moses was born in North Carolina. He crossed the Mississippi River in a wagon train with the Dillons and other Moses relatives. He and his wife Zinia George spent some time in Tennessee but moved to Arkansas in 1836, the year it became a state. They settled near Piney Creek on Colony Mountain. For a while that area was listed in Johnson County. Their children were Elgyerah, Lucyan, Nancy, Harden George, Saffrony, William David, Franky, Anna Elizabeth and Mary Lucrecy. James P. died June 7, 1900, the day his great-granddaughter, Stella Mae Moses, was born.

Harden (1839-1917) married Judith Neal in

1866. He and his brother both fought in the Civil War. William never returned. It was assumed he was killed in battle. Harden fought in several battles including Gettysburg and Chesapeake Bay. He was awarded several medals. He was always active in Old Soldiers' Reunions at Gravel Hill and Clarksville. He bought a new Confederate Uniform about 1915 to be buried in. He loved his farm and his family and was usually found in the "Amen" Corner in his Church. Judith never worked in the fields but made fancy cookies called "plaits" and "kisses" and peach cobbler with cream dip for the grandchildren. Their children were James, William Wesley, Jesse, Thomas, George, Joe, John, Betty and Nora. Harden was buried in 1917 at Pollard Cemetery.

William Wesley became a prosperous landowner and sawmiller.

Joe and his twin brother John were born in 1880. They were very close all their lives. When one moved the other soon followed. Joe was married to Ester Carroll Sept. 10, 1899. Their children were Stella Mae (June 7, 1900), Fuller (Mutt), Rudolph, Nelle and Belle. Four young sons died in childhood. Joe moved over. He took his family to Kansas City and Oklahoma where he owned a General Store. He worked in Coal Mines and owned a Meat Market south of the railroad on Commerce Street in Russellville. Most of the time he farmed. After his death in 1952 his wife moved to Scottsville to live with her oldest child, Stella Mae Goates, until she was buried in Pollard Cemetery in 1959. Her son "Mutt" traveled the nation as a Produce Broker then retired in Dover before his death in 1977.

Stella Mae married Arvle Goates December 22, 1923 after teaching school since she was 18 years old. She had a wide circle of friends in the Pleasant Grove and Tag Communities as a young lady and has kept in contact with many of them more than 60 years. She taught school at Laurel, Solo, Mineral Springs and a conscription school at Mt. Pleasant, now called Goates' Mountain. She was converted in 1914 and remained very active in Church Work all her life. She taught Sunday School most of her life and had been called one of the



Stella Mae Moses
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County's best teachers. She was an avid Bible Scholar and read the entire Bible more than 65 times. The family home is still at Scottsville but at the present time she and her daughter Charity live in Russellville. Other children are Evelyn Huffman, Joie Stevens and Samuel Moses Goates. One daughter Lily Nelle died in childhood. She also raised a foster child Helen. She has a very close association with all members of her family and every child, In-Law and Grandchild almost always make it from wherever they are in the nation to "Grandma House" on Christmas Eve. Her love of reading, music and spiritual things have bound her family together and all of them are active in Church and school activities. She guided her family with love and faith in God that kept them true to the ideals she supported. She organized the first Christ's Ambassadors group in the Dover area. This was for the spiritual training and fellowship of teenagers and other young people.

by Charity Goates

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Joe and Ester Moses



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FRED MOTLEY FAMILY

Edna Robertson, daughter of Winfred G. Robertson, married Fred W. Motley, April 16, 1932, son of George E. Motley. Edna Lorene Robertson was born Oct. 4, 1915 at Pottsville and Fred Willis Motley was born Aug. 24, 1912, at Russellville, Ark. and died April 22, 1955 in Idalou, Texas and is buried at Lubbock, Texas. We lived in and around Pottsville, Ark., until the year 1944. We lived in the house with Fred's parents Mr. and Mrs. George Motley the first year and half of our marriage, Fred farmed with his dad. I helped with all the housework and worked in the fields in the summer and fall. We also helped milk and feed the cows and horses. We pieced quilts and quilted them in the winter time. I loved Fred's parents as my own for they were so good to us.

We moved in a small house on the farm and farmed another year there, then moved to Grandad Robertson's Home place and farmed there. Two of our children were born there. LeeRoy and Betty. Then we bought the old Buck Rogers farm and lived there and then Robert Fred was born, there in 1942. We moved to Texas in 1944 and Paul was born in 1945. They all married and I have seven grandchildren and one great-grandson.

George LeeRoy Motley, born in 1937, married Catherine Worthington, Jan. 31, 1958.

Betty Lovenia Motley, born in 1940, married Ken Taylor Weaver, Jan. 18, 1958.

Robert Fred Motley, born in 1942, married Sheila Keley, March 26, 1965.

Paul William Motley, born in 1945, married Elaine Miller Sept. 26, 1963. Paul William was killed in action in the Viet Nam War, Feb. 23, 1969.

After the death of Fred Motley, I later married Oval Ray Moore and we live in Idalou, Texas.

by Edna Motley Moore

CLEMENT MULLINS

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WILLIS FRANKLIN MULLINS AND WIFE — FRANCIS ISADORA DODSON MULLINS — 1917.

Clement Mullins, born in South Carolina, 1807, and his wife Prisous (or Prussia), born in South Carolina, 1811, moved to Pope County, Ark., from Georgia about 1858. From census records, it seems that they had at least nine children: James, Clement, Pickney, Clementine, Prussia, Nancy, Lewis, Sarah, and Willis Franklin.

Willis Franklin Mullins, the youngest son of Clement and Prisous Mullins, was born in Georgia, April 22, 1854. He married Francis Izadora Dodson, born Oct. 16, 1858, the daughter of Elisha and Nanie Saterfield Dod-

son. His occupation was farming. The children of this family were: Prisous Nanie, born July 4, 1878; Heatha Ellean, born Dec. 13, 1879; Tillie May, born July 27, 1881; Charles Franklin, born March 30, 1883; twins, Ida Myrtle, born Sept. 5, 1884, and Ada Cecil, born Sept. 5, 1884; Elmer Jackson, born Feb. 7, 1887; Mary Etter, born Oct. 18, 1888; George Edward, born July 25, 1891; Robert Elishie, born March 23, 1894; Fannie Bet, born April 10, 1895; twins, Burl Green and Earl Eugene, born June 19, 1897; Willis Theodore, born Sept. 28, 1901. Willis Franklin Mullins died April 24, 1918, and his wife Francis Izadora died Dec. 14, 1935. Both are buried in Center Valley (Old Baptist) Cemetery, Pope Co., Ark.

George Edward Mullins married Mary Emma Jordan, daughter of Clement and Mariah Jordan, on Oct. 22, 1908. They were the parents of twelve children (see Jordan family). George Edward Mullins died March 8, 1971, and is buried in the Haskell Cemetery, Haskell, Oklahoma. His wife Mary Emma still resides in Haskell, Okla.

by Sandra Bone

GEORGE EDWARD MULLINS

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George Edward Mullins married Mary Emma Jordan, daughter of Clem W. Jordan who was born on February 15, 1865. Mariah E. Carter was born on Nov. 16, 1869. They were married on Nov. 27, 1887. They lived in Pope County near Russellville and raised a large family.

Willis Franklin Mullins was born on April 22, 1854. Francis Izadora Dotson was born on Oct. 16, 1858. They were married about 1877 and a large family was born to that household. They lived near Russellville, Pope County, for several years.

George Edward Mullins, son of W.F. and Francis Mullins, and Mary Emma Jordan, daughter of Clem and Mariah Jordan, were married in 1908 in Pope County. They lived in that area and in other parts of Arkansas until 1920 when they moved to Oklahoma. Two daughters were born in Pope County; Heatha Lucille and Lola Mariah. Two other daughters and two sons were born in another part of Arkansas; Norma Mae, Willis Loy, Madia Emily, and Wilbert Doyle. Six other children were born after the move to Oklahoma; Emma Eulene, James Edward, Ina Francis, Clemett Lee, Margie Marie and Veda Burnett. Ten are still living, married and all but one have children of their own.

Lola Mariah Mullins married Harlie Aaron Nichols in 1928. They lived in Oklahoma. Six children were born into the family while living in Oklahoma; Emma Jane (Nichols) Green now living in Oilton, Oklahoma; Mary Elizabeth (Nichols) Bone now living in Prairie Grove, Arkansas; Charles Lee Nichols spent 20 years in Air Force, now living in Albany, Oregon; Alice Louise (Nichols) Hine passed away in 1975; George Edward Nichols works for the fire department in Seattle, Washington; Harold Dean Nichols working for the Post Office in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

In 1940 the Nichols family moved to Wenatchee, Washington. Two children were born in Wenatchee; Edna Lucille (Nichols) White now living in Kent, Washington and Wilbur Doyle Nichols passed away in 1944. Harlie Aaron Nichols died in 1970. In 1973 Lola Mullins Nichols moved to Kent, Washington, to live near her youngest daughter. Lola has 26 grand-children and 10 great-grandchildren who she tries to visit each year.

by Lola M. Nichols

JAMES M. MULLINS

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My grandparents, James M. Mullins and Nancy Ann Morris, were both born in Georgia in 1829. They came to Arkansas around 1850 and settled in the Center Valley Community. They and their offspring were Primitive Baptist. James died in 1904, Nancy in 1902. Both are buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley.

James and Nancy had nine children. Louis died at the age of eight. William and Jim are buried in Texas near Conroe, and Seborn, Mid, Eliza and George are buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley.

George Mullins was my father and Fannie Elizabeth Hamilton, daughter of Oliver H. Perry Hamilton and Sannie Ashmore Hamilton, my mother. George and Fannie had six children; Elmer, Reathie, Ezra, Oda, Haynie and Linzy. Elmer died in October of 1971. Oda now lives in Illinois, Reathie in California and the other three in Russellville. I am the only one left in the Center Valley Community. I married Noma Barnett in 1927 and since that time have lived on the Home Place where my parents moved in 1907. My father farmed, had a blacksmith shop and a sorghum mill.

We have one daughter, Mrs. James Alewine (Betty Dean). She and James have three daughters; Judy (married to Dr. John Daren Johnson), Martha and Cheryl, all of Russellville.

by Haynie Mullins

JEREMIAH FREEMAN MUNDAY

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Jeremiah Freeman Munday was a native of Lincoln County, North Carolina, born Dec. 18, 1842. His parents were Spencer and Susanna Munday who were also natives of N.C. He was educated in the public schools of N.C. and enlisted in the Civil War, serving 4 years for the Confederate cause. He had 11 brothers and sisters. In 1871 he came to Arkansas and worked in the hardware store of J.H. Battenfield in Russellville, then worked 14 years for J.L. Shinn. He also edited the "Democrat" newspaper. He became a successful businessman. On May 18, 1873 he married Miss Jennie Shinn, a native of Pope County, daughter of Nathanfel D. and Hester (Brooks) Shinn.

It was a few years later that his sister, Susan Catherine Munday, came to visit him. At the same time the brother of Mrs. J.H. Perry and Captain Perry, Charles Thomas Dea-

ton, of Atlanta, Ga., was a visitor in Russellville. The romance culminated in the wedding of these two young people in the fall of 1881.

Mr. Deaton was a railroad bridge constructor, and his business took him, after their marriage to Van Buren, then to Plumerville, and back to Russellville where the family became permanent citizens. Here their five children were born: Charles Thomas Deaton, born March 16, 1883, died July 4, 1884; Mary Spencer Deaton, born Jan 5, 1885, died Sept 7, 1966; Janie Dean Deaton, born Dec 11, 1887, died May 27, 1963; Chloe Shelton Deaton, born May 4, 1890, died Aug 23, 1977; George Thomas Deaton, born June 7, 1892, died Oct 25, 1938.

Mr. Deaton, while at work on a bridge in S.E. Ark. contracted malaria and died Nov. 9, 1893. Mrs. Deaton brought up her little family in the way of the Lord. She was among the first members of the Methodist Church organized in Russellville and was active in it until she became crippled by arthritis in the 1920's. She was one of the first members of the Russellville W.C.T.U. She died Aug. 26, 1933.

Her 3 daughters continued to live in the family home on South Arkansas Avenue. The frame house originally was purchased in 1891 by Charles Thomas Deaton, and members of the family lived there until the 1960's when the property was sold to Talkington Motor Company.

Janie Deaton married W.T. Casteel and moved away. They had 2 sons and 2 daughters.

Mary Spencer Deaton married Elmer Eugene Henson, son of Evan Wiley and Martha Donahoo Henson. The Hensons had come from Mississippi. Mary and Elmer Henson lived in the family home and brought up their 3 children there. Eugene Elmer Henson, Thomas Deaton Henson, and Evelyn Gertrude Henson.

Miss Chloe Deaton never married. She stayed at home and cared for her mother. She taught school in Russellville for many years. She also taught Sunday school in the Methodist Church for many years. Her taffy-pulling parties will be remembered by many. Miss Chloe died in August of 1977 after having lived in a nursing home in Conway for several years.

by Sara Henson Shinn

DAVID QUENTIN MURDOCH

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David Quentin Murdoch, the sixth child of William Claude and Ida Fridell Murdoch, was born in Atkins, April 27, 1919. He Graduated from Atkins High School in 1937, where he was active in sports, lettering in football, basketball, track, and baseball. He served as Staff Sgt. in WW II from June 17, 1941, to December 13, 1945. On February 3, 1946 he married Jean McMahan on Magnolia, Arkansas. Jean is a graduate of Arkansas Tech and Oklahoma State University. She has been a member of the Arkansas Tech University faculty since 1965. With the exception of his

military service, David has been employed by the United States Postal Service since November 1, 1940, as clerk and rural mail carrier.

David and Jean have two daughters: Ginger Kaye, born July 11, 1949; Nancy Lee, born August 25, 1953. Both daughters graduated from Atkins High School, each as valedictorian of her class. Ginger graduated magna cum laude from Ouachita Baptist University in 1971 and in 1972 received a masters in music education from the University of Arkansas. Nan graduated summa cum laude from Ouachita Baptist University in 1975 with a degree in elementary education. Both were listed in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

Ginger is married to Capt. James H. Gilbert of the U.S. Air Force, formerly of Texarkana, Arkansas. They have a son, Bradley James, and a daughter, Kristen Leigh. Nan teaches social studies in Russellville Middle School. She is engaged to Greg Nelson of Batesville, Arkansas. They will be married in November, 1978.

David and his family are Southern Baptists and David serves as a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Atkins.

by David Q. Murdoch

HUGH ELDON MURDOCH

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Hugh Eldon Murdoch was born north of Atkins, Ar. at Economy April 28, 1914. His parents were William Claude and Ida Fridell Murdoch. He graduated from Atkins High School in 1934 and made the Athletic Hall of Fame. He was a member and deacon of the First Baptist Church in Atkins. He worked in cotton gins in Ar. and Tx. until he became an insurance agent in 1960. Hugh continued in that business until his death on Nov. 11, 1971. He was buried at Oakland cemetery, three miles north of Atkins. Hugh married Harlie Nina Hill Jan. 4, 1936. Harlie was the daughter of Jean Howard Hill (1884-1915) and James Porter Hill (1881-1943). She was reared by her grandmother Mary Elizabeth Lemley, Hill, Bates and step-grandfather A.B. Bates. Hugh and Harlie had three children; Ida Jean born May 10, 1942, Gary Eldon born April 6, 1947 and David Harold born Sept. 30, 1948.

Jean Married Joe DuVall Oct. 23, 1962. They have two children; Joe Lawayne born March 4, 1965 and Tamara Jean born Aug. 1, 1967. Jean graduated from Arkansas Tech University with a BS degree in Elementary Education Dec. 16, 1977. She graduated with high honors.

Gary married Kathy Sommers April 3, 1969. He served in Viet Nam with the 25th Infantry Division of the U.S. Army 1969. Gary works for the U.S. Postal Service. He graduated from Arkansas Tech University with a BA Degree in History, Political Science May 13, 1978. They have two children; Mark William born Oct. 11, 1970 and Amy Denise born July 29, 1973.

David married Margaret Blagg June 14, 1969. He was a member of the Army National

Guard, (1969-1974). He works for Farmers Insurance Group as a District Manager in Tulsa, Ok. David and Margaret have two children; Tessa Kaye born Dec. 12, 1971 and Amber Nina Louise born July 3, 1977.

by Harlie Hill Murdoch

JAMES DAVID MURDOCH

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James David Murdoch, the son of James William and Gracie Plunkett Murdoch, was born in Dirt Town, Georgia on April 23, 1853 and moved with his parents to Economy at the age of 13. He was married to Nancy Sipperanna McElwee, daughter of William L. and Mary Taylor McElwee on December 16, 1880. Nancy lived as neighbor to James David with her mother and step-father, Noah A. Cooper after the death of her father during the Civil War. James David and Nancy had three children: William Claud, John Clarence, and Lula Mae. Nancy Sipperanna died at the age of 28 on June 30, 1887 leaving her husband with the three young children to rear. James David never remarried and with the help of his sister, Phoebe, he managed to rear them all to adulthood. John Clarence died on February 22, 1901 at the age of 19. William Claud (Will) married Ida Fridell and had 7 children. Lula married Dr. Ernest Burnett and had 5 children. James David was a farmer and a carpenter. He was at various times in his life a "free silverite", a blacksmith at Economy, a keeper of bees, and a fruit grower with a 20 acre orchard. He served as Justice of the Peace and a deacon in the Hope Well Baptist Church. He died at the age of 64 on April 10, 1917 of pneumonia and is buried at Oakland along with his wife, John Clarence, William Claud, and Lula Murdoch Burnett.

by Katie Murdoch

JAMES WILLIAM MURDOCH

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James William Murdoch was born July 12, 1824 in Abbeville County, South Carolina, the son of John and Phoebe Plunkett Murdoch and the grandson of James and Elizabeth Davenport Murdoch. By 1853 James W. had married Gracie Ophelia Plunkett and was living in Dirt Town, Georgia where his first child James David was born. Other children were Catherine T. and Sarah T. (twins) Phoebe E., Charles Philip, and John Benjamin. All the children were born in Georgia except the youngest John B. who was born in Arkansas in 1866. In 1861 he moved his family to Tulip, Arkansas. In 1862 he enlisted in the 20th Reg't. Arkansas Infantry, Co. D. and was captured at Vicksburg July 4, 1863. Sarah T. died in Tulip in 1866 and was buried there in an unmarked grave. Shortly afterwards the family moved to Pope County and lived in the Economy area; a grandson, Earl Murdoch now lives on this farm. James William was a farmer and stated in a letter written in 1869 that he liked "this sexshion" of the country and was "better satisfied at this time than I have been since coming to Arkansas." Four

years later he was dead at the age of 49. Gracie Murdoch, his wife, was one of the charter members of the Hopewell Baptist Church which was organized in 1875. She died February 11, 1887 of pneumonia at the age of 64. Both are buried at Oakland Cemetery 3 miles north of Atkins.

by Katie Murdoch

WILLIAM CLAUD (WILL) MURDOCH

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William Claud (Will) Murdoch was born September 1, 1881 at Economy in Pope County. He was the son of James David and Nancy Sipperanna McElwee Murdoch. He was reared in the Economy area and was married to Miss Ida Fridell of the same community on December 20, 1905. Ida was the daughter of William Green Berry (George) and Margaret Jane Matthews Fridell. Their children were Walsie Murdoch Hill, Clarence Alvis (d. 1910), Leslie (d. 1928), Hugh (d. 1971), Elaine Murdoch Montgomery, David Quentin, and William Harold (Bill). Walsie, Elaine and David Q. are now living in Atkins and Bill is living in Russellville.

W.C. was a farmer and a ginner. He owned gins in Appleton, Atkins, Center Ridge and Jerusalem. He also repaired gins for a number of years all over the state of Arkansas. At various times he lived in Economy, Jerusalem, Center Ridge, Possum Trot, Morrilton, and Atkins. For many years he served as a deacon in the First Baptist Church in Atkins. Mr. Murdoch died March 4, 1953 of a heart condition. Mrs. Murdoch lived on in Atkins near her children until her death on April 8, 1970. Both are buried in the Oakland Cemetery 3 miles north of Atkins.

by Katie Murdoch

WILLIAM H. MURDOCH

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William H. Murdoch was born September 28, 1927 in Atkins, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Murdoch. He graduated from Atkins High School and attended Arkansas Tech University. His postal career was begun in the Atkins Post Office in 1944, continued in the Dallas, Texas, Postal System (1957-1964), and progressed to the Russellville Post Office where he is now serving his sixth year as Supervisor of Mails and Delivery. In 1952 he volunteered for service in the U.S.A.F. serving with the Hdq. Squadron, 3750th Air Base Group at Shepherd Air Force Base in Texas and with the 8th Air Postal Sqdn. in French Morocco.

He was married to Katie Webb Murdoch, the daughter of Raymond and K. Willard Webb on January 27, 1946. After graduation from Atkins High School Mrs. Murdoch was graduated from Arkansas Tech University, taught school for 8 years, and is now employed as Reference and Local History Librarian in the Arkansas River Valley Regional Library System.

Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch are the parents of

two children: Angela Kathryn b. August 2, 1954 in Wichita Falls, Texas and Timothy Webb b. May 28, 1958 in Dallas, Texas. Angela is married to Dale Brown b. October 23, 1953, in St. Clair, Missouri. Tim is now a sophomore at Arkansas Tech University. They have one grandchild Dale Wayne Brown II b. March 5, 1978.

by Katie Murdoch

HENRY NASH

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Henry Nash was the son of A.S. Nash of Jonesboro, Arkansas. He was a brother of Leo, W.T., Tom, Richard, Victoria and Edgar. Henry married Sarah Freeman and lived in Pottsville. They later moved to Russellville in the late 1800's. Their children were: Will, who married Durcy Jetton; Florence, who married Lee Dickey of Pottsville; John Robert, who married Flora Elisabeth Sanders in Johnson County.

In 1918, Robert and Flora moved to Hope, Arkansas, for three years; Washington, Arkansas for two years, and then moved to Atkins in 1921. In 1943, they moved to Russellville. John Robert was a farmer, with his main crop being cotton. John Robert's and Flora's children were: Lola, born in Knoxville and married Argus Okelly in 1928, and they had one child, Larry Don; Hoyle, born 1906 in Knoxville. He married Sadie English, born 1916. They had two children, Robert Gene, 1941, and Lana Gale, 1953; Hartsill, born at Knoxville, and married Sybil Reynolds. They had two sons, Ronald and Steven; Gerald, born in Knoxville and married Ernestine Jackson. They had one child, Robert; James, born in Knoxville, married Louise Lawler. Their children were Ann, Patricia, and Regina; Imogene, born in 1920, in Washington, Arkansas, married Robert Carpenter, born 1920. They married in 1940 and had Susan and Carol, born in 1957 and 1953; Floy Inez, born in 1909, and married to William Jeff Price. They had two children, Virginia Carol (1930-1935), and Jack Darwin, born 1933, married Helen Louise Watson from Waco, Texas, May 21, 1955. They had four children, Jack Jr., born 1957, Randall Watson, born 1958, Lisa D'Lynn, born 1960, and Andrea Carol, born 1965.

by Jack Price

OLAF S. NELSON

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Olaf S. Nelson, born in Skane Province of Sweden, came at the age of 14 with three older brothers to an uncle in Galesburg, Illinois. The Nelson family in Sweden had for a century been engaged in horse breeding when suddenly the land "went bad," the family with nine children fell on hard times and these four young men decided to seek their fortunes in America. Olaf, served on the U.S. Army Mexican Border Patrol, then went into a horse-breeding enterprise near Roswell, New Mexico, with brother Otto, where he first heard of Russellville because they shipped horses to Henry Brothers Barn. He decided to



OLAF S. NELSON

return to Galesburg, and go into the construction business, as he had served a carpenter's apprenticeship there. In 1912, he stopped at Russellville to visit friends, liked Arkansas, went into the building business, and married Mary Agnes Larch of Dardanella in 1915. She was from a German family who had emigrated to Pittsburgh, Pa. from near Budapest in Austria-Hungary. When her father, on account of his health, had to give up glass-blowing as a trade, the family moved to a Yell County farm in 1900. Olaf's strong interest in horses is remembered by ribbons in the family's possession from Pope County Fairs where his horse received the First Premium in 1914. Meantime, Olaf (better know as "Oley") was building fine Russellville homes for John White, Bud White, John Ganner and Dr. L. Gardner, all on West Main Street, also public buildings such as St. Mary's Hospital, Russellville Country Club, Hotel Pearson (now the 500 Building). And at Tech, Caraway and Williamson Halls and the President's Home. Later, over the state, his work included Nyberg Sanatorium at Booneville and superintending construction of Barton Coliseum. During the years of recovery from the Great Depression, he trained as carpenters scores of unskilled, deprived Arkansas youths through the National Youth Administration of Roosevelt's New Deal. The family was active in Centra Presbyterian Church to which Olaf was originally attracted by the beloved Judge Bullock Men's Bible Class during Wiley Lin Hurie's pastorate. Olaf died in 1954, and Mary still lives at 903 West Main Street in the former home of an early Russellville merchant, J.H. Perry, whose home the Nelsons purchased in 1921 to be near West Ward School. The Nelson children are Ellen Lucile and O.W. ("Ozzie").

Ellen resides in Little Rock with husband Dr. Robert E. L. Bearden, Jr., retired Methodist Minister, who served Little Rock's First Methodist Church for 14 years. His father,



MARY LARCH NELSON

R.E.L., Sr., served Russellville First Methodist from 1934 to 1939. Ellen and Bob are both graduates of Duke University after Ellen attended Tech and Bob, Henderson. Ellen was on the Tech Board of Trustees for six years during J.W. Hull's presidency. Their daughter, an elementary teacher, is Linda Clare, who married Kirkland Dee Connally. They have a seven-year-old daughter, Kimberly Dee, and live in Dallas. The Bearden son is Robert Nelson, who was a National Merit Scholar, and lives in Little Rock.

"Ozzie," who attended Tech and is a graduate of the University of Arkansas, receiving both B.S. and M.S. degrees. He served with the U.S. Army in Africa, Sicily and Italy during W.W. II. He married Anna Bess Hurtt, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. S.R. Hurtt, who moved from Clarksville to Russellville in 1935. Their children are Nancy Ann and John William (Bill). Nancy, an elementary teacher, married Tom J. Pittman, Jr. of Hackett, Arkansas, now assistant manager of Everybody's Furniture Company, where "Ozzie" has been manager for twenty-five years. Prior to this "Ozzie" was a teacher and coach at Forrest E. Gardner Junior High School. Bill is with Pope County Ambulance Service, having completed his Emergency Technical Training in April, 1977.

by O.W. Nelson

HARRY WILLIAM NEIGHBOR

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Harry William Neighbor was born February 6, 1860, in Neighborville (now Newcomerstown) Ohio. He was married to Katie Ann McCune in 1883, in Steubenville, Ohio. Three children were born to this union: Allen Leroy, Thomas Edgar, and Mary Elizabeth, all born in Steubenville, Ohio. In 1910, for health reasons, they moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where they met Claude Rushing, a former

Pope Countian, who told them about Arkansas and Pope County. He rode the train to Cabin Creek in Johnson County, (Now Lamar). Although he and the sons were glass workers and had never lived on a farm, he bought a farm from John Ervin on Three Knob Mountain in Pope County and lived there 10 years when he died in 1923 and is buried at White Church or Pollard cemetery.

"Aunt Kate" as she was called, nursed the sick, delivered many babies and lived a long christian life until she died August 12, 1947, age 86, and is also buried in White Church cemetery. She was born near Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, October 24, 1860, to Thomas and Ann McCune who are buried in Union cemetery in Steubenville, Ohio. They were natives of England and Ireland but were naturalized as United States citizens in 1863. Allen Leroy, who was born in 1884 and died in 1966, and Thomas Edgar, born 1887 and died 1970, are buried in the White Church cemetery and neither of them ever married. Mary Elziabeth Neighbor, born in 1900, married James Hobbs when he returned from service during World War I, on November 16, 1919. They had one son, Thomas Allen, born January 4, 1925, in Steubenville, Ohio. James (Jim) died July 31, 1961 and is buried in White Church cemetery.

by Mrs. James Hobbs

BENJAMINE FRANKLIN LEE (DOCK) NEWTON

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Benjamin Franklin Lee (Dock) Newton was born in Tenn. 4/8/1830 and moved to Arkansas one year later with his parents, Ebenezer Newton (1796-1886) and Nancy Lee (1797-1842). Nancy Lee (daughter of Decatur Lee) was said to be one-half Cherokee Indian. Ebenezer is written up elsewhere in this book.

On 11/6/1866 Dock married Elizabeth Jane Johnson Taylor (1843-1909), widow of George W. Taylor. Six children were born: Susan Frances (1866-1921) married Christopher Kendrick Reeves; Harvey Franklin (Bob) (1870-1904) married Tennessee Jane Snider (daughter of Dr. Peter Snider, also written up elsewhere in this book); Mary V. (Mollie) (1873-1892); Laura L. (1875-1922) married Perry Thompson; Chesley Wayne (Chet) (1881-1961) married Mary Poe, and after her death, married Ona Biffle in 1922; and Joseph Stanley (Pode) (1883-?).

B.F. "Dock" and Jane homesteaded in the community of Newton Springs, 2½ miles SW of Hector, on what is now Highway 27. Their son, Chet Newton, bought the property from the other heirs and his widow, Ona, lives there today in a house not far from the log cabin Dock built near the Spring from which the community got its name. In early days newcomers to the community did their family wash at the Spring and carried water from it until their wells were dug. Water is still plentiful in this Spring, and the log cabin (since added onto) still stands. But the Newton Springs School, which also substituted as a Church, burned. It was in this "Church" that

my Grandfather, "Bob" Newton was Sunday School Superintendent and often filled in for the preacher in Church services and funerals.

Dock was a Justice of the Peace of the Township. In Spring and Summer he held Court under a big tree and in the winter, in his home. The early Newtons were known for their sense of humor and story-telling. Dock had a withered hand, the result of a hunting accident, which kept him out of the Southern Army. The Northern Army captured him, took him to Ft. Smith and made him a cook. Dock claimed his cooking killed more Northern soldiers than did the entire Southern Army.

We have the late W.B. Reaves, son of Dock's firstborn, and his wife, Ida Pierce Reaves to thank for much of our early history and interesting tidbits of Dock, who died in 1891 and is buried in Boiling Springs Cemetery at Hector.

Of his three sons, there remain few Newtons to carry on the name: My brother, E.J. (Buss), son of Winfield and grandson of Bob; Garland Stanley Newton, also a son of Bob, and Uncle Garland's two sons, Marvin and Merle; and Wayne and Jerry, sons of Arvil Newton and grandsons of Chet Newton.

by Bonnie Newton

EBENEZER NEWTON

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The earliest information I have been able to piece together concerning the ancestors of the Newton's, who were some of the early settlers of Pope County and the adjoining Johnson County, begins with Ebenezer Newton, born 1725, or thereabouts, in Eastern U.S. and buried in Rutherford County, N.C. December 1811. His wife was Elizabeth Buchanan. They had seven children. This Ebenezer Newton was my Great, Great, Great, Great, Great Grandfather. Their sixth son, my Great, Great, Great, Great Grandfather was Thomas Newton, born in Penn. 1763, died 1843, buried in St. Clair County, Alabama. He married Anne Martin, born in N.C. 1766, died 1831, buried in St. Clair County, Alabama. Thomas was a Presbyterian minister. They had three daughters and seven sons. Their fifth child, Ebenezer Newton, who was named for his grandfather, was born 11/11/1796 in N.C. He married on March 14, 1821 in St. Clair County, Alabama to Nancy Lee, who was a descendant of a brother of "Light Horse" Harry Lee, who was the father of Robert E. Lee. In 1831 Ebenezer moved, with his family, to Bull Frog Valley, Arkansas, on the Pope-Johnson County Line. Ebenezer was the father of nine sons and two daughters. Ebenezer died in 1886, at age 92, and was buried in Newton Cemetery in Johnson County. One of his sons, Kennan Keneldia Newton, my great grandfather, was born Jan. 31, 1832 in Johnson County Arkansas. In the year 1858 K.K. Newton was working at a cotton gin at Scottsville, Pope County, Arkansas, when some emigrants, seeking a location, passed by in a wagon, where K.K. was working. Among the emigrants was Alcy Sheffield, whom K.K. later married. Many years later

K.K. told one of his daughters-in-law, Janie Cromwell Tate Newton, that it was love at first sight and that he vowed he was going to marry Alcy, if he could possibly win her. They were married on Oct. 25, 1860, the first couple married by license in Johnson County, Arkansas. K.K. died 1/3/1919 and was buried in Newton Cemetery in Johnson County, less than a quarter of a mile from his birthplace, even though he had been in 37 states and territories, and all the oceans. He served four years in the Civil War and was in some of the hardest fought battles of the war, without sustaining a wound. K.K. and Alcy were the parents of ten children, all who lived to be grown and married. K.K. outlived all but four. There were two boys and eight girls.

William Shelby Newton, my grandfather, their second child, was born 2/22/1865 at Silex, Pope County, Arkansas. He married Matilda Jane Stanford (B. 4/12/1866 Scottsville, Ark.) on Sept 14, 1890. Shelby, as he was known, was a teacher, merchant, and farmer. He taught the first public school at Hector, Ark. They had six children. Three of the six lived to be married, William Kenyon Newton, James Edward Newton (my father), and Stella Faye Newton. Two of their children (girls) died in infancy, and one son, Jessie when he was almost five years, dug a hole in some fresh picked cotton and fell head-first into it and was found smothered to death, when his family came in from the field to weigh in their cotton. Shelby died 1/10/1918, and Matilda Newton died 12/22/1931. Both are buried in Pisgah Cemetery, Pottsville, Arkansas.

by James E. Newton, Jr.

JAMES EDWARD NEWTON

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James Edward Newton, my father, was born 7/4/1895 at Hector, Ark. He married Ester Marguerite Abel (B. 2/22/1896 at Clarks, Nebr.) of Russellville, Ark. on 9/26/1917. They had two sons, James Edward, Jr. (B. 2/27/1919 at Russellville) and William Stanley (B. 9/9/1920 at Tomberlin (near England) Arkansas. The family moved there to farm cotton, but lived there less than a year, after cotton dropped to 5¢ per pound, returning to Russellville to the family farm, which was purchased in 1908. Incidentally, the farm is presently owned by James E. Jr., and William Stanley Newton. James E. Sr. and Marguerite were graduates of Russellville High School. James E. Sr. was farmer, salesman and businessman, starting in business in Russellville in 1936, as Arkansas Wine Company, and later associated with James E. Jr. and Stanley in a Continental Oil Co. distributorship in 1945, and Newton Sporting Goods in 1946. These businesses were later incorporated into the present Newton's Inc. James, Sr. died 10/29-1947 and is buried in Oakland Cemetery (Russellville City C.) His wife (my mother) Marguerite is 82 years of age, at this writing, and is living at Legacy Lodge, Russellville, Ark.

by James E. Newton, Jr.

JAMES EDWARD NEWTON, JR.

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James Edward Newton, Jr., was the son of James E. Sr. James Jr. attended public schools at Russellville, with the exception of three years (1928-31) in Cushing, Oklahoma City, and Guthrie, Oklahoma. He graduated in 1936 from Russellville High School. He attended Arkansas Tech (presently known as Arkansas Tech University) one year. He married Martha Elizabeth Spillers (B. 1/28/1921 at Russellville) on Oct. 6, 1943 in First Christian Church, Little Rock, Ark. She is a descendant of an early Pope County family. They have three children; Jamie Elizabeth (B. 6/15/46), Carol Jan (B. 9/15/52) and John Edward (B. 3/7/55). All were born at Russellville. Jamie married Dr. Clement A. Barrere (an engineer with Continental Oil Co.) of Houston, Texas, where they presently live. Jamie taught school for two years, in Texas, was a Computer programmer, and is presently in Real estate sales. They have no children at this writing. Jan married Bliss Yancy Hicky, of Marianna, Ark., who is associated with his father in farming, and real estate holdings in Lee County, Arkansas. They also have no children at this writing. John Edward is single and is presently the third generation in the Newton business. All three children graduated from Russellville High School and also The U. of A. at Fayetteville. Jamie was a Majorette in the U. of A. Marching band three years. Jamie & Jan were both Drum Majors in the Russellville High School Bands. Jan taught Kindergarten one year in the Russellville Schools, and one year in the Marianna Schools. She is presently a housewife.

James, Jr. served as Mayor of Russellville from 3/15/55 through 1961, and served four years on the Russellville School Board, 1968-72. He is presently Secretary of the Russellville Planning, having been a Commission member since it was started in 1957, during his tenure as Mayor.

He also was one of the Founders of Boulder Avenue Christian Church, and is Chairman of its board. He and Martha are very active in the Church.

James and Martha (wife), presently live on Lake Dardanelle, off U.S. Hwy. 64, on Highway 333, West of Russellville.

by James Edward Newton, Jr.

WILLIAM KENYON NEWTON

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William Kenyon Newton, the first son of William Shelby, and Matilda Newton was born at Hector, Ark. 4/23/1893. He married Mamie Verlin Bell on August 22, 1916 at Pottsville, Ark. W.K. graduated from U. of A. Fayetteville, Arkansas. After marriage they moved to Oklahoma where W.K. taught in public schools in several cities, moving in 1923 to Norman, Oklahoma, where he was an accounting professor, until his death 4/11/55, at Gore, Okla., where he was spending the Easter Holidays at his ranch, of a heart attack. He was buried in Oakland Cemetery (Russellville

City C.). W.K. and Mamie had four children, three boys and one girl. One boy and one girl died in infancy. The two living boys are William K. Jr., and Robert Lee Newton. W.K. Jr., was born 10/17/1918, and Robert (Bob) was born 7/25/1925, William Jr., (Bill) lives in Oklahoma City, where he is employed by the City of Oklahoma City, and Bob works for an advertising company. Bob lives at Norman, with his Mother. He is single, and Bill is married, but has no children, except three step-sons. Bill graduated from Oklahoma State University, and Bob graduated from U.O. at Norman.

by James E. Newton, Jr.

WILLIAM STANLEY NEWTON

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William Stanley Newton (b. 9-9-20) was the son of James E. Newton Sr. He graduated from Russellville High School in 1937 and graduated from Arkansas Tech in 1939. He was mobilized with Battery F, 206th Coast Artillery in December 1940. He later transferred to the U.S. Air Force and spent five years on active duty. He retired from the Air Force Reserves with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Stanley married Mary W. Smith (b. 11-24) of Mart, Texas, June 5, 1943 and they had two children, Lynn Aida Newton (b. 7-15-44) and William Stanley Newton Jr. (Billy) (b. 9-26-46). Lynn married Paul A. Wagner of Russellville, Ark., who at this writing is a Captain in the U.S. Air Force and stationed in Germany. They have two children, Paul Allyn Jr. (b. 1-8-72) and Evan Charles (b. 1-9-75). Lynn graduated from Russellville High School, The University of Arkansas and attended graduate school at Arizona State University. Paul graduated from Russellville High School and Virginia Military Institute. Billy married Marlene Coffman of Hector, Ark. and they have two children, Christy Marie (b. 12-25-72) and Amy Lynn (b. 12-20-76). Billy graduated from Russellville High School and The University of Arkansas School of Pharmacy. He now owns and operates Newton Pharmacy in Russellville. Marlene graduated from Hector High School and Arkansas Tech University.

Mary W. Newton died 4-2-72. Stanley and his present wife the former Virginia Reed Kemp were married 4-21-74 and live on Lake Dardanelle off Hwy 333 West of Russellville. Stanley and James Jr. own and operate Newton Tire Co. in Russellville.

by William S. Newton

STELLA FAYE NEWTON

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Stella Faye Newton: Faye was the daughter of William Shelby, and Matilda Newton. She was born Jan. 31, 1908 at Ross, Arkansas. She taught school several years, and worked as a saleslady in a department store until her retirement. She married Harry Jerome Vaughn on Feb. 1, 1931. She and Harry had no children. Harry was a Coal Miner, and later a businessman. Faye was very active in her

church, The Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and was a charter member of The Prairie Grove Home Demonstration Club.

Faye died April 23, 1976 and is buried in Resthaven Cemetery, Russellville. Her husband, Harry, is still living.

Faye worked hard on the Newton Genealogy, and it was only through her hard work on the Newton Family was I able to compile what I have in this Pope County History.

by James E. Newton, Jr.

RACHEL (ROBERTS) NICHOLS

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When William Nichols died in Tennessee in 1908, his widow, Rachel (Roberts) Nichols decided to join her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Roberts, who had moved to Moreland, Pope County, Arkansas, several years before. So in December, 1908, Rachel and her five sons, Boyd aged 16, Charles, 14, Herbert, 13, William, 11 and Luke 9, arrived by train in Russellville and from there went to Moreland by wagon.

Boyd and Charles served together on a troop transport in the Navy in World War I. They played the cornet and the trombone in the ship's band. They got their start in music at Moreland when in the spring of 1912 a group of Moreland boys organized a brass band. Fifteen of them signed a joint note and borrowed the money from the Bank of Atkins, bought the instruments from the Woodmen of the World at Atkins. A Norwegian musician from Russellville named Professor Briebly, became their conductor and for a time the Moreland Band was the only one in Pope County. It played for picnics, political rallies, the most important one being at Russellville for Joe T. Robinson when he opened his campaign for governor. Herbert and Luke Nichols were also members of the band.

Boyd was working for Croom Brothers Mercantile Co. in Atkins in 1922 when he married Hattie Hudson of Moreland, who was a teacher in the Atkins schools. They had one daughter. He spent most of his life in the grocery business in Clarksville and died in 1977 at the age of 83 at the home of his daughter, Wanda Fay, (Mrs. Roger Meador), in Conway.

Charles, who married Eva Eakin of Moreland (now deceased) lived for a number of years in Pope County, where he farmed. He had 4 children. He is now living in Dallas, Texas with his wife, Ruth.

Herbert, who married Ona Eubanks of Hector, has lived most of his life at Dardanelle, where he has been a cotton buyer and the owner of a feed and grocery store. He has 4 children.

William is the only Nichols brother still living in Pope County. He is a minister in the Pentecostal Church in Russellville. He is married to Nola Duvall of Moreland and they have 2 children. His daughter, Imo (Mrs. L.J. Hickman) also lives at Russellville.

Luke, who married Margaret Bryant of For-dyce, 2 children, has lived in Arkadelphia most of his life. He was a restaurant owner, All five Nichols brothers celebrated their 50th

wedding anniversaries.

by Wanda Fay Meador

REV. WILLIAM CONWAY NICHOLS

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Rev. William Conway Nichols was the son of William Nichols and Rachel (Roberts) Nichols, who lived in the Smokey Mountains of Tennessee. Mr. Nichols was a farmer and owned 180 acres of land near Athens, Tennessee, and while feeding the stock, he fell from the barn loft, receiving a severe head injury and was only able to do but very little work after that. He soon realized he wouldn't be able to handle the farm and his boys were too young so he moved to a small manufacturing town, Lenoir City, Tennessee, but soon had to quit work. He then rented another farm but was under doctor's care for three years and passed away in June, 1908. The children finished the crop, the oldest, Boyd, being sixteen years of age. Mrs. Nichols' father, J.B. Roberts, had moved to Pope County, Arkansas, several years before so in November 1908, she moved with her children to Moreland, Pope County, Arkansas. Her children were: Boyd, Charlie, Herbert, Will and Luke.

William (Will) Nichols, born in 1898 in Tennessee, grew to manhood in Moreland, Pope County, Arkansas. He attended school there and in 1922, he married Nola Duvall, daughter of "Little" Frank Duvall. After marrying, he farmed with his brother, Herbert, at Morrilton and in 1923, moved to Oklahoma. In 1925, he moved back to Pope County and soon moved to what is known as Parker Hill, Northeast of Russellville, (now owned by Ark. Tech) and continued farming until 1940. At this time he went to work in defense work, working at Camp Chaffee, Camp Robinson, Camden, all in Arkansas, McAllister, Oklahoma, Liberal, Kansas and then went to the Kayser ship yards in California.

In 1932, he started preaching on a parttime basis and was licensed in 1934, with the Assemblies of God and was later ordained. He has pastored churches at Liberty Hill, Macedonia, Damascus, South New Hope, New Bethel, Pleasant Grove and Moreland in Pope County and Cardon Bottom and Centerville, in Yell County.

Will and Mrs. Nichols were the parents of two children: Imo Bernice, born in 1926 and William Harold, born in 1933. Imo married C.R. Osborn who was killed in service during WWII and after the war she married L.J. Hickman and they have three children: Phillis, who married Danny Bewley; Gary and Joey. William (Bill) married Ginia Parten and they have three children: Anthony, Ginda and Malcolm. Bill has always been in the music business, establishing his first piano studio when he was fourteen years of age. He is an accomplished musician and has been Music Director in Assembly of God churches at Springfield, Mo., Columbus and Atlanta, Ga. and New Orleans, La. He managed a music store in Albuquerque, New Mexico and is now living in New Orleans.

by J.B. Lemley

GEORGE HENRY NORDIN FAMILY

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My great-grandfather was George Henry Nordin. He had three brothers, Hampton, William and Tom. They came to Arkansas from North Carolina. George Henry was married to Elizabeth McCury and they were the parents of three sons and three daughters: Quince Nordin who had one son, Robert; Jim, married Minnie Blair and they had two children, Elmer and Ethel; Sally, married a Hearing and they had two children, Ottis and Betty; Mary, married Charley Plane and they had five children; Oscar, Orland, Alford, Georgia, and Nina; Susie, married Dave White; John William married Sarah Isabell Pless.

John William Nordin, was my grandfather, he married Sarah Isabell Pless. Her father was John Adam Pless who lived to be 104 years old. John William Nordin and Sarah Isabell Pless were issued the first marriage license that was sold in Pope County. They were the parents of six children: John Dee, married Casandra Flannery and they had ten children; Cathryn; William Jay; Ruth Amanda; Evelyn; Laura; Dortha; Doyle; Cora Ella; Pauline; and Naomi. Bryan Nordin, married Laura Ellen Rachel and they had four children: Jennings Wayne; Kenneth Eugene; Milton Ivern; and Christene. Ada Nordin, married George Worley and they had two sons, Raymond and Ervin. Francis Cleve Nordin, married Andrew Malone and they had three children: Syble; Harold and one that died in infancy. Nettie Nordin, married Luther Simmons and they had six children: Paul; Glynn; Jimmy; Lois; Rheba; and Ruth Ellen. George Adam Nordin married Mary Alice Smith.

George Adam Nordin was my father and he and Mary Alice had six children: William Albert, born Aug. 31, 1902, died Jan. 17, 1909; Girl born May 25, 1905 and died May 26, 1905; Allen Odell, born Nov. 2, 1907, died May 4, 1927; Howard, born Sept. 6, 1913, died April 21, 1915; Marjorie Mabel; Kathleen, married Carl Ammons of Prineville, Oregon. They had two children, Carylton Jane, born July 28, 1938 and died in 1950. Beverly Sue married Joseph Clay Shoun and they had one child, Lisa Kay.

Marjorie Mabel Nordin, married William Earl Yow and they had four children: Betty Irene Yow, born July 27, 1927, died July 28, 1927. Harold Dean Yow, married Gerildine Smith of Columbus, Ga. He is a retired Brig. Gen. of the United States Army. He served in the Korean War, was wounded twice. He served two tours of duty in Veitnam. He was in Ethopia two years and lived in Addia Abbi.

Bobby Gene married Joann Williams of Alexander, La., and they have two children: Barbara Jean, a Junior in College in Louisiana and Joseph Nordin Yow, a Junior in High School. He and George Adam Nordin have the same birthday. George Adam's birthday, Oct. 1, 1878 and Joseph Nordin Yow's birthday, Oct. 1, 1960. Bobby Gene Yow is a Colonel in the United States Air Force. He had one tour in Veitnam. He is now stationed at Carswell Air Force Base as an Air Force Engineer.

Ruth Eloise Yow, married Bobby Edsol Dempsey and they have three children: David, a Freshman at U.C. of A.; Elizabeth Ann; and Laura Jo. Ruth teaches school in Camden, Arkansas.

George Adam's wife, Mary Alice, died June 7, 1914, and he married Myrtle Ashmore and they had eight children: Baby Boy, born and died Feb. 7, 1917; Charles Edward, married Hazel Keeton and they had four girls, Barbara, Charlene, Rita and Joyce; Clarence Loyd, died at the age of 13 years; Vernon Earl, married Eula Mae Virden and they have twin boys, Ronald Durl and Donald Earl; Kenneth Ira, born Feb. 1925 and died Oct. 2, 1927; Delton Eugene, born May 15, 1927, died June 18, 1928; John Dee, married Earldene Kinder and they have two children, Johnnie Carrol and Judy; Martha Isabell married Raymond Edwin Duvall of Sand Springs, Okla. and they have four children, Raymonda Isabell, Eddy Ray, Delana Gail and Danny Edwin.

by Marjorie Nordin Yow

OMA INEZ SMITH NORDIN

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Not many facts are known about the family of Oma Inez Smith Nordin. A fire destroyed the family home on 13 March 1926. Inez is one of nine children born to John Thomas and Victoria Alabama Skinner Smith. They were married on 2 December 1906. The children are: Beulah Mae, deceased; Jessie Earl; Cecil Odell; Elsie America, deceased; John Lloyd, deceased; Lillian Mae; Ruby Victoria; Oma Inez; and Ruth Marie. Thomas and Allie made their living farming row crops and an apple orchard. Later the row crops and apples were discontinued and the income was from peaches.

At one time the nine children, along with Thomas and Allie, were all members of the East Point Baptist Church, where some still attend. Most of the Smith descendents were buried in the East Point Cemetery. Loyd was buried in Owasso, OK. Thomas and Allie's graves are near where they had a sorgum mill on the property they rented from Jefferson Davis Smith.

John Thomas was born 25 March 1884 and died 4 January 1960. His parents were Jefferson Davis and America Rook Smith. They were married 18 November 1880. Jeff Smith owned a store and a cotton gin in the East Point Community. Inez attended school in the East Point Church house because the Old Rachel School building burned. Mr. Smith's store was converted into a school and Inez later went to school there. Some of the teachers were Scott Smith, Henry Underhill, Ed McAlister, and George Brown.

Jefferson's father was Captain John Smith, who was an officer in the Civil War. He married Lovina Love.

Victoria Alabama Skinner was the daughter of William Franklin and Louisa Jane Griffin Skinner. Mrs. Skinner died while the children were young. She was buried in Rachel Cemetery, which is no longer in use. Mr. Skinner, whose mother was Nancy Jane Mansel, died 30 January 1913 and was buried at

East Point.

Victoria was born on 9 March 1887 and was known as "Allie." She died on 22 September 1961 at the home of Inez.

The home of the bride's parents made the setting of the marriage of Jennings Wayne Nordin and Oma Inez Smith on 4 November 1946. They have one child, a daughter, Sherry Ellen, born 9 November 1958. She graduated from Russellville High School and is now a student at Arkansas Tech University. She was one of the 210 band students to march in the Inaugural Parade on 20 January 1977 in Washington D.C. for President Jimmy Carter representing Arkansas.

by Inez Nordin

JENNINGS WAYNE NORDIN

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Jennings Wayne Nordin was born 25 December 1921 in the Mill Creek Community. His father, William Jennings Bryan Nordin - born 4 February 1897 and died 17 November 1954 — a veteran of WWI, was a descendent of one of the largest families which settled in Pope County — the Pless Family. It is known that the House of Pless, led by Baron von Pless, was next in power to the Kaisler, which remained in power until WWI. It is believed that while still in Germany the House of Pless became political rivals with the House of Hapsburg until the Plesses fled to Holland. Some returned to Germany. Christopher and Hannah Pless are thought to have been the first to settle in the US. To this day the Pless Family hold an annual reunion in honor of John Adam Pless, Sr., the one who settled near Augsburg Community. He died at the age of 104 and was buried in the East Point Cemetery.

Laura Ellen Rachel, born 7 February 1897 and died 20 March 1969, married W.J. Bryan Nordin on 24 December 1920. She was a member of another large family, Shinn, which migrated here from Europe. She is listed in the book, THE SHINN HISTORY IN EUROPE AND AMERICA.

There were four children in the Nordin family: Wayne, the eldest; Kenneth Eugene; Milton Ivern; and Christine, who died at the age of 18 while a sophomore at Arkansas Tech. The boys all made their home in Pope County.

J. Wayne attended school in a one-room building at Ball Hill and graduated from London High School. Upon graduation, he went to Hartford, Conn. to work in the only factory in the US making silencers for all government needs for WWII. He served in the Air Force from 1944 to 1946. He married Oma Inez Smith on 4 November 1946. She is the daughter of John Thomas and Victoria Alabama Skinner Smith and was born 25 July 1923. The couple resided for three years in Russellville in a duplex owned by Nordin's grandmother, Mrs. Martha Shinn Rachel. They later bought land on Norristown Mountain, made their home there and set out a peach orchard. The Old Stage Coach Road, many years ago, crossed their property.

Nordin later entered into politics and served as Pope County Judge from 1965 to 1973. To

date that was the longest term for one person to serve.

They have one daughter, Sherry Ellen, born 9 November 1958. She graduated from Russellville High School in 1977 and was a member of the band when it marched in the Inaugural Parade for President Jimmy Carter on 20 January 1977. She now attends Arkansas Tech University.

by Wayne Nordin

THE W.H. NORWOOD FAMILY

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William Henry Norwood was born on November 11, 1876 in Conway County about three miles from Springfield, Arkansas. His father was John Floyd Norwood born in Franklin County, Georgia in 1844. At the age of sixteen John Floyd enlisted in the Confederate Army and spent four years of hardship in the war. He was discharged in Kingston, Georgia. In 1870 he came to Conway County, Arkansas from Tennessee where he worked after the war. In 1875 he married Mrs. Nancy Williams, a daughter of William and Caroline Mallet. They had six children, three sons and three daughters, with William Henry Norwood the eldest son. John Floyd Norwood was the owner of several hundred acres in Conway County and one of the leading farmers of his township. He passed away in 1922, and his wife passed away in 1932.

William Henry Norwood married Mary Lee Camp of Springfield in Conway County on January 16, 1898. She was born September 4, 1876 in Spartanburg, South Carolina. She was the youngest daughter of Joseph Pinckney Franklin Camp and Julia Ann Smith Camp. They were married in Spartanburg, South Carolina February 14, 1854. They had eight children, three sons and five daughters. Joseph Pinckney Franklin Camp was born April 8, 1830. He served in the Confederate Army from South Carolina. They moved to Arkansas in 1885 and settled in Conway County. Julia Ann Smith Camp, Mrs. W.H. Norwood's mother was born in South Carolina January 12, 1840. She was the daughter of A.E. Smith of Spartanburg, South Carolina. Joseph Pinckney Franklin Camp died in Conway County on October 6, 1886. Julia Ann Camp died in Conway, Arkansas in 1915.

William Henry Norwood and Mary Lee Camp Norwood had four children; Wynton Camp Norwood born November 17, 1898, Willie Lee Norwood born on January 9, 1902, Floy Evelyn Norwood born on January 17, 1904, and Mary Fay Norwood, born on December 21, 1911.

The W.H. Norwood family came to Russellville in 1914 from Conway, Arkansas. He was part owner in the firm of Norwood and Camp Company, early merchants of Conway.

He established the W.H. Norwood Wholesale Grocery in Russellville with branch stores in Merrilton and Conway. He later sold to the American Wholesale Grocery, and was a manager for them for a number of years.

Later Mr. Norwood and Mr. J.D. Allmon formed an abstract and real estate agency cal-

led Norwood and Allmon.

Wynton Norwood and Willie Norwood attended Henderson Brown College at Arkadelphia. Floy Norwood attended the University of Arkansas. Mary Fay Norwood attended Hendrix College and the University of Arkansas.

Wynton C. Norwood Sr. was a member of the Armed forces in both World War I and World War II.

Willie married John E. Tucker on November 29, 1922. Floy married John Marshall Smallwood (Jack) on April 27, 1927.

Mary Fay married Algia L. Whitten of Mount Holly, Arkansas on November 18, 1939. Wynton C. Norwood married Verland Skaggs of Eureka Springs, Arkansas on December 11, 1941.

The W.H. Norwood family were active members of the First United Methodist Church. Mr. Norwood served on the official church board, Church Trustee, and was on the building committee of the present church.

He served on the Russellville School Board and was active in many civic organizations.

Their family home was at 1602 West Main Street. Mrs. Mary Lee Norwood passed away August 27, 1953. W.H. Norwood passed away April 2, 1958.

They were survived by two daughters; Mrs. J.M. Smallwood, and Mrs. A.L. Whitten of Marianna and Conway, and four grandchildren; Mary Jane Smallwood Fore, daughter of Floy and Jack Smallwood, Bruce L. Whitten and William H. Whitten, sons of Mary Fay and Algia Whitten, and Wynton C. Norwood Jr., son of Wynton and Verland Norwood.

Willie Lee Tucker died on May 10, 1950. Wynton C. Norwood Sr. died December 16, 1952. Jack Smallwood passed away January 18, 1962. Algia L. Whitten passed away January 27, 1974.

Floy Smallwood married Roy V. Jackson January 10, 1970.

by Floy S. Jackson

JOHN NOTTENKAMPER

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John Nottenkamper was born in Westfalen, Germany in 1863-1934, John married Elizabeth Weilks in 1887 in Germany. John and Elizabeth with their two children came to the United States. Their family was one of about 20 Catholic families to settle in the area then known as German Town. During the war the name was changed to Kenwood. Kenwood is located just east of Atkins on Highway 64. After reaching the Kenwood area John began work as a section foreman for the railroad. He later worked as a coal miner in the coal mines at Quita located in Russellville. As years went by a total of twelve children were born to John and Elizabeth, Elizabeth 1888; Mary 1889; Anna; Katherine 1893; John 1895; Paul 1899; Wilemena 1901; Gertude 1902; William 1904-1906; Leo 1907.

The seventh of these children, Paul Nottenkamper, resides in Atkins at this time. Paul married Rose, to them were born seven children, Jr.; Eugene; J.M.; Mary; Margaret; Ann; Joe and James. James died in 1968 and Rose, Paul's wife died in 1972.



JOHN NOTTENKAMPER



ELIZABETH WEILKS NOTTENKAMPER

John Jr., the fifth child married Dora Kettle to them were born four children, two boys and 2 girls. John died of phenumonia before the fourth child was born. Dora struggled hard to make a living for her children. She cleaned and ironed for people in Atkins. The fourth child Dorothy Nottenkamper married Carl Schmoll to them were born five children, Carlene; Jo Ann; Louis; Bernardine; and John. As years went by a second marriage of Dorothy to Elmer Johnson brought forth five more children, Eulene; Elizabeth; Judy; J.J.; Johanna. Carlene, spouse John Ewing, child Erica; JoAnn, spouse Alton Spence, one child; Douglas Louis, divorced, 2 children, Robert and Richie; Bernardine, spouse Willie Harvill, 2 children, Marlana and Duncan; John, spouse Neda Brock, 3 children, Brandy, Brodick, and Shawn; Eulene, spouse Frank Nafich, 1 child, Daniel; Beth, spouse Steven Fox; Judy, spouse Donald Burris, 1 child, Mat; J.J. and Johanna are still at home.
by Bernardine Harvill

F. KNOX OATES

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F. Knox Oates, of Lepanto, Arkansas, is a descendent of John and Frances Reid Oates, who came from Armagh, County Armagh, of Northern Ireland in 1734, and settled in Franklin Co., Pa. They, along with other Scotch-Irish, organized a Presbyterian church but did not have a Pastor until Rev. John King came over from Scotland in May 1769. He performed the marriage of Elizabeth Oates, dau. of John Oates II and Frances Reid to John McClure in 1770. John and Frances Reid Oates were the parents of seven children: William (born at sea); John III; Edward; Elizabeth; Jane, Mary and Nellie. John and Frances died and are buried in Pa. All the children of John, except Edward, migrated to Western N.C. and settled in the Gastonia and King's Mountain area. Edward, the youngest son, left home as a lad and settled in North Carolina.

John III married Mrs. Henry Blackwood and had five children. Mrs. Henry Blackwood's husband had been killed in the Revolution. John IV, married his first cousin, Elizabeth McClure, whose mother was Elizabeth Oates, who was married to John McClure. He, and a number of close relatives migrated to Pope Co., Ark., in 1850 and settled in and around the present town of Pottsville, Ark. John IV Oates and Elizabeth had eleven children. The third child, Thomas, married Melissa Grace McElwee. He served in the Civil War and was gravely wounded in the battle of Jenkins Ferry. His wife, Melissa, made a trip by Ox-Cart from Pottsville to Washington, Ark., where he was confined in a tent hospital. She nursed him back to health. This was a long and arduous trip for a woman in those days. What a woman! They had seven children: J. Neely; J. Harvey B.; W. Leslie; Franklin and Alex H. (both died in young manhood); Magnolia; and T. Monroe.

The seventh child, T. Monroe married S. Elizabeth Teeter and they had four children: F. Knox Oates married Eunice P. Oates. He is a retired Fire Insurance Executive. They had two children: Dr. Franklin T., of Lepanto, and Lillian E., is a school teacher in Little Rock, Ark.; Wade A. married Nina Blake, he resides on the old home place and is a cattleman. They had one child: Charles W., a Druggist in Russellville, Ark.; S. Bernice married Frank N. Parrish, a Tire Distributor of Silver City, N.M.; they have two children; a son, Neil, who has taken over his father's business; and a dau., Rose Marie, who married Robert C. Martin, an employee of the F.B.I. now in El Paso, Texas; M. Marie married Howard Brownlee, a businessman and financier of Silver City, N.M.

They were and are Presbyterians, deriving their theology from the teachings of John Calvin and were followers of John Knox of Scotland. They soon established a church and cemetery in Pottsville, both of which were named in remembrance of the old church, Pisgah, in North Carolina.

Many of their descendants still live in Pope Co., and in the towns of Russellville, Pottsville and Atkins. For more detailed in-

formation see the December 1976 issue of the Pope County Historical Association Quarterly.
by F. Knox Oates

JAMES THOMAS OATES

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James Thomas Oates, son of J.Q. and Cordelia Morgan Oates, was born July 3, 1906, in Pottsville. He attended Bryson College in Fayetteville, Tennessee, for two years after graduating from Pottsville High School in 1924. During the depression, he worked at various jobs before being employed by The Davey Tree Expert Co. of Kent, Ohio, as a tree surgeon. Trees became a life-long interest for him. He worked for the Davey Co. in 23 states, in Canada, and in Mexico. In 1935-36, he took a leave of absence to complete work for a B.S. degree from the College of the Ozarks, earning his way by landscaping the campus, and restoring the existing campus trees with cavity work, feeding, etc.

He was one of two men sent by the Davey Company to work with The Bank of Mexico in restoring some of the historically important trees in Mexico City. One of them was the "Tree of the Sad Night", which was so large that he sat inside the cavity to chisel out the rotted wood before filling the cavity with concrete. His work was featured in the Mexican Chamber of Commerce Magazine and in HOY.

Jim was supervising foreman for the Davey Co. from 1942-1958, when he was appointed Chief Arborist for the City of Richmond, Va. His work there was largely in street tree planting and maintenance. Richmond had 250,000 street trees — about the same number as the population at that time. He was noted for his work in the treatment and control of Dutch Elm disease. A member of the International Shade Tree Conference, and The Society of Municipal Arborists, he was elected to the American Society of Consulting Arborists. He was a member of the executive committee of the ISTC, and was president of the Southern Chapter of the ISTC in 1973. He was several times a speaker at the meetings of these and other national organizations in this field.

In 1973, upon retirement from the City of Richmond, he moved to Hampden-Sydney College, Va., to supervise the planting of the campus to commemorate the bicentennial of the college. The tenth oldest college in the United States, Hampden-Sydney was the only one that opened in 1776. The Garden Clubs of Virginia sponsored a walking tour of the campus during Historic Garden Week, featuring the five homes and the church on the campus that were built in the 1830's. He designed an entrance to the college around a group of five oak trees, which was completed after his death and named "The Oates Memorial Grove".

His death Sept. 7, 1974, was the result of an electrical accident at his home.

March 30, 1939, he married Julia Bryson, daughter of the Rev. C.T. Bryson. She was a graduate of Erskine College, and of Teachers College, Columbia University. She taught in high schools in North Carolina and Arkansas for five years. She was active in PTA and the

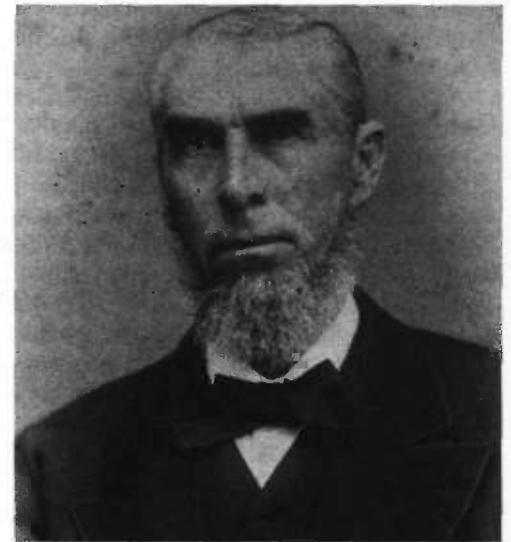
Overbrook Presbyterian Church in Richmond, where her husband was an elder. She is living in Pottsville since his death, and is Synodical Historian of the A.R.P. Church, working with the Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches at Montreat, N.C., to encourage the writing and preserving of the histories of that denomination in 11 southern states.

They have three children. Julia (Judy) Peters has one son, George Edward Peters, Jr. After teaching for several years in Russellville and Little Rock, she is a sales associate with Martin-McDaniel Real Estate in Little Rock. James Clifford married Nancy Carole Sinclair of Pottsville, and is a staff assistant at the Westinghouse (Transformer Division) Plant in Jefferson City, MO. Bryson Sinclair Oates is their son. Thomas Bryson is a geologist working with a petroleum service company in Houston, Texas. He is married to Ramona Jane Rice of Little Rock. They are both graduates of Arkansas Tech University.

By Julia Oates

REVEREND MONROE AND AMANDA HARPER OATES

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REV. MONROE OATES

Monroe Oates was born June 30, 1832 at the foot of Crowder's Mountain, Gaston County, N.C. In his younger days there was a great disposition to move West and his parents, John and Elizabeth McClure Oates, followed this tide of immigration. In company with eight or nine other families they travelled in wagons many weeks, always resting on the Sabbath. A story that has been passed down to descendants relates that a wagon train travelling seven days a week passed them on the way. The train of wagons that observed the Sabbath for worship and rest, arrived at their destination ahead of the seven day travellers.

The John Oates family arrived in Pope County in 1851. In the Fall of 1853, Monroe Oates, entered the sophomore class of Erskine College, Due West, S.C. He graduated from Erskine College, Due West, S.C. in

1855 and from Erskine Theological Seminary at Due West in 1858. He was licensed by the First Presbytery of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, September 7, 1858, and ordained by the same Presbytery in 1862. He was installed as pastor of Smyrna, S.C., November 5, 1863.

Out of this colony who left in 1851, there was organized Pisgah Church in 1853 (the building was located across the road from present Pisgah Cemetery near Pottsville.) Several ministers supplied Pisgah between 1853-1867. Monroe Oates came to Pisgah Church in December, 1867. Accompanying him was his wife, the former Amanda S. Harper, daughter of Captain J.F. Harper of Rockbridge County, Va. He met Amanda Harper while he was supplying Ebenezer Church in Rockbridge County and New Lebanon Church in Monroe County, Va. They were married September 6, 1860. In 1864 Monroe Oates entered the military service of S.C. but was honorably discharged after a few weeks.

He was installed pastor of Pisgah Church, Monday, August 31, 1868. Sectional feeling ran high during the Civil War and the peace of the community was disturbed. Frequent cases of discipline called for tact and patience. The congregation having drifted toward the river, another place of preaching was established. The new building was called Bethany. The strength of the congregation was concentrated about Bethany and a point of the L.R. & F.S.R.R. called Pott's station. The building cost \$1,000. The first service in the new building was held the first Sabbath in March 1884, and services were discontinued at Pisgah. The Pott's Station church is now the Pottsville Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Amanda Harper Oates was closely associated with her husband in ministry. Money was scarce, but church members helped by putting meat in the pastor's smokehouse. Amanda Oates entertained afternoon visitors at the Manse by serving freshly made hot biscuits, home made sweets and butter. The late Russellville eye specialist, Dr. L. Gardner of Russellville, remembered Amanda Harper's outstanding ministry to the youth of the community. Making one of her few trips back to visit in the old red brick home (built 1847, still standing) near Lexington, Va. she was caught in a storm crossing the Mississippi River. She was asked how she could be so calm when the storm was so violent.

Monroe Oates took frequent and long trips on horseback to visit churches which had no pastors. For some years he paid a visit annually to Prosperity and New Hope churches in North Arkansas. This was a horseback ride of several days through a mountainous country. On July 2, 1871 he preached his first sermon in Yell County, Arkansas. The church was organized August 2, 1879 as Zion (now Havana). For many years he made the forty mile trip to preach at the Zion Church on the fifth Lord's Day.

He served 28 years as the clerk of the Arkansas Presbytery of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. He was Synod delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U.S. at Little Rock, Arkansas, 1873.

On account of failing health, he resigned as pastor of the Pottsville and Bethany Churches in 1899 to take effect at the end of the year. The church had 125 members. In the year 1900 he felt that the end was near and was anxious to see a new pastor installed. The installation took place November 6 and he died the next morning, November 7, 1900.

Children of Monroe and Amanda Harper Oates were: Elizabeth (Mrs. S.R. Wells); Frank (a former Pope County sheriff); Emma (Mrs. E.H. Ragsdale); Henry, Lois (who died of appendicitis while attending Salem Academy near Memphis, Tenn.), and Ralph.

The veteran Pope County educator, Neal H. Bell wrote about Monroe Oates: "...he was without question one of the first college educated theologically trained ministers of the County."

by William Oates Ragsdale

THOMAS MONROE OATES

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THOMAS MONROE OATES, known as "Scrap Tommy," born 7 January, 1843 in Gaston, N.C., was one of 7 children born to John Oates and Eliza R. Oates. His brothers and sisters were William N., John Calvin, Martha Jane, Elizabeth R., Margaret and Mary. Thomas Monroe was baptized in the Pisgah Presbyterian Church in 1848.

John Oates' parents were William Oates and Margaret Dickey. Eliza R.'s parents were John Oates and Elizabeth McClure. Eliza R. also had a brother, Rev. Monroe Oates, Eliza R. died on 21 Feb., 1867 and is buried in the Pisgah Cemetery in Pottsville, Ark. Following her death, John married Sarah Parker (known as Granny Sallie) and they had five children, John Herbert, William Frank, Newton, Samuel and Kate Vandora. When Thomas Monroe was nine years old, his family, along with several others, made the trek from N.C. to Arkansas, settling in the Pottsville-Galla Rock area. He attended school there and was very active in the Presbyterian Church. He joined the 2nd Ark. Mtd. Rifles under Gen. McIntosh for the duration of the Civil War. He was firm in his beliefs and always returned for the Civil War Reunions.

In 1871, he married Miss Mary Ann Hayes from Russellville, Ark. She was born there in 1854 and was the daughter of William Newton Hayes and Eva J. Falls. Thomas Monroe and Mary Ann became parents of seven children, only two of them living to adulthood. Due to Mary Ann's bad health, the doctor advised them to move to another climate and around 1877, they came (by oxcart) to Ellis County, Texas. Mary Ann was said to have been cured by the time their trip to Texas was completed. Thomas Monroe accumulated quite a bit of land in the Ellis County area and was a very prosperous person. Some of his land was purchased from R. Pena, who had received the land as a grant from Mexico.

In 1892, Thomas Monroe and three other men appeared before the Presbyterian Council in McKinney, Texas, asking to form a Presbyterian Church in Palmer, Texas. He was elected and ordained an original Elder of the

church. Steve, son of Thomas Monroe and Mary Ann Oates, died in July, 1921 from a sunstroke and his funeral was from the Presbyterian Church in Palmer, Texas, however, by the time Thomas Monroe died, the Presbyterian Church was dissolved and his funeral was from the Methodist Church. He is buried in Palmer Cemetery.

Following the death of his father, John Oates, Thomas Monroe returned to Arkansas for his sister, Margaret, and his niece Dora Parker. They came to Ellis County, Texas to live, and Dora married James Darden in 1890. The Darden's lived in Holdenville, Okla. in 1921. Margaret died in Ellis County and is buried there. Thomas Monroe died on February 1, 1922. He was known for his strong faith, honesty, integrity and the high standards he held for a good Christian way of life for himself and his family. Some of the land he originally purchased in Ellis County is still owned by the Oates family.

by Ruth Ann Oates

WILLIAM OATES

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William Oates (1823-1877) son of William (1791-1866) and Margaret Dickey Oates, was born in Gaston County, N.C. He married Frances Reid Falls (1825-1895) in 1844. They came to Pope County with others in the family in 1851, and settled in Holla Bend. William was a millwright. The Parker Mill on Galla Creek was one of the first ones that he built. There was a cotton gin in the Holla Bend area, and he was often away working on the machinery of other mills, too. In addition to the gin, there was a store across the road known as the Plott-Newport Store. Later, it was owned by Luther Lacey, and then by Scissom.

Mrs. Oates knew something about the medicinal qualities of herbs, and she was often called on to wait on those that were sick in the community. Both William and Frances Reid Oates are buried in Pisgah Cemetery.

There were ten children of this marriage. Jefferson Davis, Joseph M. and William Nail were never married. Thomas Warren Oates married Sarah Reid; James Quinn Oates married (1) Elmina Whitesides (2) Cornelia Pernicia Morgan and (3) Elizabeth Taylor. Samuel Franklin married Mary Wells. John Francis and Alexander Oates were married, but the names of their wives are not known. Sarah Eliza Jane married William Jackson Hensley, and Mary Isabella married William Cousar. Their children were Thomas Agnew Cousar, who married Stella Williamson, and Leannah Cousar married Marvin Williamson, band director at Arkansas Tech.

The children of Sam and Mary Wells Oates were William Henry, (1892-1971), Ruth, who married Henry A. Glasscock, and Naomi, who married Cache L. Motley. Ruth and Naomi have taught in the North Little Rock Schools, and live in Little Rock. They have no children.

Several of the sons of William and Frances Falls Oates moved to Yell County. Belle Cousar, as the oldest Oates child, who often had the responsibility of looking after the

younger children when the parents were working or nursing elsewhere, lived in Pope County after her marriage, and with her brother Nail, after her husband died in 1890. J.D. Oates is buried at Pisgah. This family was a part of the group that organized the Pisgah church, and later built the church at Bethany, because it was nearer to them. With the coming of the railroad, a church was built at Pottsville, and some of them were in each church.

"J.Q." (1866-1951) was a blacksmith. His first shop was in Holla Bend, next to the Plott-Newport Store, and then he moved to Pottsville and had a shop there. He and Elmina W. Oates had two sons. Dow died in infancy. Robert Wade (1894-1965) married Eunice Johnson, (1896-1975). Their children were Robert Johnson (1918-1920), Charlene Elmina, and R. Wade, Jr. Charlene married D.L. Lemley. Their daughter, Carole Ann, married Robert E. Jones, Jr. Their daughter is Christina Leigh. Wade Jr. married Emily Bernice Henry. Their daughter, Janet Emilia, married Dr. Jim Ralstin. Benjamin Randall married Rozan Powell of Ozark.

J.Q. and Cornelia Morgan Oates had nine children, but only two, Eunice Pauline and James Thomas, survived infancy. Eunice married Franklin Knox Oates. Their children are Franklin Thomas and Lillian Eunice. Lillian has one child, Ann Eunice Clark, who married Raymond T. Alexander, Jr. Their children are Stephanie Ann, Raymond Kelly, and Holly Michele. Dr. Franklin Oates married Jania Harrison and practiced medicine, in Lepanto. They have three daughters, Melissa Ann married Whit Herendon, Jr. Their children are Misty and Whit Herendon, III, (Tri). Melinda Jane married Timothy Hanna, and they have a daughter Amanda Belle. Sandra Knox married Wayne Coulter. Their daughter is Tanya Knox.

by Julia Oates

WILLIAM LESLIE OATES

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In 1851 John Oates and his wife Elizabeth Reid McClure left Gaston County North Carolina along with nine other families bound for Pope County Arkansas. They had a two-fold purpose. They were seeking new and fertile lands for farming and they wanted to establish the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in the west. The Pisgah Church was organized at the Potts School House in 1853, being named for the Church they had left in North Carolina. Pisgah Cemetery is a reminder of that early church.

John and Elizabeth were the parents of William, who remained in North Carolina; Joseph; Thomas; Rev. Monroe who served the Pisgah Church as Pastor for thirty-two years; John F.; Eliza; James; Margaret; Mary; Samuel; and Calvin Grier. All of these are buried in Pisgah Cemetery and many of their descendents live in Pope County.

Thomas married Melissa Grace Leslie McElwee. To this union were born J. Neely whose wife was Sara Patrick; John Harvey who married Sara Falls; William Leslie who married Harriet Madrid Reed; Franklin who

died in his youth; Thomas Monroe who married Elizabeth Teeter; and Elizabeth Magnolia who married Arthur Boggess. All of the children remained in Pottsville with the exception of Neely who moved to Fayetteville, Arkansas, to educate his children.

Leslie and Madrid were the parents of Elsie, Violet Grace, Ruby, Franklin Bonner and Eros Chalmers. Madrid was reared in the Methodist Church but later joined the Presbyterian Church with her husband. She studied the doctrines of the church and learned the Westminster Catechism as she was spinning or churning. Their home was a hospitable one where guests were welcomed. The old house is still standing. Leslie owned farm land and was co-owner of Oates Brothers Store with his brothers Harvey and Monroe. He was an elder in the church and his favorite sport was fox hunting. He died November 14, 1930.

Elsie, born in 1882, never married but kept the home for her father following her mother's death in 1917. She was a gracious lady. She died in 1952.

Grace, born 1885, was a graduate of Due West Female College in South Carolina. She was a teacher and a gifted musician. She died in 1918.

Ruby, born in 1889, married Turman Warren of Russellville. They had two daughters, Myra Nell (Mrs. Leonard Brown) lives in Little Rock and Helen who died in 1925. Ruby died in 1919.

Franklin Bonner, born 1893, was a graduate of Arkansas Polytechnic College having entered the first day the doors were opened to students. Later he graduated from the University of Arkansas School of Agriculture in 1917. He was a first Lieutenant in the Army during World War I. Most of his life was spent in public service, having worked for the Veterans Administration and the Farm Security Administration for many years. He always thought of himself as a farmer and loved the soil. He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church and served on the School Board.

In 1925 he married Forrest O'Daniel of Rosemark, Tennessee. She was a graduate of Bryson College in Fayetteville Tennessee and was a teacher in Pottsville School.

To this union were born four children William Oliver, 1926; Grace Helen, 1930, died in infancy; Lila Jean 1932; and David Bonner 1935. The children are graduates of Arkansas Tech and the University of Arkansas. The boys have degrees in Agriculture and Lila Jean in Home Economics.

Bonner Oates died September 24, 1977.

William Oliver married Evelyn Sekavec of Mt. Ida, Arkansas. She is a Home Economics teacher. They live in Montgomery, Ala. where he is employed in the U.S. Dept. of Marketing Service. They have five children — William Hal, Charles Bonner, David Allan, Wayne Forrest, and Evelyn Grace. William Hall is married to Lura Lockwood of Montgomery, Ala. and they have a son, Jeremy Lockwood born March 24, 1976.

Lila Jean is married to Dr. Donald Viner of Hardy, Arkansas. They now reside in Benton, Arkansas where they are active in church and civic organizations. Their two children are Paul Marshall and Melissa Ann. Lila Jean

taught Home Economics before her marriage.

David is married to Marium Frances Guppy of Little Rock, Arkansas. They live in Pottsville where he is engaged in farming and Marium is teaching in the school. They have three children; John David, Melanie Jean, and William Leslie, all of whom enjoy crafts, art, and music. The family is very active in community and church life.

Chalmers, Leslie and Madrid's youngest child, was a mechanic. He married Agnes Whittington of Mississippi. They have one daughter LeJune who is married to Leroy Thomas, a pharmacist of Ft. Smith, Arkansas. They have three children, Michael Chalmers, Roy Winfield, and Debra Jean. Chalmers died in 1952.

by Mrs. F.B. Oates

GEORGE WILLIAM OWENS

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George William Owens born January 18, 1837 married Mary Elizabeth Carter on August 27, 1862 in Clinton County, Indiana. Several of their children were born in Clinton County, Indiana. The younger children were born in Missouri. This family moved to Arkansas sometime in the 1880's. Two of their daughters were married in Newton County, Arkansas in 1888. The family lived on Cave Creek near Lurton, Arkansas almost on the Pope-Newton County line. George Owens was a farmer. By 1892 the family had moved to Dover, Arkansas. George and Mary Owens had ten children. 1. Rosa born January 28, 1866 died December 14, 1947 married Franklin Pierce Brimmage on October 23, 1888. They had five sons and six daughters. 2. Allie born March 5, 1868 died October 5, 1931 married first Sarah Gibson. They had two daughters. Married 2nd Mary Elizabeth Wilson on August 6, 1896. They had five sons and five daughters. 3. Jesse R. born March 8, 1870 died April 22, 1906 married Mary Madora Linam on November 26, 1899. They had two sons and one daughter. 4. Arilla born 1872 married Andrew Davis on May 5, 1888. They had two sons and two daughters. 5. Robert J. born 1874 died 1916 or 17 married 1st Jessie Tennessee Linton on September 28, 1902. They had one daughter. Married 2nd Mamie Purvis Schull or Shull. They had one daughter. 6. Fannie born 1878 married P.A. Moreland on September 4, 1894. They had one daughter. 7. Victor born 1879 married Martha Nelson on September 12, 1901. They had four sons and one daughter. 8. William born June 27, 1882 died November 26, 1943 married 1st Dicey Grant on September 18, 1904. She died. Married 2nd Daisy Inez Beck on September 18, 1915. They had five daughters and one son. 9. Harry R. born January 29, 1884 died July 24, 1957 married Jessie Timms on January 10, 1909. They had five sons and three daughters. 10. Clyde born 1885 married Etta Sinclair on December 23, 1906. They had two sons and two daughters.

George W. and Mary E. Carter Owens are buried in Oakland Cemetery in Russellville, Arkansas.

by Lina Owens Boyd

JABEZ OWENS

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There were two Owens families in Pope County prior to the Civil War. One was there as early as 1842, according to Pope County Marriage Records. Whether or not there was any connection between the families has not yet been determined. One came from North Carolina and Tennessee, the other from Georgia and Alabama.

Jabez Owens was born about 1813 in Georgia. His wife, Lydia W. (surname unknown) was born in 1817 in South Carolina. They married about 1831, probably in Georgia, since their first child was born there in 1833. The family lived in either Alabama or Georgia until about 1851 when they moved to Pope County, where they remained the rest of their lives.

Ten children were born to Jabez and Lydia. They were: 1. Reuben S., born 1833, in Georgia, married Martha (surname unknown) and had children, Adaline, James and Robert. 2. Thomas E. born 1835 in Alabama, married Elizabeth Jane Whittenburg and had James, Lydia, Catherine, Elizabeth, Martha J., and Jasper. 3. Martha Jane, born 1 Sept. 1836 according to her daughter (census records show she was born between 1839 and 1841) married 16 Jan. 1859 to John Ennis, who was killed in the Civil War. They had two children, John and Sarah. On 9. Sept. 1867, Martha Jane married David James Sides. They had two children, Anderson born 15 Aug. 1868, died 1885 and Amanda born 30 Sept. 1870, died 28 Jan. 1960, married 1. Robert Bewley 2. William Nathan Hendrickson 3. Jake Duvall 4. Willis Skelton. 4. Mary S. born 1837, married George W. Hearn. She had one known child, Lydia I. Hearn born 1858. 5. Andrew F., born 1841 (nothing further known). 6. Julia S. born 1843, married Jacob Ennis brother of John Ennis who married Martha Jane. Julia and Jacob had three children, John, Sarah and William who were raised by their grandparents. 7. Carolina, born 1845 married Allen S. Bowden, in 1868. 9. Lucy R. (no further information) 10. William F., the only child born in Arkansas, born 1852. He disappears from Pope County after 1870.

Jabez Owens apparently had two brothers who also came to Pope County. Census records show a John Wesley Owens, born about 1820 and a Thomas Owens, born about 1810, both in Georgia, who are possible brothers of Jabez.

Jabez and Lydia both died after 1880, when they are shown on the Pope County census with grandchildren Sarah, John A. and William L. Ennis. Sarah, who married George Duvall in 1881, was a daughter of John and Martha Jane Owens Ennis and the two boys were sons of Jacob and Julia Ann Owens Ennis.

It is not known where Jabez and Lydia are buried.

by Dorris Dean Hendrickson

JESSE R. OWENS

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Jesse R. Owens was born in Clinton

County, Indiana on March 8, 1870. His family moved to Arkansas sometime in the 1880's. The earliest record found was of the marriage of his sisters, Rosa and Arilla, in Newton County, Arkansas in 1888. They settled somewhere close to Lurton, Arkansas for a few years and then moved to Dover, Arkansas. Jesse married Mary Madora Linam on November 26, 1899 in Dover. Dora was born April 4, 1868 and died June 11, 1938. Jesse was a farmer. They had three children: (1.) Fred Leon born July 22, 1901 died November 4, 1972 married Loda Singleton. They had no children. (2.) Mary Zula born August 9, 1903 married James Roy Burris on March 27, 1927. They had one son, Gene Burris, who resides in Russellville, Arkansas. (3.) Charles Finis born January 16, 1906 died October 25, 1976 married first Jennie Mai Cofer. They had one daughter. Jennie and her baby died. He married second to Ilah Cleo Forrest on November 4, 1938. They had two daughters, Lina Jane who married C.L. Boyd and Eva Doyce who married Ben White.

Jesse Owens died April 22, 1906 leaving Dora with three small children to raise. Her father, Andrew Jackson Linam came to live with her and help with the farming.

As soon as Fred was old enough to get a job, he went to work and helped his mother send Finis and Zula through school. When Fred married Loda Singleton, they moved to Springdale, Arkansas where they lived for the rest of their lives.

Zula became a school teacher for a while. She and Roy Burris lived in Dover or Russellville except for a short time when they lived in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Finis decided to farm and bought a farm east of Dover. Ilah was a teacher. In his later years, Finis became a small engine mechanic and lived in Springdale, Arkansas.

by Lina Owens Boyd

WILLIAM HENRY PAGE

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Thomas Page, oldest son of William Henry Page, was one of the first settlers in North-western Pope County. His love for hunting had lured him from Mississippi to this area, in the late 1850's, where large game was very plentiful at that time. He was reported to have had as many as six bear hides at one time tacked to his cabin to dry.

William Henry Page, who was born in South Carolina, and his wife Celia Taylor Page, who was born in Georgia, emigrated to the State of Mississippi prior to 1840 where they became property owners in Neshoba County. There they reared a family of ten children whose names were Asia, Thomas G., William, Mary L., Min, Willis Ben F., Elizabeth, Robert G., Nehemiah Scott and Theopholis Dan. Thomas served in the Confederate Army from Pope County. William, Ben, Asia and Mary's husbands served from the state of Mississippi. Asia and Mary's husbands died during the war. William died, after being wounded, on his way home from the war.

In 1868 the William Henry Page family, in-

cluding their remaining sons, two sons-in-law, Shade Jones who married Elizabeth and James (Jim) Partridge who married Min, and Mary L. Young, the widow already mentioned, moved to Arkansas where Thomas was already located. He had married Annis Rebecca Satterfield in 1860. All embarked with a single wagon drawn by a yoke of large oxen. Crossing the Mississippi River at Helena, Arkansas, they continued their journey until they reached Indian Creek in Leonards Valley, Allen Township, Pope County. One daughter, Asia Whitehead, remained in Mississippi with her grown children.

Leonards Valley was named after Marshall Leonard. The township was named after a man named Allen, one of the early settlers. This remote section of Pope County, sometimes referred to as Treat, is located about 35 miles northwest of Russellville. In 1868 when the Pages moved to Leonards Valley, Dover was the county seat and the nearest store, Post Office and grist mill. It took two to three days to make the round trip to mill and market. It was not necessary to make this trip very often because a barrel of salt, a sack of green coffee or a keg of soda and a sack of flour for holidays was almost sufficient groceries to last an ordinary family twelve months. Most food was raised on the farm.

Thomas, Ben, Mary, Elizabeth, Min, Scott, Robert and Dan raised their families in north-western Pope County before and after the turn of the century. Their father, William Henry, died in the 1870's and is buried at Shannon Cemetery. Their mother, Celia Taylor Page died in 1896 and is buried at Shannon Cemetery. These early settlers raised large families without the benefit of Social Security or government relief of any kind. The only aid they knew towards making a living was using their muzzle loading rifles and cultivating the cleared land in which the entire family took part. Some of the more enterprising members of the family owned or operated the first grist mills, cotton gins and saw mills in Leonards Valley.

Thomas Page was Constable and School Trustee in Allen Township prior to 1900. Scott Page and Dan Page were Justice of the Peaces.

This brief history was written from the recollections of Joseph Wilson Page given during an interview at his home in Leonards Valley on September 27, 1955. He was a son of Scott and Hessie Howard Page and at that time was the oldest living grandchild of Henry and Celia Page. Joe Page was particularly proud of the Page family's military service to the United States from the Civil War through World War II and kept a mental record of the family members who served. During World War I 6 Pages were called from Pope County into service of the country. During World War II 26 descendents of William Henry Page served. All that were called passed the necessary examinations and all returned with honorable discharges.

In 1978 John William Page, son of Dan and Melcena Waldo Page, of Dover is the oldest living grandchild of Henry and Celia Page. The other living grandchildren are Minnie Page

Newton of Conway, Bert L. Page of Russellville and Dan W. Page of Mayflower.

by John M. Page & Anna Page Fields

WILLIAM FRANCIS PARK

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William Francis Park was an orphan, raised by his uncle or half-brother, Jim, in Sedalia, Mo. He met and married Annie Dea Shipp of Windsor, Mo., in 1890. They moved from Windsor to Pine Bluff, Ark. in 1904. W.F. was a barber. They stayed in Pine Bluff only a short while before moving to Little Rock. After a few months there they moved on to Dardanelle, Ark., where W.F. was a barber on Front Street. In 1912 the family moved to Russellville, where Mr. Park barbered until 1931, when he took a short fling at cafe business. He later went back to barbering and worked in shops in Ft. Smith, Dardanelle, Paris and Clarksville until finally staying in Russellville until retiring. The Parks were members of the First Christian Church and are well known in the area for their church work.

They had a daughter, Violet, who married Reece Batson of Dardanelle. The couple resided in Dardanelle. Mrs. Batson left Dardanelle in 1963 to live with her only daughter in Little Rock.

Jon Cecil Park was the only son and he married Iva Jones in 1920. They had one daughter, Patricia, who lives with her mother in the family home on West Main Street.

Cecil worked for the Arkansas Power & Light Company for 49 years in and around this area, starting in the electric industry in 1911 with the old Dardanelle Light & Water Co., as a lineman and engineer. In 1915 this company was taken over by Brewster & Bacon, who constructed the first hydroelectric dam on the Illinois Bayou. Cecil remained with the company. In 1916 he enlisted in the army and was sent to Mexico, where he remained until May, 1917, returning to Russellville to work as a lineman for Arkansas Power & Light Co., which had acquired the properties of Brewster & Bacon in Dardanelle and Russellville.

In 1918 Cecil returned to the army and on August 8, 1918 sailed to France. He remained there until June, 1919. He was a sergeant in Battery "E", 142ns Field Artillery.

Returning to the States, he went to Camden, Arkansas to work for A.P.&L. Co., as a lineman. In May, 1920 he was transferred back to Russellville and two years later was made foreman of the line department. He served as foreman for the electric company and the water company, located at the site of the old hydro-electric dam. The dam was reconstructed and finished in 1923. Cecil served as foreman until July 1, 1924, when B.C. (Duke) Fowles retired and he was promoted to manager of both the companies. In 1950 the Russellville Water Company was formed and Arkansas' first hydro-electric plant was sold, thus separating the water company from Arkansas Power & Light Company.

Cecil saw many changes in the electric system in his 49 years with Arkansas Power &

Light Company and retired in 1960.

Patricia Park married in 1954 and has one son K.C. Hansen, who is a student at Arkansas Tech University.

by Patricia Park Hansen

BILLY DON PARKER

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Billy Don Parker was the great-great-grandson of John Parker, who was born in Maryland in 1780. John married Rachel (last name unknown) who was born in 1784 in Pennsylvania.

About 1822, they moved to what is now Eastern Alabama where for reasons unknown they were allowed to live and farm on Indian territory. In 1832, the Indians were driven from this area and the territory was divided into five counties with John and family of five sons and three daughters residing in Chambers County, Alabama in 1840.

About 1844, John and family migrated west and settled in Pope County, Arkansas. It is believed that three of his sons and one daughter and some neighbors that had migrated by wagon train from Alabama proceeded on to settle in Texas.

John and wife, Rachel and two sons Joshua and Meredith W. and daughters Louisa E., Jemima and Mary A., remained in Pope County.

Joshua M. Parker, born in Chambers County, Ala. in 1823, married Nancy J. Vincent who was born in Tennessee, Jan. 5, 1845. To this union was born John Calvin, Meredith W., William Harrison, Thomas, Lewis, George R., Mary and Katy.

John Calvin was born April 8, 1846 and grew up on the family farm in Center Valley Community. On Dec. 20, 1863, at the age of 17, he enlisted as a Pvt., assigned to Company C., 4th Regt. Arkansas Cavalry, of the Union Army at Dardanelle, Ark. He was knowledgeable of horses and assisted in the purchasing of horses for the Cavalry. He was allowed to furnish his own horse and equipment. He had to swim the Arkansas river and hid in the river, overnight, to escape the Confederate Army. He was discharged June 30, 1865 and returned to the family farm.

On February 22, 1871, John C., married Georgia Ann Ashmore. They were the parents of 17 children, several dying at an early age but those living to be grown were: James J., John A. Logan, William R., Stephen S., Jessie L., Gilbert, Leocia, Cora A., Oda H., Charles Ford, and Floyd F.

Leocia married Steve Braselton and is the only remaining child left at this time. She resides in Corpus Christi, Texas.

John Calvin Parker died January 15, 1926 and Georgia Ann Ashmore Parker died in 1941.

Floyd F. Parker, youngest son of John and Georgia Ann Ashmore Parker, was born Nov. 10, 1895. On Dec. 24, 1920, he married Bessie May Rogers, daughter of Lon and Mary Elizabeth Rowland Rogers, both descendants of pioneer families of Pope County. They were the parents of five children: Helen L., Boyce E., Mary Sue, Anna Dean and Billy Don.

Floyd F. Parker died Feb. 12, 1976 and Bessie May Rogers Parker, died Feb. 19, 1974.

Billy Don Parker was born Feb. 22, 1933 in Center Valley Community. He moved with his parents to San Jose, Calif., in 1941. They later returned to Russellville, Ark. where he finished Jr. High School before returning to San Jose. He is an avid sports fan and excellent in all sports in high school. In 1950, he played pro baseball for the Washington Senators farm system. He left pro ball to enlist in the U.S. Marines on July 16, 1951, in San Francisco, Calif. and served as Sgt. in the Korean War. He was discharged July 17, 1953. On Nov. 26, 1953, he married Ann Nappi and they moved to New York where he resided for thirteen years. A daughter, Donna Jean and a son, La Grande was born to this union. La Grande died at four months.

On Jan. 21, 1967, in Little Rock, Ark., he married Helen Masoner Burgess, descendent of a pioneer Hot Springs County family. They have two sons, Billy Don Parker II, born Oct. 13, 1973 and John Christopher, born Aug. 21, 1977. He retired due to ill health and in March 1978, returned to Russellville, to make their home.

Billy Don has owned and operated upholstery and Interior Decorating stores in several states.

John Christopher, who was born in 1977, is the fourth generation, including John Calvin who was born in 1846 and served in the Civil War, from the pioneer of Pope County, Joshua M. Parker. Floyd F., was the seventeenth child of John Calvin, and born in 1895, Billy Don was the last child of Floyd, born in 1933. The four generations expand over a period of 131 years.

by Mrs. Billy Don Parker

JOHN PARKER

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John Parker was born in Maryland in 1780. He married Rachel (last name unknown), born in Penn. in 1784. About 1822 they moved to what is now eastern Alabama where they were allowed to live and farm in Indian territory, for reasons unknown. In 1832, the Indians were driven out and the territory was divided into five counties with John and family living in Chambers County, Ala. John and family of five boys and three girls were still living there in 1840.

Sometime between 1841 and 1844, John chose to move his family west, stopping in Pope County, Arkansas. It is believed that some of his older boys and neighbors proceeded on to settle in Texas. However, John, with his wife Rachel, sons Joshua M. and Meredith W. and daughters, Louisa E., Jemima and Mary A., (born in Arkansas) remained in Pope County.

In 1850, we find Joshua M., age 27, married to Nancy J. Vincent, age 23, (b. in Tenn.). This marriage took place Jan. 5, 1845. To this union several children were born and by 1860, Joshua's family included John Calvin, Meredith W., William Harrison, Thomas, Louis (Lewis) N., and George R.,

and by 1862, Mary and 1864, Katy.

Since I am primarily concerned with my family history I will confine myself to my great-grandfather, John Calvin, born April 8, 1846. He worked on the farm until age 17. At this time the Civil War was in its last years and the Union Army occupied most of Arkansas. Being a young and adventurous boy, and I suppose hoping to see our nation become one nation undivided, John joined the Union Cavalry. He enrolled as a private in Co. C, 4th Regt. Ark. Cavalry, on Dec. 20, 1863 at Dardanelle, Ark., remaining on active duty until Jan. 30, 1865. Apparently he was considered very knowledgeable of horses as he was used to assist in the purchasing of horses for the cavalry and he was allowed to furnish his own horse and equipment. John Calvin was very much like some of the Parkers of today in that he was often misplacing or losing things. His war record shows that he was charged with loss of haversack, canteen and other equipment.

John C. was discharged on June 30, 1865, and returned to Pope County to farm. On Feb. 22, 1871, he married Georgia Ann Ashmore and to this union 17 children were born. Several of these children died at an early age. The remaining children as of April 1, 1915, were: John A.L., Stephen J., Charles F., who was born Dec. 26, 1881, Mary L., George G., Cora A., Oda H., and Floyd F.

My grandfather, Charles F., was a farmer and salesman, later taking the Lord's way and becoming a minister. He married Pearl Othello Marshall of Prairie Grove, Ark. Of this union, three children remain alive today. They are Paul C., of San Jose, Calif., Jean Dunnington of Zuni, New Mexico, and my father, Robert Allen of New Mexico.

I have two brothers, Robert D., deceased, and Charles Thomas of Pocahontas, Ark. Charles T. has a large family of six and I have two daughters, Ramona Melissa and Jacqueline Ann.

In writing this, I know many errors probably exist and important facts have been omitted as I have never lived in Pope County and I have taken all my information from books, papers and records. By writing this it is hoped that any reader who has additional information will share it with me.

by Emery J. Parker

JOSHUA M. PARKER

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Joshua M. Parker, was born in Alabama in 1823. He and his wife, Nancy, moved to Pope County, Arkansas by 1845. In 1860, they had the following children: John C., age 14; Meredith W., age 12; Wm. H. Harrison, age 11; Thomas, age 5; Louis N., age 3; George R., age 2; and in 1870, there were two more; Mary, age 9; and Katy, age 7.

John C. Parker, was born in Arkansas in 1846, fought in the Civil War on the Union side, in Co. C, 4 Ark. Cav., from Pope County. He and his company had to swim the Arkansas river at Dardanelle to get away from the Confederate army. However, they later occupied Dardanelle. On the 22 of Feb.,

1871, he married Georgia Ann Ashmore, who was born in Arkansas in 1855. She first appears in the home of Stephen Matthews, along with a brother and two sisters, in 1860. To this union was born 17 children, several of them dying young. Eleven of the children were: James J., John A. Logan; William R.; Stephen S.; Jessie L.; Gilbert; Leocia; Cora; Odie; Ford and Floyd. John C. Parker, died Jan. 15, 1926.

On the 26th of Oct., 1893, John A. Logan Parker, called "Loge" married Lillie Bell Humphrey. He was a farmer and cattle dealer and died in 1945. He and Lillie had ten children: Homer, Lester, Schyley; Wayne; Pebble; Fern; Clayton; Woodrow; J.L., Jr.; and William.

Woodrow Parker, born in 1912, attended school at Crawford, in Russellville. He married in 1934, to Bonnie Henderson Jackson of Newton County, Arkansas and moved west to California with the Pope County migration, during the great depression of the 1930's. He followed the plumbers trade. He and Bonnie were the parents of four children: Charles, Kathleen; Lucreta and Barbara. He married the second time to Marie McCormick in California and they had one son: Finous Wayne. In 1957, he came back to Pope County and married his childhood sweetheart, Juanita Turnbow Cole, who was a descendent of an early Pope County family. After a few years in California, they moved back to Russellville, where he continued to follow the plumbers trade until his retirement in 1974.

Woodrow and Juanita are both members of the First Assembly of God Church in Russellville. He is a gifted fisherman and hunter, having recently killed a 500 lb elk in Colorado. He has no children by his last marriage.

by Woodrow Parker

THE PARKER FAMILY HISTORY

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My roots in Pope County go back to the early 1850's when my great grandparents,

Silas Reece Parker and Martha Akins Parker, together with their children, came by wagon train from York County, S.C., to settle in the Bethany community, just south of Pottsville, Arkansas.

The Parkers were a part of the large company which came from Gaston County, N.C., and York County, S.C., composed almost entirely of members of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, and located in the Pottsville area, including the Pisgah and Bethany communities, and established churches.

Among the families were Ferguson, Whitesides, Henry, Falls, Oates, and Bell.

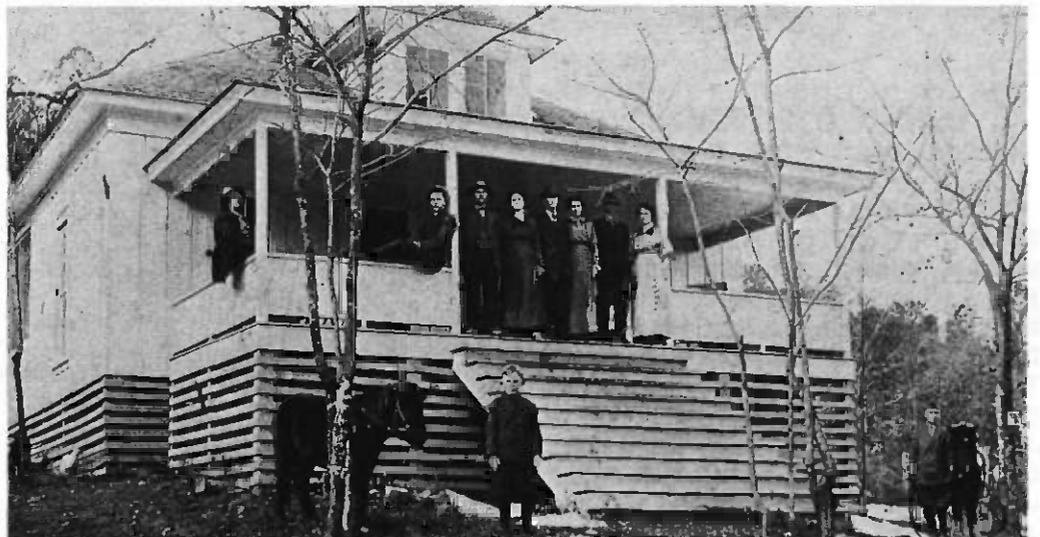
Silas Reece Parker and his wife had nine children, all born in South Carolina. The fourth child was Peter Washington Parker, my grandfather, born January 13, 1825 in York County, S.C.

My great grandfather built a grist mill and store on Galley (Galla) Creek, 1½ miles south of Pottsville, about 1851. After the death of Silas Reece Parker in 1867, the mill and store was operated by his son, P.W. Parker, until his death January 29, 1892, later leased to C.G. Oates.

Peter W. Parker was mustered into the Confederate Army, Co. "B", Second Arkansas Mounted Rifles Regiment under Capt. Ben T. Embry, July 15, 1861, as Lieut. Peter W. Parker. Upon the promotion of Capt. Embry to Col. Embry almost immediately, Lieut. Parker was promoted to Captain of Co. "B".

Capt. Peter W. Parker married Mattie Drucilla McArthur on Aug. 27, 1862. They were the parents of seven children. The oldest, a daughter, Lula E. married William P. Ferguson, well-known Russellville businessman, parents of John D., deceased, and Rupert P. Ferguson, who resides in Russellville.

The fourth child was my father, William Reece Parker, born Oct. 7, 1870, who died at Atkins, Ark., on Sept. 15, 1946. Wm. Reece Parker married Mary Baird Ferguson, daughter of Wm. Pinkney (Pink) Ferguson and Mary Katherine Whitesides, on Dec. 11, 1901. My



Picture taken at McKeever Springs, foot of Norristown Mountain, Russellville, Arkansas, about February, 1913. On porch, left to right. L.D. (Dick) Parker, 1873-1933; Ruper P. Ferguson, 1893- ; Wm. P. Ferguson, 1868-1843; Lula Parker Ferguson, 1868-1950; Wm. R. Parker, 1870-1946; Mary Ferguson Parker, 1880-1960; Walter Oates; Blanche Parker Oates, 1883-1969. Carl F. Parker, 1905- ; with pony at left; John D. Ferguson, 1902-1970, with pony at right. The W.R. Parker family lived in this house at this time.

mother died in Anaheim, Calif., Dec. 10, 1960. My parents, Associate Reformed Presbyterians, devoted to family, simple-living, hard-working farmers, set an excellent example for their children and others in the community.

They were the parents of Carl F. Parker, born at Atkins, Feb. 15, 1905, and Cathryn Drucilla Parker, born at Atkins, Apr. 27, 1915. My sister Cathryn married Robert Petty, Jr., of Siloam Springs, Ark. on Oct. 3, 1937. They reside in Anaheim, Calif., and are the parents of three daughters.

I married Helen Williamson, daughter of T.F. Williamson and Mabel Roys Williamson, members of pioneer Russellville families, on June 5, 1932, in Central Presbyterian Church, Russellville, with Dr. Wiley Lin Hurie performing the ceremony. At that time I was Business Manager of The College of the Ozarks, Clarksville, and Helen was Secretary to President Hurie.

In addition to serving 10 years at The College of the Ozarks, I have been in major administrative positions at University of Arkansas School of Medicine, Little Rock; Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas; Texas Commission on Higher Education, Austin; Hastings College, Hastings, Nebraska; Austin College, Sherman, Texas; and the Texas Association of Developing Colleges, Dallas. Also, I served as Arkansas State Purchasing Agent and Commissioner of Revenues, Little Rock. I have been a consultant to the Government of Puerto Rico, and more than 30 colleges and universities in the United States.

Helen and I have two children: Mary Alice Parker, born 1934, Russellville, married Rev. Leal J. Dobesh, Aug. 20, 1958 in University Presbyterian Church in San Antonio. Mr. Dobesh is a Presbyterian minister, pastor of St. James Presbyterian Church, Ft. Worth, Tex.; they have three daughters.

Our son, Carl David Parker, born 1938, Clarksville, is in his 12th year as a teacher in Okmulgee Public Schools, Okmulgee, Okla. He has the Master of Education degree from Southeastern State University, Durant, Okla.

We cherish the memories of our forebears and want to preserve our heritage.

by Carl F. Parker

LATTIE DEE PARTON

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Lattie Dee Parton, minister of the gospel, and rancher of Pope County, Arkansas; Chickasha and Anadarko, Okla. and Visalia, Calif. He was the son of Russell Jones Parton Jr. by his first wife, Nancy Angeline Guest and was born Sept. 14, 1893 at Comanche, Indian Territory. He died Feb. 28, 1976 at Duncan, Oklahoma and was buried in Visalia, Calif. On Jan. 4, 1914, at Enterprise, Haskell County, Okla., he was married to Miss Adah Taylor, born April 24, 1896 at Hoyt, I.T. and died June 26, 1968 at Visalia, Calif. She was the daughter of Mary Jane Jones of Perry County, Indiana and Charles Reins Taylor, native of Fort Smith. The Rev. Parton and Adah Taylor, were the parents of 12 children, all living in 1978 except son Charles Russell that died in

San Fransico in 1964 and buried in Visalia.

Adah Lucile was born Dec. 12, 1914 at Hoyt, Okla., married Thomas Franklin Balch and later married Boyed Weborn Doan and lives at Duncan, Okla.

Angeline Louise, born July 25, 1916, at Hector, Arkansas, married Oscar Lee McElroy who is now deceased. She lives in Chautauqua, Kansas.

Teddy Bratton Parton was born June 29, 1918 at Hector, Ark. He first married Virginia Hudson (2) Gladys Sybel Franks and (3) Pauline Lavonne Windsor.

Jewel Grace Parton, born Aug. 29, 1920 at Gracemont, Okla., married Floyd B. Hyatt in Visalia, Calif.

Mary Violet Parton was born Jan. 31, 1922 at Ada, Okla., married Marion Otho Shillinglaw, in Visalia, Calif.

Lattie Paul born May 10, 1925 at Atkins, Arkansas, married June Geraldine Loughridge, in Duncan, Oklahoma.

Ruth Olive Parton, born Dec. 17, 1927 in Ninnekah, Okla., married Luther Johnson and they have one son and live at Visalia, Calif.

Charles Russell Parton was born Nov. 14, 1929 at Russellville, Ark. He married first to Pauline Allen and second Nora Irene Caddell. He died June 12, 1964 at San Fransico, Calif.

John Dee Parton, was born Dec. 24, 1931 at Apache, Okla., is unmarried and lives at Cleveland Oklahoma.

William Webster Parton, was born Oct. 5, 1933 at Apache, Okla. He married Pearl Dianne Marks in Honolulu in 1954 and they live at Los Alamitos, Calif.

Lindy Post Parton, born Sept. 4, 1935 at Chickasha, Okla. He married Patsy Ruth Tisdell of Haines City, Fla.

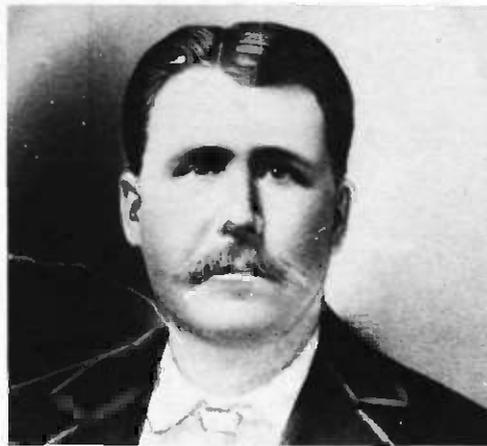
Lovie Nell Parton, born Sept. 30, 1938, Ninnekah, Okla. married Charles Francis Ryan Jr. She lives in Springfield, Va.

On Nov. 27, 1970 at Henrietta, Clay County, Texas, Rev. Parton, married the second time to Mrs. Ella Irene (Floyd) Nale, widow of Joel Nale. She passed on four years later and is interred at Chickasha, Okla. They had no children.

by James T. Goodbread

RUSSELL JONES PARTON

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RUSSELL J. PARTON, JR.
AGE 26 — 1898

The progenitor of the Parton family in America was Robert Parton, born in England, in 1588, arrived at Elizabeth City, Virginia on the Ship Blessing in June 1609 and his wife Margaret, born 1588 arrived in Virginia on the Ship George in 1617. Robert & Margaret had four children, Avis; Rebecca; Deborah; and Robert Parton Jr. At the close of the Revolutionary War, four Parton men that had served as soldiers, settled in the state of Georgia - John; Peter; Robert; and William Parton.

Russell Jones Parton, was born in the State of Georgia, Feb. 17, 1816, died at Hector, Pope County, Ark. May 16, 1881. In Marion County, Tennessee, on March 15, 1855, Russell J. Parton, married Miss Connie Elander Wilhite, born June 6, 1832, died Oct. 16, 1892, the daughter of a Miss Baxter and Starns Wilhite and granddaughter Margaret Hiso and Julius Wilhite, of Greene and Campbell Counties, Tennessee.

Russell J. Parton came to Pope County, Ark., and settled eight miles north of Hector in 1870. A part of the old log home still stands at the site where they settled. All their children were born in Tennessee, except Russell Parton Jr. Lucretia Florence, born Dec. 19, 1855, married James Rowland; Nancy Zaida, born July 16, 1857, married a Rowland; Mary Elizabeth, born Feb. 15, 1859, married John McCracken; Sarah Kentuckey, born July 7, 1861, married Thomas R. Allen, April 25, 1880; Ellender Jane, born June 10, 1863, married William M. Dawson, March 13, 1881; Martha Aronia Rebecca Tennessee, born April 2, 1865, married James Dixon; Margaret Wilson Howington, born Nov. 19, 1869 married William Henry Dixon Jan. 1, 1889; William Russell Jones Andrew Jackson, born Jan. 22, 1872 and died in Feb. 1940.

Russell Jones Parton Sr. was a leather worker and in Tennessee, during the Civil War made saddles for the Confederate army. He had a brother, William Asburn Parton who married Lucretia Wilhite a sister of Russell's wife Connie. The two Wilhite girls in Tenn. belonged to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Lucretia Florence Parton married James L. Rowland 19 Mar. 1874. On the wedding day, the groom, accompanied by the minister who was to perform the ceremony, Joe Harmon, arrived at the creek which had to be crossed to reach the home of the bride, the water was so high that the minister refused to attempt the crossing on horseback but finally a boat was located and the two tied up their horses and crossed the creek. James Lewis and Florence lived most of their married life on the farm near Scottsville, but for a short time they were in Indian Territory during the 1890's. While there two of their 13 children were born, died and buried. Shortly before the celebration of their sixteenth wedding anniversary, James L. and Florence gave up the farm and moved into Russellville to live with one of their daughters. James Lewis Rowland died 30 Nov. 1936 and his marker indicates that he was a member of Poe's Co., Roice's Regt., C.S.A. Florence Parton Rowland died 23 Jan. 1938. Both are buried in Oakland Cemetery at Russellville.

Arona Belle Rowland, one of the children of James Lewis and Florence Parton Rowland, was married to William G. Linton, January 8, 1911. The three children of this marriage were; Mary Sue Linton, Cora Belle Linton Cowen, and William Love Linton, Sr. by Mrs. William L. Linton, Sr.

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LATTIE DEE PARTON AND ADAH TAYLOR PARTON

William Russell Jones Andrew Jackson Parton was the son of Russell Jones Parton and Connie Elender Wilhite Parton. He was born at Hector, Pope County, Ark. January 26, 1872 and died in February 1940 at Apache and buried at Anadarko, Okla. He married March 23, 1891, at Russellville, Ark. to Nancy Angeline Guest who was born in Feb. 1869, Pope County, and died in 1897 at Comanche, Okla. She was the daughter of Christopher Newton Guest and Paralee Drusila Wilson Guest. They were the parents of four children: Raleigh; Lattie Dee; Minnie Mae and Lola Angeline Elizabeth.

Raleigh, born 1888 and died 1898.

Lattie Dee, born Sept. 14, 1893 and died Feb. 28, 1976. He married Adah Taylor, Jan. 14, 1914 at Enterprise, Okla.

Minnie Mae, born at Comanche, I.T. married Peter Tackett and died at childbirth in 1912.

Lola Angeline Elizabeth, born Dec. 25, 1897 and died May 24, 1933. She married Lester Alvin Hughes, March 21, 1915. He was born June 21, 1894 and died Nov. 3, 1972. They were the parents of five children: Veda, born Nov. 8, 1917; Juanita, born Oct. 6, 1922; Lavada, born Oct. 18, 1925; Wiley Russell, born Sept. 29, 1927 and Charles Clinton Hughes, born Dec. 24, 1929 and died Dec. 11, 1948.

After the death of Nancy Angeline Guest, Russell Parton married on April 16, 1898 to Ivy Sumner Linton. She was born Dec. 30, 1882 at Hector and died July 11, 1952 at Anadarko, Okla. She was the daughter of Louisa Shaw and Thomas Munroe Linton. They were the parents of seven children:

Lou Ada, born Aug. 20, 1902, Tussy,

Okla., married Norman Dicky, Feb. 6, 1920, at Hector, Ark. He was born Jan. 31, 1897 and died Oct. 1, 1969. She now resides in Russellville, Ark.

Fred, born and died in 1903 at Tussy, Oklahoma.

Velma, born Aug. 13, 1906 died May 30, 1908, at Hector, Ark.

William Dewey, born Jan. 16, 1911, at Hector, married Eva Ashmore in 1929 at Hector. In 1932, he married Bulah McCall at Wichita Falls, Texas. She was the daughter of John McCall. He later married Cora Love whose maiden name was Cora Lackey. He now resides near Comanche, Okla.

Denver Hays, born May 14, 1913 at Hoyt, Okla. married Blanche Imes or Eames and moved to California.

Ola Marie, born Nov. 22, 1916 at Hector, married Loy Lee White, Dec. 26, 1932 and she still lives at Hector.

Charles Russell, born in Feb. 1920, died May 1920 at Hector, Arkansas.

by James Piper Taliaferro Goodbread

WILLIAM ASBURN PARTON 576

William Asburn Parton, born in Georgia in 1814, was a brother of Russell Jones Parton Sr., married in Tennessee about 1855, to Lucretia Wilhite, a sister of Connie Elender Wilhite, wife of Russell J. Parton Sr. Lucretia married 2nd a Mr. Mitchell and by him had a son James Preston Mitchell. In 1878 Lucretia, with her 2nd husband and sons by both marriages started to Pope County, Arkansas. In Memphis they ran into a yellow fever epidemic where Lucretia and husband, both died the same week in Sept. 1878. The sons by the two marriages in panic fled to Pope County, Ark. and lived with their uncle Russell Jones Parton Sr. and wife, Connie Elender, where they grew to manhood. The sons were:

Russell Jones Parton, born in Marion Co., Tenn, 1857, died at Hector, Pope County, Arkansas in 1892. He never married.

John Starnes Wilhite Parton, born in Marion County, Tenn., Jan. 21, 1861, died at Hector, Ark. June 1, 1921. He married in Pope County Oct. 5, 1890 to Talitha Harris who was born in 1870 and died in 1892. They were the parents of one child, Pearl who married at Hector in 1912 to Cassus Donahoo, who died in Calif., in 1945. They had two children; Mildred born in 1913 and Glenn born in 1916 at Simpson, Ark. Pearl married 2nd in Glendale, Calif. July 16, 1945 to Sidney Waterfield. They live in Hector, Arkansas. John S. Parton married the second time Dec. 18, 1892 at Hector to Florence Wells and they were the parents of four children: Russell Jones Parton, married Velma Dixon at Hector in 1932; William Ashburn Parton, married Ida Story at Hector in 1927; Elmer; and Faye.

William Asburn Parton Jr. born in Marion Co., Tennessee, May 3, 1864, died at Duncan, Okla., Dec. 29, 1940. He married Nov. 11, 1885, at Scottsville, Pope Co., to Laura Eller Waters, age 18 of Scottsville. They had a son, Rease and a daughter, Minnie Ellender. William married second to Josephine



BACK — LATTIE DEE PARTON, MINNIE MAE PARTON, LOLA ANGELENE ELIZABETH PARTON, Children of Russell J. Parton and first wife, Nancy Angeline Guest. Front — RUSSELL JONES PARTON JR., 2nd wife IVY SUMNER LINTON & their daughter Lou Ada Parton, Hector, Ark. 1910.

(Sandlin) Ellison a widow with one son, Burt. She was born in Arkansas Dec. 22, 1874 died at Duncan, Okla. April 14, 1969, and was the daughter of Ester Jane Carter and J.J. Sandlin. William and Josephine had no children. Children by Laura Eller Waters.

Rease Parton, born April 24, 1893, Hector, Arkansas died May 25, 1956, Duncan, Okla. He married in 1915 to Orie Daniel who was born July 3, 1894 and died Oct. 1926, at Grandfield, Okla. They had one child, William Daniel Parton, born at Grandfield, July 25, 1917. He married Edythe Mae Harbaugh in 1942, at Walters, Okla. She was born in 1915 at Neosho, Mo. and they had John Rease Parton, born 1948 and William Kent Parton that married Margaret Ann Peyton. Rease Parton married the second time June 6, 1927 in Tillman Co., to Miss Myrtle Mae Maxwell, born in 1908, daughter of Margaret Weddell and George W. Maxwell. They had two children: Rease Leon Parton, born in Tillman Co., in 1930, married at Garland, Texas, in 1953 to Peggy Westmoreland and have one child Miles Rease Parton, born in 1956 and Edward Murle Parton, born in Tillman Co., Okla. in 1937, married Jaune Sheppard and they have Lisa Lynn Parton, born at Lawton in 1965 and Bryan Edward Parton born at Lubbock, Texas in 1969.

Minnie Ellender Parton, born in Hector, Ark. Oct. 12, 1895, married in 1913 in Tillman Co., Okla. to Kelsie Lee Smith, son of Martha Elizabeth and James Thomas Smith and were the parents of the following children: Bonnie Maxine; James William; Leola Marlene; Joed; Eldred; Essie; Lindale; Faye Marion and one child, born and died the same day in 1932.

by James T. Goodbread

CAPT. WILLIAM M. PEELER

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Capt. William M. Peeler was born in the Palmentto State in 1840, son of A.J. and Unity Peeler, both natives of South Carolina. Mr. Peeler was a farmer who had received his education in the common schools. His wife was Miss S.A. Patrick, a native of South Carolina. They were married in 1859, and that fall came to Pope County, Arkansas. In 1861, he went to Yell County, where he bought a farm.

In February, 1862, he enlisted in Company B, Whitfield's Legion, and was in the battle of Elk Horn. He was taken sick soon after this engagement and his command being ordered to cross the Mississippi River, he was unable to accompany it. After a time in the hospital and a short furlough, he joined Company H, Twenty-second Arkansas Regiment, was promoted to the rank of sergeant, and from that, step by step, until he received the commission of captain of the same company. He was in command of his company at Helena, also in the battle around Little Rock, and then went to the southern part of the State. After this he was in the Louisiana campaign, was in the quartermaster's department, and later his command returned to Arkansas, where it was engaged in all the battles of Central Arkansas.

He joined the command on October 1, 1864, and surrendered at Marshall, Texas, at the close of Hostilities. He came back to Pope County of June 13, 1865, farmed rented land for four years, then bought 400 acres in Yell County, where he resided for five years. He moved back to Pope County and moved two and one half miles east of Russellville. He moved to Russellville about 1880 and was bookkeeper for J.M. Harkey & Bro. for about nine years. He was elected tax assessor in 1876 and County treasurer in 1888 and 1890.

Mrs. Peeler, who was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church, died in 1884, and in 1886 the Captain married Miss Lavina R. Gray, a native of Tennessee and to this union was born five children: Sally Lou, died at birth; William Clifton, 1890, now resident of Little Rock, Ark., married Louise Reynolds, and they had one son, Jack Wiley, of Nashville, Tennessee; Wiley Melton, 1892, died in 1964, married Mary Gillispie and they had one son, James Wiley Peeler of Russellville; Susie Marion, 1894, married William Fulton LaVasque and of this union there were two children, Wilma Jeanette and Milton Peeler LaVasque; Jennings B. Peeler, 1897, died 1975, married Lois Shoptaw of this union one son, Clay Peeler of Little Rock.

by Marion Peeler LaVasque

FLAVE C. PETERS

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Flave C. Peters, born on December 25, 1900 in Macon, Mississippi, moved at an early age with his parents, Robert M. and Minnie Porter Peters to Okolona, Arkansas, where he spent his early days and in 1917 graduated from high school as valedictorian. He attended Henderson-Brown College in Arkadelphia and after working for awhile in Prescott, moved to Fayetteville and was employed by Campbell-Bell Department Store. While in Fayetteville he met and on May 31, 1926, married Lillian A. Warnock who was a student at the University of Arkansas. Lillian was born in Magnolia on April 10, 1904, daughter of W.H. and Annie Goode Warnock.

In 1927, F.C. and Lillian moved to Magnolia where he joined her father in his furniture and hardware store (established in 1895). While there, their first son, Flave Warnock, was born on August 7, 1927. In 1934 the Peters Family moved to Russellville where F.C. became manager of Linkway Stores Company, a position he held for 10 years. The Peters family attended First Methodist Church where Lillian was a teacher in the Sunday School Primary Department for 23 years. She passed away on November 18, 1975.

In 1944, F.C. and W.A. Baldwin, a long-time farm implement dealer in Russellville, formed the partnership of Peters-Baldwin Company, a retail store selling furniture, hardware, and appliances. While managing this firm, F.C. served as President of both the Arkansas Furniture Association and the Arkansas Hardware Association, having the distinction of being the first to serve two consecutive terms as president of the latter organization.

In 1954, the Peters families purchased the Baldwin interest in Peters-Baldwin Company and changed the name to F.C. Peters & Sons, Inc. In 1974, F.C. retired and the firm is now managed by Flave W. and Bill Peters.

by Flave W. Peters

FLAVE WARNOCK PETERS

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Flave Warnock Peters was born on August 7, 1927, in Magnolia, Columbia County, Arkansas, son of Flave C. and Lillian Warnock Peters. At the age of six he and his parents moved to Russellville where he attended public schools and graduated from High school as co-Valedictorian in 1945. He received his B.S.B.A. Degree at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville in 1950 where he was a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. Upon graduation he returned to Russellville and started working in his father's business, Peters-Baldwin Company, which in 1954 became F.C. Peters & Sons, Inc. when the Peters families purchased the Baldwin interest in the firm.

In July, 1951, he married Ella Ann Ormond, born January 17, 1931, in Morrilton, Conway County, Arkansas, daughter of Arthur V. and Lela Ormond. In 1960 he served as President of the Russellville Rotary Club and in 1970-71 was President of the Arkansas Furniture Association. He is a Director of Peoples Bank and Trust Company and an Elder in Central Presbyterian Church.

Ella Ann attended Morrilton schools and graduated from Ward-Belmont College in Nashville, Tennessee, in 1950. She was a charter member of the Arkansas Tech College-Community Orchestra, holding the position of Principal of the Second Violin Section. She was also a charter member of BM Chapter of P.E.O. and served as its first president in 1975-77.

Flave and Ella Ann have two children: Martha Ann, born on January 10, 1953, and Ormond William, born on March 28, 1956. Martha Ann graduated from Russellville High School in 1971 and then for one year attended William Woods College in Fulton, Missouri, where she joined Chi Omega Sorority. She transferred to Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, where she received her B.S.N. Degree in 1975. On May 29, 1977, she married John Kooistra III of Little Rock, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kooistra, Jr. John graduated from Hall High in Little Rock in 1967, served four years in the Air Force and then graduated from the University of Central Arkansas in 1977 with a Pre-Law Degree. John is now in Law School at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville and Martha Ann is employed at the University Student Health Center there.

Ormond graduated from Russellville High School in 1974 and from the University of Central Arkansas in May, 1978 with a B.B.A. Degree in Marketing. While in college, Ormond also received his license as an Emergency Medical Technician. On June 3, 1978, he married Patricia Ann Nall of North Little Rock, daughter of George O. and

Moselle Nall. Patricia graduated from Northeast Sr. High in North Little Rock in 1973, and from the University of Central Arkansas in 1978 with a B.S. Degree in Physical Therapy. While there she became a member of Tau Beta Sigma Sorority. Patricia is now employed at the Physical Therapy Center in Russellville and Ormond is employed at F.C. Peters & Sons, Inc.

by Flave W. Peters

JOHN WILLIAM PETERS

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John William Peters was born on March 28, 1940 in Russellville, Arkansas, son of Flave C. and Lillian Warnock Peters. Flave C. was born on December 25, 1900 in Macon, Mississippi, and Lillian was born on April 10, 1904 in Magnolia, Columbia County, Arkansas. Flave C. and Lillian moved with their first son, Flave Warnock, to Russellville in 1934, where F.C. was employed in a local furniture and hardware store, later to form his own business, Peters-Baldwin Company, with W.A. Baldwin as partner.

John William, or "Bill" as he was always called, attended Russellville Schools and graduated from High School in 1958. He graduated in 1962 with a B.S.B.A. Degree from the University of Arkansas, where he was a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

On December 27, 1959, while a sophomore at the U of A, he married Sue Marie Simmons, born on March 2, 1941, in Dardanelle, daughter of Fay and Thelma Simmons. Bill and Sue's three children are Laura Ann, born on January 15, 1961; Lisa Sue, born on February 24, 1963; and Steven William, born on December 28, 1966. All are students in Russellville Public Schools.

After graduating from the U of A in Fayetteville, Bill's family returned to Russellville where he joined F.C. and Flave W. in the family firm, F.C. Peters & Sons (formerly Peters-Baldwin Co.) In 1974, F.C. retired leaving Bill and Flave to manage the retail furniture, appliance, and hardware firm. In 1977, Bill and Flave remodeled and expanded F.C. Peters & Sons, increasing warehouse space to 20,000 sq. ft. and selling space to 23,000 sq. ft., facing a 40 car parking lot purchased earlier.

Sue was active in the Russellville Jaycettes and was elected president in 1965. She also has taken part in many community theatre activities and plays.

Bill was Lions Club zone chairman in 1967, working up to president of the Russellville Noon Lions Club in 1977. He and his family are members of the First Methodist Church, with Bill having served on the Official Board and having held other positions.

Bill is very active and interested in local civic affairs and was named to Outstanding Young Men of America in 1969. He was president of the Russellville Jaycees in 1969, leading that organization to #1 in Arkansas and #2 in the Nation in Russellville's population division. The Chapter also received various other state and national honors. Bill was

named Outstanding Local President in the Arkansas Jaycees, and received the Distinguished Service Award as the outstanding young man in Russellville in 1970.

In 1971, the John William (Bill) Peters Family moved to the old "40 Acre Rock" area in a sub-division named Lakeridge Estates, three miles from the Russellville City Limits, where they now reside.

by John W. Peters

N.P. PETTY

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The N.P. Petty family were residents of Pope County before 1900 because their daughter, Fero! Petty, was born in Russellville, Ark, 19 November 1896.

N.P. Petty, born in 1870, and Charlie E. Brewer, born about 1874, were married in Searcy, Arkansas by Rev. G.A. Dannelly, 26 September 1894.

N.P. Petty, Jr. son of N.P. and Charlie B. Petty was born 25 September 1895 and died 25 September 1895.

Fero! C. Petty, daughter of N.P. and Charlie B. Petty was born 12 November 1896.

Rezina B. Petty, daughter of N.P. and Charlie B. Petty was born 20 December 1901 at Searcy, Arkansas. She died at Russellville, Ark. 4 January 1978.

Evelyn Petty, daughter of N.P. and Charlie B. Petty was born 20 December 1901 at Searcy, Arkansas. She died at Russellville, Arkansas 7 February 1911.

Charlie B. Petty, wife of N.P. Petty, died 8 March 1931 in Russellville, Arkansas at the age of 57 years.

N.P. Petty died 20 July 1959 in Russellville, Arkansas. Both he and Charlie B. Petty are buried in Oakland cemetery.

These dates were taken from the Petty family Bible.

by Mary Dodd Baker

DAVID PEW

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David Pew, his wife Mary, their children, Isaacson, Wesley, Catherine and John, along with son-in-law, William W. Stepp, his wife, Clarissa and their three children arrived in Pope County in 1852 from Cape Girardeau, Mo. They settled about one and one-half miles northeast of Atkins in Wilson Township. The three grandsons of David Pew in the Stepp family were: Jamison L. Telitha, and James P. Stepp. As were most pioneers, they were farmers. Mary died prior to the 1860 census and David died during the 1860s.

Catherine Pew married James A. Stout in 1852 and settled on a farm near her father. The children of James A. and Catherine Pew Stout were: John, Robert, Wesley, Elizabeth and Thomas.

John Pew married Margaret Reed 10 Aug. 1866 after he had returned home from serving in the Civil War. He had been a Cpl., Co. C. 4th Arkansas Cavalry. John received injuries before he was released from service while moving war materials to Little Rock by wa-

gon. A wagon upon which he was traveling lost a wheel and he was thrown from the vehicle. As a result he had to spend some time in a Little Rock hospital. John Pew homesteaded 160 acres of land northeast of Atkins which is still known as the Pew place. The children of John and Margaret Pew were: Mary S., Margaret C., Sarah E., James T. and William P. (twins) and John L. John Pew lived a busy and rugged life cutting the timber, hueing logs, and splitting rails, all for the improvement of a new farm. John Pew died in 1889 and is buried in Oakland cemetery. Margaret Reed Pew died in April of 1925.

Mary S. Pew married Joe Long. Margaret C. married Dock Easterling. Sarah E. married James H. Johnson. James T. married Clara Cloninger. William P. died at the age of 12 years. John L. married Ida Hubbard.

Ralph Pew and family, the great-great grandson of David Pew presently lives on a portion of the John Pew homestead.

by Mrs. Amye J. McGraw

MARGARET REED PEW

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Margaret Reed Pew was born May 9, 1949, two and a half miles northeast of Atkins. She was the ninth child of a family of eleven children of William and Mary Scarlett Reed.

Everything seemed to go well with the Reed family until 1859 when the family was stricken with typhoid fever. Her two older sisters, Elizabeth and Mary, died with the fever but Margaret and the other children recovered after a long illness and grief. Hardly had the family recovered from the typhoid fever when in the spring of 1861 the parents took erysipilis and one died on Sunday and the other parent died the next Sunday.

The problem of keeping the family together was the beginning of Civil War among the States. The older brother, James, who was at home and the two married brothers who were soon inducted into the military service left only a single sister, Mahalia, who was 18 years old to look after and provide for Margaret and her two sisters, Jeanetta and Emaline. Two elderly Negro slaves did every thing to help out that was possible to keep the family together. But times were hard and problems were numerous to just keep food and clothes and the other necessities of life.

In 1863 the two brothers were captured and put in a federal prison in Tennessee. Soon they took measles and pneumonia and died. By this time the bushwackers were coming through the state and taking their food and animals, making life harder for the children. The other brother was captured and put in a prison in Illinois.

There was a log school house nearby that gave Margaret and her sisters a good education even if the war was going on. There was an uncle who lived at Galley Rock who did what he could for the sisters.

Finally the war was over and on August 3, 1866, Margaret married John Pew, who had returned home after spending several weeks in a hospital at Little Rock. Mr. Pew had homesteaded 160 acres of virgin land nearby,

had cleared the timber from the land, hewed the logs and built a log home for them. It was a happy Christmas for them to get moved in a few days before the holiday. Now Margaret had a husband and a home of her own.

She and her husband were blessed with six children, three sons and three daughters. In 1885 one of the twin boys died of pneumonia and in 1889 Margaret was left a widow when her husband also died of pneumonia. She was left with four children at home to finish raising and educating for the oldest daughter had married.

Margaret married a Johnson in 1894 and they were the parents of Amye Johnson, who was born in 1898. Margaret soon joined her mother and father in death and Amye was raised by her grandmother. Amye was a sickly child but her grandmother always had time to care for her. Her grandfather had built a nice home for the family not long before death, yet her grandmother and her Uncle Jimmie, worked hard and saved money and built a big two story home in 1905. The grandmother died April 18, 1926.

Amye Johnson graduated from Atkins High School in 1915, went to Western Okla. to teach school in 1917. Married Benjamine F. McGraw, Jan. 24, 1920 in Dryedn, Okla, who was a native of Texas. They were the parents of five children: Ghern Johnson, Benjamine F. Jr. (deceased), Arch Gerald, (deceased) Jimmy J. and Margaret Anita.

by Mrs. Amye J. McGraw

JOHN J. PHILLIPS

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John J. Phillips, born 1802, in S.C., moved to Tennessee with his parents. Here he had a falling out with his father and brother and in Aug. 1838, he came to Arkansas on the "Trail of Tears" as a guard. He liked this country so he settled in Newton County. In the 1870's he and his three sons, went hunting and in helping his 5 yr. old son through a fence, the gun discharged, killing him. One of his sons was Tull Daniel Phillips.

Tull Daniel was born at Jasper, Newton Co. in 1870 and married Nora Rushing of Pope County. Nora was the great-granddaughter of David Rushing Sr., and granddaughter of Burrell Rushing and the daughter of James Rushing. The Rushings were old pioneers of Pope County, having settled here before 1840. Tull David and Nora Phillips became the parents of four daughters and one son: Attrass, Utah, Dora, Myrtle and Shelley. Soon after the birth of Shelley in 1912, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips seperated and Shelley was raised in the Rushing Community with the Rushing family.

Shelly attended school that was located across the road from the present Rushing Church. When not in school, Shelly was kept busy on the farm. He quit school when in the 8th grade and got his first job which was delivering telegrams for Western Union, receiving \$20.00 a month. During this time, he was able to get his father and mother back together.

He volunteered for the Cavalry when WWII

came along and was very disappointed when the horses were eliminated and they had to take to motorized vehicles. He was wounded in New Guinea in the leg, and was unable to work for a year after coming home. He worked as a watchmaker until 1971, when he had to quit on account of his injured hands, he could not do the work.

In 1936, Shelley married Thoma Sina Clement and they did not have any children. He is now retired and enjoying life on his farm.

by Shelley R. Phillips

EDWARD LAWERANCE PITMAN

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Edward Lawerance Pitman b. 1863, lived in Johnson Co., deceased 1924. He married Abbie Huffmaker in 1885, dau. of Wiley and Lydia Huffaker, b. Tenn. 1870. She moved to Ark at the age of 11 settled in Johnson Co. He was a farmer and carpenter. In 1908, E.L. moved his family to Pless community in Pope Co. They attended Baptist church and are buried at East Point. There are five children. Lee, Willie, Walter, Wylie and Lydia.

The second son, Willie, born in Johnson Co. in 1889, attended school in Lamar, Ark. died in 1976. Moved to Pope Co. in 1908. In 1910 he married Nora Tessneer, b. 1893 to Lewis and Alice Taylor Tessneer of Pless community. Nora died in 1972. Willie was a

farmer and operated a saw mill until retirement. They were married and lived in the same house for over 62 yrs. and attended church at Mt. Carmel near London. They are buried at East Point. There are 3 dau.

Grace was b. 1912, married 1933 to Joe White, son of Henry and Ella Pless White of East Point community born in 1913. He is a farmer and retired sawmill operator. They attend church at Mt. Carmel and live in Pless community. There are 5 children.

Gaines b. 1934, married 1953 to Shirlene Smith, dau. of Earl and Mildred Smith. She was born 1935. They live in Russellville, Ark. There are 3 children. Kathy, b. 1955, married to Robert Hardgrave. He was b. in 1955. They live in Ft. Smith, Ark. Russell born 1958 and Carol b. 1960.

Betty b. in 1935, married Aaron Anthony, son of Burl and Rebecca Anthony. He was b. 1932. They live in Oran Missouri. There are 3 children. Connie, 1956; Jo, 1959 & Jackie, 1962.

Don b. 1936, married to Doris Vinson, Dau. of Truman and Beulah Vinson. She was born in 1941. They were married 1958, live in Jacksonville, Ark. There are 2 children. Donnan, 1959 and Jerry, 1963.

Jerrell b. 1942, married 1960 to Esther Newbern b. 1946, dau. of Tom and Naomi Newbern. They live near London, Ark. There are 3 children. Tina, 1968; Peter, 1970 and Adam, 1973.



Willie Elmer Pitman and Nora (Tessneer) Pitman

Roger b. 1955, married 1974 to Mary Dobbs dau of Ray Dobbs and Earnestine Smith. She was b. 1959, They live in Pless community. There are two children. Scotty, 1976 and Jason died in infancy, buried at Mt. Carmel cemetery.

Lucille b. 1917, married 1935 to Paul Rachel, son of Walter and Lillie Brammett Rachel of Ball Hill comm. b. 1914. He owned a sawmill and was a timberman. They attend Church of Christ and live at Lamar, Ark. There are three children.

Wanda born 1937, married Phillip Sanders in 1958. He is the son of Odie and Willie Lee Sanders. B. 1959. They live at Springdale, Ar. There is one child, Tammy b. 1959.

Bonita b. 1939, married 1957 to Dr. Alan Johnson. He was b. 1938 and is the son of Harry and Norma Johnson. They live at Little Rock, Ar. There are three children. Alnita b. 1958, married Phillip Carroll in 1977. They live in Baton Rouge, La. Stacie b. 1961; Emily b. 1975.

Joyce b. 1942, married 1958 to Leon Strobe b. in 1938 son of Troy and Myrtle Strobe. They have one child, Kevin b. 1959 and they live in Fayetteville, Ark.

Kathryn born 1926, married 1947 to Milton Nordin, son of Bryan and Laura Rachel Nordin b. 1926 of Fairview community. He is a farmer and establishing a woodshop on Whorton Mt., attending Mt. Carmel church. There are two children.

Kerry b. 1948, married 1974 to Connie Rosel b. 1954, daughter of Phillip and Loretta Rosel. They live at Knoxville Arkansas. There is one child, Laura b. 1978.

Kay born 1951, married 1976 to Blake Layton b. 1945 son of Jack Layton. They live at Dallas, Texas.

By Mrs. Milton Nordin

JOHN ADAMS PLESS FAMILY

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John Adam Pless was born in North Carolina in 1823 and was taught the woodwork and carpenter trade. In 1845, he married Minnie Murray. Two years later his wife died leaving an infant daughter, Elizabeth. Minnie Murray had been reared by foster parents and insisted that they also rear Elizabeth, who spent her life in North Carolina.

In 1845, John Adam Pless married Catharine Efird. To this union was born: Luther, Mary, Martin, Magdaline, Daniel, Sara, Martin, and John Adam, Jr., born in North Carolina. Laura, William and Dora were born in Arkansas.

John Adam Pless and family left North Carolina traveling in covered wagons. They crossed the Mississippi River the day Abraham Lincoln was elected President of the United States. They settled in a log cabin on Old Post Road near Pisgah, Arkansas. During the Civil War, John Adam Pless worked in a hospital in Little Rock. This left his family alone, and they had to travel to Norristown for supplies.

At this time, Norristown was a thriving town on the Arkansas River. His family was often molested by passing soldiers. He be-

came fearful for the safety of the family and moved them 16 miles north to the Mountain Springs area, which was later known as the Pless Mountain. Here he and his wife Catharine reared their family.

John Adam Pless and his wife Catherine were devout Lutherans. He, being talented musically, was Choir Master of the church in North Carolina. Catharine Pless died in 1884, and was buried at East Point Cemetery.

John Adam Pless spent most of his life in this community. He was a charter member of Augsburg Lutheran Church, which was established a year after the death of his wife Catharine in 1884.

John Adam was interested in education and was instrumental in forming school districts and getting new schools organized in his community. At age 90, he went to live with his son, John A. Pless, Jr., who lived near Dover. He enjoyed good health until the age of 95 when he broke a hip. He made a marvelous recovery and walked with crutches to enjoy the food and hundreds of relatives and friends who had gathered to celebrate his 100th birthday. He never ceased to be interested in national and community affairs. He died in 1927 at the age of 104 years and eight months. His funeral was held by the Lutheran minister in the church at East Point, where he was laid to rest next to his wife Catharine.

The descendants of John Adam Pless meet each year on the second Sunday in April at the Pless Community Center. In 1978, 157 people registered and enjoyed a pot-luck lunch. Officers are elected for a two-year term.

by Ilah Pless Fox

JOHN POE

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John Poe, (b. 1775), his wife Sarah, four sons — William D. (b. 1810), John Morton, (b. 1813), Alexander H. (b. 1820), and Joe Sephas (b. 1822-d. 1897) and two daughters, Sarah (b. 1826) and Lucy Jane — came to Pope County, Arkansas from Franklin County, Tennessee, in 1839.

William D. married Tabitha Ridgeway; Lucy Jane Poe married John William Waller; John Morton married Adeline Turner; Sarah married William D. Roland and Joe Sephas (in census records as Josephus) married Isabell Rankin (daughter of Robert and Isabell Rankin) in Pope County in 1842.

Joe Sephas and Isabell Rankin Poe started their home just east of Appleton, where they reared 3 sons and 4 daughters, losing two small children (one grave at the Appleton Cemetery is marked, "The first in the yard.") Joe was a farmer and stockman, but became crippled in early life resulting in his becoming a skilled blacksmith and woodworker. He was a charter member of the Sulphur Springs Cumberland Presbyterian Church (an offshoot from the Glass Village Church). Jeff and Kate Lewis (she was a niece of Joe) bought the pioneer home of the Joe Poe Family. In remodeling the house they left the original family room with stairway to left bedroom very much as it was when the house was finished and occupied in 1845. That date is on the

hearthstone and still in use in this room. The place now belongs to a grandson of Jeff Lewis but isn't in use except as a storage room.

The first child of Joe S. and Isabell was Christopher Columbus Poe, b. in 1845. He worked with his father and learned the carpenter's trade, building many houses and buildings in the vicinity of Appleton. The first frame building of the Sulphur Springs Congregation was built by him. Christopher Columbus married Lucinda Gray and she died in 1876. In 1881, he married Lucinda Stewart. Their daughter, Lille Margaret (b. 1883) spent most of her life in the millinery business in Texas. Upon retiring she moved back to Russellville.

J.C. Poe, a son of Columbus and Lucinda Stewart was born April 6, 1885 and married Ada Hickman. J.C. was a farmer and later a produce dealer in Russellville. They were the parents of five children:

Trilby, who first married Eddie Sewell, Jan. 17, 1937, worked for many years for Leming Drug Store then went to work for Gardner-Mobley Clinic where she is still employed. After the death of Mr. Sewell she married Buel Simpson, Nov. 27, 1963.

Joe Poe, eldest son of J.C. and Ada Poe, was born in Scottsville and grew up in Russellville. He married Bessie Jones in 1928. They moved to Des Moines, Iowa where he was employed by United Buckingham Freight Line, until his retirement and then moved back to Russellville. He was a veteran of World War II. Joe and Bessie had three children: Betty McNely, William Joe and Barbara Peterson.

Gerturde Poe, born in 1921, married Bill McCorkle in 1937 and they had one child, Ernestine, who married Kenneth Page.

Dorothy Poe, married Lawrence Sanders of Russellville, Jan. 9, 1941 and they had three children. Brenda Hartness, Debbie Allen and James Lawrence.

Charley Poe grew up in Russellville, married Edna Bunton, Nov. 26, 1936. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and after the war, moved to Arizona where they now live. They were the parents of four children; Ruby Beesley, Kenneth, Eddie, and Carolyn Riley.

One daughter of J.C. and Ada Hickman Poe, Ruby died in 1928, while they were living in Russellville. She was aged 19 and was buried at Rock Springs.

by Mrs. Joe Poe

GEORGE POPLIN

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George Poplin was born in North Carolina, circa 1792. He came to Pope County in the late 1820's and settled in Norristown with his wife, Elizabeth and their three children. By 1835 George was a well established farmer and also took on the job of Magistrate for the County of Pope. Ten children were born to George and Elizabeth Poplin; Isreal, Madison L. who married Elizabeth Jane Bolds, Sarah L. who married Marcus Bernard, William T. Angelina A. who married Charles Tobey, (later to become an outstanding citizen of Pope County, James A., Nancy Adeline-who mar-

ried James B. Logan, Chaney Ellis who married John Franklin of Yell County, and a tenth child who died in infancy. Elizabeth Poplin died in Norristown and George followed a few years later in 1846. Both are at rest in the Lower Norristown Cemetery with other members of their family.

Chaney Ellis Poplin, youngest daughter of George and Elizabeth Poplin was born in Pope County. In 1833 she married John Franklin. He was born in N.C. and on coming to Arkansas took up residence in Dardanelle Township, Yell County. Their children were: Nancy Jane who married Chestine Cline, Amos, Elizabeth Ann who married Richard Henry Atkins, Amase, Sarah Emeline who married B.V. Boone, Martha Arkansas who married Joseph Davis and John James who died before reaching his fourth year. Chaney Ellis died at an early age while five of their children were quite young. John married Rebecca Garner and she became the mother of his brood. John was a farmer and had several good pieces of farmland in both Pope and Yell Counties, which he sold at his retirement. His death came in March 1857. Elizabeth Ann Franklin was born in Dardanelle Township, Yell County on 18 December 1836 and on 10 October 1852 she was united in marriage with Richard Henry Atkins. He was the son of Jessie Lee and Sarah Smith Atkins, also long time residence of Yell County. Richard was born 16 July 1829 in Tennessee and came to Arkansas with his parents, two brothers, one sister, and one half-brother. The young couple bought 135 acres in Yell County, built a house, began farming and started a family. Shortly after their third son was born, the Civil War broke out and Richard joined Company C. Cook's Regiment, Arkansas Infantry. In July 1862, another son, William Henry was born to them and in September of the same year, Richard was discharged from the army because of illness. He died 13 March 1864 in Dardanelle. Elizabeth had quite a difficult task providing for herself and four young sons, the oldest being only nine and one-half years old at the time. In April 1874 she married Hill P. Williams and shortly after the wedding the couple, and three young sons moved to Texas with the eldest boy following a year later. The family of six lived in Stephens County where the children grew to manhood, married and started families of their own. John Lawton married Mary Dillard Nash, James Garrett married Perla White Acres, Amos Amase married Mrs. Sarah Black Dodds and William Henry married Zeralda Elizabeth Bridges. A total of twenty-eight children were born to the four brothers and their wives.

John Lawton had been a rancher and stockman for thirty years when in 1906 moved his wife, five sons, and all their belongings, by train, to California stopping in the Imperial Valley. Their only daughter was born there in 1909. John was a prosperous farmer in the valley until well into his seventy-third year when he sold his acreage and moved the few miles into El Centro. His wife, Mary died in 1947. John was in his 98th year when he died in 1952. The children of this union were: Amos Elbridge, William Garrett, Jessie Richard, Lawton Dillard and Cleo

Elizabeth. Cleo was born in October 1909 and has lived her entire life in California. She married Clyde Davis in 1930 and their only child, Patsy Lou, was born in September 1931. After a divorce, Cleo married Sherman Brown. She has long been active in California politics and has resided in Perris for the past 31 years. Her daughter Patsy lives in Riverside, is married and has four children.

by Pat Malony

PORTER FAMILY

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Andrew Jackson Porter (1840-1905), the son of an Irish immigrant, was born in Union County, North Carolina. Not being able to afford time and money to attend the university, he borrowed books from his uncle and studied at home at night, obtaining a good education from his efforts. He served four years in the Confederate Army.

A few years after the war he married Mary Ann Freeman (1854-1907), the sixteen year old daughter of a then bankrupt plantation owner. They moved together across the South and settled in DeSota County, Mississippi. The rich soil was ideal for farming and wild game was plentiful. Then an epidemic of yellow fever struck the community. No one knew what caused it, but whole families were dying from it.

There was no time to find a buyer for their property, if one could be found. Mary Ann packed two trunks, the limit allowed, and prepared a feast. After the meal, the family arose from the table leaving food and dishes in place. He opened the gate and freed his livestock, and the family boarded a train to Memphis.

From Memphis they traveled by steamboat down the Mississippi and up the Arkansas to Galla Rock, south of Atkins. It was 1886. There were six children and the father had a fifty-cent piece in his pocket. Nora, the oldest daughter, was to remember with longing many times the bountiful dinner table left in Mississippi.

Mr. Porter and the older children hired out to farmers in the area until he could afford to rent, then to buy a farm for himself. They worked from morning light till dark, often "batching" several days at a time rather than ride or walk long distances in the dark.

Though Jack blamed his better-than-average education for his dissatisfaction with the kind of life he was forced to live, his children attended the Pleasant Grove school when there was no work to be done. Two of the boys went on to Hendrix College.

Nine of this family grew to adulthood. Although only one is still living, descendants still live in the county. Sallie, the baby when the family fled from yellow fever in Mississippi, celebrated her ninety-second birthday at home in Pottsville on March 7 of this year.

The children were: Franklin (abt. 1870-1951) who married first Lorena Edwards and after her death, Cora Hammacker; Nora (1878-1910) who married Lester Ellison; Julius (Doc) (1880-1907) who married Ada Hammacker; Bruce (1882-1906) who married

Lilie Morton; Charles (1884-1930) who married Verdie Henson (See PRYOR history) and later Bertha Churchill; Sallie (1886--) who married Joe Pryor (See PRYOR history), Etta (1888-1910) who married Frank Cassidy; Ruth who married Albert Sanders; and Emmet (1894-1969) who married Ruth May and after her death, Mae Lovesy.

Yellow fever was left behind, but typhoid with its primitive treatments claimed the lives of several of the family. "Doc" was stricken when he and Frank and their families were preparing to go to New Mexico to homestead. His widow took their two children and went with the other family. (Cecil, the son, asked to be buried beside his father and upon his death in 1962 was brought back and buried in Pisgah Cemetery.)

Les and Nora died leaving seven children: Carl, Lois, Lela, Ralph, Lola, Boyce, and Vachel. Only Lois still lives in the county. Carl, Lola, Lela, and Boyce are deceased. Carl, too, was brought back from out of state for burial. Ralph regularly comes back from Montana to spend his winters with his sister. Vachel and Lois were both teachers in the county, Lois until she married Oscar Alewine. She has long been a leader in the Hopewell Baptist Church near which she still lives. Boyce married Eula Scott of the Mars Hill community on Crow Mountain and farmed for a while in that community and near Pottsville.

Bruce Porter died when his daughter Floy (Mrs. Ishmael Jones of Russellville) was small. Etta died leaving an eighteen-month old son. His father took him to West Virginia where he grew up.

Emmett Porter was a Mason, a life-long leader in the Pottsville Methodist Church, and served in the Navy during World War I, as a part of the newly organized air force. He and Ruth reared four daughters at Pottsville. Three of them married Pope County men. Vivian and Milton Wylie, Mary and Roland Ouilette all live in Little Rock. Patricia and Berman Keener, Eleanor and Glen Brooks all live in Missouri.

The Charlie Porter and Sallie Porter Pryor families are included in the PRYOR history.

by Sue Pryor Lowe

LEWIS POTTER

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Lewis Potter born 1804 in Kentucky married in Pope County 1830, Sarah Ann Bewley daughter of Rev. Mahlon and Jane (Reed) Bewley. Lewis farmed, 80 acres in Section 21 West TWP 10-19, Sarah having seven children died after 1840. 1851 Lewis sold the land to H.A. Verdin. In 1852, April term of the Probate Court of Pope County petitioned L.C. Howell as guardian to his children, entitled to a portion of the estate, under the Will of the late Rev. Nelson Reed, who died 20 Oct. 1840, oldest minister in the M.E. Church of Baltimore, Maryland. His sisters: Jane Bewley, Eliza Marll, Rebecca Lloyd, Anna Toreyson, Dinah Dudley. Brothers, James, Isaac, Saunders A., and Robert S. Reed. In respect to Rev. Nelson Reed, many nephews were named for him; Nelson R. Burneston,

Nelson Reed Eichelberger, Nelson Reed Baker, Rev. Nelson R. Bewley, Nelson R. Potter, Nelson R., son of Rev. Robert S. Bewley and Nelson R. Hoover.

By 1853 the Potter family with others joined wagons rolling west, arriving at Volcano, Amador County, California. Mary Potter born 28 May 1838 Pope Co. Ark. married Daniel Wayne Hoover from Ohio. Both are buried at Campo Seco., Ca. Their children, Susan married Thomas Henderson Maupin, Mary, Charles Henry Hoover married Virginia daughter of William Jackson Nordyke a 49'er., Sarah Jane, Nelson Richard, Sarah E. married Robert Dawson Maupin, Rebecca married Printh Hambrick, Cara Cordelia married August J. Chouleur, Daniel Wain Jr.

Jane H.R. Potter born 1835 married Robert A. Bennett 1854. Their children; Benjamin, William and Thomas. Thomas Potter born 1837 lived with the Bennetts, owned the Feed and Livery Stable in Lancha Plana, Amador Co.

Ruthey M. Potter born 1837 married William Chambers 1854, lived in Sutter Creek, but nothing further learned of this family.

Elizabeth Potter born a twin 1839 married Osiahas Teters 1855, 2nd to Mr. Walters. Daughter Christina Jane married Charles Oney Barney.

Rebecca Potter twin, married Ralph Lucas 1856, lived and buried at Clements, San Joaquin Co. Children, John L. married Maria Dawson, Andrew J., George W. married Jennie Howard, Ralph Jr., Sarah H. married Frank Douglas. Nelson R. Potter born 27 July 1832 lived with Rebeccas family.

Grandson Charles H. Hoover born 1860 was a cowboy in Shasta County near Igo. Children, Edna married Albert Field, Courtney C., William Wayne born 26 June 1893 married Violet M. Jones of Calaveras County and parents of Chester, Ida Hall, Harold Wayne compiler of this sketch and Ethel "Bonny" Johnston. Laten Letitia Hoover married Eugene Dooley and Cynthia Ann Hoover married William E. Phillips of Ione.

Lewis Potter rests in an unknown grave, not having learned when or where he died. His wife, Sarah Ann Bewley born 1811 Jackson County Alabama lies in an unmarked grave in the Bewley cemetery Pope County Arkansas.

by H. Wayne Hoover

WALTER THOMAS POWELL

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Walter Thomas Powell, born in 1879, came to Atkins from Humboldt, Tenn., in 1886, with his parents, Jonathan and Margaret Hathaway Powell. Walter grew up in Pope Co. and was a farmer all his life. On Dec. 23, 1900, he married Mamie Colburn. She was the great granddaughter of Phillip Holledger who built the first house in Russellville and the granddaughter of Margaret Holledger Colburn, who was the first white child born in Russellville. Margaret was the first member entered on the rolls of the Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The family was instrumental in forming the Cumberland Presbyte-

rian Church at Shiloh and Walter and Mamie were active supporters of that church. Born to Walter and Mamie were Arless L., 1902, married to Ruby Batson, live in Morrilton, Ar.; Infant, born and died July 16, 1903; Ira V., 1906 married to Julia Loyd, three sons, living in Tulsa, Okla.; Eula N., 1913, married to Jesse Pitts, one son and two daughters, living in Tulsa, Okla.; Glenn J., 1918, married to Mary Caroline Waldo, two daughters, live in Russellville; Infant born and died Jan. 30, 1921. In 1949, Glenn and Garoline bought the farm where he grew up at Bakers Creek and lived there until 1957. Walter and Mamie Powell made their home there until their death. Glenn and Caroline are still living in Pope Co. at Center Valley, a short distance from the Bakers Creek farm. Their children are Glenna Carolyn, married to Chester L. Patterson, three daughters, living at Center Valley, and Mary Jo, married to Bobby J. Wade, three sons, living at Greenbrier, Ar.

by Glenna Powell Patterson

ALLEN ATKINS PRICE

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Allen Atkins Price was born in North Carolina in 1814 and wife, Sarah, was born in the same state in 1818. They were living in Tennessee when William Linsay "Buck" Price was born but moved to Scottsville, Pope County in 1841. The father of A.A. Price was Allen Price who lived in Johnson County, N.C. in 1808, moving to Tenn., before 1820.

Allen was a farmer, slave owner and large land owner in Scottsville and Hector communities. He helped to organize the Scottsville Masonic Lodge in 1856.

During the Civil War "Buck" was a non-commission officer with the South, being wounded in the Battle of Corinth, Mississippi and was discharged one month later, walking back to his Pope County home. He became a Mason in 1863.

"Buck's" first wife was a Miss Johnson who died when their only child, Martha "Matt" was an infant. His second wife was Rebecca Dare Maloney whose parents, Samuel Maloney, born in Georgia 1803 and Rebecca, born in Tennessee in 1810 came to Scottsville in 1838. Rebecca Dare was born in Scottsville the following year on October 19th.

The three children of "Buck" and Rebecca Dare were William Allen, Samuel Robert and Jennie Price (Bewley). They were born at Scottsville.

Robert, known as "Bob", was born in 1876. For two years he attended a Normal School at Clinton as his brother had done. Serving as a teacher in rural schools, joined the army in 1897 as a non-commission officer and became buglar before discharge in 1898. After illness in 1909 he did not teach, but served as Justice of the Peace in Scottsville. Soon after moving to Russellville in 1916 he was elected Justice of the Peace for three terms, then was elected County Coroner, dying during his second term in 1928. He married Maggie McCracken in 1902. Her grandparents, James and Mary Ann Campbell

McCracken, came to Scottsville from Tennessee in the fall of 1843.

To Bob and Maggie were born two children, Bruce Hays and Ruth Price Stowers. Bruce was graduated by Ouachita College and Southern Baptist Seminary and holds honorary degrees from Ouachita and Atlanta Law School. Before retirement in 1970 after 22 years at First Church, Newport News, Va., he served First Church, Timmonsville, S.C., First Church, Daytona Beach, Fla., First Church, Asheboro, N.C., and Beech Street First Church, Texarkana, Ark. He served his denomination as vice president of Southern Baptist Convention in 1960 and as president of Southern Baptist Convention Pastors' Conference in 1958. His travels have taken him to over 75 countries around the world. He is listed in Who's Who in America. Bruce married Miss Eva Rankin in 1931. Her grandparents Rankin, Allmon and Albright were pioneers of Russellville and Pottsville. Their children are Dr. Madison Rankin Price of Newport News and Mrs. Adrienne Price Cox of Richmond, Va.

by Bruce Hays Price

CHARLIE PRICE

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Charlie Price was a son of A.A. (Allen) Price, who was born in North Carolina in 1814, moved to Arkansas and took up land north of Hector, Pope County, in 1844. In 1850, his wife was named Sarah and they had five children: Martha J., William L., Rachel F., John R., and David. In 1856, Allen married Francis Campbell, daughter of A.D. Campbell and they had six children: Lizzie, Winnie, Candis who married Bert Webb, Charlie, b. March 11, 1868, married Viola Tackett, daughter of Langford and Annie Tackett, George and another daughter who married a Dr. Campbell. Allen died in 1871, Francis died in 1892. Both are buried in the Boiling Springs Cemetery near Hector.

Charlie Price, son of A.A. and Francis Campbell Price, was born in Pope County, lived at Hector and later in Russellville, where he was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and an Elder in the same. He was born in 1868 and died in 1935, and is buried in Oakland Cemetery at Russellville. He married Viola Tackett, who was born in 1874 and died in 1941. They had ten children: Allen, b. March 22, 1894, married Henryetta Shephard; Lue Elsie Jane, b. Aug. 20, 1895, married William Hubbard; Samuel Villard, b. Aug. 20, 1895, married Dorothy Jordon; Vera Mae, b. Aug. 18, 1900, married Henry Hope; Everett Jackson, b. May 26, 1902, married Fannie Price; Ida Josephine, b. Oct. 10, 1905, married Ed Fike; Jeff Davis, b. Jan. 20, 1907, married a girl whose first name was Julia; George Virgel, b. Jan. 1, 1909, married Emma Lollis; Ella Tenn, b. March 26, 1896, died in Sept. of that year and Julia, b. July 2, 1904, died Sept. 1904. Charley worked as a farmer, cattleman, meat market operator and as a night watchman.

Virgil Price, youngest child of Charlie Price was born in 1909, attended school at Prairie

Grove (now part of Russellville) and Russellville. He married Emma Lollis of Pottsville, October 25, 1930, and they had one child: George Carroll. Virgil worked 26 years for Bonds Outdoor Advertising Agency. During this time, he was converted in the Assembly of God church, and in 1941, was given license to preach. He pastored churches at Union Hill in Yell County; Cedar Grove and Pottsville, Pope County; and Dermont, Drew County. In April 1959, he moved to Pomono, California, worked for the Pomono School District and pastored Faith Assembly in Pomono. After reaching the age of retirement, Virgil moved back to Russellville, where he had some rental property, to spend his remaining days near the home of his childhood.

George Carroll Price, born in 1931, married Faith Smith, April 29, 1950. They moved to Wichita, Kansas for 8 years, then to Pomono, California, where he is employed by General Dynamics. He and Faith have three children: George Smith Price who married Diana Sue Taylor; Gayla Price, married Glen Eugenio and Angela Susan Price who isn't married. All continue to live in California.

by Virgil Price

GEORGE ATKINS PRICE

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George Atkins Price was a son of Allen Atkins (Buck) Price who was born in N.C. 1814 and his second wife Rachael Frances born in N.C. in 1837 came to Scottsville in 1841. Mr. Price bought land there and helped organize the Masonic Lodge in 1850. He died in 1870 the year his youngest son, George Atkins was born. Their children were: Charles, George Atkins, Susan Tennessee married to Dr. Mack Campbell, Winnie married Jack Bullock, Mary Candace married to James Webb, and Elizabeth.

George Atkins Price born at Scottsville, Ark. 1870-1945, married Cora Elizabeth Shreves from Tazewell, Va. at Rock Springs, Ark. on Dec. 24, 1891. The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. James Montgomery. Cora and George's home place was in Hector, and later sold to Bert Webb. They moved to Atkins in 1899 and then to Russellville in October 1910. The following are their children; Edward (1894-Sept. 26, 1972); Lila (Oct. 19, 1896-Nov. 1897);

Pearl (1901), married Kay Freeman and has a daughter Mrs. Dennis (Betty Lou) Gant who has two children Brenda and Roger.

William Jeff "Bill" Price (1904-Jan. 12, 1974) married Floy Inez Nash (Born in Knoxville, Ark. 1909) in Atkins, on Sept. 4, 1927. They lived in Russellville, had two children Virginia Carol (1930-1936) and Jack Darwin born April 27, 1933.

Orville born 1907 married Bonnie McGee and had one child Patricia Ann.

Lois born 1914 married Gerald Forehand they had three children; Beverly Ann, Carolyn Jo and Jerry.

William Jeff "Bill" attended school at Atkins and later at West Ward (now Dwight Elem.) Russellville, at the age of 16 he worked for Oglesby Wholesale Co. His job

was driving a delivery wagon pulled by a team of mules. He would deliver to points as far as Hector and north of Dover. The business later became Henry Gramling Co. and Bill was the manager. In 1945 the company became Henry and Bill's, then Ross & Price and then in 1956 his son Jack became a partner in Bill, Price & Son. These businesses were located on North Commerce at the Railroad. Bill was a farmer, Rancher, business man, Mason, and a Baptist.

Jack D. Price born 1933, attended West Ward (now Dwight) and graduated from Russellville High School in 1951 and from Baylor University in Waco, Texas 1955. On May 21, 1955 he married Helen Louise Watson born 1933 of Waco, Texas. He served in the Air Force as a Captain and upon discharge returned to work as a partner in Price & Son. In 1964 he formed Price Milling Company at 207 So. Knoxville Street at the Railroad. Jack served on the City Council of Russellville for 6 years, acting as Mayor for sometime after the death of Mayor Claude Hughes. He is a Deacon in the First Baptist Church & a former Kiwanian. Helen and Jack have four children;

Jack Darwin Jr. (Jay) born May 17, 1957, attended Russellville schools and is a Junior at Arkansas Tech University.

Randall Watson born Aug. 8, 1958 attended Russellville schools & is a Sophomore at Arkansas Tech University.

Lisa D'Lynn born Nov. 1, 1960 attending Russellville High School. Andrea Carol born Dec. 10, 1966 attending Dwight Elementary school.

by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Price

THE PRICE & GUEST FAMILIES IN ARKANSAS SINCE EARLY 1840'S

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John Price was born in North Carolina in 1814 where he later met and married Elizabeth Gibson, who had been born in Virginia in 1817, but moved with her parents to North Carolina at an early age. The Prices had lived in Wales before sailing to Virginia. Prior to moving to Virginia, Elizabeth Gibson's parents (who were Protestants), had previously fled Ireland because of religious persecution. After John Price married Elizabeth Gibson, they lived in South Central Tennessee for approximately one year prior to their moving to Jackson County, Alabama, where John's parents also lived. During the two years that John and Elizabeth Price were in Jackson County, Alabama, two sons were born to them: Reuben C. Price (born 1837) and Christopher C. (Tip) Price (born 1839). Records reflect that Reuben C. Price and Christopher Price were born at Paintrock, Ala. John Price's mother, Sarah, in correspondence with her son (during the period 1843-1857) revealed letters postmarked Redman, Paintrock, and Woodville, Ala. In these letters, she also inquired about a cousin Michael Price, who lived in Sevier County, Ark. Leaving his immediate family in Ala., John and Elizabeth Price travelled the Mississippi River

and up the Ark. River on a barge pulled by a steamboat. They landed at Lewisburg, Ark., unloaded their two wheeled wagon of household goods, yoke of Oxen, and assortment of farm animals and headed west. John and Elizabeth Price settled, claimed, and later homesteaded 160 acres of land in what is now Clark Township, near London, Pope County, Arkansas. This land was located near a copper spring located north of present Price Cemetery, west of London on U.S. Highway 64. To this marriage were born these additional children, who showed on the 1860 U.S. Census as follows: James F. (age 19), David B. (age 18), Mary Ann (age 17), John (age 15), Lucy (age 13), Robert Roane (age 11), Elizabeth (age 10), Nancy L. (age 8), California (age 7), Archibald Y. (age 5); and George Buchanan (age 2). John Price died in Feb., 1858, and was buried in the Price Cemetery. In 1842, John Price, A.J. Latta, and Judge Andrew Scott organized a tuition type school in the present community of Georgetown. This school was seen as a necessity since Dwight Mission had closed and Cephus Washburn had moved to the Indian Territory (Okla.) to establish another Dwight Mission type school. The building burned during the period following the Civil War when the area was under Federal control. It had been used as the headquarters for Union Troops. Soon after the coming of the railroad in 1872, the school building at Georgetown was rebuilt and became one of the earliest tax supported public schools in Pope County. The same structure still stands, and is presently being used as a church. The Price family also suffered many atrocities during and following the Civil War not from soldiers of either army, but from renegades, also known as "bushwhackers". John Price's eldest son, Reuben, and his younger brother Robert Roane Price, while home on leave from the Confederate Army, were captured by a group of "bushwhackers", and they were forcibly taken to the Clarksville area where Reuben Price was hanged and then shot, at least, 14 times, and his body was thrown into a ditch. Somehow Robert was released and allowed to return home because he was only 14 years old. Mary Brock Price, the wife of Reuben Price, and a neighbor lady drove by ox cart to Clarksville, and these ladies brought Reuben Price's body home where it was one of the early graves in the Price Cemetery west of London. Pope County marriage records show that Reuben Price (age 22) married Mary Brock (age 19) — who had also been born in Ala. — in 1859 in Clark Township, Pope County, Ark., and to them were born two children: George W. Price (born 1861), and John Franklin Price (born 1863-died Oct. 2, 1938). Marriage records indicate that George W. Price (age 20) married Miss Ellen E. Guthrie (age 17), both of Clark Township, Pope Co., Sept. 8, 1881. His first wife later died, and he then married Miss Eva Bailey. Pope County marriage records show that John Franklin Price (age 21) married Miss Helen R. Wood (age 17) at London, Ark., Nov. 13, 1884. The marriage ceremony was performed by C.B. Shelton, Justice of the Peace. Helen R. Wood was born Jan. 27,

1867 in Dallas, Texas, and she died August 16, 1946, and was buried beside her husband, John Franklin Price, at the Price Cemetery, London. John F. and Helen Price were the parents of Gordon Glenn Price, who was born August 29, 1897, at London. They were also the parents of: Guy Price, who now resides in Fresno, Calif., George Price (deceased), Bess Price Martin (deceased), and Martha Price, who died in infancy. John Franklin Price was a farmer and cattleman. His old farm is now the site of AP&L's Nuclear Power Plant.

John Cooley Guest was a son of Calvin and Nancy Kyle Guest. Pope County marriage records indicate that Calvin Guest (age 20) married Miss Nancy Jane Kyle (age 17), at Russellville, Nov. 30, 1865. Justice of the Peace W.A. Strickland performed the ceremony. Calvin Guest was born Feb. 15, 1846 and died Feb. 3, 1874. His wife, Nancy Kyle Guest was born Oct. 4, 1843, at Searcy, Ark., and died at Russellville, Feb. 20, 1925. They were also the parents of Margaret Guest (born Oct. 8, 1876) who later married John Wagoner of Little Rock, who died within a short time, and she later married John Thompson Merritt, of Nashville, Tenn.; and they moved to Port Arthur, Texas, where he was employed for many years by one major oil refineries there. Mrs. Margaret Guest Merritt was a Christian Scientist and a C.S. Practitioner, who lived in Port Arthur, Texas, for over 50 years. She returned to Pope County to make her home in Russellville with her niece, Mrs. Bertha Guest Price, in 1957. Mrs. Margaret Guest Merritt died March 26, 1963, and is buried in Ball Hill Cemetery. She had no children. Calvin Guest's father, Moses (Jimmy) Holland Guest, was born Oct. 11, 1811 - died June 4, 1887) was married to Sarah Minerva Turner (b. Jan. 19, 1817 - died March 29, 1899). Moses Guest was married in Cass County, Georgia, in 1835, and came to Ark. from Macon, Georgia. Moses Holland Guest's father was Allen Guest, who was b. Dec. 30, 1762 - died July 18, 1841. His wife was Mary Holland, and they were natives of Frederick County, Virginia. His parents were William Guest, Jr. and Anna Allen Guest, also, of Frederick County, Va., whose parents were Mr. & Mrs. Henry Guest, who first came to this country from Hancoorth, England, on the ship "DELAWARE", and first took up residence in New Brunswick, New Jersey, where his occupation was a tanner.

Nora E. Rachel Guest (b. Nov. 2, 1876, Pope County, died Mar. 2, 1935) and is buried with her husband John Cooley Guest in Ball Hill Cemetery. She was a descendant of Alexandra Rachel and his wife, Mary Wren Rachel, who were Virginians. They were members of the Methodist Church. Alexandra was born in 1787. He served in the War of 1812. They moved from Va. to N.C. in 1837, where he made his home until his death in 1882; Mary Wren Rachel had died previously in 1854. James Anderson Rachel, b. May 10, 1834, in Virginia, was the fifth child of Alexandra and Mary Wren Rachel. He and his brother, Eli Rachel, came to Ark. in 1854 with the Billy Smith family of Macon, Georgia. James Anderson Rachel settled in Pope

County where he met and married Martha A. (Mattie) Shinn. Born Dec. 2, 1843, she was the daughter of John E. and Malinda Harkey Shinn of Mill Creek, who was a daughter of Captain J.M. Harkey, who was a prominent citizen of Russellville, and a Democratic Senator for the Fourth Senatorial District, which was then comprised of Pope and Johnson Counties. Captain J.M. Harkey was b. in N.C. on June 11, 1832, and was the 8th of 18 children born to David and S. Elizabeth Shinn Harkey, who was also a native of N.C. David Harkey, who died at the age of 87 years, was familiarly known as "Old Davy" Harkey. He was born in Montgomery County on June 29, 1797, and died at Palmer, Texas, on June 10, 1884. He moved from N.C. to Ark. in Dec., 1839, and settled within 1½ miles of the present site of Russellville. His wife was the former Miss S. Elizabeth Shinn, who preceeded him to her grave in 1859, and by whom he had 18 children; seven sons and eleven daughters. James Anderson Rachel and Martha A. (Mattie) Shinn were married Nov. 7, 1867, and were the parents of eight children: Dora M., Nora E. (later Mrs. J.C. Guest), Walter A., Edward, Cora M., and William E. Two children died unnamed and were buried in Ball Hill Cemetery, northwest of Russellville. James Anderson Rachel joined the Confederate Army in 1862, enlisting in Company H. Hill's Regiment, Cobel's Brigade, and served until the close of the Civil War. Upon his return home, he worked at a blacksmith shop and wagon manufacturers. having learned the trade at Jackson Hill, N.C., in 1852. Mr. Rachel owned 485 acres of land in Pope County. He served three years as deputy sheriff of Pope County, and was a member of Dover Lodge No. 17, A. & F.M. He and his wife were members of the Christian Church. Mr. Rachel was a distant relative of Sir Christopher Wren (1632-1723) who had been Knighted in 1672, and a member of Parliament in 1689. The Wren Building of the College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, Va., was designed by Sir William Wren, the Architect.

Bertha E. Guest Price was the daughter of John Cooley Guest (b. Mar. 22, 1868 - died April 12, 1930) and Nora E. Rachel Guest (b. Nov. 2, 1876-died March 2, 1935). Mr. Guest was a farmer and he married Nora E. Rachel Dec. 16, 1895. They were the parents of two children: Bertha Evelyn Guest, b. Jan. 21, 1897, and Agnes Guest (b. Dec. 26, 1898, who died from pneumonia Jan. 22, 1910). Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Guest were Presbyterians, and Mr. Guest served for many years as an Elder in the Shiloh Presbyterian Church. Gordon Glenn Price married Bertha E. Guest, here in Pope County, Sept. 16, 1917, and they were the parents of three children: John Glenn Price (b. Oct. 19, 1918 - d. April 8, 1921), Norma K. Price (b. June 29, 1921-d. July 28, 1922). Both are buried in Ball Hill Cemetery, northwest of Russellville. Ray Patterson Price, the surviving child, was b. Sept. 6, 1931, at Russellville. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Price are members of the Boulder Avenue Christian Church at Russellville. Both are members of the London Order of Eastern Star. Mr. Price's vocations included farming,

mining, coal operator, and a retired employee of Ark. Tech. University. Mrs. Bertha Guest Price, who attended both Ark. Tech and Ark. State Teachers College, is a retired Russellville School system elementary teacher. Their son, Ray Patterson Price graduated with honors from Russellville High School and received a B.A. degree in Bus. Admin. in 1952 from Ark. Tech University, and following service in the U.S. Army from 1952-1954 at Ft. Bliss, El Paso, Texas, did graduate work at C.C.N.Y., New York City. He returned to Ark. in 1958, where he was employed as a Traffic Repr. by Mo Pac RR Co. in Little Rock, St. Louis, Okla. City, and Corpus Christi, Texas. Since Jan., 1971, he has been Gen. Mgr. of the Logan County Broadcasting Company at Paris, and is also active in Real Estate. He and the former Johnnie Patricia (Patsy) Hixson (b. Sept. 3, 1930, St. Louis, Mo.) daughter of Gordon and Fern Smith Hixson, Paris, Logan County, Ark., were married June 28, 1959. Mrs. Price received her B.A. degree in Political Science from Hendrix College, Conway, in 1952, and an M.A. in History from the University of Ark. at Fayetteville in 1959. She has been a high school instructor at Central and Hall High Schools, Little Rock, Roosevelt H.S., St. Louis, Driscoll H.S., Corpus Christi, Texas, and she is currently teaching American History at Russellville High School. They are the parents of one son, John Gordon (b. July 6, 1962, at Corpus Christi, Nueces County, Texas), and are members of the Episcopal Church.

by Ray Patterson Price

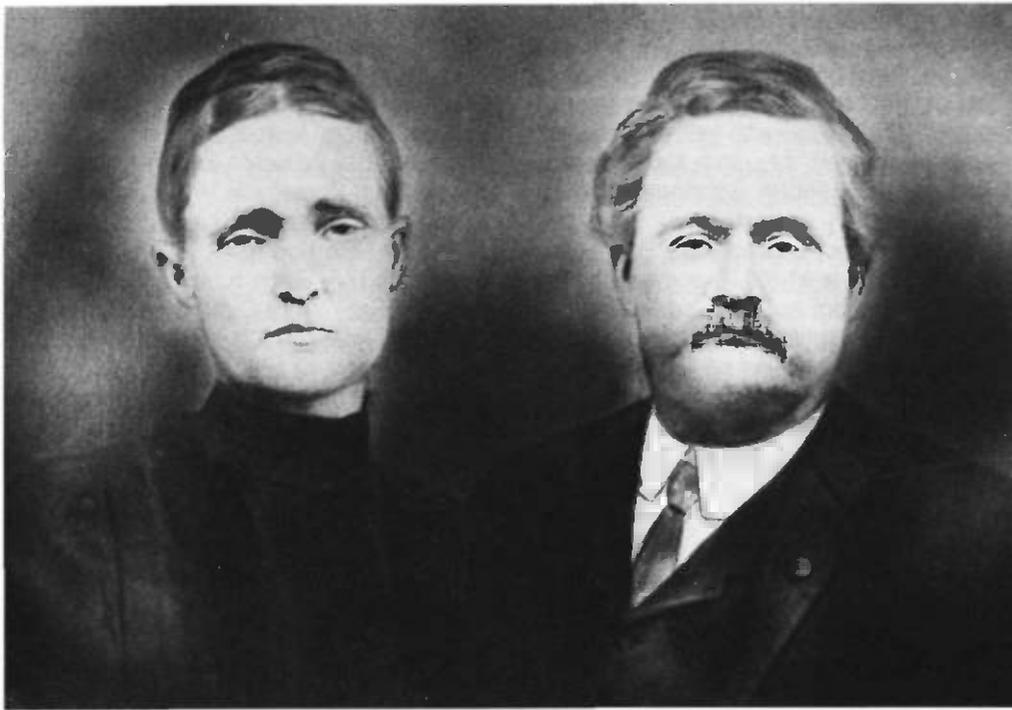
JOHN & ELIZABETH GIBSON PRICE

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According to census records, old family letters and documents, John Jackson (Jack) and Elizabeth Gibson Price were married in Alabama in the 1830's. They apparently left their immediate families in northern Alabama (probably Jackson County) and came with their two sons, Ruben (born 1837, sometimes spelled Rhuben) and Christopher C. (born 1839) on a steamboat towed raft to Lewisburg, Ark., in 1839. Their two wheeled wagon, yoke of oxen and various farm animals were unloaded and they headed west. John and Elizabeth Gibson Price homesteaded 160 acres near a copperas spring located north of Price Cemetery, west of London on U.S. Hwy. 64.

John Jackson Price had been born in about 1810 in Tennessee to Sarrah Price. His father's first name is not known but some family records indicate that it was also John. The Price family had previously been in Wales and sailed to Virginia from Edinburgh, Scotland. It is uncertain when John Price's family came to Virginia, it is known that the family lived in North Carolina and Tennessee before moving to Jackson County Alabama between 1814 and 1834.

Elizabeth Gibson's family fled Ireland because of religious persecution. Her parents were born in Virginia but her birthplace was in



GEORGE BUCHANAN PRICE AND MARTHA ANN GUTHRIE PRICE. PARENTS OF LEONARD PRICE.

Alabama in approximately 1817. She was known to belong to the Methodist church. Letters to John Jackson Price from his mother Sarrah, dating 1843-1857, post-marked Paintrock, Woodville and Redman, Alabama, inquired of the John Hickey and Gibson families in Pope Co. as well as mentioning the following relatives of John: brothers Robert and Davis, sisters Peggy and Elizabeth. His Grandmother Armstrong is reported to have died in Tenn. Feb. 29, 1847.

Children born to John Jackson and Elizabeth Price in Pope Co. were: James F. (sometimes shown as James I.) 1841, David B. 1842, Mary Ann 1843, John 1845, Lucy 1846, Robert (Roane) 1848, (Sarah) Elizabeth 1850, Nancy Luhany 1852. California 1853, Archibald Yell 1858, and George Buchanan Aug. 3, 1854.

Ruben Price, age 22, married Mary E. Brock, age 19 of Alabama in 1860. Christopher C. Price, age 20, married Parthenia age 18 of Tenn. also in 1860. Mary Ann Price age 15, married Joseph Jones Davidson, age 20, May 5, 1859. John Price age 35, married Mary C. Williamson, age 30, 1880. David B. Price age 23, married Amanda (Aminda) Love, age 20, 1866. Nancy Luhany Price (Laura Mae Crain Perkins great-grandmother) age 15 married John Thomas Hufstedler (also spelled Hustutler) age 20 in 1869. Sarah Elizabeth Price age 17 married H.M. Brown, 1868. California Price age 24 married Walter Charles Eubanks and later married Bill Garner. Lucy Price age 20 married B.L. Brown age 23, 1867. Robert Price age 22, married Laura Adelaide May age 18, 1869. Robert later married Mary A. Garrison as shown by the 1880 census. George Buchanan Price age 24 married Martha Anna Guthrie age 18, Jan. 22, 1882. Archibald Yell Price died approximately at age 6.

In 1842 John Jackson Price, A.J. Latta and Judge Andrew Scott organized a tuition type school in the present community of Georgetown. This school was seen as a

necessity since Dwight Mission had closed. The Georgetown school building burned during the Civil War when the area was under Federal control. It had been used as a headquarters for Union troops. Soon after the railroad came in 1872, the school building was rebuilt and became one of the earliest tax supported public schools in the county. The same structure still stands, in fair condition being used as a church. The school was later consolidated with the London school and twenty years later became part of Russellville District 14.

John Jackson Price died either in the fall of 1857 or early winter of 1858. His widow, Elizabeth Gibson Price and their children experienced severe shortages of food and clothing as well as physical and mental atrocities during the Civil War. John and Elizabeth had never believed in slavery, but did have a number of Negro neighbors who were paid wages for their work on the Price farm. When the Civil War began, six of John Price's sons were divided in their loyalty. Christopher and Robert were members of the Union Army, Co. D, Ark. Calvary, Christopher holding the rank of Coms. Sgt. Reuben served as a Confederate soldier. Research is continuing regarding the service records of the other brothers. Apparently no ill will existed between the brothers, for according to family legend, the Union Army sons slipped food to their Confederate brothers each night during the siege of Vicksburg. Many of the Price's relatives, the Gibsons, Guthries and other branches of the Price family, were Confederates, adding to the problems of the time. Family information indicates, for example, that John Price's family was related to Gen. Sterling Price of the Confederate high command, through Sterling Price's uncle Robert Price who had moved from Virginia to northern Ala. This information is being researched at the present time for verification and thus far appears to be accurate.

An example of the shortage of basic

supplies is the manner in which Elizabeth Price and her children obtained salt by running water through soil from the floor of an old smokehouse and evaporating the water to leave a salt residue.

Another family story of the Civil War times concerns Ruben and Robert when they returned home on leave from the Union Army. Ruben and Robert were captured by a group of renegades and taken to Clarksville where Ruben was hung, shot fourteen times and thrown into a ditch. Robert was released because of his youth and returned home to tell the family of Ruben's death. Ruben's wife, Mary, and her sister drove an ox cart to Clarksville where they removed Ruben's body, bringing it to Price Cemetery for burial. The other sons of John Price survived the war, however David B. his wife and of his brothers moved to the Tulsa, Okla. vicinity in the years following the end of the war. According to family legend, David remained in Okla., but the other brother moved to Texas.

Older members of the Price family remember the incident of Elizabeth Gibson Price being tortured by renegades who were trying to force her to tell where her gold was hidden by holding her feet in the fireplace flames. She was wounded so badly that thereafter she was crippled, hardly able to walk. She was also forced to watch the robbers dangle her son George Buchanan (approximately age 11) from a noose several times in their efforts to get the gold. The bandits were finally convinced the Price's had no gold and they departed. In actuality the gold had been hidden in three places on the assumption that if one hiding place were discovered, it would be assumed that there was no more gold.

George Buchanan Price, being the youngest child of Elizabeth Gibson Price had been living with and caring for his crippled mother prior to his marriage. He and his bride Martha A. Guthrie continued to live with his mother and work the Price farm. A grandson of Elizabeth, John Henry Davidson also lived in this household at the time of the 1880 census. Sometime after the death of Elizabeth, George Buchanan built a house for his family a little higher on the hillside from the original dwelling. Most of the Price farm remains in the ownership of John Price's descendants, many of whom still live in the vicinity of Pope County. The rich river bottom land, however, is now covered by Lake Dardanelle.

George Buchanan Price and Martha Anna Guthrie had ten children: Arch Price, born 1882 who married Maude Martin; Carl Price who died of typhoid in 1914 while studying at the Univ. of Ark.; Joseph Price who was postmaster at London, married Pearl Gibson, daughter of Monroe Gibson; Biddie Mae Price, who married William B. Chambers; Lydia Price married Andrew Epperson; Mark Hannah Price married Dessa (Odessa) Martin, daughter of Jim Martin; William Lester Price married Geneva Gotcher; and Leonard Price, the youngest child, born Aug. 19, 1907, married Ola Cyrena McDonald. There were also two daughters who died, one in infancy (unnamed) and the other Sarah, at about age ten. Five members of this family were teachers. They were all reared on the land originally

homesteaded by John and Elizabeth Gibson Price. George Buchanan Price died in 1921. His wife, Martha Anna Guthrie died in 1941.

Leonard Price graduated from Russellville High School in 1928. During his senior year he was captain of the football team and named to the All State team as a guard. He lettered in all other available sports and had major roles in the junior and senior plays. His marriage to Ola McDonald, daughter of Rev. Frank Floyd McDonald and Rebecca Geneva Powell occurred while he was a student at Arkansas Tech in 1928. Leonard Price received a baccalaureate degree in mathematics from Ouachita Baptist Univ. following his studies at Ark. Tech. Three children were born to Leonard and Ola Price: Janis Price Lindemann (Mrs. A.O.), Russellville; Lowell L. Price, Shreveport, La.; and Rebecca Price Hensley (Mrs. Wm. Truman) El Paso, Texas.

After the death of Ola McDonald Price in 1952, Leonard Price married Mrs. Ona P. Wallace in Magnolia, Ark., where he held the position of Vice President in Charge of Finance at Southern Ark. Univ. He had previously served thirteen years as business manager at Ouachita Baptist Univ., Arkadelphia, Ark. Leonard Price left his position in Magnolia to become Vice President for Finance at Eastern New Mexico Univ., Portales, New Mexico, 1956. While in Portales, Leonard Price received a Functional Master's Degree which is a master's degree in multiple fields of study.

Leonard Price returned to his orchard, farm and cattle operation in the vicinity of London due to ill health. He later served as head of the math department at Russellville High School before retiring in 1971. The following year he was elected to membership on the Russellville School Board and is now serving his sixth year in this capacity. He donated the land for the First Baptist Church of London, built in the 1970's and had been active in many church and civic affairs of the county.

by Leonard Price

RHUBIN PRICE

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Rhubin Price was a son of John Price whose people came from Wales to England, sailed to America and landed in Virginia, later moved to North Carolina. John Price married a girl by the name of Gibson. They and the Gibson family left North Carolina for Texas, then back to Alabama, from there by Ox team to the Mississippi river where they bought or built a barge large enough to hold a wagon, oxen, household goods and was towed up the Mississippi river to the Arkansas River up to a place called Lewisburg. From there they went to a place above London where wells were dug, called Laddie Wells. John Price and his wife had a number of children, some of which were: Christopher or Tip, Rhubin, David, James F., Mary Elizabeth, Robert, Albert L., George Buchanan and more. Rhubin was the father of John Price and George Price.

John Price married Ellen (who was the father of Gordon, George (called Little George), Bess, Guy and Martha who died

young. George married Ellen Guthrie, who was the parents of John, called Johnny. She died when he was 8 days old and George later married Eva Ella Bailey, and they had three girls; Nora, Bertha and Odessor. John or Johnny married Rena Hunter and they were the parents of Reta Berince, Mildred, Truman, Guy Levan (Buddy), Elizabeth and Cathryn. John or Johnny Price was a school teacher, who taught over several rural schools and for several years was Superintendent of West Ward School in Russellville, now Dwight. He died in 1928 on Dec. 25.

Guy Levan (Buddy) went to school at London and Russellville. In 1937, he married Jewell Gentry of Russellville, daughter of W.O. and Ethyl Owens Gentry. To this union was born two boys; John William who married Carol Jackson and they have two children; Jimmie Allen, married Gwenda Martin and they also have two children.

Buddy, spent several years in the Ice business with his father-in-law. After the business was sold he worked for Russellville Packing Company and Citgo Oil Company.

by G.L. (Buddy) Price

THE PRIDDY FAMILY

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Arthur Priddy with his wife, Augusta Ellington Priddy, and their seven children moved from Danville, Yell County, to Russellville in 1923.

Arthur was born in Magazine, Logan County, in 1874. He received his general education in Magazine and the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville and his law training at Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tennessee. Upon his graduation he opened a law office in Danville and later formed a partnership with John Chambers. The two became prominent in the area as members of the firm of Priddy and Chambers. In 1915 Arthur was elected Circuit Judge of the Fifth Judicial District which was then composed of Yell, Pope, Conway, and Johnson Counties. At the end of his second term he joined Steele Hays of Russellville, and later Sam Rorex and Brooks Hays, in the firm of Hays, Priddy, Rorex and Hays. Judge Priddy later served two additional terms as Circuit Judge. He was also active on the Board of Directors of the Peoples Exchange Bank, and at the time of his death in 1950 he was Chairman of the Board. He reared all of his children in the Methodist Church, whose affairs he actively participated in. He was also active in Democratic Party politics.

Judge Priddy's father was Dr. Buril Priddy, who came to Arkansas in 1859. Dr. Priddy was born in Mississippi, the son of William H. and Sarah Lusk Priddy, natives respectively of Tennessee and North Carolina. He was a descendant of Samuel Priddy, who sailed from England in 1632 and settled in Virginia.

Arthur's mother was Sara Katharine Scott, daughter of James A. Scott and Sarah Logan Scott. The Logans and Scotts, also of English descent, came to Arkansas in 1832.

Augusta Ellington Priddy was born in Magazine in 1877 and died in Russellville in

1955. She was the daughter of Mitchell and Harriet Featherstone Ellington. The Ellingtons settled in Magazine in 1840, and the Featherstones settled in Waldron in 1834. They were all of English descent.

Arthur and Augusta's children are Julian, Katherine, Richard, Lorene, Henderson, Paul and Ellen.

Julian, (1901-) a graduate of the University of Arkansas, is now a certified public accountant at Little Rock; he and his wife, the former Dorothy Davidson, live in North Little Rock. They have two children, Norman and Jane (Mrs. Rich Ames) and two grandchildren, Jim and Susan, Norman's children.

Katherine, (1903-) a graduate of Galloway College (now merged with Hendrix) and George Peabody College, taught in Russellville Junior High School and Arkansas Tech. She retired in 1966.

Richard, (1905-) an attorney in the firm of Priddy and Hardin, received his education at Arkansas Tech, Texas Tech, and Cumberland University. Dick (as Richard is commonly known) served two terms as prosecuting attorney of the Fifth Judicial District and two terms as Municipal Judge of Pope County. He and his wife, the former Mildred Rankin, their two daughters and six grandchildren all live in Russellville: Sara (Mrs. Bryan Simpson) and her children, Dick, Margaret, and Sam; Mary (Mrs. Hugh Silkensen) and her three sons, John, Jim, and Bob.

Lorene, (1907-), Mrs. Glen Ragsdale, a graduate of Galloway College, lives in Newellton, Louisiana. Her family consists of four children and six grandchildren: Marian (Mrs. James Mulligan) and her children, Frank David Wood, Keith, and Neal Wood; Buril and his children, Carrie Ellen and Edward; William Glen; and Evelyn (Mrs. Raymond Russell) and her son, Raymond.

Henderson, (1910-) (commonly known as Hence) and his wife, the former Maezelle Wade Henry, live in North Little Rock. Hence founded Priddy's, Inc., and he and his first wife, Evelyn Shinn, managed the furniture store. Now retired, Hence had a wood craft business after moving to North Little Rock. His school was Arkansas Tech.

Paul (1913-) graduated from the University of Arkansas. He is now vice-president and chief power engineer of the Charles G. Main Engineers of Boston and lives in Dover, Massachusetts, with his wife, the former Marye Elizabeth Rogers of Russellville. He and Marye have three children and four grandchildren: Ann (Mrs. Norman Olsen) and her children, Jeffrey, Christopher, and Katharine Ann; Jane; Tommy and his daughter, Margaret Elizabeth.

Ellen, (1919-) now Mrs. Ardis Alford, lives in Russellville. She has two children and one grandchild: Kay (Mrs. Willard Hughes) and her son, Milton; and Jim. Ellen attended Hendrix College.

By Katherine Priddy

HENRY PRYOR

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Henry Pryor was born about 1816 in Ten-



HENRY PRYOR
1816-1860's

nessee. He became a skilled blacksmith while young. Susan Taylor became his wife. They raised their large family in the Giles County, Tennessee area where he was engaged in farming and his blacksmith work. The children would laughingly tell later that the Pryor Family in Giles County would always put up 2,000 lbs of pork each year. One thousand was for the family and the other to feed anyone at or in the vicinity of the blacksmith shop.

In the 1860's Henry Pryor died. The family was not only subjected to battle conditions of the Civil War but it's terrible aftermath. The widow, under these conditions, decided to move westward. With several members of her family and with her brother-in-law and sister (George Washington Walker and Fannie Taylor Walker) they came to Pope County, Arkansas by 1870.

The Walker Family settled in the Rock Hollow Area south of Newton Springs while the Pryors settled a rather wide area in the Rock Springs Community south of Hector.

While many of the Pryor children married in Tennessee all but two of them eventually came to the Rock Springs Community of Pope County, Arkansas.

Children of Henry Pryor and Susan Taylor Pryor were: (1.) Eliza Jane: b. 6 Jul. 1837 - m Lee Wisdom - d 13 May 1925 - bur Rock Springs Cemetery, Pope Co., Arkansas - Ch. John H., Harriett E., Nancy Theodora, and George L.W.: (2.) George W.: b 20 Dec. 1839 - 1st wife Ann-2nd wife Prunty - 3rd wife Rebecca Davis Rushing - d 9 Sept. 1908 from injuries suffered in tornado of 23 Apr. 1908 which destroyed the village of Hector - bur Rock Springs Cemetery, Pope Co., Arkansas - Lived in Missouri before coming to Arkansas - ch. reportedly, Lonnie, Ada, and Linsey by first wife - Had Ernest and at least one girl by 2nd wife. Other children probable; (3.) Grisey M.: b ca 1841 - m J.M. Petty - Remained in Tennessee; (4.) Nancy H.: b ca 1843 - m Robert W. Dickey - Remained in Tennessee - d March 1916 - bur Mt. Horeb Cemetery, Lawrence Co., Tennessee - ch. James Henry,

John Campbell, Franklin Monroe, Presley L., Leander Norris, Robert William, Mary Alice, Aaron Coleman, George Ammon, and Caleb Howal (Kay) - Of the children, Franklin Monroe Dickey was the only one to settle in Pope Co., Arkansas; (5.) Aaron Linsey (Avol Linsey): b ca 1844 - never married - d 1870's - bur Campground Cemetery, Pope Co., Arkansas - Said to have served in Civil War and was imprisoned for a long period - never regained his health; (6.) Mary Ann: b ca 1846 - m (1) Prestly Ross Dickey who was a brother to Robert W. Dickey. They came to Newton Co., Arkansas by 1870 - Had ch. Linsey H. and Sarah E. - After the death of her first husband Mary Ann Pryor m (2) Mac McCloud. They lived in Pope Co., Arkansas, had several children - settled in Oklahoma where she died; (7.) Rufus Allen: b ca 1848 - m several times - Lived in Wayne Co., Tennessee 1870 - Was in Giles Co., Tennessee 1880 - Later came to Pope Co., Arkansas and then moved on to the Sallisaw Area of Oklahoma where he died. Records show that he had at least the following children by his first wife: Sarah A., Nancy, and Alice; (8.) Susan F. (Frankie): b 6 Jul. 1852 - m Joseph P. Rowland - d 4 Jun. 1944 - bur Rock Springs Cemetery, Pope Co., Arkansas - Ch. Infant, Henry, Sam, Viana, Charlie, Dora, Lou, Ella S., George; (9.) Hannah Louisa (Sis): b ca 1856 - m Langston G. Tackett - d 1925 - bur Rock Springs Cemetery, Pope Co., Arkansas (Langston G. Tackett's sister first to be buried in cemetery) - Ch. Mandy, Sam, Lee, Ada, Eva, Will, and Jesse. Friends of an older sister were to name this person after themselves with 9 or 10 names. She was destined to go through life simply as "Sis"; (10.) James G.: b ca 1858 - d 1860's - bur Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas; (11.) Samuel G. (Sam): b 19 Jan. 1865 - m Ella Hickman - d 25 Jul. 1896 - bur Rock Springs Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas - Ch. Henry, Frank, Willis, and Kelly.

While Henry Pryor was buried in Tennessee his wife was buried at Rock Springs Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas. Her gravestone reads: Susan Pryor, 6 Jul. 1814 - March 1899. Hundreds of descendants of this couple are living today with names: Pryor, Dickey, Ross, Hickman, Craig, Rowland, Hurley, Tackett, Stafford, Wisdom, and many others.

by Harmon L. Ross

PRYOR FAMILY

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Joseph Anderson Pryor (1833-1907), was born in Alabama and served with O'Neal's Alabama Infantry for the Confederacy. His wife, Mary Elizabeth (1839-1901), was born in Georgia. They came by train to Pope County from Tishomingo County, Miss., with seven of their children, including one each from previous marriages. They were Mary (Mollie) Dunahoo (b. 1863), Anderson (b. 1860), Wesley (1865-1949), Elizabeth (1871-1953), Ella (1873-1910), Alice (1876-1921), and John (1879-1951), who was so little and tired that he slept under one of the seats much of the way.

Two Pryor daughters of a former marriage

stayed behind, having married. Their father visited them a few times, but their younger brothers and sisters never saw them again. Ruby (1881-1962) and Joseph (1884-1954) never met them. After their father's death, contact with them was lost.

Two married children from an earlier marriage of Mary Elizabeth's came to this county with the Pryors or at about the same time. Martha (Dunahoo) (1857-1936) and husband, Evan W. Henson, lived in the Holla Bend community south of Pottsville. Marion Dunahoo and his wife, Jennie, soon moved on to Altus.

The Pryor family settled in the Bradley Cove area north of Pottsville. For a while their mail bore the Potts Station address. The children attended the Liberty Grove school.

Anderson Pryor, while a young man, went with a company of people moving to Texas. He married Izora Williams of that wagon train.

The Hensons reared seven children to adulthood. All but Lula are now deceased. Edgar, a farmer in the Holla Bend community, married Sally Johnson. They had two sons, Dalton and Doyle. Dalton married Elsie Jones. Doyle and wife, Charmelle (Martin) live in Little Rock.

Elmer married Spencer Deaton and lived in Russellville where their children grew up. All have families and live outside the county. Eugene in California, Thomas and Aleene (Webb) at Mayflower, and Evelyn and Austin Rummage at Hot Springs.

Verdie Henson married Charles Porter. After her death, the two older boys, Bruce and Truett went with their father to live in Atkins then Morrilton, but Velma and the baby, Charles, lived with their grandparents for a while. Charles later married Bertha Churchill. Their children are Margaret and Mary. Velma and Bruce are both deceased. Velma's husband, Eleul Staggs and their sons live at Little Rock. Truett and his family live in Dallas, Texas; Charles and his family at Benton; Margaret Pursell lives in Missouri and Mary Adams lives in Illinois.

The next three Henson children all went to North Little Rock to live: Ellis, who married Vada Fisk; Lula, who married Orville Minor; and Wilmer, who married Faye Talley.

Floy and her husband, Earl Morgan, lived in the Holla Bend Community. Mary Dunahoo and her husband, Robert Minor, lived in another county. Wesley Pryor and his first wife, Alice Tinsley, had four children. All are now deceased, but the daughters both have descendants living in Pope County. Earl died in an army camp during WW I, a victim of the influenza epidemic. Burl, who married Rose Moon, and both of his children died before the children reached school age. Maxie had a son, J.W. Sanders, an accountant, and a daughter, Alice (Mrs. Orvil Satterfield). One Satterfield daughter, Belva, and husband John Elliott, live in Russellville.

Viola Pryor and her husband, Farris Martin, had three children. Raymond worked in Washington, D.C., for many years and is retired in Russellville. Mary Alice McCool and family live in Little Rock. Wesley and Sharon and their three children are also Russellville residents.

After the death of his first wife, Wesley Pryor married Lucy Taylor who had four children: Carl, Clara and Lewis McConnell and Ruth Taylor.

Bettie Pryor married Robert H. Hamilton, a Pottsville farmer and truck cropper who for several years regularly furnished vegetables and dairy products to customers in Russellville. Thelma and Ordrey were their children. Ordrey married Roe Oates and reared their children in another county. Both are deceased.

Thelma married Weaver Taylor. All but the oldest of their five sons still live in the county. James (Jack) and Reba (Hollowell) live in North Little Rock. Bill, Glen and Margaret (Duffield), Kenneth and Wanda (Rackley), live in Pottsville with their families as do Kenneth's older son, Bob and Wanda (Moore) and family. Ramond, Thelma's youngest, and his wife, Mary Jane (Parrish) live near Russellville.

Ella Pryor married Robert Owens. Two of their sons, Otto and Leon, are deceased. Ottis and wife live in Missouri.

Alice Pryor married Samuel I. Martin. They had six children: Roscoe, Vera, Roy, Opal, Sula and Moivelline. None now lives in the county.

John Pryor and his wife, Emma (Moore) lived in Pottsville for many years, but spent their last years in Russellville. He was a rural mail carrier out of Pottsville until his retirement. Their son Roland married Faye Rackley and lived in Little Rock. Raymond and his wife live in Oklahoma.

Ruby Pryor married Jim Wallace. He died before their son, James, was born. Later she married Lothair Adams, a Pottsville merchant. James Wallace married Elizabeth Turner. Recently they moved back to the county after a long absence.

Joseph Pryor married Sallie Porter of the Holla Bend community. He worked as a farmer, blacksmith, and carpenter. They reared five children in and near Pottsville. They were: Lourille, Porter Lowell, Lillian, Anderson, and Sue.

Lourille was a teacher in the Pottsville school system until her retirement a few years ago. Her husband, Wade King, was one of the first farmers to seriously practice soil conservation and to modernize his farming methods. He is a Mason; she is an Eastern Star. Both have been active in church and civic endeavors. They have two daughters. Both were outstanding in 4-H work. Mary Ann and Randy Creemer and family are preparing for a move to Florida. Martha Ellen and Clyde Traylor live in Hartford, Arkansas.

The other Pryor children and their families live outside the county: Porter and Helen (Adams) in Little Rock; Lillian and Renn Rackley in Idalou, Texas; Anderson and Catherine McAfee in Ft. Smith; and Sue and Ross Lowe in Macomb, Illinois.

by Sue Pryor Lowe

CHESTER ANDERSON RACHEL

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Chester Anderson Rachel was a great-



Opel and Chester Rachel

grandson of Alexandra Rachel, born 1787, participated in the 1812 War, married Polly Wren born 1802, in Mecklenberg County, Virginia, Jan. 14, 1819. Had 8 children, migrated from Va. to North Carolina 1837. Three sons fought in the Civil War.

James Anderson, born 5-10-1834, fifth child of Alexandra and Polly migrated from N. Carolina to Pope County, Ark. in 1854, coming over with "Uncle Billy" Smith family in ox drawn wagon, walking most of the way. Met and married Martha A. Shinn. Had 8 children born to them.

Walter A., born 2-16-1880, fourth child of James A. and Martha A., was a farmer and coal miner by occupation. Met and married Lillie C. Bramlett, who with her family emigrated to Pope County from Soddy, Tenn. To them were born 10 children. In 1918 he contacted flu which developed into pneumonia and died. Lille bought a farm near Ball Hill school and raised her brood, All grown and most married when Robert Lee, fourth child, was killed in coal mine explosion at Jenny Lind, Ark. in 1939.

Chester Anderson better known as "Chet", born 6-7-1910, stayed on at home shouldering responsibility of head of the family, farming and working at public works. His first job in 1929 was bailing cotton at Tom Moseley's Gin at \$3 per day and the day lasting all night or until last wagon of cotton came in. In 1930 was promoted to ginning at \$3.50 per day. His next job was pushing coal cars at Tom Rankin's mine for \$1.50 per day. In 1936 he began working for Ark. La. Gas Co. for .35 per hour walking 6 miles to job. In 1938 the net pay was \$2.80 per day and when away from home \$1.50 per day room and board leaving \$1.35 for labor. In 1940 made regular employee at .52 per hour. In 1942 was made heavy equipment operator and demolition technician laying pipeline through Ouachita Mts. through Ozark Mts. to Winslow Ark. At one time blasted down a bluff 55 feet high and third day drove a pickup over it. Laid pipeline in La. Texas, Ark. and Okla. In 1935 married Opal Skidmore, born 3-27-1913. To them

were born three children. Jerry Glenn, born 3-27-1936, married Sharon Benson, born 11-17-1937. Their children: Walter Lee born 9-18-1959, Jennifer Lynn born 1-12-1960, Debra Kay born 5-30-1961, Rebecca Ann born 9-20-1967, John Evert born 7-22-1970. Jerry attended Ark. Tech, member of National Guard Unit 217 Combat Engineers Hdqts. when it was consolidated with 101st active airborne troops sent to Camp Robinson to maintain peace for the integration of Central High School in Little Rock. He is now civil engineer supt. for Bechtel Corp. of San Francisco, Calif. and located at Susquehanna, Penn. Ted Hays, born 4-1-1942, married Louise Wright, born 9-20-1940. Their children are Edward Hays, born 7-23-1963; Shena Renee, born 9-25-1965; Derek Adrian, born 11-13-1972. Ted majored in electrical engineering at Ark. Tech and is now plant manager of maintenance and engineering at Morton Frozen Foods in Russellville, Ark. Rita Jeanice, born 2-23-1944, finished Harding College with a Masters' degree and taught in the Academy there until she met and married Dale G. Brown, born 6-18-1941. Their children are Tammy Rachele, born 8-18-1970 and Marshall Dale, born 6-12-1973. Dale is minister of the Bennett Street Church of Christ, Bossier City, Louisiana and the children attend the Shreve Christian School in Shreveport, La.

Chet retired in July of 1975 as Pipeline Foreman for Arkla with a salary of \$1250.00 per month, after 35 years with the company.

by Mrs. Chester Rachel

ELI RACHEL

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JAMES ALEXANDER RACHEL, DORA FISHER RACHEL, JAMES ALFRED RACHEL.

Eli and Temperance Russell Rachel moved to Pope county about 1877 with their two sons James Alexander and William Edward.

Eli was born in Virginia to Alexander and



Mr. and Mrs. James A. Rachel — Nilene Rachel, Zell Rachel Lewis and Retia Rachel.

Mary Wren Rachel. They moved to North Carolina about 1837. Eli married Temperance Russell on 4 April 1858, in Davidson county, North Carolina.

James Alexander married Martha A. Epps in Pope county on 26 Oct. 1884. Their first child, Robert, lived only a few months. They then had two daughters, Louise Elizabeth, born 27 May 1888, and Mary Etta born, 21 Aug. 1890. When Mary was about six weeks old their mother died. James and his two daughters moved in the house with Eli and Nancy Rachel, his father and his deceased wife's mother. Eli and Nancy had a young daughter, Sallie, so Nancy weaned Sallie from the breast and raised her granddaughter Mary on the breast.

About 1910 Louise and Mary moved to Little Rock to work for an uncle, A.J. Epps, in Epps Furniture Store. They each married and lived the remainder of their lives in Little Rock. Louise left no survivors, Mary left two daughters who reside in Little Rock.

It was 5 March 1908 that James Alexander married Dora Sylvia Fisher. To this union one child James Alfred was born, 11 July 1913.

James Alfred was married 22 July 1939, to Sylvia Irene Jolley, daughter of Vant and Shellie Shinn Jolley. To them three daughters were born, Nilene Fern, born 28 July 1941, Zell Jean, born 15 April 1943, and Retia Gail, born 20 December 1948.

James was born and still lives on the old homeplace. He has worked in and around Pope county all his life. He helped build the bridge across the Illinois Bayou at Dwight Mission in 1936. He got up early and walked to work, about six and one half miles. He received twenty cents an hour for his labor, of pushing a wheelbarrow. Then he would walk another six and one half miles back home.

He worked at a sawmill for a number of years, when he started working at a sawmill he received twelve and one half cents an hour. He was employed at the Stave mill in Russellville from 1945 until it closed in 1948. He has been employed by International Shoe Company since 1970. His three daughters are also employed at the shoe plant.

Irene is an excellent seamstress, she exhibits many items in the county fair. She has been sweepstakes winner several times in clothing and canning.

James, Irene and Nilene are active members of the East Point Baptist Church. Retia is a member of the First Assembly of God

Church in Atkins.

Zell was married to Johnnie H. Lewis, Jr., 9 December 1966. They and their two children Ruth and Gary live in Yell county. Besides being employed by Kroger in Russellville, Johnnie is a beef producer. Johnnie, Zell and Ruth are members of the Bethany Baptist Church in Dardanelle.

by Zell Rachel Lewis

JAMES ANDERSON RACHEL

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ALEXANDER RACHEL

James Anderson Rachel, b. 1834, to Alexandra Rachel and Mary Wren, m. in Virginia in 1819, the father, b. 1787, served in the war of 1812. They moved to North Carolina in 1837, he d. 1882, the mother, 1854. Children: E.A., E.G., Martha J., Elizabeth, and J.A. James Anderson Rachel came to Arkansas with William and Catherine (Burkhead) Smith, settled in Clark Twsp.,

Pope County. Rachel worked in Mr. Smith's blacksmith and wagon shop in 1854. J.A. Rachel enlisted in the Confederate Army, 1862, served three years, was wounded at Milles, Ark. In 1867 he married Martha A. Shinn, daughter of J.E. and Malinda Harkey Shinn, children: William E., Dora M., Nora E., Walter A., J.E., and Cora M. Mr. Rachel owned 485 acres of land. He was a member of Dover Lodge No. 17 A.F. & A.M. He was on the Pleasant View School Board 1885-1895. The father died 1905, mother 1910. James Edward Rachel, b. 1882, married Elizabeth Malinda Shinn, daugh. of J.R. and Jerimah Ellen Smith, daug. of William and Catherine Smith. J.E. was a farmer on land inherited from his parents. Children: Mattie E., Pauline E., Eugene V., Norma M., Lavienna E., Vernon G., Ed J., Ralph S., and Evelyn D. Mr. Rachel died in 1963, his wife 1972, Ralph 1957, and Eugene 1916; all are buried at Ball Hill Cemetery.

Ed Anderson married Pauline, 1924. They are Baptist. Children: Naomi, married Leon Vardaman, a son Otis. Barbara married Charles Fulford, daughter Victora married Danny Wright, Garland Stewart, and now married to James Eugea, sons are Brian (Wright) Stewart, Robert Stewart, and Jim's son, Michial. Their son Charles Leon married Jeanie Smart, children, Charles and Kristina.

H. Clyde Smith married Norma, 1928, parents of three daughters, Arline, married Charles Sheppard, Jr., their two sons are Richard, married Rondell Ramsy, and Gary. Wanda married Paul Bailey and their children are Paula, Patty, and Douglas. Glenette married Darvin Price, three children, Randy, Joni, and Jimmy. Vernon married Lavee Tackett, 1936, two children, Sandra married Bobby Smith and their four children are Douglas, David, Debra, and Darrell. Sandra subsequently married Ronald Abby and their children are: Lisa, Melissa, and Ronald. Retired U.S.A.F. Jerry Rachel first married Kathleen Hind and their three boys are James, Wayne, and Mark. Jerry later married Aleta Reamy; they have two girls: Lisa



MARTHA ANN (SHINN) RACHEL, CORA M. RACHEL (SMITH), JAMES ANDERSON RACHEL, WALTER A. RACHEL, DORA M. RACHEL (DOUGLAS), JAMES EDWARD RACHEL, NORA E. RACHEL (GUEST), BERTHA E. GUEST (PRICE).

and Aimy. Ralph Rachel m. Katherine Bishop in 1941; they had a son Richard who first m. Janet Hyndman; they had one son, Mark. Richard later married Annette Lau, who had a girl named Rhea. Evelyn Rachel m. Curtis Bishop, who died 1965; they had two girls and a boy: Linda married Larry Haston; they have a son Wayne Lee. Alex and Randy Jean are at home. Evelyn later married Henry Phillips in 1971. Laviena married Vassel Babu; they retired from sculptor work in N.Y. City. Ed and Ralph are veterans of World War II. Mattie Rachel retired from teaching in 1969, and Ed retired from work in the Russellville schools.

In six generations of Rachels, church memberships are Methodist, Christian, Baptist, Church of God, Church of Christ, Worldwide Church of God, Lutheran and Greek Orthodox.

by Mattie Rachel

WALTER RACHEL

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WALTER AND LILLIE RACHEL

Walter Rachel born Feb. 16, 1880 in Pope County, Ark. third child of James and Martha Rachel, attended school at the "ole Pleasant View School" finishing the 8th grade. The school year consisted of 4 months in winter and 2 in summer according to the funds in the treasury. He was a farmer and coal miner by occupation. He farmed the land later known as the Ark. Tech Agriculture Farm. He met and married Lillie Bramlett, who with her parents came to Pope County, Ark. from Soddy, Tenn. in 1891 crossing the Mississippi River by steamboat.

To them were born 10 children: Walter Clarence b. July 26, 1903, m. Violet Belle Anderson b. July 29, 1907 and begat Jeanette and Catherine. Ruth Marie b. Sept. 3, 1905, married Reece Shinn b. June 7, 1899 and begat Edwin Hays. James Henry b. Feb. 16, 1907, married Norma Shinn b. Feb. 23, 1911 and begat Patsy, Jimmy, Gloria, Paul, Caro-

lyn, and Ricky. Robert Lee b. Apr. 14, 1908, married Flora Belle Bordon b. Aug. 29, 1909 and begat Walter Lee, Greta, Peggy, and Harold Wayne. Chester Anderson B. June 7, 1910, married Opal Skidmore b. Mar. 27, 1913 and begat Jerry Glenn, Ted Hays, and Rita Jeanice. Gladys Evelyn (Muffett) b. Nov. 23, 1911 married Carroll Worley b. Feb. 12, 1911 and begat Don, Stanley, Helen Carol, and Michael. Paul Neil b. May 15, 1914, married Lucille Pitman b. Oct. 20, 1917 and begat Wanda Fern, Bonita Gail, and Joyce Ann. Hazel Catherine b. Mar. 9, 1916, married Otto Baurichter b. Sept. 11, 1910 and begat Marilyn, Jane Carolyn, Gerald Ray, and Sandra Kay. Faye Ellene b. Oct. 24, 1917, married Loyd Smith b. Jan. 8, 1916, and begat Larry Wayne, Judy Ellene, and Donna Jean. Sybil Lahoma b. Mar. 31, 1919, married Neil Lloyd b. Mar. 16, 1919, and begat Ruby Geraldine and Philip Lynn.

Socially, Walter belonged to the "Woodsmen of the World", the Odd Fellows, and his recreation included hunting, fishing, pitching horseshoes, and croquet. He died Oct. 21, 1918 with influenza which developed into pneumonia. Lillie, called "Mama Rachel" was loved by all who knew her. She was a minister of blessings to all human beings. She had known sorrow but her sorrow was silent for her children filled her emptiness of her mate. She was a member of the Church of Christ and worshipped at the Mill Creek congregation until she died Oct. 15, 1957.

by Mrs. Chester Rachel

HIRAM RACKLEY

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The first Rackley's to settle in the United States settled in Virginia. Frederick Rackley, a resident of Lawrence County, Tennessee, was married to Barberry Rackley. Frederick died in 1847. Frederick and Barberry owned two plantations on the Big Shoal Creek in Lawrence County. They had three sons and three daughters: William C., Hiram, and Josiah W. Anna E., Patsy, and Sarah.

Around the year, 1854, Hiram and William C., left Tennessee and settled in Pope County, Arkansas. William C. settled around Nogo, north of Hector and Hiram and wife Elizabeth settled on Crow Mountain. Hiram died around 1865 and was buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery north of Center Valley. Elizabeth lived several years after his death and was buried on Crow Mountain. To this union was born seven sons and three daughters:

John, the oldest son of Hiram and Elizabeth was killed in the Civil War while serving in the Union Army.

Jim was the second son.

Daniel, the third son, married Elizabeth Katherine Strickland in 1865, and they lived near Hector. They had six children: Will, James, Washington, Sarah, Nancy and George Ann.

Robert P., the fourth son, was born in 1845 and died in 1911. He was married to Elizabeth J. Bowden who was born in 1843 and died in 1919. To this union was born seven sons and four daughters: John W., was

born on Jan. 18, 1864 and died Oct. 1, 1864; William H., born in 1869 and died in 1890. He was killed by Indians in Oklahoma, and was buried at Webbers Falls, Oklahoma; James A., married Anna Welcher; Robert A., married Ruth Morton and they had a daughter, Lucy, born in 1915 and died in 1918; David H., married Sarah Teeter; Thurman E., married Hettie Speer; Arthur H., married Ella Kendrick; Mary E., was first married to Alem Robinson and second to his brother, Bud; Lenora married Auk Tucker; Martha, married George Jones; and Lou Ann Rackley married Elias Jones.

Andrew Jackson, fifth son of Hiram and Elizabeth Rackley, was born in 1850 and died in 1902. He married Caroline Milligan in 1887 and to this union was born five sons and three daughters: A.J. (Jack) married Rosa Kendrick and they were the parents of a son Fay and a daughter, Ethel; Porter, married first to Ada York and they had three sons, Emmett, T.Z. and L.C. They moved to Oklahoma in a covered wagon in 1920. Porter was later married to Arlie Downing and they had one daughter, Mary Ann. Porter was born in 1887 and died in 1971 and was buried at Whitefield, Oklahoma; Claud, born in 1891, and died in 1966. He married Ethel Moore and they had two sons, R.A. and J.M.; Holly D., born in 1893 and died in 1902 of typhoid fever and is buried in Bowden Cemetery in Crow Mountain. Mortie (Mode), fifth son of Andrew and Caroline, born 1895 and died in 1956. In 1915, he married Georgia Owens, daughter of Newt and Cornelia Burnett Owens. They were married by Reuben Chenoweth. Georgia was born in 1898 and died in 1970. They were buried in Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain. To this union was born a son, Hollie Gene and a daughter, Ila Dean. Hollie Gene was born 1918, he married Lorene Johnson, daughter of William Chester and Alice Venable Johnson. They were married in 1941. To this union was born two children: Carol Gene who married J. Pearl Rowley in 1962 and they have two children, Tracey Ann and Michael Kent. Hollie and Lorene also had a daughter, Judy Ann. Ila Dean, daughter of Mortie and Georgia was born in 1924 and in 1942, married Johnny Jordon and they have two children, a daughter, Johnnie Dean and a son, Raymond.

Andrew Jackson was the owner of forty acre productive farm located on Crow Mountain. His main interest on the farm was his orchard, which produced many varieties of fruit.

The three daughter's of Andrew and Caroline were: Elizabeth, born in 1878 and died in 1880; Ida, born in 1880, and died in 1910. She married Dow Kendrick and they had one son, Edgar; Ada, born in 1885, died in 1963, she married W.M. (Bill) Scott and they had four daughters. One dying in infancy, Rhea married Jeff Alford, Eula married Blackie Garland and Lorene who married Jim Jones.

Hiram Thomas, sixth son fo Hiram and Elizabeth, married Mary A. Jackson in 1869. Hiram Thomas was born in 1847 and died in 1940. He is buried in the Pisgah Cemetery.

Jesse, seventh son of Hiram and Elizabeth,

married Sarah A. Jordon in 1878. They had six sons, Hiram Berry, Frank, Emmett, Jasper, George, and Charley, three daughters, Laura, Josie and Ora.

Emily, daughter of Hiram and Elizabeth, no information available. Sarah Ann, married Ambrose G. Kendrick in 1868. Elizabeth, third daughter of Hiram and Elizabeth, died while young.

by Hollie Rackley

ROBERT P. RACKLEY

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My great grandfather, Hiram Rackley (son of Fredrick and Barberry Rackley) of Lawrence Co., Tenn., came to Pope County, Ark. about 1860 and with his wife, Elizabeth. To them was born 6 boys and 4 girls.

Of these one was my grandfather, Robert P. Rackley, born in 1845 in Tenn. After coming to Ark. he met and married Eliza Jane Bowden (also from Tenn.) on Aug. the 16th, 1862. To them was born ten children; Mary E., Lenora, William H., Martha A., James A., Louann, Robert A., Homer, Elmer, and Arthur. My grandfather and grandmother were christians and faithful members of M.E. Church (Methodist). He also served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War and was honorably discharged after the war was over. He raised his family on a farm on Crow Mt. and died 5-5-1911 at the age of 66.

My father, James A. Rackley, son of Robert P. and Eliza Jane Rackley was born on Crow Mt., Nov. 16, 1873. He grew up and married Annie E. Welchel (also of Crow Mt. but born in Georgia.) In his early married life, my father was a blacksmith but later operated a fruit farm and a nursery known as the Pope County Nursery. The two later occupations were principal means of support for raising a family of nine children with seven of these living to adulthood. There was a total of three sets of twins each a boy and a girl. Chances of three sets of twins with each a boy and a girl are at least estimated to be in the millions. The children were Ethel, Lee & Lela (twins), Faye, Cleva, Allie and Allen (twins), and Milton & Mildred (twins). Allen died at 11 months and Mildred died at 8 months.

I, Milton Rackley, was born Jan. 21, 1916 in Pottsville, Ark., graduated from Pottsville High School and attended Ark. Tech. At the age of 21, I married Kathryn Gardner of Russellville, to us was born two children, Gene Allen & Anita Jane. Gene was born 12-3-38 and Anita was born 11-17-43. Anita died at the age of 18 after graduating from Russellville High School and registering at Ark. Tech. I worked a number of years as a clerk before going to work for the U.S. Post Office where I have worked a total of 24 years and the last 21 years as a Rural Mail Carrier.

Gene Allen Rackley is married to the former Sondra Smith of Pittsburg, Pa. They have two children, Scott Allen (age 6) and Kathryn Rose (age 3). Gene has been in the Sales Dept. of Celanese Corporation since graduating from the University of Arkansas in 1961.

by Milton C. Rackley

DR. LEWIS T. AND ISABEL MARTIN RAGSDALE

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Dr. L. T. Ragsdale
1840-1918

Lewis T. Ragsdale was the son of Thomas D. Ragsdale (Born Nov. 8, 1803) and Mary Ann Ragsdale (Born Feb. 14, 1804). Thomas D. Ragsdale was a native of Tennessee who came to Arkansas in the 1820's. He built and operated the first Grist Mill and Cotton Gin in Conway County. Lewis T. Ragsdale was born December 31, 1840. Isabel Martin Ragsdale was born May 1, 1849.

Lewis T. Ragsdale and Isabel Alline Boggess were united in marriage at the historic old Ragsdale Mill in Conway County Nov. 15, 1866. Isabel was the daughter of Charles H. Boggess (Born Sept. 10, 1822), and Isabel C. Martin (Born May 6, 1826). Charles Boggess, a native of Kentucky, arrived in Arkansas in 1845, settling in Jackson County. He conducted a Mercantile business in Pottsville, Ark. for about half a century.

Lewis T. Ragsdale served throughout the Civil War with the Confederate Army, rising to the rank of First Lieutenant. He went to the front with the first Company from Morrilton. He was wounded at the battle of Shiloh. He was in the siege of Vicksburg. Wade, a son, remembers him telling that every time the Federal Gunboats would shell Vicksburg, that Lewis and his little gray mare he had taken to the Army with him, would run to the same dug out. He was captured at Vicksburg and shipped to Johnson's Island on Lake Erie. He and fellow prisoners of war speared rats and boiled them for food. They attempted to rid themselves of some lice by washing their clothes and hanging them out. They hoped when the clothes froze, some lice would slide off. While a prisoner of war on Johnson's Island, he carved a knife and fork out of bones. These are now the property of Phillip Ward Ragsdale, a Little Rock lawyer. Lewis recalls that all of those who tried to escape by swimming the three miles of water, he never heard of any of them. Since he would not

swear allegiance to the Federal Government, he was held a prisoner of war until well after the hostilities ceased.

Lewis devoted a number of years to the Milling business. He had a Drug Store in Atkins. He received a Medical degree from the University of Arkansas and practiced medicine at Atkins and Pottsville. In Pottsville, he had a Grist Mill, Sawmill, Cotton Gin, and General Store.

The children of Lewis and Isabel were A. Sidney, Charles T., E.H., Mary Bell, Nettie, Lewis, Robert A., Allien, and Wade. The family was identified in earlier years with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and later with the Central Presbyterian Church.

The couple spent their last years in Russellville. Lewis departed this life June 12, 1918. Isabel departed in 1946. Both are buried at Pisgah Cemetery.

by W. Oates Ragsdale

ANTHONY LAMBERT RANKIN

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Anthony Lambert was barely eight years old when he arrived in Pope County with his parents, Robert and Isabel Rankin. The family had come from Gibson County, Tennessee in 1838 to what is now Appleton and Anthony spent the remainder of his life there.

Hunting was a necessity in the first years in Arkansas, but Anthony always liked it. Rheumatism in his legs became very painful as he grew older, and it finally became impossible for him to walk in rough hill country, but he continued to hunt. His sons would help him mount a small, short legged mule, which he rode side saddle. A six foot one inch man, a side saddle and a short legged mule was an amusing sight, but that didn't bother Anthony. As he rode he carried a forked stick and retrieved the game he killed without dismounting.

About 1851, Anthony Lambert Rankin married Patience Ann Jones, daughter of Sarah Grayson Jones Stith. They reared the following six children to maturity: 1. Mary Ellen Rankin (1853) married Dr. John L. Griffin in 1878. The Griffins reared a large family in Griffin Flat where Dr. Griffin practiced medicine. Ellen Griffin died there in 1935. 2. Reuben Anderson Rankin (1855) married first, Elizabeth Williams in 1880, and second, Josephine Roach in 1893. Reuben A. moved to Rising Star, Texas in 1885 and to Lubbock, Texas area about 1904. He had five sons and a daughter. He died in Lubbock in 1917. 3. William Wilson "Wilce" Rankin (1858) married first Elizabeth Hopkins in 1879, and second Mary Jane "Janie" Jones in 1886. 4. George Fealdon Rankin reared five children and always lived and farmed at Appleton where he family was active in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. George died in 1938. 5. Everett E. Rankin had a large family and lived and farmed in eastern Pope County for many years. The last ten years if his life were spent in Florence, Arizona, where he farmed irrigated land near his son, Tom Rankin. He died in 1946 and is buried at Appleton. (6) Anna Maud Rankin (1874) married

Wayne Morgan at Rising Star, Texas in 1891. The Morgans had one child, Orel. Maud developed tuberculosis and died at Appleton at age 22.

Anthony Lambert Rankin died in Rising Star, Texas in 1892 during a visit to his oldest son, Reuben A. Ann Rankin returned to Appleton afterwards and died there in 1902.

The Rankins lived by the strict teachings of the Presbyterian Church. Anthony expected and received obedience from his children. He sometimes poked fun at his sons by saying that when he had one boy he had a pretty good boy, but when he had four boys, they were no good at all. It was true that his sons were full of mischief, an, usually led by Wilce, played many pranks on family members and on each other. Their maternal grandmother, Sarah Grayson Jones Stith, lived with the Rankins. She smoked a small clay pipe and frequently napped in her rocker by the fire place with the pipe still between her lips. Her mischievous grandson often filched a pinch of gun powder from the powder horn hanging by the fire place and dropped it into her pip. The gun powder sputtered and a small explosion followed, accompanied by youthful giggles from another room. No harm was done of course, and a startled grandmother soon resumed her nap.

Wilce Rankin's children by his first marriage were Albert and Elbert, and a daughter, Martha, all now deceased.

After their marriage Wilce and Janie Jones Rankin settled on a farm in Conway County, about three miles from Appleton. Five of their children were born there: Effie, Ruby, John, Willie and Ruth. Two more children were born after the family left Arkansas. Corrie in Oklahoma and Fay in Texas.

In 1897, Wilce moved his family to Rising Star, Texas. Restlessness often possessed him and for a while he moved frequently — from Texas to Oklahoma and back again, finally locating in Dozier, Texas in 1908 where he farmed until his death in 1929. Janie Rankin operated their farm until her death in 1940.

Wilce and Janie Rankin's daughters, Effie, Ruby, Rugh and Corrie all became teachers and the two sons, John and Fay became doctors of veterinary medicine. Ruth lives in Astoria, Oregon, John in Clatskanie, Oregon and Fay in Salem, Oregon. Corrie and Ruby live in Quanah, Texas. Effie is deceased.

by Corrie Rankin Womack and Ruby Rankin Paschal

EVERETT E. RANKIN

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Everett E. Rankin was the son of Anthony Lambert Rankin and grandson of Robert Rankin who was born in 1792, in Tenn., and died at Appleton, Ark., in 1845. On Dec. 9, 1812, Robert married Isabell Rankin, (not close related), born in 1791 in N.C. and died at Appleton, in 1861.

Anthony Lambert also born in Tenn., in 1830, died at Rising Star, Tex., in 1892. He married Patience Ann Jones, born in Pope Co., Ark., in 1831 and died at Appleton, Ark.,

in 1902. In 1843, a brother of Anthony, George W., was coon hunting at night, with his powder horn hanging from his neck and fired at a coon. In his haste to reload his rifle he dropped the hot shell in the powder, it exploded and killed him. Anthony Lambert and Patience Ann, were the parents of eight children: Mary Ellen, Reuben, William, George, John Dee, Robert Lee, Anna Maud and Everett E.

Everett E., born in 1869, married Mary Ann Griffin, Dec. 18, 1888, and he died in 1946. Everett was a farmer, lived in Griffin Flat, Appleton and Blackwell. While in Appleton he was a JP and performed marriages as most JP's did in those days. He and his family were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and attended regularly. In the early 1930's, he moved to Shiloh, north of Russellville and was an Elder in that congregation. He moved to Florence, Arizona, in 1937, where he did some farming until he passed away. He and Mary Ann had seven children. She died in 1913 and he married Pallie Pugh of Blackwell. His children were:

Arkie Gertrude, b. 1889 and married Emmitt Lewis of Appleton. They lived their entire life near Appleton and were members of the C.P. Church. They were the parents of the son, William (Bill) Everett. She died in 1967.

Thomas Jefferson, b. 1891, married Articia Ashmore in 1917. He was a veteran of World War I, having spent several months in France. He attended the Agriculture school in Russellville with the WW I veterans and went into the chicken hatchery business soon after and later ran a coal mine. He moved to Florence, Ariz., in 1936, where he farmed and did well until he had to retire with arthritis. He died in 1969. He and Articia had seven children; Margaret, Katherine, Tom Jr., Robert, Sarah Alleen, Emmitt Lewis and Betty Grace. All are married and living in Arizona.

Sarah Alleen, b. 1893, married Elbert Henry McAnally of Pottsville and they had two children; Mary Ellen, married, lives in Russellville; Flora Beth, married, lives in N. Little Rock. Sarah died in 1925 and Elbert died in 1964.

Alta Ann, b. 1896, died in 1966. She married Edward Howett Wilson, a school teacher. They had three children: Howett Rankin (deceased), Mary Alice, married, lives in Texas; Patience Ann, married and lives in Morrilton, Ark.

Katy Willard, b. 1898, died in 1970. She married Raymond H. Webb of the Hopewell community. He was a retired rural mail carrier when he died in 1864. They had three children: Mary Maude, lives in N. Little Rock; Katie Rae, lives in Russellville and Rita Ann, lives near Ward, Ark. All are married.

Robert (Bob) Ira, b. 1902, married Irma Richardson and they had two boys; Robert Scott and Gene Lambert. Both married and live in Russellville. Bob and Irma moved to Russellville where he worked for A.P. & L. and for Texaco Oil Company. He served as a deputy sheriff in the 1940's under John Forehand and was elected sheriff of Pope Co., in 1958 and died in 1961, while still in office.

Mary Everett, youngest child of Everett E.

Rankin, born in 1907, died at their residence near Shiloh, in 1936. She attended Arkansas Tech but was never married.

by Mary Ellen Lemley

THE ROBERT AND ISABEL RANKIN FAMILY

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Pope County was still frontier country when Robert and Isabel Rankin settled there in 1838. There was nothing new about life on the frontier for Robert and Isabel. Isabel's great-grandfather, Robert Rankin, Sr., had brought his family to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania from Donegal County, Ireland in 1750. Robert, Sr. was one of thousands of Ulster-Scotch Presbyterians who fled Ireland because of religious persecution. In Pennsylvania, he became a member of the Nottingham Presbyterian Church and joined the Nottingham Colony that in 1853 colonized the wilderness country that later became Guilford County, North Carolina. Isabel Rankin was born in Guilford County in 1791, the daughter of Robert and Mary Polly Cusick Rankin and granddaughter of George and Lydia Steele Rankin. Her husband, Robert Rankin, was born in North Carolina in 1792. Isabel Rankin and Robert Rankin were married in Guilford County in 1812 and soon afterward moved to the frontier country of Tennessee. The lure of the West again beckoned and in 1837 they left Gibson County, Tennessee for the new state of Arkansas. By 1838 they had located on farm land a mile west of the present Appleton Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

They brought the following children, all born in Tennessee, to Arkansas: George W. (1821); Salenda (1823); Isabella "Ibby" (1826); Robert M. (1827) Anthony Lambert (1830); Jasper N. (1832); Reuben Burr (1834).

Salenda and Ibby Rankin were married the same day in 1842, Salenda to William S. Johnson and Ibby to Joe Sephas Poe. The Johnsons had five children. William S. Johnson was county treasurer when the jail was built at Dover. William S. died before 1870 and Salenda before 1880.

Joe Sephas and Ibby Rankin Poe always lived and farmed near Appleton, where they reared a large family. The Poe home, built about 1843, is still in use and is now owned by Bill Lewis. Joe Sephas and Ibby Poe were charter members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Appleton, and he was clerk of the session for 41 years. It is said that he served his church as few men have. Joe Sephas died in 1897 and Ibby in 1899.

George W., oldest Rankin son, died of burns received in a hunting accident in 1843. His death was followed by the death of his father, Robert, in 1845. Robert, Isabel and George W. are buried in the Rankin-Kinslow Cemetery on Rankin land donated by Robert.

Two of the Rankin sons, Robert M. and Jasper N., got the "gold fever" and went to California about 1856. They made their wagon of the best materials, had good horses and provisions for the long journey, but long

weeks of travel took their toll of wagon and team. The wagon finally fell apart, one horse died in the desert and the two men almost died of thirst. But they finally reached California and were among the lucky searchers. Their goal accomplished, they decided to return to Arkansas, and sailed around "The Horn", arriving home about 1859 with \$1,800 each in gold. Both were married in Pope County in 1859, Robert M. to Nancy Elizabeth Burns and Jasper N. to Arabella Jane Hallock. After his wife's death, Robert M. took his four young children to Rising Star, Texas where he farmed until his death in 1884. Jasper N. used his gold to establish a general store in Dover.

The four Rankin sons, Robert M., Anthony Lambert, Jasper N., and Reuben Burr, fought for the Confederacy during the Civil War. During the Battle of Corinth, Jasper N. received a chest wound and died of pneumonia in a hospital in Wenona, Mississippi in Dec. of 1862.

The youngest Rankin son, Reuben Burr, married Nancy Elizabeth Nash in 1853 and farmed near Appleton. He was postmaster at Glass Village in 1860. Following his wife's death he moved to Rising Star, Texas in 1888, taking his four younger children with him. He returned to Arkansas in 1904 and died in Franklin County in 1909.

The Rankins were devoted Presbyterians and helped to establish a church in their community. Organized in 1856 with 35 charter members, it was first called the Sulphur Springs Cumberland Presbyterian Church, but later became the Appleton Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Isabel Rankin's name is the first on the roll of charter members. Sixteen of the 35 charter members were Rankin relatives. When the church was organized, Anthony Lambert and Reuben Burr Rankin became ruling elders, serving their church for many years. Isabel Rankin died at Appleton in 1861 at age 70.

by Corrie Rankin Womack and Ruby Rankin Paschal

WILLIAM HENRY RANKIN

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MALISSA OATES RANKIN

William Henry Rankin married Margaret Malissa Oates in 1850, both of Pope County.

They lived on Main Street in a large frame home that provided well for their large family of seven children until it burned to the ground. There was no fire department to save it. All children received college educations, the four daughters at Macon, Georgia.

William Henry was a fine trader and made his living that way. He took the finest horses to California. We have letters showing places where he stopped and rested along the way. There were no trains.

Dr. William Robert Hodgson, minister of Presbyterian Church on Main Street told what an inspiration these two very proud parents were to him as they came down to the front seat of the church in order to hear every word every Sunday. William Rankin was interested in the more modern interpretation of the Bible and discussed this with the minister on his many visits to their home. Margaret Malissa was a stickler for the old traditional interpretation as it was before Darwin believing that she couldn't believe in Christ as the Son of God, unless he was born of a Virgin. Grandfather Rankin believed faith was stronger when the truth was sought out from medieval interpretation. Their daughter Lillian Rankin was a school teacher and never married. Daughter Nancy Kerr Rankin married Oscar Hugh Wilson, son of Captain Robert James Wilson. They also lived in Russellville all their lives.

Enclosed is a picture of Nancy Kerr Rankin when she was sixteen. Her dress was hand made in Tennessee as were all the girls dresses unless they were made at home. In growing up I, Evelyn, was told tales of how my grandmother had great pride in the beautiful dresses for her daughters.

Margaret Wilson married T. Bennett Freeman. Their children: (1) Jean married Thomas Deacy. Bennett Deacy, daughter, married William Homer Hartz; A. Leslie Hartz married John Prott of New Jersey; Thomas; Nancy who married James Coronado of Texas, and Barry Hartz all grew up in Winnetka, Illinois. (2) Estelle Wilson 1899-1977 never married, lived all her life in Russellville. (3) Evelyn married William Robert McNess Hodgson. Their daughter Nancy Dunn married James A. Hart; (a) William G. married Diane Tessmer June 25, 1977; (b) Kathryn married Robert Dix; (c) John Hart graduated in engineering from Dartmouth College, New Hampshire. William Robert Hodgson II married Kathryn Laun (a) Christopher, born in London, England; (b) Mark (c) Margot.

Margaret Hodgson, an artist, married John Franklin Tukey, a graduate of Dartmouth; (a) Margaret; (b) Elizabeth; (c) John David Tukey. Carolyn Hodgson married Don W. Hummel, a graduate of Dartmouth College, lived in Kenilworth, Ill. (a) Katherine Hummel; (b) Rebecca Jean Hummel; (c) Virginia Hummel.

Fanny Rankin married Dr. Henry Howell of Russellville. William Claiborne Howell, was married twice, to Susan and Blanch. He lives in Oklahoma City. Frank Howell married Emma Jane Biggero, they live in Holdenville, Oklahoma. Their children are William Franklin Howell and Sara Frances Howell.

Ruth Rankin married Oliver Porter Stark and lived in Russellville. They had a daughter, Lillian STark and son, Oliver Porter Stark II



NANCY KERR RANKIN WILSON

who married Helen Roper. Their children were Nancy Helen Stark and Oliver Porter Stark II.

Elbert Hill Rankin married Mary Wilson, daughter of Judge Wilson of Russellville. Children: Dr. Robert Wilson Rankin, never married. Elbert married 2nd 1921 Bess Thompson. Elbert Eugene Rankin married Rebecca Troxel. They are in Phillips, Texas. Children: Scott E. Rankin, Jill Ann, Debra Sue.

Thomas Volney Rankin married Corrine Applewhite. They lived in Lockney, Texas. Son, Tom Volney, Jr., married Doris Mears, Lockney, Texas. Children: Cindy Jean, Thomas Volney II, Teddy Mears.

Frank Rankin died 1906 — bachelor.
by Evelyn Wilson Hodgson

WILLIAM WHITE RANKIN

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William White Rankin, born 1807 in Tennessee, came to Pope County in 1832 with his wife, Frances Davidson, born 1809 in Virginia. They bought land near the mouth of the Illinois Bayou and lived for a time on part of the old Dwight Mission property, given Frances by her brother, Robert Davidson, who was postmaster there. William W. was elected the second sheriff of the county and farmed until 1850. After that for several years he mined gold in California and made two trips from Arkansas to California with cattle, going over the Sante Fe Trail near Pikes Peak. At the outbreak of the War between the States, William W. enlisted in Capt. Scott's company and was in the Battle of Pea Ridge or Elk Horn. There his horse was shot from under him, causing him to become crippled and receive a discharge. William W. and Frances were members of the Old School Presbyterian Church. He died in 1874 and Frances died in 1880. They were the first buried in the Rankin Cemetery, which was intended at that time to be a family cemetery.

William W. and Frances Rankin had seven children, of whom John Robert, William Henry, Jessie H., and Mary Elizabeth Cagle have descendants in this area. John R. and Jess married sisters, the daughters of James I. and Martha Albright, who lived on the old Dardanelle Military Road across from the present Bibler Lumber Co.

In 1872 John R. Rankin (born 1843, died 1922) married Exline Albright (born 1850, died 1942). John R. served as a private in the Confederate Army for four years. Later he became a successful farmer and lived near the present Russellville High School until he moved into Russellville near the turn of the century. To John R. and Exline were born seven children: James Amasa (Mace), who married Carrie Rogers; Mary, who married James Love; John Lawrence, who married Fanny Bowen; Martha, who married Earl Joblin; Lena, who died young; Nola, who married Arthur Grau; Pearl, who married Ollie Baker. John R. and his children were Democrats and Presbyterians. The sons were farmers.

John Lawrence had two children, John L., Jr., and Mildred. John L., Jr. married Jane Jackson, and they have two children, Susan and Virginia. John, a graduate of RHS and U of A Law School, is with the Dept. of Interior as manager of the New Orleans Office of the Bureau of Land Management. Mildred married Richard M. (Dick) Priddy in 1930, whose family had moved to Russellville from Danville in 1923. His father, Arthur Buri Priddy, and his mother, Augusta Ellington, were from pioneer families in Logan County. Dick Priddy, a graduate of RHS and Cumberland Law School, has practiced law since 1927. He served as Prosecuting Attorney in the Fifth Judicial District and as Russellville Municipal Judge. Mildred, a graduate of RHS and University of Arkansas, taught for twenty-five years in RHS. The Priddy's have two daughters, Sara and Mary, both graduates of Rhs and U of A. Sara married Bryan Simpson of McGehee. Bryan, a graduate of Arkansas Tech and UCA teaches in Russellville High School. He was formerly a Navy pilot who made two trips with Operation Deep Freeze to the Antarctic. Sara and Bryan's children are Dick, Margaret and Sam. Sara is a legal secretary. The Simpsons and Priddys are Methodist. Mary married Hugh R. Silksens of Denver, Colorado. Hugh, a graduate of University of Colorado and University of Minnesota, practices orthodontics in Russellville. Mary is a speech therapist. Their children are John, Jim, and Bob. The Silksens are Episcopalians and are active in civic affairs.

by Mildred R. Priddy

ALLEGHANY RAY

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Alexander and Alleghany Ray with their mother Cynthia and their younger sister Cynthia R. Ray probably arrived in Pope Co. in 1851 but no later than 1852. The father John Ray was known to be living in Lawrence Co. Tenn. in 1817. He died there in 1843. His first wife having died he married in 1828

Cynthia McGuire Vawter a widow with six children.

Cynthia McGuire was born in Henry Co. Va. in 1791. Her parents were Alegane (Alleghany) and Sarah Holliday McGuire. He was a Revolutionary Soldier and Pensioner. He died and is buried in McNary Co. Tenn. The McGuires moved to Elbert Co. Ga. in 1792 where Cynthia married Richard Vawter in 1806. They later moved to Maury Co. then to Lawrence Co. Tenn. where Richard died in 1827. His minor children were Lorenzo, Martha, Sarah, Nancy, Asa and Alpha.

To John and Cynthia Ray were born three children, Alexander, born in 1830, Alleghany, born in 1832 and Cynthia R. born in 1834. These Rays were in Lafayette Co. Miss. in 1850 but they were all in Pope Co. in 1851 or 1852. Alexander married Elizabeth Matthews back in Lawrence Co. Tenn. in 1848.

Alexander and Elizabeth had eight children, John born 1859 married Sarah Bowden, Stephen born 1852 married Annie Eggleston, Sarah born 1854 married John Loyd, Martha Ann born 1856 married H.G. Hamilton, Lorenzo born 1859 married Ellen Keeton, Harrison, born 1861 never married, Julia born 1863 married John Keeton. Alexander Ray died in 1865. Most of his family lived on in Pope Co. for many years but by the turn of the century only a few of them including Elizabeth remained.

Alleghany Ray married Sarah Elizabeth Gideon in 1855. Rev. W.W. Stickland, Presbyterian Minister, officiated. She was the first of the 14 children of William and Lucinda Mathews Gideon who arrived in Pope Co. from Tenn. in 1840. Alleghanys family in 1866 were living in a valley about three miles east of where Russellville was later built, when he met an untimely end at the hands of an Assassin. His two older children had died but Sarah was left with three small boys, William J. age 5, Thomas Jefferson age 3 and Robert Alexander age 1. A very difficult period for them followed.

Sarah Gideon Ray in 1873 married Adam Chronister a widower with two children, Lizzie age 7 and Adam age 4. He was a fine father to the Ray boys. Their home was two miles west of Moreland and the brothers all received some schooling at the old Log School House at Gum Log. Sarah and Adam had three children, Lee born 1876 never married. Ciceronia born 1877 married Ozro McClain and Bell born 1882 married Charles Landers. There are many Chronister descendants in present day Pope Co. Adam died in 1905 Sarah died in 1907. They rest side by side in the Gravel Hill Cemetery across the road from where they lived so many years.

Cynthia R. Ray married Robert Hamilton in 1856. He died in the early 1860's after which she married Dempsey Taylor, then she passed away in the early 1870's. The last that is known of Cynthia McGuire Vawter Ray is that she is shown in the 1860 Census in the home of Alleghany Ray. She was 69 years old and is no doubt buried somewhere in Pope Co.

In 1886 the Ray brothers, now grown up, were living in Hunt Co. in North East Texas. William had married Eliza Webb, the daughter of Zephriah and Clementine Webb, back in

Pope Co., in 1881. Thomas that year married Mary Alice Pearson, born in 1870 in Bedford Co. Tenn. and Alexander returned to Pope Co. in 1889 to marry Savannah the daughter of Dr. William H. and Mary Montgomery of Gum Log.

The brothers were together again in 1901 at or near Comanche on the old Chisolm Trail in that part of Oklahoma then known as the Indian Territory. They all resided thereafter in that State.

William and Eliza are buried at Anadarko Okla. All of their children died without issue. Thomas and Alice are buried at Oklahoma City and Alexander and Savannah are buried at Lawton. The present generations of those families are widely dispersed.

For more knowledge of these families see the Book "Alleghany Ray his Ancestors and his Descendents" copies of which are in several Libraries including the Public Library at Russellville.

by Duard Leon Ray

JACOB REZNOR (REASONER)

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Jacob Reznor moved from Virginia to Kentucky about 1780, probably after the close of the Revolutionary War. (Wife's name unknown) (Two daughters unknown) Two sons, Solomon born 1790 and died 1835; William born 1796 and died 1870. It is believed Jacob came to Arkansas with his family-left them to travel on west-was either captured or killed. He never returned. He was a woodsman. He may be the Jacon Reznor buried in Utah, about 1834. Solomon married Nancy Ann Davis, 1815. They had two sons, Stephen Lawrence, born 1816 and died in 1884; and William Morrison born 1818 and died 1875.

Solomon came to Arkansas with his family in 1833 and he changed the spelling of the family name to Reasoner, possibly in 1835. Solomon was buried on the bank of the Arkansas River. His remains lay there 137 years. Due to the Dardanelle Dam and high water government men contracted John Edward and Clark Ralph Reasoner to move the remains to another location Harold Edward and Otho II Reasoner also assisted in the move. There were some nails, buttons, a few bones and a skull that was placed in a box 12" x 18" x 36" sealed and buried in Graves Cemetery, Delaware, Logan County in 1962.

Stephen Lawrence returned to Kentucky and married Caroline Cevila Cassell in 1849. They had seven children. Soon after the Civil War he returned to Arkansas from Louisville, Kentucky on the steamboat "Mary Erwin" in 1867.

William Morrison had a mill on Shoal Creek. He was the captain of the steamboat "Tallequah" which traveled the Arkansas River and was known as Steam Boat Bill. He married Elizabeth Bird.

Stephen Lawrence's fourth child was John Arnold Reasoner, born 1857 and died in 1929. He lived around Russellville, later settling in Logan County at Delaware as a farmer.

John Arnold married Matilda "Tillie" Hart in 1892. They had met through a lonely heart



Harold Edward, Dorothy Estelle, Syble Mary Bell, E. Elon, Mrs. John and John Edward Reasoner.

club. This couple had six children. The fourth child born to John and Tillie was John Edward, born 1896 and died 1974. John married Ola Joe Torrence in 1919. Ola was a Russellville girl, born 1898 died 1974. Ola was the daughter of John Albert Harvey Torrence and LouCinda Ann Lazenby. John and Ola lived in Russellville were charter members of the Assembly of God Church and John worked for Jackson-Lemley Garage for many years. All four of their children were born in Russellville. The Depression years of the 1930's drove John and Ola to the farm at Delaware. They remained there until mid 1940. His children by this time had scattered. They were very sentimental and loved their children dearly, stayed as close as possible. E. Elon born in 1920 married a Russellville girl, Jimmie Louise Sewell in 1945. E.E. served in World War II. They had four children, 3 boys and one girl. E.E. is with NASA, at Cape Kennedy, in Merritt Island, Florida. Syble Mary Bell born in 1922 married Charles Elroy Clark, a River Mountain boy, and a great country fiddler, in 1940. They had 3 sons, Charles Edward born in 1941; Johnny Dan born in 1944 and Robert Lee born in 1945. All the Clarks live in Amarillo, Texas. Dorothy Estelle born in 1924 married Daniel Eugene Hamiel 1945. They have one adopted son, Timothy Eugene born in 1956. Timothy works as an electrician in Amarillo, Texas. "Dottie" and "Dan" work at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, near Amarillo, Texas, where they are involved in a program of raising homeless and needy boys, ages 3-18. We have 400 boys at present and love them all. Harold Edward the last and youngest, born in 1932, spent an enlistment with 45th Infantry Div. "Thunderbirds" in Oklahoma. He made two "rounds" with the Navy, served on both U.S.S. Coral Sea and Midway and others. He married Mary Ellen Adkins in 1971. They have no children. Harold is Superintendent of water and sewage departments for the City of Firsco, Texas.

This part of the Reasoner history I so humbly dedicate to the precious memories of my beloved mother and daddy, John and Ola Reasoner who left this world for something better, Heaven, in 1974. They died within 2 months of each other. They were buried at Graves Cemetery, Delaware, where many Reasoner's have been laid to rest, but they still are very much alive in my heart.

by Dorothy Reasoner Hamiel

N.C. REYNOLDS

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N.C. Reynolds was born in Cleveland County, Arkansas, in 1844. He was the son of Henry (1809-1887) and Nancy Jane Bell Reynolds (1809-1902). He married Mary Frances Ada Wright (1851-1923) of Cleveland County (Rison area). N.C. and his wife moved to Pope County in 1885 and settled in the present Hopewell Community. He was a farmer and a Confederate Veteran. He entered the Civil War at the age of 16 and served four years. His only injury during the war was an accidental gunshot wound.

The children of N.C. and Mary Frances Ada Reynolds were the following: John Wright (1867-1935) married Lula and their child was Veva who married Ernest Hollaway. James Alexander (1873-1952) married Sarah Alewine, daughter of J.C. Alewine. Their children were Wilma who married W.E. Bobo and J.V. married Lena Spillyards. Iley Carr (1875-1936) married Tennessee Eunice Boyd. Ada (1870-1949) married E.D. Wilson. Their children were E.B., Roy, Guy, May, Maude, and Allie. Margaret Malissa (1869-1902) married Bob Ross. Their children were Pearl, Marie, Ira, Voss, and Willis. Grace Elizabeth (1879-1956) married Tom Dollar. Their children were Edythe, Fay, Ivan, Buna, L.T., Jr., and Juanita. Mary Edna (1891-) married Rev. Ridel Caldwell, and their children were Fr-

ances and R.C., Jr.

N.C. Reynolds sold his farm and bought a place on Oak Mountain at OK (Lost Corner), Ark. He lived there several years and sold his farm and moved to Pine Bluff. From there he moved to Levy (North Little Rock) and died there in 1919. He and his wife are buried in the Oakland Cemetery in Little Rock. All of their children left Pope County except Iley and Ada.

Iley Reynolds, son of N.C. Reynolds, married Tennessee (Tennie) Eunice Boyd daughter of John McDuffey and Eudora Read Boyd. He was a farmer and lived in the Hopewell Community all of his life. He bought his farm (present Ellis Reynolds place) in 1903 and remained there until his death in 1936. He was a Woodsmen of the World (Cherry Camp no. 161 of Economy) and he and his wife Tennie were members of the Hopewell Baptist Church. Their children are as follows: Vera (1898-) married Jay Jackson (1901-). Jay was a farmer and a carpenter and they reside on the Old Jackson Place north of Atkins. Their children are Jay W. who married Patsy Patton. Jay and Patsy had twins, Janan and Susan live in Clinton. Martha Eunice married Lee Marks and their children are Gary and Ronda. Bobbie Jean married Bill McGougan and their child is Becky Jean. Willa Dean is single. Elgie (1901-) married Zula Haney (1902-1976) and they lived in the Austin Community many years. Their son Carroll married Bonita Blouser and their children are Debbie, Melinda, Lindon, and Katrina. After the death of his first wife, he married Alta Wade Kendrick and they reside in Atkins. Elsie (1910-) married Dee Sorrels (1911-1952). Their son was Kenneth Dee. Elsie and Dee resided in Atkins where he was a farmer and livestock dealer. Elsie continues to live in the Sorrels home. Ellis (1910-) married Nina Duvall (1910-) daughter of R.E.L. and Nancy Catherine Matthews Duvall of Atkins. Their only child Nancy Carolyn married James Linwood Collins III. Nancy and James have two daughters Jana Lynn and Nancy Krin and they live in Lonoke. Ellis and Nina live on the old Reynolds homeplace. Ellis is a retired linotype operator and printer. He was secretary of the Arkansas State Singing Convention and past President of the Pope County Singing Convention for a total of 8 years. All four of the Reynolds children are members of the Hopewell Baptist Church.

by Ellis Reynolds.

REV. JACOB LEROY REDWINE

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Reverend Jacob Leroy Redwine was a resident of Pope County, Arkansas at various times in the early 1900's. Raised in Randolph County, then to Conway by 1889, Pope County by 1895, he then settled in Yell County until the death of his wife, Dorcus Owens Redwine in 1926. At this time he moved back to northern Pope County and made his home with his daughter, Maggie Redwine Stan-bridge.

Jake would introduce himself to strangers as Jacob Grapejuice. He reasoned that he

wasn't a Redwine because he never soured and fermented. He also made the statement that he didn't like to live in Yell County because the people who lived there didn't believe in having large families. He said they would have a baby every spring and then it was way late in fall before they would have another.

Jake was born in Graves County, Kentucky in 1855; the eighth child of twenty children born to Travis Redwine.

Travis was born May 9, 1812 to John and Rebecca Daniel Redwine. John was born in Rowan County, North Carolina in 1790 and was the son of John Redwine born 1758 and Sarah Steiner born 1761. John died in 1802 and Sarah died in 1824. Both are buried in Stokes Family Cemetery in Rowan County, North Carolina.

John Sr. was the son of Ludwig (Lewis) Reithweil (Redwine) and Barbara Stoner. Lewis landed in America on the ship Osgood in September of 1750.

Jake died at Potosi, Missouri while visiting his daughter, Ellen Williams Thornton, and is buried there.

Jake and Dorcus Redwine had a family of nine children: Mary Magdelene Redwine, who married Owen Michael Standridge; James Redwine, who married Ilah Reeves; Thomas Redwine, who married Cartura Hern; Isaac Redwine, who married Anna Mae ?; Ellen Redwine, who married Barney Williams; Cordelia Ann Redwine, who married Ed Hawthorne; Lottie Redwine who died young and twin daughters, Herrity and Charity who died as infants.

by C.L. Boyd

BERTHA BELLE TURNER REED

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Bertha Bell Turner Reed born in Center Valley February 2, 1881, daughter and seventh child of Columbus Marion and Mary Elizabeth Brooks Turner. She was the third child born to the Turners after their move to Pope County, Arkansas from Altoona, Georgia.

Columbus Marion Turner had moved his family, wife and four children by wagon train to Center Valley arriving on Christmas Eve 1871.

Columbus homesteaded 80 acres of farm land four miles east of Dover, Ark. Four children born in Georgia: William Franklin 1866-1954, Zachariah Green 1869-1953, George Richard 1871-1925, James Monroe 1873-1942. Six children born in Arkansas were: Sara Lula 1878-1942, Wade Hampton (Doc) 1876-1935, Bertha Bell 1881-1960, Robert Edgar 1883-1965, Kirkscey 1885-1976, and Marion L. 1888-1969. By his second marriage to Mrs. Macie Mullins Bowen, Leroy 1890-1891 and Floyd H. Turner 1893-1965.

Bertha grew up in Center Valley receiving a grade school education, married James Thomas Reed, son of James Sandy Reed and Tennessee Virginia Faulconer Reed of South New Hope. James was a farmer, learned the plastering trade worked at that occupation until retirement. They lived in Russellville their entire life.

Bertha was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 505, Russellville and Methodist Church. Bertha and James are buried in the Oakland Cemetery.

There were six children: Leslie Leon d. 1975, James Hughie (Huey), Eunie Florine d. 1911, Edgar Reece, Bertha Adaline, and Thomas Brooks d. 1970. Huey lives in Fort Smith, Reece and Adaline lives in Russellville. by Adaline Reed Wetzel

THOMAS P. REED

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Thomas P. Reed b. N.C. 8-7-1823 d. 7-9-1898, son of Coonrod b. 1798 N.C. d. 1833, farmer & Martha Love Reed b. 1800 in Virginia d. 1855. Members Methodist Episcopal Church South. He had 3 brothers and 4 sisters: H.C., John, James, Nancy, Elizabeth, Mary and Martha. Thomas married in N.C. 1844 to N.C. native Miss Matilda Love. They came to Pope County in 1857 & reared 4 children: James Sandy (father of James (Jim) Thomas), Martha (wife of Robert Berryman), Susan (wife of William Harvill) and Milas who died at a young age. Matilda d. 1861. He was a Pioneer Planter, well known to residents in locality & served many years as a Justice of Peace. In 1862 he enlisted in the Confederate Army with Company "F" and served until the end of the War. His second marriage was 1862 to Mrs. Mary I Winfield b. 7-1-1828 d. 2-14-1902. Their children were: Lena (wife of W.R. Bowen) and Albert W.

James Sandy Reed, farmer, South New Hope, son of first marriage, b. 3-10-1844 d. 2-3-1902. married 4-13-1871 to Tennessee Virginia Faulconer b. in Tenn. 9-29-1844 d. 11-22-1914. Members Methodist Episcopal Church. Their children: Johnnie A. Belle b. 2-24-1872, married Henry Bunnell, both deceased; James (Jim) Thomas b. 7-18-1875, married Bertha Belle Turner, both deceased; Andrew Ed (Pate) b. 12-2-1878, married Ris-

sie Humphrey, both deceased; Florence Lillian b. 2-9-1881 d. 1883; Robert Burrell b. 6-5-1883, married Louella Williams, both deceased; Ernest Lee b. 1-22-1887, married Martha Campbell deceased second marriage Myrtle Adams 12-30-1959.

James (Jim) Thomas b. 7-18-1875 d. 10-3-1961, married Bertha Belle Turner on 1-19-1905, the daughter of Columbus Marion & Mary Elizabeth Brooks Turner of Center Valley. Received a Grammar School education in South New Hope and played on the baseball team there. He was first a farmer and lateron learned the plastering and cement trade becoming a prominent contractor in this profession. He taught his sons this trade. He was a fisherman and an excellent swimmer. He saved the lives of nine people during his early to mid-life time. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and of the Russellville Masonic Lodge no. 274. He was made an honorary member of the Lodge as well as of the Operative Plasterer's & Cement Mason International Assoc.

James (Jim) Thomas (1875-1961) & Bertha Turner Reed (1881-1960) had 6 children: 1. Leslie Leon, Ret Contractor, b. 10-9-1905 d. 1-3-1975. Married Amy Ruth Tolbert, Okla. school teacher, d. 1938. Only child Patricia Ann married Wayne Jacobs, children Kent & Jill. 2. James Huey, Retired Plasterer b. 11-7-1906, married Mildred Estelle Price of London. Their children: Hugh Donald, Graduate Univ. of Ark., married Pauline Hudson of Tenn. Their children Jamie and Donnie: Janis Katherine married Leland Meeks, children Leland, Randy and Terry; Shirley June married David McDonald, children Millie, Jana and Amy; and Larry Price, graduate Ark. Tech. University. 3. Eunie Florine b. 4-20-1909 d. 8-10-1911. 4. Edgar Reece b. 3-24-1911, retired US FSO, USAID, US Dept. State, Wash., D.C., graduate Russ. High School., Col. of the Ozarks and attended USDA Graduate School, Wash. D.C.: 5. Bertha Adaline b. 8-24-1914, graduate Russ.



JAMES THOMAS REED AND BERTHA BELLE TURNER REED.

High School Col. of the Ozarks & University Okla. Library School. Taught several years in Indian schools in Okla., Ariz., & Alaska. Librarian Pope Co. Library in Russellville. Married Carl William Wetzol of Wisconsin. Only child Carl William, Jr., teacher at Dover High, married Phyllis Suzanne Elliott of Dover. Both graduates of Ark. Tech. University. Children are Anna Laura and William Reed. 6. Thomas Brooks, Plasterer, b. 5-6-1916, d. 6-30-70. Married Lola V. Harrell, both deceased. Their children: Beverly Jane, Reg. Nurse, married Al Leone, children are Gal Thos & Denise; Gayland Harrell married Delores Sweat, children: Lori and Gayland, Jr.

by Adeline (Reed) Wetzol and E. Reece Reed

WILLIAM REED FAMILY

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William Reed who was born in Jefferson Co., Tenn. and wife Mary Scarlett Reed who was born in Orange Co. N.C. with their four children, and with William P. & Jane Scarlett and son Archibald started west to seek a new home in 1839. They came to the Mississippi river where they chartered a boat bringing their household goods, farming tools, live stock and slaves. They went down the Mississippi river to the mouth of the Arkansas as river going up the Arkansas river to Old Lewisberg, Conway Co. They soon found that that the uplands was healthier than the river bottom. They came to about 2½ miles north east of the now Atkins.

They staked out their homestead, cutting timber to build a log home, barns and fences from the virgin timber on the land. This part of the state was being settled and their was a need for a school house which could be used for Church services also. William Reed helped clear the land and cut the timber for the school house which was located west of the now Oakland Cemetery. All of the Reed children got their education at this log school house which had windows with wood shutters until glass was obtainable to buy. On cold days when the shutters had to be closed candles had to be burnt for lights.

William Reed was born in 1807 in Jefferson Co. Tenn., Mary Scarlett Reed was born in Orange Co. N.C. in 1814. Their children that were born in Tenn. were — Susan who married William Travis in 1852, he died, she then married Lemuel Bowers who died leaving her with three children, William Travis, Frances and Kenneth Bowers to raise. She later married Mr. Hardy. Ann who married Nathan Morris lost her husband in the Civil War whose children were John T., William, Sophronia, Mack. James was never married but served in the Civil War, was captured, died in prison Camp in Tenn. Thomas Reed married Tennessee Tyson, their children were Eudora and William. Thomas was inducted in the civil war, was captured and was in prison in Illinois but never lived but 10 years after the war. John was also inducted in the same company with James and also died in prison in Tenn. He left a wife Nancy and a daughter Sally. Elizabeth was the seventh child but died with typhoid fever in 1859. Mahalia married

Jasper Harrelson. Mary also died from typhoid fever in 1859. Margaret married John Pew in 1866 and they had Mary S., Margaret C., Sarah E., James T., and William P., twins and John L. as their children. Jeanetta married Thomas Harrelson and their children were Harriet, Monroe and Thomas. Emaline the youngest of the eleven children married William Hill. Their children were William, Georgia, and Clayborn.

William Reed took erysipilis in May 1861 and died and Mary his wife died a week later with erysipilis. They were among the first people buried in the Oakland Cemetery. This left an 18 year old sister Mahalia, the three youngest girls to themselves after the Civil War had taken the brother away. Life was hard for them for soon bushwacker began to go across the country and took their food.

Many direct descendants of William Reed are still in Pope Co.

by Amye Johnson McGraw

HISTORY OF THE REICHMANN FAMILY

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Conrad Reichmann, who was born in 1830 in Germany, came with his wife Bridget and three small children to Atkins, Arkansas in the last quarter of the nineteenth century. The children were: Theresa who died in Little Rock in 1926. Anthony, born April 5, 1875, died in Atkins April 22, 1898. Conrad Albert, born August 25, 1877, died July 17, 1946. Other children died in infancy. Conrad, the father, died August 24, 1892. His widow, Bridget, married Moritz (Morris) Ketter. After her death in May 1927, Moritz went to live with his daughter Theresa Grummer in Logan County. There he died.

Theresa Reichmann married Anthony Gerke their children were: William Anthony (husband of Rosa Moll); Helen (wife of Albert Isemann, Sr.); Veronica (wife of William Rohlam, Sr.); Antionette (wife of Herbert Tillery); Dorothy (wife of Joseph Fougroussee, Sr.); and Cecelia (wife of Charles Hemann, Sr.). Theresa a widow since (approximately) 1904, died in 1927. Presently, her grandchildren and great grandchildren are residents of several states.

Except for a few years in St. Loufs, Conrad Albert lived until his death July 17, 1946 on the home place of 120 acres one and one half miles east of Atkins. He married Annie Mary Wilker (Wiliker) daughter of Henry, Sr. and Elizabeth Grollman Wilker. She was born August 1, 1881 and died March 9, 1969. Their children were: Helen Mary born March 5, 1914; Joseph Conrad born January 10, 1916; Albert John born January 18, 1918; William Benjamin born September 5, 1919; Frances Elizabeth born August 13, 1921; and Anna Marie born February 23, 1923. The three sons served overseas during World War II.

Sgt. William Benjamin enlisted in Air Force Dec. 19, 1939. As radio operator and communications chief, he was in many of the United States, in Canada, Africa, India, China. In the latter country, he was killed August 16, 1942 making him the first Atkins casualty of

W.W. II. After temporary interment in the Chinese Air Force Cemetery in Kunming, China, his body was transferred (post hostilities) to the National Cemetery in Honolulu, Hawaii.



William Benjamin Reichmann, B. Sept. 5, 1919, Atkins, Ark. K.I.A. Aug. 16, 1942 — China.

Joe married Ida Mae Alread July 22, 1943. She was born March 10, 1917 to George Washington Alread (May 3, 1891 — March 4, 1939) and Willie Thomas Holland (now Mrs. Robert McCabe) born September 10, 1898. Their children are William George born July 25, 1946 and Kenneth Joe born January 30, 1951. Bill married Florence Marie Pierce June 28, 1969. Her parents are Grace Jensen and William Pierce. Daughter Bunnie Marie was born October 19, 1971. Ken married Lana Fae McGee April 25, 1970. She was born to Arnold R. and Naomi McGee March 14, 1950. Their children are Anita Faye born December 19, 1970 and Timothy Arnold born May 24, 1973.

Albert (Abie) was married to Alta Angeline Gray October 8, 1955. She was born to Charles and Cora Belle Clinton Gray August 16, 1922. Abie has no children but is devoted to the children and grandchildren of wife Alta and her deceased husband John H. Harshaw.

Frances, a registered Nurse, married John Deroy Gateley May 6, 1953. He was born August 25, 1920 to Madison County, Tennessee parents Lawrence Alonza (October 26, 1873 — May 10, 1936) and Katie Mae Richardson (August 20, 1880 — January 6, 1964). Two sons James Robert born August 28, 1956 and David Stuart born November 5, 1958 live with parents in San Carlos, Calif.

Anna, a licensed practical Nurse, married Private Rufus Baumann son of Louis and Martha Wilson Baumann December 2, 1943. Daughter Mary Virginia was born May 30, 1952. She married Jimmy DeWayne Jojes March 2, 1971. He was born to Earl Lee and Frances Geanette Cox Jones (April 22, 1918 — November 8, 1958) children Jimmy DeWayne, Jr. born March 19, 1972, Jeffrey Michael born September 27, 1975, and Christina Jeanette born October 28, 1977 are with

parents in Baytown, Texas.

Anna Marie married George Shirley Sweeten May 8, 1971. George was born July 28, 1915 to George Lloyd (1891-1964) and Grace Martin Sweeten (1892-1-9-1930). They reside in Little Rock.

Helen, a certified Medical Technologist, married Sidney Burgess Simpson, Sr. December 3, 1957. He was born April 5, 1902 to Alonzo Noah (July 9, 1877 — March 25, 1971) and Martha Elsie Hamilton Simpson who was born 1870 died August 8, 1925. His deceased wife Opal Dodson Simpson (February 1, 1905 — September 24, 1953) left him with Sidney Jr. and Ruth Ann. Ruth married Philip Klein; Sidney Jr. married Nancy Sype and has three children Sidney III, Jeffrey, and Jennie. All reside in Evanston, Illinois.

by Helen Simpson

ANDREW AND MARTHA REYNOLDS

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Andrew and Martha Reynolds came to Arkansas in 1856 and settled in Moreland Township, Pope County. Andrew was born in 1804, in Kentucky and Martha was born in Tennessee in 1814.

Andrew and Martha with their children are listed in 1850 census of McNairy County, Tennessee. Her maiden name was Jeanes.

They were the parents of fifteen children. Their fourteenth child was William John Reynolds, born in 1856, in Mississippi.

In 1882, William John married Nancy Alice George, daughter of Francis Smith and Tom George. John and Alice (as they were called) had four children: Clarence, Maud, Claud and Garrett.

Claud was their third child, born in 1895. He married Audra Patton the first time and they had three daughters. After Audra's death, Claud married Thelma Rhea Talkington, daughter of Steve and Dora Brown Talkington. Claud passed away in 1960, and is buried in St. Paul Cemetery on Gravel Hill. He was a charter member of the Moreland Methodist Church and was also superintendent from the time it was organized until his death. Claud retired from the State Highway Department in early 1960. Thelma was born in 1906 and she married Claud in 1926. They had four children: Betty Jane, b. 1928; John Edward, b. 1930; Twyla Rhea, b. 1939 and Judith Elaine, b. 1947. All were born in Pope County.

In 1964, Thelma married Bervie C. Hurley of Hector. They live at Oak Grove and attend the Moreland Methodist Church where Thelma is a member. They also attend the Hector Cumberland Presbyterian Church where Bervie is a member.

Betty married James Johnston in 1946 and they have two sons: John Emmett, b. 1946 and James Michael (Mike) b. 1953. Betty and James own and operate a grocery store at Oak Grove. They are active members of the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church. John is married to Jan Duvall and they have two sons and live in Konawo, Okla. Mike lives with his par-

ents and works for the state highway department.

John Edward died in 1945, after surgery, in Conway County Hospital.

Twyla Rhea married Daniel Devoy Bench in 1957, in Yell County. He is the son of Mary Phelps and Herman Gordon Bench, Sr. They moved to Pope County in 1948 from California when Devoy was eight years old. Twyla and Devoy graduated from Dover High School. They have two sons, Tony Daniel, b. 1958 and Clinton Devoy, b. 1963. Tony graduated from Russellville High School in 1977. He was a member of the Cyclone football team. He is now a freshman at Arkansas Tech. Clinton is in the ninth grade at Gardner Junior High School where he is captain of the band and a member of the National Honor Society.

Judith married Leon Hottinger in 1964 and they have two children: Brenton, b. 1967 and Angela Rhea, b. 1969. Judy and her children live in Russellville where she is employed by the Continental Telephone Company of Arkansas.

by Mrs. Devoy Bench

GEORGE RILEY REYNOLDS

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Hamilton Reynolds was born in London, England, October 3, 1763. He was married to Rachel Clement in 1791 and to this union six children were born. The three older brothers left England, came to the United States, and settled on plantations in the Carolina's, where they became the owners of many slaves. They later moved to Alabama where Richard Randolph and Hughriah lived throughout their life time. George Riley, however, after marrying Elizabeth Hamm, moved to Pope County, Arkansas around the middle of the 19th century. Their sons were James Randolph, who married Cynthia Susanna Lumpkin of Georgia and George Price, who married Mattie Hopkins. After the death of his first wife, George Riley Reynolds married Nancy Elizabeth Hamm, also from Alabama. Their children were; Nora Deane, who married W.M. Lemley; W.L. who married Anna Bowers; Mattie, who married John Canerday; Thomas Alonzo, who married Euleta McCoy; Meda, who married O.M. Jackson and O.L. who married Dale Hays. Of English descent the Reynolds men were all merchants by trade. Many of the direct descendants still live in Pope County, Arkansas, also in Oklahoma and Texas. Many of their relatives are still living in Alabama and Tennessee.

Most members of the family are christians, belonging to the Church of Christ.

Tracing the next generation, beginning with the oldest, stating to whom they were married and naming their children in order of birth we find George Price and Mattie Reynolds had two sons, Roy and Guy. James Randolph and Susanna Reynolds' children were, Mayme, who was married to Cove Gillette; Cadmus to Wynema Welch; Carrie to Robert Hancock; Deane to L.D. Motter; T.Z. to Ella Burk and Ernest to Louise Waugh.

Nora Deane and W.M. Lemley's children

were, Walsie Mae, who was married to Joe Brown; O.R. to Reba Shoptaw; Forest to Mary Tygart; Dexter to Roy Jackson; E.O. to Catherine Armstrong and Nora Ellen to Emil Rorex.

W.L. and Anna's children were Georgia, who was married to Alvis Bowden, Grace to R.J. Littlefield, and Anna to Theron Webb.

Mattie and John Canerday's children were John, who was married to Mary Hamm; Fred to Vena Burnett and Bennie to Aubrey Oates.

Thomas Alonzo and Euleta had no children.

Meda and O.M. Jackson's children were Edna, who was married to Joseph Jones; Jewel to Fred Bennett; Ray to Audrey Chrisman and Meda to Brown Henry.

O.L. and Dale had one son, Bill Hays, who was married to Dorothy Farish, then to Lajuna Walton.

All the men were successful in the business and professional world. Most of the women in this generation were interested in the fine arts. Mayme Gillette, with a great appreciation of music studied voice and piano for many years. Her sister, Carrie Hancock painted fine china.

Dexter Lemley Jackson was an accomplished organist and in her own unique style played in a way that captivated her listeners.

Grace Reynolds Littlefield is quite gifted in the arts and crafts and has painted many lovely pictures of landscapes and still life. Her sister Anna Reynolds Webb, also a talented artist has painted many pieces of beautiful china.

Edna Jackson Jones, an accomplished pianist and composer of organ and piano music, has been a teacher of both instruments and was listed in the 1965 edition of "Who's Who of American Women."

Jewel Jackson Bennett, a graduate of the Harding College Speech and Drama Department, is also a musician and has taught both piano and speech. While living in Port Arthur, Texas she was full-time accompanist for the "Florence Coleman School of Dancing." Meda Jackson Henry, an organist and pianist has used her talent as a hobby, finding that performing was just another way to bring happiness to other people.

The women not mentioned in this category have been home-makers, which is, after all, perhaps the best role in life for happy family living.

by Jewel Jackson Bennett.

RICHARDSON FAMILY

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Geoge Washington Richardson was born August 8, 1845, probably in Alabama. He later moved to Pope County and settled in the Scottsville area. He married Mary Ann Bewley and they owned and farmed land at Scottsville. Mary Ann was born at Hector and died in 1882. George fought for the Confederacy during the Civil War. (He died November 1, 1897 and is buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery near Hector.) George and Mary Ann had six children; Annie, Minnie, Georgie, Vene, Giles and Andrew Scott.



FAMILY GROUP OF LYTTLE CLYDE RICHARDSON

Front Row — Mary Lee Richardson Turner, Cora Ethel Ross Richardson holding her granddaughter, Kristin Suzanne Bowden, Clyde Richardson, Ella Sue Richardson Bowden. Back Row — Milton Fay Turner, Terry Layne Bowden, Cynthia June Turner, Tommy Layne Bowden, Scott Bowden in front of Tommy Layne.

Andrew Scott Richardson, born November 3, 1872 at Scottsville, married Mary Magdelene Lemley (daughter of R.M. and Margaret Chambers Lemley). Mary Magdelene was born July 15, 1874 at Appleton. She died May 27, 1948 at Russellville. Andrew Scott Richardson was a farmer and operated a store four miles south of Appleton. During the latter years of his life, he resided at 700 East "H" Street in Russellville. He and his wife are buried at Crossroads Cemetery. Andrew Scott and Mary Magdelene had six children.

Velma Richardson, born August 24, 1895, died in infancy on October 14, 1895.

Lela Richardson, born October 16, 1896, married Neal Cole, January 9, 1915. Lela died January 5, 1929. She and Neal had two children: (1) Troy, married Laverne Henderson and they have two sons. (2) Verlin, married Sherman Carroll and they have three daughters.

Virgie Richardson, born February 20, 1900, married Honor M. Spaulding on August 12, 1917. Virgie and Honor lived in Washington, D.C. during the 1930's when Honor was Secretary to Congressman D.D. Terry. They returned to Atkins where Honor retired from the Postal Service. Upon retirement Virgie and Honor moved to near Dover where they raised cattle until Honor's death in 1973. Virgie still lives near Dover. Virgie and Honor had two daughters: (1) Vada Ruth, born March 17, 1920, died March 3, 1974. Ruth married A.J. Gilbert. They had two sons and three daughters. (2) Ruby Scott, born December 16, 1921, married James M. Lipsy. They have one son and reside in Jefferson City, Missouri.

Lytle Clyde Richardson, born January 10, 1905, married Cora Ethel Ross at Hector, No-

vember 22, 1932. Clyde farmed in Pope County until 1954 when he and his family moved to Covina, California. Clyde was employed with the public school system there until 1957 when he returned to Pope County to work on the Dardanelle Dam project. Clyde later retired from employment with the Russellville School system. Clyde and Cora reside in Russellville. They had three children: (1) Mary Lee, born May 7, 1934, married Milton F. Turner. They have four children and reside in Santa Barbara, California. (2) Billy Scott, born March 9, 1940, died March 20, 1940. (3) Ella Sue, born April 4, 1944, married Tommy Layne Bowden. They have three children and reside in Russellville.

Erma Scott Richardson, born December 9, 1906, married Robert Ira (Bob) Rankin on March 20, 1927. Erma served as Pope County Sheriff from April, 1961 to January, 1963, filling the unexpired term of her husband, Sheriff Bob Rankin. Erma retired from employment with St. Mary's Hospital in 1971. Bob and Erma had two sons: (1) Robert Scott, born December 15, 1927, married Jane Crowder. They had two children. Robert married Iris Wilson, November 1, 1975. They reside in Russellville. (2) Gene Lambert, born July 30, 1937, married Linda Hardin. They have one child and reside in Russellville.

Doyle Kenneth Richardson, born November 24, 1913, married Jewell Dean Maxey on November 8, 1936. They reside in West Paducah, Kentucky, where Doyle is pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Doyle has pastored churches in Tennessee, Alabama and Kentucky. Doyle and Jewell have two children: (1) Joanne, born June 24, 1938, married Jimmy Wooten. They have four children and reside in Wayne, Pennsyl-

vania. (2) Scott Maxey, born April 6, 1947, married Natalie Susan Scarborough. They reside in Jackson, Tennessee and had one child.

by G.L. Rankin

REV. LUTHER L. RILEY

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Rev. Luther L. Riley was born in Logan county, Arkansas, in the Cauthron Community, near Magazine. His father was Issac Riley, a native of Tennessee, who had come to Logan County, after the Civil War. Issac married Elsie Clematine Moore, also of Tennessee and they raised a family of six children: Alex, Cecil, Luther L., Arthur, Vean, who married a Gibson and Mary Ann, who married a Louder. All lived in Logan County except Cecil who moved to Charleston, in Franklin County.

Rev. Riley married Josie Pool, of the same community, in 1909. Soon after they married, he began preaching in the Christian Church. They were living in Havana, Arkansas, Yell County, in 1914, when Rev. E.R. Fitzgerald of Pope County, contacted him to see if he would help hold a revival in Russellville. It was in April when Rev. Riley came to Russellville and stayed for a month. In the same month, a call had gone out to preachers all over the country, that there would be a organizational meeting of another denomination at Hot Springs, Arkansas in April. Rev. Fitzgerald and Rev. Riley, closed the meeting long enough to go to Hot Springs and in so doing, became charter members of the Assembly of God denomination. They continued the work in Russellville, and in August of that year, 1914, they established the First Assembly of God.

Rev. Riley went back to Havana and later established the Assembly of God Church in Booneville. He pastored several churches in that county and in 1924, was called to the Russellville church as pastor and served altogether for thirteen years. While pastor of the Russellville church, the church grew to a point where a new building had to be built so in 1935, Rev. Riley, started the rock church that has since given away to a more modern building. Rev. Riley, being a great singer and guitar player, also with their children who needed to be trained in music, organized a good orchestra which played at churches and street meetings, over Pope, Yell and Logan counties. In the summer of 1931, they were called upon to play at the dedication of the Historical marker at Dwight Mission, by the U.D.C.

After leaving the pastorate of the Russellville Church, he pastored at Fort Smith, North Little Rock and Harrison, and was on the Evangelistic field for a while. While at Harrison, he bought a home in Russellville and maintained his residence there until he passed away. His wife still owns a place and is living in Russellville.

Rev. L.L. Riley and Josie Pool Riley were the parents of five children: Vera, who never married and is an Assembly of God minister in Iowa; Opal, who married Lawrence Hampton of Russellville, who was a minister; Eugene,

married Maxine Coffman of Hector, served in the Navy during World War II and is now living in New Mexico; Evelyn, married (1) Clois Lovell, (2) Carl Branch and they live in California; and Dorothy Mildred, married Bernon Strickland and they live in Texas.

by Mrs. Josie Riley

S.R. ROACH

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S.R. Roach, is the son of Levi Roach, who was born in Texas. His mother was named Crum and was born in Middle Tennessee. She was one-half Cherokee and Levi was part Choctaw. Levi moved from Texas to Oklahoma in 1890, taking with him several head of cattle and horses. He was a landowner and stockman, raising horses, cattle and hogs. In 1903, he bought 500 head of horses from the Indians for 50¢ a head and took greenback to pay for them but the Indians wouldn't have the greenback so he had to take it and exchange it for silver. He bought a 1,000 head of hogs from the Indians one time for 50¢ a head and corn at that time was 10¢ a bushel, put in the crib.

S.R. was born in Coffman County, Texas, in 1890 and was only five or six months old when his father moved to Durant, Oklahoma. Durant was a rough town in those days and there wasn't a Saturday passed but what there was a killing on the street.

Mr. Roach attended an Indian School at Durant, and later a Presbyterian college was established there and he attended one session.

He married in 1911, to Grace Myers, of Shawnee, Okla., and soon after he moved to Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas. She passed away in 1959 and in 1960, he married Mrs. Leta Sizemore, second cousin to his first wife. They had no children.

He answered the call of Uncle Sam during World War I, and served about two years, part of the time in France and was there when Armistice was signed. Most of his life, he has followed the Carpenter trade and has helped build a lot of the older houses in Russellville. He drew up the plans and built the first building of the First Assembly of God Church, in 1914. He also built the first Assembly of God building at Moreland and the one in Dover. He has worked with some of the great carpenters and builders of Russellville, when it was a young growing town. He worked with his father-in-law, W.H. Myers, Bill Bowen, Will Thresher, John Torrence, Will Vick, Ozzie Nelson, Ben Taylor and others.

He retired in 1960, owns his home and several rent houses. He attends the First Assembly of God Church and is a charter member of the Sunday School which was established in 1914.

by J.B. Lemley

SAMUEL LEO ROBERDS

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Samuel Leo Roberds was the son of William B. Roberds, born Oct. 4, 1862 came

from New Orleans, Louisiana, working his way up the Mississippi River on A steam boat, first coming to Pottsville, Arkansas in 1880, later going to Carden Bottoms to pick cotton, he met and married Mary Magnolia Williams in 1881. She had come by train from Indiana where she was born on June 19, 1860. They later settled on Crow Mountain near Pottsville, Ark., raising their family of 10 children, William F. Roberds, Mary Elizabeth both now deceased, James F. Roberds, now living in Leachville Ark. John Thomas, George Edgar, Samuel Leo, buried on Crow Mountain at Bowden Cemetery, Clyde Earl, Bertha Ellen both deceased, Mattie Pearl Clark now living in Little Rock and Birdie Mae Gatlin who lives in Lubbock, Texas.

Samuel Leo Roberds, born December 9, 1898, living on Crow Mountain met and married Phoebe Virginia Osburn on July 13, 1919, she was born Dec. 20, 1895 and moved with her parents to Crow Mountain from Mountainburg, Ark., her parents were Lewis H. and Rebecca Osburn.

Samuel Leo and Phoebe Virginia Roberds had 5 children. Lorene Roberds married James H. Lee on August 9, 1947 (no children) Josephine Roberds married Arthur Reedy March 25, 1944 and have 7 children, Charles Roland Roberds (deceased) married Mary Elizabeth Walker Aug. 17, 1946, they had 4 children. Samuel Leo and Virginia Roberds had two children who died in infancy and are buried in Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain.

(Josephine (Roberds) Reedy family) JoAnn Reedy married Carl Wilson March 25, 1965 and has 2 children Carl David Wilson born December 24, 1968 and Jennifer Jo Wilson born Sept. 8, 1972, all living in North Little Rock, Ark. Linda Reedy married Thomas Walker Feb. 11, 1967 and has 2 children, Kerrie Lynn Walker born July 2, 1968 and Kathy Walker born Jan. 23, 1970. Sharon Lea Reedy married James Elrod Nov. 29, 1969 and has one child Michael Elrod born Aug. 9, 1975. Karen Sue Reedy married Jimmy Massey July 18, 1970 and had 2 children Gregory Marlin Massey born March 28, 1972 and died March 28, 1972, and Karen Dawn Masy born Oct. 22, 1973. Arlene Reedy married Roger A. Cole (deceased) on Aug. 15, 1972 and they had one child Roger Benton Cole born Nov. 3, 1973. Virginia Beth Reedy married Dennis L. Delancey on January 18, 1974 and they have on child Misty Lea Delancey born January 27, 1977. Vivian Lynn Reedy born March 5, 1962, all living in North Little Rock, Arkansas with the exception of Karen Sue and Jimmy Massey who now live in Marmaduke, Arkansas.

by Mrs. Josephine (Roberds) Reedy

WILLIAM BERRY ROBERDS

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My father, William Berry Roberds, born 5 Oct. 1860, ran away from home in New Orleans at age 12 and later came to Pope Co. in 1880 where he met my mother, Mary Magnolia Williams Amick, born 19 June 1862, a native of Scottsburg, Ind. They married in

1881 and settled on Crow Mountain. Father had brothers, Lee and Hillard Roberds, a half-brother, Daniel Helker, one half-sister, Mary Helker. Grandfather Roberds was killed by bushwackers while he was in service near his home, New Orleans. Mother's father, George Williams served in the Union Army, was wounded and later died. My grandmother Williams was a Smith prior to marriage. After the death of George Williams, she married Jim Williams (no relation). Mother had a sister, Ellie Williams, and two half-sisters as well as two half-brothers: Birdie, Janie, Sammy and Jimmy Williams.

My parents found life on Crow Mountain a hard one. They grew almost everything needed including sorghum for molasses, corn, wheat, tobacco and cotton, as well as sheep and cattle. Mother spun the yarn and wove the cloth for the family clothing during the winter months and during the summer canned foods and dried fruits for winter use. The family attended church at Mars Hill and the children attended school there. The children of William Berry Roberds and Mary Magnolia were: Jim, now age 89 and residing in Leachville, Ark. Bird, now 86, residing in Lubbock, Tex; Willie, who lived on the home site, Crow Mtn., until death in 1962; Birtha died at age 18; Ed; Tom; Clyde; Mary, married Tom Lee and raised 5 children; Leo, spent most of his life in Russellville, moved to Little Rock where he was killed in an auto accident 1957; and Mattie Roberds Clark (the writer).

William Berry Roberds died in 1934 and Mary Magnolia Roberds died in 1935. Both are buried in the Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain.

I, Mattie Roberds, born 5 Oct. 1903, married Homer Clark 5 June 1921. Homer was born 15 Sept. 1893. Of our ten children, four did not reach maturity. Charles was killed by the tornado which struck Crow Mountain Thanksgiving Day, 25 Nov. 1926. One child died at birth. Dorothy Mae died in 1925 at age of one. Billy was 18 months old when he died, May 1935. Homer and I farmed in Pope County until 1941 when we moved to Keo, Ark. We moved to Little Rock in May of 1963. Homer Clark died 18 Oct. 1969 and is buried in Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain. Our surviving children of five daughters and one son are: Jackie, the son; Martha residing in Colorado; Jena in Texas; Rilla, Benton, Ark; Dana, Mabelvale, Ark; and Mary Frances living with her mother in Little Rock.

by Mattie Clark

CLYDE ROBERTS

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Clyde Roberts a son of William B. Roberts and Maggie Amick was married to Lois Kendrick in 1921 and they lived with his parents as long as they were living. To this union was born seven children: Sybil, 1922; Earl, 1926; Ruth, 1928; Hazel, 1930; Bob, 1932; Charles, 1934; and Fred, 1936. Clyde passed away in 1940 and is buried in Bowden Cemetery. The family attended the Welcome Hill Church and all the children graduated from the Pottsville School.

Sybil, married Olin Cook and they live in Malakoff, Texas and have four daughters; Vanny, married Eddy Nokes and has two sons; Vanita Cook, married M.L. White and they live in Lewisville, Texas; Velda Cook, lives in Malakoff, Texas and Verla Cook lives in Grapevine, Texas.

Earl Roberts, married Dorothy Moseley and they have five children; Janice, married George Webb and lives in Houston, Texas; Tommy, Kenneth, Keith and Sherry, live with their parents in Waxahachie, Texas.

Ruth Roberts, married Rev. Raymond Kendrick and they have one son and live in Clarksville, Ark.

Hazel Roberts married Loyd Prior and they have two children; Karen and Leslie and they live in Grand Prairie, Texas.

Bob Roberts, married Geneva Salley and they have three children; Bobby, Larry and Jerry Don and they live in Springsdale, Ark.

Charles Roberts, married Ann Seay and they have two children; Mona and Charles Jay, they all live in Talco, Texas.

Fred Roberts, married Doris Rish and they have two children; Gwen and Pamela and all live in Warren, Okla.

Mrs. Clyde Roberts (Lois), now lives in Waxahachie, Texas, near her son, Fred.

Edker Roberts, a brother to Clyde Roberts, married Lucy Harding and they had one son. Edker died in 1919 and is buried in Bowden Cemetery.

Samuel Leo Roberts, married Virginia Osborne both are buried in Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain. They had one son, Charles Roland who died in 1976 in Springfield, Mo., and is buried there. He married the former Mary Walker and they have four children; Mary Jo, married Leland Glen; Rebecca, married Richard Martin; Randall married Kathy Lueallen and Jesse married Charlotte Stewart. Samuel and Virginia have two daughter's Lorene who is married to James Lee and lives in Little Rock and Josephine is married to Auther Reedy and also lives in Little Rock and they have seven daughters: Jo Ann, Linda, Susan, Arlene, Sharon, Beth and Vivian.

by Doyle Roberts

WILLIAM B. ROBERTS

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William B. Roberts, was born in Louisiana. After the Civil War, he worked his way up the Mississippi and Arkansas rivers to Dardanelle, Ark., in 1880, he married Maggie Williams Amick in 1881, who was born in Scotsburg, Indiana. She and her first husband had joined the movement west and arrived in Russellville, Ark. where they were divorced and she married Mr. Roberts. They homesteaded on Crow Mountain on 80 acres, four miles north of Pottsville where they built a house with two large rooms and a kitchen and were the parents of nine children. Willie, born 1883, died 1962; Mary, born 1887, died 1920; James, born 1892; Bertha, born 1894, died 1912; Edker, born 1896, died 1919; Leo, born 1898, died 1957; Clyde, born 1900, died 1940. About 1900, W.B. Roberts sold the homestead to his son, Willie and bought 200

acres nearby to build a larger home for his family. A son, John Thomas was born in 1890, died 1941; Mattie was born in the new home in 1903. Only one child died without leaving descendents, she was Bertha.

The writer of this history spent many happy hours visiting his grandparents in this new home. All of the ten children spent their lives in Pope County, raising their families. There were forty-seven children born to the children of W.B. and Maggie Roberts, some of which moved to other states. Only four remained in Pope County, including this writer and had four to ten children.

John Thomas Roberts married Mary Elizabeth Osborne, daughter of L.H. and Cathern Knott Osborne of Mountainburg, Ark. They were married at Mountainburg in 1912. John died in 1941 at age 51 and Mary Elizabeth died in 1961 at the age of 74 and both are buried in the Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain. They spent their entire life farming on Crow Mountain and raising nine children.

Loyd A., born 1913, died 1936, married Elsie Heflin and they had one son who died at birth. Loyd died in Newington, La. and is buried in the Haskin Cemetery.

Harley Doyle, married Ellen Bowden daughter of Oscar and Mae Bowden. Doyle and Ellen celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Sept. 4, 1977, having made their home on Crow Mountain on a farm raising sweet potatoes, cattle and chickens. They have four children; Alvin Nelson, born in 1938, works for F.H.A. in Pope County; Jo Ella, born in 1940, married Leon Alvey and they have four children. Doyle Richard, born in 1942, married Ruby Casey; Martha Roberts, born in 1945, married William Jones and they have three children. All four children are now living on Crow Mountain.

Maggie Roberts, married Oscar Wirth in 1938 and they have eight children. Odus Roberts, married Ola Phillips and they have two daughters and live in Wichita, Kansas.

Orpha, who is a twin to Odus, married J.D. Cravens and they had two sons. She later divorced and married Don Payne and they had one son. She again divorced and married John Jordan and they have twins and live in Kansas City, Kansas.

One daughter of John and Mary was Lucille who had a serious illness when she was three that left her an invalid and she died in 1951, and is buried in Bowden Cemetery.

by Doyle Roberts

WILLIAM G. ROBERTS

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William G. Roberts, born in N.C. in 1851, was the son of Delaware and Martha Roberts. Delaware Roberts was killed during the Civil War and the date of their coming to Pope County isn't known. Mrs. Roberts had married Thomas Hamilton and is shown on the Shiloh C.P. roll in 1865. Also in 1865, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton were in Illinois for a daughter was born there. They returned to Pope Co. where he was an Elder in the Shiloh church until they transferred to the Rus-



Mr. and Mrs. William G. Roberts and children, Annie and Vester.

sellville C.P. Church in 1871.

William lived with his step-father until his marriage to Margaret (Maggie) Berry, Feb. 9, 1871. He took up land in the Mt. View Community, east of Shiloh church and proved his claim in 1885. He was an elder in the Shiloh C.P. church from 1878 until his death in 1901.

He and Margaret had nine children: Bennie, Lawrence twins who died young; Letha; Sylvester; Annie; Cassie; Wilburn H.; Ellis Henry and Jess Lancaster.

Jess Lancaster Roberts, born May 17, 1892, Mt. View Community, Russellville, R.F.D., attended the Shiloh C.P. Church and Mt. View School. He always wanted to be a doctor but wasn't financially able, due to the death of his father and later his mother who passed away in July, 1908. Jess, being only 16 yrs. of age at the time, lived with Geoge Colburn and family, until he married. He worked for White Brothers and then for old "Farmer's Union Store" on N. Ark. Ave. part time while farming. Ran a Bakery for a while, worked at the Export Cooperage Co. then drove a Mobil oil truck several years before moving to California in 1936. He was killed in an automobile accident in Barstow, Calif., May 5, 1958.

Jess married Hattie Chronister, Nov. 24, 1912, and they had four children: Syble Norene, Selma Lou, James Lawson and John Glenn. After the death of Hattie in Feb. 1923, he married Elsie Barton Darter, whose husband had been killed when the Plunkett-Jarrell wholesale building fell in and she had two daughters: Loraine, married J.D. Fountain in Pope Co. and Donna, who married Carl McKenney, in Calif. He died and she married Francis Leahley. Jess and Elsie members of the Assembly of God Church. After the death of Elsie, he married Georgia Terry.

Syble Norene, born Nov. 2, 1913, married Mike Martin in 1935. They moved to Covina, Calif. where Mike died in 1953. In 1956, Syble married Hal Tebbetts who passed away in 1973. Mike and Syble had two boys: Harold Don and Hulen Ray. Syble and Mike belonged to the Covina Assembly of God Church.

Selma Lou, born 1915, married James H. Martin, brother to Mike, April 28, 1936, at Covina, Calif., and they had one son: David Lee. Selma and James H. are members of the Covina Assembly of God Church.

James Lawson, born in 1918, moved to



Back Row: Jess Roberts, Wilburn Roberts, Ellis Roberts, Mike Martin, James Roberts, James H. Martin. Second Row: Mrs. Wilburn Roberts, Mrs. Jess Roberts, Harold Martin, Mrs. Ellis Roberts, Mrs. James H. Martin. Front Row: Hulén Martin, Mrs. James Roberts, Mrs. Mike Martin, David Martin.

Calif., married Verna May Flannary, a native of Pope Co., and they have two daughters: Darlene Ellen and Mary Elizabeth. They belong to the Covina Baptist Church.

John Glenn, born in Pope Co., Oct. 26, 1921, married Veneta Powell, a native of Pope County and they had two boys: John Gaylon and James Michiel. All of the Jess Roberts family are now living in or near Covina, Calif.

by Mrs. Syble Roberts Tebbetts

DR. CHARLES DYANE ROBERTSON

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Dr. Charles Dyane (Whitey) Robertson, was born January 11, 1922, in Galla Rock Township, Yell County, Arkansas. He was the son of Bunk R. Robertson and Rhea Ola Stevenson who lived in the Liberty Hall community, East of Centerville in Yell County. Bunk was first a farmer, then a merchant and was operating a boarding house in Russellville, The Robertson House, at the time of his death in 1957. He was a descendent of Decater Robertson who was one of the first white settlers in Searcy County, Arkansas.

Dr. Robertson has two sisters: Polly Anna, born May 4, 1920, married Heartsill Bartlett of Russellville in 1938; Wanda June, born June 27, 1927, married Steed White of Bauxite and they have three children, Bob, Jim and Bill.

He married Marie Smith of Dardanelle, Arkansas, who is the daughter of Claud and Anna Lee Smith. Marie is one of four children: Mildred, Melvin, Marie and Marlin, in that order. Marie was born in Beggs, Oklahoma, September 12, 1923.

Dr. Robertson lived in Centerville, Arkansas until the family moved to Russellville, in 1945. He graduated from the Ola High School in 1939 and attended Ark. Tech until January 1941, when he was inducted into the U.S. Army, January 6, 1941, with Battery F of the 206 Coast Artillery Anti Aircraft. He served overseas for 32 months, during World War II, and was discharged September 1, 1945. He and Marie have two children: Charles D. Robertson Jr. born May 23, 1950 and is married to Sandra Lee Martin of Jacksonville, Arkansas and Joy Ellen Robertson who was born June 11, 1964.

Dr. Robertson is a graduate of the University of Missouri School of Dentistry, having graduated in 1950. He began a general practice in Russellville in July 1950, and is still practicing at this time. He is licensed to practice in Arkansas and Missouri.

Over the years he has served on various athletic and civic clubs and committees. He is a member of the American Dental Association and the Arkansas State Dental Association and the North West District Dental Society. He has served as President of the Northwest District Society and on many committees in the State Association. He is a member of the First United Methodist Church, and is a 32nd degree Mason and a Shriner.

by C.D. Robertson

GEORGE WASHINGTON ROBERTSON

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George Washington Robertson, born November 10, 1868, at Social Circle Georgia, married March 16, 1890, to Sallie Smith of Magazine, Arkansas. They were the parents of



G.W. Robertson and wife Sallie Smith Robertson



G.W. Robertson family
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seven children: Lettie, born January 11, 1892; Winfred, born 1893; Lora, born July 19, 1895; Lottie, born June 12, 1900; Argus, born Sept. 28, 1901; Lucile, born Sept. 3, 1903; Pauline, born June 10, 1906.

G.W. moved from Knoxville, Ark., Johnson Co., to two miles south of Pottsville in 1905. He raised his family and died in this area of Pope County. Died in 1956.

Grandsons of G.W. Robertson are; Wheeler Robertson, Paul Robertson, W.W. Robertson, Gleen Robertson, all of Texas. Donald H. Robertson of Pennsylvania and S.J. Robertson of Pottsville, Pope Co., Arkansas, who is now living in the old family farm house, built pre-Civil War, by Capt. Silas Parker.

Other grandsons and granddaughters are: Keith and Sallie Overdyke, Edna Moore, Eana Trower, Ida Lee Butler, Leota Keener, Earl-dean McKinzie, Rober Brewer, Charles Brewer, George Brewer, William Teeter, Sarah J. Hogland, Lesola Teeter, and Matjorie Teeter.

by S.J. Robertson

JAMES ROBERTSON

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I never knew my great-grandfather James Robertson who is now deceased, but my son,



FRED MOTLEY FAMILY

George Lee Roy Motley was named for his great-grandfather Robertson also George E. Motley, who was the grandfather on the Motley side. LeeRoy was a 5th generation child on the Robertson side of the family.

George and Sallie Robertson bought a farm south of Pottsville, about 1890. It was the Captain Parker farm, the remnant of an antebellum plantation. He repaired the old two story house and raised his family there. The house still stands and a grandson lives there now. S.J. Robertson also lived there and two of my children were born there, LeeRoy

"George" Motley and Betty Louvenia "Motley" Weaver. So there is a lot of history to the old farm house.

I have one sister, Eva Robertson Bowden Traver who lives in Houston, Texas, and a twin Ruth Motley Carter who is deceased.

There were four brothers; Wheeler Robertson who lives in Idalou, Texas; Winfred J. Robertson living in Pineland, Texas; Paul E. Robertson of Hale Center, Texas and Glen Robertson of Auton, Texas. My mother, Mrs. "Ola" Winfred G. Robertson, lives in Pottsville, Arkansas.

Fred Willis Motley's family.

J.A. Motley, a brother lives at Pottsville; Mrs. Lorene Earnest Hood lives at Russellville; Mrs. Edna (Burl) Jackson lives in Lubbock, Texas; Charles Motley is deceased; Mrs. Ethel Humphrey (Jess) of Russellville; Bill Motley of Gabler, Mo; Edgar Motley, Leacheville, Ark.; Catherine Motley Lewis Jackson of San Pablo, Calif.; Earl E. Motley of Azusa, Calif.

The following were children by his second marriage to Lillie Mae Mullins Turner Motley: Edgar and Edna Motley who were twins; Fred Willis Motley deceased; Charles Motley deceased and Earl Motley. Mrs. Zettie (Bud) Blackwood was a daughter of Mrs. Motley's former husband and she lives in North Little Rock.

by Edna Motley Moore

GEORGE HOUSTON ROBINSON

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George Houston Robinson was born and reared in Pope County. He was born on 6-2-1885. His father came from one of the Carolina's in the late 1800's. His father, Elam Newton Robinson, was born 5-11-1866 and died 7-7-1889. He was buried in Bowden Cemetery on Crow Mountain. His mother, Mary Elizabeth Rackley Robinson, was born 10-12-1865. She died March 25, 1946, and was buried in Pisgah Cemetery by her second husband, Marion C. Robinson. She was a native of the Gumlog Community and a daughter of the late Robert and Lisa Jane Bowden Rackley. The Rackleys were pioneers from Tennessee.

George was married to Bertie Maude Austin, 3-31-1907. She was born 2-17-1889. She was the daughter of Joseph Kirkman and Mary Elizabeth Skaggs Austin. They had eight children.

Mary Lois was born 1-17-1908. She married Loyd Kendrick. They had 3 boys; Harold David, Norman Wayne and Dale Lynn. The 2nd child was Minnie Reba, born 10-29-1909. She married Frank Lee Wheeler. They had 5 children; Mary Louise, Ellen Sue, Sylvia Jane, Jimmie Lee and Jearldean. The 3rd child was Edna Mae. She was born 12-23-1911. She married Rayburn Kendrick and they had 4 children; Ray Morris, Robert George, Edward Earl, and Linda Maude. Edna Mae died 7-8-55. The 4th child was G.B. Robinson. He was born 4-13-1914. He married Janet Maggard. They have 2 children; Janice Kay and Gale Houston. The 5th child was Ada Ruth, born 8-8-1916. She married Raymond Kendrick. They had 7 children; Jo Ann, who died 10-5-1968, as a result of an automobile accident, Barbara Jean, Billy Don, Doris Elaine, Paul Dean, George Allen and Gary Houston. Ada Ruth died 9-23-51. The 6th and 7th children were twins, Estelie and Verdellie, but they died shortly after birth. They were born 3-8-1919. Estelie died 3-10-1919 and Verdellie died 3-11-1919. The 8th child Helen Marie was born 9-3-1921. She married Leon Packard, a native of Iowa. They have 3 children; Sandra Maudene, Carolyn Jean and Michael Leon.



50th Wedding Anniversary

L. to R. Glen E. Robertson, Edna Motley Moore, Paul E. Robertson, Ola Morton Robertson, Eva Bowden Traver, Winfred G. Robertson, Winfred J. Dub Robertson, Wheeler D. Robertson.



Front: Lois Robinson Kendrick, George and Maude Austin Robinson, Helen Robinson Packard. Back: Reba Robinson Kendrick, G.B. Robinson, Ada Ruth Robinson Kendrick, Edna Mae Robinson Kendrick.

George Houston Robinson and Bertie Maude Austin Robinson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in the year of 1957, at their home in Pottsville.

George and Maude Robinson bought the farm that his father, Elam and his mother had lived on at Pottsville from his mother and other heirs. He lived on it until he passed away in 1958. His son, G.B. and wife now own and operate this farm.

George and his family were active in the United Methodist Church in Pottsville until 1949. He was instrumental in establishing the Pottsville Assembly of God Church on Highway 64 West and was an active member until he died.

George had 2 brothers; Burel and Oscar, who died at 12 years of age, and 2 sisters; Dorothey Robinson Carpenter and Myrtle Robinson McGarity. He also had 4 half-brothers; Roy, Claud, Earl and Fred.

by Mrs. Frank Wheeler

WILLIAM ELAM ROBINSON

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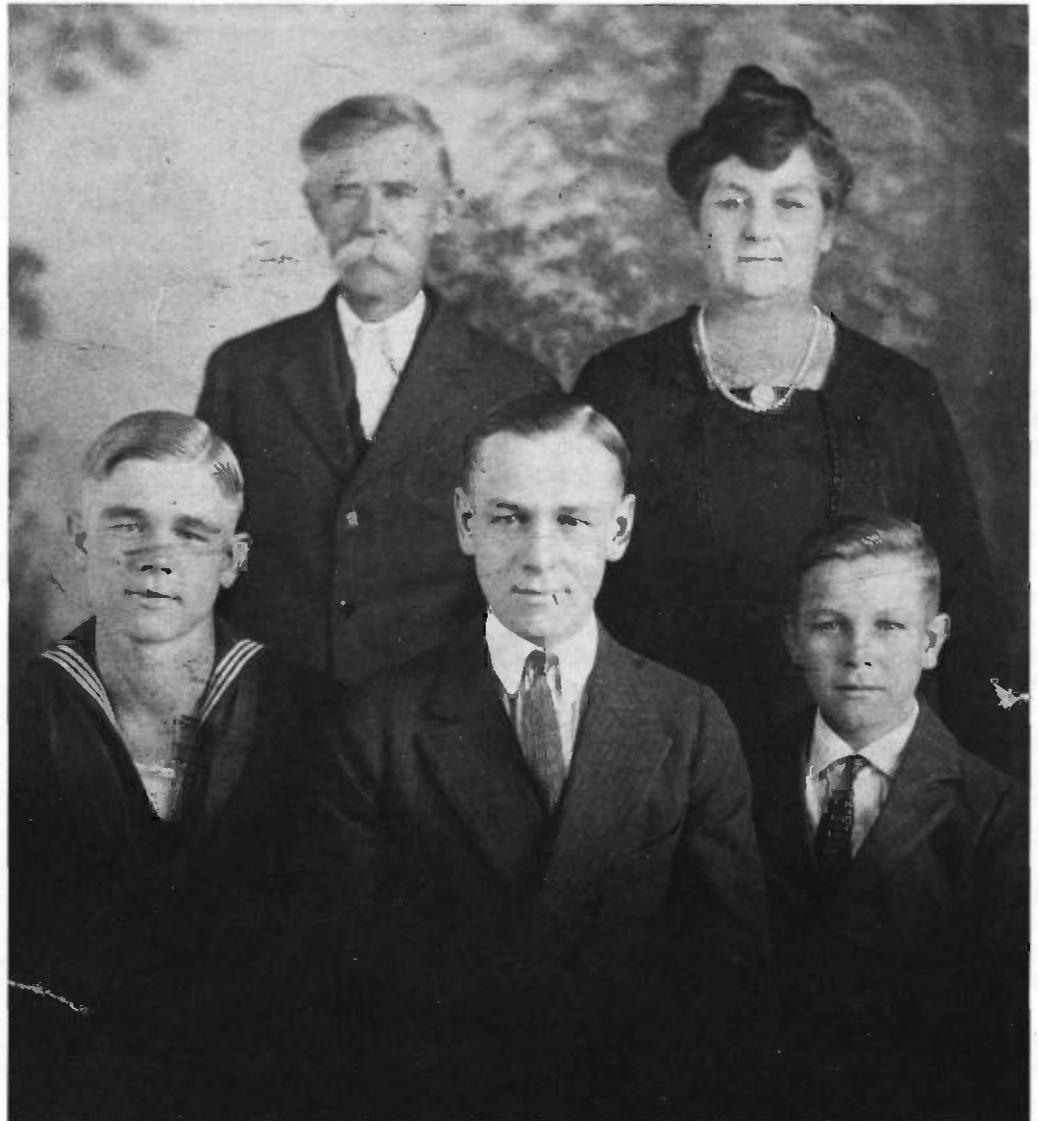
William Elam Robinson, came to Pope County, some time during the 1800's and he and his wife were the parents of four children. Malissa, married a Bowden and they had four children, Ethel, Ola, Daisey and Burgess, Laura M., married a Dotson and they had two children, George Dotson and Bertha, who married John Thompson. Marion C. Robinson, married Mary E. Rackley Robinson, the widow of his step-brother Elam Newton. He and Mary Elizabeth were the parents of four children: Roy who was in the navy and soon

after he came home in 1921, was killed in an automobile accident. Claude, married Ruby Eby and was an Electrical Contractor in San Diego, California, and is now retired and lives in El Cajon, California. Earl, served for 26 years in the navy and after retirement lived in Fallbrook, California. He passed away in 1976. Fred, married Clarice Young and also served twenty-six years in the navy. He now lives in San Marcus, California. Theodore (Thea) fourth child of William, lived in Pope County, until he was possibly thirty years old, not married. He moved to Oklahoma and we know nothing of him.

After the death of his first wife, William E., married Hester Teeter, daughter of Archibald and Mary Teeter. They were the parents of two children: William Shannon, born in 1865, died at an early age and Elam Newton, born in 1866. William Elam, died in the 1870's and Elam Newton and his mother lived on a farm on Crow Mountain but when his mother remarried, Elam went to live with relatives.

Elam Newton married at an early age to Mary Elizabeth Rackley and they were the parents of six children, five of whom are listed. James Oscar, died at age fourteen.

George Houston, born June 2, 1885, married Birdie Maude Austin and they were the parents of eight children: Mary Lois, married Lloyd Kendrick M. Reba, married Frank Wheeler; Edna Mae, married Rayburn Ken-



Marion C. Robinson and wife, Mary Elizabeth and sons, Claud, Earl and Fred.



Mr. and Mrs. Elam Robinson

drick; G.B., married Janet Maggard; Twins who died soon after birth in 1919; Ada Ruth, married Raymond Kendrick; Helen Marie married Leon Packard.

Myrtle Ruth, married James McGarity and they had seven children: Clarice Lucille married Reece E. Bowden; Lura Faye, married Odie Morphis; Herman Carlton, married Flossie Hampton; Mary Atha married Roosevelt McAnulty; Elam Edward, married Charlyn Garrison, then Barbara Sherel; James Earl married Mary Lois Weir and later, Grace Golden.

William Burrel, married Margeriete Sikes and she died in 1920. They were the parents of five children; William married Margaret; Ollie married Ernest Hall; Helen died at the age of three; Dorothy died at about age five; Marie married Garnet (Barney) Flanders.

Dorothy Hester, married H.C. Carpenter and they were the parents of three children: Clyde D., married Mary; Harold Dale married Betty Wilson; Robert Maurice married Emogene Nash.

Marion C., who had never married, had a farm near Russellville and was living with his widowed sister, Laura Dotson, whose farm was where the house with the cedars are now and was an adjoining farm. He helped his sister-in-law in caring for his brother's children so they soon were married and raised children of their own. They farmed the farm there and built a nice two story home and established a large orchard. Around 1907 or 1908, they bought the "Bud" White home on El Paso St. in Russellville and established a boarding house, renting out the farm.

In 1912, a daughter, Myrtle Ruth and her husband, James McGarity moved to the Robinson farm and soon bought it and lived there until his death in 1953.

George Robinson and Maude Austin Robinson, bought the farm that his father Elam and his mother had lived on at Pottsville, from his mother and other heirs and lived on it until he passed away in 1938. His son, G.B., now owns and runs the farm.

M.C., passed away in 1936 and Mary Elizabeth passed away in 1946.

George farmed the original farm, Burrel married Margeriete Sikes and moved to Heavener, Oklahoma, and was manager of the Ice plant most of his working years. Myrtle Ruth

and her husband lived on the farm near Russellville. Dorothy H. married Harold Carpenter, a jeweler who had a store in Russellville, and they lived north of town.

THE ROLLOW FAMILY

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Sometime after the Civil War, Captain Peter Rollow and his younger brother, Archibald, moved from Quitman, Arkansas, to Ada, Oklahoma. It is not known why this family decided to move from Quitman, and little is known about the family before it settled in Arkansas. No doubt it migrated west from the Eastern seaboard as so many pioneer families did.

Peter and Archibald bought land in the Dover community and built houses. Peter, who eventually acquired a great amount of land, built a beautiful colonial home that was one of the show places of Dover for many years. Archibald built a more modest home on the property where the Dover Elementary school now stands.

Archibald married Margaret Price who had also lived in Quitman but had moved to the Dover Community with her parents. It is interesting to note that Margaret Price Rollow was a good friend to the John Adam Pless family and to the James Potts family, both prominent pioneer families of Pope County and families to whom she was to be linked by inter-marriages. Margaret and Archibald had four children — all boys. Two of these boys — Benny and Thomas — died in early childhood. John Arch and Eugene Henry lived to be married and have children of their own.

Archibald died, and Margaret married Alex Bingle, a widower with several children. After Alex died, Margaret continued to live in Dover until her health forced her to live with her son, Arch. She died in 1936.

John Arch married Margaret Tucker. They had three children — Willard, Raymond and Beulah. Arch spent most of his life in Russellville and Little Rock, working with law enforcement.

Willard Rollow married Sadie Taylor. He died in 1978. They had four children — Ina Dell, Ethel Margaret, Janice, and Jimmy. Sadie and Willard have spent most of their lives in Little Rock, Arkansas, and Orange, Texas, where he was associated with the Fire Department. InaDell married James Ising, and they have two children. Ethel Margaret married Richard Cook and they have two children. Janice married Osco Ruple, and they have two children. Jimmy married Patricia Norman, and they have five children.

Raymond Rollow married Wilma Malone. They had four children — Betty, Robert Dean, Peggy and Ronnie. Raymond and Wilma have lived in Russellville where he too, was associated with the Fire Department. Betty married Eldon Coffman, and they have three children. Robert Dean married Jerry Allen, and they have one child. Peggy married Bob Harwell, and they have two children. Ronnie married Carolyn Manning, and they have three children.

Beulah Rollow married Frank Wilson. They

have one child — Robert Frank. Frank and Beulah have spent most of their lives in Longview, Texas, where Frank was a machinist. Robert Frank married Judy Bowman and they have no children.

Eugene Henry Rollow married Bertha Ardelia Moore in 1910. They had one child — John Ewing. Eugene was a farmer, and he and Bertha lived in Dover until he died in 1913. Bertha moved back to her former home in the Mooretown Community and lived there the remainder of her life, managing the house and helping her father and later her brother run the store and the farm.

John Ewing Rollow married Alice Hill Holding of Montgomery, Alabama. They have one child — Madelia Hill. John and Alice are teachers and have always been interested in Community and civic affairs. John has just retired after teaching forty-six years in Arkansas public schools, thirty-one of those in the English Department at Arkansas Tech University. Alice taught speech at Tech before joining the faculty at Gardner Junior High School where she teaches speech and English. Delia is presently working with the State Board of Correction in Little Rock, Ark.

The Rollows have always been active in either the Methodist or the Presbyterian churches.

by John E. Rollow

THOMAS ROMINES

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Tennessee and Rhoda Romines came from Tennessee in 1865, crossing the Mississippi river on ice, bought a home and settled near Piggott, Arkansas. They were the parents of three boys and two girls: Charlie; Sammie; Thomas; Mary and Alice. Thomas married Nancy (unknown), settled in southeast Missouri. They bought land in the Vinson community, later gave land for a Baptist church and a cemetery. The church is still standing, today.

Thomas and Nancy were the parents of three boys and two girls; Albert, James R., Jack, Francis and Berthie. Albert died at the age of 16, in Missouri. They came to Three Knob Mountain, Pope County, in August, 1907, to visit Jim and Alice Jones, Thomas' sister. While they were here they purchased what is called the Hardcastle place on Three Knob Mountain, August 31, 1907, and the house still stands. When they went back to Missouri to sell their place, Nancy became ill and died later in the year. On the first of 1908, Thomas and his three children, Francis, Jack, Birthie, and an orphan child who they were raising, Laura Holifield, came to Pope County, Arkansas.

James Romines, had married in Missouri to E. Miller, came to Arkansas in 1909, became a coal miner at Clarksville and Paris. To this union were seven children who lived to be grown: Ruby, Henry, Albert, Nancy, Harlen. W.R., and Dolis Romines. James died in 1963.

Jack married Caroline Craigg of Hector. They lived in Arkansas until 1918 and then went to Missouri. Jack was killed in 1920 by



Katie, Callie, Mrs. Thomas, Mr. Thomas, Mary, William and George F. Romines.

dynamite. He and Caroline had five children: Clifford, Ethel, Irene, Mildred and Hazel.

Francis Romines married Riley Bailey and to this union was born six children: Ira, Lydle, James, Dallas, Iva, and Catherine. Riley deserted his family and Francis married Tom Burns and they had one boy: Luther Burns.

Berthie Romines died at the age of 12 and

is buried at Rock Springs.

Thomas met Tamsey Hill Harris in the winter of 1908, and they married in February of 1908. She was the daughter of William Hill, who came to Pope County from Tennessee in 1861, and settled in Griffin Township. To this union was born six children: Charlie, 1908; George F., 1910; Mary, 1913; Callie, 1917;



JAMES ROMINES, FRANCIS ROMINES, THOMAS ROMINES, LAURA HOLYFIELD, BERTHA ROMINES, RHODA ROMINES, JACK ROMINES. About 1907.

Katie, 1918; and William, 1924.

Charlie Romines married Marie Thorne and were the parents of one son: Charles Romines Jr. Charlie later married Elenore Liequia.

George F., married Lavada Vaughn and were the parents of four children: Betty, 1935, married Tommy Turner and they had four children, LaDonna, who married Mike Collins, Doris, Gary, and Angela. Corene, 1938, married Ray Carr and they had three children, Rebecca, Keith and Harold who married Karla Keeling. Lorene, 1938, (twin to Corene) married Jerry Gray and they have three children, Terry, Tony and Craig. Franklin, 1939, married Linda Lewis and they have one son, Brandon. Lavada Vaughn Romines passed away in 1973, and George F. married Orene Webb King of Appleton and they have no children. George F. was converted in the early 1930's, and in the 1940's began preaching and is a member of the First Assembly of God Church in Russellville.

Mary Romines married Lewis Curtis and they have two sons: Ray and Wayne.

Callie Romines married D.A. Vaughn and they have three boys: Leon, Leo and Jerl.

Katie Romines married Elma Vaughn and they have six children: Ruby, Oneta, JeNelda, Sue, Lewis and Anthony.

William Romines married Ruth Cooper and they have two children: Tommy and Glenda Romines.

by George F. Romines

ADAM ROSS

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ADAM ROSS came to Pope County in the 1830's. He and his brother Robert Ross signed a petition in 1835 requesting that Congress establish a postal route that would run through Pope County. Adam was born in Logan Co., Kentucky about 1790. He married Margret Hodge who was born in Virginia. They lived in Giles County, Tenn. for many years and had several children, most of whom were boys.

WILLIAM J. ROSS, son of Adam and Margret Hodge Ross was born in Tennessee on Jan. 13, 1822. On June 7, 1848 he married Mary Elizabeth "Polly" Brown, in Pope County. She had been born in North Carolina on Sept. 10, 1830. They lived in the Smyrna community of Independence Twp. on the Middle Fork of the Illinois Bayou. They had nine children: (1.) Thomas H. Ross who married Lucy J. Arthur. (2.) Eliza Jane "Lizzie" Ross who married Wm. Reese Garner. (3.) John M. "Crazy John" Ross (never married, he became a Pope County legend, a folk hero, of sorts. (4.) Lydia A. Ross who married W.N. "Mart" Holmes (5.) Ira M. Ross who married "Sis" Garner. (6.) Benjamin M. Ross who married S. Alice Bell. (7.) William James Ross (never married). (8.) Mary Elizabeth "Betsy" Ross married L.J. Mathis. (9.) Margaret R. Ross married Phil West.

THOMAS H. ROSS was the eldest of those nine children. He was born about 1851 and died about 1917. He married Lucy Jane Arthur on Jan. 1, 1874. She was the dau. of Carrol Arthur and Loucinda Crouch. She was

born in 1856 and died in 1938. They had three daughters: Margaret A. Ross who married Robert A. Tucker, Jr. in 1893 and had several sons, only three of whom lived past childhood: David Earl Tucker, Reuben Eben Tucker, and Thomas Vernie Tucker. Tom and Lucy's second daughter was Frances Ross who married Joseph Tucker (Robert Tucker's brother). They had: Steve, Loy, Jesse, Homer, and Ollie (Choate). Joe died about 1908 and Frances married Alfred Sinclair. She died shortly, and Tom and Lucy took Jesse, Homer, and Ollie to raise. They also helped out with the care of Steve and Loy who were older. The third dau. of Tom and Lucy was Ida Ross who married Walter Brown and moved to Spirit Lake, Idaho. They had at least four children but Lawrence is the only one remembered at present.

Tom and Lucy ran a Hotel and/or restaurant in Russellville for awhile and had success. This encouraged them and so they moved to Henrietta, Okla. and operated the Tom Ross Hotel there for many years. Tom's health got worse and on doctor's advice they moved to Mena, Polk County where he died about 1917. Lucy moved back to Pope County after Tom's death and bought a place near Norris-town Mountain.

After Tom's family grew up he determined to go to Colorado. Motion pictures were new and most people had not seen any of them. Tom designed and equipped a special wagon to carry motion picture projection equipment. As he and Lucy traveled to Colorado they obtained the use of schools and other buildings, advertised, and showed movies to these people at ten cents a head. One of the movies they showed was "The Great Train Robbery". In this way they financed their journey to Colorado. It appears that he always delighted in new gadgets. He was one of the first people in Pope County to own a Gramophone, and he enjoyed taking it around and playing it for the amusement and amazement of friends and relatives. He was also an amateur dentist and even made Lucy a set of false teeth.

Margaret Ross Tucker had David Earl Tucker who had Sibyl L. Tucker who had W. Ross Berry, who is author of this history.

by W. Ross Berry

ANDREW CLYDE ROSS

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Andrew Clyde Ross was the great-grandson of Robert Ross and Mary Dickey Ross who came to Pope County in the 1830's from Tennessee. He is the grandson of Dr. John Dickey Ross and Catherine (Langford) Ross who settled in the Boiling Springs Community also called Campgrounds near Hector. He is the son of George Hillis Ross and Mary Ruby Hickman. Clyde Ross was born September 19, 1894. His family lived in the Hector and Scottsville areas of Pope County where they were farmers.

Mattie Leora "Lola" Wait Ross is the daughter of Charlie Wait and Mary Frances "Mollie" Cagle. Lola was born in Oklahoma — July 26, 1894. The Wait family lived in the Atkins and Dover areas of Pope County. They

came to Pope County approximately 1897 and they operated a sawmill and other timber operations. Lola graduated from Atkins High School and attended the Aggie College — now Arkansas Tech University — in Russellville. She taught school in Scottsville for a few years. Lola and Clyde were married March 17, 1915. They lived in several communities around the Dover area. Clyde was in the logging business. They had five daughters: Cloe Gertrude, Ina Mildred, Lillian Irene, Edna Pauline and Ruth Imogene. They attended schools such as Gooch's Chapel, Broomfield School, The Howard School, and the Pleasant View School. They youngest, Imogene, attended Dover Schools and schools in Yuma, Arizona.

Clyde Ross died as a result of a car accident Nov. 3, 1935. He is buried at McFadden Cemetery at Dover. Gertrude was married to Don Waldo. Lola and her other 4 girls lived with her father, Charlie Wait, for a short while. She took a job as housekeeper for the Murphy family and lived in one of their houses. Lillian married J.D. Teal and they moved to Arizona. Edna married Astor Hatfield. Ina went to Yuma, Arizona to live with Lillian. Arthur Hollabaugh followed her to Arizona and they were married there. Lola worked in the Dover cafeteria preparing food for the WPA and also worked for a canning factory in Russellville. She and Imogene moved to Yuma, Arizona in 1943. During World War II she worked at a cafeteria at an Air Base and then worked as a seamstress at a drycleaning establishment until her retirement. She spent some time in Pope County, Ark. to stay with her brother, Morris Wait, and also helped her daughter's family, the Hollabaughs, while Ina was being treated for tuberculosis. She stayed in Arizona until June 1964 when she moved back to Dover where she now lives.

Gertrude was born near Dover, January 23, 1916. She married Don Waldo and their children are Don Dwain and Linna Sue. Gertrude and Don operate a grocery store in Dover.

Ina Mildred was born near Dover, September 13, 1918. She married Arthur Hollabaugh and they have five children: Ina LaVerene, Virginia Fern, Arthur Kent, Roger Keith, and Deborah Kay. They also live at Dover. Arthur is a retired truck driver and service station attendant and Ina is a homemaker and mother.

Lillian Irene was born near Dover January 22, 1920. She married J.D. Teal and their children are James David, Charles Ray, Glenna Jean and Anna Sue. They make their home in Yuma, Arizona.

Edna Pauline was born near Dover October 22, 1922. She married Astor Hatfield and they had one daughter, LaWyene "Punkie". They were divorced and she married Johnny Keene. He died and Pauline married Lou Did-don. She is now divorced and lives in Phoenix, Arizona.

Ruth Imogene was born near Dover May 6, 1928. She married Homer Stroud and their children are Janie and Clyde Edward. They live in Yuma, Arizona.

by Janice Coffman Hollabaugh

GEORGE LEE ROSS

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George Lee Ross was born 16 March 1886 in Pope County, Arkansas to William Henry Ross and Elizabeth Snider Ross. William Henry Ross was the oldest son of Dr. John Dickey Ross who was the first doctor in Pope County north of Dover. Lizzie Snider was the oldest daughter of Dr. Peter Snider who was Hector's first doctor.

In addition to a farm along the Illinois Bayou, William Henry Ross owned a tract of land which included that portion of Hector on the west side of Main Street or Highway 27. He build homes within what is now this town at two different times, but always returned to the Illinois Bayou Area where his best farming land was located.

George Lee Ross attended the first Stumptoe School along Mill Creek. Later, he attended Campground School and Hector's first school. His father built this school, which doubled as a Missionary Baptist Church, as a donation to the community.

On 1 Nov. 1908 George Lee Ross married Ella Gertrude (Ellie) Dickey. She was born 9 Jan. 1889 in Pope County to Franklin Monrøe Dickey and Eadie Parletha Hickman Dickey. After the death of his first wife, George Lee Ross married in later years, Minnie Lee Clemons.

George Lee Ross and Ellie Dickey Ross raised a large family — mostly in the Hector, Newton Springs, and Scottsville Areas of Pope County where he was a farmer. Their children were: (1.) Cora Ethel: b 29 Aug. 1909 — m Lytle Clyde Richardson in Pope County, Arkansas 22 Nov. 1932 — Ch. Mary Lee, Billie Scott, and Ella Sue. (2.) Kermit Clifford: b 11 Aug. 1911 — m Effie Mae Watson in Pulaski County, Arkansas 11 Sept. 1937 — d 29 March 1971 — bur Pinecrest Memorial Cemetery, Saline County, Arkansas — Ch. Linda Sue, and Rex Watson. (3.) Infant: b & d 9 Aug. 1913 — bur Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas. (4.) Martha Elizabeth: b 9 Dec. 1914 — m Marble Dain Crites in Pope County, Arkansas 28 Oct. 1934 — d 11 Oct. 1976 — bur Old Baptist Cemetery, Center Valley Community, Pope County, Arkansas — Ch. Dana Lou, Charles Kenneth, Betty Ann, and Bobby Ellis. (5.) Dixie Jewell: b 13 Jan. 1917 — m Ira Oran Sparks in Pope County, Arkansas 22 Feb. 1941 — Ch. James Ira, and Billie Earl. (6.) William Franklin: b 25 Feb. 1918 — m Rosalyn Beatrice Garrigus in Yell County, Arkansas 9 Nov. 1940 — Ch. Carlotta Ann, and Pamela Gean. (7.) Harmon Lee: b 6 Jun. 1920 — m Marjorie Ellen Adams in Russell County, Alabama 11 Sept. 1944 — Ch. Norma Jean. (8.) Anna Clarice: b 12 Sept. 1922 — m Hubert Olin Knauff in Pope County, Arkansas 12 Sept. 1945 — Ch. Nita Ann, Nancy Gail, Susan Irene, Hubert Olin Jr., and Roger Allen. (9.) Alan J.: b 23 Aug. 1924 — m (1) Patsy Ruth Owen in Pope County, Arkansas 22 Jul. 1950 — Ch. Dennis Alan, Randall Lee, Deborah Kay, and Donna Dean Alan Ross m (2) in Pope County, Arkansas Jewel Dene McAnulty 27 May 1960. (10.) Berna Mae: b 21 Sept. 1926 — m Bobby



THE GERDGE LEE AND ELLIE GERTRUDE (DICKEY)
ROSS FAMILY AND INLAWS

Front, L. to R. — Hubert Knauff, Jr.; Mrs. Clyde (Cora Ross) Richardson; Roger Knauff (on lap); George Lee Ross; Ellie Gertrude (Dickey) Ross; Kermit C. Ross; Susan Knauff; Pamela Ross. Second Row — Mrs. Ira (Dixie Ross) Sparks; Mrs. Harmon (Marjorie) Ross; Norma Jean Ross; Ella Sue Richardson; Bobby Ellis Crites; Nancy Knauff (in front of Bob Crites); Rex W. Ross; Nita Ann Knauff. Third Row — Ira O. Sparks; Harmon Lee Ross; Billie Earl Sparks; James Ira Sparks; Mrs. Dain (Elizabeth Ross) Crites; Dana Lou (Crites) Hudson; Doyne Hudson; Carlotta Ross; Mrs. Hubert (Anna Ross) Knauff. Fourth Row — Charles K. Crites; Dain Crites; Mrs. Kermit (Effie Mae) Ross; Linda Sue Ross; Mrs. Bill (Rosa Lyn) Ross; William F. Ross; Hubert O. Knauff.

Dean Rollow 19 March 1948 in Yell County, Arkansas — d 30 May 1949 — bur Oakland Cemetery, Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas.

Ellie Dickey Ross died 13 April 1959. George Lee Ross departed 20 Feb. 1973.

They are buried at Oakland Cemetery, Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas.

Cora Ross Richardson and Dixie Ross Sparks reside in Russellville, Arkansas. Clyde Richardson retired as a farmer and school employee. Ira Sparks retired as a Ford Motor



GEORGE LEE AND ELLIE GERTRUDE (DICKEY) ROSS AND CHILDREN

Front Row — George Lee Ross; Ellie (Dickey) Ross; Cora (Ross) Richardson; Kermit C. Ross. Back Row — Elizabeth (Ross) Crites; Dixie (Ross) Sparks; William F. Ross; Harmon L. Ross; Anna C. (Ross) Knauff. Photos — Berna Mae (Ross) Rollow; Alan J. Ross.

Company mechanic.

Elizabeth Ross Crites lived in the Gumlog Community where most of her children now live. A daughter, Dana Lou Hudson, lives in the Gravel Hill Community of Pope County.

Anna Ross Knauff is at Cairo, Georgia. Hubert Knauff works for an Equipment & Storage Firm.

Berna Mae Ross graduated from Hector High School. At the time of her death she was employed by the telephone company at Russellville.

Kermit C. Ross was an Agriculture Extension Agent and an Insurance Manager. A son, Dr. Rex W. Ross, practices medicine at Conway, Arkansas. William F. Ross manages an oilfield Supply Store at Odessa, Texas. Harmon L. Ross is a Professional Forester at Camden, Arkansas. Alan Ross works for the City of Dardanelle, Arkansas.

by Harmon Ross

ROSS-STANDRIDGE, YATES-PAGE, DEAN-MARTIN

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John Wesley ROSS, born c1820-1826 probably in (Davidson to Giles County) middle Tennessee, married Rhoda Ann STANDRIDGE (born c1823-1826 in Tenn. to Martin STANDRIDGE Sr., born 1806 in Georgia), and apparently came to Arkansas prior to 1842 — the year their oldest child, Tal, was born there. This family has not been identified in Tennessee or Arkansas in the 1840 Census. They appear in the 1850 Census of (Pope County) Arkansas, page 263/529, #314, then in the 1860 Census of Richland Township (Newton County) Arkansas. Their children were: Martin Clinton Tarlton "Tal" ROSS, Alexander Martin "Coon" ROSS, John W. Ross, Elizabeth "Betsy" ROSS, Lucinda Catherine "Cindy" ROSS, James E. "Jim" Ross (grandpa of Granville J. Ross), and Rhoda Jane ROSS (great grandma of Vera L. DEAN), born c1842 to 17 Sept. 1882 all of Arkansas. John Wesley ROSS, at home during the Civil War, was dragged behind an animal then shot by bushwhackers. Rhoda buried him in a shallow grave, covering his face with her garment, but was never able to locate the grave in the cane bottom again. V.N. "Bud" Phillips in his OZARK COUSINS, 1974, page 56 says, "Years later a "hant tale" originated at this spot." We direct descendants would like to be taken to that "spot."

Rhoda Ann's father, Martin STANDRIDGE (b. 1806 Ga.), and his brothers and their many descendants lived in the Richland Creek area of Newton and Pope County in the early days; but they had spread to several other areas by 1900. An interesting phenomenon noted from research is that only those STANDRIDGES who were enumerated in jail during the Census were identified as Indians. Others in the family were identified as "white." A. Yates STANDRIDGE, whose reputation for "meanness" was and is still well known, was a nephew-in-law of Rhoda Jane (ROSS) YATES (great grandma of Vera L. DEAN). Rhoda Jane ROSS (born 17 Sept. 1859

Ark. — died 20 Sept. 1941 Okla.) married George Washington YATES, son of Arwine and Malinda (PAGE) YATES of Witt Springs (Searcy County) Ark., on 1 Jan. 1882 in (Pope County) Ark. They lived at present-day Bass (Newton County) Arkansas and had five children: Viola DEAN, Effie GREEN, Alex YATES, John Wesley YATES Sr., and Laura Ethel FOSTER. The family later moved to a part of (Wagoner County) Oklahoma called Boothe Bend, located about 15 miles northeast of Wagoner, where Vera L. DEAN remembers seeing all except Laura as a child of about 5-9 years when they and a granddaughter known as Mabel YATES lives across the road from the store and home of their son, John Wesley YATES, and his wife, Oza (MARTIN). It was near Valley School and the Dick CAREY place. Vera L. DEAN remembers the death of her great grandpa, Wash YATES, and of her yearning for the "pennies" she felt were "going to waste" on his eyes. There were later infrequent visits to the home of Rhoda (ROSS) YATES in the town of Wagoner, Oklahoma where she lived across the street from Elmwood Cemetery where both she and Wash YATES were buried back toward the center and to the right in the cemetery. Rhoda died there 20 Sept. 1941. Effie GREEN helped when the Arthur Dean Family all had measles. Alex Yates always brought candy (he was a candy salesman) for us youngsters. John YATES married mother's first cousin, and our families were very close until c1935 when Walcie (MARTIN) and Arthur DEAN were divorced and Walcie took her children, Vernal and Vera DEAN, to Wisconsin to live. Arwine YATES (1815-1886) is buried in Richland Cemetery. The Malinda MAXVILLE who is buried next to him is believed to be his granddaughter and a daughter of Parilee (YATES) and William MAXVILLE or MAXWELL. Malinda (PAGE) YATES (1819-1902) is buried in McCutcheon Cemetery near Bass in (Newton County) Arkansas. Arwine was born in (White County) Tennessee and could be a descendant of the preacher there who had 33 children. If so, they left two daughters near Mt. Airy, North Carolina, married to Siamese twins. Malinda was born in (Smith County) Tennessee and could be a daughter of Jacob or John PAGE. Arwin and Malinda and their children were in (DeKalb County) Tennessee in 1850.

A story related by Harley YATES that Wash YATES and seven brothers went to Texas prior to the Civil War and before Wash was married is worthy of further research, since there are so many YATES in Texas. No record of those seven brothers has been found.

Viola YATES (grandma of Vera L. DEAN and the oldest child of Wash and Rhoda) was born 30 Nov. 1882 on Cave Creek (Newton County) Arkansas and married Jonathan Henry Alvin Parker DEAN, son of Richard DEAN who is said to have been born in (Pope County) Arkansas, on 28 March when she was age 15. They lived at Bass and had 11 children: Alexander DEAN who first married Cassie ROSS, Arthur DEAN who first married Walcie MARTIN (parents of Vera L. DEAN), Floyd DEAN who married Faye HALE, Guy DEAN who married a cousin — Alpha LIVELY,

Ava who married Tom McCART, Victoria who married a cousin — Walker LIVELY (brother to Alpha), Ruby who married Lowell DICKEY (a distant cousin to Vera L. DEAN through her COOK line), Earl DEAN who married Erma BURGESS (a niece to Tom McCART), Oza Mae who died, Dewey DEAN who married Sheila J. GALLAGHER, and J.H DEAN who married Maxine BRYANT (now divorced). Alex, the oldest was born in 1897. Henry DEAN died 30 Dec. 1923 before their youngest child, J.H DEAN, was born 1 Sept. 1924. Viola (YATES) DEAN later moved to Emeryville, then Richmond, then El Sobrante, California, after World War II where she lived with her son, Dewey Dale DEAN. She died while visiting her daughter, Ruby (Mrs. Lowell DICKEY) near Turlock (Stanislaus County) California on 16 December 1962 and is buried there not far from her son, Earl, who had died earlier.

Granville James ROSS (grandson of James ROSS above) married Vera Leona DEAN (great granddaughter of Rhoda Jane ROSS above) on 12 September 1977 in Sallisaw (Sequoyah County) Oklahoma. Both work independently and jointly in trying to identify their mutual and other ancestors. Both retain their own names.

by Vera L. DEAN

ROBERT ROSS

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Robert Ross, son of James Ross and Mary Mitchell Ross, was born in Guilford County, North Carolina between 1775 and 1780. His father served in the Revolutionary War and was awarded a land grant in Davidson County, Tennessee for his service. The family moved to this and later lived in Logan County, Kentucky where Robert married Mary Dickey, who is believed to have been a daughter of Robert Dickey and Mary Henry Dickey.

In the fall of 1808 the James Ross Family along with the Dickeys settled at the big spring at what is now Campbellsville in Giles County, Tennessee. They helped form Giles County in 1809. Robert Ross was listed on the first Tax list for Giles County (1812), and lived in that area until 3 April 1832 when he and his brother Adam moved their large families to the Pope County, Arkansas Area. In 1840 Robert Ross is shown in Martin Township of Pope County. Mary Dickey Ross dies 3 Sept. 1843. Robert Ross departed 30 April 1849.

Dr. John Dickey Ross, son of Robert Ross and Mary Dickey Ross, built a log house (still standing) just east of Pope County's First Church at Boiling Springs Campground. He was the first doctor north of Dover in the county and practiced medicine over a wide area for several decades until his death 23 Dec. 1878. He married (1) Nancy Ann Allen and their children were: William Henry, and Mary M. Dr. John Dickey Ross married (2) Catherine Langford. Their children were: Matilda Josephine, Sarah Tennessee, Jane Dickey, George Hillis, Francis Catherine and John Lee.

William Henry Ross, oldest child of Dr.

John Dickey Ross and Nancy Allen Ross, was born in Pope County, Arkansas 18 Dec. 1847. He married Mary Elizabeth Snider, oldest child of Dr. Peter Snider and Mary Agnew Snider. William Henry Ross was primarily a farmer along the Illinois Bayou near Hector. He built the first school at Hector which doubled as a Missionary Baptist Church of which he was a member. He was a partner in the first cotton gin at Hector, and a partner in one of the first stores in Hector. Children from his first marriage were: Mary Josephine, John Francis, Robert Snider, Cora Ann, James William George Lee, and Charles Henry. Lizzie Snider Ross died 2 April 1901. William Henry Ross married (2) Pauline Langford, and to them was born Martha Catherine. William Henry Ross died 15 April 1906.

George Lee Ross, fourth son of William Henry Ross and Lizzie Snider Ross, was born 16 March 1886 in Pope County. He attended the first Stumptoe School on Mill Creek, and later went to school at Campbround, and at Hector's first school which his father built. He married (1) Ella Gertrude Dickey, daughter of Franklin Monroe Dickey and Eadie Parletha Hickman. They were the parents of ten children: Cora Ethel, Kermit Clifford, Infant, Martha Elizabeth, Dixie Jewel, William Franklin, Harmon Lee, Anna Clarice, Alan, and Berna Mae. George Lee Ross was primarily a farmer. Ella Dickey Ross died 13 April 1959. George Lee Ross married (2) Minnie Lee Clemons. He died 20 Feb. 1973.

Harmon Lee Ross, fourth son of George Lee Ross and Ella (Ellie) Dickey Ross, was born in Pope County, Arkansas 6 June 1920. He attended school at Newton Spring's one-room school and Hector High School. In World War II he served in Alaska and later in Europe as a Parachutist and Squad Leader in the 82nd Airborne Division. He attended Arkansas Tech and Iowa State University. He taught school for portions of two years, served as District Forester with the Arkansas Forestry Commission in Central Arkansas, and organized and established the first Fire Protection for several counties in Northwest Arkansas. When Arkansas purchased it's first State Forest he moved to Camden to organize and manage this. He is a member of the Society of American Foresters, a Registered Land Surveyor, and President of Ouchita Calhoun Genealogical Society. Harmon L. Ross married Marjorie Ellen Admas in 1944. They have one daughter, Norma Jean Brakhop who lives in Little Rock with children Michael and Darrel.

by Harmon Ross

JAMES LEWIS ROWLAND

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The parents and grandparents of James Lewis Rowland were in North Pope County by 1839 having moved to Ark. from Tenn. James Lewis Rowland, born 17 Nov 1852, was the son of George Washington Rowland, born 13 Aug. 1816, and the grandson of George Rowland, Sr., born in Tenn about 1795. The Rowlands were successful farmers settling near



JAMES LOUIS ROWLAND AND WIFE, LUCRETIA FLORENCE PARTON ROWLAND

Scottsville. During the Civil War the Yankees visited the farm of George W. Rowland and slaughtered 143 head of his hogs. James L was too young to serve but during the latter part of the War, he enlisted in the Confederate Army in the company of Captain Bill Poe and served a short time. James L Rowland married Lucretia Florence Parton 19 Mar 1874. A later newspaper report stated that on the wedding day, James L, accompanied by a "Hardshell" Baptist minister, Rev. Joe Harmon, who was to officiate at the wedding traveled 7 miles up the creek and because of high waters, the minister refused to attempt to ford the stream on horseback. He insisted that the groom cross over to the north side, bring the bride back to that side while the minister would perform the ceremony, while remaining across the creek from the participants. The finding of a boat ended the argument. The Jim L Rowland family lived almost 60 years on their farm near Scottsville and on their 60th wedding anniversary, ten of the 13 children were still living. Their children were: Susan Tennessee Rowland Cooper, born 29 Dec 1874; George Russell, born 19 Aug 1876; Mary Elizabeth R Rogers, born 28 Sept 1878; Sarah Frances Jackson R Danley, born 20 Dec 1880; Margaret Lithama Jane R Weir, born 12 Nov 1882; Zaida Florence R Caudle, born 26 Aug 1884; Conney Maye R Stutts, born 17 June 1886; Arona Belle R Linton, born 20 Mar 1888; James Joseph Morris Rowland, born 19 Aug 1893 (lived less than 2 months); Bennie Gladys Rowland, born 6 Jan 1895 and lived only three weeks; and Thomas Feral Rowland, born 18 Jan 1897.

Arona Belle Rowland, the 8th child of Jim L and Lucretia Florence Parton married William George Linton 8 Jan 1911. (William G was son of Samuel and Matilda Battenfield Linton). Arona Belle was an excellent homemaker and possessed outstanding skills in needlework and quilting as did all of her sisters. The children of William G and Arona Belle Rowland:

Mary Sue Linton, born 21 Oct 1911, died 2 February 1915.

Cora Belle Linton, born 13 July 1925, married Merle Cowen, 2 Nov 1943 at Ft. Smith, Ark. They raised their family at grandview, Mo. Their children are: William Leonard; Joan Cowen Harrell; and Susan Cowen Majalca. Cora and Merle Cowen now reside in Tucson, Ariz.

William Love Linton, Sr, born 28 Jan 1916, did timber work in Ark, worked in plywood mills in Washington and Oregon, timber work in Alaska, and was a Navy Gunners Mate, serving on the USS Gerauld, WW II, Asiatic-Pacific Theatre; married Mildred Lois Wallace, 3 Nov 1941 in Montensano, Wash. (Mildred the dau. of Green and Louella Cooper Maupin Wallace).

The children of Mildred and William L Linton are: Linda Joyce Linton Miller, born in Pope County, 26 Sept 1943; and William Love Linton, Jr, born 30 May 1948. William L, Jr lives at Scottsville with wife, Dale, and children: Deborah, Billy III, and Russell. His parents also live at Scottsville. Del R and Linda Linton Miller with daughter, Brittney Lynn, live in Mesa, Arizona.

by Mrs. Mildred Linton

DAVID R. ROWLANDS

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David R. Rowlands father, grandfather, and great-grandfather of a well known Pope County family; was born March 27, 1850 in Tregaron, Cardiganshire, Wales. He emigrated to America when a young man, and first settled in Stark County, near Canton Ohio. There he was married to Hannah Reece Thomas, a young widow with three small children; Tom, David, and Margaret Thomas. He was granted citizenship papers Oct. 10, 1881.

Hannah Reece, an orphan, came to America at the age of 12 years in charge of the ship's captain. An older sister was waiting for her in Ohio. Her first husband, a Mr. Thomas, was killed in a coal mine explosion. She later married David Rowlands and to this union five children were born. Richard A. Rowlands: March 1, 1880- Sept. 15, 1953. William: Jan. 7, 1882 — Aug. 31, 1904. Mary: March 24, 1885 — June 1, 1958. Catherine, Sept. 19, 1887 — Nov. 6, 1904. Martha: May 12, 1890 — Feb. 12, 1968.

In 1886 they moved West. David, Hannah and six children, the three Thomas children and the three oldest Rowlands children. They settled two miles East of Hector, Arkansas. Catherine and Martha, the two younger children were born there.

Later Mary was married to Ephram Hill and Martha married John Story. Richard A. Rowlands married Arkie Hurst in 1903, and to this union were born seven children. One died in infancy. Stella (Mrs. Bervie) Hurley: Jan. 31, 1905 — Sept. 29, 1960. Bertha (Mrs. Fay L.) Price: Oct 19, 1906. Clyde Rowlands: Sept. 29, 1910, was married to the former Gertrude Reed. Sybil (Mrs. Bob) Chambers: Aug. 20, 1912. Floyd Rowlands: April 8, 1915, served

with the Engineers of W.W. II and gave his life in service at Oahu, Hawaii on April 20, 1945. Bob Rowlands: April 10, 1922, is married to the former Fern Newton. He served in W.W. II with the 92nd Mechanized Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron, a part of 12th Armoured Division. When the war ended he was with the occupation army in Germany.

Stella had three children. Bennye Hurley (Mrs. James) Tackett has five children and five grandchildren. Billy Hurley (Mrs. L.B.) Coffman has one son and two granddaughters. Bettye Hurley (Mrs. Lloyd) Cochran has three daughters and three granddaughters. Bertha has one daughter, Sue Carol Price (Mrs. Bill) Brunner and one granddaughter. Clyde has one son, Don Reynolds Rowlands. Sybil has one son Gene Rowlands Chambers, married to Ann Duvall. They have one son and one daughter. Bob has two sons and one daughter. Gary Richard Rowlands married to Willette Humphreys has one daughter. Janie Rowlands (Mrs. Johnny) Chambers has two daughters. Don Robert Rowlands.

When the Rowlands family came to Arkansas they lived in a two room house and for some months cooked over an open fire between two stumps. The Tax Assessor came by to assess their taxes and was surprised to find only a few pieces of furniture, homemade by a neighbor; John Hollabaugh. David was a livestock farmer, chiefly horses and mules which he raised and sold. During his life in Pope Co. he acquired several hundred acres of land.

He made three trips back to Wales to visit relatives. The last time he came over he brought a nephew, John R. Evans and his family. Mr. Evans farmed at first, but he didn't know farming and didn't like it. He later owned and operated a small dairy in Russellville, where he delivered fresh milk twice daily in a horse drawn milk wagon to regular customers in the city.

Richard was also a farmer with cattle, horses, and mules. He kept the land his father left and bought a few hundred more acres. He owned several rent houses and rented the houses and farm land together. Some were sharecroppers, and some families moved there when their children were small and didn't leave until they were grown.

Arkie Hurst Rowlands was known for her good cooking, especially cornbread and blackberry cobbler. "Miz Arkie" was a friend to all the children.

The Tate family moved to the Oklahoma City area, where they have established themselves in the profession of Optometry. Dr. L. Tate and P.M. Tate, his technician, made two pairs of glasses for Mrs. Rowlands. Dr. Tate said "Arkie, you bandaged enough sore toes for me to pay for all the eye glasses you will ever need."

Richard Rowlands served for many years on the school board and was a member of the local Soil Conservation Committee that helped to start the plan of flood control and navigation on the Arkansas River.

Several members of the family still live on the farm and near by. Sybil lives in the old home. This place is now reached by hard sur-

face roads, natural gas, electric lines, and city water.

A number of the latter generation are college graduates. Several are school teachers, some government employees, some in manufacturing and business management. They contribute to community projects and church activities.

by Bertha R. Price and Sybil Chambers

MARCO BOZZARIS ROYS

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Marco Bozzaris Roys was born in Wayne County, New York, December 24, 1829. His parents, Rufus Almon Roys and Mary Salome Johnson Roys, along with other children moved to Schoolcraft, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, in 1833. There (in Michigan) he grew to manhood and married Amanda Melvina Walker (she was a school teacher) September 18, 1855, at Grand Rapids, Michigan. (She was born in New York state), later moving to Kinmundy, Illinois. Of this union, there were five children, Laura Alice and Alfred Walker both born in Michigan, Reuben Francis and Chester Willard were born in Kinmundy, Illinois, and Lucy Mabel Emily, born in Russellville, Arkansas.

Marco Bozzaris moved to Russellville, November 9, 1873, and entered into the Retail Hardware and Tin Shop business. After his death in 1881, the business was managed by his wife and a cousin until January 1889. At that time, his son Reuben Francis (always called Frank) assumed ownership and operated Roys Hardware until 1939.

Reuben Francis Roys married Eva May Slocum, October 9, 1889. She was born in Montour Falls, New York, received her education in Wisconsin and taught school. She moved to Russellville, Arkansas with her parents B.F. Slocum and Sarah Abigail Slocum in 1888. Of this union there were six children, Marco Benjamin, Reuben Francis Jr., Pad-dock (Pat), Phillip Allen, Eva Lucile, and George Milton.

In 1939, George Milton Roys assumed ownership and managed the business until December 31, 1968. Roys Hardware was owned and operated by the Roys Family, in Russellville, for 95 years.

George M. Roys married Mary Kathryn Martin of London, Arkansas. They have two sons, George P. Roys, Working for Thikol Chemical Company, of Hunstville Alabama. He attended Russellville Public Schools and Oklahoma State University. He has three children by his first wife, Patsy Goodwin of Russellville, Robert Steven, Mark Goodwin, and Mary Kathryn. He now lives with his second wife, Deloris Towry. The other son, Jerry Michael Roys, lives in Russellville, Arkansas, working for Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. He attended Russellville Public Schools, Arkansas Polytechnic College, and Oklahoma State University. He has two children, Michael Benjamin and William George Roys. He is married to Janet Strickler of Fayetteville, Arkansas. Reuben Francis Roys and his wife Eva May Slocum Roys built a home at 603 South Commerce St., Russellville, Arkansas, in

1905, which is now occupied by the George M. Roys Family.

by George M. Roys

HENRY ANDERSON RUSHING

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Henry Anderson Rushing was born in 1878, in the Bakers Creek Community, north of Russellville. He was the son of George Washington Rushing who was a grandson of David Rushing who had migrated from Tennessee to Arkansas in 1836. At that time the Cherokee Indians were still in the area and he helped moved them to the Indian Territory.

George Washington, born in 1845, was the son of George W., born in 1811 and who had married Mary Brown Humphrey, Dec. 14, 1832. George W. was a Mason and a Presbyterian.

The Rushings were of Scotch descent and upon arriving in the United States first settled in Tennessee than came to Arkansas.

George Washington Rushing, born 1845 and died in 1918. He married Phobe Griffin who was born in 1848 and died 1900 and both are buried in McFadden Cemetery at Dover. George was a member of the Hector Cumberland Presbyterian Church. He married the second time to a Mrs. Turnbow and they had no children. He and Phobe were the parents of eight children: William Harrison, James Newton, Tom, Maxie, Robert Ira, Henry Anderson, Myrtle, and Donie.

Henry Anderson Rushing was reared in the Bakers Creek Community and went to school at the old Bakers Creek school, and attended the Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church. He attended the Cumberland Presbyterian College at Clarksville and became a school teacher. He was teaching at Coal Hill, Johnson County, and when another teacher was needed, a Mrs. Primm sent for her sister, Emma Haskins, who was living in Ohio. It wasn't long before Mr. Rushing and Miss Haskins began a courtship and were married in January of 1907. In 1909, they moved to Atkins and he taught in several rural schools during the summer but taught in the Atkins schools for 34 years. He retired from teaching and moved to Russellville and went to work in the Pope County Welfare Department. He later retired from this and on May 30, 1961, passed away with a heart attack.

He and Emma Haskins were the parents of one daughter, Louise. Louise was educated in the Atkins schools and at State Teachers College in Conway and began a career of teaching in the Atkins Public Schools. She taught three years then married Cecil Rail in February of 1929 and to this union was born three boys; William A., Richard C., and James R. William A., D.D. is a Presbyterian minister at Rogers, Arkansas; Richard C., is a Capt. with the Arkansas State Police and is Commander of Troop J, stationed at Clarksville, Ark.; James R., works for the Ark-La. Gas Company at Little Rock, Arkansas. Mr. Rail died in September of 1942 and Mrs. Rail moved to Russellville and began to teach in the Russellville schools and taught until she retired, thus ending 34 years of teaching.

In 1964, Louise married Raymond Kersey of Russellville, who had worked for many years in Dry Goods Stores of Russellville. Both are now retired and live at 205 East H Street in Russellville.

by Mrs. Louise R. Kersey

THE RUSHING FAMILY OF POPE COUNTY ARKANSAS

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AMANDA P. MALOY RUSHING
1821-1899
2nd wife of Burrell Rushing

David Rushing was born in c. 1785 in North Carolina. He immigrated to Dickson County, Tennessee where he engaged in farming. During the War of 1812, David Rushing and his good friend John Hays joined Capt. Michael Molton's Troop of West Tennessee Volunteer Cavalry under the command of Col. John Coffee. In c. 1835, David Rushing and John Hays with their families left Tennessee and settled on Big Piney Creek, Martin Township, Pope County, Arkansas. Through the years the settlement became known as the "Rushing Community." Located northwest of Dover, the "Rushing Church" still stands having been built in 1899. The bottom land soil of the Big Piney Creek provided adequate fertility to sustain the community in productive agriculture commerce. David Rushing and John Hays farmed much of the bottom land with the help of their sons and slaves. As Big Piney Creek makes its way through the "Rushing Community," it periodically divides into two streams thereby creating islands of rich farm land. Through the years names have been given to these islands. In the "Rushing Community," three of these islands were known as "Hays Island," after the Hays family; "Tate Island" after the Tate family; and "Doc Island" named after a black laborer name "Doc" who worked for the Tate family.

David Rushing died c. 1845 and is buried in the "old abandoned cemetery" located a short distance northwest of the present day "Rushing Cemetery." The cemetery is much

grown up with large trees and undergrowth. Graves can be located by native stone markers. However, no grave stones exist that contain names or dates. This was the community cemetery until the time of the Civil War. The first settlers of Rushing Community are buried in this abandoned cemetery. After the Civil War, the cemetery was used occasionally by blacks. Consequently causing some to refer to it as the "slave cemetery," but regretfully it was never used for this purpose. The last known burial in this "old abandoned cemetery" was in c. 1905. It was a black girl named "Lydia", who was the daughter of Aunt Joan Humphrey.

THE DAVID RUSHING FAMILY

David Rushing married in Dickson County, Tennessee, and it is there that his six children were born. These were: George, David Jr., Burrell, William, Dennis, and his daughter, Nancy Anne.

George (b. Oct. 11, 1811) married Mary Brown Humphrey (Dec. 14, 1832) and had eight children: Narcissa, David H., George W., Mary Caroline, James W., William H., Robert W., and Elizabeth Ann. David H. Rushing was a minister, farmer, and an officer in the Confederate Army.

David Rushing Jr. (b. 1813) married Jane Hays (on July 6, 1837) and had six children: Sarah E., William H., Burrell L., Margaret J., James D., and Martha E. Jane Hays Rushing died in 1850 causing David Jr. to call upon his brothers to take several of his children to raise.

William R. Rushing (b. 1823) never married. He died in 1852 just prior to leaving with his brother Dennis on a cattle drive to California.

Dennis Rushing (b. 1825) married Nancy H. Mason (on Dec. 20, 1848) and had one son, John S. who raised by his grandparents, Phillip and Nancy, Mason for Nancy Mason Rushing died in the spring of 1850 from "winter fever."

Nancy Anne Rushing (b. April 15, 1829) married Dr. John McFadden of Dover. They had one child, John Garland McFadden. Dr. McFadden practiced medicine in Dover, Ar-

kansas, and died on June 10, 1879 and was the first to be buried in the cemetery just south of Dover, thereby causing it to be named the "McFadden Cemetery." Nancy Anne Rushing McFadden died January 9, 1910.

Burrell Rushing (b. Oct 25, 1815) married Mary Hays in January of 1843. Mary was the daughter of John and Sarah Willson Hays. Burrell and Mary Rushing had three children: John D., Sally L., and James Anderson. In May 1850, Mary Hays Rushing died of "winter fever" and was buried in the "old abandoned cemetery." When she died, she left a month old son, James Anderson Rushing, without a mother. Within a few years, Burrell Rushing met a school teacher from Texas named Amanda P. Maloy who was born Jan. 11, 1821 in Alabama to the Rev. and Mrs. Anderson Maloy, a Presbyterian minister. This marriage was blessed with four children; Janetta Angeline, Joseph Euin, William Scott and Homer Earl.

Before we discuss the individuals of the Burrell Rushing family a few parallels need to be drawn between the Rushing and Hays family. Three Rushing brothers, David Jr., Dennis and Burrell, lost their wives to "winter fever" in the spring of 1850; however, John and Sarah Willson Hays lost three daughters, Jane, Mary, and Sarah, to "winter fever" in the spring of 1850. Two of the Hays daughters were married to the Rushing men. One cannot discuss the Rushings without getting involved with the Hays for it seems they did most everything together. John and Sarah Willson Hays had eight children: Robert, Adam Wilson, Sarah, Margaret Ann, Jane, Samuel M., Mary, and Lydia. It was Adam Wilson Hays who was hung by the bushwackers during the Civil War. Samuel M. Hays was the first Sheriff of Pope County under statehood, and he supervised the first execution in Pope County. He married Caroline West who was the daughter of Major David West and the sister of Dr. Porter West. Margaret Ann Hays married Dr. William N. Anderson.

THE BURRELL RUSHING FAMILY

Burrell Rushing was a very good farmer and business man. He accumulated much land and established a cotton gin within the "Rushing Community." Through the help of his sons and labor of slaves he owned much of the land along the Big Piney Creek. However, as he grew older, he began issuing various pieces of his land to his children to help support their families and livelihood. Burrell Rushing died in 1898 and Amanda on Feb. 17, 1899. Both are buried in Rushing Cemetery. From his marriage to Mary Hays and Amanda P. Maloy, his children totaled seven.

John D. Rushing (b. 1844) did some farming but devoted more of his time to being a merchant. He married twice, first to Martha O. Jamison on May 3, 1866. They had six children: Mary K., William V., George B., Emma, Robert, and Halla. His second wife's name was Kitty. By this marriage only one child was born, and she was named Kitty. John D. Rushing left Pope County and moved to Florida.

Sarah L. Rushing married in 1867 to Jim J. Brown, a farmer. To this marriage were born six children: Burrell, Kenny, Joe, Will, Jay, and Mag. Burrell never married and died from a broken neck for the result of a runaway team. Kenny never married and died at an early age. Joe Brown married Della Poynter and had five children. Will Brown married Lura May Rushing and became a medical doctor. Jay Brown died at about age ten of fever, and along with his brothers and parents was buried in the "Old Brown Cemetery." Maggie Brown married against her father's wishes to Dr. Edward Truitt. Upon hearing of the marriage, Jim J. Brown sought to kill Dr. Ed Truitt. The confrontation ended with Jim J. Brown losing his life to Dr. Ed. Truitt. Dr. Truitt and Maggie Brown Truitt issued seven children; Lula, Mitch, Winnie, Ode, Ed, Belva, and Annie.

Jeanette Angeline Rushing (b. Sept. 16, 1854) married Ed Bradley, a lawyer (on Aug. 29, 1871). To this marriage eight children were born: Kate Geneva, Alberta Benetta, Della Kavanaugh, Edward Coleman, Jeanette Amanda, Idus Lester, Juliet, and Gertrude. Janetta died Jan. 17, 1929 and is buried at "Lake Cemetery" near Dover, Arkansas.

Joseph Euin Rushing (b. March 2, 1858) married Mattie M. Holbrook (on Feb. 27, 1879) who died in 1881 leaving no children. He then married Belle who had two children; Lura May and Finis. After Belle died, Joe married Grace Villyard who bore him three children; Joe William, Robert, and Evelena. Joseph Euin Rushing is buried in Rushing Cemetery along with his wife Mattie and Belle. Grace is buried in California. Joseph was a farmer and also served as deputy sheriff of Pope County.

William Scott Rushing (b. March 2, 1858) was a twin to Joseph Euin. He was a farmer and spent his entire life in the Rushing Community. He married Isabel V. Latimer (on Nov. 20, 1879) and they issued three children; W. Odis, Joseph Claude, and Maiden. Joseph Claude operated the first dry goods store in the Rushing Community established about 1917. William Scott Rushing died on Oct. 31, 1926 and is buried in Rushing Cemetery.



Caroline Rushing and James A. Rushing

Homer Earl Rushing (b. Feb. 1860) married Nannie Moore and from their marriage four children were born; Homer Earl Jr., Jewell, and two infant daughters who died at birth and consequently were not given names. Homer Rushing was a farmer and minister. He lived and farmed throughout his lifetime in the Rushing Community. He was an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church but later in life he was baptized into the Assembly of God Church. He died in 1931 and is buried in Rushing Cemetery.

James Anderson Rushing was born April 1, 1850. On December 30, 1869, at Dover, Arkansas, he was married to Miss Minerva Caroline Jones. The daughter of Benjamine Franklin Jones. Minerva Caroline Jones was born July 15, 1850 in New Mexico Territory. Uncle Jimmy Rushing, as he was known by all who knew him, was a farmer and as a young boy of fourteen he was called upon to participate as a supply wagon driver for the Confederate cause. Quite an undertaking for such a young boy and a subject he was eager to talk of during his later years. It is from Uncle Jimmy that we learned of the early settlers being buried at the "old abandoned cemetery", for this is where his mother Mary Hays Rushing was buried in 1850. Uncle Jimmy Rushing lived all his life in the Rushing Community except for a short period of time in the Harmony Community of Johnson County. James Anderson Rushing died on March 14, 1921, and is buried near his father and stepmother in Rushing Cemetery. Aunt Caroline died on March 17, 1935 and is also buried at Rushing.

THE JAMES ANDERSON RUSHING FAMILY

To the marriage of James Anderson Rushing and Minerva Caroline Jones Rushing were born eleven children: Benjamine Franklin, Mary Ida, Sally Ann, Maggie L., Nora Elizabeth, Unnamed twins, Burrell, James Monroe, Dave Euin, and Myrtle Ivy.

Benjamine Franklin "Frank" Rushing (b. Oct. 25, 1871) married Leda O. Huls. Frank graduated from Dover High School and immediately started teaching school in Pope County. Later he attended the University of Arkansas and graduated as a Doctor of Medicine. He left Arkansas and practiced medicine at Hanna, Indian Territory of Oklahoma. He and Leda issued six children; James, Willene, Evelyn, Jack, Floyd, and Robert. Leda died in 1922 and Frank died on May 24, 1929, and both are buried in the cemetery at Hanna, Oklahoma.

Mary Ida Rusing was born December 3, 1872 and married Jim Morris, but the marriage was dissolved by separation. Ida died on July 20, 1957 at Russellville and is buried in Rushing Cemetery.

Sally Ann Rushing (b. May 22, 1875) married Drew Jones Brown and issued three children; Lena, Glen Ray, and Marvin Euin. Lena and Marvin Euin died as young children, and are buried beside their mother who died in the summer of 1911. They are buried in the Rushing Cemetery.

Maggie L. Rushing was born in 1877 and died in 1882. Burial was in Rushing Cemetery. Her father laid flat stones around the edge of her grave as a means of designation.

Nora Elizabeth Rushing (b. Jan. 10, 1880) married in 1900 to Tull Daniel Phillips. Nora and Tull were the parents of five children; Attriess Ozella, Utah, Dora Caroline, Myrtle Ivy, and Shelly Rushing Phillips. Nora Elizabeth died on April 5, 1950 and is buried at Rushing Cemetery.

Burrell Rushing was born June 9, 1884. He lived his life in the Rushing Community as a farmer. He never married. He died at Little Rock on December 23, 1954 and was brought back to the Rushing Cemetery for burial.

During the short time that James Anderson and Minerva Caroline Rushing lived in the Harmony Community of Johnson County, twins were born. Fate dealt that they should not live. Consequently, they were never named and were buried in the community cemetery.

James Monroe Rushing (b. April 18, 1887) married Minnie Pulling, and to their marriage was born one son; Jimmy. Jim served during the First World War as an infantryman in the United States Army. He was a farmer during his early life, but after the war he served as a Deputy Sheriff and City Marshall in Oklahoma Territory. Jim died on February 28, 1946 at Ft. Smith, and was brought back to Rushing Cemetery for burial.

Myrtle Ivy Rushing (b. March 4, 1893) married Ben Miller of Dover. To them were born two sons, Finis Daymon and James Euin. Ben and Myrtle farmed in Pope County until about 1940 when they moved to California. Myrtle died on Feb. 17, 1975 at Covina, California and was brought back to McFadden Cemetery and buried by her husband Ben and son Finis.

Dave Euin Rushing was born July 16, 1889 on Nixon Mountain, Rushing Community. He married Anna Ellen Stephenson (b. August 9, 1889) on March 1, 1914, by Rev. David H. Rushing. He farmed on the Hays and Tate Islands of Big Piney Creek in the Rushing Community until 1928. Dave and Anna issued two children, Ruby Helen and Hence Euin. In 1928, Dave moved his family to Guthrie, Oklahoma where he farmed cotton. Ruby Helen (b. Jan. 15, 1915) married on March 14, 1934 to Harvey Gregg and died on August 27, 1834. Hence Euin was born on April 26, 1920 and died on December 20, 1937 of a ruptured appendix. Anna died October 15, 1947. Dave buried his family at Crescent, Oklahoma.

Dave is the last Rushing to have been born and raised in the Rushing Community and the highlight of each remaining year is the annual homecoming held on Mother's Day at the Rushing Community.

by Dave Euin Rushing and Kenneth Roy Allen

CAPT. JAMES WASHINGTON RUSSELL, THOMAS JEFFERSON RUSSELL, REVEREND LAWRENCE RUSSELL

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Three Russell brothers, only living sons of Dr. Thomas Russell for whom the town of

Russellville was named, gathered at the John Ganner home on West Main St. (now the Charles Gardner home) in Russellville in July 1915. The father of Alberta (Russell) Ganner and Miss May Russell was Alva Russell who died 19 nov. 1887. The Ganner children in the family group picture are Russell, Claude, Harold and Elizabeth. (1) Captain James Washington Russell, who served in the Confederate Army, never married and lived with the family of his niece Mrs. Estelle Russell Hogins. (2) Thomas Jefferson Russell was the father of Miss Ruth Russell and Mrs. Estelle (Russell) Hogins, and grandfather of her seven children: Leslie Reese, Mildred, Mary Sue, Lucile, Estelle, John Floyd Jr. and Rutherford Benjamin. The son of T.J. Russell Dr. Chester Russell, his wife and children Dora and Chester Jr. were living in Artesia, New Mexico and were not present. (3) Reverend Lawrence Russell, and his daughter Florence, of Newburgh, Indiana. This was to be their last reunion as told in the following copied from an old newspaper clipping by a granddaughter Mildred (Hogins) Craig.

RUSSELL:

A peculiarly sad experience came to the Presbyterian church of Russellville, Ark., recently in the almost simultaneous deaths of two brothers whose lives had been closely associated with the church since its first organization. These two brothers were Thomas J. Russell, of Tucson, Arizona who died 24 December 1915 at the age of sixty-six, and Rev. Lawrence Russell, of Newburgh, Indiana who died 26 Dec. 1915 at the age of sixty.

They came from the family which gave Russellville its name and had spent most of their lives in that place, the former leaving there in 1908 for the benefit of his health, and the latter in 1906, when he was ordained to the Christian ministry. Thomas J. Russell was one of the charter members, a ruling elder and clerk of the session from the time of its organization until his removal to Arizona. He remained a member of this church until the time of his death.

Lawrence Russell was a graduate of the University of Arkansas, and the Law Department of the Cumberland University. For sixteen years he practiced law in Russellville; twice he represented his district in the Arkansas legislature; two terms he served as prosecuting attorney of the Fifth Judicial District of the Arkansas Circuit Courts; and once he was mayor of Russellville. In 1906 he was ordained in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. He became a minister of the United Church and as such continued until the time of his death.

The bodies of both were brought back to Russellville for interment in Oakland Cemetery. The funeral services were conducted together from the church on Friday afternoon, December 31, 1915 by the pastor, Rev. Wiley Lin Hurie.

The remaining brother Capt. James W. Russell lived until Oct. 17 1929, age 89 years. Those in the picture living at this time, May 1978, are Russell Ganner of Little Rock, Ark., Elizabeth Ganner Leming, Beaumont, Texas; Mary Sue Hogins Morgan of Juneau, Alaska, Lucile Hogins Boyce, Webster Groves, Mo;



The Last Russell Family Reunion

Children and grandchildren of Dr. Thomas Russell, who Russellville was named after. L. to R.: Thomas Jefferson Russell, Mary Sue Hogins, Claude Ganner, Elizabeth Ganner, Mildred Hogins, Russell Ganner, and Ruth Russell. Sitting Back Row: Harold Ganner, Leslie Reese Hogins, Florence Russell, Capt. James W. Russell. Sitting Middle Row: Alberta Russell Ganner, Lucile Hogins, Estelle Russell Hogins, May Russell. Front Row: (children) John Floyd Hogins, Jr., R. Ben Hogins, Estelle Hogins and on front is Rev. Lawrence Russell.

and Leslie R. Hogins, R. Ben Hogins, and Mildred Hogins Craig, of Russellville, Ark. by Mildred Hogins Craig

JAMES CLYDE RUTLEDGE

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James Clyde and Stella Rutledge

James Clyde Rutledge was born Dec. 15, 1903 to James Monroe Rutledge and Tamer Wheeler Rutledge. James Monroe's birthplace was in Newton county and Mrs. Rutledge in Johnson county, but lived most of their married life in the Ft. Douglas, Dillon area. Twelve children were born to James Monroe & Tamer Rutledge with eleven growing to adulthood. They were starting with the oldest Claude, Oma, Columbus, Ester, Maggie, James Clyde, Lola, Ertie, Lex, Dee and Albert with one boy dying in infancy.

Clyde attended schools at Crossroads in Boone county, Beech Grove, Johnson Co. and Dillon in Pope County. After school Clyde farmed and started working part time for the

U.S. Forest Service in 1920. His starting salary was \$1.00 per day. He started working full time in 1926 and continued working for a little over 31 years. He retired in 1959. When he retired, he had the responsibility of the upkeep of 146 miles of forest roads, 6 towers, plus other buildings and many miles of telephone lines. The most dangerous situation he ever encountered while working for the forest service was a fire in 1954 which burned over 4000 acres and required about 30 days to completely put out.

Clyde married Stella Shook October 10, 1926. Clyde's 1923 Model T Roadster could not be driven over the road from hwy # 123 to preacher Sam Adams because of the bad condition of the road so preacher Sam walked the three miles out to the hwy and married them at the intersection of the road & hwy. The marriage was witnessed by Bill Shook brother of the bride. Stella was born on Indian Creek to Fannie Wood Shook and Ed Shook, Stella has two brothers Bill and Frank Shook. She is the granddaughter of John Allen and Elizabeth Clayton.

Clyde and Stella moved to Dillon in 1932, where Stella was postmaster for a number of years. Stella was also the last postmaster at Dillon before it was closed. They lived there until 1967 when they moved to Dover. They have one son James Kenneth Rutledge also residing in Dover.

By: Archie Boyd Clayton, Jr.

LILLIAN McCLURE HENRY RYE

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Lille Henry was born south of Pottsville on

September 10, 1889. She was the daughter of Nancy Bingham and Silas Alexander. The Henry family consisted of Elizabeth Irene, born October 28, 1869 and died November 25, 1893; Robert Bingham, born July 24, 1871 and died April 21, 1953; Andrew Kerr, born August 30, 1873 and died December 16, 1896; Charles Walter, born May 3, 1875 and died June 24, 1930; Jennings Monroe, born November 14, 1877 and died May 2, 1942; Joseph Greer, born March 10, 1882 and died March 14, 1945; Dickson Bonner (Dick), born April 26, 1886 and died June 14, 1957; Lillie McClure, born September 10, 1887 and died November 2, 1923; Tom Stevenson, born January 6, 1892 and died May 21, 1944. John McHenry was born September 4, 1880 and died at age one year. (Information taken from Silas Henry bible written by Silas Henry)

As a family the Henrys were a very close knit family and Lillie kept in close contact with her brothers. She was living with her brother Robert B. and was married in their home.

There were three children — Mary Louise, born September 8, 1911; Nannie Jean (Nan), born August 18, 1913; and, Robert Henry (Bud) born March 12, 1915.

Lillie died at age 34 when the children were ages 12, 10 and 8. The family maintained their home at 1100 West Main Street from 1912 until 1960.

Mary Louise was a Home Economist with the University of Arkansas and University of Missouri Extension Service. She married Porter R. Cooper in 1956 and has been living in Little Rock since her retirement.

Nannie Jean (Nan) taught school in Russellville and Fort Smith. She worked with the Child Welfare Division until she became ill in 1964. She married H.C. Ellen of Hope in 1954 who died in 1967.

Robert Henry (Bud) was a lieutenant in the Air Corps and was killed May 15, 1942 in Australia. The Rogers-Rye American Legion Post was named in his memory. He married Kathryn Hogue of Camden in 1941.

by Mary Louise Rye Cooper

T.R. (TRISTUM ROBERT) RYE

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Tristum Robert Rye was born November 21, 1875 near London, the son of Sarah Alice Bonds (5/1/1844) and John Jackson Rye (4/11/1837). The Ryes came from Tennessee.

The Family consisted of Peggy Brownlee, Lydia (Mrs. A.D. Skinn), Stephen Joshua, Tristum Robert (T.R.), and W. Gordon. All lived near London.

Their father, John Jackson Rye, rode horseback to California during the Gold Rush (1849) and upon his return purchased additional land on the Arkansas River. Most of the land is covered by the Lake Dardanelle. Part of the land where Nuclear I and II are located is where home was located.

T.R. Rye married Annice Butts in 1898 and there were two children. John J. (Jay) was born in 1899 and died in 1943. Annice B. was born in 1904 and died in 1973. His wife died when Annice was a baby and her grandmother and grandfather, Dr. and Mrs. M.E. Butts of

Altus, raised her. John J. (Jay) lived with his father in Russellville where T.R. Rye was in business and had farming interests.

On September 12, 1910 he married Lillian McClure, daughter of Silas A. Henry. There were three children — Mary Louise, born September 8, 1911; Nannie Jean (Nan), born August 18, 1913; and, Robert Henry, born March 12, 1915. T.R. Rye was active in the Methodist Church and served on the Board of Directors of the Bank of Russellville for many years.

The family home was at 1100 West Main Street in Russellville. Lillian Henry died in 1923 at the age of 34. Five years later, as the younger brother said, "We married mom on December 26, 1928." Mom was Lily Mashburn, who was one of the early Home Demonstration Agents in Arkansas having at one time served in Pope County and was in Sebastian County when they married. The three children were a part of the planning for the wedding and there was a close relationship in the family.

Lieutenant Robert Henry (Air Corps) was killed during World War II in Australia.

T.R. Rye died in 1946 and Mom maintained the home until her death in 1960. She was active in the Methodist Church and Russellville Culture Club until poor health prevented her participation.

John Jackson Rye, our grandfather, married Sue H. Porter in 1889 and there were two children — Maxie, born November 30, 1890 and died in 1912; and, Mark, born 1894 and died in 1969. Mark married Ora Lee Martin who was from an old Pope County family.

by: Mary Louise Rye Cooper

HISTORY OF WHIT SAFLEY

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Whit Safley, my grandfather, came to Pope County in 1860 from Stanley County, North Carolina. He came with the wagon train of Capt. Adam Furr, my great grandfather. The wagon train consisted of sixteen wagons. They were on the road for one month and crossed the Mississippi river the day Abraham Lincoln was elected president of the United States.

When Safley married Patsy Furr, daughter of Capt. Adam Furr and Sarah Whitley Furr in 1874. They had two sons, William Stanley Safley born in 1876 and James Franklin Safley born in 1878. My grandmother Patsy died when my father and Uncle Frank were very small and my great grandfather Capt. Adam Furr took them into his home and along with the nineteen children of his own, brought them up to be good, honest, hard working, christian citizens.

My father, William Stanley Safley, when a young man married Dollie Rowland in 1895 and settled on a farm near Dover in Pope County. They had one son, Luther Franklin born January 1, 1897. When Luther was a small boy his mother died. My father later met and married Niece Koone of Van Buren County in 1902. They had two children Jessie born in 1904 and Olen born in 1907. Niece Safley died

when Olen was about two years old, leaving my father with three young children to raise. About one year later my father, William Stanley Safley, met my Mother, Sarah Jane Garner, daughter of Martin Starling Garner and Mary Jane Parker Garner, at a picnic in Van Buren County, fell in love with her and married her October 10, 1909. To this union was born a girl, Floy Belle, September 13, 1911. At this time my mother and father lived on a 160 acre homestead in Van Buren County. My father received his patent on the land from President Wm. H. Taft, September 21, 1911, just eight days after I was born. He later sold the land and moved back to Dover in Pope County when I was five years old. When I was eleven we moved to Russellville. My father died in 1939 at age 63 and my mother died in 1968 at age 91. They are both buried in McFadden Cemetery. My great grandfather, Capt. Adam Furr, trained his men of Co. F, 15th Regiment, Arkansas Militia during the Civil War where the McFadden cemetery is now located.

My father's brother, Uncle Frank Safley, married Margaret James and they had a girl, Lucy, and a boy, Charley. When Aunt Margaret died he married Cora Loyd and they had one boy, Charles Tanze, in 1914. Uncle Frank died in 1920 and is also buried in McFadden Cemetery.

My half brother, Luther Safley, married Flora Carey, daughter of Joseph Carey and Martha Woods Carey in 1919. They had the following children: Glen, Joe, James, Clyde, Floy, Dollie, Ollie, Reta and Greta. My half sister, Jessie, married William Duvall, son of John and Delie Mills Duvall, in 1922 and they had the following children: Norman, Gladys, J.W., Bobby, C.T., Oscar and Barbara.

I married James Winston Chapman January 1, 1930. James was a native of Louisiana and the son of James Alexander and Floy Davidson Chapman. We were married in Tallulah, Louisiana and two years later moved to Russellville where we have lived ever since. Our first child, a boy, Robert Eugene (Bob) was born January 8, 1932. Some eleven years later we had a baby girl, Charlotte Jane, born May 8, 1943.

Our son, Bob, graduated from West Point Military Academy in 1954 and is now a Brig. General in the United State Air Force. He married Helen Gunter of San Angelo, Texas in 1955 and they have one son, Robert Eugene II.

Our daughter, Charlotte, attended the University of Arkansas and majored in Home Economics. She married James Ernest Shinn in 1963 and they have one daughter, Julie Chapman Shinn.

I am indeed grateful for the christian heritage that has been handed down to me, my children and my grandchildren.

by Floy Safley Chapman

JAMES SCARLETT

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James Scarlett, born 1792; married Sally

Allen in 1813, born in 1794. Both were born in Orange County, North Carolina. They had eight children including one named William Pratt born in Orange County, North Carolina, in 1816, where he married Jane Reed in 1834. They came to Lewisburg in Conway County, Arkansas, by boat bringing slaves and settling on a farm until moving to Galla Rock on the Arkansas river in Pope County. Jane died in 1856. He then married Susan Hargrove. They were living at Galla Rock when they had two children, Wade LaFayette and Rebecca.

Wade LaFayette married Emma Idella Bottoms, February 22, 1873. Emma Idella was the daughter of Presley Luster born in Gibson County, Tennessee. Presley Luster was living in Gibson County when he married Arvie Zenia Keathly in 1847. Presley Luster Bottoms' father was Pascal Harrison Bottoms. His mother was a Boyette, first cousin of President Harrison. Pascal Harrison Bottoms married Margaret Ann Key; both had been born in New York.

Wade LaFayette Scarlett lived on a farm with his parents near Galla Rock until coming to Russellville about 1885 where he married Emma Idella Bottoms in 1893. She was born in Trenton, Tennessee, 1873, and her family came to Pope County by wagon. The chair which her mother rode in during the trip is still in the Scarlett family, and the bottoms of the chair legs were worn down during the trip. Presley Luster and his wife moved to Dardanelle where they had a hotel near the old river dock. This is where Wade or W.L. (as he was known) and Emma were married before he brought her back to Russellville and where he learned the brick laying trade. He had a brick plant on the west side of what is now Oakland Cemetery. The bricks were hand made, stacked in kilns, where they were burned with wood fires. Many of the future businessmen in the 1900's worked there as young men during the summer months. The brick were hauled to the different jobs. Many houses and business buildings were built, many of which are now standing and will be preserved by the Heritage Society. W.L. and Emma had seven children — two girls and five boys. One girl died when she was two years old and one boy died when he was eleven. W.L. taught the four boys to lay brick so they would have a trade if they wanted to use it and also to supplement the family income and help pay for their education.

One sister, Arvie Zenia, married and moved to Harrison where she now lives. She has two married daughters. W.P. is a doctor and lives with his wife, the former Vivian Bullock. They have two children. Winton moved to Longview, Texas, where he died in 1976. He and his wife Catherine Wilson Scarlett had six children. Robert married Juanita Hubbard, whose father and mother were raised near Scottsville, Arkansas. Robert is a World War II veteran and has been a general contractor since the war, building many houses and commercial buildings. Robert and Juanita have two children, Robert, Jr. and Polly Lou.

by Robert M. Scarlett



THE FRED SCHMOLL FAMILY

FRED SCHMOLL, SR.

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Fred Schmoll, Sr., born in Prussia, Germany 1837-1924; Married Marie K. Walters 1840-1923. This union brought forth 7 children, Herman 1869-1910; Maria 1870; Ferdinandina 1872 spouse a Taylor; Anton 1874-1906; Catherina 1876, died in Chicago fire; Fredrick 1878-1943 spouse Josephine Kersten; Joseph 1880-1942. Upon applying for citizenship papers for his family and himself in 1882 they were declared citizens of the United States. They journeyed to America for 6 weeks by boat. Their main diet while aboard was fish and bread. From the stories they were told they looked forward to traveling to this great land where the hogs had knives and forks in there back's ready to be eaten upon. Stories told of this great land with soil that would grow generous amounts of anything. After reaching the U.S. they embarked in Philadelphia then journeyed to Arkansas by train and flat wagons. They homesteaded on Crow Mountain, tilling the soil was first hand business to these courageous people. In 1920 Fred Schmoll, Sr. moved his family to Atkins in a big white two story house located just west of Atkins. This house is still a Schmoll family household. Fred, Jr. married Josephine Kersten, this union brought forth 5 children, Carl 1912-1972 spouse Dorothy Nottenkamper, 5 children; Dorothy, 1910 married James Merriman; Hilda 1914, spouse Isaac Newton Angelen, 1 child; Christine 1916, spouse Donald Clark, 1 child; Clara 1918-1971; The second of the children Carl married Dorothy Nottenkamper, they made their home with Fred and Josephine, farming and helping Fred, Sr. with his winery. The vinyard was large and abounding in early years. Carl and Fred enjoyed hunting ducks. Carl talked a lot about his tame mallards which were his live decoys. Carl went to the

Army serving his time at Fort Smith, Ark. Fred died and Carl was discharged to take care of his family. Later he became a construction worker then welder. Carl's marriage to Dorothy brought forth 5 children; Carlene 1943, spouse John Ewing, 1 child Erica; Jo Ann 1945, spouse Alton Spence, 1 child Douglas; Louis 1946, divorced 2 sons Robbie and Richie; Bernardine 1948, spouse Willie Harvill, 2 children Marlena and Duncan; John 1950, spouse Neda Brock, 3 children, Brandy, Bradick, and Shawn.

All of the last generation live in Atkins and attend the Catholic Church and the Atkins Public Schools. I am in awe of my history. In me exist a part of each of my ancestors. The love I hold for each of these great pioneers is abounding. I only hope to instill in my children a small part of what I feel about this great thing we call our past.

by Bernardine Harvill

GEORGE WASHINGTON & MARY (POLLY) (HILL) SCOTT EARLY PIONEERS

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Tradition relates the story that a MR. SCOTT served in the American Revolution WAR under President George WASHINGTON. He was one of the last to receive a "Sheepskin discharge signed by the President," who was said to have been a personal friend of MR. SCOTT. Mr. SCOTT married and named his "first son" for his good friend President George WASHINGTON. He received a Bounty Land Grant in North Carolina where he is said to have raised a large family; one son was named Samuel SCOTT. Samuel SCOTT had at least two sons called "Bill & Jim SCOTT." Nothing more is known of that family — unless the Samuel & Nancy SCOTT who lived next door to George Washington SCOTT³ in

Pope County Arkansas 1850 Census was that brother! That is very possible!

George Washington SCOTT³, b ca 1806 in NC, was m to Mary (called Polly) HILL daughter of William (called Billy) HILL. Polly was said to have a blind brother Bart HILL who lived to an old age in Pope County, Arkansas. George & Polly SCOTT had at least (12) children. Both are buried in a SCOTT FAMILY PLOT (which is marked with a concrete curbing) in HASKINS Cemetery on Crow Mtn in Pope Co., ARK. These graves have no only sandstones and some initials are still legible.

George & Polly's twelve (12) children were: Dicy M.⁴, Joachum M.⁵, James I. (compilers ggf)⁶, Elizabeth R.⁷, Virginia H. (called Jennie)⁸, Martha Ann⁹, Adeline M.¹⁰, James W. (called 2nd James)¹¹, Sarah L.¹², Matilda (called Tildie)¹³, Jimmy¹⁴, and Samuel¹⁵. These names have been passed on to most every generation of the descending SCOTT families. The number following the names is the paragraph number for further information on that family member.

4. Dicy M. SCOTT, b 1830/31 in TN, m 31 Oct 1851 in Pope Co., ARK. to Will Henderson VERDON, per M-Book B40; ages were 21 & 20. Henderson & Dicy were said to have raised a large family in Pope County, Arkansas.

5. Joachum D. SCOTT, b ca 1834 in TN, was said to have died in infancy prob. in TN.

6. James I. SCOTT, b 27 Feb 1836 @ Wayne/Wayne Co., TN, m 07 Sept 1854 at Pope Co., Ark., to Susan (ah?) Ann MORPHIS dau. of Pioneers Ezeikel & Nancy (KENDRICK) MORPHIS. He d on Crow Mtn on 29 Oct 1906. A CIVIL WAR MONUMENT marks his grave in HASKINS cemetery on Crow Mtn. More will be given on this family as a separate Pope Co. pioneer as this is the compilers ggf.

7. Elizabeth R. SCOTT, b 1838 in TN, was first m 25 Oct 1856 to Ebenezer KENDRICK per Pope County M-Book C63 by Wm. REYNOLDS, J.P. This is thought to have been the same "Liz" who later m a MR. PARISH. Children are unknown, but a gggd, Mrs. Duane SWEAT, 5580 South 12W, Riverside, Utah 84067, is searching this line.

8. Virginia H. (called Jennie) SCOTT was b ca 1840 @ Fairfield, Wayne Co., Illinois, where her parents had moved while he worked to build the railroad there. Jennie was the first wife of Elic HEFLIN & mother of his first (8) children: Will, John, Jim, Joe, Dowell, Sam, Mary Ann, & Arbella. Elic HEFLIN m2 to Sarah SANDERS & m3 to Parolee GRAY who was the mother of Noah & Ida.

9. Martha Ann SCOTT, b 22 Feb 1842 @ Fairfield, Wayne Co., Illinois, m James Jeffery CHURCHILL in Pope Co., ARK. on 31 Aug. 1859. A descendant, Mrs. Beatrice V. WORSLEY, researches this line. She owns Loma Linda Ranch, R3, Everton, ARK., 72633, and also maintains a residence at Hector, ARK., where she lived while doing genealogical research in Pope Co., ARK. She also lives part time in California. Before Martha Ann's 3rd birthday, George & Polly SCOTT moved their family of six children from Illinois to Crow MTN in Pope Co., ARK. in a "two wheel Ox Cart" with all their children ranging in age from 2-14 years.

10. Adeline M. SCOTT, b ca 1845 @ Pope Co., ARK.

11. James W (Called 2nd James) SCOTT, b Aug 1846 in Pope Co. ARK. Probably died young.

12. Sarah L. SCOTT, b ca 1848 @ Pope Co, ARK, m Andrew (called Jack) DuVALL per Pope County M-Book D230 on 12 June 1870.

13. Matilda (called Tildie) SCOTT, b ca 1850 in Pope Co., ARK., m Ruffus RUSSELL per Pope County M-book D238 on 29 Sept 1870. It is possible that Ruffus was part of that first RUSSELL FAMILY for whom Russellville was named.

14. Jimmie SCOTT was b ca 1852 in Pope Co., ARK.

15. Samuel SCOTT was b ca 1854 @ Pope Co., Ark.

The compiler has a massive SCOTT FAMILY COLLECTION of which this is only a minute part. Correspondence is encouraged from anyone descending from any of these children.

Our earliest SCOTT PIONEER to Pope County was George Washington SCOTT ca 1844/45.

by (Mrs.) Marcus Leo FLETCHER

JOHN AND NANCY SCOTT

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John and Nancy Scott come to Pope Co. from Tenn. and settled on Crow Mt. They had 5 children. Billy Scott — a blacksmith; Ledia married Henry Harris; Martha Ann married Mack Jackson; Lou married Tom Landers; Jeanie married John Coleman.

John Scott was a shoe cobbler.

Nancy died before 1905 and was buried in the Hoskins Cemetery on Crow Mt. John died about 1911 and was buried in Oklahoma, where he was living at the time with his son, Billy.

Martha Ann, the third child, married Mack Jackson and they had 8 children. Annie Haney (died as a young mother); Etta Murdock (died June 1977); Ora (died as a young child); Ethel Haney now lives in Atkins; Walsie Long lives in Morrilton; Jay Jackson lives in Atkins.; Roy Jackson lives in Atkins. Theta Morton (deceased).

Annie married Dr. Arther Haney and 2 children. A son, Duel lives in Memphis, Tenn. A daughter, Margaret Ann married Herbert Crews of Ga. and lives in Lake City, Fla. They have a son and a daughter.

Etta Married Marian Murdock and had 3 daughters, Euletta, Reba and Earlene. Euletta is the the Hughes, Arkansas School System. Reba makes her home in Atkins. Earlene married Paul Matthews and had two sons, Jerry and John Paul. Earlene and Paul made their home in Knoxville, Tenn. until their deaths in the mid-seventies.

Ethel married Sewood Haney and had 3 children. A son, Dyal married Elise Burris. They have one daughter, Marilyn. The Sewood Haney's daughter, Alyene married Herbert Gales and has two children, Crayton Lyn and The Haney's son Berman married Wanda Burris and have two children, Susan

and Philip. The Haney's make their home in Atkins.

Walsie Jackson married George Long and had 8 children. They are Helen, Georgia Lou, Martha Sue, Elizabeth, Mack Earl, Carl, David and Betty Jo. The George Longs lived for a short time in Atkins before moving to Morrilton where Walsie still makes her home.

Jay Jackson married Vera Reynolds of Atkins. They reside on the Mack Jackson home place, north of Atkins. Jay is a retired carpenter. They had 4 children. Jay W. and his wife Patsy live in Clinton, Arkansas. They have twin daughters. Martha Eunice married Lee Marks. Their two children are Gary and Ronda. They make their home in Michigan. Bobbie Jean married Bill McGoughan and they have a daughter Becky. Willia Dean, the Jay Jacksons youngest daughter makes her home in Atkins.

Roy Jackson married Grace (Martin) and had 2 children. Charles Edward married Carolyn (Berry) and they have a daughter, Kelly. They make their home in Sanford, Fla. The Roy Jacksons' daughter, Shirley Ann was married to Don Canerday and had a son, Jon Jackson Canerday. Jon is a senior at Arkansas Tech University. Shirley is now married to Frank Pickle and they live in Atkins. Grace Jackson died January 28, 1972. Roy, a retired farmer, still makes his home on Route 2, Atkins.

Theta Jackson married Bruce Morton and had 2 children. A daughter, Betty married Raymond Wiley and had 3 children, Larry, John and Janan. Theta's son Bob and his wife live in North Little Rock. They have 1 daughter.

by Charles E. Jackson

JOHN GREEN & SARAH (SALLIE) SKAGGS SCOTT

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John Green & Sallie Skaggs Scott

John Green SCOTT was the second child of James I. SCOTT who pioneered to Pope County Arkansas with his parents, George Washington & Mary Pollie HILL SCOTT in a two-wheel ox cart when James I. SCOTT was only 9 years old. John's mother's parents (Ezekiel & Nancy KENDRICK MORPHIS) were early Pope County pioneers, also.

John Green SCOTT, b 06 Feb 1856 near Russellville in Pope County Arkansas, m Sarah (called Sallie) SKAGGS (the oldest daughter of Hudson F. SKAGGS, Pope County Pioneer.) John and Sallie were married 23 September 1875 by George KYLE, J.P. per M-book "D422." Sallie SKAGGS, b ca 1859 in Scott County, Arkansas, was mother of all (14) of John Green SCOTT's children: Lucy Matilda, Mary Ellen, Rosie, Minnie Ola, Eliza Jane, Manda Kassie, Lester Lathniel, William Marion, Sarah Bell, Ada Martha, Eziekel Henderson, John Wiley, and TWINS — Paul & Lena May. Lena May is the compiler's mother and the only living member of that family.

A large portion of the following information was obtained from Zeke, John & Lena. Zeke SCOTT, served two terms as mayor of Ruidoso Downs, N.M. The first term it was still named "Greentree, N.M." He served again at age 75 years, at which time he was interviewed by a newspaper reporter named Daniel A. STORM in a column "THE SILVER LINING." Zeke was full of fun and always could make one laugh. Zeke said that he had attended a year in a one-room country school on Crow Mtn and was seven years old when the family began the journey westward toward the Creek Indian Nation. The family, including his father and mother, two sisters, younger brother and older brother and his wife — journeyed in two covered wagons, driving a herd of cattle, riding horseback, and walking part of the time. Two things Zeke remembered about the trip were when the cattle got caught in the quick sand crossing the South Canadian River and had to be pulled out; and the time he fell off the black pony he and his younger brother took turns riding. He said that he "still carries that scar from the fall" as he felt the back of his head. Lena May remembered crossing the Arkansas River and making camp. She picked "Paw Paws" to eat. That is a banana like fruit that she found ripe to eat. They rented land from the Creek Indians who were friendly. In fact, Zeke's sister Ada married a Creek Indian, when she grew up. Zeke spoke highly of these people and remembered those as Happy Days. He said there were still lots of old Texas Longhorn cattle roaming without fences.

John Green (called Gotch Eyed John) & Sarah (called Sallie) SKAGGS SCOTT's children were all born in Arkansas. It is probable that some were born on Crow, Petti Jean & Blue Mountains in Arkansas. Lena said "Poppa didn't stay long any place, if the land didn't make a crop, he just moved on somewhere to make the next one."

1) Lucy Matilda SCOTT, b 24 Oct 1876 on Crow Mtn in Pope County Arkansas, m ca 1893/4 probably in Pope County to Joseph William (called Billy) MORPHIS son of Augustine (called Gus) & Malisa GIDEON MORPHIS. Seventeen (17) Children were born of

this union. The (17) children of Billy & Lucy SCOTT MORPHIS would fill the history book in itself. One cousin tells that Aunt Lucy didn't cook a pound of bacon for breakfast, she cooked a "side of bacon" for breakfast. She said that the men and boys ate first then the girls ate and cleaned the kitchen. No body went to the table without first washing hands and combing their hair. No body ate before the blessing was asked. The boys all worked outdoors and the girls worked indoors. 1) Ben Hollis MORPHIS never married as he was a WWI casualty at the Battle of St. Mihiel, 90th Div, Army Inf. in France 12-16 Sept 1918. He is buried @ National Cemetery at Ft. Smith, ARK. 2) Charlie MORPHIS, b 15 Dec 1896 @ Russellville, Pope Co, ARK; m 31 Dec 1922 @ Bearden, Okfuskee County, OK, to Francis Mae (called Fannie) TREAT. They had (2) sons James Holland and Carl William. Charlie MORPHIS still lives at Holdenville and has been the "Oldest Man Present" at the SCOTT FAMILY REUNION for many years. 3) George Washington MORPHIS, b 24 Aug 1898 @ Russellville m in 1925 @ Okeana, OK, to Lola Mae JOHNSTON. Their (6) children Cathaleen, Grover, Geneva, Virginia, Hugh & Oliver were all b in OK. Lola Mae d in 1939 @ Stillwell, OK. George d Feb 1974 @ McLeansboro, ILL; both are buried at Holdenville Cemetery, Hughes Co, OK. 4) Edgar Daniel MORPHIS, b 17 June 1900 @ Russellville, m 10 Jan 1924 @ Bearden, OK, to Dophne 'Iris' TREAT b 1904 in Yell Co., ARK. Their (3) children are Bert Hollis, Huel Dean, & Eddie Gene. Edgar d 10 Jan 1973 @ Tulsa, OK; bu @ Broken Arrow, OK. Iris moved back to Wewoka, OK, where she was being treated for Lung Cancer in 1977. She was Co-Chairman for the 1977 SCOTT REUNION. 5) Myrtle Zetta MORPHIS, b 16 Dec 1901 @ Russellville, Pope Co, ARK, m 06 Nov 1921 to Alva Edmond PRESTON of TX. Their (6) children are: Vera 'Faye', Wanda Lavada, J.R., Arthur Frank, Dr. Billy Jack, & Ike Dewaine. 6) Vera Belle MORPHIS, b 03 Oct 1903 @ Russellville, m /V Homer S HART/ of Kansas and had (2) children: Delbert Lee & a stillborn. They live at Golden, Colorado. 7) Emma MORPHIS first married Loy GAY and remarried Lloyd DINGMAN. She has (4) Children: Emma Lee, Lloyd Cecil, Bobbie & Tommy. She lived in the Heavener, OK, area. 8) Arzena MORPHIS, b 21 Dec 1906 in Franklin Co, ARK., m Edward Lado HECKETHORN. Although married many years, there were no children. He d 27 May 1972 and was bu at HECKETHORN Cemetery South of Vandalia, Illinois. They lived at Mattoon, ILL. 9) Cienmie 'Mozell' MORPHIS, b 27 Aug 1908 @ Russellville, Pope Co, ARK, m on 25 Dec 1926 at Holdenville, Hughes Co, OK., to Karmond Sawyer BOND. They have two children Margaret Lee & Clifford Ray, and are living at Seminole, OK. 10) Ella MORPHIS, b over in Franklin Co, ARK.; m Max GREENE and had a daughter Kathy. Ella lives as a widow in Oklahoma. 11) Mae MORPHIS m1) Bob RHODES & remarried John McDONALD. She has (2) children: Barbara & Francis RHODES. 12) Preston MORPHIS, b 22 Dec 1914 @ Bearden, Okfuskee Co, OK, m in 1948 at McLeansboro, ILL., to Irene MALLEY. No

Children. 13) Wallace MORPHIS, b 22 April 1918 @ Bearden, OK, first m Lorene WILSON & m2) Dorothy Estelle TERRY. Wallace has one son, David Cornelius who lives @ Sapulpa and Wallace lives at Preston, OK. Wallace looks exactly like the picture of the Early Pioneer, James I. SCOTT. All are faithful to the SCOTT ANNUAL REUNION. 14) Harley MORPHIS, b 13 May 1920 @ Okemah, m Eunice Marie STOCKWELL and have (4) children: Donna Marie, Harley James, Tammy Jean & Terry Rae. They live at Excelsior Springs, MO. 15) Chester MORPHIS, b 06 Jan 1921, m Pauline STOVALL and have (3) children: Neal Cathaleen & Becky. Chester & Pauline live at Stilwell, OK. 16) Vanila MORPHIS, b 16 June 1923 @ Okemah, OK, m 28 March 1942 @ Ft. Smith, ARK., to Johnnie Lee PHIPPS and have (3) children: Vanila Lee, Gary Wayne, Debra Anette. (An apology, the compiler knows that Vanila and her dau do not spell the name the same, but it is pronounced same.) The 17th Child died in infancy.

2) Mary Ellen (called Mel) SCOTT, b ca 1877 in Pope Co., ARK, was the second of John & Sallie SKAGGS SCOTT's children. She m Jeff Hayes ALLEN, and only had one son, Jeffery Lee who m Ellen MILLER of Waldon, ARK., who had (2) children, Cecil Earl & Betty Jo. "Mel" died at Artesia, N.M. and it is said that she weighed out at about 400 pounds and had to be turned in bed.

3) Eliza Jane (called Liz) SCOTT, b 27 Nov 1880 on Petti Jean MTN in ARK, m1) 15 Aug 1897 to Thomas Frances DUVALL of Morrilton, ARK. They had (6) children: Hettie Bell, Fanny Francis, Lela Agnes, Gracie Mae and TWINS, Tennie Beatrice and her twin brother who died an infant. Liz was widowed in Aug 1914 and buried her husband at Bishop Cemetery on Petti Jean Mtn in ARK. Thomas Frances DUVALL was a widower with 5 children when he married Liz. He was 12 years her senior. Grandpap tried to run him off, but he didn't scare easily. Liz remarried 07 Oct 1917 to Ambros Henry SKAGGS son of Ashley SKAGGS who was the brother of Hudson F. SKAGGS father of Sallie SKAGGS SCOTT. That didn't last long and they were divorced years prior to her death 09 Feb 1946 @ her home at 200 E. Cyprus, Holdenville, OK. She is buried in John Green SCOTT's Cemetery Plot at the Holdenville Cemetery.

4) Manda Kassie SCOTT, b Dec 1881 on Crow Mtn, Pope Co., ARK, m her sister Liz's husband's brother Ruben DUVALL. She died when her only child, Casey (a dau) was only 6 months old in Aug 1900 in Arkansas. Grandpap, John Green SCOTT, is said to have ridden a horse back to Arkansas and brought the baby home for Grandma to care for. Casey's dad died before her second birthday. She lived with Grandpap and raised with his children and his youngest daughter was one year younger than Casey. Casey m1) to an older man, Jay ROCHELLE and had one stillborn child. She remarried, although the family never mentioned it, to a Mr. EISENHOUR. That didn't last long and she spent most of her life with Lena and other family members, including a couple of years as housekeeper and baby sitter for the compiler when our

children were young. Everyone loved her and she visited all the relatives regularly. She was a member of the Hartshorne Assembly of God Church where her funeral was held Nov 17, 1972. She is buried at Elmwood Cemetery at Hartshorne.

NOTE; Rosie and Minnie Ola were b in 1877 and 1878 in Pope Co, ARK, before Eliza Jane. But both died in childhood and the older children had forgotten it until they saw it on the Census Record. The numbers are for those children of John & Sallie SCOTT who lived to be adults. Lester Lathniel SCOTT was also b in Pope Co, ARK and died at age (2) yrs with Whooping Cough. He is probably in the Haskins Cemetery Curbed SCOTT FAMILY PLOT with a sandstone marker. He was born after Manda Kassie and before William Marion.

5) William Marion (called Will) SCOTT, b 15 Aug 1886 @ Pope Co., ARK., m there on 10th Sept 1907 to Maggie Verlan LEE, dau of Bill LEE of Crow Mtn. They had (7) children: Vida, Gladys, Dolly, Faye, Billy, Lester, & Clinton. Vida was b @ Pottsville, ARK, 25 Aug 1907 and m Dean Smith KENDRICK @ Russellville on 12 Aug 1926. He was b at Liberty Grove, Pope Co., ARK. Dean & Vida have (12) Children and live at Hartshorne, OK. It is believed that All the other children were born in Oklahoma as Will & Verlan came with John & Sallie SCOTT in that Covered Wagon to the Creek Indian Nation when they hadn't been married too long. Believe they only had the one child then. William Marion (called Will) SCOTT d in 1969 @ Hartshorne, OK.

6) Sarah 'Bell' SCOTT, b 09 Sept 1889 @ Russellville, Pope Co., ARK, m Andrew Jackson BURKHEAD and had (3) children: Dorothy b 15 Aug 1907 in ARK, Taft Jackson b 12 Nov 1908 @ Russellville, and Edmond BURKHEAD b 26 July 1918 who m Edith LEE related to Verlon LEE wife of her bro. Will. Dorothy died in 1937 @ Pecan Grove, Hughes Co, OK leaving two small children. Taft lives at Holdenville, Edmond lives @ N. Little Rock.

7) Ada Martha SCOTT, b 27 July 1891 in Pope Co., ARK, m 08 Jan 1911 @ Holdenville, Hughes Co., OK, to /Ed BROOKS/, a Creek Indian. They have two (2) sons: George William and Edde Tunney. Both born in Hughes Co. Both live in the OKC area now.

8) Ezekiel Henderson (called Zeke) SCOTT, b "on George Washington's birthday, 22 Feb 1895 on a farm near Russellville, ARK.; m1) Una OTT. A daughter, Helen, was b 16 June 1917 at Bearden, Okfuskee Co, OK, Una d 28 Nov 1918 @ Bearden where she is buried. Zeke remarried Walcie Telly MORPHIS daughter of Frank & Susan MORPHIS. Frank was son of Gus & Melissa MORPHIS. Susan was dau of John & Martha KENDRICK. Walcie was mother of (11) children for a total of One Dozen children for Zeke. All were b in OK. Children are: Aubrey, G. Raymond, Rev. Edward Henderson (An Asm of God Minister in OKC), Stanford Dale, Mona Lee, Willene (called Bill), Joyce, Doris Mae, Sally, Wayne & Calvin 'Joe'. Doris Mae lives in Memphis, TN; Sally lives in Eastern OK; Wayne is deceased and all the others live in the Ruidosa Downs-Alamagordo area, except Helen, who lives in Illinois now.

9) John Wiley SCOTT, b 15 Aug 1897 at Atkins, Pope Co., ARK; m 15 Aug 1897 @ Detroit, Michigan to Ada JENNINGS of Bellville, ARK, dau of James Perry & Mary Cathrine WILSON JENNINGS. They have (3) children: Bette, Hollis & John Bruce. John & Ada SCOTT celebrated their GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY on Nov 1, 1975 while he was still enjoying good health. He had a stroke on Christmas Eve and died 06 Jan 1976. He was retired from Magnolia Oil Company and lived at Wewoka, Oklahoma. He held the SCOTT FAMILY REUNIONS at his home for many years when he heard that Zeke was coming home — he "got the bunch together." The Bunch outgrew his home and we changed the meeting place to the Wewoka City Park. "Uncle John" planted the first seed of interest in the Family History for the Compiler. The hobby grew to a disease and I'm sure it is a terminal case as we cannot collect enough data fast enough to please us, now. It all started with Uncle John, but since Uncle Zeke was older we went to him for earlier information. The SCOTT FAMILY HISTORY COLLECTION is a massive one that still needs a lot of work to compile it properly.

10) THE TWINS: Paul & Lena May (Compiler's Mother), b 03 Oct 1901 near Booneville, on Blue Mtn, ARK. A birth certificate has not been located; and it is possible that she was also born in Pope County. Paul was the weaker of the twins and he only lived a few hours. Lena May is the only living member of John & Sallie SCOTT's children at the time of this writing. Her children are Lorene b 20 Sept 1917 @ Welekee, OK, m (Rev) Hudie LEE b 24 Aug 1909 @ Russellville, Pope Co, ARK, son of Tom & Mary ROBERTS LEE (so the Crow Mtn People were still migrating to OK as late as 1934 & 35.) Her second child was (the compiler) Marcus Leo (called Mark) FLETCHER b 07 Feb 1929 @ Holdenville, Hughes Co, OK; m 27 May 1950 @ Clayton, Union Co, N.M. to Charlcie Pauline CARLTON b 05 Apr 1933 @ Hobart, Kiowa Co, OK dau of Charlie B. & Reba FOSTER CARLTON who were living at Sunray, Texas at that time. We have (3) sons, (2) daughters-in-laws, & (3) lovely grandchildren at the time of this paper. Len's 3rd child is Bobby Lee FLETCHER b 20 Sept 1930 @ Hughes Co, OK; 4th) Jimmy Lloyd FLETCHER b June 1935 @ San Angelo, Tom Green Co, TX where MR. FLETCHER had moved for the hot dry climate to cure his TB. He died there 13 March 1936. His son Jimmy Lloyd only lived one month. Mr. FLETCHER was a widower with (6) living children when Lena May SCOTT married him. After his death, she returned with her children to her "Pap" at Holdenville where she met Grady Martin ARNOLD, another widower with (4) children. They were married at Colgate, Coal Co, OK 10 Nov 1937. They had (3) children: Alma May and TWINS (Herman & Ferman) who only lived a few months. Mr. & Mrs. ARNOLD are now living at Rt 6, McAlester, OK.

The first trip to Pope County Arkansas made lots of new friends and found many unknown cousins to some degree. The POPE COUNTY PEOPLE are most gracious hosts and have been very helpful to us in compiling

the earlier generations when we ran into a genealogical brick wall, we found more Bible Records and early history in their picture boxes and early records. Thanks to all. When we read Pope County Census Records now, we can identify with practically everyone living there in 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880 & 1900. Sorry that we didn't know about this project earlier so we could compile other families in Early Pope County. "The Kendrick Kindred, Volume 1 by Guy DYSON 1973" should be in your library. "THE SCOTT SCANNER" Published quarterly by Kenma Publishing Company, A Division of Enterprise Associates, 1911 Conlin Ave. Evansville, Indiana, 47714 is a combined effort of all present day genealogist working SCOTT FAMILY RESEARCH in America and prior to their landing in the New World. A Subscription rate was \$12.95 per year; all subscriptions begin with first issue of the year. We are in no way connected, just subscrib to that quarterly. If you descend from a SCOTT in America, don't miss that publication.

The SCOTT FAMILY REUNION will be held the first Sunday of October in 1978 at the Holdenville Community Center this year. We arrive early with our Families and Food for a Full day of Fun. A Small Collection is taken for expenses. Friends and Family are always welcome.

There are many more links to this family chain, many new babies and probably new in-laws who didn't get in this issue. If you have given me your family, I will have it in the file. Sorry this issue is not large enough to name all the Great & Great Great Grandchildren of every pioneer. This was consecrated on Pioneer Descendants prior to 1900, and their children.

by (Mrs.) Marcus Leo FLETCHER

PRAIRIE JIM & SUSIE SCOTT EARLY POPE COUNTY PIONEERS

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James I. Scott of Co. D 2nd Ark. Inf. and wife, Susanah Morphis Scott and niece, Dicy Elizabeth Blackburn Moore — 1881.

The third child born to George Washington & Mary (called Polly) (HILL) SCOTT was James I. (called Prairie Jim) SCOTT, b 27 Feb 1836 @ Wayne/Wayne Co., TN, moved before his fourth (4th) birthday with his parents and family to Fairfield, Wayne Co., Illinois where his father worked to "build the railroad." When he was barely nine (9) years old, the family moved again — from Wayne Co., Illinois, to Crow Mtn in Pope Co., ARK, where he grew up. He married 07 Sept 1854 at age 18 years to a 22 year old Susan (ah) Ann (called Susie) MORPHIS, daughter of Early Pioneer Ezeikel & Nancy (KENDRICK) MORPHIS per Pope Co. M-Book B99.

Prairie Jim & Susie SCOTT raised eight (8) children on Crow Mtn as follows: Joseph Auguston (called Joe)¹, John Green (called Gotch-eyed John) — (compilers gf)², Rhoda Ann³, Mary Elizabeth⁴, William Jimmy⁵, Nancy Jane⁶, George Washington⁷, & Samuel⁸.

Prairie Jim SCOTT was said to have been a very strong man and could buck the largest bail of hay on Crow Mtn. He was a proficient carpenter and farmer. He built several family homes on Crow Mtn. One small log cabin used as a tool shed now by his gs Bill BOWDEN still stands. Prairie Jim farmed an additional 40 acres in the bottom land (off crow mtn at Gum Log TWP), but couldn't live in the bottom because of the fever and misquitoses. There was a spring on his place on Crow Mtn that was said to have watered 200 head of cattle & his entire family and never ran dry. That spring was "still active" in 1975 and feeds into galla creek.

When James I. SCOTT enlisted to serve his country on Sept 10, 1863 at Dardenelle, he was described as 6 feet tall, fair complexion, grey eyes, light hair, occupation farmer, b Wayne, TN. He mustered in Dec 1, 1863 at Ft Smith by Maj. L.J. WEED. He was age 27 years when he left his wife and four small children at home on Crow Mtn. He was assigned to Co. "D", 2nd Regt. Ark. INF. He was granted an 'honorable discharge' 05 August 1865 and mustered out at Clarksville just three days later.

James I. SCOTT, Civil War Veteran, filed a "Declaration for Invalid Pension" on 04 Dec 1891 at age 55 years. Pension was granted by reason of "Rheumatism & Kidney disease." (Both have been inherited weakness' of many descendants.) J.I. SCOTT's signature was written on this declaration and his address was given as Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas. (Russellville Post Office serviced Crow Mtn.)

On "Nov. 26, 1906, the Pension Agency at Knoxville received a "Drop Order" from the Dept. of Interior, Bureau of Pensions, Finance Division, Washington D.C. per Certificate #1057231, Invalid Class, as follows: "Sir: You are hereby directed to drop from the roll the name of the above described pensioner who died Oct 28, 1906 . . ." "He was last paid \$12.00 per mo. to Aug 4, 1906 per Wm. RULE, U.S. Pension Agent."

However, the first record found of his death was in "The Atkins Chronicle" issue dated 02 Nov. 1906 as follows: "Uncle Jim SCOTT died at his home on Crow Mtn Oct 29.

His remains were laid to rest in HOSKINS Cemetery."

Sam HEFLIN (Nephew of James I. SCOTT) related the story that Uncle Jim loved to eat and Aunt Susie was a very cook. He loved to go by their place on Sunday on his way home from Church. One time he remembered Aunt Susie had fixed Fried Chicken & the works including his favorite desert, egg custard. He described the egg custard about 18" in diameter which she set down in front of Uncle Jim. When Uncle Jim had "finished off" that custard, he said, "I could make do with about a dozen that size." Uncle Jim was a good carpenter and he always loved to eat mulberries. So he built a platform around the mulberry bush with a stairs up to the platform so he could enjoy his berry eating.

Lena MAY (SCOTT-FLETCHER ARNOLD (compilers mother) tells that "Grandpap (James I. SCOTT) didn't live long after his trip to the Creek Indian Nation in 1906 to see her family. (This was our first clue to the approximate date of his death. She remembered attending his funeral and seeing him in his Military Uniform laying there in his casket.

Both Lena May & her brother (John Wiley SCOTT) talked about the metal Grandpap had on his uniform (which all the family thought was Confederate.) After much research we found his military records to be in the National Archives in the Union Army. Grandma did live off his pension, but it was not Confederate, but Union.

Dicy (BLACKBURN) MOORE, a niece, was raised by "Uncle Jim & Aunt Susie SCOTT." When Dicy was 92 years young, she told that Uncle Jim was her Uncle and Aunt Susie was her Aunt before they married each other from separate sides of the family. She had the only known picture (a tin type) of Jim & Susie SCOTT and herself. The compiler borrowed her tin type picture and had a negative made from which the picture submitted for this POPE COUNTY HISTORY BOOK was made. Before Dicy's death from a broken hip 29 May 1974, she had the privilege of attending two of the Oklahoma Clan Descendants Annual SCOTT FAMILY REUNION at the Wewoka City Park in Seminole County, Oklahoma. Dicy was buried by her husband in the Hoyt Oklahoma Cemetery.

Susie MORPHIS SCOTT's son (Joseph Auguston) & grandson (William Auguston) SCOTT who were living at home with her on December 31, 1914 told that "Grandma finished a big day's work and cooked a big supper, cleaned up the kitchen and retired early. Bill and his dad were still up when they heard a noise in her room. Both went to her room and found her dead . . . just one minute before the clock struck midnight to ring in the New Year. The January 8, 1915, issue of The Atkins Chronicle stated "Aunt Susie SCOTT died at her home on Crow Mountain New Year's Day. Funeral and burial services were held in the HASKINS Cemetery Sunday. Her sons, James SCOTT, Sam SCOTT & Wife, & John SCOTT, all living in Oklahoma, attended the funeral. Earl MOORE and wife (Dicy) of Oklahoma, were also present. Aunt Susie was 83 years old." Another article on the same page under "LOCAL AND PER-

SONAL" stated "We thank W.J. SCOTT, of Holdenville, Okla., for a pleasant visit while in Atkins Monday." Susan Ann MORPHIS SCOTT's beautiful memorial grave marker is placed on the south of her husband's Civil War Marker.

The compiler is most appreciative for the Atkins Chronicle as without it our ancestor search would have been impossible. This is the only official record of many of our family deaths as it was not necessary to purchase a casket which was usually the only record at the funeral home in those days. Grandma Susie was buried in a casket built by her late husband which she had refused to sell and she saved it for herself.

Eight (8) children of James I. & Susan Ann (MORPHIS) SCOTT are as follows:

1. Joseph Auguston SCOTT b 24 Aug 1855 @ Pope Co., ARK; m1) Julia ANDERSON who was the mother of his 1st (2) children (James W. — b 1887 and Susie. He m2 to Mrs. Ellen WILLIAMS who was the mother of his last (6) ch: Clyde Earl, Easter, Pearl, & 2 girls who died w/measles @ Commanche, OK, & William Auguston (Bill) b 01 Feb 1900 @ Cabin Creek near Clarksville, Yell Co., Ark. Joe lived on "Big Piney" when kids were little. Later, he ran a Blacksmith op w/his brother-in-law (Wash BOWDEN), supposedly on or near Crow Mtn. There is a family group picture of Joe's family with Ellen's daughter by a former marriage & her son-in-law (Joe & Addie REYNOLDS.)

2. John Green SCOTT, b 06 February 1857 @ Russellville, Pope Co., ARK, m 23 Sept 1875 @ Pope County ARKANSAS to Sarah SKAGGS (dau of Hudson F. SKAGGS — Early Pioneer.) (14) children were born of this union as follows: Lucy Matilda, Mary Ellen, Rosie, Minnie Ola, Eliza Jane, Manda Kassie, Lester Lathniel, William Marion, Sarah Bell, Ada Martha, Ezekiel Henderson (Zeke), John Wiley & twins (Paul & Lena May). All were born on Crow, Blue & Petti Jean Mtns in ARKANSAS. More will be written about this family's migration to the Creek Indian Nation as Early Pope County History.

3. Rhoda Ann SCOTT, b 17 Oct 1858/9 in Pope County, ARK., m 18 Aug 1877 @ Bride's home on Crow Mtn to Columbus Washington (called Wash) BOWDEN per m-book "C" p 64. Eleven BOWDEN children are as follows per the Family Bible Record and all were born on Crow Mtn.: 1) James Newton, 2) Mary Susan, 3) Leathy E., 4) John H., 5) Bitha E., 6) George Washington, 7) Andrew Jackson (called Drew), 8) Grover Cleveland (called Cleve), 9) Thomas Jefferson (called Tom), 10) William McKinley (called Bill), 11) Chester A. Arthur (called Ches). Wash & Rhoda had a double funeral when she died less than 24 hours after him from the shock of his death diagnosed as Corinary Sclerosis due to age with other contributory causes of importance from her husband's death which occurred on the previous day Dec 4," the year was 1937. A Double Marker marks their graves in HOSKINS Cemetery on Crow Mtn.

4. Mary Elizabeth SCOTT b 26 Mar 1862 on Crow Mtn, Pope Co., ARK; m 04 Dec 1879 to George A. GIDEON, (J.P. in Pope Co.) and had (14) children as follows: 1) Henry, 2)

Tilda, 3) Monroe, 4) Roxie, 5) John, 6) Bessie, 7) Albert, 8) Frank, 9) Dowell, 10) Pearl, 11) Verlen, 12) Clell, 13) Ila & 14) Theodore. All these children were born on Crow Mtn. Dowell & Ila were still living in Oklahoma in 1975.

5. William James (called Jimmy) SCOTT, b 22 Mar 1864 @ Atkins, Pope Co., ARK.; m 03 March 1894 @ Pope Co., ARK per Bk "G", page 126, G.E. HOWARD, Ck to Miss Sarah Jane JACKSON of Russellville. (7) Children: Floyd, Ruth, Elizabeth, Leta, William Harold (called Skinny), Wilma & Louise. Everyone remembers Uncle Jimmy as he was a barrel of fun and he owned the FIRST HORSELESS CARRIAGE at Holdenville, OK. He died there in 1948 and is buried in the Holdenville Cemetery. Four of his children still live in Oklahoma.

6. Nancy Jane SCOTT b 1867 on Crow Mtn, m James "Shelly" NORRIS. She died in childbirth with her fourth child. Shelly raised the children and he was said to have become a proficient housekeeper and cook. The children are as follows: Chester (called Check), Carl, Orthria (called Ike) & Esther b 1899. Esther is said to have married Erskin JACKSON and lived at the foot of Crow Mtn.

7. George Washington SCOTT, b 27 Oct 1869 @ Russellville; m 04 July 1889 to Lovey JONES by G.A. GIDEON, JP, per Pope County M-book "F406." They had (11) children: He had (11) children by the first wife and a boy and a girl by the 2nd wife. Children are: Arch Coy, Myrtle, Glenis, Bertie, Joseph A (called Joe Pete), Doyle Pude, Mahoda Lucille, Roy, Ralph, Juanita O (called Sug) and Chick. This family migrated to the Duncan, Oklahoma area where many of the descendants still live. About 100 invitations were mailed to the George Washington SCOTT family Reunion at Duncan last August (1977.)

8. Samuel SCOTT b 14 Feb 1872 on Crow Mtn; m 17 Sept 1891 to Georgia BOWDEN (dau of Jasper BOWDEN & sister to Columbus Washington (called Wash) BOWDEN). Three (3) Children as follows: Sam Orville, Bertha & Lois.

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Earliest Pioneer was the father of James I. (called Prairie Jim) SCOTT, George Washington SCOTT who came to Pope County ARKANSAS ca 1845.

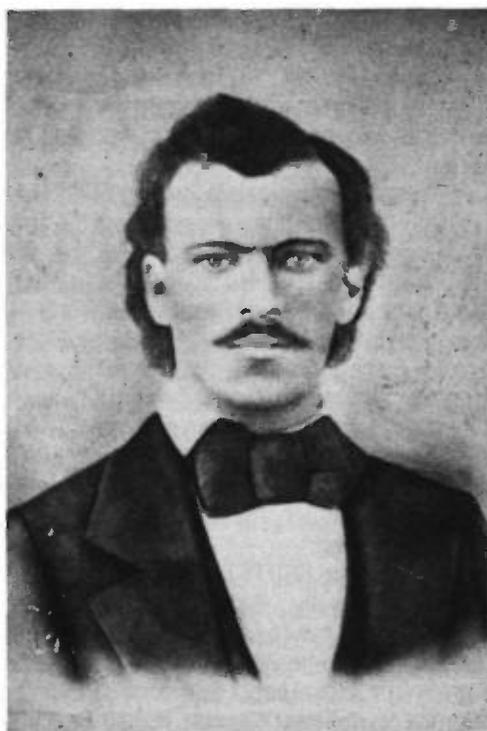
by (Mrs.) Marcus Leo FLETCHER

ROBERT HAMILTON SCOTT

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Robert Hamilton Scott was born Jan. 7, 1790, in S.C., the son of a Virginia born Scotch-Irishman. He married Sarah W. Nicholson, of N.C., who was born Aug. 12, 1792, and they moved to Wilcox, Ala., about 1818. Six of their eight children included the following: Frances Sarah, William Whitehead, Thomas N., Robert M., Sarah Elizabeth, and Susan G. Scott.

In 1834, they moved to Arkansas and founded Pine Prairie in Sevier Co. He was



Francis (Frank) Scott Nolan



Martha Helen (Williams) Nolan

County Judge from 1836 to 1840, and established a plantation of over two thousand acres at Pine Prairie. Later he built a two story home near Richmond, where he owned a sawmill. He was a Baptist, and in 1859 donated the land to build a Church and cemetery. Bolin Phillips and Judge Scott were deacons, and Lewis W. Davis was the preacher.

Frances Sarah Scott married Dr. John Tillman Nolan of New Orleans. Their son, Francis Scott Nolan, was born Sept. 22, 1834, and Sarah died shortly thereafter. William Whitehead Scott married Elizabeth Phillips, and they had 3 children: Walter, Sallie, and Molly Scott. William died in 1861, and Elizabeth Scott then married Lewis Davis. Their son, Jeff Davis, served Ark. as Atty. Gen., Governor, and U.S. Senator. Sarah E. Scott married William H. Hooks, son of the founder of Hooks, Texas. Their children were Zenobia, Evelyn, Robert, and Warren Hooks. She died in 1867.

Two sons of R.H. Scott, Robt. M., and Thomas N., and grandson, Francis S. Nolan, served in the Civil War, in Company K, Twelfth Ark. Infantry.

After the war, in 1867, R.H. Scott and descendants moved to Dover, where he owned a home on Elizabeth Street. Thomas Scott and wife, Ann, lived in Russellville, and Robert M. owned a Dry Goods store in Dover. Susan G. Scott married Joseph Petty in Dover May 24, 1871. Francis S. Nolan married Martha H. Williams April 17, 1860, and they owned acreage and a home in southeast Dover. Their children were: Josephine Scott Nolan, born Jan. 1, 1863, Susan Francis Nolan, Dec. 18, 1869, Sarah Roberta Nolan, Dec. 18, 1872, John R.H.S., Nolan, June 17, 1874, Evia S. Nolan, June 11, 1877, and Bennet Scott Nolan, Aug. 4, 1878.

Scott continued to own large tracts of land in what is now Little River Co., Ark., and Robert M. usually walked from Dover to Pine Prairie to collect rents. He walked to remain inconspicuous. On one such journey, while at an inn, he overheard a plot to rob him. The next day, on the trail, he was able to fade into the woods when he saw some suspicious people approaching.

R.H. Scott died Sept. 11, 1874, and Sarah, his wife, died Sept. 30, 1875, and both are buried in the old Lake Cemetery at Dover. In 1880, Robt. M. and Thomas N. Scott and wife, Ann Elizabeth, and Frank Nolan and family returned to Little River Co., where several Nolan descendants continue to live. Susan Scott Petty died in Dover in 1881, survived by her husband, Joe Petty. Several descendants of William Whitehead Scott continued to live in Dover, and a granddaughter, May Mackey married J.W. Petty in 1897 in Pope County. Frank Nolan died in 1880, T.N. Scott in 1891, and Robert M. Scott in 1901, all at Pine Prairie, Arkansas.

by John C. Finley, III

WILLIS F. SETTLE

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Willis F. Settle was born in Barren Co., Ky. in 1826. He moved to Russellville, Ark., from Russellville, Ky., in 1875 to operate a machine shop principally servicing the railroad then being built between Little Rock and Ft. Smith. His iron foundry was located on the west bank of Prairie Creek, by a present day bridge, opposite the southwest corner of the City Mall. Upon his death, this business was continued as "Sauerman & Ball, Successors to Smith & Settle", and by their successor William Guest until more recent times.

Willis F. Settle was born into a family of gunsmiths, an occupation he followed prior to his moving to Arkansas. The Settles manufactured the famous "Settler" rifle, and those made by Willis F. Settle bear the mark "Willis F. Settle, Glasgow, Ky., & the date." These guns are now rare collectors' items and are listed in standard antique gun catalogs. The first Settle to win fame as a gunsmith was William Settle (1770-1808) grandfather of Willis F., and the most famous was Felix Settle (1801-1871) father of Willis F.A collection

of Settle memorabilia and guns was owned by Willis F. Settle's daughter Sallie who lived in Pasadena Calif., in 1953, and by his grandson Roy Settle Meek who died in San Mateo, Calif., in 1962.

Willis F. Settle married twice; his first wife died in Ky., and their children lived there. His second wife was — after his death — Proprietress of the White House (hotel). Their children were: Willis F., Jr. (1864-1940); Ora Lee (1866-1893) m. 1886 W.T. Meek; Lillian M. (1869-1949) m. Ed Bernard, later Proprietor of the White House; Katie S. (Emma?) m. Paul Tate; and Sallie (b. 1878) living in Pasadena, Calif. in 1953.

Among the better known machine products of Settle's Russellville, Ark. business was the "Jumbo" coal crusher, later continued in manufacture by Sauerman & Ball. It was made to crush and size anthracite coal then mined in the Shinn Basin, south of Russellville, and was named "Jumbo" after the famous elephant in the P.T. Barnum Circus. Settle also constructed an opera house for community use at the East end of Main Street. More details of his theater and its productions are found in a master thesis now deposited in the Arkansas Archives.

by Joe T. Meek

DR. JAMES WALTER SEXTON

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Dr. James Walter Sexton, b. in Newton Co., Ark, 5 Apr 1887, was the son of Allen Sexton, b. 19 Nov 1858 in Newton Co. and Ida Hamilton, b. 5 Aug 1865 in Rome, Ga. Dr. Sexton's grandparents were Timothy Sexton, b. 1826 and Artie Lizzie Holt, b. 1832. The grandfather, Timothy Sexton, was killed by bushwhackers during the Civil War. Dr. Sexton moved from Mt. Judea, Newton Co to Dover, Pope Co in 1940 where he purchased a home situated on five lots and set up an office for the practice of medicine east of the Bank of Dover.

Dr. J. W. Sexton received his education from the Newton Co. schools, Southwest Mo, at Springfield and U. of Tenn. Medical School where he received the MD Degree in 1915. He began medical practice at Mt Judea on horseback, later going to a Model T Ford. Money to pay for his education was earned teaching in the schools of Newton Co., and from \$1,100 of borrowed funds which were repaid after he started his practice. Dr. Sexton married Oma Samantha Nichols who was b. 25 June 1888. She was the daughter of Lark Nichols and Angeline Marple. The closing of St. Mary's Hospital during WWII, due to shortage of trained personnel, created severe hardships on those MD's left to serve the civilian population and likely was a factor in the early death of Dr. James W. Sexton on 4 Nov 1945. He was buried in Oakland cemetery in Russellville. Mrs. Oma Sexton still lives and will celebrate her 90th birthday 25 June 1978. Their children were: Opal, James Lieuell, and Jimmie.

Opal, b. 8 Aug 1909, married W. Holivy Smith 25 Dec 1925. Mr. Smith, b. 1 Jan 1900, died 20 Mar 1928. Opal's 2nd marriage

was to Melvin Hopkin Duck and their children were: James Vaughnell, b. 19 Nov 1929; Bobby Joe and Gene Allen, twins, b. 5 Dec 1932; and Mary Sue, b. 8 Jan 1936. Melvin Duck died 5 Dec 1952 and Opal resides in Chandler, Arizona.

James Lieuell, b. 25 Sept 1911, attended Western Grove H.S. and U. of Ark. playing basketball with Glen Rose's Razorbacks making the All-American Third Team his sophomore year. His picture hangs in the Hall of Fame in the new Field House on the U. of Ark Campus. He played some professional basketball after his graduation from the University and later went into coaching. James Lieuell's 1st marriage was to Emma Lou Gager. His 2nd marriage was to Mildred Loretta Steinke, 28 June 1947. Their children were: James Anthony, b. 16 Jan 1952; Steven Allen, b. 30 Jan 1954; and Jeralyn Ruth, b. 15 Aug 1957. James L. Sexton died 24 July 1967 and is buried in Oakland cemetery in Russellville.

Jimmie, the 3rd child of Dr. and Mrs. Sexton, attended Ark Tech, Wichita School of Nursing and Charity Hospital, School of Anesthesia, New Orleans. She served as supt. of nurses when St Mary's Hosp. was re-opened after WW II under ownership of W.R. Pate. Jimmie married Owen Patrick Donohue 3 Feb 1944. He was killed on a bombing mission over Japan 29 May 1945. Jimmie was married to James Silas Henry, 9 Nov 1946. Mr. Henry, born 27 Sept 1913 is a descendant of the pioneer Henry family that came to Pope Co. from S. Carolina shortly after 1850. Their oldest child, Thomas Walter, b. 8 Nov 1947, graduated from U. of Ark, School of Architecture and is a practising architect in Memphis. Thomas Walter married Norma Pauletta Pickens, 2 July 1964 and their three sons are: Kevin Michael, born 29 Oct 1964; Brian Lark, born 9 Sept 1968; and Thomas Kristopher, born 8 July 1972.

Mary Catherine, the 2nd child of Jimmie and James Henry, b. 23 Jan 1952, graduated from Arkansas Tech and is employed by the Telephone Co. She married Virgel Kiah Gardner 19 Aug. 1972. He is employed by Ark Game and Fish Commission. Their children are: Kiah Henry Gardner, born 6 July 1973; and Leah Michelle Gardner, born 2 Jan 1978.

by Mrs. Jimmy Henry

CHARLES SPURGEON SHEPPARD

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Charles Spurgeon Sheppard was born in Milen Ga., Oct 16, 1892. Orphaned at an early age, he was raised by relatives and attended public schools in Georgia, Florida and Texas. When grown he came to Arkansas to work as a watchmaker and jeweler in Argenta (No. Little Rock) and in 1915 moved to Russellville, Pope County. In 1918 he served with the Army Signal Corps in France during World War I. Upon discharge he returned to Russellville to continue with his profession. On Nov. 19, 1922 he married Ruby Ruth Coleman the granddaughter of John Scott an

early resident of Pope County.

John Scott was born in Tenn. in 1836. He married Nancy Adeline Speer who was born in Alabama in 1834. In 1884 the couple came to Pope Co. with their children, one of whom was Eugenia Frances Scott, born in 1873 in Lawrenceburg, Tenn. In 1891 she married John Avenor Pressley Coleman who was born in 1870 in Berkley Co. So. Carolina and had moved to Pope County where he operated a cotton gin at Economy. When his gin at Economy burned he moved his family to Atkins and operated another gin and opened a grocery store. In Atkins he started the service of home grocery delivery by buggy which proved very popular with the housewives of Atkins, but not so much with his competitors, we are told. Mr. & Mrs. Coleman had seven living children the 4th being Ruby Ruth Coleman, born Feb. 21, 1904 at Economy.

After their marriage, Charles and Ruby Sheppard resided in Russellville and in 1923 Mr. Sheppard established a jewelry business which continues today as Sheppard's Jewelers, Inc. His wife helped him in the store and the couple were active for many years in the business which is now carried on by their son.

Mr. Sheppard was a 32 degree Mason for over 50 years. He was the first police judge of the City of Russellville and was active in many civic, fraternal and business organizations. He was a past president of the Russellville Rotary Club and the Arkansas Retail Jewelers Association. He died April 12, 1977 at age 84. Mrs. Sheppard resides in Russellville. Charles and Ruby had one son Charles S. Sheppard, Jr., born Oct. 30, 1925 in Russellville. He attended public schools, Arkansas Tech and after serving in the Army Air Corps in World War II attended college and returned to Russellville to enter the family business. In 1950 he married Arlene Jo Smith, born June 17, 1930 to Clyde and Norma Smith of the Mill Creek Community who are both descendants of the Shinn family one of the earliest families to settle in Pope County. Charles Sheppard, Jr. is President of Sheppard's Jewelers, Inc. one of the older firms in Russellville. He was the first jeweler in Arkansas to earn the title of Certified Gemologist of the American Gem Society. He is a past president of the Arkansas Retail Jewelers Association and the Russellville Lions Club. Arlene attended Pope county schools and was a former assistant manager of the Russellville First Federal Savings and Loan Association. She is vice-president of Sheppard's Jewelers, Inc. Her hobby is antique collecting. Charles' hobbies are flying and amateur radio.

Charles and Arlene have two sons, Charles Richard (Rick), born Feb. 6, 1952 and Gary Michael, born Aug. 7, 1957. Both boys attended schools in Russellville. Rick attended Arkansas Tech and North Texas State University majoring in music composition and is pursuing a career in music and commercial recording in Texas. Gary graduated from Louisiana Tech University with a degree in professional aviation and is now a pilot for an Airline in Arkansas.

by Charles S. Sheppard, Jr.

WALTER G. SHEPHARD

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Walter G. Shepherd and his wife, Lena Barns Shepherd moved to the Round Rock Community in Pope County in 1898. Little is known of Walter G. Shepherd except that he later moved with his family to Oklahoma. His eldest son, Joe D. Shepherd, however remained in Pope County and became first a farmer and in 1914 was licensed as a public school teacher. In 1916 he married Etta Hampton of the Bakers Creek community. Joe D. and Etta had two children, Jerrell in 1917 and Imogene in 1920. Joe worked in Russellville as a postal clerk and mail carrier and later moved to the Bakers Creek community and ran a community store. He began to study law by correspondence and under Judge Bullock. In 1921 he passed the Arkansas Bar exam and was licensed to practice law in Arkansas. In 1925 he was elected to the House of Representatives. In addition to his successful law practice, he served as Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, served two terms as Secretary of the Ark. Senate and was elected Senator from this district in 1941 and 1943.

After World War II he joined with his son, Jerrell and his son-in-law, C.R. Horne in the founding of the first Commercial Broadcast Station between Little Rock and Ft. Smith, KXRJ, (now KARV).

In 1951 he retired from his law practice and other business interests and moved to a 160 acre farm on Morgan Road, where he remained until his health began to fail. He and Etta were active members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Joe passed away Dec. 12, 1973 and Etta resides at the Legacy Lodge Nursing Home.

Jerrell attended Arkansas Tech and was commissioned an officer in the Army Air corp. He married Evelyn Duggar, daughter of Jeff and Ethel Duggar of Russellville. In 1950 he and Evelyn moved to Moberly, Mo. where he founded Radio Station KWIX. They have two children, David and Danny.

Imogene attended Arkansas Tech. In 1941 she married C.R. Horne, son of Clifton and Thelma Horne of Paris, Arkansas. After World War II they moved back to Russellville where she and her husband has resided ever since. They have one child, Robert Michael.

by Michael Horne

ADAM DANIEL SHINN

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Adam Daniel Shinn born in Pope County in 1868, was a grandson of Benjamin Daniel Ransom Shinn, who came to Pope County from North Carolina in 1840, with his wife, Martha Tucker Shinn and four children, bought land near Caglesville.

Benjamin David Shinn, son of Benjamin Daniel Ransom Shinn was born in 1840, soon after his parents came to Arkansas. Benjamin David, married Mary Cagle in 1866 and to this marriage were two children, Dora Magdalin and Adam Daniel. After the death of Mary Cagle Shinn, Mr. Shinn married

Angeline Eubanks and to this union were born five children: Ida Harrell who married Alexander Courtney; Martha Louise, married Charles Reed; Callie, married Joseph Calvin Petray; Henry Erwin, who worked his way through U of A at Fayetteville; later graduating from U of Chicago and obtained a P.H.D. from Georgetown University, worked for the Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. until retirement in 1964. He then returned to Russellville where he passed away in 1967.

Adam Daniel or A.D., as he was known, married Lida Rye, in 1890. She was the daughter of Jackson and Sarah Bond Rye, pioneers of Pope County. The family farmed near London, Pope County, until 1904, when they moved to Russellville.

A.D. was a farmer, landowner, banker and merchant, active in both County and State Politics, served two terms as County Clerk and two as County Judge, 1904-1912. He owned farms in Oklahoma and Western Texas as well as in Pope County. Farmed on the river below London and on the bayou at Outia which went under water when the Dardanelle Dam was built. He spent his entire life in Pope County and died in 1945 and is buried in the May Cemetery, near London. He was a member of the Christian Church. Two sons and three daughters were born to A.D. and Lida Shinn — Gladys, Floy who died young, Homer Ransom, John Calvin and Mary Alice.

Gladys and Homer graduated from Russellville Agri School where Homer was a member of the famed 1914 football team, unbeaten and unscored on. Gladys also graduated from Kansas State University and taught in West Ward (now Dwight) public school for several years. She moved to El Paso, Texas in 1925, taught school then married William R. Walker, a businessman. She died in February 1975 and is buried in El Paso.

John Calvin, second son of A.D., graduated from Russellville High School, went to Lubbock Texas to operate his father's farms, married and continued to live there until his death. He had one son, John Jr. who graduated from Texas Tech where his mother taught for several years. He retired from the Air Force as a Major and he and his wife with two children live in Lubbock.

Mary Alice graduated from Russellville High School, attended Henderson-Brown College. She married Minor Gordon, former Razorback Football player and spent most of their lives in Texas. Both are buried in Kilgore. They had one child, C.R. who graduated from Kilgore College, Texas A & M and Jesuit College in San Jose, Calif., where Leo's family now live. He has two married daughters, son in college and one grandson. C.R. flew 100 missions in Fighter Planes in Korea and miraculously brought in his plane from one flight after the enemy had shot a two-foot hole in one wing.

by Aileen M. Shinn

BENJAMINE DANIEL RANSOM SHINN

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Benjamin Daniel Ransom Shinn, 6th gen-

eration of Shinn family who came to the U.S. from England, born April 3, 1802, in Cabarrus Co., N.C., married Martha Tucker in 1820 and farmed in N.C. until 1840, moved to Pope County, Ark., that year with wife and three children, John Erwin, Jacob L., and Daisy Magdalene. They had seven more children after moving to Pope County. They located near Caglesville, lived in the county until his death in 1874. He was a farmer and lumberman, owned one of the first circular saw mills ever operated in the county. He was a democrat and a member of the Christian Church.

The oldest son, John Erwin, married Dora Melinda Harkey, in Pope County in 1842. He was a farmer and lumber dealer and they had six children.

Second son, Jacob L. Shinn, born in N.C. in 1826, married Martha Battenfield of Pope County, 1855. Served two years in Capt. Moffett's Co., Yell Co. Regiment in the Mexican War. Members of Christian church. Made a Mason at Norristown in 1853, when that town was chief town in the county and had ambitions of becoming the State Capital. He was a merchant for more than 40 years on the corner of Main St. and Denver in Russellville, owner of steam ferry at Dardanelle, principal stock holder in most complete cotton mill in Ark. or the south. He acquired 2,000 acres of land in Pope and Yell counties, helped build the L.R. and F.S.R.R., a founder of Russellville Public Schools, donating 16 lots in center of town (where U.S. Post Office now stands) defrayed cost of original school building with own funds and permitted the school district to repay at their convenience.

The J.R. Shinn addition is now the largest single addition to the City of Russellville.

In 1875, founded the Democrat which merged with the Courier to become the Courier-Democrat. He had four children:

James H. Shinn, born 1856, graduate of Bethany College, married Bessie daughter of Gen. Lewis in 1856, and had children: Edna, Leta, and Bessie.

George William Shinn, born 1858, graduate of Bethany College and Cincinnati Law School. Was lecturer at University Law School of Chicago 1900-1902. Married Ella Belle Louis at Wheeling, West Virginia, in 1866 and had one son, Thomas Louis. (all now deceased.)

Edgar Shinn, born 1861, was in the transfer and livery business in Dardanelle, married Annie D. Mitchell in 1885, had four children, two of whom died in infancy.

Charles W. Shinn, born in 1863, married Rose Ella Peak in 1882, moved to El Paso, Texas and died in 1893, leaving one child, Ethel. Ethel and her mother returned to Pope County and Ethel married Bill Eustice and all lived in the county for the remainder of their lives.

The widow of Jacob L. Shinn lived here in her home on South Denver until her death in the late 20's.

Of Jacob L. Shinn, editor David Thomas wrote in his book, "Arkansas and its People," "It is doubtful if any other individual during his life time contributed as much money as he, (Jacob L. Shinn) to the churches of Russellville and the surrounding county." This

book (4 vol) was published in 1930 by the American Historical Society.

by Mrs. Homer Shinn

HOMER RANSOM SHINN

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Homer Ransom Shinn was a descendent of Benjamine Daniel Ransom Shinn, who came to Pope County, from North Carolina in 1840, and settled in the Caglesville Community. His grandmother was Mary Cagle, also of pioneer parents, who married Benjamine Daniel Shinn in 1855. His father was Adam David Shinn, who married Lida Rye, in 1890.

Adam Daniel (A.D.) Shinn moved to Russellville from London in 1904, so Homer grew up in Russellville and graduated from Russellville High School, and attended the Russellville Agriculture School where he was a member of the 1914 football team. Homer answered the call of Uncle Sam during World War I and in 1921, he married Francis Aileen McCoy.

Aileen McCoy was a teacher in the College at the time but after they were married she quit teaching. She was born near Fayetteville of Irish Catholic parents, William Joseph and Birdie Teresa Montgomery McCoy. Her father was a sawmill operator and retail lumberman; her mother a talented seamstress. Aileen was one of the eleven members of the first graduating class of Fayetteville High School, also graduated from the U of A in Fayetteville, came to Russellville in 1919 to teach in the Russellville Agriculture School and taught until she was married.

Homer was a farmer and lumberman and died Jan. 7, 1935, and was buried in Oakland cemetery beside his mother who had died in 1933, leaving his wife and three sons; Homer Raymond, age 11, Robert Montgomery, age 8, and Joseph Daniel, age 5. Aileen and sons continued to live in Russellville in the home that she and Homer had built, on South Glenwood. Aileen began to work with Ark. Rehabilitation Corp. which later became Farmers Home Administration. Worked 18 years in County and State offices and later went to Missouri with the Extension Service and remained until she retired in 1962. She then moved back to Russellville in 1968. She is a member of the St. John's Catholic Church.

Homer Raymond, eldest son of Homer and Aileen, graduated from Russellville High School and Texas A. & M. College and retired as a Lt. Col. from the Air Force with 33 years of service. He was a pilot and flew 100 missions in Korea and as a pilot on the C130 cargo plane flew from the United States to Vietnam and also had tours of duties in four foreign countries. He married Reba Delap of Lincoln, Arkansas and they were the parents of six children.

Phillip, winner of National Merit Scholarship, graduate of Princeton University and is presently an engineer for the County of St. Louis. He is studying for a degree in architecture in night school at Washington University. He is married to Anne McNamara of St. Louis.

Rebecca, former student of Arkansas Tech, married Dan Holcomb of Hot Springs, Arkan-

sas who is a graduate of Tech. They had one child, Missy, who is six years of age. Dan is Assistant Manager of J.C. Penny in Malvern, Arkansas.

Emily, a student at University of Idaho.

David, graduated from Arkansas Tech and is a graduate student at St. Louis University. He and his wife, Sue, live in St. Louis.

Catherine Aileen (Lt. C.A. Shinn) honor graduate of Arkansas Tech and was the first female to be commissioned by ROTC at Tech and is stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas.

Thomas, is a senior cadet at USAF Academy, and will graduate in June 1978.

The second son of Homer and Aileen Shinn was Robert M. (Bob) who enlisted in the Air Force immediately after graduating from Russellville High School in 1944. After the war he returned to college and graduated from Little Rock Junior College and Arkansas Tech. He married the late Jeanette Baker, whose family were early pioneers of Pope County. They had three children; Monty, graduate of OSU, and lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Rick, student of ACU and Mary, who is a student at RHS. The family moved from Tulsa to Russellville six years ago. Bob is in his 26th year with the IBM Corporation. Family members of the St. John's Catholic Church.

Joseph Daniel, youngest son of Homer and Aileen Shinn, graduated from Catholic High School in Little Rock, Little Rock Junior College and Tulsa University. He played football in all three schools and pro-football for two seasons with the Hamilton Tigers in Canada, before reporting for service in the Air Force. He was commissioned a Lt. in ROTC at Tulane University. He is a Broker for Stephens Inc. in Little Rock. They have three children, a daughter at the U of A in Fayetteville, a son at Arkansas Tech and a daughter in High School at Little Rock.

by Aileen McCoy Shinn

MRS. HOMER SHINN

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Mrs. Homer Shinn of Russellville was born in Washington County, Ark. the daughter of William J. and Patricia McCoy. Their parents had come to this country from Ireland and lived in a Irish-Catholic settlement in Rhode Island where they had met and married. He was a sawmill operator and when Mrs. Shinn was quite small he moved to Fayetteville, and went into the retail lumber business. She was graduated with the first graduating class of Fayetteville High School in 1911. They were rushed through in three years as they were in a hurry to have a graduating class.

Miss McCoy had gone to work for the Washington County Extension Department in 1919, not knowing they were going to discontinue the department in Washington County. She didn't have an automobile at the time and had to work with a man who had a brand new Model T Ford. They drove to Pea Ridge and his top speed was six miles an hour. They couldn't return in one day so she made up her mind this wasn't for her. The District Supervisor there had met Mr. Hugh Critz who was

President of the Agriculture School in Russellville, a school she had never heard about. Mr. Critz had told her that he needed a teacher so Miss McCoy was informed and applied for the job. All of a sudden the position wasn't open so she wanted to know why. A board member lived in Fayetteville and he had a talk with her and told her that she wasn't hired because she was a Catholic. After talking to her for a while he decided she would be alright for the job so she was hired. After coming to the Agriculture School she found there were five Catholic students there and the next years there were seven more.

There was no Catholic church in Russellville and in order to go to Sunday morning Mass, Miss McCoy and the students would leave school early Sunday morning before breakfast, to catch the early train to Atkins, walking from school to the depot. Upon arriving in Atkins they had to wait an hour or so before church then after church had to wait a while for the train back to Russellville. At that time there was no cafe nor any place to get anything to eat at Atkins so they had to wait until they arrived back at the school which was in time for dinner.

She taught at the school for two years. In the meantime, she had met and soon married Mr. Homer Shinn of Russellville. Mr. Shinn's father was A.D. Shinn, who came to Ark. from Georgia and first settled in the Caglesville community. After she married, she quit work for in those days women didn't work after they were married. Mr. and Mrs. Shinn were the parents of three boys. The oldest, Shinnie, retired from the army and is now living in St. Louis. One of his daughters, was the first girl to graduate from the Ark. Tech R.O.T.C. program and is now stationed at Fort Hood, Texas.

Mr. Shinn was a farmer and later went into the lumber business. He passed away in 1935, and ten days later, Mrs. Shinn started to work again. This time for Judge Quince Hill in the Ark. Rehabilitation office and her job was to make mortgages. Her office and the Little Rock office were in correspondence and after ten or eleven years, she transferred to the office in Little Rock. Her immediate boss in Russellville was Bonner Oates, who she had met at the University of Arkansas before leaving there. She wasn't a typist but with his type of dictating she soon learned to keep up with one finger on each hand. She had started to work at \$40.00 a month but was making \$120.00 a month when she was phased out. The phasing out came near the end of the Rehabilitation program. She then went to Missouri and went to work for the Extension Department again and remained there until her retirement in 1962. She now lives in Russellville.

by J.B. Lemley

JAMES LEE BURR SHINN

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James Lee Burr Shinn was a great-grandson of Benjamine Daniel Ransom Shinn, eldest child of Silas and Elizabeth (Little)



James Lee Burr Shinn and wife Mary Thompson Shinn with their children in 1907. Everett, Oscar, Clara and Roscoe.

Shinn, born April 3, 1802 in Carbarrus County, North Carolina married in Stanley County N.C. in 1820 to Martha Tucker. He farmed in N.C. until 1840, then moved to Pope County, Arkansas where he was a farmer and lumber dealer until his death Aug. 17, 1874. He owned one of the first circular sawmills ever operated in Pope County. He was a Democrat in politics and belonged to the Christian Church.

John Erwin Shinn, born May 19, 1822, married in Pope County Oct. 19, 1842 to Dora Melinda Harkey. He was also a farmer and lumber dealer, a Democrat in politics and a member of the Christian Church.

Lemuel Shinn, born in 1850, married Feb. 2, 1870 to Mary Jane McGee of Pope County. They were early settlers of the Bradley Cove Community, east of Russellville. They were the parents of the following children:

William Henry, born Dec. 3, 1870, married Dec. 24, 1890 to Ollie Firman of Dover, Arkansas and they had; Lucy Ethel, Henry Otto, Boyd, Lemuel Ray, Mary and Earl.

Minnie, born 1873, married Tom Stinnett in 1893 and were the parents of; Geneace, Monie, Bessie, Lois, Ethel, William, Clyde, Ada, Loyd, Floyd, Maggie Norma.

Martha Eullce, born 1874, died 1892.

Mary Ruth, born 1881, married Lee Rorex and they had three children; Mary Viola, Robert and Lea.

Lemuel Avery born 1887 married Ella Hampton and they had two daughters and two sons: Mrs. T.A. Wilson Jr., Mrs. Hence Priddy, Rudolph and Avery Jr. Avery Shinn Sr., established the Shinn Funeral Home in 1933, which is now located in the 800 block of West Main. Mr. Avery Shinn Sr. and family were members of the Methodist Church.

James Lee Burr Shinn, born Feb. 7, 1880, married Mary Magdalene Thompson. He was a farmer, fruit grower and an Ordained Baptist minister. He attended church at Liberty Hill school house where his five children attended school. He died with a heart attack Jan. 1,

1936 and is buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery near Center Valley. His wife died in 1952 and is buried beside him in the Old Baptist Cemetery. Their children were:

Roscoe Shinn who married Ollie Turner. She died Nov. 20, 1974 and is also buried at the Old Baptist Cemetery. Roscoe is in Stalla Manor nursing home. They had one daughter, Floy Edna who married Franklin Pahl and both died of cancer and are buried in Florida. They had three children, Paul, Jane, and Gary and one granddaughter, Amy Pahl.

Oscar Shinn, married Bessie Hendrickson and they were the parents of two children: Omer who married Margurite White and they had a son, Rodney who married Marilyn Mears and they had, Jeffrey, Jennifer, Randy, Ricky, and Rory. Raymond married Joan Day and they had no children. Raymond died Aug. 16, 1975 and is buried in Phoenix, Arizona.

Everett Shinn married Verlie Turner, and they had two daughters; Shirley married Earl Minton and they had Katie Ann, Douglas, and Julie. Barbara married Fred L. McMillen and were the parents of, Pomela, Phyllis, and Paula. Everett died Dec. 6, 1977 and is buried in the family plot at Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley.

Clara Shinn, married Bert Turner and they had one son, Rex Eugene, who died May 19, 1927 and is also buried in the Baptist Cemetery.

Arthur married Mary Neva Williamson and they have two sons: James who married Betty Davis and their children are: Bill who married Laura Cowan and had one son, Clayton Ervin and David who married Sara Henson. Donny married Elizabeth Valdes and they have no children. Arthur died Sept. 19, 1973 and is also buried at Baptist Cemetery near Center Valley.

The decedents of James Lee Burr Shinn are five children, eight grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren, as of this date, May 8, 1978.

by Clara Shinn Turner

LITTLETON CRANKFIELD SHINN

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In 1837 Littleton Crankfield Shinn with seven other Shinn families, the Harkeys, Reds, McAnulty, Fowlers, Linkin, Shandy, Pless and Brooks, formed a great Cavalcade of covered wagons, and traveled over mountains and dense forest. They settled in what is now Russellville, where only a single house, that of Dr. Russell's home, stood. Uncle Lit, as he was called, lived two years, on present site of Oakland Cemetery, then moved to his Homestead at Mill Creek, where he lived until his death. He was a farmer and stone mason, although the town bears the name of Russellville, it's life and history are built upon the lives and deeds of men who wore the surnames of Russell, Harkey, and Shinn. The majority of the Shinn family are Democrats and members of the Christian Church, Church of Christ, some Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian and Assembly of God.

Littleton Crankfield Shinn born in Cabarrus



JAMES RANSOM SHINN
2nd generation



JESSIE LEE SHINN
3rd Generation

County, North Carolina in March 19, 1814 married Nellie Tucker, born same county in 1818. He had eight children by his first wife. Second marriage to Lavina Love, had three children. Elizabeth Malinda married John Wycliff Shoptaw, had ten children. Martha Isabel married Ruben H. Smith, had five children. James Ransom married Gemima Ellen Smith, has thirteen children. Mary Ann married James William Booher, had ten children. Eliza Malissa married Uriah Columbus Epps, had seven children. Silas Monroe married Sarah Jane Tucker, had three children, then Mary B. Carr, had seven children. Sarah Josephine married Calvin Polk Kelly, fourteen children. Laura Alice died in infancy. Mattee Malissia married John Maddox, two children. David Littleton died in infancy. George Darling married Emma Bateman, four children.

2nd Generation James Ransom Shinn served four years as Justice of the Peace of Clark Township, and was a liberal contributor to worthy enterprises. He was born April 3, 1842, was a farmer, served in Southern Army enlisted in Co. E, 15th Arkansas Inf., engaged in battles of Elkhorn (Pea Ridge), Corinth Port Gibson, and Bakers Creek, in the last he was wounded. Shinn married in Pope County on January 17, 1865 Gemima Ellen Smith, had thirteen children. George Donald died in infancy. James William died in infancy. Charles Littleton married Louise Sosbee, had five children, was a graduate of Peabody College, was a Teachers merchant. Joicy Louisa married Cyrus P. Hall, had five children. Docie Freedonia first marriage, James Monroe Sosbee, had four children, then married Albert Priebe, had three children. Amanda Mirianda married Mack Wiggins, had three children. Thomas Jefferson died in infancy. James Rueben married Kate Frances Swilling, had seven children. Sika married James Allen Jones, had six children. Lulu Ellen married

Henry Franklin Spillers, had three children. Jesse Lee married Nancy Elizabeth Garrison, had eight children. Elizabeth Malinda married Edward Rachel, had nine children. Catherine married Chester Spillers, had three children.

3rd Generation Jesse Lee Shinn married Nancy Elizabeth Garrison January 3, 1903. He was a farmer and merchant, had eight children. Juanita Louise married Clide B. Woods, had four children. Leo Allen Shinn married Vivien Burton, had one child. Leo Allen received a Masters and Bachelor Degree in chemistry, was President of Chemical Society, Alpha Ki Sigma in Washington D.C., where he worked thirty-two years. Goldie Aline married Willie P. Reed, had three children. Ruth Velma married Walter E. Austin, had one child. Naomi Ouida married M.L. Pedersen, had four children. James Lee died in infancy. Baby girl premature birth. Cletis Wayne married Gertrude Flewellen, had one child.

4th Generation Juanita Louise Shinn married Clide B. Woods July 7, 1924, had four children. Clide Allen Woods served in W.W.II and Korean conflict, receiving a purple heart. Virginia Beth married Burt L. Bryan, had three children. Robert Lee married Patsy West first marriage, had three children; second marriage to Rosale Bailey, no children. Robert Lee also served in the Korean conflict. Nita Carolyn married Elmer D. Jackson, three children. 5th Generation Clide Allen Woods married Betty Charlene Bailey October 26, 1953, had four children. Blake Allen, Richard Lee, Charles Gregory, and Jeffery Leo. 6th Generation Blake Allen Woods born August 21, 1954 married Cherrie Edwards, Aug. 25, 1975 of Nyberg N.Y., had two sons. Joshua Allen and Jason Lee. They live in Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, where he is a sergant with 82 Air-born Division.

by Juanita Shinn Woods

NATHANIEL DUNCAN SHINN

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Nathaniel Duncan, sixth child of Silas Benjamin and Elizabeth (Little) Shinn, was born in 1811 in Cabarrus Co., N.C. He married Hester Brooks in 1830 in N.C. He was the sixth generation of John Shinn, a Quaker, who came from England to New Jersey in 1678. Samuel Shinn, his great-grandfather, third generation, migrated to Rowan Co., N.C. in 1750. The sixth generation left Mecklenberg Co., N.C. in 1840 for Arkansas. The Shinn's traveling by covered wagon with his family were: his mother, a widow, with two younger sons, Silas and Oliver; the families of Benjamin R.; James M.; Littleton C.; David Harkey (Elizabeth Shinn); Isaac Harkey (Marie Shinn) and Clairborn Reed (Eliza Shinn).

N.D.'s farms were south of Russellville, the Shinn Cemetery and Bernice Mines are located on the tract and the other tract in the Holla Bend Bottom on which the Shinn School House was located. He was a farmer, Methodist, a Mason, served as Pope Co. Judge and in the State Legislature. They had seven sons and one daughter. He and his wife are buried in the Shinn Cemetery and his mother in Oakland Cemetery, Section I.

Alpheus Monroe, fourth child, of N.D. and Elizabeth was born Jan. 16, 1846, in Pope County. He was taken as a Union Soldier during the Civil War. He married Mary Jane Robinson, born 1856 in Georgia, in 1872. They had six sons and five daughters. He was a farmer and lived on his part of his father's estate in the Bernice Mines area. He was a Mason. He died in May 1895, his wife Jan. 1944 and are buried in the Shinn Cemetery.

N.D., fourth child of Alpheus and Mary Jane Shinn, named for his grandfather, was born Oct. 1, 1880, in the Holla Bend Bottom near the Shinn School House. He received an eighth grade education in the Shinn and Bethel one room schools. He married Betty Thompson, born Jan. 1, 1884, daughter of Thomas and Margaret Thompson, Dec. 24, 1902. They had six children, Bertha, Daniel (d. at 18 mo.), Eunice, Pauline, L.D. (Lloyd Doyle) and an infant son.

He bought a fruit farm on Crow Mountain in the Double Springs Community, in 1911, he also had a home in Pottsville for several years while the children were in high school. He served on the Double Springs and Pottsville School boards, superintendent and teacher of Double Springs Sunday School (non-denominational), Methodist Church board and Democrat Party elections. He sold the farm and moved to Russellville in 1950, his wife died in 1952 and he in 1953, and are buried in the Shinn Cemetery with their two sons.

L.D., second son of N.D. and Betty was born Oct. 7, 1909, in the Bethel Community. He attended the Double Springs School through the sixth grade, graduated from Pottsville High School in 1928 and attended Arkansas Tech one year. He played football, basketball and baseball while in high school. He married Martha Frances Cleveland, daughter of Ott and Rea (Darr) Cleveland of Atkins, June 1931. He worked on highway construc-

tion and the farm. He was discharged from World War II to help his father on the farm. He purchased a farm north of Atkins in 1949 and retired from farming in 1969 due to ill health. His hobbies are hunting, fishing and C.B. Radio. He lives on Highway 105 in North Atkins.

by Eunice Shinn

SILAS MONROE SHINN

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Silas Monroe Shinn was the son of Littleton Crankfield Shinn who was the eighth child of Silas Benjamin and Elizabeth (Little) Shinn. Littleton was born 19 March 1814, in Cabarrus county, North Carolina. He was married in 1835 to Nelly Tucker in Cabarrus county. They emigrated to Pope county about 1840. L.C. and Nelly Shinn lived about two years at what is now Russellville, on the present site of the Oakland cemetery. Then they moved to their homestead at Mill Creek, near where the Booher cemetery is now located. Nellie died 30 September 1864. L.C. died 7 September 1885. They are buried at Ball Hill cemetery.

His second wife was Lavina Love, Smith. L.C. was the father of eight children by his first wife and three by his second wife. His children were, Elizabeth, Martha Isabel, James Ransom, Mary Ann, Eliza Malissa, Silas Monroe, Sarah Josephine, Laura Alice, Mattie Malissa, David Littleton, George Darling.

Silas Monroe was born 30 August 1850, in Pope county. He was about eleven years old when the Civil War started. He stayed at home while his brother James Ransom went off to fight. When the bushwackers came through this part of the country, they held L.C.'s feet in fire trying to make him tell where he had money hid. Being unsuccessful in doing so, they took his son Silas with them up into the Boston mountains and gave him an old sway back mule to ride home. It took him about three months to get back.

Silas M. Shinn was married in Pope county to Sarah Jane Tucker, in 1869. They had three children, James Calvin, born 22 January 1872. He was killed 14 May 1890 trying to hop a freight train at Mill Creek.

Martha Luetta, born 1 March 1875, was married 29 December 1892, to Ulyesses Grant Shoptaw. Martha died 31 January 1909, leaving a daughter Cora Annis.

Robert Monroe was born 18 December 1881, and married Susie Nordin 12 May 1901. To this union two sons were born.

Silas Shinn married his second wife, Mary Beatrice Carr, 4 February 1885. Mary, born 12 March 1864, was the daughter of Balis S. Carr and Emily Russell Carr of Tennessee. They had seven children. Three are still living, Maxie, born 24 January 1888, lives in Legacy Lodge Nursing Home. Charles Reece, born 7 June 1899 married Ruth Rachel, 3 February 1923. He now resides in the Mill Creek community. Herbert Edward, born 30 December 1903, was married to Mayme Douglas, in Dover, 18 December 1924. They now live in Russellville. Those deceased are, Walter Daniel, born 7 January 1886, married Florence Smith, 22 August 1905. Shellie Flor-

ence, born 27 July 1889, married Vant Jolley, 27 August 1911. Delphia Ethel, born 12, June 1891, married E. Frank Benefiel, 12 December 1908. Emmitt, born 2 December 1896, married Frances Plunket, 22 December 1927. The above are buried at Booher cemetery.

There were four boys in this family and three of them celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary.

by Zell R. Lewis

JAMES SHOPTAW 1791-1861

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James Shoptaw was born in Kentucky, in 1791, but moved his family to Pope County about 1849. According to National Archives, the family name was of Huguenot (French protestant) origin, and was originally spelled: "Shoptaugh". The "ugh" ending was replaced by the shorter "w" sometime before the name reached Pope County, but the original spelling was quite commonly used in Kentucky, before 1850. James, and his wife, Catherine, had five sons: 1. John Wycliffe, b. 1830, 2. Alpheus, b. 1834 3. Matthew T., b. 1836, 4. William K., b. 1842, 5. Richard, b. 1844. All five of these sons were born in Kentucky. The 1860 census shows a "Mary A.", as the wife of James Shoptaw, so apparently his first wife, Catherine, had died in the 1850's, and he had remarried "Mary A.". Two children were born to this second union: 1. Alonzo, b. 1856, and 2. Martha A., b. 1859. James's death occurred about 1861. At least four of the sons fought in the Civil War, but the youngest, Richard (only 15), and Alonzo, the son of Mary A., were too young for service.

I. John Wycliffe served in Co. F, 3rd Ark. Batt. C.S.A., under Capt. James Russell. He died in the siege of Vicksburg. In 1856 he had married Elizabeth Malinda Shinn, daughter of Littleton Crankfield Shinn. Littleton was born in N. Cal. in 1814, but brought his family to Arkansas in 1840. Elizabeth was also born in Carolina, before her family came to Pope County. The Shinn family lived for two years in Russellville, on the present site of Oakland Cemetery. They then moved to a homestead which he had established at Mill Creek. John Wycliffe, and his wife, Elizabeth, had three children: 1. John Thomas, b. 1857, 2. Mary Alice, b. 1860, 3. Jesse James, b. 1861. Only John Thomas had male grandchildren to carry the family name.

II. Alpheus T., b. 1834, m. Martha E. Tucker. They had three children: 1. Fonsey, b. 1859. He probably died as a child. 2. Martha Ann, b. 1860, 3. Jesse A., b. 1861. Alpheus's family still lived in Pope County, in 1870, but not in 1880.

III. Matthew T., b. 1836, m. Sarah Roper. They had two children: 1. Matt, 2. Bridget, b. 1855. Matthew's family still lived in Pope County, in 1860, but apparently moved to Oklahoma sometime before 1870. Matthew T. is buried at Sallisaw, Okla., and his wife, Sarah, is buried at Ft. Smith, Ark. Their son Matt, is buried somewhere in Texas. This Matt had a son, Howard, b. 1908, in Oklahoma, who



FAMILY OF WM. EDWARD SHOPTAW. PHOTO, 1940.

Left to right: Standing: Thomas A., Thurmon Smith, LaVan. Seated: Claudine, Mary Sue, Minnie M., Mattie H., Wm. Edward, Anita, Lorraine. Seated in front: Jane Ann (Smith), Patricia (Smith), Vana Gail.

now lives in Tennessee.

IV. William K., b. 1842, m. Martha E. Petray. They had two children: 1. Ulyssis Grant, b. 1859, 2. Delphine, b. 1864. Ulyssis was a cotton ginner, operating a gin at Mill Creek from about 1900, until it burned in 1950 — although he died in 1925. He also had a gin in Russellville from 1915, until his death. Ulyssis m. Etta Shinn. They had one child, Annas, m. Thomas Mosley. They had two children: 1. Bedford, 2. Tommye, m. Harold Heiden.

V. Richard, was in Pope County until 1870, but there is no record since that date.

VI. Alonzo, b. 1845, m. Matilda L. Furr, 1878. She lived in Dover township. There is no further record of this son of "Mary A." Shoptaw.

by LaVan Shoptaw

JESSE JAMES SHOPTAW 1861-1945

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Jesse James, was born in Pope County, in 1861. He married Mrs. Martha A. Pless, and became a pioneer builder and lumberman in the County. He operated lumber mills, and a planing mill, in various sections of the County. He operated a retail lumber yard in Russellville, for many years after he discontinued the saw milling and planing business. Jesse James and his wife, Martha, had ten children: Florence Rosalie, b. 1885, m. Lawson Howell. They had one child: Catherine; Mildred, b. 1888, m. Everett S. Tomlinson, a teacher at Arkansas Tech (for whom the library building on the campus, was named.) They had one child: (1) Tommy, Jr., he married Melba Hull; Lillie Ethel, b. 1891, m. Walter Scott. They had one child: (1) Lane; Edna Malinda, b. 1893, m. John Bowen, a carpenter; John Emmett, b. 1895, m. Joel Bell. Emmett was a carpenter. They had two chil-

dren: (1) Ellen Jane, and (2) Virginia; Rheba, b. 1897, m. Ophleas Lemley. They had two children: (1) Jack Randolph, (2) Paula; Lois, b. 1899, m. Jennings Peeler. They had one child: (1) Clay, b. 1936; Bettye, b. 1901. Bettye became a registered nurse. She never married; Lala, b. 1903, m. Earl Burnett. They had one child: (1) Jimmie; William, b. 1905. William never married.

by LaVan Shoptaw

JOHN THOMAS SHOPTAW 1857-1935

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JOHN THOMAS SHOPTAW

John Thomas Shoptaw was born in Pope County, 1857. He was a life-time farmer, and merchant, member of the Church of Christ, m. Martha Henrietta Pless, in 1879, and they had twelve children. They spent their entire lives in Pope county, mostly in the Mill Creek community, five miles west of Russellville.

Wm. Edward, b. 1880, farmer, teacher, lumberman, member of the Church of Christ, m. Minnie Marvilla Sosbee, 1901, had four children: A. LaVan Neill, b. 1902, life-long teacher, member Church of Christ, m. Eunice Lorraine McGehee, 1923, had one child: 1. Vana Gail, b. 1937, m. Edmund Patrick Carter, had three children: (1) Kerry Beth, b. 1959, (2) Tamara Lynn, b. 1962, (3) Mark Patrick, b. 1964. B. Anita Sue, b. 1909, m. Thurmon Smith, had two children: 1. Patricia Ann, b. 1930, m. Wm. Kemper II, had two children: (1) Joseph William III, b. 1961, (2) Priscilla, b. 1966. 2. Jane Thurmon, b. 1938, m. Floyd Wiss, had two children: (1) Jane Ann, b. 1959, (2) Maria, b. 1964. C. Claudia Ruth, b. 1913, life-time teacher, member Church of Christ. D. Thomas Alfred, b. 1916, farmer, builder, rural carrier, member Church of Christ, m. Mary Sue Turner, had one child: 1. Merrell Edward, b. 1947, accountant, m. Karen Danley, had one child: (1) Bradley Jennings, b. 1977. Elbert Monroe — died in childhood. Rosa Malinda, b. 1884, m. Arthur E. Smith, had five children: A. Raymond Allen, b. 1907. B. Hazel Bernice, b. 1910, m. Ed McAlister, had one child: 1. Zarita Jane, b. 1936, m. Larry Mann, had four children: (1) Jeffery Allen, b. 1959, (2) Linda Carol, b. 1961, (3) Ronald Scott, b. 1963, (4) James Douglas, b. 1971. C. Wilma Ester, b. 1912, m. Hershell Bennett, had one child: 1. Janice Ann, b. 1940, m. Robert Phillips, had four children: (1) Richard Andrew, b. 1958, (2) Ronald Gene, b. 1959, (3) Vickie Ann, b. 1961, (4) Ronald Ray, b. 1963. D. Ralph Eugene, b. 1914, carpenter, m. Nina Geneva Martin, members Church of Christ, had one child: (1) Sandra Jean, b. 1957, m. Mike Ray Matlock, had one child: (1) Kimberly Dawne, b. 1975. E. Hugh Francis, b. 1922, m. Marie Ritchie, had three children: 1. Sherry Jean, b. 1950, 2. Francis Lynn, b. 1952, 3. Arthur Eugene, b. 1958. Charles M. — died in childhood. Kelly Maud — died in childhood. Horace Greeley — died in childhood. Nora — died in childhood. Florence Etta, b. 1892, m. C. Gilbert Casey, had three children: A. John Thomas, b. 1917, m. Sylvia Bond, had two children: 1. John Thomas, b. 1945, 2. Patricia Dean, b. 1948. B. Paul Gilbert, b. 1919, C. Robert Lowell, teacher, b. 1933 m. Frankie Denton, had two children: 1. Michael, b. 1958, 2. Franklin Patrick, b. 1960. Laura Annie — died in childhood. John Thomas, b. 1896, life-time farmer, member Church of Christ, m. Lillian Louise Brown, had six children: A. Jennings Sewell, b. 1925, m. Mella Lou Davidson. B. Robert Brown, b. 1927, m. Joy Darlene Spurlin, had two children: 1. David Robert, b. 1952. 2. Sherry Lynn, b. 1955. C. Billy Joe, b. 1929, m. Louise Condo, had two children: 1. Stephen, b. 1957, 2. Thomas Wayne, b. 1959. E. John Wayne, b. 1942. C.P.A. m. Carol Creswell, had one child: 1. Daniel Arthur, b. 1975. F.

Ladonna Louise, b. 1949, teacher. Ruth Agnes b. 1897, m. Z.D. Barber, had one child: 1. Jimmie, b. 1935. Dora Norma, b. 1899, m. Charles Counts, had three children: A. Victor Ervin, b. 1918, 2. Charles Wayne, b. 1919, 3. J.B., b. 1921.

by LaVan Shoptaw

MARY ALICE SHOPTAW (THOMPSON) 1880-1919

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Mary Alice, daughter of John W. & Elizabeth M. Shoptaw, was born in Pope County, in 1860. She married Henry Thompson, and they had eight children: Charles F. (Bailey), b. 1876, m. Rhoda Elvara Wells, they had 15 children: (A) Glenn, b. 1908, m. Lucile Haley, had two children: 1. Glenda, b. 1934. 2. James F., b. 1939. There is one grandchild. 2m. Violet N. Cornwall. (B) Rue, b. 1909, m. Ruth McAnulty, had three children: 1. Greta Sue, b. 1934. 2. Wanda, b. 1937. 3. Joyce Ann, b. 1942. 2m. Ivaline Prieba Jones. (C) Buel, b. 1911, never married. Died in 1936. (D) Thelma, b. 1913, m. Wm. J. Coates, had two children: 1. Janet Sue, b. 1946. 2. Wm. Robert, b. 1950. Have 6 grandchildren. (E) Ragan, b. 1915, m. Millie Baker, had two children: 1. Elvara Jane, b. 1938. 2. James Ragan, b. 1947. They have 7 grandchildren & one great-grandchild. (F) Ona, b. 1917, m. Cecil McDowell. 2m. Solomon Padilla, had one child: 1. Chas. Shelly b. 1952. (G) Willard, b. 1918, m. Rebba O. Robertson, had four children: 1. Charles Wayne, b. 1938. 2. Jimmie Don, b. 1940. 3. Marilyn Jean, b. 1942. 4. Patricia Ann, b. 1945. (H) Haskell, b. 1920, m. Addie Underhill, have two children: 1. Don Howard, b. 1941. 2. Jerry Lynn, b. 1947. (I) Nina, b. 1921, never married. died in 1935. (J) Charles Tennyson, b. 1923, m. Billie Bea Langford, have two children: 1. Michael Duane, b. 1950. 2. Mickey Ronald, b. 1954. They have one grandchild. (K) Herman, b. 1924, m. Mildred Marie Goates, they have two children: 1. David Ray, b. 1953. 2. Terry Lee, b. 1954. (L) DeLon, b. 1926, m. Lenora Walker, no children. (M) Mary Lee, b. 1927, m. Harold Metz, they have four children: 1. Donna Carol, b. 1953. 2. Bobby Harold, b. 1955. 3. Cheryl Ann, b. 1960. 4. Susan Diane, b. 1962. (N) Paul Harold, b. 1955, m. Wanda Lou Smith, had three children: 1. Paula Gail, b. 1952. 2. Patty Lyman, b. 1954. 3. Douglas Lee, b. 1962. (O) Robert Allen, b. 1934, m. Christina Rudolph. They had one child: 1. Connie, b. 1957. (adopted). Amanda, b. 1881, m. Rufus Teague, had two children: A. Julia Bell, B. Leonard. Amanda died in 1954. Mae, b. 1883, m. Lawrence Coffman, had four children: A. Thelbert, B. Roland, C. J.B. D. Mary Loyd. Mae died in 1941. Kate, b. 1885, died in childhood. Fred Burgess, b. 1887, m. Jeanette Bradley. Business man in County for 40 years. Ethel, b. 1891, died in childhood. Sherrod Bradford, b. 1892, m. Melvena White, they had five children: (A) Shervena, b. 1931, m. Robt. S. Grubbs, had four children: A. Robt. S. Jr., b. 1949. 2. Gloria S., b. 1950. 3. Donald

Thompson, b. 1953. 4. Lynn Marie, b. 1956. (B) Rebena, b. 1931. 1m. Ancil Staggs, had one child: 1. Mary, b. 1950. 2m. J.W. Lewis, had one child: J.W. Jr. b. 1954. 3m. William Stephens, had one child: 1. Mark Shane, b. 1960. 4m. Joseph W. Graham, had two children: 1. Joseph W. Jr. b. 1965. 2. Sally Susanne, b. 1968. (C) Rose Marie, b. 1936, never married. (D) Fred Burgess, b. 1940, m. Linda Meeks, had three children: 1. Tamara Jo, b. 1966. 2. Shea, b. 1972. 3. Laura, b. 1974. 2m. Shirley Miller, had one child: 1. Fred B. III. 3m. Remarried Linda Meeks. (E) Sherrod B. Jr. b. 1940, m. Judy Livingston. Had two children: 1. Sherrod B. III, b. 1961. 2. Fred B. IV, b. 1975.

by LaVan Shoptaw

JOSEPH SIDES

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Joseph Sides was born in North Carolina on 19 Oct. 1810, and moved to Walker County Alabama as a child. His father has not yet been identified, but his mother's given name was Jenny. He had three known brothers, William, Thomas and John, none of whom came to Arkansas.

In 1827 Joseph Sides married Elizabeth (Betsey) Wyatt, daughter of James and Elizabeth Ellis Wyatt. They became the parents of seven children. The family moved to Conway County, Arkansas about 1839, with Elizabeth's mother and several of her sisters and their families. Joseph Sides was on the 1850 census of Pope County.

Children of Joseph and Betsey Wyath Sides were: 1. David James, born 29 Oct. 1829, 2. Francis F. born 25 Feb. 1831 (no further information). 3. John Thomas, born 1 Feb. 1833, married 24 May 1853, Mary Angeline Brown. He died before 28 Nov. 1858, when Mary married Bethel Guest. They had two children, Amanda married Hilary Pigg and Nancy, married Presley Pigg. 4. Ereminta (Araminta), born 29 Sept. 1835, married 2 July 1854, Elmer Seviars Flowers and had two children, Joseph E. born 1856, and Elizabeth A., born 1858. 5. Cynthia, born 26 March 1837, married 23 Oct. 1859, John Kelly and had Nancy, Sarah, Amanda, married Dan Brown and Mary Ann. 6. Nancy C. born 8 June 1839 (no further information) and 7. Mary Elizabeth born 27 Oct. 1849 in Arkansas, married 29 March 1868, William Jasper Jones.

Betsey Wyatt Sides died about the time of Mary Elizabeth's birth. She is not on the 1850 census and on 30 Oct. 1850, Joseph was granted guardianship papers on all his children under age 21, except Mary Elizabeth. On 29 July 1851, Joseph married a widow, Stella Ennis, nee Burnett. She died a short time later and on 3 May 1853, he married another widow, Mary Brown, nee Crites, mother of Mary Angeline. They had one son, Jessie Neighton (called Blake) born 8 March 1856, married 14 Aug. 1876 to Martha Hearn.

Daved James Sides married four times. His first wife was Sarah Elizabeth Wittenburg. They married 29 March 1853 and had one daughter, Francis, born 13 Feb. 1854, mar-

ried William J. Daniels and J.J. Flowers. Davie married second on 23 Oct. 1857 Naomi Flowers. No issue of this marriage is included in David's Bible, but the 1860 census shows Naomi Sides in her parent's home with six-year-old Francis, and a daughter, Martha A., 2. David married third, on 9 Sept. 1867, Martha Jane Ennis, widow of John Ennis, and daughter of Jabez and Lydia W. Owens. They had Anderson, born 15 Aug. 1868, died 1885 and Amanda, born 30 Sept. 1870, died 28 Jan. 1960, married 1. Robert Bewley 2. William Nathan Hendrickson 3. Jake Duvall 4. Willis Skelton. Martha Jane died 1 Sept. 1876, and on 30 March 1879 David James married Sara Hearn, nee Rosson. They had three children, Hugh, born 10 Jan. 1880, Manerva Jane, born 22 Feb. 1882 and Malinda born 9 March 1884, married Charles Milam.

Joseph Sides died about 1873. His burial place is unknown. David James Sides died 1 Feb. 1884 and lies in Moreland Cemetery.

by Dorris Dean Hendrickson

GREGORY SINCLAIR

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Front Row: Rose Sinclair, John B. Sinclair, Erskin Boyce Sinclair. Back Row: Lucy Sinclair and Mary Ellen Sinclair.

Gregory Sinclair was born in County Tyrone Ireland, February 1, 1796. In 1817 he and his brother William came to America landing at Charleston, South Carolina.

A short time after this the brothers and some friends migrated to Gaston County North Carolina. About two years later their father Samuel and the rest of the family came from Ireland and joined them in North Carolina. Later in 1833, Samuel and his family migrated to Wayne County, Tennessee. In 1844 Gregory married Margaret Blackwood and in 1855, they with their family moved to Pope County, Arkansas. His sister Jennie Dickey and family had previously moved to

Pope County Arkansas. Since Gregory and Jennie had been almost inseparable, he decided to move to Arkansas. The move was made by steamboat, the place of embarkment being Florence, Alabama. After six weeks they arrived at Napoleon, at the mouth of the Arkansas river. Due to low water on the Arkansas, they were delayed until March. Then the journey up the Arkansas was made with great difficulty. At Lewisburg, just south of the present city of Morrilton the boat was unable to go farther. They remained there until they were able to contact the Dickey family in Pope County. They traveled in wagons and reached the Dickey's in a few days. Gregory purchased a farm near Pottsville on the Military Road, then the highway from Little Rock to Fort Smith. A house was completed and occupied in the fall of 1855. The house is still standing on highway 64, two miles east of Pottsville. Gregory and Margaret lived here for the remainder of their lives. They are buried in the Pisgah Cemetery.

Gregory and Margaret Sinclair were the parents of four children, Jane, John Blackwood, Mary Ann, and Margaret Susan. These, with their families, were all residents of Pope County. John Blackwood Sinclair was born in Waynesboro, Tennessee, September 4, 1846. He fought in the latter part of the Civil War, having volunteered at the age of eighteen. He was in the cavalry, serving under Captain Catterson, Newton's Brigade, Logan's Regiment. He returned home from the war June 1, 1865. He was riding the same mare on which he rode when he left. The mare left a baby colt, which was raised on a bottle. When they returned, the mare, realizing that they were nearing home, began to neigh. This was a herald to the family that the son was returning. John B. Sinclair married Mary Ellen Oates on March 18, 1885. Five children were born to this union. William Gregory, who died at the age of four, Lucy Jane, Margaret Rose, Erskine Boyce and the youngest son, who died in infancy. Lucy married G.K. Rogers who was a native of Pope County. Rose married Henry Rogers, a brother to G.K. The Sinclair family lived at the former home place during the years following the civil war. These were not easy or safe years. John was a farmer and land owner.

John's only living son, Boyce was born April 13, 1892. He spent his early years on the old home place. His childhood was a happy blending of play and responsibility. His first responsibility outside of the farm duties was a job with the Missouri Pacific railroad at the age of ten. He serviced and hung lanterns, one at each end of the quarter mile long Worthen Switch. They were lighted and hung each evening and removed each morning for safe keeping. For this work he received \$2.50 per month. This was a great responsibility for a lad of this age displaying how his dependability was recognized and expected early in life.

Boyce graduated from Russellville High School in 1914. The next year he attended Erskine College in Due West, South Carolina. In May 1918 he volunteered in the U.S. Navy as apprentice seaman during world war one. He was located at the naval training station in

San Diego, California. On February 28, 1919 he was given an honorable discharge. In 1920 he became partners with Roy Falls, forming the firm of Falls & Sinclair. That fall he entered Tyler Commercial College where he graduated in business administration, financing and cotton classing. Upon returning to Pottsville he entered a career as merchant and cotton buyer for Anderson Clayton Cotton Co. He remained in the merchantile business until 1946, thus terminating the firm of Falls & Sinclair.

On December 28, 1922 he married Salemma Inez Blake. She graduated from Pottsvill High School and attended Tyler Commercial College. She died in 1925.

Boyce was very active in community life, serving on the school board, and as elder in the A.R. Presbyterian church for a number of years.

On November 13, 1935 he married Romaine Agatha McCown from Fayetteville, Tennessee. She was a graduate of Bryson College and had been a Math and English teacher. To this union, three children were born. The first, John McCown. He married Beth Hall. They have two children, Heidi Elizabeth and Jeremy Boyce. The second was a daughter, Barbara Ellen. She married Arvale Rogers and has two children, Brian Sinclair and Laura Stephanie. The Sinclair's third child was Nancy Carole. She married James C. Oates. They have one son, Bryson Sinclair.

by E.B. Sinclair

WILLIAM ARTHUR SINCLAIR

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William Arthur Sinclair was a son of William Henry Sinclair of Shongaloo, La., and wife Molly Beach from around Lake Village, Ark. homesteaded 160 acres 10 miles north of Scottsville about 1889. They moved to Scottsville from Little Rock to get away from the fever which was raging there. They later lived at Cottonwood, Dover and Newton Springs.

William Henry and Molly had six children — Belle Burch Petty, Mittie Butler, Ollie Smallwood, Minnie Jones, Etta Owens and William Arthur Sinclair. Molly, Mittie, Belle and Minnie are buried in McFaden Cemetery at Dover. Henry died while visiting a daughter in Atlas and is buried there. Etta moved to Calif. Many of their descendents must remain in Pope Co.

After service in France during World War I, William Arthur married Elsie Muriel Bradford Tucker, daughter of William Pinkman Bradford and Ellie May Hammond. The Bradfords were also pioneer settlers of Pope Co., living in Caglesville, Atkins, etc. The Hammonds were pioneer settlers of Clinton, Van Buren Co.

William Pinkman Bradford was married twice and had William Franklin, Lonnie, Lee, Roy, Dewey, Cecil, Arnetta Belle, Eva, Alta Ruth, Elsie and Helen, and many descendants still live in Pope Co. Lee and Cecil are the only two still living, Lee in North Little Rock and Cecil in Calif.

Elsie had one child by her first husband, William Richard Tucker, a daughter Marjorie. Marjorie married Roger Cagle, also from a pioneer Pope Co. family and lives in Caglesville, named for his family. They have three children, two in Russellville and one in Caglesville, Marilyn Davis, Anita Goodall and Melita Heflin, and five grandchildren.

William Arthur and Elsie had one child, James Calvin, born at Scottsville in 1921. They eventually moved to Memphis, Tenn. where he grew up. After service in World War II, he returned to Memphis. He has been a Memphis City Policeman for 30 years, now serving as Capt. In 1948, he married Margaret Norvell from Crockett Co., Tenn., and they have three children, James Bradford, Margaret Carol and Robert Norvell. Brad married Terri Gardner in 1973 and works for Memphis Light, Gas & Water Div. Carol and Rob are in high school in Memphis.

by James C. Sinclair

WILLIAM HENRY SINCLAIR

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William Henry Sinclair, Molly Beaker Sinclair, son William Arthur Sinclair, Standing.

WILLIAM HENRY SINCLAIR of Shongaloo, La. married Mollie Beakes about 1875. He was born in 1851 and was the son of a doctor. She was born near Lake Village, Ark. on Oct. 11, 1858. They moved near Little Rock soon after their marriage and from there to the Arkansas river bottoms in a cane break somewhere below Russellville. This was an area where malaria was rampant, so they moved to the mountains about ten miles north of Scottsville in 1889. They homesteaded 160 acres of land there in Liberty Twp. They lived there thirteen years till 1902 when they moved to Cottonwood, and stayed till 1903 when they moved to Dover. In 1904 they moved

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back to Cottonwood, in 1905 to Pine Grove, in 1906 to the old Linton Place, and in 1907 they moved to the John Gargus place at Newton Springs.

Henry and Mollie Sinclair had six children (five girls, one boy): Mattie Belle who was born in 1876 and died in 1956. She married Samuel Houston Burch, Jr. on May 25, 1895. He died in 1928 and she married Robert Lee "Buck" Petty in 1932. Buck died in 1946 and Belle died ten years later.

Mittie Zella: was born on Oct. 20, 1879 and died on July 14, 1943. She married William Henry Butler. They had two sons: Jim who married Rhea McLain, and Fred who married Blanche Fortenberry.

Ollie, who married Julius Smallwood and died in childbirth in 1904.

Minnie S., who was born Oct. 17, 1886 and who died Oct. 10, 1920. She married Floyd Jones and they had eight children: Sue (Hollabough), Laura (Waldo), Alma, Robert, Ora, Arnold, A.C., and Gyrene.

Etta, who married Clyde Owens and moved to California, had five children, of them were Lura and Carl.

William Arthur was born in 1896 and died in Memphis, Tenn. in 1976. He married Elsie Bradford Tucker and they had a son named James Calvin who they called "J.C.". He lives in Memphis with his wife, Margaret Norvell Sinclair. They have three children.

William Henry Sinclair was a hard working farmer. He made rails to fence his farm to protect his crops from the cattle that were allowed to run loose in the mountains. He had to pile rails over eight high to keep them out. He cut wood to shingle his house, besides the wood he always had to cut for firewood and cooking. He also had another hard job of keeping his land clear of sassafras sprouts, with their strong root systems. He had to do a thorough job of digging them out with a grubbing hoe or they would shoot up again. He died in 1925 while visiting a daughter in Altus, Franklin Co., Ark.

Mollie Beakes Sinclair was a jolly, good natured, happy-go-lucky person who liked everybody and who fit easily into any group. She loved people, and they, in turn, loved her. She liked to be on the go, visiting and being visited. She never dwelt in the past, and didn't like to intellectualize on deep subjects. She just enjoyed life and made the most of it. She was a hard worker, nevertheless, and cared well for her family. She died April 27, 1921 and is buried at McFadden Cemetery in Dover.

Mattie Belle Sinclair and Samuel H. Burch, Jr. had: Dicie Mae (born 3-8-1897) and Louis Scott Burch (born Sept. 28, 1905). Dicie married David Earl Tucker on Oct. 17, 1914 and they had Doyn Ray Tucker and Sibyl Loriene Tucker. Sibyl married W.R. "Ted" Berry of Clay Co., Ark. in 1935 and they moved to Michigan. They had four boys: W. Ross, Ernest E., Gary M. and Ronald L. Berry.

Mattie Belle Sinclair Burch Petty died in 1956 in Marmaduke, Greene Co., Ark. at the home of her daughter. She is buried at McFadden Cemetery in Dover.

by W. Ross Berry

Thomas Simpson, a farmer, was born in Georgia, about 1819. It is not known when his Scotch-Irish forebears arrived in the U.S. His wife Sara Burden's father was "Black Dutch". Her grandfather, it is believed, immigrated to this country. Thomas and Sara had six children: Samuel, James Drane, Elizabeth, Rachael, Bonisa, and Sarah. The sons were born in Georgia. The family moved to Alabama for four years, then to Missouri for a few years, then to Attala County, Mississippi. James, born in 1842, was in early twenties when civil war began. He enlisted in Perrin's Regiment, Mississippi cavalry, November 26, 1863. He was among prisoners of war surrendered at Citronelle, Alabama, May 4, 1865. James married Elizabeth J. Rayburn September 28, 1865. They had five children in eleven years: Mary A., James J., Florence, Charles N., and Alonzo Noah, the youngest born July 9, 1877. All the children (except Mary who was 19) were attending Cooks Mills school in Attala County, Mississippi in 1885.

When Alonzo (Lonnie) was about age ten, his family moved to Vilonia in Faulkner County, Arkansas. The journey made a vivid impression on young Lonnie. More than eighty years later, he recalled fording the Mississippi river by oxcart. James, the father, died within a few months; but the family remained in Vilonia about five years before moving to Morrilton, and later to White County. Still later they moved to near Scottsville, in Pope County and then, when Lonnie was in teens, to Gumlog, Pope County. In Gumlog, widow Elizabeth married Robert D. Ashmore, (April 27, 1843 - October 18, 1921).

Alonzo married Martha Elsie Hamilton daughter of Oliver H.P. Hamilton, June 21, 1830 - Nov. 24, 1897, and wife Luceny Ashmore December 5, 1897. Their ages were 20 and 22 respectively. Both Ashmore and Hamilton families came to Pope County from Tennessee and had lived in county at least from the time of the Civil War. A hard working man, willing to try anything, Lonnie, held a variety of jobs. His third year in Gumlog, he bought eggs from farmers, then sold them to retail stores. He did farm work for fifty cents a day. He worked at L. Smith's Mill in Russellville, making flour and carding wool. He was perhaps the last man in Pope County to operate a wool carding machine. For two decades, he was a farmer in Gumlog and Russellville and worked at a Gumlog Cotton Gin during the ginning season. Occasionally, he was a bill collector for a Doctor. He served as interim Postmaster at Gumlog when Postmaster was ill. He served as Justice of the peace and as school director. The last 17 years before retirement, Lonnie and Daughter Reba operated a Phillips 66 station and grocery store on Highway 124, Russellville. He remained a widower after the death of Martha Elsie, August 8, 1925 and lived with his daughter Reba until his death March 25, 1971.

The six children of Alonzo Noah and Martha Elsie Simpson are living in May 1978. Except for Chellie in Tulsa, all live in Pope County.

They are: Mabel Vestal, Sidney Burgess, Chellie Walton, Buel Rayburn, Reba Elizabeth, and Roy Hamilton. Mable married Wallace C. Canady. Their only child, Joseph Alonzo married Wilma Virden daughter of L.D. (Elton) Virden and wife Ruby Irene Teague. Their child, daughter Joanne is with parents in Gumlog. Sidney married Opal Dodson (February 1, 1905 - September 24, 1953). Both their children are in Evanston, Illinois. Ruth Ann married Philip Ahikar Klein, May 27, 1972. Sidney Jr. married Nancy Sype daughter of Mr. & Mrs. W.R. Sype of Tulsa, December 27, 1962. Their children are Sidney III, Jeffrey and adopted daughter Jenny. Sidney Sr. married Helen Mary Reichmann December 3, 1957. Chellie married Roy L. Barton son of Arthur Barton. They have twin daughters Patsy and Peggy. They live in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Buel married Luella Munford daughter of James Munford. They had one child Robert Dewey. He married Inell Lynch of Knoxville, Tennessee. Their children are Robert Michael and Susan Ann. They live in San Angelo, Texas. After Luella died, Buel married Trilby Violet Poe Sewell widow of Eddie Sewell. Reba remains unmarried. Roy married Edna Lois Langford daughter of Eugil Olan and Faye Langford. Their son Roy Alton married Barbara Mosley July 10, 1977 and lives in East Camden, Ark.

Alonzo Noah Simpson was the patriarch of a large and diversified family. He lived to see several great grandchildren and to tell one of his granddaughters-in-law (this writer) many of the facts of his colorful life. The story of the Simpson family is well documented with evidence of difficulties and hard times, but also with evidence of people who were willing to take a chance, to go where opportunity beckoned, to work hard. The children of this and future generations can look back at their heritage and be proud to be Simpsons.

by Nancy S. Simpson

ABSALOM SIMS

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Absalom Sims, born 10 July 1791 in Hawkins Co., Tenn. was a son of Parish and Grizel Sims. His grandparents were Bartlett and Catherine Sims of Culpepper Co., Va. Absalom's great grandfather was James Sims, also, of Culpepper Co., who in 1765 deeded land to son, Bartlett Sims. Absalom moved with his parents relatives and friends from Hawkins Co., Tenn. via the Tenn. River, up Elk R. to area now known as Limestone Co., Ala. Absalom married Catherine Keiser, born 5 Nov 1796, in Pa., 20 Mar. 1817 in Ala. They were charter members of Pine Grove Methodist Tabernacle Church, established 1828 near Ala. - Miss. state line. Absalom and Catherine Sims were in Pope Co. by 1829 and helped to build the Methodist Church at Boiling Springs Camp Ground in 1832. Absalom died 24 Feb. 1863.

The oldest child of Absalom and Catherine was Mary, born 1818 who later married John A. Williams, the latter dying in 1848. Two of Mary's sons were Pope Co., officials. William

Morris was appointed sheriff by Gov. Isaac Murphy in 1866. Six months later he was assassinated at his home 12 miles north of Dover. John H. Williams, the younger brother, was a deputy sheriff in Sept. 1872 when he was shot by Robert F. Jones and died after a lingering illness. James Martin Sims, the 9th child of Absalom and Catherine Sims was born in 1835 and married Sara Francis Caudle 5 June 1860. He enlisted in the Confederate Army 21 Dec. 1861 at Dardanelle. He was a sergeant, Co. E, 17th Ark. Regt. and was captured in the Battle of Corinth, Miss. He died 30 June 1862.

The only child of James Martin Sims was James Albert, born 1861, married Susan Pierce 4 Nov. 1880. She was a daughter of Andrew J. Pierce and Frankie (Hinchey) Pierce. Andrew Pierce, a Confederate veteran died in Memphis in 1862. James Albert Sims and Susan raised 11 children on their farm near Scottsville. In addition to the farming operation, Mr. Sims had a cotton gin and a grist mill operated in Scottsville until his death in 1919.

Ann Sims, the 5th child of James Albert and Susan Sims, born 1889, married Wm. Ira Rentfro in 1911. She died 1915 leaving a son, Hanie, born 1915, (died 1976) and a daughter, Hallene V. Rentfro, born 1913, married Milton C. Tucker 1933 in Eufaula, Okla. The first child, Virginia Sue Tucker, born 1934 married Van Troy McManus in 1955. Virginia is a supervisor of nurses, nursery dept., Baptist Medical Center, Little Rock. She has a son, Shawn, born 1959 and a daughter, Susan born 1962, both attending Sylvan Hills high school. David Milton Tucker, 2nd child, born 1937, married Cynthia Grant 1966, Iowa City, Iowa where both were pursuing PhD degrees. They reside in Memphis where David is Prof. of history and Cynthia is assoc. Prof. of Eng. at Memphis State U. Their only child, Hope Leona Tucker born 1974. Third child of Hallene and Milton Tucker is Edwin Earl Tucker, born 1942, married Helena Dolk, native of Sweden, 1973 at Norman, Okla. They have a son, Fredrik Milton, born 1976 in Okla. City. After Edwin received his PhD in chemistry at U. of Okla., he did a year of post-doctorial study at Oslo U., Oslo, Norway. Presently he is a research chemist at the university of Oklahoma in Norman.

by Hallene Rentfro Tucker

A.J. SISNEY

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A.J. Sisney was born in Springfield, Ill., Feb. 2, 1840, moved to Springfield Missouri at an early age.

His first marriage was to Margrette Ann Holman, to this marriage 3 children were born, Lillie M., Hiram A. and Mary Ann, the latter two died at an early age, second marriage to Ann Wade, third marriage to Harriet Nichols, and fourth marriage to Martha Godbey-Williams.

In 1857 he joined the U.S. Army and under the command of Albert Sidney Johnson, made the trip to California. At the time of the

Mt. Meadoc massacre he, with the troops were in Idaho, but in a few days after the massacre was in Salt Lake City, the Army remained in Utah for sometime, then marched to San Francisco, where they remained until 1860. He returned to his home in Springfield, Missouri. During the Civil War he was an ambulance driver at the Army Post at Springfield Mo.

In 1866 he moved to Arkansas and settled about 3 miles north east of Atkins, on what in known as the Alewine place and engaged in farming.

After the Little Rock and Ft. Smith railroad was built and Atkins was laid out and became a town he moved to Atkins, and engaged in the mercantile and Undertaking business.

He was successful in business, broad and liberal in his views, and always ready and willing to help in any laudable improvement to the town. His life was one of varied experience but always known to be equal to any emergency whether it was on the farm at work, in the Army facing stern discipline and possible bullets in his business or within the family circle.

He died Sept. 10th 1921.

by Leona Weaver

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HUDSON F. SKAGGS AND ELIZABETH DANVERT SKAGGS

Very little was known about my Great Grandfather SKAGGS when we started our Ancestor Search. His grand children had vivid memories of him. They remembered seeing him whittle and hearing him whistle. We found where he had listed his home address as Crow Mountain near Russellville, Pope Co, ARKANSAS on 19 Aug. 1899. We came in search of Family History. We have since gathered the following (and much more) information. One "Old Timer" of Pope County told us that "Hutch SKAGGS" left Crow Mtn. about the turn of the century. He moved to

Blue Mtn. One forwarding address found gave Chula, Yell Co., ARK. He lived in Pope, Yell, Logan, Scott & possibly Randolph counties in Arkansas before he moved to Oklahoma in 1909.

According to a Application for Civil War Pension, Hudson F. SKAGGS was born 03 May 1838 at Yell Co., Arkansas; however, one census record gave KY and his death certificate gave TN as his birth Place. The 1880 Logan Co., Reville TWP, ARK. census gave birth place of both parents as KY. It is very possible that we descend from the LONE HUNTERS mentioned in every KY History Book. We are trying to prove this through combined efforts in the publication called "SKAGGS QUARTERLY."

Hudson was married three (3) times and had (2) daughters & (3) sons. He m1) about 1858 to Louci/Lucy WILSON (dau. of William) who was mother of his first two children as follows:

1) Sarah (called Sallie) b ca 1859 in Arkansas; m John Green SCOTT (Son of Prairie Jim & Susan Ann (MORPHIS) SCOTT of Crow MTN) in Pope Co on 23 Sept 1875. (14) Children were born of this union as follows: (Names & birth date only will be given as this will be covered in the SCOTT FAMILY HISTORY in this book) Lucy Matilda-1876, Mary Ellen (Mel)-1877, Rosie-1878, Minnie Ola-1879, Eliza Jane-1880; Manda Kassie-1881, Lester Lathniel (?), William Marion-1886, Sarah Bell-1889, Ada Martha-1891, Ezekiel Henderson (Zeke)-1895, John Wiley-1897, and twins Paul & Lena May-1901; all were born in or around Pope Co., Arkansas.

2) Mary Elizabeth b 1861 in Pope Co. where she m 26 Aug 1879 to Joseph Kirkman AUSTIN. Thirteen children were born to Joe & Mary (SKEGGS) AUSTIN: Lenard 'Hugh', Rosa 'Ella', Minnie A, Walter Simond, Emmett 'Young', Birdie 'Maude' Ada M, Candice Verlin, William A, Goldie Olen, Georgie Pearl, John Raymond & Florine M. (I believe this family is also covered in another article in this book.)

Hudson F. SKAGGS (age 25) enlisted in the Military Service. He mustered in at Ft. Smith by Maj. WEED on 08 Dec. 1863. He was assigned to Company 'B' 2nd Regt., ARK. Inf. His records give his description as 6 feet 1 inch tall, grey eyes, black hair, farmer.

While he was away at War, his wife (Lucy WILSON SKAGGS) was compelled to do the farm work to feed the family. While Lucy, Sallie & Mary all had the measles — Lucy had to go outside into the winter snow to chop firewood. She died of measles complicated by over-exposure to the weather ca 1864. Tradition has it that the "Indian Women buried Lucy WILSON SKAGGS in the chimney corner as was their custom.

Lucy was said to have been half Cherokee Indian, but her mother's maiden name is still unknown. One cousin tells that she walked to the mail box with Grandpa SKAGGS and heard him read aloud a letter of request from the DAWES INDIAN COMMISSION requesting that he register his children with the Indian Agency. She saw him open his 'valice' & toss the letter into the top and close the lid. That was his only response to the DAWES COM-

MISSION request; therefore, there is no record of an Indian Roll Number for descendants of Hudson F. SKAGGS present day descendants. It has also been suggested that Hudson might have been part Indian, too.

Hudson F. SKAGGS received an honorable discharge granted 18 Aug. 1865 at Clarksville. Upon his return home, he found two motherless children awaiting him. It didn't take Hudson long to feel the need for a replacement for his late wife (companion, cook, housekeeper & baby sitter.) On 27 Dec. 1865, he remarried at Waldren, Scott Co, ARK. by Rev. Joseph HALL to Eliza/Louisa Jane CUMMINGS. Three (3) sons were born of this union: 1) William S. b. 1867 @ Yell Co., ARK; died an infant; 2) Francis Marion SKAGGS b Oct 1869; m 16 March 1888 @ Pope Co, ARK to Alice Rebecca (Becky) KINDRECK of Russellville. Eight (8) children were born prior to his death in the 'fall of 1930 at Hallieville, OK.' Children were: James Elbert b 23 Dec 1889, Wm. Marion (or Thomas Hutson) b 18 Mar. 1892, Ivey Ezery b 18 Apr. 1893, Ollie Hays (?), Elzie Lou b 27 Apr. 1898, Odie Alphas (?), Levy Lois b 1903, & Elvie Lee Mammie. All were said to have born in Pope Co; 3) James Washington (Jimmy) SKAGGS thought to have been born in 1871 but his tombstone at Haskins Cemetery on Crow Mtn gives dates 1873-1963. He shares a double memorial marker with his wife Zelpha Ann MORPHIS SKAGGS. Tradition tells us that they adopted a son named Howard and later a daughter (Gurstel Ann) was born 14 May 1910 at Chula, Yell Co, Ark.

On 08 September 1890, Hudson F. SKAGGS applied for an INVALID PENSION giving his address as Chula, Yell Co., Arkansas. He gave his age at that time as 52 years and a "veteran of Captain G.C. ALDEN Company, Co. B, 2nd Regt, Ark. Inf." Thomas ELWOOD of Chula swore before a notary that Hudson F. SKAGGS was physically unable to earn a support and filed this application before James O. MABRY, J.P. at Chula, Arkansas. Pension was granted 13 May 1891 with first payment dated 15 May 1891. Three months later the Southern Division of Bureau of Pensions stopped pension payment on 10 Aug. 1891. Hudson had sent additional information dated 04 Aug. 1891 naming his wife "Eliza Jane CUMMINGS" mother of "F.M. & J.W. SKAGGS" his sons; however, this was still insufficient information for "Uncle Sam" and he submitted in like form his "first wife" (Lucy) mother of his daughters "Sarah (called Sallie) and Mary Elizabeth" and stated that Lucy had died at Scot Co., Arkansas "during the Civil War." On additional correspondence from Hudson F. SKAGGS of Russellville, Pope Co., Ark. dated 10 Aug. 1899 more information was supplied.

Evidently, there must have been a separation and possibly a divorce. The family laughingly tells that "grandpa" said, "I was lucky just to get out with my sissors (Which he used to trim his mustache) and my valice," when he arrived at his daughter and son-in-law (Sallie & John SCOTT) place in Hughes Co., OK. in 1909. It was later certified that Hudson's "former wife" died May 1919 in Arkansas.

At age 71 years, Hudson F. SKAGGS was still in his prime. He wandered on to nearby Brooken TWP, Haskell Co., OK., where he applied for a third marriage license. This was granted after it was legally certified that Mrs. Elizabeth DANVERT was legally single after having been separated by desertion for a period of twenty nine years from Henry DANVERT. On 10 April 1910 H.F. SCAGGS (age 71) and Mrs. Elizabeth DANVERT (age 66) both of Brooken, Haskell Co., Okla., were married by Rev. Wm. R. JOBE, Minister at Enterprise, Haskell Co., OK. This marriage license was recorded 18 April 1910 by Carl COKER, County Clerk. Since it was common knowledge that Mrs. DANVERT had never been divorced, many relatives, friends, and neighbors never asked — but assumed that Hutch and Mrs. DANVERT were living together in sin; a story that I would probably have believed had I not run across these lovely records in the court house while searching for death or land records.

"At 6pm on 17 Sept. 1920 at Enterprise, Brooken TWP, Haskell Co., Okla, Hutch SCAGGS died at age 84 years 4 months, a retired farmer." When the Dept. of Interior, Bureau of Pensions received the report of this death, it was written "Pensioner dropped 15 Oct. 1920...." "I have the honor to report that the above named described pensioner who was last paid at \$50. to Aug. 4, 1920 has this day been dropped from the roll because of death Sept. 17, 1920. Hudson F. SKAGGS, Soldier Pensioned, Enterprise, OK, 778388 Act May."

Then there was more..."Declaration of a widow for accrued pension: State of Okla. Widow of H.F. SKAGGS...778388 on roll of Pension Agency @Knoxville." Pension was granted after proof of death of former wife (Eliza Jane) in 1919 in Arkansas.

Some discrepancies were found in these old documents but the information described him so clearly that we felt we knew him personally before we found this old picture that he had taken with MRS. DANVERT shortly before/after they were married. Thanks to all the cousins in POPE COUNTY ARKANSAS who were such gracious hosts and helped us find bits and pieces of the SKAGGS FAMILY PUZZLE. I'm sure we will eventually determine the parents and grand parents of Hudson F. SKAGGS, and possibly identify any other brothers or sisters.

My earliest known ancestor in POPE COUNTY ARKANSAS would be Hudson F. SKAGGS as his parents are unknown at this time.

by Marcus Leo Fletcher

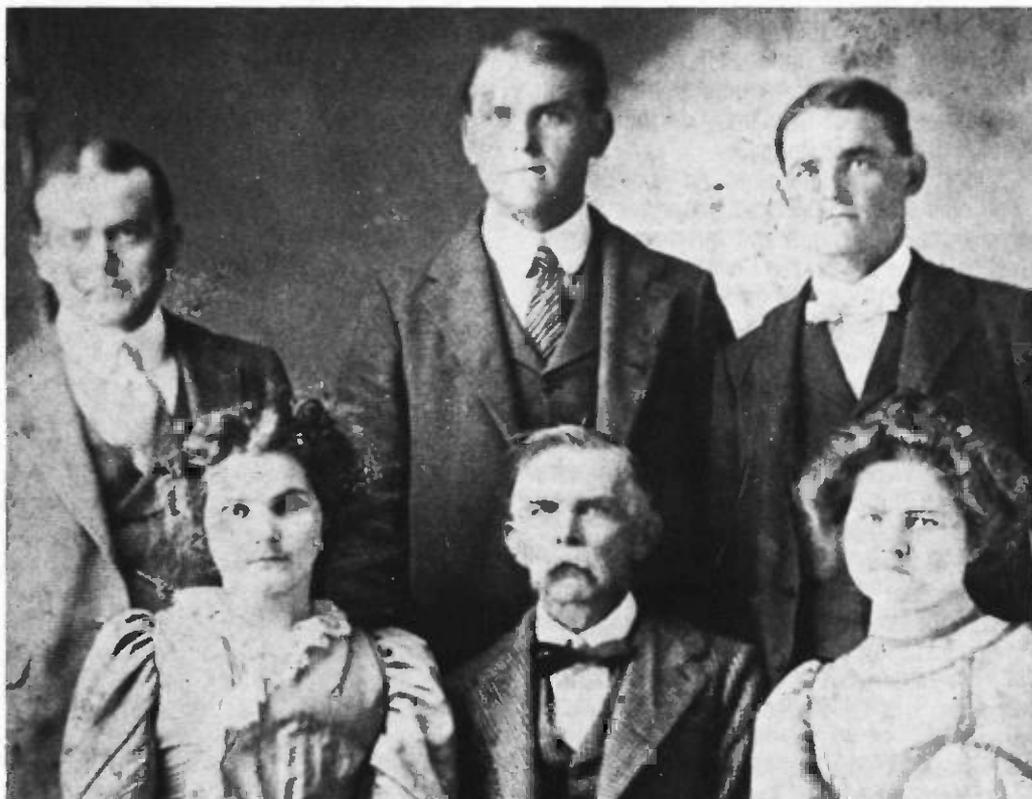
ELBERT SLEEKER

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Elbert Sleeker was a son of George Woodruff Sleeker who was born Jan. 15, 1800, near Springfield, Ill. His father was born in Germany and his mother in Holland.

George W. married Edey Sampson, a small beautiful red-haired Irish woman, who was born Jan. 8, 1805. For a wedding present, her folks gave her five slaves — four men and one woman.

George, Edey and their children, accompanied by the five slaves, started out to Arkansas from middle Tennessee in a covered wagon pulled by eight mules. Two slaves served as wheel drivers and the others walked with the children. Averaging about 15 miles a day, they arrived in Arkansas March 12, 1840, and settled in Pope County near what is now Pottsville.



Elbert Sleeker and five of his children: Back, L. to R.: Ephrain, John, Homer. Front: Mary Ann, Elbert and Emily.



Margaret Keener Sleeker wife of Elbert and mother of five children.

Their home was on what later became the Henry Bauman farm. Just a few years ago parts of the old smokehouse and the rail fence were still there between Pottsville and Atkins on the south side of Highway 64. George W. left his children 514 acres of land for which he paid 50¢ to \$1.50 per acre.

Edey died in 1864, but George W. lived on until 1889. Both are buried, with two of their slaves, in the Potts-Sleeker Cemetery in Pottsville.

George and Edey had a total of thirteen children, but four met premature deaths.

During the Civil War, George W. was tortured by Kansas Jayhawkers who came through the countryside and took by force everything they could find — food, livestock, etc. They burned his feet in unsuccessful attempts to find out where he hid his money.

George and Edey had at least four sons serving in the Civil War — Carey, killed in action, buried in the National Cemetery in Little Rock, James, George M., and Elbert, who enlisted in 1863 at the age of 16. These last three survived the war and settled down with other members of the family on the Sleeker land to the east of Pottsville.

Elbert married Margaret Adeline Keener, who died at age 37. Elbert was a member of the Methodist Church and for many years a justice of the peace. His Civil War record was published in the Atkins Chronicle of June 29, 1923. Elbert died in 1924 at 76 years.

Seven children were born to Elbert and Margaret — Ephram, born in 1874, Mary Ann (Mollie), 1875, Emily, Homer Virgil, 1877, Rose, John, 1883, and Hattie Isabel, 1885. Among his children and their spouses were deacons, Sunday School teachers, public school teachers and farmers.

One of Elbert's sons, Homer V., a farmer, married Eva Jobe, a school teacher and daughter of William Rufus (Bud) Jobe, Baptist preacher of Pope and Johnson Counties during the earlier part of this century. When he died, his was the largest funeral ever held in Arkansas.

Homer and Eva had five children. The oldest, Mary Ellen, has seven children, six of whom survived to adulthood and have families of their own. Two of her children

have grandchildren which makes seven generations from George Woodruff Sleeker. The second child was Webster, who has two children and two grandchildren. Paul was Homer's third child. He has one son and a grandchild. The fourth child of Homer and Eva is Hazel Catheryn, who has spent much of her life teaching history in the public schools of Los Angeles, Calif. Homer's fifth and last child is George W. who has one son. George is teaching in the public schools of Sand Creek, Mich., and pastoring a Baptist church at Adrian, Michigan, where he lives.

by Hazel Sleeker Burgess

GEORGE WOODRUFF SLEEKER 685

George Woodruff Sleeker was born January 15, 1800 near Springfield, Illinois. He was left an orphan at the age of 3, and as he was an only child an uncle took him to raise. They lived in New Orleans, La. and he was still living there during the war of 1812. He was German and Holland Dutch. He moved from New Orleans to South Carolina and from there to the middle part of Tenn. It was there that he met and married Edey Sampson, an Irish lady with red hair. George and Edey and their children, Mary, Carey, Franklin, James, Wesley, Thomas, and Martha Ann started to Arkansas from middle Tenn. in a covered wagon pulled by 8 mules. As they did not have axle grease at that time, they used pine tar to lubricate the wheels of the wagon. They averaged about 15 miles a day, arriving in Arkansas March 12, 1840. They settled in Pope Co. near what is now Pottsville, Ark. The home was on what became the Henry Bauman Farm and the old smoke house and some of the rail fence was still standing in the 1950's. He left 514 acres of land to his children, for which he had paid 50¢ to \$1.50 per acre. The old military road came by their home and the stagecoach made regular stops. As they had no neighbors for many miles he gave the Sinclairs the 40 acres of land on which the old Sinclair home now stands, so they could have some one living near them. The Sinclairs later gave them back 40 acres in payment for this. At least once a year someone in the family made a trip to New Orleans by boat to get supplies. Some of the men he traded with went in partners with George Sleeker and put in a store at old Lewisburg on the river south of Morrilton. The men turned out to be crooks, so he lost his entire investment. During the Civil War the Kansas Jay Hawk's who were robbing the people came by and tried to get George W. to tell where he had his money hidden. He refused, so they burned his feet with live coals in the fireplace. He still refused and they threatened to shoot him, but his daughter Mary stepped in front of him and told them to shoot her instead. His life was spared, but when they left they took all of their cows, mules, corn, and meat. George W. was again tortured when Powell Clayton's militia came through they tied a rope around his neck, threw it over a limb and would pull him up, threatening to hang him if he did not tell where his valuables were hidden. Mary again

came to his rescue by cutting the rope with a butcher knife. Most of their money was hidden in a hollow stump. The next bunch that stopped were Gentlemen from Indiana. They received nice treatment and even posted guards at the well to keep the soldiers from wasting the water. Edey Sampson Sleeker died November 1, 1864 and George W. Sleeker died April 1889. They are buried in the Potts-Sleeker Cemetery in Pottsville. Besides the children that moved to Arkansas with George W. and Edey, the following were born after they arrived in Arkansas: George Madison — March 16, 1842, Edey Jane — October 13, 1843, Elbert — July 9, 1847, Emily Caroline — January 28, 1850. Four sons of George W. and Edey were involved in the Civil War. Carey was killed fighting in the Civil War and is buried in the National Cemetery in Little Rock, Ark. James belonged to Co. I, 35 Ark. Inf. C.S.A. George Madison belonged to Co. I 22 Ark. Inf. C.S.A. The fourth son involved was Elbert Sleeker. The following war record was published by the Atkins Chronicle June 29, 1923: Elbert Sleeker who was born in 1847, four miles west of Atkins on what is now the Henry Bauman Farm, and who lived near Atkins, all his life, is one among a few of the old veterans who still has his original parole in his possession. Mr. Sleeker enlisted at 16 years of age in the 1st Battalion, Co. A of the Cavalry. He reported at Russellville.

He started with Gen. Price on his raid into Missouri but his Division turned back at Bentonville. He took part in skirmishes at Fayetteville and then returned to South Arkansas. On the return trip the Army forded the Arkansas River at Mill Creek, and went into winter quarters near Fulton, Arkansas. He was a member of Co. E. Logan's Reg. when paroled May 31, 1865. Below we publish Mr. Sleeker's parole which was written with pen and ink: PAROLE — I, Elbert Sleeker, a private in Co. E, Logan's Reg. hereby give my Parole of Honor not to bear arms against the Government of the U.S. or aid or assist its Enemies in any way whatever until regularly exchanged, That I will faithfully observe the Laws of the U.S. and the State and Country in which I may reside until such exchange is effected — Given this 31st Day of May, 1865 — By Order of Col. H.H. Ryan, Thos. M. Green Lt. and Parole Master. Signed: Elbert Sleeker, Witness: A.B. Gaylor.

Elbert Sleeker married Margaret Adeline Keener, Daughter of Solomon Keener. They were the parents of 7 children: (1) Ephram M., (2) Mary Ann, (3) Emma, (4) Homer, (5) Rose, (6) John and (7) Hattie. Of the 7 children only 2 have descendants living in Pope County at the present time. Mary Ann Sleeker born December 1, 1875 married James A. Beatty born May 24, 1869. They had three children, (1) Velma, (2) Faye, (3) Ruth. Velma married G.W. Motley, no children were born to them. She died in 1959. (2) Faye married William Harvey Darter and they had the following children, (1) Williams Darell, (2) James Dean, (3) Robert Beatty, (4) Gene Scott, (5) Gerald Wayne, (6) Donald Fay. Faye presently lives on Route 4, Russellville, and she has 3 sons presently living in Pope County. (3) Ruth Beatty never married and

lives in Russellville. Another child of Elbert and Margaret Sleeker with present day descendants in Pope County is Hattie Isabel who married E.H. (Doc) Lazenby. They were the parents of Ruth Erestine, who married James Dyer Gibson. Ruth and James live at Atkins, Arkansas. They are the parents of a daughter, Susan Ann. There are many descendants of George Woodruff Sleeker living in other parts of Arkansas and other states, but of a very large family that came to Pope County in 1840 the number presently living here is small indeed.

by Faye Beatty Darter

THE JOHN SMALLWOOD FAMILY

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John Smallwood was born in Macclesfield, England on January 22, 1833. He was the son of Charles and Hannah Darlington Smallwood who had come to this country from England in 1840 and settled in Pennsylvania. In 1848, the Charles Smallwood family moved to Stephenson County, Illinois where they were some of the earliest settlers.

In February, 1855, John Smallwood married Sarah Maria Hogen — Doebler, born in Hamilton County, Ohio on February 17, 1836. Sarah M.H. Doebler was the daughter of John and Catharine Kemp H. Doebler, who were of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry.

Soon after their marriage, John and Sarah Smallwood moved to Iowa where he became a farmer and a stock raiser. When the Civil War broke out in 1861, John tried to enlist in the Union Army but was turned down because of a heart condition. Later, the family moved to Manhattan, Kansas.

In 1895, John and Sarah Smallwood moved to Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas. Mr. Smallwood built the town's first

bottling plant in 1898. In 1900, he also built the first ice plant in Russellville. John Smallwood performed a great service for the growing community of Russellville. In 1901, he built the first electric light plant close to the railroad track and had electric light wires strung on poles down Main Street to provide the very first electric lights for this town.

John and Sarah Smallwood had eight sons and two daughters. John A. died October 1, 1870; Catharine died August 4, 1860; Simon J. died July 16, 1860; and twin boys, Dewitt and Dwight, died August 19 and 20, 1875, all passed away as infants or small children. Malvina (1862-1945) married A.L. Wellman, and they had one son Charles who died in 1944. Simon Joseph, the second boy to be named, (1863-1929) married Elsie Torrence of Russellville, and they had two daughters, Dorothy and Sarah. Charles William (1864-1940) married Blanche Cramer of Iowa, and they had two children Margaret and John C., who died in 1936. Henry Kemp (1868-1947) remained a bachelor all his life. John Andrew (1872-1942) married Ida May Smith, daughter of Louis Marshall and Sarah Rebecca Harris Smith, of Russellville, in 1898.

John Andrew Smallwood was the only child of John and Sarah Smallwood to reside in Russellville after his marriage. All of the other children lived out of state. John Andrew worked for his father putting up the first electric light lines in Russellville. In 1909, he went to work for the Iron Mountain Railroad which was later bought by the Missouri Pacific Railroad. J.A. Smallwood was the station agent for the Missouri Pacific at Russellville until his death in 1942. The Smallwoods attended the First Christian Church in Russellville.

John Andrew and Ida May Smith Smallwood had two children, John Marshall "Jack" (1901-1962) who married Floy Norwood, daughter of William Henry and Mary Lee Camp Norwood, of Russellville in 1927, and Rebecca Marie (1906-) who mar-

ried John Myron Thomas of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Jack Smallwood was a graduate of Russellville High School and received BA and LLB degrees from the University of Missouri in 1924. He was an outstanding lawyer of Pope County, practicing here from 1926 until his death in 1962. He had the distinction of being elected President of the Arkansas Bar Association in 1955-56. The Smallwoods were members of the First United Methodist Church of Russellville.

Marie is a graduate of Russellville High School and received a Bachelor's degree from Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas. She also received a Master's degree from the University of Alabama in 1933. She taught music and languages at Russellville High School before moving to Magnolia with her husband John. He owned his own insurance agency at Magnolia until his death in 1975. Mrs. Thomas has returned to Russellville where she presently resides. She is a member of The First Christian Church.

John Marshall and Floy Norwood Smallwood had one daughter, Mary Jane (1932-), who is a graduate of Russellville High School and received a BSBA degree from the University of Arkansas. In 1954, Jane married Charles A.L. Fore, son of James Walter and Cecil Prince Fore, of Stuttgart, Arkansas. They have two children, Charles Smallwood (1957-) and Nancy Jane (1958-). The Charles Fore family reside in Russellville where Jane is a math teacher at Russellville High School and is currently finishing her Master's degree in Education with math emphasis from Arkansas Tech University, and Charles, a graduate of Arkansas Tech University, is an auditor with the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee of the State of Arkansas. Charles Smallwood, class of 1976, and Nancy Jane, class of 1977, are recent graduates of Russellville High School and are both attending college at the present time. The family are members of the First United Methodist Church of Russellville.

by Jane Smallwood Fore

THE BUFORD SMITHS

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H. Buford Smith was born at Mill Creek, Pope County, on October 13, 1891; the son of William Wiley and Sarah Ellen Smith. He was raised on the farms of his father and grandfather, Reuben Hunt Smith at Mill Creek, near the home of maternal Great Grandfather, Littleton Crankfield Shinn. In his fourteenth year he moved to Russellville to live with his mother's sister, Mattie Florence Smith Trammell. In 1905 he was delivering groceries for the store of Smith and Brown on commerce street. It was at this location that he opened a bakery in 1912 at which time he sold 32 one pound loaves of bread for one dollar. By the fall of 1913 he had saved enough to build a residence in Russellville on East Fifth street and upon its completion, he married Mary E. Tucker Smith, daughter of James L. Tucker and Lucy Jane Harkey Tucker. Her grandparents were Dr. Geo. W. and Jane Torrence



THE JOHN SMALLWOOD FAMILY

L. to R. — Malvina, John Andrew, Simon Joseph, Henry Kemp, Charles William. Seated — Sarah H. Doebler and John Smallwood.

Harkey, early settlers of Pope county. Dr. Geo. W. Harkey having come with the wagon train from North Carolina in 1839 at the same time with H. Buford's great grandfather, Littleton Crankfield Shinn and the other members of the Shinn and Harkey families. During World War I he raised sweet potatoes for the cause and farmed in the Illinois Bayou delta and the natural island at the Ouita park area. He and his father along with several other farmers shipped many box cars each year by rail to Oklahoma, Louisiana, and many other points in Arkansas. A special type barn, with foot thick walls filled with sawdust was used to cure and keep the sweet potatoes throughout the winter. In 1922 he was back in the bakery business and in 1924 was the first baker in Arkansas to wrap the bread. This was done with a simple machine that had a warming element, so that when the wax paper was folded around the loaf, the heat sealed the wrapper. In 1929 he opened a cafe and operated it for 18 years. After World War II he went into the Antique Shop with his son H. Buford Smith, Jr. who was born in March 10, 1919 and the only child. He was active in the Antique Business until age 82. Mary E. Smith died Aug. 14, 1972. They were life long members of the First Christian Church.

by Buford Smith, Jr.

EARL SMITH FAMILY

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Jefferson Davis Smith and America Rook were married Nov. 18, 1880. Jeff Smith owned a store, sawmill, cotton gin, grist mill, in the East Point Community in Pope County. John Thomas Smith was their second child, born March 25, 1884.

John Thomas married Victoria Alabama Skinner on Dec. 2, 1906. She was born March 9, 1887. Her parents were William Franklin (Bud) and Louisa Jane Griffin Skinner. Thomas died Jan. 4, 1960 and "Allie" died Sept. 22, 1961. They farmed land in the East Point and Ball Hill Communities, growing apples, peaches, row crops, and hay. They also grew sweet potatoes and kept them through the winter in a "potatoe house" heated with a wood burning stove. They were the parents of nine children.

Jesse Earl Smith was the second child and oldest son. He was born July 7, 1909, and married Mildred Whilmerna Emma Baurichter on Oct. 31, 1931. Her parents were Fred C. and Emma Prebia Baurichter. Earl and Mildred have been members of the East Point Baptist Church for many years. Earl worked for Truman Shinn for 19 years in the peach and apple orchards. In 1947, he purchased a farm in the Martin Chapel Community and grew peaches, cattle and chickens. They are the parents of four children.

Jesse Earl Smith Jr. born Sept. 11, 1933, married Evelyn Grabs and they have four sons.

Kathryn Shirlene Smith, born Aug. 6, 1935, married Gaines White and they have one son and two daughters.

Don Hays Smith born Feb. 13, 1938, mar-

ried Ella Sue Whorton and they have two sons and one daughter.

Linda Earlene Smith, born Dec. 8, 1946, married Dick Willis and are the parents of one son and one daughter.

Earl and Mildred Smith were married at the home of her father by Earl's uncle Joe I. Smith, JP., and have lived in Pope County, Arkansas, all their lives.

by Earl Smith

FREDERICK SMITH

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Frederick Smith was born approximately 1818-1822. He was listed in the 1850 census of Davidson county, N.C. as 32 years of age, wife Lisia (Alitia) age 28, and married Dec. 3, 1842. Her maiden name was Epps and they were the parents of three children: Giliam, age 6; Emmaline A., age 5; and Nancy, age 4.

Happening unknown about Alitia but on January 8, 1852, Frederick married Martha Epps, daughter of Plesent and Elizabeth Birkhead Epps. Martha raised his children and had one child, Plesent Rufus Smith. Martha Epps Smith born June 15, 1830, died 1911.

Frederick Smith was a farmer and in 1860, was 39 years of age. His youngest daughter, Martha Jane was born in Arkansas in 1851. They settled in Pope County, in 1859-61, homesteading at least 40 acres still in the Smith name, which was Government granted.

Frederick and Martha gave property for Ball Hill Cemetery in a deed dated June 10, 1867. The cemetery existed fifteen years before the deed, the first grave being that of J.E. Shinn in 1852.

Frederick and Martha are mentioned in Ball Hill Baptist Church records of October 13, 1888. They were the parents of eleven children.

Gilum, married Mary A. Brooks and they were the parents of four children. Mallissa, married Mack Jolly; Willie, never married; Eli, married Lizzie Calvin and Ben, married Cora Rachel. Gilum married the second time to Ruth Smith and their children were: George, married Nellie Carpenter; Charlie, died young; Holly, died young; Walter, married Addie Walker and Emmaline, married Zachariah Hughes, March 7, 1871. Emmaline was born July 17, 1845 and died August 2, 1878 and is buried at Ball Hill Cemetery. She had two children: Martha J., married J.L. Prince and Nancy Elizabeth who married John A. Hays.

Nancy Smith, married B.D. Ransom Shinn and they were the parents of four children: Lizzie, married Jim Martin; Jess; George, married Mary Bennett and Lilly, married Willie Smith. Nancy was born January 20, 1847.

Martha Smith, married Thomas Jefferson Hughes. She was born July 1, 1851 and died in 1941.

Plesent Rufus Smith, married Eliza Baker, April 11, 1882. He was born June 27, 1856 and died May 9, 1907 and Eliza was born March 19, 1861 and died Dec. 13, 1936. Plesent was dragged to death by a mule, according to the Courier-Democrat of May 16, 1907. Liza came to Arkansas from Sevier County, Tennessee with her brother, Joseph N. Baker.

P.R. and Liza are mentioned in the Ball Hill Church records and both are buried in the Ball Hill Cemetery. Liza was a Gold Star Mother of World War I.

Euphemia Emmeline Smith, born March 17, 1883, died Augst 2, 1973. She married James Arthur Brown, aon of Washington and Delilah Patience Reavis Brown and their children were: Clar, married Otis Heathcoat; Lillian, married John Shoptaw; Betty, married Woodbury Linker; Ethel, married Henry Underhill; Hazel, died at the age of seven; Minnie, married Oliver Underhill; Irene, married Wilson Smith; Ralph, married Helen Brown; Nina, married Earl Hughes; Mary, married J.W. Lee; Ella, married Allgie Brigman; and Edgar, married Kathrene Hull.

Sarah Jane Smith married Clarence Spillers and their children were: Mace, married Ada Adams; Clyde died young; Bonnie, married Hoarce Naylor; Sybil, married Fred Lynch; Fred, married Bess Bennett; Rufus, married Agnes Wheeler; Laura, married Bob Hutchinson; Kiness; Modell; and Henrietta.

Benjamin Harrison Smith, married Minnie Lowe and were the parents of three children: Eugene, Fay, and Wilson.

George H. Smith, died at the age of thirteen.

William Andrew Smith, married Minnie Meimerstorf, first and second Irene Davidson. His children were: Joe, married Naida Wheeler; Wm. G. (Jack) married Wanda Blalock and Johnny, married Josenel Goddard.

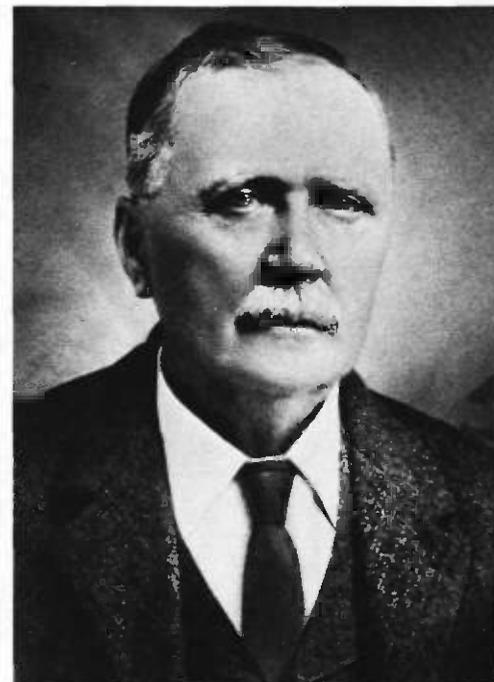
Joe Frederick Smith, was killed in the Arggone Forest in France, during World War I.

Ruth Smith, married Ben Smith, Gilum's son.

by Ethel Underhill

L.M. SMITH FAMILY

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LOUIS MARSHALL SMITH

Lewis Marshall Smith settled in Russellville in 1877, coming from Dardanelle, where he had lived since 1861. He first came to Arkansas in 1859 as engineer on the proposed railroad from Memphis bluffs to Little Rock, service ended by the Civil War, and served four years as engineer for the Army of Northern Virginia, CSA. After Appomattox, he walked to Arkansas; swam the river at Dardanelle; and arrived at his house to find Federal troops quartered there. Objecting, he was nearly hanged until the pleads of his wife to an officer spared his life. He was then banished from the town to Mount Magazine where he operated a sawmill. Afterwards, he engaged in business in Dardanelle until he moved his grist mill, woolen mill, sawmill, cotton mill, and legal distillery to a site now occupied by the City Mall, his home being at present East D & Arkansas Ave. He made his fortune chiefly from "Oak Grove" flour, and was first president of the Bank of Russellville (1896-1904), and benefactor of the Masonic Order and the First Christian Church. L.M. Smith was born in Corinth, Miss., great-grandson of the Rev. William Marshall (1735-1808), Revolutionary officer, famed preacher, uncle of the famed Chief Justice John Marshall, William being called "the best if not the greatest of the Marshalls." His Marshall lineage is recorded in Colonial Families of the Southern States of America. P. Hardy. N.Y.: 1911. His biography is recorded in Goodspeed's Biographical Memoirs of Western Arkansas. Chicago: 1891. He married at Corinth (1858) Sarah Rebecca Harris (1838-1908), a one-eighth Cherokee, and had six children, all except Lula lifelong residents and buried in Oakland: Mary Frances (Fannie) 1859-1932 m 1876 L.E. Trest 1854-1937 had four children; Georgia Anna (Georgie) 1861-1943 m 1882 W.W. Brooks one child m 1895 W.T. Meek 1859-1929 had two children; Lula (Lu) 1867-1950 m 1886 Dallas S. Moore 1866-1934 had five children buried in Amarillo, Tex.; Sarah Catherine 1870-1951 m 1887 R.L. Harkey 1866-1930 had ten children; Robert Lewis 1875-1953 m 1896 Anna Gertrude Munday 1876-1941 had five children; Ida Mae 1877-1960 m 1898 J.A. Smallwood 1871-1942 had two children. Dr. Robert Lewis Smith, only son, graduated from the Cincinnati College of Medicine in 1896; retired in 1944; founded St. Mary's Hospital 1917. Nursed from illness intendent to the loss of a leg in 1909 by Sister Mary, Order of Sisters of Our Lady of Nazareth at St. Vincent's Infirmary, Little Rock, Dr. Smith named his hospital in her honor and of her patron the Virgin Mother of Our Saviour. His charity was legion, and "he rests from his labor and his works do follow after him". His son Dr. Lewis Marshall Smith 1904-1946 graduated from Vanderbilt Medical College in 1927, and gave fifteen years' quality medical service to this community.

by Joe T. Meek

REUBEN HUNT SMITH

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Reuben Hunt Smith was born in North

Carolina in 1838 and was the fifth of eleven children of William and Catherine Burknead Smith. The family came to Arkansas in 1854 and settled six miles north west of Russellville. The father was a blacksmith and a wagon maker, as well as a farmer and owned large tracts in the river bottom. William died in 1887 and the mother about the same time. Reuben Hunt Smith was a farmer until the war between the states, was in the Battle of Elk Horn, Corinth, and Port Gibson. In 1875 he began the mill business at Mill Creek and sold it in 1884 and then started his foundry and machine shop in Russellville (located what is now Elpaso and East D Sts.). He secured a patent for a stove grate in 1890. The foundry made stoves, man hole covers, iron columns for business houses and iron thresholds. Mr. Smith married in 1859, the daughter of Littleton Crankfield Shinn and Nelly Tucker, Martha Isable born in North Carolina in Feb. 5, 1839 just before the family left North Carolina for Arkansas, along with the Shinn, Harkey, Fowler, Linker, Pless, Brooks families. To this union were born Mary Fredonia Smith in 11-1-1858 and married Henry Mann and moved to Kansas City; Nettie born 2-1-1879 married Felix T. Dardenne and moved to Baxter Springs, Kansas; Jesse Lee Smith born Dec. 16, 1860 married Nettie Smith on Dec. 24, 1882 and had children: Arthur Esse; Homer Scott, Lillas Luvena, Ruby Belle, Fred C., Horace Clyde, and Odessa May. Sarah Ellen married William Wylie Smith Feb. 16, 1882 and had children Odessa Lee, Zella, Wyatt, Lawrence, Horace Buford, Beulah, and True Frank. Henry Frank Smith born Nov. 30, 1873, married Alice Latta in 1921. Frank died Nov. 11, 1963 and Alice died Dec. 13, 1971 they had no children. Mattie Florence Smith born Jan. 12, 1879 married E.V. Trammell and had Raymond, married 1903 R.C. Harbison and had Mildred who married a Pierce. Martha Isable died in July 1898 and Reuben Hunt married Delila Patience Brown who died April 11, 1931. Reuben H. sold his foundry and moved to Mill Creek in the mid 1890's although retaining his partnership with R.C. Brown in the grocery business in a two story brick building on North Commerce. He was a member of First Christian Church, died Aug. 18, 1921.

by Buford Smith, Jr.

WILLIAM WILEY SMITH

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William Wiley Smith was born in Ringold Georgia in May 27, 1857 and moved to Alabama before coming to Arkansas in 1881. He bought land at Mill Creek and farm land in the Illinois Bayou delta from J.L. Shinn. The usual farm crops of the time were raised in addition to his pioneering of the growth of sweet potatoes, and their preservation during the winter. Shipment of sweet potatoes and slips were made to Muskogee and Weber Falls, Oklahoma, at which time he was assisted by his wife and children. He married on Feb. 14, 1882, Sarah Ellen Smith, daughter of Reuben Hunt and Martha Isabel Shinn.

Martha Isabel was the daughter of Littleton Crankfield and Nelly Tucker Shinn who came to Arkansas from North Carolina in 1839 along with the wagon train consisting of the Harkeys, Shinn, Brooks, Linker, Pless, and Reeds, see the History of the Shinn Family by Josiah H. Shinn, page 165. The sister of W.W. Smith, Nettie, married Jesse Lee Smith, the brother of Martha Isabel Smith. The children of the two unions were double first cousins and all named Smith. William Wiley Smith was also a wheelwright and most of the community came to him when in trouble with their wagons and buggies. He also made coffins in the Mill Creek community. William Wiley and Sara Ellen lived most of their lives in the Mill Creek community and had children: Odessa Lee who died in infancy; Zella who married Ezra Walter Shinn; Wyatt who married Mamie Reed; Lawrence married May Rachell; H. Buford who married Mary Tucker, Beulah married George Warren, and True Frank married Lucille Shinn. All of these children except Beulah, married a distant relative. Sarah Ellen died in 1919 and was buried in Booher Cemetery at Mill Creek. William Wiley married Lula C. Chambers on Oct. 25, 1922 and moved into Russellville, on South Erie where he raised a fine variety of strawberries. He died Oct. 1, 1935 and was buried in Booher Cemetery. All were members Christian Church.

by Buford Smith, Jr.

PETER SYLVESTER SNIDER

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Dr. Peter Snider
14 May 1824-17 July 1906

Dr. Peter S. Snider was born in France on the River Rhine 14 May 1824. At age 12 he came to America. In Henderson County, Kentucky, 4 May 1848, he married Mary M. Agnew. They were to live in Clark County, Missouri, and at Springfield, Greene County, Missouri. During the dangerous Civil War

Period they came to Pope County, Arkansas and settled in Liberty Township near present day Hector. Here, Peter Snider was to raise two large families, practice medicine, and live a long life. He was a mason. His many children would be farmers, skilled craftsmen (carpenters, blacksmiths, wagonmakers), doctors, postmasters, lawyers, mayors, magistrates, teachers, and preachers.

Mr. J.H. Hurley who died in 1963 at age 91 wrote of Hector and Peter Snider. "Dr. Peter Snider, a native of Germany who lived in the community, was the first doctor as a matter of course. Snider was a typical old time doctor, traveling on horse back among the settlers, dosing calomel, quinine, teas, poultices, and politics. He was regarded as an authority on most everything from physics to Constitutional Law".

About 1866 Mary Agnew Snider died. Her burial took place at Sims Cemetery on Gunter Mountain near Hector. Children of Dr. Peter Snider and Mary Agnew Snider were: Mary Elizabeth (Liz): born Luray, Clark County, Missouri 25 Jul. 1850 — married William Henry Ross — died 2 Apr. 1901 — buried Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas; James Mitchell (Jim): born 1851 in Missouri — married Ara Belle Mayo — died 1892 — buried Campground Cemetery. Sarah Ann (Annie): born ca 1853 in Missouri — married John D. Stanford — died Pope County, Arkansas — buried Campground Cemetery. Katherine Virginia (Kate): born 3 May 1854 in Missouri — married Joseph Lane Wooten — died 13 Sept. 1884 — buried Campground Cemetery. John David (John): born 29 Jun. 1857 in Missouri — married Armanda Clementine Branch — died 18 August 1938 — buried Palestine Cemetery, Russellville, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. Robert William (Bob) born ca 1859 in Missouri — Susan Ada Burch — died 1953 — buried in California. Joseph Henry (Joe): born 24 Aug. 1863 in Arkansas — married Rachel M. Walters — died 11 Apr. 1933 — buried Collins Cemetery, Seminole County, Oklahoma. Infant Snider born 24 Aug. 1863 (twin) — died young. George Martin (Mart): born 11 Jul. 1865 in Arkansas — married Ola Lee Rogers — died 1 Oct. 1932 — buried Konawa, Seminole County, Oklahoma.

After the death of his first wife Peter Snider (farmer-carpenter-physician) married Rebecca Elizabeth Hale, daughter of Edward Hale and Susan Robinson Hale. To them were born: Edward Lawrence (Ed): born 5 Oct. 1868 in Pope County, Arkansas — died in teens — buried Campground Cemetery, Pope County; Francis Marion (Frank): born 2 Apr. 1870 in Pope County, Arkansas — married Annie Linton — died 4 Oct. 1952 — buried Campground Cemetery. Tennessee Jane (Tennie): born 13 Feb. 1872 in Pope County, Arkansas — married Harvey Franklin Newton — died 4 Oct. 1914 — buried Campground Cemetery. Martha Helen (Helen): born 17 Nov. 1873 in Pope County, Arkansas — married William Henry Pemberton — died 29 Jun. 1957 — buried Duncan, Stephens County, Oklahoma. Samuel Monroe (Dr. Sam): born 16 Sept. 1875 in Pope County, Arkansas — married (1) Minnie Hurn, mar-

ried (2) Lillie Linton — died 1915 — buried Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas. Arkansas May (Kansas May) (Kance): born 17 Nov. 1877 in Pope County, Arkansas — married Elmer Carl Ashmore — died 2 Jul. 1961 — buried Rattan, Pushmataha County, Oklahoma. William Riley (Will): born 17 Jun. 1880 in Pope County, Arkansas — married Lucy Martin — died 13 Sept. 1967 — buried in California. Dora Belle (Dora): born 29 Jul. 1886 (1887) in Pope County — married Thomas Holmes Bailey — died 16 Feb. 1971 — buried Shilow Cemetery, Cleburne County, Arkansas.

Rebecca Hale Snider died Sept. 1893. Dr. Peter Snider departed 17 Jul. 1906. Both are buried at Campground Cemetery, Pope County, Arkansas.

Hundreds of grandchildren and great grandchildren of Dr. Peter Snider are living today. A few in Arkansas are Cora Ross Richardson, Bonnie Newton, and Dixie Ross Sparks of Russellville — Alan Ross of Dardanelle, Stanford Snider & Berlin Wooten of Hector, Cecile Stanford Hudson of Little Rock, Thurmon Bailey of Heber Springs, and Harmon L. Ross of Camden.

by Harmon L. Ross

ALFRED MONROE SOSBEE 1838-1919

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Alfred Monroe Sosbee was born in Texas in 1838, a son of Elias and Tempey A. Sosbee, who had been born and reared in Georgia. In 1841 Elias moved, with his family, to Texas, where they lived until his death, in 1852. Elias was a farmer, and he and his wife were members of the Missionary Baptist Church. Alfred Monroe married Sarah E. Shinn, a native of Pope County, in 1867. She was a daughter of John E., and Malinda Harkey Shinn. To them were born ten children: 1. James M., 2. Dora A., 3. Mary L., 4. John William, 5. Charles W., 6. Minnie M., 7. Robert Scott, 8. Jesse

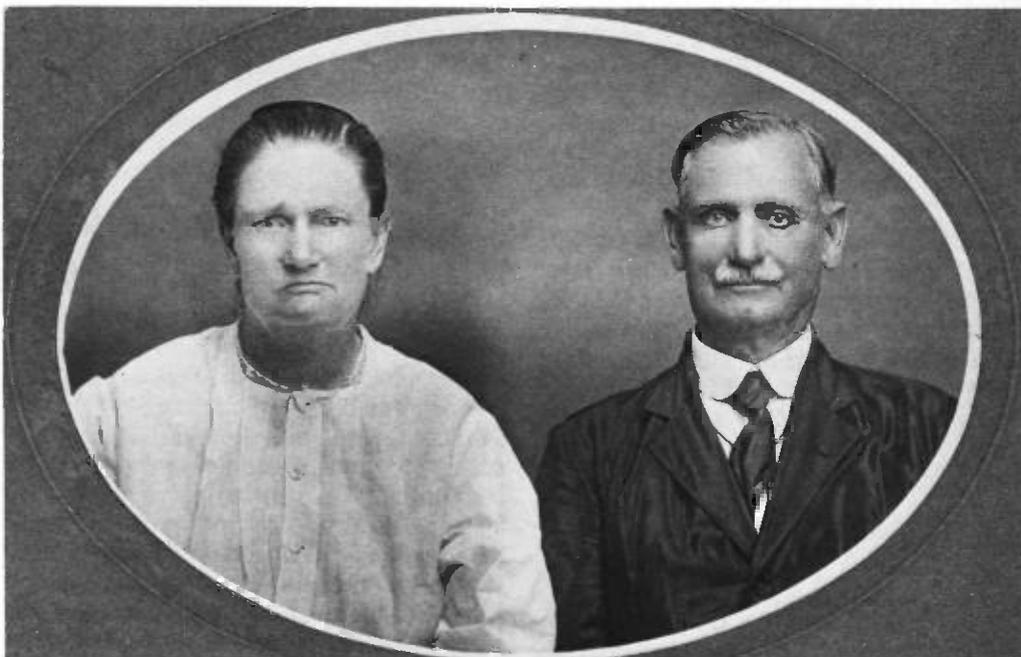
H., 9. Sadie Sue, 10. Joseph A.

Alfred Monroe was a thirty-third degree mason, and a member of Dover Lodge No. 17 of the A.F. & A.M., the K. of H., and the Russellville Lodge No. 47 of the K. of P. He was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church, and in politics, a democrat.

Alfred moved to Arkansas in 1867, and in the same year, married Sarah E. Shinn. However he did not move to Pope County until 1886, when he became operator of the mercantile business at Mill Creek Station, a business which he pursued for many years. Before coming to Pope County, he was engaged in farming, owning at the time, 1,940 acres of land, sixty of which were in cultivation. In his store at Mill Creek Station he carried a "stock of merchandise amounting to \$2,500". In addition to his farming and merchandising activities, he preached for many years, in and around Pope County, representing the religious conviction of his parents, the Missionary Baptist Church.

From the middle 1800's the community of Mill Creek, in Western Pope County, included a store, a cotton gin, and a railroad station, on the Missouri Pacific Railroad. But by 1930, the movement of commerce had shifted from the railroads, to automobiles and trucks. The railroad station was then discontinued. The cotton gin burned in 1950, and because of an enormous drop in cotton production in the area, was never replaced. With the removal of the railway station as the center of community commerce, the store was moved to a location a half-mile from the site of the railway station, to a spot on the "highway", where it has continued until the present time.

Before World War One, a "Mill Creek, Arkansas" postoffice was located within the community store, and in 1886, when Alfred Monroe Sosbee moved to Pope County, and became owner of the "Mill Creek store", he was appointed by President Grover Cleveland, as postmaster, at Mill Creek, Arkansas, a position which he held until he disposed of the store, a number of years later.



Alfred Monroe and Sarah E. Shinn Sosbee

At retirement age (about 1910), Alfred Monroe, and his wife, moved to Ardmore, Indian Territory (Oklahoma before statehood), where he again purchased farm land, and for several years, supervised farm operations. His wife died at Ardmore, in 1912. He then returned to Arkansas, and lived with a daughter: Minnie M. Shoptaw, of Russellville, until his death in 1919. He was buried in Oklahoma beside his wife.

by Levan Shoptaw

MRS. DAISIE LEE POWERS (HOGINS) SPARKS

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Mr. and Mrs. R. Buel Hogins

Mrs. Daisy Lee Powers (Hogins) Sparks was born Jan. 8, 1899 at Bass, Ark., in Newton County, the daughter of A.Y. Powers. She was born in a two-room log cabin on the side of a Mountain near Bass.

In 1904 her family moved to Oklahoma, then Choctaw Nation. This move was made in covered wagons with many hardships, creeks that must be forded, steep banks that must be surmounted and often hanging limbs would break the wagon bows.

The family remained in Oklahoma only a year, as they were ill and returned to Newton County in January after 21 days on the road, in freezing weather.

When Mrs. Sparks was 11, her mother died, leaving five children. Mrs. Sparks learned to sew, cook and keep house in an effort to keep the family comfortable. They made their own soap in large pots, and the children helped with the butchering of hogs, rendering of lard, can fruit and aided in any other farm chores.

About 1915 the family moved to Pope County, where Daisy met and married R. Buel Hogins of Dover, in 1920. To this union five sons were born. William Reece Hogins is a Rural Mail Carrier at Dover, Ark. and is married and has six children and one grandchild; Raymond Buel is in the insurance business in Nebraska and he and his wife have four children and three grandchildren; Dr. Jack N. Hogins teaches in Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, Ark. He and his wife have a



Mrs. Daisy Hogins Sparks and sons.

daughter and son and one grandchild; G.W. Hogins and wife Billie Jean, have three daughters and two grandchildren. He is General Manager of the Delta Corp. at Greenwood, Mississippi; Prof. James Burl Hogins and wife, Flora Ann, have two children. Burl teaches in Messa College in San Diego, Calif., and writes College Literature Books.

Mr. Hogins, died in 1937 and it became necessary for Daisy and her sons to continue farming, their workday beginning at 4 a.m. and often didn't end until 11 at night. The oldest son was 15 at the time and the youngest 21 months.

Mrs. Hogins had a lot of hardships but she had time to be active in the Pope County Fair work. She entered canned goods and baked goods in the Fair competition each year and has won hundreds of ribbons, 48 ribbons and a sweepstake award in 1958 alone.

In 1950 she remarried to John B. Sparks of Amarillo, Texas. He had moved to Arkansas for his wife's health and she died in 1949. He is a retired railroad engineer. Mr. and Mrs. Sparks are active members of Dover Church of Christ. She is a member of the Scottsville H-D Club and a member of the Farm Bureau.

Daisy has 17 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She stills cans, raises a garden and truck patches, sews, makes bedspreads, quilts, dolls, cushions, flowers and stuffed toys. Still drives her car and goes hunting and fishing once in a while.

by Mrs. J.B. Sparks

JAMES MATTHIAS SPARKS

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James Matthias Sparks was born 14 Oct. 1868 in a covered wagon pulled by oxen somewhere along the trails between Atlanta,



Dixie, Ira, Billie Earl, and James Ira Sparks. Dec. 1970.

Georgia and Pope County, Arkansas. He was the son of George Washington Sparks and Sarah Jane Turner Sparks. George Washington Sparks was born 6 March 1843 in Union County, South Carolina. The family later moved to Gwinnett County, Georgia.

After serving in the Civil War, George Washington Sparks returned to a homeland devastated by General Sherman's Army, and to the terrible aftermath of the war. He married Sarah Jane Turner. They decided to accompany her parents, Matthias Staten Turner and Nancy Chastain Turner from Americus, Georgia to Pope County, Arkansas.

They arrived in Pope County, Arkansas by ox-wagon in 1869 with a new son and homesteaded land at the foot of Cagle Rock Mountain near Russellville. In addition to James Matthias Sparks born enroute from Georgia, five other sons were born to George Washington and Sarah Jane Sparks. These were: William Columbus, John Leonard, Thomas Levi, George Turner, and Benjamin Claiborne.

Of the children, William Columbus and George Turner were to die young. The family later lived in the Rock Springs Community where the children attended a one-room school. Eventually, George Washington and Sarah Jane Sparks were to move with their three unmarried sons to the Clarksville area of Johnson County, Arkansas where most of the family would remain, live long lives, and be buried.

James Matthias Sparks remained in Pope County, Arkansas where he had married Elizabeth Rebeccah Simpson 20 March 1892. She was born 23 Jan. 1874 to Henry and Martha Clark Simpson in Lauderdale County, Alabama. They raised a large family. Elizabeth Rebeccah Simpson Sparks died 22 Feb. 1932. James Matthias Sparks departed 19 March 1947. They are buried at Old Baptist Cemetery, Center Valley Community, Pope County, Arkansas.

The children of James Matthias Sparks and Elizabeth Simpson Sparks were: Elmer Lee Sparks: born 24 Dec. 1892 — married Hattie Ann Gilbreath — died 24 Jul. 1965 — buried



THE JAMES MATHIAS AND ELIZABETH REBECCA (SIMPSON) SPARKS FAMILY — 1926

1st Row — L. to R. — Herman Argie Sparks; James M. Sparks; James Alvie Jackson; Elizabeth S. Sparks; Elbert Haney Sparks; Elmer Lee Sparks. 2nd Row — Archie Ellis Sparks; Mrs. Ellis (Cora Singleton) Sparks; Joe Jackson; Mrs. Joe (Roma Belle Sparks) Jackson; Mattie Beulah Sparks; Mrs. Elmer (Hattie Gilbreath) Sparks; Ollie Sparks. 3rd Row — Mrs. Dan (Laudra Sparks) McAnulty; Joseph Daniel McAnulty; Viola Jewel Sparks; Emmett Dalton Sparks; Ernest Avery Sparks; Ira Oran Sparks; Leonard Leslie Sparks.

Oakland Cemetery, Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas — Children Ernest Avery, and two daughters. Laudra Mae Sparks: born 14 Sept. 1894 — married Joseph Daniel McAnulty — died 5 Jun. 1967 — buried Oakland Cemetery, Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas. James William Sparks: born 9 May 1896 — never married — died 8 May 1914 — buried Old Baptist Cemetery, Center Valley, Pope County, Arkansas. Mattie Beulah Sparks: born 3 Jun. 1898 — never married. Roma Belle Sparks: born 11 Oct. 1900 — married John Joseph Jackson — Children, James Alvie. Elbert Haney Sparks: born 23 Oct. 1902 — married (1) Hettie Samantha Boen — Children Michael Lee — Elbert Haney Sparks married (2) Esther Karnes. Archy Ellis Sparks: born 20 March 1905 — married Cora Singleton. Leonard Leslie Sparks: born 8 Oct. 1908 — married Anna Kendrick — Children, daughter died at birth. Emmett Dalton Sparks: born 15 Sept. 1910 — married Angelina Spatafore — Children, Anthony Emmett, and James Leslie. Viola Jewel Sparks: born 19 Jan. 1913 — married Cletus W. Craig — died 7 Jun. 1972 — buried Old Baptist Cemetery, Center Valley — Children, Margaret Elizabeth, and Cleta Ann. Ira Oran Sparks: born 2 Feb. 1915 — married Dixie Ross — Children, James Ira, and Billie Earl. Vernon Paul Sparks: born 4 Oct. 1916 — died 8 Oct. 1916 — buried Center Valley, Pope County. Herman Argie Sparks: born 18 April 1918 — married Pearl Harris — Children, Herman Lavern Betty, and Kathy Jean.

Roots and ties of the James Matthias — Elizabeth Simpson Sparks Family remain in Pope County, Arkansas. Those who have died are buried there. Mattie Beulah Sparks lives

with her sister, Roma Belle Jackson, and her husband in the Mountain View Community near Harmony Free Will Baptist Church. Others live in Russellville.

Ira Oran Sparks retired for health reasons after 36 years as an Automotive Mechanic with the Ford Motor Company of Russellville. He and his wife, Dixie Ross Sparks, reside at 724 East "D" Street in Russellville. Their two sons excelled in mathematics. James Ira Sparks teaches mathematics in Tulsa, Oklahoma at East Central High School and at the University of Tulsa. Dr. Billie Earl Sparks teaches in the Mathematics Department of the University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire.

ALEXANDER W. SPAULDING

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Alexander W. Spaulding was born in Alabama around 1826. On August 2, 1861, he enlisted in Captain James W. Syke's Company (Cozart Cavalry), Pope Walker Battalion, in Columbus, Mississippi. After fighting in the battle of Shiloh, his unit became Company G of the 4th Battalion, 8th Regiment, Confederate Cavalry. According to his pension application, Alec served faithfully until discharged by the surrender of the Confederate forces.

After the war, Alec settled in Clinton County, Alabama. Although he is said to have married and had a son while in Alabama, the fate of that wife and child is unknown. On December 27, 1869, Alec and Mary Elizabeth Williams were married by a Southern Methodist minister; and sometime within the next nine months they moved to Pope County.

On September 13, 1870, James Nathan

Spaulding was born near Appleton. The couple had several other children who did not survive infancy. The 1880 federal census shows Alec, with Mary and 9-year-old J.N., farming in Lee Township, Pope County.

On May 14, 1901, at the age of 75, Alec applied for and received a pension for his Confederate service. The dates of his and Mary's deaths are not known.

J.N. was 19 when he married 16-year-old Martha Elizabeth Burks, at the home of her parents, James and Mildred Burks. A 1949 newspaper account of their anniversary noted that "Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding have lived their 60 years of married life in sight of the place where they were married." Their home was in the Pleasant Grove community near Appleton.

The children of J.N. and Martha included William Walter, Honor Monroe, Geneva Elzora, Leonard Lee, Alma Thea, George Estes, and Bervel Boyd. J.N. passed away October 29, 1951; Martha, April 26, 1958.

Honor Monroe Spaulding was born May 25, 1896. He was a life-long member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and an elder from age 17. On August 12, 1917, he married Virgie Margretta Richardson, daughter of Andrew Scott Richardson and Mary Magdaline Lemley. (Andrew Scott was a son of George Washington Richardson, another Confederate veteran and resident of Pope County; Mary Magdaline was a daughter of Richard Monroe Lemley and a granddaughter of Ephraim Lemley, an early Pope County settler.)

The couple's first daughter, Vada Ruth, was born at Appleton in 1920. Six months later, the family moved to Chism, Oklahoma, where H.M. taught school. Here Ruby Scott was born in 1921. They returned to Russellville in 1924, where H.M. began working in the County Clerk's office. From 1925 through 1928, he was appointed Deputy County Clerk; and he won election to two terms as County Clerk, from 1929 through 1932. He served briefly as Deputy Sheriff before being appointed secretary to Congressman David D. Terry of the 5th District in 1933. He filled that post for nine years, returning from Washington, D.C., to Pope County for the last time on Christmas Day, 1942. Three days later, he began work as a rural mail carrier on Route 2 out of Atkins, transferring after four years to Route 3.

In 1946 H.M. and Virgie bought 40 acres of land about one and one-third miles west of Atkins on U.S. 64. The property included a structure that was little more than a chicken coop; but, working together, they transformed it into a picturesque farm known widely for its manicured Bermuda grass lawn, handsome polled hereford stock, and Virgie's beautiful flowers. Local residents referred to it as "the country club." When Interstate 40 took 34 acres of the property, H.M. and Virgie built a new home on Linker Mountain, between Russellville and Dover, and moved into it in March, 1964. In 1965 the house on U.S. 64 was destroyed by fire.

H.M. retired in 1966 after 23 years on the rural route. He passed away on October 4, 1973, in Russellville. On the front page of the Atkins Chronicle, the editor observed that "Honor Spaulding was a good, Christian!

man. That's not only our opinion but that of everyone who knew him. What more can you say? What more needs to be said except that it was a privilege to know and be a friend of Mr. Spaulding."

Ruby Scott ("Scottie") Spaulding married James Morgan Lipsey, of Ola, in Russellville in 1942. After serving in the Army Air Corps as a flight instructor in World War II, James worked briefly as a crop duster. The couple were living in Helena, Arkansas, when their only child, James Michael ("Mike"), was born in 1946. In Helena, James began working as a radio announcer; when the family returned to Russellville in 1947, he became an announcer at KXRJ (now KARV). In 1950 the family moved to Moberly, Missouri, where James helped start radio station KNCM. He and Scottie now live in Jefferson City, Missouri, where he is Affiliate Coordinator of Missouri Network, Inc., an agriculture-news-sports radio network.

Mike left home in 1964 to attend Michigan State University in East Lansing. There he met Patricia Ann Kenney, whom he married in 1968. Their daughter, Gillian Lee, was born at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington, D.C., while Mike served at the Pentagon. They returned to East Lansing in 1972. Their son, Matthew Ian, was born in 1973. Mike is now Production Supervisor of the Cartographic Center at Michigan State.

by Mike Lipsey

D.K. SPILLERS

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George Patrick "Pike" Spillers — Fred Spillers, Martha Spillers Newton.

D.K. Spillers came to America with his parents from near Kent, England in the later 1700 hundreds. They settled in Casco Pond, near Portland Maine. After a time there, the family consisting of several Spillers who had come over by this time migrated through Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, finally settling in Gibson

County, Tennessee. It was here that James M. Spillers was born in 1813. In 1840, he was married to Miss Candice Vick, a Cherokee. They were the parents of six sons. Mr. Spillers was a tailor and merchant.

In 1848, the family consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Spillers, twin sons William and Thomas and another son Henry came to Arkansas and settled in Pope County. Their first home was on property they bought where Arkansas Tech University now stands. Here three more sons were born and grew to manhood. The fifth son, born February 14, 1851, was George Patrick. "Pike" as he was known was married to Miss Sarah Elizabeth Barton October 21, 1878. Miss Barton had come with her parents to Pope County the same year from Mississippi.

They bought a farm in the Shiloh Community, where he was a farmer until his retirement. All the Spillers were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Records show Pike was added to the Church roll, August 14, 1872. All the family took an acting part in the church, serving as elders, deacons, and Sunday school teachers. The family were life long Democrats.

Pike and Sarah had five children. William J. and Lucy Jane died in infancy. Martha Sue was born December 26, 1883, and married William M. Moon. They had one son and seven daughters. Martha lived in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She passed away April 18, 1964 and is buried in Tulsa. One of her daughters lives in Fayetteville and all the other children live in Tulsa.

Sally Ann born in 1888 was married to Joe Thompson. She had lived all her married life in Dallas, Texas. She died in 1925 and is buried in Dallas.

Jess Wilson was born April 30, 1885. He was married to Miss Viola C. Simpson, April 6, 1918. She had come to Pope County with her parents from Florence Alabama. Jess was in the restaurant business until his death September 25, 1925. They had two children. Fred, born March 16, 1919 and died March 30, 1924. Martha Elizabeth, born January 28, 1921. She graduated from Russellville High School in 1939. She attended Weedins Commercial College and worked for the government before her marriage. October 6, 1943, she was married to James E. Newton, a Pope County native. They are the parents of two daughters and one son.

Jamie Elizabeth, born June 7, 1946 graduated from Russellville High School in 1964 and the University of Arkansas in 1968 with a B.A. Degree in Mathematics. After graduation she took a job in the Computer Department of Continental Oil Company. There she met her husband, Clem A. Barrere. Clem is Director of Eastern Operations Natural Gas and Gas Products for Continental Oil Company. They live in Houston, Texas.

Carol Jan, born September 15, 1952, graduated from Russellville High School in 1970 and the University of Arkansas in 1974. An elementary education and kindergarten major, she taught kindergarten at Dwight Elementary School in Russellville until her marriage in 1975 to Bliss Y. Hickey of Marianna, Arkansas. They live in Marianna

where Bliss is engaged in farming. Jan teaches part-time. John, the only son, born March 7, 1955, graduated from Russellville High School in 1973. In 1977, he received a Business Degree from the University of Arkansas. Following graduating, John returned to Russellville and joined his father in the family business, Newton Firestone Tire Company. The family are members of the Boulder Avenue Christian Church.

by Martha Spillers Newton

JAMES M. SPILLERS

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James M. Spillers was the son of D.K. Spillers, who was born in England and came to America in the late 1700's. They first settled in Casco Pond near Portland, Maine, and later the family migrated through Georgia into Tennessee where James was born in 1813 in Gibson County. Mr. Spillers was a tailor and merchant by trade.

In 1840, he was married to Cordaic Vick, a Cherokee Indian. They were the parents of six sons. In 1848, the family consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Spillers, twin sons, William H. Thomas and Henry, came to Arkansas and settled in Pope County. They first bought land where Arkansas Tech University is now located. There were four more sons born in Pope County: Clay, Ben, George and Patrick.

William H. was the first to answer to President Davis' call for volunteers at the age of eighteen. He served until a musket ball hit him in the right shoulder. His brother, Tom, was also injured in the Battle at Corinth, Mississippi. Spillers asked a comrade to remove the bullet. He hesitated, saying he couldn't stand it, whereupon he retorted "Thunder and Tom Walker, I stood to have it put there", so the appointed surgeon performed the operation with his pocket knife. Nine months later he was again able to shoulder his gun. He and Tom, his twin brother, were able to serve until the war ended.

William H. and Laura Ellen Berry were married July 27, 1865 at a dwelling where Arkansas Tec University is now located. They were the parents of eight children: James, William, Thomas, Alice, Clarence, Charles, Dr. Henry and Chester. They celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary at London with Mrs. J.P. McArthur, who served as brides maid and her husband, General McArthur, who was State Commander of the United Confederate Veterans. They were charter members of the London Baptist Church.

Thomas W. Spillers and Mollie Wheeler were married in 1902 by Reverend Soskee. They were the parents of four children: Anna Mae, William, Mary Alice and Woodrow. After Mollie's death Thomas married May Pless and they had two sons, Kenneth and Roy Lee.

Anna Mae, the oldest daughter, married Michael J. Hickey in 1922 by Reverend R.L. Loyd. They had two sons, Dr. Thomas H. Hickey and John Robert (Bobby) Hickey. Dr. Thomas H. Hickey married Ruth Newton and are the parents of three daughters: Ellen Whiting of Dover, Nancy Coates and Treva Hickey of Russellville. John Robert Hickey, now de-

ceased, married Carmelida Moore. They were the parents of five children: Margo, Mike, John Robert, Shana and Tommy. Margo and Mike are deceased. Carmelida, John Robert, Shana and Tommy now live at Russellville on Main Street.

M.J. Hickey is now serving his tenth year as Mayor of the City of Russellville. They also have two great grandchildren.

Mary Alice married L. A. Countz. They have two sons, Roy Lee, who married Betty Malone. They have three sons and one daughter. Jimmy, the other son has three boys. Thomas William married Lou Kersey and they had no children. Woodrow married Gertrude Moore. They have three sons: Charles, Bryan and Danny. Charles married June Parnell who have five daughters. Bryan married Patty Ford and they have two sons. Danny married Margie Ahme and have one son, Heath. They have two great grandchildren.

by Mrs. M.J. Hickey

WILSON LAFAYETTE (FATE) SPROLES

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Wilson Lafayette (Fate) Sproles was born February 6, 1849 near Castilian Springs, Mississippi. He was the son of W.R. Sproles and the grandson of Richard Sproles. In 1864 he entered the Confederate Army at Mobile, Alabama at the age of 16. Fate was married to Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Stevens on November 28, 1871 in Durant, Mississippi. Betty was born September 22, 1852 the daughter of Capt. T.J. Stevens. In 1881 Fate and Betty moved to Pope County where they settled in the Oakland Community north of Atkins. He and Betty were the parents of 12 children. Those living in 1921 were Mary, (Mrs. O.C. Alewine), Blanche (Mrs. W.W. Boyd), Maud (Mrs. E.N. Webb), Eva (Mrs. H.C. Etheridge, Esther (Mrs. A.O. Matthews), Ethel (Mrs. Ed Bradley), Annie (Mrs. Truman Warren), and Wilson (Bud). Mr. Sproles died Dec. 2, 1900 of congestion. Mrs. Sproles died March 4, 1921. Both are buried at Oakland.

by Katie Murdock

SAMPSON STAFFORD

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Sampson Stafford was born in Tennessee in 1824, married his wife, Lucinda, born in Georgia, in 1824, before he moved to Arkansas. They were living in Mississippi, when their first child, Virgie, was born in 1853. Thomas was born in Mississippi in 1859 and Wm. H. born in Mississippi in 1862. By 1870, they had moved to Illinois Township, Pope County, Arkansas. They were not in the county in 1880 but were probably in Conway County, just across the line from Appleton, Arkansas for on May 10, 1885, Wm. Harrison married Victoria Lemley, of Appleton. She was the daughter of Francis Marion Lemley, who had come to Arkansas from Alabama in 1839. Victoria was born at Appleton, and died in 1911. Mr. Stafford died in 1902 and both

are buried just over in Conway County at the Mt. Zion Cemetery.

William Harrison and Victoria Lemley Stafford were the parents of five children: Lee Ethel, born Sept. 3, 1887, married Will Lee and they had three children; Oscar Andrew born Jan. 21, 1889 and died Jan. 4, 1956; Neal Joshua, born Feb. 21, 1893, married May Arthur and they had an adopted daughter; Clarence Grady, born Nov. 30, 1895, married Ella (unknown) and they had three children; Lola, born Nov. 5, 1897, married Les Bartlett and they had one girl.

Oscar Andrew lived in Griffin Township, went to school at Appleton. He and his wife were members of the Free Will Baptist Church and he was a farmer. He married Ella Rowland Oct. 21, 1906. She was the daughter of Poe and Frankie Pryor Rowland. They were the parents of six children:

Zora Stafford married Glen Ferguson and they have two girls.

Lillian Stafford married Hugh Napier and they had two girls.

Harrison Eugene Stafford married Marie (unknown) and they had one son. Eugene died May 2, 1951.

J.C. Stafford married Mildred Voss. They have four children, two girls and two boys. One son, Larry, is a minister, pastoring First Baptist Church in McCloud, Oklahoma.

Adela Stafford married Paul Wilson and they have three girls and one boy.

Inez Stafford moved to Russellville with her family in 1945 and went to work for Western Arkansas Telephone Company as a switchboard operator. They had moved to Russellville when Mr. Stafford had become disabled. She married Ray Holman of Paris, Arkansas in 1959, who was also working for the Western Arkansas Telephone Company. They have no children and both still work for the Telephone Company. After moving to Russellville, the family attended the Assembly of God Church where Inez and Ray are still members.

by Inez Stafford Holman

MARTIN STANDRIDGE

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Martin Standridge came from Georgia to Northern Pope County. He was a blacksmith in the civil war. He owned Freeman Springs on Highway 7 North for a while. He then homesteaded a farm on Moccasin Creek. He was a farmer and hunter. He hunted bear with a cap and ball pistol (it's still in the family), sometimes catching them alive for pets or food. The last bear he hunted was in a cave. He crawled into the cave with a pine torch and scared the bear so bad it ran out over him. He lost his hat in the cave and left it there. They are buried on his homeplace on Moccasin Creek.

His son, Owen, was born on Moccasin Creek. He married Nancy Jane Branch and they had six children. He owned a farm on Freeman Mountain and then on North Fork, now known as Victor Camp. He was mostly a farmer. They are buried at Brock Cemetery on North Fork Creek. His son, Mikel, was born

on North Fork in 1874. He married Mary Magdeline Redwine from Randolph County, Arkansas. They were married at Freeman Springs by J.W. Hestletine. They owned a farm at Tag, Arkansas. He was a farmer, bee keeper, and blacksmith. He farmed a few years in the Atkins bottoms. He was a school director at Dry Creek School and a Justice of the Peace. They went to the Free Will Baptist Church. They had seven children:

Travis, who married Myrtle Branch, and they had seven children.

Parthena, who married Albert Ballard, and they had five children.

L.J. died young.

Maudie married Charley Boyd and they had seven children.

Leroy married Ada Freeman and they had five children.

Tom married Beckie Freeman and they had six children.

Earnest married Marie Crow and had one child. Then he married Georgia May Bramlett and they had seven children. They are buried at Solo Cemetery on the mountain above Hector.

Leroy was born in 1902 at Tag, Arkansas. He went to school at Dry Creek School and helped on the farm. After his marriage to Ada Freeman, he farmed several years. They had five children: Velma, Teddie, Eules, Mikel and Thelma Jane. All born and still live in Pope County. Leroy was a farmer and timber worker. He cut stave bolts, logs, and later pulp wood. He started with teams and wagons and then his own truck. He worked for the Forest Service and helped build Victor Bridge and some roads. He also owned and ran a sawmill for five or six years. He moved from the mountains in 1940. His wife died in 1954 and he married Helen Verwiebe Horn in 1959. He is now retired and works in his wood-working shop, the yard and garden. Teddie is now disabled and lives in Hector. Eules works at Bibler Brothers Lumber. Mikel works at Firestone. Velma works at Russellville Nursing Home. Thelma Jane works at Russellville Motel. Leroy now has sixteen grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

by Leroy Standridge

SAMUEL OWEN STANDRIDGE

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Samuel Owen Standridge born January 16, 1829 was the first of his clan to move to Pope County, Arkansas. His place of residence was Richland township Newton County, Arkansas in 1850 and 1860. Then he moved to Liberty township Pope County, Arkansas by 1870. Owen was a farmer and blacksmith and lived on Moccasin Creek just north of Treat, Arkansas in his later years.

His parents were Martin, born October 12, 1806 and Catherine Standridge, born September 15, 1805. They immigrated from Georgia to Carroll County, Arkansas by 1832. Martin and Catherine raised a family of nine children: Rhoda Ann born May 8, 1824 married John Wesley Ross; Alexander born January 30, 1826 married Eliza ?; Mary Ann born

July 14, 1831 married Andrew Jackson Hudson; Matilda born April 13, 1833 married Matthias Branch; Elizabeth born April 16, 1836; Martin, Jr. born October 1, 1838 married Elizabeth Standridge; Catherine born February 6, 1840 married Martin Branch; Lucy A. born March 13, 1842 married Noah L. (Spike) Jones and Samuel Owen mentioned above.

Owen married Carolyn Dempsey and they had a family of ten children: Martin Owen (Mart) married Nancy Jane Branch; Mary Jane married Jack Hendricks; an infant who died young; Elizabeth (Betty) married William F. Branch; Margaret married M.B. Branch; Orlena Carolina (Tiny) married Perry Standridge; Matilda married John Howard; Nancy A.; William Riley married Katy Pitts; and James Manuel married Eliza Payne.

Their eldest son, Mart and his wife, Nancy Jane had a family of six children: Owen Michael married Mary Magdelene Redwine; Andrew Scott married Donie Harris; Dosey Ann married Zack Branch; Matt married Mary Peters; Will C. married first to Katy Roberts and second to Martha Hurst; and Rosia Lea, who married William James Jones.

Death claimed Owen in 1905 and Carolyn in 1907. Their final resting place is on their old home place near the banks of Moccasin Creek.

by C.L. Boyd

THE STARK FAMILY

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Oliver Porter Stark, was born in Paris, Texas, September 15, 1869; the son of a Presbyterian minister and his wife, Harriett McCormack, who founded an Indian orphanage near Hugo, Oklahoma.

He attended school at Williston Seminary at South Hampton, Mass. and came to Russellville in 1896 as a cotton buyer.

On April 29, 1903, he married Ruth Rankin, a daughter of William Henry Rankin and Margaret Oates Rankin, long time residents of Russellville.

He sponsored the first Chautauqua in Russellville and was active as elder and teacher at Central Presbyterian Church. For fifteen years he was bookkeeper for Roy's Hardware Company and served as police judge for two terms.

Mr. and Mrs. Stark lived in Russellville until his death, December 31, 1951, and her death, April 29, 1962. They, together, with their infant daughter, Lillian, who died May 16, 1911, at age 4, are buried in Oakland Cemetery in Russellville.

Their other child, Porter, Jr., who lived in Russellville through High School and while getting his degree at Georgia Tech, now lives in Worthington, Ohio with his wife, Helen Roper, whom he married September 19, 1937.

Since leaving Russellville, Porter, Jr., was employed by Hoosier Engineering Company until he retired in 1970, after having served as President and Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Porter, Jr., and his wife have two children, Nancy Helen, who with her husband, James

A. Dosman, live in Springfield, Illinois; and Porter III, who with his wife, Carol Reinschild, and their two daughters, Elizabeth Carol, age 3 and Katherine Ann, age 1, live in Brentwood, Tennessee.

William Henry Rankin — born 1 March, 1846 died 25 February 1929; married Margaret Malissa Oates — born 27 October 1850; died 18 February, 1930. One of their children was: Ruth Rankin, born 26, June 1879 — died 29, April, 1962 married Oliver Porter Stark, born 15, September, 1869; died 31, December 1951. They lived in Russellville, Arkansas. 1. Lillian Stark born 8 July 1906 — died 16 May 1911 2. Oliver Porter Stark, Jr. born 2 February, 1904 — married Helen Roper born 6 August 1906 — They live in Worthington, Ohio: A. Nancy Helen Stark 8 November 1940 married James A. Dosman born 24 September 1928. They live in Springfield, Illinois. B. Oliver Porter Stark, III born 10 April 1946 married Carol Sue Reinschild born 28 March 1946 Elizabeth Carol Stark born 2 October 1974, Katherine Ann Stark born 17 January 1977. They live in Brentwood, Tennessee.

by Oliver P. Stark

REV. JOHN WESLEY STEVENS

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Rev. John Wesley and Joie Stevens

John Stevens came from Germany a few years before the Civil War. After a short time in New Orleans and Tennessee he lived in Northern Arkansas where he married and soon moved to Pope County. This marriage produced two sons who were very small when their father was killed at Round Rock North of Russellville in a shot gun duel with a Mr. Ragsdale.

The youngest son was named John after his father. He became a farmer and Timber worker and lived his entire life in Pope County. He married Lizzy Partain and had nine children. After her death he married Ellen Hicks who was loved very much as a step

mother and grandmother. This John died when he was almost 95 years old, on March 14, 1943 while living in the Pleasant Grove Community in what was known as the old Mac McAlister house. Of these nine children, the fifth and middle one was William Joseph born July 25, 1890 in the Piney Settlement.

Known as "Will" he was a very large strong mill worker and at one time won the title of Strongest Man in Pope County. This title was won in a log rolling contest. The \$200. prize was paid by Wesley Moses, a farmer and saw mill owner. Will married Ethel Carlisle. They lived in the Boogher Hollow Community. He died February 25, 1947 from complications of sugar diabetes after having a leg amputated a few years earlier.

Their children were a baby that died in infancy, a son John Wesley, and two daughters; Imagene who was married to Joe Tom Carter of Dover and had two sons, Billy Joe and Bobby Lynn before she died at the age of 21 in a truck accident in Wichita, Kansas. Her sister Kathern married Jake Vaughn of Dover. They had two sons Dale and Kenneth. After a divorce she married Rev. Carl Shelton of Ontario, California.

This John Wesley, after a tour of service was married November 16, 1945 to Joie Goates, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Arvle Goates who were pastoring the Assembly of God Church at Pleasant Grove.

Known as Wesley to his friends and family he became a barber and had shops in Russellville and Hector. He is an ordained Minister of the Assemblies of God Church.

This marriage produced three children: Joseph Wesley, known as Joe who was born January 9, 1947, John Elbert Carroll, known as Johnny was born September 20, 1949 and Barbara Gail who was born July 27, 1951. Barbara is married to a minister from Hot Springs named Philip Pittman. They have two children Ryan and Alicia Jan and live in Kansas City, Missouri.

Johnny is married to the former Evelyn Craig. They live in Benton and he works for Melton Truck Lines after spending nearly six years working in the Wyoming oil fields after his discharge from the U.S. Navy.

Joe is married to Delana Kay Proctor. They own land and live at Hector where their daughters Anita Kay and Melissa JoAnn attend school. Joe is employed by the Arkansas Highway Dept. and teaches Sunday School at Price Grove.

Wesley and Joie have ministered in churches in many sections of Arkansas including pastoring at Cedar Grove Assembly at Hector. Other pastorates include Scotland, Leslie, Dyer, and Bradford. Their ministry also includes child care. They are fully certified by Social Services for foster child care and at the present time have custody of two children. They spent five years as Foster Parents and assistant farm Superintendent at Hillcrest Children's Home in Hot Springs. This home, sponsored by Assembly of God Churches gives total care to about 100 children. He still works as a part-time barber and school bus driver, which helps him meet the people in the community where they live. They still call Russellville home and return

here often to spend time with relatives and friends.

by Mrs. John Stevens

MELVIN STORY

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O.T. Story and oldest daughter, Ader Story Voss

"Uncle Melvin" Story was born in Perry County, Tennessee January 4, 1826. He left home at an early age traveling in an ox-drawn wagon and settled in Pope County around 1845. He enlisted in the Mexican War in 1846 under Capt. David West. He was married to Martha Clant in 1848. She died in 1887. To this union were born nine children. Uncle Melvin engaged in farming and stock raising. He believed in fairness to his fellow man and on his deathbed said he remembered no one he had done wrong. This is a priceless heritage left to his children. He died March 31, 1911 and was buried at Walnut Grove Cemetery near Hector.

O.T. Story, the ninth child of Uncle Melvin, was born July 28, 1870, in Pope County near Hector. His boyhood days were spent working the fields and hunting. His first marriage was to Bulah Leach in 1887. Bulah was born in 1872; died in 1908. Born to this union were ten children. His second marriage was to Hault Hill; born 1890; died 1919. Born to this union were four children. Odie was a farmer, hunter, and preacher. Christianity came first in his life. He believed in doing right and practiced what he preached. This is a heritage his children and grandchildren look over with pride. Rev. Odie and other old-timers donated the first land for the Walnut Grove Cemetery at Hector and he was buried there February 22, 1965 at the age of 94. This picture is with his oldest daughter, Mrs. Morris (Ader) Voss of Hector, age 87; born 1890. In 1976 and 1977, Ader has won the trophy for the oldest person attending the Hector July 4th celebration.

The eighth child of O.T. Story was Eugie



EUGIE AND MYRTLE STORY
50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Stephenson, born January 4, 1898 in Pope County near Hector. Spent his boyhood days farming, hunting, and fishing. In 1917, Eugie, age 19 married, Myrtle Lula King, age 15; born April 8, 1903. The ceremony took place at 10 p.m. on the side of the road under a huge oak tree. The preacher came in a one-horse wagon, stayed seated in the spring seat, and performed the ceremony . . . all by the light of the moon. Eugie moved to Russellville in 1919. He worked for the Purity Ice Cream Company. He attended the First Assembly of God Church. Eugie was voted the Christ Ambassador President, deacon, song leader, Sunday School teacher, and member of the music committee all at one time! In 1942 he became an ordained minister. Eugie and Myrtle have been married sixty years. Retired, they live on Lake Dardanelle, Marina Road. Eugie still teaches the Men's Bible class, fishes, gardens, and raises stock. This picture was taken at their 50th wedding anniversary.

Eugie has one daughter, Imo, born August 1, 1918 in Pope County near Hector. The biggest event Imo remembers as a child was meeting the trains when the circus came to town. Another big event was watching the court house being built and she recalls how big and beautiful it was. Imo is a graduate of Russellville High School. In 1941 she married Clifton B. Jennings of Clinton. They have two daughters; Sharron Sue, born 1943; and Sandra Kay, born March 23, 1948. Imo has been active in the public schools and held several offices in the PTA. She was also a Girl Scout leader several years. Clifton entered the Army as a member of the Arkansas Tech National Guard in 1941. He recently retired from the Army Reserve with 37 years service. He presently is Post Master at London with 38 years with the Postal Department. Sharron Sue married Howard Cain, Jr., an attorney at Huntsville, Arkansas. They have three children — Destari Renee, Howard III (Trey) and Blakeney Jennings. Sandra Kay, of Russellville, is a teacher and has one daughter, Chancy Kay Cowan.

by Mrs. C.B. Jennings

THE JAMES STOUT FAMILY

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James Stout arrived in Pope County around 1842. He was born in Madison County Kentucky about 1809, the son of Abraham and Sarah P. Stout. Abraham was born ca 1779/80 probably in North Carolina. He was in Knox & Roane Counties Tennessee by 1806 and was the surveyor for the Baltimore Post Road which ran through Madison, Morgan, Blount, Cullman Counties, Alabama to Elyton, Alabama and moved along the route as he surveyed. This road is also called Elyton Stage Road & Stout's Road. Abraham Stout may have died in Washington County, Arkansas.

James Stout married Elizabeth Rackley on July 24, 1828 in Blount County, Alabama. He served in the U.S. Army Cavalry in the Civil War. He was 5'10", dark complexioned, blue eyes and dark hair. They had children: Sarah P., Isabella, John Dewitt, Michael, William H., Margaret A., Eliza A., Horatio Houston. The last two were born in Pope County. James died March 15, 1866 in Gum Log, Arkansas.

Sarah P. Stout was born 10 May 1830 in Blount County, Alabama and died 19 February 1909 in Gum Log. She married John C. Dixon in Pope County on November 25, 1847. Their children were: Mary Ann, David Clinton, James Warren, Alfred B., Nancy Isabella, William M., Elizabeth Ann, Margaret, Houston, Hugh O., Eliza Catherine and Henry Lee Dixon.

Eliza Catherine Dixon was born February 3, 1870 and died 15 January, 1931. She married Daniel Webster Matthews on September 1887 in Pope County. They had children: Gladys May, Andy Everette, Innas Bell, Edward, Frank Ward, Edith Irene. Gladys and Innas died young. Andy Everette married Eunice Holliman and had James Everette and Burnelle Helene. Edward, born March 31, 1893, married Mabel L. Cook and had Edward Freed, Catherine Rebecca, Margaret Irene and Mary Evelyn. Frank Ward married Ada Estelle Crain and had Daniel Edward and Anna Paul. Edith married William F. Millner and had Betty Ann and Max Fretwell Millner.

by Margaret M. Cowart

WILLIAM STOUT

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William Stout, an early pioneer of Pope County, was a farmer, soldier, political leader, and a minister. He left his mark in Pope County through his efforts to improve his community, county, and state.

William, son of Abraham and Sarah Stout, was born in Knox County, Tennessee in 1806. His father was a surveyor and road builder who opened some of the major stage roads from Tennessee into the central part of Alabama.

The Stout family moved from Roane County, Tennessee, into Cota County, Alabama in 1818, where Abraham was elected County Clerk. In the 1820's the family moved to Blount County. On July 26, 1826, William

married Anne Parker. They were the parents of James M., born in 1828, John W., 1832, Elizabeth, 1836, Delano B., 1838, Milly M., 1842, Matilda, 1843, and Mary L., in 1847.

In 1842 William, with his brother, James, and their families, moved near Dover in Pope County, Arkansas. His father Abraham moved to Washington County, and his brother Peter to Lawrence County. Peter and his family later settled near Dardanelle, Arkansas.

In 1846, when the conflict between the United States and Mexico resulted in warfare, William volunteered in Capt. David West's Unit, which was formed in Pope County, to serve with Lt. Colonel W. Gray's Arkansas Volunteers. He was discharged April 30, 1847, at Ft. Gibson, Cherokee Nation.

While living in Alabama, William had served on the board of trustees for a Methodist Church developed on land granted by his father. Upon his return to Pope County following his war service, he served as a Methodist minister. Between 1847 and his death in 1865, he performed 61 marriages in the county. In 1848 he was elected County Clerk and served two additional terms.

With the outbreak of hostilities in the Civil War, William was placed in a perplexing position. He was born and reared in the South, but his political belief was for a strong federal union. This belief would bring him into conflict within his family and with some of his friends.

He was elected to represent Pope County when the constitutional convention was called in Little Rock on March 4, 1861. The delegation voted not to secede from the Union. When Lincoln called for Arkansas to raise 75,000 volunteers, the chairman would recall the delegates to Little Rock. William's concern was shared with his friend and fellow delegate, Jessie Turner, in a letter dated April 14, 1861. "Should we union men change our position? Should we become secessionists? I for one say not yet. . . . For me to take the side of the North against my brothers of the South . . . would be too bad, and to roll up my sleeves and kill off men that never did me harm . . . that would be bad . . . I have never looked at so gloomy a future."

The constitutional convention was later reconvened and the vote was 69 to 1 to secede. During the war William served in the home guard. He and others, fearing the courthouse would be burned, removed the county records to a place of safety for the duration of the war.

As it did in many other Arkansas families, the war brought division within the Stout Family. William's youngest son, Delano, joined the Confederate Army in January, 1861. His oldest sons, James and John, as well as his younger brothers, James and Peter, joined the Federal Army in 1863. Delano died in captivity at Center Point, Virginia, in 1864. Peter died in 1864 in a cavalry Depot near present Devalls, Bluff, Arkansas.

In late 1863, when the Federal Army held most of Arkansas, another convention was called. William again represented Pope County and the delegates revised the constitution and submitted it to a vote of the people. The new constitution was passed by a major-

ity and Isaac Murphey was elected Governor.

Governor Murphey appointed William as county clerk of Pope County and instructed him to install the other county officials. The county records were brought from their place of hiding and placed in the Methodist Church, which served as temporary courthouse.

On the evening of December 6, 1865, William was writing letters at his home when an assassin killed him by firing a shot through a window. With the death of William, another voice of moderation was stilled, and a reign of terror began that would last for many years in Pope County, and would be known as the "Militia War."

by Weldon W. Stout

JOHN BELL STRICKLAND

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John Bell Strickland, 1860-1943, was one of the fourth generation of Stricklands to live in Pope County, a brother to James Henry and William Alexander. He was one of six children born to Zachariah Samuel and Sophronia Nickles Strickland in the "Hurricane" Community near Economy; only the above-named three reached the age of maturity.

John Bell married Sallie J. Cole, 1861-1947, and to this union was born ten children, as follows: Fannie, John Orville (J.O.), Elizabeth (Lizzie), Ernest, Sally, Henry Leo, Samuel (Sam), James P. (Jim), Gladys, and Flora. Eight of these children lived to maturity.

John Bell was a farmer and merchant, and lived his entire life in Pope County, in or near Economy and in Atkins. For many years John Bell and his brothers operated a general store in Economy, starting about the early 1880's and continuing until about 1907. When the partnership was dissolved, John Bell ran the store until 1916, when he moved into Atkins and operated a store there until about 1927. At that time, he and Sallie returned to their homeplace at Economy and remained there until 1929. At that time, they returned to Atkins where they remained the rest of their lives. John Bell and Sallie were Presbyterians.

J.O. Strickland married Cora Webb and they had two boys, J.O., now at Lonoke, and Louis Harold, now in Alabama. J.O. served in the U.S. Army in World War I, worked for the U.S. Post Office in Russellville, and was assistant postmaster there when he died. Cora still resides in Russellville.

Lizzie Strickland married Ernest Murdock and they had four children, Ernestine (Haralson), now a schoolteacher in Atkins; J.B., now a rural mail carrier at Hector; Nina Jane (McDowell), who lives in Alabama; and Willa Dean (Baldrige), now living in Atkins. This family lived for many years on the old Strickland homeplace at Economy, which they purchased at the death of John Bell and Sallie.

Ernest Strickland married Emma Sue Yarrow. He served with the U.S. Army in World War I, also serving overseas. Upon his return, he was employed by the U.S. Post Office, mostly in Russellville, which he served until retirement. His widow now lives in Lonoke.

Leo Strickland married Bonnie Dell Hammock and they had two children, James Alton, who lives in Texas; and Janelda (Burris), deceased. Leo also served in the Army in World War I, and returned from that to work for the U.S. Post Office as a rural mail carrier for over 40 years. He worked at post offices at Gum Log, Atkins, Appleton, and Russellville. Leo and Bonnie now live in Russellville.

Sam Strickland also worked for the Post Office; he died in 1925.

Jim Strickland lived in Atkins and worked for Cheek Wholesale Grocery until his death in 1934.

Gladys Strickland married Stanley Richmond. They had three children, Betty Jean (King), who lives in West Memphis; William Eugene (Bill), living in Texas; and Suzanne (Swicegood), who lives in New Mexico. Gladys now lives in Atkins.

Flora Strickland married William J. Jones, Jr. (Tiny), and they had two boys, William J. Jones, III (Jennings), who now lives in California; and Kenneth, also living in California. Flora now lives in Richmond, California.

Of John Bell's and Sallie's family, six of the eight who lived to be adults spent their entire lives in Pope County (except for Army time of three boys). Many were active in civic, church and/or political activities, and they made significant contributions to the life and welfare of their communities and Pope County.

by Sharon Bell

JOHN G. STRICKLAND

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John G. Strickland came to Arkansas and Pope County around 1824 before the Indians were disturbed and before any white settlers. He built a small cabin and spent the winter trapping in the Gumlog Creek area. On his return to Tennessee he must have spoken favorably of the area to his family. He was convinced that it truly was the "land of opportunity" for he returned with his wife Gracy Campbell and established a home somewhere on the headwaters of Gumlog Creek. Their children were born here in Pope County and they are as follows: Lucinda born @ 1830 and married W.F. Copeland in 1851, Susan born @ 1832 and married John T. Williams in 1851, Williamson A. born 1835 and married Mary Ashmore his first cousin in 1853, and Malissa born @ 1842.

John G. moved to Madison County, Arkansas after 1880. His only son Williamson A. remained to be an outstanding member of his community. Williamson A. joined the Confederate Army but because of poor health served only a few months. He returned to become a Justice of the Peace and served as County Judge in 1865. His wife Mary was the daughter of Elizabeth Strickland (sister of John G.) and R.D. Ashmore. Williamson A. died on November 18, 1876 and is buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery, Center Valley, with the rest of his family members. His children were Nancy EJ born @1854 and Cinda AMA born @1859.

John G. Strickland had several brothers and a sister that followed him to Arkansas

near the time of the death of their father, Zachariah Strickland of Lawrence County, Tennessee. He died in 1841. (John G. and brother Zachariah Matthew are listed in the 1840 census of Pope County). Zachariah Strickland was the son of a former Revolutionary War Veteran, Frederick Strickland of Hillsboro, Wake County, North Carolina. Frederick lived until November 1, 1825, and his widow Elizabeth moved with one of the children to Arkansas. Brothers of John G. that remained in Tennessee were Samuel S. of Hardeman County and Archibald I. of Giles County, Tennessee. What happened to their sister M.M. who married Wm. Carrol in 1839 is not known. Brothers and the sister of John G. that moved to Pope County were Zachariah Matthew, Warren W., and Elizabeth wife of R.D. Ashmore.

Elizabeth Strickland born in 1805 married R.D. Ashmore born in 1800. Died in 1862. Their children were Mary M. born 1830, Joshua A. born 1831, Samuel R. born 1832, Lucinda born 1834, Cinda A. born 1837 and all were born in Arkansas except Cynthia A. born 1840, and Robert D. born 1842. Robert D. was known as Robbin when he was a young boy. Robert D. was in the Confederate Army, Co. A. 15 Ark. Militia. He married Recia Mullins and their children were Persha A., Caney A., Carney D., Paris G., and Samuel J.M. Recia was the daughter of Clem and Precia Mullins. She was born in 1841 and died in 1891. Robert D. died in 1921 and both are buried with their other family members in the Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley.

by Kathleen Bell

WARREN A. STRICKLAND

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Warren W. Strickland, born 1818, brother of John G. Strickland came to Arkansas around 1841 with his wife Sarah, born 1818, and children John F. born 1838, and Elizabeth C. born 1840. After arriving in Arkansas, they had Mary M. in 1845 and Lucinda P. in 1849. When he came to Arkansas, he was a farmer but became a Presbyterian minister and was known as "Preaching George". He helped found the church at Dover and Appleton. He must have been quite a character and there are several newspaper references about him.

It was Warren's daughter Elizabeth Catherine that married her first cousin, James Marshall Strickland, son of Zachariah Matt. Marshall died in January, 1865 at DeValls Bluff, Arkansas while serving in the Union Army. Catherine was remarried in September, 1865, to Daniel Rackley. Catherine and Marshall had one child Elizabeth known as Betty. Betty married a Poplin and reared her family in Carden Botton, east of Dardanelle.

by Kathleen Bell

WILLIAM ALEXANDER (BILL) STRICKLAND

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William Alexander Strickland was born on



BILL AND KATHLEEN STRICKLAND

August 22, 1901, at Economy, Arkansas. He was the second son of William Alexander and Ada Lenora Tiner Strickland. He began his education at Economy, but after the death of his father, he and his widowed mother and brother, Gip, moved to Atkins in 1911, where he completed his education at the Atkins High School in 1917. At the age of sixteen he began working at the Bledsoe Drug Store and later the City Drug Store in Atkins and worked at other various jobs to help his mother. He pursued a career as a pharmacist by attending the Little Rock College of Pharmacy and graduating in 1922.

On July 21, 1922, he married Kathleen Turner, daughter of W.F. and Amanda Thompson Turner of Atkins. Kathleen was born on March 14, 1904, in Atkins. To them were born three children: William Alexander, Jr., Kathleen, and David Kerry.

When Bill, as he was commonly called, married they moved to Russellville and he worked at the Leming Drug Store. After this he worked for Campbell Drug Store in Dover at which time Bill, Jr., was born in 1923. Then they moved on to Plainview, Arkansas, in the spring of 1925 and stayed there until May, 1928, except for a three month period when they moved to Atkins. Kathleen was born in Plainview in 1926. Fort Smith was the next move and they lived there from May through September, 1928, and then back to Atkins to work at the City Drug Store for Mr. Hughey until 1938. Kerry was born in Atkins in 1934. On September 1, 1938, Bill, Kathleen, and the kids moved back to Plainview. Bill had bought the Ellison Drug Store and they remained in Plainview operating the Strickland Drug Store until his retirement in 1968. Bill only enjoyed retirement for a short time for he died on April 2, 1969. The drug store is now owned and operated by C&D and Kathleen still works part-time. She is a licensed practical pharmacist.

Bill was active in church and civic affairs. He held offices in the Republican Party in Yell

County and was a member of the Arkansas Pharmaceutical Association and held offices in that organization. He was a member of the National Association of Retail Druggists and a 32nd Degree Mason. He was a member of the Methodist Church and taught Sunday School in Atkins and Plainview all of his adult life. Kathleen continues to be active in the church and civic affairs of the community. She is a member of the Eastern Star and was chosen "Woman of the Year" by the Plainview Jaycettes in 1973.

William Alexander Strickland, Jr., married Wanda Green of Perryville, Arkansas. They have three sons: William Alva (1947-) lives near Atlanta, Georgia and has one child, Wanda Lea. Robert Allen (1952-) is a medical doctor in the United States Navy. David Arnold (1955-) is a law student at the University of Missouri at Kansas City, Bill received his Pharmacy degree from the University of Tennessee and his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin in Madison. He is outstanding in his field and has received many honors. He taught at the University of Arkansas School of Pharmacy until he accepted the position of Dean of the Pharmacy School at the University of Missouri at Kansas City. Presently, he is Assistant Dean of the Medical School and Instructor at the School of Pharmacy at the University of Missouri. Wanda received her degree from UCA and is presently engaged in real estate in Shawnee Mission, Kansas, where they now reside.

Kathleen married William Sidney Bell, Sr., of Little Rock on August 24, 1947. They have three children: Sharon Christine (1951-) who is presently the Medical Record Administrator at St. Mary's Hospital in Russellville, Arkansas. William Sidney Bell, Jr., (1958-) is in the United States Navy. Melissa Anne (1959-) is a college student. Kathleen is a graduate of Hendrix College and is a World History teacher in the Forrest City School System. Bill works for Arkansas Power and Light Company.

David Kerry married Sharon Joy Phillips of Wewoka, Oklahoma in 1956. They have four children: Susan Marie (1958) a graduate of the Greenbrier High School, Marna Gail (1962-), Kerry Clinton (1966-), and Kaye Lynn (1967-). Kerry is a graduate of the University of Arkansas and is a mechanical engineer for the Corps of Engineers in Little Rock. They reside in Greenbrier, Arkansas.

Kathleen and Bill Strickland have left their children and grandchildren a great Pope County heritage. Their example of love, companionship, and hard work will be remembered for the years to come.

by Sharon Bell.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER STRICKLAND

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William Alexander Strickland, known to many as Will, was born in 1867 and died in 1909. He lived his entire life in and around Economy, Arkansas, except for a period of 2 years in which he attended medical school at the Memphis Medical College in Memphis. He had married Ada Lenora Tiner, April 1, 1891. In 1896 they had one son Gipson Zachariah and William Alexander was born in 1901. Upon his return to Economy, he did not take up any form of activity related to medicine, but became busily engaged in a general mercantile store owned jointly by he and his two brothers, John Bell and Henry. The Strickland Brother's store was the center of the social and economic life of Economy. W.A. was an astute businessman and prospered until he became ill with tuberculosis. The Strickland

Brothers divided their possessions and the other brothers farmed and traded to provide for their families.

W.A.'s condition became worse and the family went to New Mexico in 1908 hoping that his condition would improve. After spending a few months on the edge of the desert, it was plain to see there would be no improvement so they returned to the family home at Economy. This home had been completed one week before the birth of their second son, W.A. Will died in June, 1909, leaving Ada and the boys. Ada then moved to Atkins and raised her boys. Ada died in 1928. Both she, Will, and Gip are buried at Oakland Cemetery north of Atkins.

Gipson Zachariah Strickland was the elder son of W.A. and Ada Strickland. He was born in 1896 at Economy and graduated from Atkins High School in 1916. He was a good athlete and loved baseball. When World War I broke out, he was conscripted into the American Armed Forces. He went overseas in late May and was attached to Co. K, 153rd Infantry, 89 Division of the American Expeditionary Forces. Gip was also in the Army of Occupation in Germany. After he returned home from the war, he worked at various jobs such as carpenter work and clerking in a drug store. It was 2 years after his mother died of tuberculosis, that he was also stricken with the disease while working in Mississippi. Gip was treated in Fitzsimmons Hospital in Denver, Colorado, and after a long enduring illness he recovered and became employed at the V.A. Hospital in Hot Springs, South Dakota. Gip retired from this job and returned to Arkansas to live in Hot Springs where he died in 1967. Gip never married.

by Kathleen Bell

ZACHARIAH MATTHEW STRICKLAND

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Zachariah Matthew Strickland, born in 1811 in South Carolina, also followed John G. Strickland to Arkansas in 1841. Zachariah Matt and John G. were sons of Zachariah Strickland of Giles County, Tennessee. Zachariah Matt married Savie Vick daughter of Winnie Vick whose family was from Holland. Their children were Eliza Jane born in 1831 in Tennessee; Zachariah Samuel born 1834 in Tennessee; James Marshall born in 1839 in Tennessee and Elizabeth born in 1843 in Arkansas.

When it became necessary to enter the Army, Marshall, his brother Sam (Z.S.) and their cousin Williamson A. all enlisted June 20, 1862, at Dover. Sam and his family were living on what is known as the "Hurricane" forty about ¼ mile south of Economy, Arkansas.

Williamson A. had already returned home because of poor health when Sam and Marshall received word at Camp Johnson of the poor condition of their families at home. The civilian population was at the mercy of the jayhawkers, bushwhackers, and armed band of outlaws. Marshall left without permission around the first of August 1863. He returned, but not for long because he and Sam both deserted the Confederate Army September 10, 1863, the day Little Rock fell.

It was during this period that Marshall and Sam were with their families probably hiding from both the Union and Confederate forces that ranged through the country. They stayed with their families until after Christmas. They went to Dardanelle December 28, 1863, and joined the Union Army. Marshall reported in late January of 1864 and Sam in February to Co. C, 4th Reg't. Ark. Calvary at Little Rock. September of 1864 found them both at Camp Remount at DeValls Bluff. It was during this enlistment that musical part of Sam became known. From March to October, 1864, he was the company bugler. But, the Stricklands have always been woodsmen and their greatest value lay in scouting.

In January, 1865, Marshall died at DeValls Bluff while in the Union Army. When the war was over and Sam returned home with an army wagon and a team of mules. Sam was a trader, buying and selling land, and even though he owned a great deal of land at different times, he was never well off.

Zachariah Samuel Strickland married Sophronia Nickles (1831-1899), daughter of Alex and Nancy Spruce Nickles of the Economy Community. To them were born the following children: James Henry (1856-1928) married Angeline Haralson (1859-1941). Their children were Maye Bell (1883-1973) who married Ira Pollard (1881-1963) no children; George Gibson (1885-1965) who married Alma Lambert and lived in Helena — no children; Sophronia (1889-1910) unmarried; Addie (1901-1918) unmarried. John Bell (1860-1943) married Sally Cole (1861-1947) and their children were Elizabeth, John Orville, William Ernest, Henry Leo, Samuel,



STRICKLAND BROTHERS
JOHN BELL — WILL — HENRY

James, Gladys, and Flora. Lavonia A. (1864-1867); twins William Alexander (1867-1909) and Gibson Zachariah (1867-1884); Lizzie (1871-1891); Addie (1874-1890); and Samuel (1877-1893).

Zachariah Matt's daughter Eliza Jane married Daniel Matthews, son of Stephen and Sarah Perkins Matthews. Their children were Margaret, Robert, Peter, Mary E., and Andrew. Zachariah Matt's other daughter Elizabeth married Bob Adams.

Bob and Elizabeth Adams had four children: Rhoda, Bob, Porter, and Sophronia. Rhoda married Eugene Dutton who was a sawmill worker at Ola and was Depot agent when he died. They had five children, four of whom died young, and their only child to live to maturity was Cleo who married Floyd Gregory. Floyd was a construction worker and a farmer. They had three children: Juanita who married Sidney Russell and they had one child Rita and she has two children Michael and Wayne Edward. Their second child was Burmell who married Joe Crawford and they live in the Union Grove community east of Atkins. They have four children: Leta Sue married Emmett McFarland and their children are Robert, Darlene, Dianna, Darrell, Darren, and Douglas. Robert married Sarah Bruton and they have one son Franklin Shea. Sharon married Alton Ward and their children are David Allen, Lisa, and John Joseph. Barbara Jane married Tommy McElroy and they have one child Gregory Crawford. Allen Wayne married Karen Joyce Cobb and they have two children, Shellie and Shane Allen. The third child of Rhoda and Eugene Dutton was Burnette and she married Gene Nelson and they had no children.

by Kathleen Bell

JOE BRYAN STROUD

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Joe Bryan Stroud was born Oct. 1, 1900, at DeQueen, Arkansas, and died in Little Rock, Arkansas, on Jan. 3, 1970. He grew up around Greenwood, Arkansas, and at the age of sixteen, he joined the navy in order to help support the family. He served thirty years in the navy and retired with the rank of Chief Boatswain mate, after World War II.

He met Carrie Lee Griffin while she was teaching at Hackett, Arkansas, and they were married on March 16, 1936. They moved to Atkins in 1936 and built the house now occupied by the Walter Sweeden's. He was called back to active duty at the start of World War II. From the close of the war in 1945, he worked in Atkins as a carpenter and he ran a business for about a year, where he took advantage of his early navy training, as a sail maker. He made any canvas article any one wanted from tents to cotton picking bags. He later ran a donut shop with Bob Ashmore.

Joe Bryan Stroud, was the son of Coleman White Stroud and Caldonia Snyder Stroud. He had three sons, William Joseph Stroud, born March 26, 1937, John Coleman Stroud, born Aug. 25, 1938 and David Lee Stroud, born Dec. 2, 1941.

by John C. Stroud

ABNER (ABE) TACKETT

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Abe Tackett was born in Arkansas in 1853, and was living in Griffin Township, Pope County when he met Francis Cole, who was born in 1866. She was the daughter of James and Rebecca Cole and was also born in Arkansas. Her father James, was born Dec. 6, 1826 and died in Dec. 1869. Abe and Francis lived in the Appleton community and farmed for several years. They were the parents of six boys and three girls: Andrew, Lee, Dee, Wade, Henry, William Ellis (W.E.) Jane who married a Baker; Annie, who married a Crites and Viola who died at about the age of five.

Abe died when William Ellis was about six months old and Mrs. Tackett later married Mike Whorton and they had two sons, Archie and Grover.

All of the children of Mrs. Francis Cole Tackett Whorton, are now deceased but Grover Whorton and W.E. Tackett.

William Ellis Tackett, is a veteran of World War I, a farmer and a member of the Assembly of God Church. On Feb. 19, 1918, he married Gracie Rittie Montgomery and they were the parents of thirteen children, the second dying at the age of three but twelve are still living. They are Sybil, Hattie, Estelline, A.E., Ester, Montie, Ann, Lois, John, Gracie, Georgia, and Villa. In 1978, Mr. and Mrs. Tackett celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary and it was the first time that all of the family had ever been together.

by W.E. (Ellis) Tackett

GRACIE RITTIE MONTGOMERY TACKETT

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Samuel T. Montgomery, Mary Edith (Mollie) Mason Montgomery, Zephia Lee Montgomery, May Montgomery. Picture made about 1895.

Murray Mason was born in the State of Maine about 1845 and died in 1917, at the age of 72, at Tallequah, Oklahoma and is buried there. My grandmother was Emma Myers, a sister to the late George, Jim and Will Myers that lived on what is called Gravel

Hill, north of Russellville and east of Dover. She had two sisters or more and one married John Byrum, Alice married a Shinn and she died early in life. She has a son called Tommy Shinn.

Murray Mason must have met Emma Myers near Des Moines, Iowa for they were married there. My mother was born there and so were some of the older children. She was born about 1844. The parents of Murray went to Canada and the mother died and left Mr. Mason to take care of the children. He let some people keep the boy and was expecting to keep him when he got older but the people had other plans. They came to the states and brought the boy with them. I don't know if the peoples name was Sears or not but he lived with a Mr. and Mrs. Dan Sears about the time they were married.

My mother, Mary Edith Mason was born near Des Moines, Iowa and they moved from there in a covered wagon. They would travel a long time, then work a while, maybe a year at a time, or longer. Murray was a carpenter and farmer. Little accidents happened like the time grandmother stepped in the cornbread. Some time they would camp in an old house and she was working at the fireplace and had set the bread on the dutch oven and turned around and backed into the oven and burned her foot. They finally got to Harrison, Arkansas. It was cold weather then for the children and grandmother warmed while the men got the wagon up the mountain. Mother said the party there had a stack of quilts nearly to the ceiling.

When they got to Pope County, the family of Murray and Emma Mason lived on the edge of Buck Mountain for several years. My mother, Mary Edith Mason and all the rest of the children except the three youngest boys married. My mother raised her family and lived to be old in Pope County but lived with my sister in Kansas in her late years. There were six of us children lived to be grown; George, Floy, Gracie, Lillian, Bessie and Ruth. My mother met and married Samuel or Sam Montgomery near Dover and we lived in Pope County during our childhood except for eight months we lived in Louisiana, where he was raised. My father and mother were called Sam and Mollie Montgomery. They are both buried at St. Paul Cemetery and yet there are five of us still living, Floy is in California, George in Leachville, Ruth who is Mrs. Joe Stevenson at Atkins, Lillian is in Stella Manor and she is Mrs. William McAlister, and Gracie, who is Mrs. Ellis Tackett of Russellville.

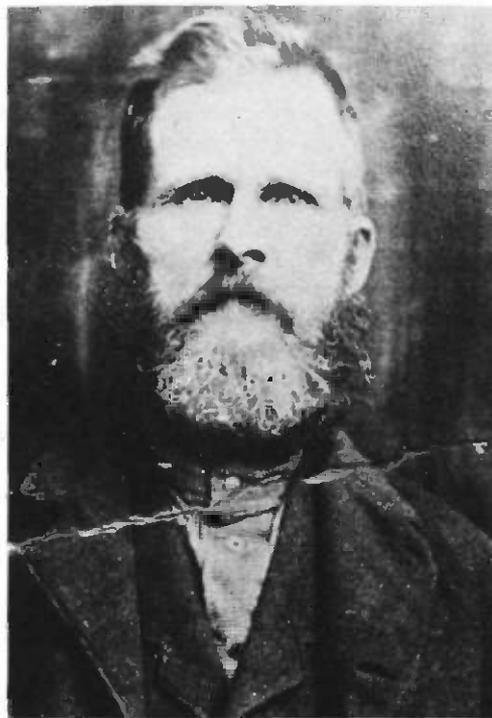
I married William Ellis Tackett Feb. 19, 1918. We both lived in Moreland at the time and have lived in Pope County 49 years of our married life, the other eleven years were spent in Chicot County in Southeast Arkansas. We are now retired and live in Center Valley. We have 12 children still living, the second child deceased at the age of 3 years. We just recently celebrated our 60th wedding anniversary and it was the first time all the family had been together. The children are Sybil Gibson of Pleasant Hill, California, Hattie Robinson of Little Rock, Estelline Hartsfield of Lower Lake, California, A.E. Tackett and Ester Carter of Russellville, Montie Tackett of Frem-

ont, California, Ann Chaney of Oakland, California, Lois Miller of San Leandro, California, John Tackett of Russellville, Gracie Leininger of Rolla, Missouri, Georgia Jones of Fremont, California, and Vila Page of Russellville.

by Mrs. W.E. Tackett

LEWIS TACKITT OF VIRGINIA

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LANCASTER COLUMBUS TACKETT
1845-1918

Virginia-born Lewis Tackitt moved his family from southeastern Missouri into what is now Pope County, Arkansas, in the 1830's, probably in the first year of the decade. His Methodist-minister son, Pleasant, reached Arkansas Territory in either 1829 or 1830 to begin a stint as missionary to the Western Cherokees that lasted 24 years.

It was about 1790 that 20-year-old Lewis married Elizabeth Bashum, probably in Virginia. Their first child, Nathaniel, was born there in 1792. The family joined in the westward migration and were next found in Wayne Co., Ky., where Pleasant was born 22 Apr. 1803, Moranda (aka Morandy) in 1805 and Elizabeth 11 June 1808. Martin was born in Tennessee in 1810 and Mann Darius in Missouri in 1812.

Lewis and Pleasant "Tackett" were listed in the 1830 Scott Co, MO census, but Washington County (AR) Historical Society's "Flashback" reported Pleasant was pastor of Central Methodist Church in Fayetteville for two years, 1829-30.

Lewis' family settled about four miles east of Dover but little is known of his life and activities.

Nathaniel never married and after Lewis died in February 1850, terminating a five-month siege of bronchitis, he and his mother joined the family of his sisters, Elizabeth, and her husband, Judge Caleb Davis.

Pleasant was married 20 Aug. 1830 in Pope Co. to Kezia Frances Bruton, daughter of John and Ann (Wilson) Bruton. She was born 22 Sept 1812 in Mississippi. Pleasant served a term in the Arkansas General Assembly, and performed numerous marriages in addition to his regular mission teaching.

In 1854 he moved to what is now Parker Co., Tx and was re-admitted to the active Methodist ministry. Two years later church officials assigned him to Indian reservation duty at Fort Belknap, where he also served as Young Co. official. The aging Pleasant and Kezia returned to Parker Co. where they died, he on 7 Feb 1886 and she on 29 Dec. 1891. They rest in Goshen Cemetery, site of his first Texas church. He founded many.

Pleasant's children: James B., Lewis Lycurgus, George W.C., Robert E.E., Andrew C.A., Sarah Caroline and Perry Anderson.

Moranda was married in Missouri, wife's name not known, but she died and he moved to Pope Co. where he married Lydia, who bore most of his 11 children. Church of Christ ordained him in 1867. He died in 1871, probably in Pope Co., where Lydia filed for probate.

Moranda's children: Lewis B., Jeannette, Mary Ann, Sarah E., Mariah W., Catherine G., Esther Lucinda, Robert J., Pleasant R., Clarinda, and Amanda S.

Elizabeth Tackitt married Caleb Davis, Tennessee native, in Missouri in 1827 and they moved to Pope Co., settling in 1837. Caleb became a prominent figure, thriving as a planter and three times was elected county judge. He fathered 10 children and each was given a farm upon reaching adulthood. He and Elizabeth are buried a few yards from the site of Davis Chapel, where they worshipped and worked a half century each to promote Methodism.

Elizabeth's children: William P., James L., Andrew J., John A., George W.O., Caleb M., Narcissa P., Sarah E., Albert Q. and one infant died.

(See Caleb Davis story elsewhere in this volume.)

Martin Tackitt settled in the western section of Pope Co., which became Johnson Co., in 1833. He married Cynthia — (probably Jones), who died in the Mountain Meadows Massacre in southwestern Utah with three of her children, including Pleasant, apparently named for her husband's brother. Pleasant's wife, name not known, and two of their children also were slain in the attack by Indians an Mormons. Two of their very young children were spared and were rescued two years later by U.S. soldiers.

Martin's children: Pleasant, William H., Marion, Sebbard, Matilda and James.

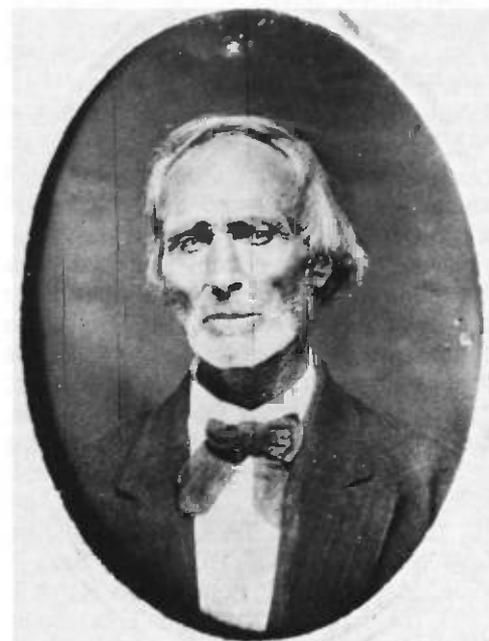
Mann Darius Tackitt married in Missouri in 1837 Emiline R. Wright. Records show he was a Pope Co. JP and performed at least two marriages. He moved to Texas about the time Pleasant did where he served as a Ranger, then became a rancher in Jack County. He was killed by Indian raiders 26 Oct. 1863.

Mann Darius' children: Josephus H., Mary E., Jane E., Caleb W., Leona, Doc, Wiley A., Tibetha and Frank.

by William E. Green

LEWIS TACKETT

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REV. PLEASANT TACKETT
(1803-1886)

Lewis B. Tackett, born 1813, Tennessee, moved to Pope Co., Ark. just prior to 1860 having lived for many years in Fayette Co., Ala. and then Pontotoc Co., Miss. He was a probable son of Lancaster Tackitt (1785-1845). Lancaster and Lewis had a joint land grant in Fayette Co., Ala. in 1834.

Lewis was married at least three times; the name of his first wife may have been Hunt. He was married 2nd to Anna Cook on 10 March 1846 in Pontotoc Co., Miss. and in 1860 he was married to Margaret Jane Coats in Pope Co., Ark. (D:28). Lewis is noted in the 1850 Fayette Co., Ala. census and the 1860 Pope Co., Ark. census (Dover Twp.). He died March 1870 in Pulaski Co., Ark.

Known issue of Lewis were: Jasper (1836), Jane (1837), Jesse (1839), Lancaster Columbus (1843), Abner H. (1845), Lewis (1848), John R. (1851), Hester Ann (1855), William T. (1856), and Leona E. (1858).

Lewis Sr., Jesse, and Lancaster Columbus were all veterans of the Civil War (CSA) and Jesse and Lancaster C. are buried in Rock Springs Cemetery in Pope Co. Lancaster was a Pvt. in Co. E, 15th Ark. Inf.

Although there were three branches of the Tackett — Tackitt family to settle in Pope Co., it is this branch from whom most, if not all, present day Pope Co. Tacketts descend.

Of the children of Lewis, it is only the following for whom spouses are known: Jesse — Jessie married Suena Peron in 1861, Lancaster Columbus married Louisa Pryor in 1879, Abner H. married Frances J. Cole in 1880 and Hester Ann married Henry Williams.

A son of Lancaster Columbus, Rev. Samuel Columbus Tackett (1881-1946) was a 57 year resident of Hector and was an organizer of the Hector Presbyterian Church in 1921. He also is buried in Rock Springs Cemetery.

by James Wm. Tackitt, Pres.

TALKINGTON FAMILY

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Chesterfield Berkley Talkington b. 1840 in Kentucky and Hester Harkey Talkington b. 1838 in North Carolina came to Pope County in the 1870's. They settled north of Russellville at Round Rock. Married in 1866 in Greenwood Ar. Hester smoked a long black pipe and wore long black dresses and black apron. She had a Sunday dress and apron which were also black. When she was in her eighties she picked cotton. She would pick the cotton and put it in her apron, then dump it in a basket, for she was unable to pull a cotton sack behind her. All the money she made from picking cotton, she gave to her "preacher," which was the Church of Christ minister at Gravel Hill. "Berk," as he was called, and Hester had nine children. The next to the youngest was Stephen Andrew b. April 18, 1880, d. Oct. 1, 1928. Stephen married Dora Bell Brown b. Aug. 28, 1885, d. Sept. 7, 1956. They married in Pope County March 2, 1903. They had three daughters, Eula married Estelle Cradall. Louise married Grady Kinder and 2nd husband Tom Kinslow.

Thelma Rhea b. January 24, 1906 married (1) Claud Reynolds b. April 11, 1895, d. Oct. 14, 1960. They married in 1926 in Pope County. Claud and Thelma had four children, Betty Jane Reynolds b. April 20, 1928 married James Johnston, January 25, 1946. They have two sons, John Emmett Johnston b. Nov. 25, 1946 married Jan Duvall in 1968 and they have two sons. John and Jan live in Konawa, Okla. where John teaches and coaches in the school there. Betty and James' youngest son, James Michael (Mike) b. Oct. 21, 1953 lives at home and works at the Ark. Highway Dept. Betty and James own and operate the Oak Grove Grocery Store in Pope Co. John Edward Reynolds, b. Sept. 19, 1930, d. 1945 was Claud and Thelmas only son. He died at the age of fourteen at the hospital in Morrilton from complication from an apendectomy.

Twyla Rhea Reynolds b. Oct. 5, 1939 at Dover, Ark. married Daniel Devoy Bench Nov. 3, 1957 at Dardanelle, Ark. Devoy was born March 20, 1940 in Ft. Worth, Tx. Twyla and Devoy have two sons. Tony Daniel Bench b. Nov. 10, 1958, and Clinton Devoy Bench born March 17, 1963. Both were born in Russellville.

Tony Daniel Bench is a 1977 graduate of Russellville High School where he was a member of the football team, he is a freshman at Ark. Tech, his major is chemical engineering and his fraternity is Kappa Alpha. Clinton Devoy Bench is a ninth grader at Gardner Junior High School, where he is an officer in the band and also in the National Junior Honor Society.

Claud and Thelmas youngest child is Judith Elaine Reynolds b. March 18, 1947. Judy married Leon Hottinger Sept. 13, 1963 in Lawton, Okla. They have two children, Brenton Leon b. Nov. 15, 1967 and Angela Rhea b. Aug. 25, 1969. Judy is employed at Continental Telephone Co. in Russellville. Her children are students at Dwight Elementary

School in Russellville. Thelma Talkington Reynolds is now married to Bervie Hurley of Hector. They married in 1964 at the Dover Methodist Church. They live in the Oak Grove Community and attend the Moreland United Methodist Church where, Thelma is a member and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Hector where Bervie is a member.
by Twyla Reynolds Bench

ROY J. AND MARY SUE CALE TAYLOR

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ROY AND SUE TAYLOR

Mary Sue Cale was born at Chickalah, Yell County, Arkansas. Her parents were Dr. Walter and Hazel Carter Cale. The family moved to Atkins in August 1931, where Sue finished high school, then went on to Arkansas Tech University and later attended the University of Central Arkansas at Conway.

Roy J. Taylor was born March 3, 1913. He was reared on a hill farm near Gentry, Benton County, Arkansas. His parents were John A. and Martha Twiggs Taylor. Roy completed high school in Gentry, and later worked his way through Arkansas Tech University and Oklahoma State University, where he graduated in 1936.

Roy moved to Atkins in August, 1937, as Vocational Agriculture Instructor, and became the first vocational instructor in Pope County. Many of his former students are now farmers in the Atkins bottoms. Sue was teaching in the primary school at Atkins at this time. At the end of the midterm semester following Pearl Harbor, Roy resigned from the Atkins High School and enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserve. While he was in the Navy, he and Sue were married in Long Beach, California, December 9, 1942.

While in the Navy, Roy served in the amphibious forces on an attack transport which carried soldiers and marines in the Pacific combat area. Roy watched the flag being raised on Mount Suribachi, Iwo Jima. After being discharged from the Navy, he accepted a Civil Service position as a training officer with the Veterans Administration with the rating of agricultural specialist.

In 1951 Roy resigned from the Veterans

Administration and accepted employment as field man for the Atkins Pickle Company, where he worked until his retirement. Under his field management during those years, he saw the bushels of cucumbers purchased by the Company increase from 30,000 to 190,000. Since his retirement he maintains his interest in agriculture through the management of their 350 acres of Arkansas River bottom land.

Both Roy and Sue have been active in civic and community affairs, and are active members of the First Baptist Church. Sue served as Atkins Chairman of the Cancer Fund drive for about 10 years. Her hobbies are acrylic painting and amateur coin collecting.

In 1957 Sue was selected as the Atkins Chairman of the state-wide Community Improvement Project which was sponsored jointly by AP&L and the AIDC. Atkins won 3rd place in their division, and received a cash prize of \$100.00. Since Atkins had been without a library for a number of years, Sue recommended that this money be used to again start an Atkins Public Library. A small building was rented on Main Street, and high school students and other citizens of Atkins collected the books which were donated. Sue and Elaine Smith donated their time as librarians until the library began to receive county support from a one-mill tax voted in 1957. Sue has served as librarian continuously since that time. In 1959 the library moved to the Dr. E. P. Griffin building located at 219 East Main Street, and with county help became a branch of the Arkansas River Valley Regional Library system. A new, well built brick building was completed in 1975, and is known as the Atkins Centennial Library.

Roy was a Charter member of the Pope County School Masters Club, which was organized in 1938, and later became the Western Arkansas School Masters Club. He was also a Charter member of the Atkins Lions Club. He served as Chairman of the Atkins Centennial-Bicentennial Committee. He was a Ward Committeeman in Atkins for 18 years, and in 1976 was elected Chairman of the Pope County Democratic Central Committee, as well as the Pope County Election Commission. His name appears in the 6th edition of Who's Who in American Politics.

by Roy J. and Mary Sue Taylor

JAMES MADISON TATE

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The generations of the Tate family came through Virginia, N. and S. Carolina, Georgia (Hall Co.), on to Johnson County, Arkansas, north of Lamar. James Madison Tate and wife Dina (Meers) Tate, Rev. Wm. Meers, Elisha Meers, (who became judge over five counties), resided in the same county. Judge Meers and wife and Rev. Wm. Meers are buried in the beautiful cemetery of Clarksville. Because of our first settlers choosing this area, we chose Clarksville for the "Tate Reunion" in 1972. The Graphic News, of Clarksville, carried the occasion on July 6, 1972 and July 20, 1972.



Picture of six Tate Brothers.

Front Row: L. to R.: Wm. Washington, Robert Hopson, Patrick Henry. 2nd Row — L. to R.: Thomas Jefferson, Moses David, James Lafayette.

James Madison Tate, raised six sons and three daughters:

William Washington Tate, had fourteen children. He moved his wife Amanda to Pope County. Their children were: Anthony, Effie, Fanny Eliza, and William Alexander. He had been a farmer. He died May 29, 1899 and he and his wife are buried in Rest Haven Cemetery.

Robert Hopson Tate also lived in Russellville a long time. The last Wife's name was Mattie Cromwell. Their children were: John, Janey, Paul, Maggie and Mattie. He and Capt. Peeler had a business together for many years. The partner died. (Hop) ran the store for some time until his health was bad. He sold the store and bought 1000 angors goates and moved to the mountains, forty miles from Russellville.

James Lafayette Tate (Fate) and his wife made their home north of Dover. They had four children: Oscar S., Mamis (Sever), Margaret (Mag) (Johnston), Dora (Atkins). Fate and Emiline (Jones) Tate and her parents are buried in the Rushing Cemetery. Fate became a successful agricultruiist, and ran a coutry store. His wife was a school teacher, and gave m'uch of her time to the sick. They were members of the Primitive Baptist Church and honored citizens of the community.

Mattie Frances Tate, married second time (1886) Sterling Harris. He served in the confederate army, was a farmer, a successful business man who owned a general mercantile store. He settled in Pope County in 1875. Uncle Sterling was the children's delight: he would enjoy us braiding his beard, and tie many ribbons on each braid. We would laugh with glee.

Thomas Jefferson Tate (Jeff), lived in Pope County for a while, then moved to Waldron. He was buried in Duncan Cemetery.

by Clara Virginia Tate

PETER TEETER

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The 1850 census identified six Teeter families residing in Pope County, Arkansas. Teeters moved into Pope County in 1839 from North Carolina. Peter Teeter was the son of Jacob Teeter, and he had at least one brother, George Teeter. Peter and his wife Elizabeth had five sons: George, Martin, Archoble, Paul, and Peeve.

Martin A. Teeter was born on March 30, 1812, in North Carolina. He married Sarah Petray, who was born on May 16, 1815. They were married on October 28, 1830. To them was born ten children: Susan E., Jackson L.,

Jacob W., Daniel M., William H., Sarah J., Jonah A., Ransom A., James L., and George W.

James Lawson Teeter was born on June 15, 1850, and died February 23, 1900. James married Sarah E. Brooks on July 7, 1870. Sarah was born on February 3, 1853 and died on August 8, 1934. Their children were Samuel E., Daniel M., Burl M., Charles R., William F., John W., Ransom A., Minnie B., and Janie.

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and
Dr. Thomas Allen Teeter

DR. CHARLES RICHARD TEETER

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Charles was the son of James Lawson and Sarah E. Brooks Teeter. He was born on October 6, 1875, and was married to Cora Ann Whitesides on January 23, 1908, by Rev. Edgar Strong. Cora was born on August 11, 1880. Charles was a farmer and taught school prior to entering medical school. He graduated from the University of Arkansas School of Medicine in 1907, and did post graduate work at the University of Kentucky and at Tulane University. He then practiced Medicine at both Pottsville and Russellville, until his death on July 13, 1940.

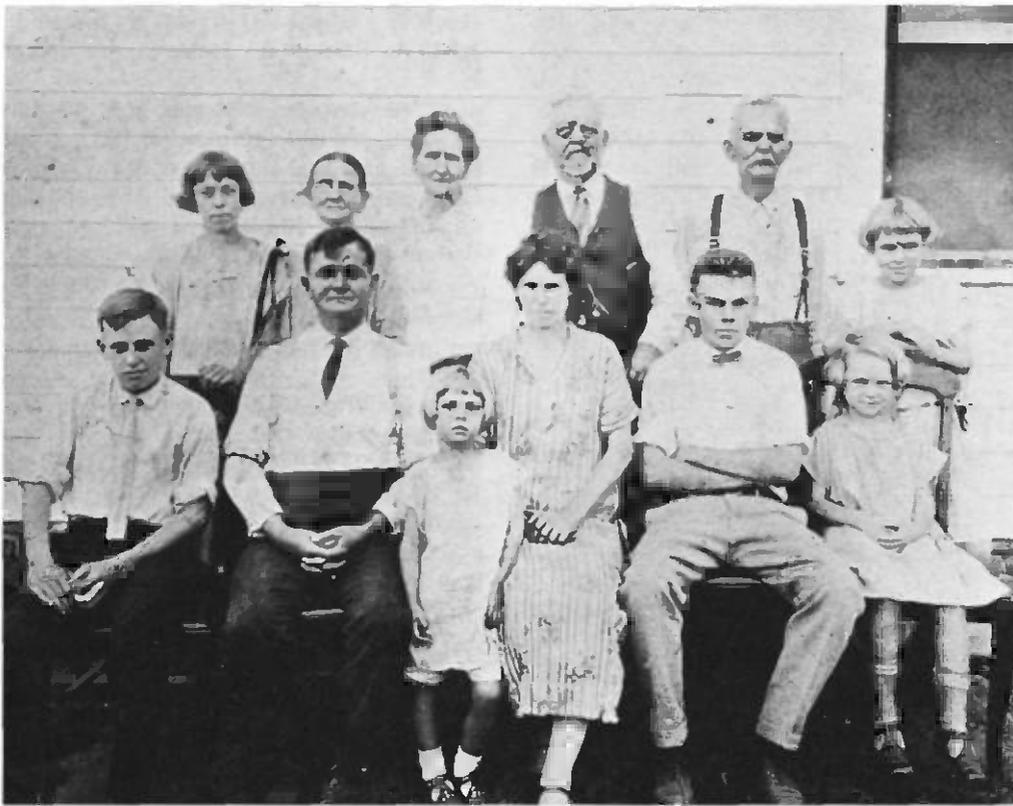
Cora was a Pottsville Community leader, mother, and housewife. She received a "Lifetime Membership" in the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church. She died on August 21, 1965.

Charles and Cora had six children, they were: Brooks R., Charles R., S. Elizabeth, M. Nell, A. Lucille, and Cora W.

Brooks R. Teeter, born on February 1, 1909, married Crystelle Owens on March 10, 1937. Brooks died January 22, 1974, and Crystelle died on March 20, 1978. They had four children: Richard, Ann, Daniel, and



James L. and Sarah E. Teeter
Wedding day July 7, 1870



Front Row: L. to R.: Charles, Charles Richard, Cora W., Cora Ann, Brooks, Nell. Standing L. to R.: Elizabeth, Ellen Brook Teeter, Nancy Teeter, Dan T. and Ransom Teeter.

Jeannie. Richard married Sharon Bonner and they have three children: Brooks, Anna Marie and Richard. Ann married William Poynter and they have two children: Dana and Mark. Daniel married Minnie Clubb and they have two children: Peggy and William. Jeannie married Harold Brown and they have two children: Owen and Crystelle.

Charles R. Teeter, born on September 21,

1910, married Neva K. Taylor on December 23, 1933. Neva was born on November 5, 1910. They have four sons: Charles R. Jr., Joseph T., James R., and Thomas A. Charles R. Jr. married Barbara Guthrie and they have one son, Christopher. Joseph T. married Ann Glover and they have two children: Joseph T. Jr. and Kathryn Ann. James R. married Judy Cummings and they have two children: Brian



Front L. to R.: Lucille, Cora, Charles. Back: Nell, Elizabeth and Brooks. Children of Dr. Charles R. and Cora W. Teeter.

Charles and Rebecca Shields. Thomas A. married Carolyn Umsted and they have two children: Ellen B. and Matthew Allen.

S. Elizabeth Teeter, born on June 25, 1912, married Willie Martin West on October 12, 1947. Willie died on May 16, 1971. They had one son, William Charles, who married Kathy Simpkins.

M. Nell Teeter, born on August 27, 1914, married Alton F. Balkman on June 18, 1942. They had two children: Elizabeth A., who married William House, and Robert A., who married Karen Klodosky. Elizabeth has a daughter named Kristen Elizabeth.

A. Lucille Teeter, born on December 17, 1917, married Phillip Bryant on March 18, 1942. They had four children: Sarah A., Mary K., Phyllis Jo, and John P. Bryant. Sarah married Georges Bertail. Mary married Robert Sparks, and they have a daughter, Michelle. Phyllis married John Mlenar, and they have a son, John P. Mlenar. John P. Bryant married Diane, and they have a daughter, Joanna Ruth Bryant.

Cora W. Teeter married Ollen F. Kay on September 9, 1945. They had two children: David A. and Nancy N.

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and
Dr. Thomas Allen Teeter

SARAH ELLEN BROOKS TEETER

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SARAH ELLEN TEETER

Sarah Ellen Brooks Teeter, born in Russellville in 1853, was a daughter of William and Sarah Graham Brooks. Her father came from North Carolina, her mother from Pennsylvania. Her maternal grandfather was one of the earliest teachers at Dwight Mission in Pope County, the first mission school for Indians in Arkansas; a sister was the wife of a Capt. Russell for whom Russellville was named.

In 1870 she was married to James Lawson.

Teeter, born 1850, nine of their 11 children lived to adulthood: Minnie (Mrs. Bill King), Janie (Mrs. Claude Rogers), Dan, Charles, Ezra, Burl, Will, Ransom, John. None survive in 1978.

Her husband was a son of Martin A. Teeter, born 1812, a pioneer Pope County settler. Martin Teeter was married to Sarah Petray in 1830, and he was one of at least two of 10 children who were orphaned and reared by the Petray family on Crow Mountain. A man of restless pioneer nature, he took his large family by wagon to neighboring states, seeking, but always returning to the home place in the New Hope community south of Russellville.

Ellen was left in 1900 to rear this family alone. The story of this remarkable woman's intelligence, fortitude, discipline, and resourcefulness is legendary; with little or no income she obtained some of the best reading material of the age and inspired her children to obtain good educations. A devout Methodist, she was a Sunday School teacher in Pottsville until the last year of her life. In Pottsville, even in 1978, there are those who recall her trudging down the dirt roads to church, dressed in widow's black, and carrying her beloved Bible. In her last days she preferred to live alone in a small house near her son, Dr. Charles Teeter, in Pottsville. She died in 1934.

Numerous descendants live in Arkansas and throughout the United States. Grandchildren who reside in Pope County in 1978 include: Wade King, and Jim Teeter of Pottsville; Mrs. Ruth Pullen of Dover; Mrs. Macie Wylie, Mrs. Mildred Chronister, Ernest Teeter, and Herman Teeter of Russellville.

Through the years, her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren have included doctors, ministers, educators, scientists, journalist, merchants, well-known farmers and prominent landowners — the latter a far cry from the sub-marginal little farm where Ellen Teeter, with the will and determination reflected in this photograph from her old age, instilled principles that have lasted almost a century.

by Herman Teeter

THE POPE COUNTY TEAGUES

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It appears that the first Teagues in Pope County were John or "Jack" as he was known, and his wife Pamela. The earliest account of this is the 1840 USC, where John is listed with a woman, aged 15-20, believed to be wife Pamela.

The same census listed Nancy Teague, thought to be John's mother, with two boys between ages of 15-20. These are thought to be "Jack's" brothers. The older would be Abner B., for on 5-7-42 at age 22, he married Marandy Vincent, 18. The other was probably Wm., who with his mother, must have gone back to Tenn. during the 1840's, as "Jack's" father is thought to have died young, in the 30's.

Abner is listed in 1850 USC with wife and four boys ages 1-7. In 1860 USC he is listed with wife Marandy, shown as age 30, but ac-



Front — W.W. (Bill) Teague 1840-1912; R.D. (Bob) Teague 1886-1950; Amanda S. Crites Teague 1857-1917. Back — R. Cleveland Teague 1885-1975; J.E. (Jim) Teague 1880-1976; E. Wheeler Teague 1883-1958; Nancy E. Teague 1869-1961 and Willie F. Teague Duvall 1875-1963, were not present for the picture.

tually 36. Listed are 8 children between 4-18. He lived in upper Gum Log area, and was Justice of the Peace in late 1850's. They moved out of the county, supposedly westward, in 1869, and were not heard from again.

Jack and Pamela had only one living child, Wm. Willis, at time of "Jack's" death about 1844. He is thought to be buried in the Ennis or Davis Chapel Cem.

Wm. Willis, later known as "Uncle Bill," is listed in the 1850 USC with the Jonathan Owens family and in 1860 USC with Wilson Bennefield family in Gally Rock.

Bill married Louisa Bennefield in about 1860. First child, Sarah, b. 1-2-62. He joined Confederate Army on 2-15-62 and served in Co. G of the 1st Ark. Mtd. Riflemen. Captured on 5-17-63 at Big Black, near Vicksburg, Miss., and released or paroled on 6-1-65 at Lewisville, Ark. Daughter born in 1864 and a son a year or two after war. Louisa died in about 1867, leaving Bill with three small children. He married again in about 1868 to Amanda Safari Crites. Two of the children of first family died young and are buried with their mother in the Bewley Cemetery. Three of the second family who died as children, were b. in the Wash Duvall Cemetery at Eagleston (then known as Crites Cem.) Uncle Bill's girls were Sarah, who m. Elige Crites of Hattieville;

Nancy, who m. "Spruce" Virden; and Willie, who m. Sam Duvall, also of Hattieville. Sons were Jas, who m. "Bettie" Young; Wheeler, who m. Maggie Arnold; Cleveland, who m. Belle Johnston; and Robt., who m. Maggie's sister, Lula.

Jas and "Cleley" moved from Pope Co. to SE Ark. in 1920, however all of their children were born in Pope Co. Jim's children were: Lillie, who married Lester Duvall, a life long Pope Co. resident; Webster; Fred, who married Johnnie Virden, also a life long resident of Pope Co.; Jesse, Callie, Nettie, Phosey and Woodrow. "Cleley's" children were Jessie, Floyd, who married Naomi White, Fay and Bessie.

Wheeler and Bob were farmers on Pea Ridge, Gumlog, and Atkins Bottom. Bob moved from Pope Co. in 1929 to Raymondville, Tex. Son Henry finished Atkins HS in 1926. Daughter Hazel married Earl Hill and moved to Tex. in 1930. Other children were vergys and Robert who were 15 and 8 yrs. of age when moved to Tx.

Wheeler's sons Roy and Rev. Rayburn are the only men descendent who stayed in the home county. Murray left in 1927 and moved to Warren in xouteast Ark. His daughters are all life long residents. Ruby married Elton Virden, and after his death, married Rev. Raymond Tackett, resides at Hector. Reba

and Ruth live in Russellville. Reba married first Joe Chenowith and second Bill Autrey. Ruth married Jack Graham. Rev. Rayburn is the only teague in the city of this pioneer family, and married Sybil Veneble.

"Uncle Bill" was one of founders of St. Joe Church and one of main carpenters when old church house was built. He and son Jim were main carpenters of Shiloh church and the upstairs Masonic Lodge when built. Uncle Bill was one of the founders of the lodge there.

All of Bill Teague's sons except Cleley are buried at St. Joe.

by Henry C. Teague

ALBURN "AB" THOMPSON

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Alburn "Ab" Thompson, son of Y.L. and Julia A. (Scott) Thompson, was born February, 1836, in Tennessee: The family moved to Arkansas around 1852 and February 15, 1859, Ab married Jeanette Tackett, the daughter of Moranda Tackett, an ordained Minister of the Church of Christ, and one of several brothers who became well known as ministers and Indian fighters. They were instrumental in the early settlement of Arkansas.

Alburn Thompson and his brothers served in the Civil War. He was Sergeant in Co. E, 15 Ark. for four years. After the war, he and his wife settled on a farm located east of the present day Government Dam on the old Appleton-Atkins Road about 3 or 4 miles out from Appleton. There they reared their eight daughters and one son. They only son, William, died as a young man and was buried in the family cemetery on the farm. The eldest daughter, Martha J., married Tom Nance. Nancy Ann married Alfred H. Freeman and moved to Indian Territory, as did Susan and her husband Jim Reese. The third daughter Armanda, married John W. Carter. Elizabeth married John Blankenship, Florina married Charlie Muller. Jeanette married J. William Stevenson and Missouri died as a child.

Jeanette Thompson preceded her husband in death and both are buried in the Thompson family cemetery. Ab died in 1915.

by Quentin and Lee Reid

HENRY BRADFORD THOMPSON

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Henry Bradford Thompson was born in Russell County, Alabama on May 23, 1855 and came to Pope County about 1882. He was named after his grandfather, who pioneered a vast tract of land in Alabama. Henry was a cabinet maker. He married Mary Alice Shop-taw, born Feb. 12, 1860 in London, Ark., died Jan. 26, 1919. After they married they bought a farm at Mill Creek. They had six children but only three lived. May, born Nov. 11, 1883, died March 29, 1941 married Lawrence Coffman. She and her husband lived in Bokhome, Okla. for some thirty years. They had three sons, Thelbert, Roland, J.B. and one daughter, Mary Loyd.

Fred Burgess, born Nov. 5, 1887, married

Jeanette Bradley September 5, 1921. They owned and operated the Thompson Shoe Store for many years. Fred loved to play croquet and on April 9, 1960 he died while playing a game of croquet with some of his friends.

Sherrod Bradford, born April 10, 1892. He served in World War I. He married Litha Melvena White on June 17, 1927. They had five children. Mary Shervena and Litha Rebena (twins) born Feb. 10, 1931; Rose Marie, born Oct. 4, 1936; Sherrod Bradford and Fred Burgess (twins), born March 14, 1940. Sherrod and Melvena owned a grocery store and rental property in Russellville, one of which was the Palace Hotel. Sherrod died while on vacation with his family in Colorado on August 7, 1947.

by Rose Marie Thompson.

JOHN T. THOMPSON

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John T. Thompson

Y.L. (Jim) Thompson was born in 1818 and Julia Anna Scott Thompson was born in 1820. They were the parents of John T. Thompson, who was born November 13, 1842, in Davidson, Tennessee. The father engaged in farming there until 1850, when he came to Arkansas and located in Pope County. Making the trip over rugged terrain with oxen, the family endured many hardships and privations of those early days. He purchased uncultivated land in Pope County for one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, which he cleared and in due time, had one of the most prosperous farms in the county. He and his wife were Baptists and helped organize a church in the community in which they resided. He was a staunch supporter of the Democratic party and for a time, was postmaster.

To them nine children were born: William; John T., whose name initiates this review; Silas Y. (Jack); Alburn; James H., who was killed while in active service during the Civil War; George H.; Elizabeth; Mandy A. and Tennessee. Julia Ann (the mother) died in

1862. Y.L. (the father) remained in Pope County until 1863, when, on account of the troublesome times of the war, he moved to Conway County, where he was taken from his home by "bush-whackers" and killed in 1864. This tragedy only darkened the cloud of sorrow already hanging over the family.

John T. Thompson attended the subscription schools of Pope County, which were primitive log structures. He walked the two and one-half miles to and from school.

On July 15, 1861, at age nineteen, he enlisted in the Confederate Army, joining Company E, 15th Arkansas Infantry. He was mustered into service at Gravelly Hill, Pope County, and went to Tennessee, thence to Mississippi. He was active in the battles of Pea Ridge, Corinth, Fort Gibson, Baker's Creek and Big Black, where he was captured on May 17, 1863, and held captive at Philadelphia and Fort Delaware until September. He was paroled from Point Lookout, on the Delaware River, Christmas, 1863. Exchanged and sent to Richmond, Virginia, he obtained a furlough and went to Jackson, Mississippi. From there he walked to the Mississippi River, which he paid fifty dollars to cross. He walked across a part of the state of Louisiana and Arkansas to Lewisville. He re-enlisted and among other battles, engaged in the one at Jenkins Ferry. He was in Marshall, Texas when the war ended and marched with his company to the State House at Little Rock, where they stacked their guns. He returned to the farm in Pope County, but remained there only a short time. He went to Conway county and purchased two hundred acres of uncultivated land, part of which he cleared for a farm, on which he was to reside the remainder of his life.

He married Miss Mariah Frances Jones, (who was born August 31, 1849) a daughter of America Jones and Cynthia Bailey Jones. To this union eight children were born: George H., a successful farmer; Thomas H., a farmer; David A., likewise a farmer and Freewill Baptist minister; Marion A., also a farmer and minister of the same faith; Henry J. (Josh), another farmer and sole survivor; Daniel P. (Park), also a farmer and a barber; Arizona, who married Hilmon Reel and Ruth Ann, who died at the early age of thirteen years.

The family was affiliated with the Freewill Baptist church and Mr. Thompson was a generous contributor to its support. He was also a strong supporter of the Democratic party and had a firm belief in the principles of that party as factors in good government. Mr. Thompson had high standards of citizenship and always strongly endorsed every public movement that would tend to advance the moral, intellectual and social welfare of the community.

As this edition goes to press, John T. Thompson has one surviving son, Henry J. (Josh), who lives with his wife, Edith, at Morrilton, Ark. At ninety-four years of age, his health remains fair despite the wear and tear of the years. Although unable to walk about, his mind is still alert and he has retained his quick wit and remarkable memory, which was a great help in making this report. He can still

read the newspaper without glasses and spends most of his time composing songs, writing poetry, oddities of history and humorous sayings such as "I'll have to drive; I'm too drunk to walk," or "A hen will sit on doorknobs." Josh has one son by his first wife, Lillie (Philpot) Thompson. He is J.D. Thompson, who is affiliated with the chain of Big Tee Family Restaurants, and he owns and operates one on North Arkansas in Russellville, Ark.

Other than J.D. Thompson, the surviving grandchildren of John T. are as follows:

Wallie Thompson, Ukiah, California; Webster Thompson, Weatherford, Oklahoma; Henry Thompson, Empire, California; Mae Roberts and Doll Roberts, both of Wetumka, Oklahoma. (Children of George H. Thompson.)

Jessie Thompson, Fairfield, California; Johnny Thompson, Overcup, Route 1, Morrilton, Arkansas. (Son of Thomas H. Thompson.)

Minnie Hall and Mamie Stevenson, both of Roswell, New Mexico; Billie Lois McCoy, Jerusalem, Arkansas; Ineta Huffman, Wichita Falls, Texas. (Daughters of David A. Thompson.)

Rhea Buschjost, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Luvena Williams, Santa Rosa, California; Leona Thompson, formerly of Jerusalem, Arkansas, but at present a patient at Morrilton (Arkansas) Manor Nursing Home; Ima Parhm, Atkins, Arkansas; Paul Quentin Thompson, Hector, Arkansas. (Children of Marion A. Thompson.)

Naomi Taylor and Archie Reel, both of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Lola Wright, Atkins, Arkansas; Robert Reel, Russellville, Arkansas; Mary Ellen Serpa, Visalia, California; Joe Reel, Coalinga, California. (Children of Arizona Thompson Reel.)

Ruth Maxine Brents, Morrilton, Arkansas; (Adopted daughter of Daniel P. (Park) Thompson.)

These grandchildren have fond memories of Grandpa John, like when they'd go to visit him and grandma, he'd have a basket of apples for them in the hall. John T. Thompson was truly one of the pioneer citizens of Arkansas and his friends throughout the state were legion.

by J.D. Thompson

JUDGE WILLIAM THOMPSON

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Judge William Thompson, born in Davidson County, Tennessee, August 1, 1840, moved with his parents to Arkansas in 1852 and settled near what is now Caglesville. He married Miss Nancy Ann Crites who was born on November 27, 1845. They were married on December 6, 1860. She was the daughter of William Morgan and Elizabeth Julia Grimsley Crites of Pope County. She died on October 14, 1918. Judge Thompson died on January 17, 1923, and both are buried in the Oakland Cemetery, Russellville.

On his twenty-first birthday, August 1, 1861, he joined the Confederate Army and saw active duty for the duration of the war.



Judge and Mrs. William Thompson

After the war he returned to his wife and home on Gumlog creek and lived there until 1895. Judge Thompson was a farmer all his life and made a success in his life's work. He served more than sixteen years as Justice of the Peace of Convenience township. He was a member of the Methodist Church for thirty-one years. Politically, he was a Democrat and at all times was active in party work and council. He was elected County and Probate Judge of Pope County in 1894 and served two terms or to 1898. In 1895 he purchased what was known as the Bud Vick farm near Russellville, and lived there until his death. In 1916, he was again elected County and Probate Judge, and re-elected in 1918. He served until in the early part of 1920 when failing health forced him to relinquish the duties of his office.

Judge and Mrs. Thompson had eight children. Willie Ann (1861-1879) married Andrew Jackson Matthews. Their children were Nancy Catherine and Julia; Julia Ann (1864-1940) married Matthew Petway Hanks. They had Elbert Myrtle, Raymond, Hogan, Ethel, Matthew Ernie, Ralph Kirksey, Herbert, and Hazel; Amanda Adeline (1868-1913) married W.F. Turner of Atkins and their children were Lyle, Webster, Kathleen, and Marjarine; John Thomas married Bertha Dodson children were Verdell and Fred. Martha (Mattie) married Walter Higgins. They had one son Harry; Sarah Evaline (1875-1950) married Charles Edward (Charlie) Martin. Their children were Thompson Laurelle, Charles Mignon, Lady

Evelyn, Edward (Dub) Lemoyne, and Grace Helen; The youngest children of Judge and Mrs. Thompson were twins-Gilbert (1882-1956) and Gertrude (1882-1930). Both remained single and lived in the Thompson household.

Practically every man in Pope County knew Judge Thompson. He was absolutely honest, believed in treating his fellow man fair, and practiced his belief. He had proven himself to be during his life a true man, worthy of every confidence bestowed, worthy of the life, care, and attentions given him by his children and friends during his last illness. Selfishness was a trait foreign to him. The call of the needy and distressed was never allowed to go unheeded. His home life was ideal; his life was given to his wife and children unstinted. His life was such that he could say to children and friends:

"God be with you til we meet again
Keep love's banner floating over you
Smite death's threat'ning wave before you,
God be with you till we meet again."

by Sharon Bell

SHERROD BRADFORD THOMPSON

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Sherrod Bradford Thompson was born April 10, 1893. He was the son of Henry Bradford Thompson and Mary Alice Shoptaw. He



Mr. and Mrs. Sherrod Bradford Thompson

served in World War I. He married Litha Melvena White on June 17, 1927 and they had five children:

Mary Shervena (a twin) born Feb. 10, 1931, married Robert S. Grubbs II. Children: Robert S. Grubbs III, born March 6, 1949; Gloria S. Grubbs, born July 9, 1950, married Robert Wilson Bates: Children: Robert Bryan Bates, born April 7, 1978; Donald T. Grubbs, born January 8, 1953, married Carolyn Gentry; Lyn Marie Grubbs, born January 9, 1956.

Litha Rebena (a twin), born February 10, 1931, married Joseph W. Graham. Children: Mary Melvena Skaggs, born May 26, 1950; James William Lewis, born August 16, 1954; Mark Shane Stephens, born December 26, 1960; Joseph Warren Graham, born March 27, 1965; Sally Suzanne Graham, born July 1, 1968.

Rose Marie Thompson, born October 4, 1936.

Sherrod Bradford Thompson, Jr. (a twin), born March 14, 1940 married Judy Livingston: Children: Sherrod B. Thompson III, born September 29, 1961 and Fred Burgess Thompson III, born January 22, 1964.

Fred Burgess Thompson II (a twin), born March 14, 1940, married Lynda Meeks; Children: Tamara Jo Thompson, born March 3, 1966; Shea Scott Thompson, born July 2, 1971; Laura Paige Thompson, born January 12, 1973; Fred Burgess Thompson IV, born November 24, 1975.

Sherrod was a very jovial person. Also, he

was a very talented musician. He could play any instrument by ear. Sherrod and Melvena owned rental property and a grocery store. One of the properties was the Palace Hotel. Sherrod died on vacation in Colorado on August 7, 1947. Melvena and her children moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas in 1951. When Melvena was a young girl living on the farm she dreamed about having a fine home on Main Street in Russellville. She had a strong desire, a few months before she became ill, to move back and in 1967 she bought a house on Main Street and lived there a short time before she died on April 6, 1968.

by Rose Marie Thompson

YOUNG LITTLETON THOMPSON

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Young Littleton Thompson was born in Tennessee in about 1811. On November 2, 1834, he married Julia Ann Scott, born about 1817, in Davidson County, Tenn. By 1850 they had rather large family. Their children were Alburn 15, James 13, William 11, John 9, George 6, Elizabeth Norvaline, Silas Y. 1. Littleton was engaged in farming in Tennessee until after 1850. According to family legend, he became upset when the Whig party passed over Henry Clay for the presidency backing Zachary Taylor, who then carried the state of Tenn. in the election of 1848. Perhaps this, with other considerations, brought about

the move to Arkansas.

The family made the trip overland with oxen, enduring the many hardships and privations found when traveling at this time. They settled in Pope Co. and bought land in the Gumlog township at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre. He cleared the land at in time had one of the most prosperous farms in the community. Littleton was a great hunter and much game was to be found in the vicinity of the homestead. He was a good citizen and helped in every way possible to further the development of the community.

Littleton and Julia aided in the organization of a Baptist Church in their community and were its most consistent members. He was also a staunch supporter of the Democrat Party and for some time was postmaster. Their children were Alburn (1836-1915) married Jeanette W. Tackett (1838-) who made their home at Griffin Flat. James H. (1837 and died during the Civil War), William (1839-1923) married Nancy Ann Crites (1845-1918). John T. (1842-1926) married Miriah Francis Jones of Conway Co. George H. (1844-1884) married unknown. Elizabeth Norvalene (1846-1881), Silas Young (Jackie) (1851-1930) married Amanda Jane. Amanda Adaline (1852-1912) who married Jack Wyatt. Julia A. (Tennessee) (1855-1915).

When the Civil War came four sons left to serve in the Confederate Army: Ab, William, James, and John. Littleton became a member of the Home Guard of Minuteman of Pope County in 1861 in the Gumlog Township.

In 1862 Julia Ann Thompson died. Littleton was bushwhacked on returning home from Russellville in 1864.

by Kathleen Bell

CICERO TINER

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Cicero Tiner was the son of Elias Tiner (1804-1881) and Sarah Tiner (1813-1867). Elias was a farmer and lived in Lafayette Co., Mississippi in 1840. Cicero was the second child and was born in Pontotoc Co., Mississippi, in 1844. Other children born to Elias and Sarah in Mississippi were Enoch 1839, Kary (Casy) 1848, Kindness 1849-1901, California 1853. Kansas was born in 1857 at White Sulphur Springs near Pine Bluff, Ark. After Sarah's death Elias married Amanda Melvina Tiner. Their children were Edward Lewis 1866, Laura L. 1867, Cephas 1869, Sarah F. 1872, Ada Lenora 1873, James E. 1876, and Acey J. 1879. The Tiner family moved to Conway County with the exception of Cicero who resided in Pope Co. after his marriage.

Cicero Tyner was conscripted into the Confederate Army June 23, 1862, at Pine Bluff by an officer who said he was recruiting for Capt. Joe Ingram's Battalion. Cicero became a private in Co. A Hardy's Reg't Ark. Inf., Crawfords Battalion. He was temporarily attached to Col. C.L. Dawsons Reg't from June 30 to August 31 and was stationed at Camp Clark. On April 30, 1863 he was listed absent without leave but later this was changed to "sick-

surgeons certified." He never returned to the Confederate Army. Sometime during this period (1860-65), he had measles which severely affected his lungs and led to his early death.

On February 6, 1864, Cicero Tiner (no longer Tyner) enlisted in the Union Army. He became a corporal April 29, 1864, in Co. G, 4th Ark Cavalry. While at Remount Camp, Devalls Bluff, Arkansas, he met Zachariah Samuel Strickland. Following the war he and Sam went to Pope County together-this being Sam's home. Cicero returned to Pine Bluff to claim as his bride, Pheobe Emaline Boyd (1847-1886). She was the daughter of S.A. and Eunice Cleland Boyd who had migrated to Pine Bluff from South Carolina about 1860. They were married January 16, 1866.

Returning to Pope County, they had obtained a farm about 2½ miles north of Atkins. Here April 20, 1867, a daughter, Eva, was born. She later married W.J. Read. On the 12th of June, 1870, Ada Lenora Tiner was born. Cicero died of "pneumonia fever" Jan. 13, 1872. When her mother married Billy Burgess, Ada went to live with her Grandfather Boyd and Grandmother Boyd Pheobe and Billy Burgess had two children: Anna (1877-1948) married Dow Kindrick and they had no children. Ellis moved to Texas and had two sons — Rayburn and Roy. When Ada Lenora was grown she married William A. Strickland, one of the Strickland Brothers of Economy. They had two sons of their own: Gipson Zachariah, who never married and William Alexander who married Kathleen Turner, daughter of W.F. Turner and Amanda Thompson Turner of Atkins. Eva and Willie Read's children were Lela; Ira; Maggie; Maude; Alice and Viola were twins.

by Kathleen Bell

JOHN MARTIN TREADWELL

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John Martin Treadwell (Tredwell) was born in Arkansas, Independence Township, near Tilly, in 1854. His parents came from Tennessee in the 1840's. His mother was named Nancy. John Martin married Margaret Rackley. She was born in 1858, The daughter of W.C. and Malinda Rackley. John Martin and Margaret had seven (7) children: James William, born in 1876, followed by Martha, Viola, Betty Elizabeth, George Thomas, David Solomon, and Ernest. James was a farmer and a lay Minister, Ernest was a school teacher, David Solomon was a farmer and George Thomas was an Assembly of God minister.

George Thomas married Cynthia Lou Cressie Branch, and they had three children. James Martin, George Levi, and Lillie Mae.

George Levi Treadwell, their second son is a retired Sawmiller and lives near Hector. His daughter, Naomi Treadwell Darter has two sons, David Thomas Darter born February 13, 1964, and Mark Treadwell Darter, born January 19, 1966. They live near Russellville. David and Mark are 4th generation descendants of John Martin Treadwell.

by Naomi T. Darter

TREST/BRADSHAW FAMILIES

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Lawrence Earl Trest (1854-1937) was born on a plantation in Jones County, Miss., near the location of the Heidleberg Oil Field, discovered the year he died. He came to Arkansas in 1866 with an uncle to deliver a wagon load of china from the family kiln to merchant at Dardabelle. He decided to remain and attended Mr. Morrow's school while living in the L.M. Smith family, whose daughter Mary Frances (1859-1932) he married in 1876. The Trests moved to Russellville in 1877 and built a home on a site presently on the East side of Arkansas Ave., opposite the City Mall. They moved to Center Valley in 1899, where he and his son-in-law Thomas Benton Bradshaw, operated a gin, sawmill, and farm until 1916. His sons Lewis (1882-1902), lost his life there in a gin accident. L.E. Trest's daughter Irma (1880-1958) married in 1898, Thomas Benton Bradshaw (1866-1954) who came to Russellville in 1892 from Logan County with his brother, Henry (1866-1954) to operate "Bradshaw Brothers, Photographers." Irma Trest Bradshaw studied music for eight years under Professor Bridje, former court musician at Oslo (then Christiana) Norway who came to Russellville to teach music, and who died at Dover. She liked to play a huge German-made upright grand piano and entertain company who came to their large home at Center Valley in great numbers to partake of the family's generous hospitality.

by Joe T. Meek

TRIGG, WILLIAM H.

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William H. Trigg born in Virginia in 1804-died 1876, his wife Susan Spencer Trigg, born in Kentucky in 1810 — died Sept. 1865. Moved to Virginia to Kentucky, then to Mississippi, from there to Pope County in Arkansas near Caglesville in 1812, they were slave owners but released the slaves before moving to Arkansas.

They brought with them their three sons and five daughters, William H. Trigg Jr. married Mary Jane Fulghum. William H. Trigg Jr. and his brother Charles Phillip Trigg were killed in the civil war in the confederate army. The youngest son Thomas Pinkney Trigg married Arminda Hamilton, they had three children, William H. Trigg, Thomas P. Trigg, and Dora Trigg. Their five daughters Jane married Charley Mc-Cathern, Fanny married John Eubanks, Susan Ann married Mack Bailey, Eliza married John Amos Moore, and Emma never married.

William H. Trigg Jr. had two sons, John H. Trigg born 1861 in Octabba County Mississippi, married Minnie May Richardson in 1892, she was born in Arkansas in 1875. Charles P. Trigg married Tilda Walters about 1890, they had five or six children, they moved to Caney Oklahoma about 1905. During the militia fighting John and Phillip Trigg were picking peas when a militia fight took place on the Trigg farm, the two boys hid in some tall weeds near by and watched while

this took place, one or two men were killed and others wounded in the fighting, this took place between Caglesville and Rock Spring. Some of the local men got together and tried to catch this militia group. They followed them by the blood trail they left behind, but the militia bunch lost them in the near by mountains and escaped.

John H. Trigg was a school teacher and farmer, John and Minnie his wife had twelve children and raised them on the farm they bought near by their old family home, they lived on this farm till death. This farm is owned by John Ira Trigg a son of John H. Trigg at this date. The first child born to John & Minnie, was Grover 1892 married Alta Bradford. They had four children, Annie born 1894 married Tom Hurley, they had two daughters, Flonnie born 1896 married Steve Patterson, they had three children, Fred born 1897 died at the age of two, Phillip born 1899, married Ruth Hurst they had four children, Giles born 1901 married Alma Hurst, they had four children, Raymond born 1903, married Virgie Garrigus, they had three children, Grady born 1906 never married died at age 24. John born 1909 never married, now lives on the old family farm, Nora born 1912 married Stanford Snider, they had four children, Stanford born 1915 married Vida Johnston, they had three children, Thomas born 1917 married Imo Crouch, no children. Five boys and two girls are living at this date in Pope County, all on farms. One school teacher and one minister in this family. They all like string music and singing very much. There are ten Trigg boys from this generation, Grover's two, Henry & Clifton Phillip's three, Lonus, Burl & Ronald. Giles two, Don & Kenneth Raymonds's one, Ralph and Stanford's two, Duane & Jerry. All of these boy's are living at this date.

by Thomas P. Trigg

JOHN TRIPP

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BACK: MILLUS TRIPP, MARY COFFMAN TRIPP. FRONT: ELVIN W. "BOB" TRIPP, TOM A. TRIPP.

John Tripp, son of Reuben and Francis Tripp, was born in Chatam County, North Carolina, February 6, 1798. He married Fanny Manuel in Lawrence County, Tennessee, August 21, 1822. They were the parents of Cynthia, William, Jane, Elizabeth, Thomas, David H., Rena, and Mary. John brought his family to Pope County from Lawrence County, Tennessee with the Petty Wagon Train in 1848 and settled on the Illinois Bayou north of what is now Hector. His home was located about three miles north of Hector on the north side of the bayou about a half mile east of the present Highway 27 bridge. John owned 1760 acres of land along the bayou from the bridge to Forks of the Creek at the beginning of the Civil War. Because of difficulties brought on by the war and his failure to record his deeds, he lost all except 200 acres. John died April 10, 1863 and is buried in the Tripp Cemetery about a half mile south of the Forks of the Creek Cemetery.

David, son of John and Fanny, was born in Lawrence Co., Tennessee in 1840. He married Marinda McAlister September 20, 1857. They had two sons; John (died young) and Thomas N. David served in the Confederate Army. He took part in the Battle of Shiloh and was believed to have been killed at the Battle of Corinth. Some believe he was wounded at Corinth, started home and ran into an army of one side or the other, and was forced to fight again. Anyway he never got home.

Marinda married again and the stepfather forced Thomas to leave home. Tom shifted for himself through most of his younger days. He married Martha Jane Horn, daughter of Harmon and Susan Murphy Horn, at Watts in Searcy County, Arkansas, June 6, 1881. They had nine children: Harmon, 1884-1891; Belle, 1882-1930, married John Lawley; Millus; Emma, 1888-1977, married Jim Eakin; Rena 1890-1964, married W.L. Kinslow; Cynthia, 1892-1970, married Jess Flanagin; Mark, 1896-1946, married Ora Brown; Scott, 1898-1954, married Lela Tackett; and Lester, 1901-1908.

Tom moved to Hector in the early 1900's. He was known by most as Uncle Tom and is remembered for his pranks. Once he took some of his grandchildren to the circus. After the tent was packed, he hollered, "The lion's loose," grabbed the children and ran. Story has it that the entire tent cleared in short order, only to find that Uncle Tom was teasing again. Tom died April 3, 1920 on his 59th birthday. Martha died April 12, 1943.

Millus, son of Tom and Martha, was born February 4, 1886. On September 6, 1906, he married Mary Elizabeth Coffman, daughter of John and Esperann Petty Coffman. They had four children: John Harmon, Elvin Willis "Bob", Thomas Arvil, and Elizabeth Ann. Mary died August 29, 1923. In 1924, Millus married Ora Lee Robinette. Their children were Jean, Ruth, Billie Francis, Millus Lee, Betty Jo, Gracie Irene, Carl Edward, and Mickey Carolyn. Millus died August 21, 1946.

Bob, son of Millus and Mary, was born June 25, 1910. He married Marguerite Barton, daughter of Charley and Rona Crandall Barton, June 8, 1934. Marguerite was born December 22, 1918. They had one daughter,



THOMAS N. TRIPP
MARTHA HORN TRIPP

Mary Lois, born June 27, 1956 at Lake Village, Arkansas. She teaches first grade at Dover and her mother teaches first grade at Hector.

Bob spent most of his life as a school teacher. He began his teaching career at Snowlick in Van Buren County at the age of sixteen. In the following years he taught at Hector, Dover, and Pleasant Grove; coached the first Russellville Junior High football team; was superintendent and coach at Casa; was principal and coach at Bearden; and was principal at Ross Van Ness in Chicot County for twelve years. In 1959 he and his family moved back to Hector where he was elementary principal until his death April 24, 1973. Bob was ordained as an elder in the Hector Cumberland Presbyterian Church at age 19 and served in this capacity until his death. He also served as mayor of Hector from 1971 to 1973. Marguerite is presently serving as mayor.

by Mary Lois Tripp

ROBERT MORSTON TUCK

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Robert Morston Tuck (1845-1929) born in Clark County, Georgia. His parents were Dewberry and Euphamea Moon Tuck. In 1849, they moved to Noxubee County, Miss. In 1857, they moved to Jefferson County, Ar., and settled at Oran, three miles west of Redfield. Robert M. help construct the first Baptist church in the area, which was made of logs. In 1862, Robert joined the Union Army and was first stationed at West Memphis. He and 15 friends were sent, by boat, up the Mississippi River to near Blytheville, and then walked into Missouri. They were sent to Montana to help put down the Sioux Indian upris-



Covey D. Bartlett and Pauline Tuck picture made in 1923 just prior to their marriage.

ing. Robert helped fire the cannons and the noise caused him to be hard of hearing the rest of his life. Robert and his friends all survived the Civil War. Robert returned by boat down the Mississippi River to Red Bluff on the Arkansas and walked home at night because of his Union Army uniform. In 1866, Robert married Angeline Letlow (1851-1889) they had 7 children, John (1869-1949), Susan (1872-1874), Louisia (1875-1895), General (1879-1957), Adeline (1882-1945), Robert (1885-1906), and Charity. In 1898, Robert and his second wife, Mary Jane Shell, moved by covered wagon to Pope County, one mile east of Appleton. Only 3 of this children, General, Robert, and Charity, moved with him. In 1928, Robert and Mary Jane returned to Redfield and lived with his son, John, until his death in 1929, buried in the Oran Cemetery.

Charity Tuck (1888-1947) married Ira Bartlett and lived all their married life at Appleton. Their children were 1. Glee, married Lennie Coto, they moved to California about 1935. Their children were Hartsill, Ila Dale, Rayburn, and Royce. 2. Lola Belle, married Lee Young and lives in Russellville, children Mickey (1948-1950), 2 Larry, 3 Garry, Garry married Patricia Clay.



The General (G.B.) and Eva Tuck family in 1923. Back — Brown, Ruth, Pauline and Hazel. Front — Edna Earl, General, Virginia, Eva, and John Ambrose.

General Bolar Tuck married Eva Jane Lemley (1882-1949) daughter of J.L. (Uncle Fate) and Jane Cole Lemley. They were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, lived in Pope County most of their lives and were buried at Appleton. Their children were Pauline, Hazel, Brown, Ruth, Edna Earle, Virginia, and John Ambrose.

Pauline (1904-1968) married Covey Bartlett, lived at Appleton most of her life and buried at Appleton. Children were 1. James E. Bartlett married Wyona Spears, lives in Little Rock. 2. Margaret Sue lives in Little Rock. 3. John B. married Ann Loveland, lives in Missouri, has 2 children, Beverly and Bradley.

Hazel, married Wilmer Boland, lives in California, children, 1. Bill married Wilma Gross, children, Lynn and Ross; 2. Bob married Mildred Sabin, children, Kathy, married Pete Davis (son Donald Pete), Bobby and Roger. 3. Jane married J.M. Melton, children, Ricky, married Janet Clark, (Beth, Gera-lyn & Michael) and Gail. 4. Donald Paul (1937-1956) buried at Appleton.

Brown Tuck (1907-1964) married Lucille Elliot, both are buried at Dover.

Ruth married J.J. Ward, after his death she married W.J. Reed. Lives at Waldron, Arkansas.

Edna Earle married Elbert Grace, children, 1. Ellen married Darrell Anderson, children, Todd, Jill, and Lori. 2. Mary married Wesley Pettingille, children, Julie and Sam. 3. David married Bonnie Scholes. All live in Utah. Virginia married Henry Leopoldus, children, 1. Bob married Andrea Polokoff child, Michelle, 2. Bill married Darla Kellogg, children Brandi, Doug, and Becki, 3. Anna married Jack Justen, children Darla and Robbie, and 4. Kenneth is not married. All live in Colorado.

John Ambrose Tuck (1921-1924) buried at Appleton. The Tuck family came to Arkansas in 1857 and moved to Pope County in 1898.

by James E. Bartlett

CLARENCE TUCKER

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Clarence Tucker, known as S.C. Tucker, born 30 Oct. 1890 in Pope Co. was the son of Ambrose Nelson and Lenora Rackley Tucker. Ambrose was living with his mother, Sarah Richardson Tucker, and younger brothers in Franklin Co., Ark. in 1880. An older brother of Ambrose, William W. Tucker, had married in Madison Co. and moved to Holla Bend Twp. in Pope Co. by 1878. Ambrose Nelson Tucker was in Pope Co. by 1885 and on 29 Dec. 1886 married Lenora Rackley of Pottsville. Lenora, born 10 Dec. 1867, was 2nd child of Robert P. Rackley and Eliza Jane Bowden. Hiram and Elizabeth Rackley, the parents of Roberts P. Rackley came to Pope Co. from Lawrence Co., Tenn in 1854. Eliza Jane Bowden's parents, Newton and Mary Pollock Bowden, arrived in Pope Co. in 1860 from Lawrence Co., Tenn.

The children of Ambrose N. and Lenora Rackley Tucker were: Edgar and Clarence. Edgar died as a child and Lenora Rackley Tucker died 14 Aug. 1891. The 2nd marriage of Ambrose N. Tucker was to Delia Sowell and

their children were: Ila, Montie, and Hubert Tucker. Ambrose N. Tucker died near Sherman, Texas in 1903 and his son, Clarence, returned to Pope Co. to live with his grandparents, Robert P. and Eliza Jane Rackley.

On 21 Nov. 1909 Clarence Tucker married Effie May Williams, the daughter of William F. and Della Smith Williams of Crow Mountain. The children of Clarence and Effie Tucker were: Milton Cecil, Kermit Nelson, Lenora Kathleen, S.C. Jr., William Francis, Robert Edgar, Harold Ray and Clarice LaNell Tucker. Clarence Tucker was a farmer and in 1923 purchased a farm on Galla Creek just north of Pottsville so that his children could attend high school. All eight completed high school at Pottsville and attended Ark Tech.

Milton C. Tucker married Hallene Rentfro 12 Nov. 1933 and their children are: Virginia Sue who married Van T. McManus of Little Rock. She is nursing supervisor at Ark Baptist Medical Center; David, a prof of history at Memphis State U.; and Edwin, a research chemist, University of Oklahoma at Norman.

Kermit N. Tucker married Mildred Crary and their son and daughter are: Nelson Tucker of California; And Mary Nell living with her husband and son in Sweden. After the death of Mildred, Kermit married Maude Rice of Decatur, Ala. Kermit formerly worked with SCS but now operates a beef cattle farm in Decatur.

Kathleen married John Hollabaugh and they reside in Escalon, Calif. where she edits the city newspaper.

S.C. Jr. married Jean Lile Baker 2 Aug. 1946 and they reside in Danville where he is superintendent of schools. Jean is a teacher. The children, Joe is an FBI agent, and the daughter, Alden, is an architect.

William Francis Tucker married Ruth Myers in 1947. They presently live in St. Louis where he is employed by Monsanto Chemical Co. Their children are: Peggy, Karen, Billy and Cecelia.

Robert Edgar Tucker married June Stark in 1948. Their children are: Michael, Steven, Patty and Andy. After Robert and June were divorced, he was married to Betty Banister of Emporia, Kansas. They have a son, Jimmy.

Harold Ray Tucker married Rebecca Wood 26 Dec. 1949. Their children are: Larry Ray, Randy, Tracy, Mark and Kim. After Harold Ray and Rebecca were divorced, he married Sue Heflin Johnson. Harold Ray is employed by Ark P. & L.

Clarice LaNell is married to Harvey Michaels and they reside in N. Redondo Beach, Calif.

Clarence Tucker died 10 Feb. 1971. Effie M. Tucker resides in Pottsville.

by M.C. Tucker

DAVID RUSSELL TUCKER

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David Russell Tucker was a son of James Tucker and his wife Jane, both natives of North Carolina came to Pope County prior to 1860. They were living in Giles County Tennessee when the 1850 Census was taken.

Their known children were Catherine Jane, born in 1826; Mary A., born in 1828; Robert A., born in 1833, David Russell, born in 1829; in North Carolina.

David Russell Tucker and his wife Sarah A. were married in Tennessee before coming to Pope County. They were the parents of Reesanna, born in 1850; Andrew J., born in 1852; Mardosa F., born in 1855, who married W.H. Poynter; James Alexander, born 16 February 1857, who married Sarah Elizabeth Read; Martha J., born in 1859, who married John Gilliam; Margaret A., born in 1862, who married Joe Lapari. The mother died in 1877 and David Russell was married the second time to Viola Gilliam. They had one child whose name was Verda.

James Alexander Tucker, son of David R., and his wife Sarah Elizabeth, Read, were married 1 July 1880 in Pope County. They were the parents of Maggie Mae, (1882-1947) who married John Arch Rollow; Mattie Amanda (1883-1957) who married Edwin Howard Lovelady; Mary Dell (1886-1969) who married Dave West; Scott died young (1888-1901); James W., born in 1890, who married (1), (2) Lela Bewley; Fred (1893-1898); Willie Tartar (1896-1959) who married Sarah Lamont (Lamote) Turner; David Russell (1899-) who married Leo Mae Stanwood.

Willie Tartar Tucker and Sarah Lamont (Lamote) Turner were married 27 April 1920 in Pope County. They were the parents of Billy Tucker Jr. who was born 15 March 1921 and died 3 March 1927 in Seminole, Oklahoma; and Sue Elizabeth Tucker, born 28 October 1927, who married Kenneth H. McCain. Lamote Tucker died 28 January 1928 at Russellville, Arkansas. W.T. was married the second time to Georgia Bingham. They were living in Longview, Gregg County, Texas, at the time of his death in January 1959. He and his brother David Russell Tucker were in the grocery business there.

W.T. Tucker was the grandfather of Kenya Carol McCain, William Sidney (Bill) McCain and Brian Alan McCain, children of Sue Elizabeth and Kenneth McCain.

by Sue E. Tucker McCain

G.W. TUCKER

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G.W. Tucker, was born in Indiana, Jan. 16, 1852, married in 1874, to Mary Linegar, who was born near Bern, Switzerland, June 6, 1856. They lived near Galesburg, Illinois, moved to Seward county, Kansas, arriving Jan. 1, 1901, by train. They moved to Pope county, Arkansas in July 1912, to a farm south of Russellville where a school now stands. Four youngest children came to Arkansas with them and two boys came later. Their children were: Floyd, Fred, Elmer, George, Bert, Rosa, Grover C. and Stella.

Rosa died in 1918, and is buried in the Rankin cemetery, where G.W. and wife Mary, who died June 21, 1914, are buried. Also two later wives of G.W. are buried there.

Grover C., an older son moved to Arkansas, and is now living in the Bethel Community. He has four sons, and a daughter: Jim,

Harry, G.C. Jr., and Mrs. Howard Cothren.

Stella married Clarence Shinn in 1916. They lived and farmed in the Bethel community, he working in the coal mines in the winter until his health interfered, then raising a few cattle until his death, Dec. 25, 1959. He is buried in the Shinn cemetery. They had three children: Bonner Lewis, Norma, and Pauline Janet. Norma died at the age of two, Nov. 1924. Bonner went through grade school at Bethel then Russellville High school and Arkansas Tech. He attended Medical school in Little Rock, interned at the Methodist Hospital in Dallas and is now practicing in Dallas. Pauline, called Dean, took nurse training in Dallas and now lives in McKinney, Texas.

Mrs. Stella Shinn and family attended the First Christian church and Sunday School in the morning at Russellville and Sunday School at Bethel in the afternoon, and taught classes in both.

The rest of her brothers live in different sections of the country.

by Stella Shinn

JAMES AND JANE TUCKER

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Robert A. Tucker, Jr. family. Roy Reese, Robert A., David Earl, Margaret Ross and Otis.

James and Jane Tucker arrived in Pope County about 1858 from Giles County, Tennessee. He had been born in North Carolina in 1792 and she was born there in 1800. They were in Dover Twp. during the 1860 census. Their children were: Catherine Jane, Mary A., David Russell, Robert Alexander, and Clinton M.

Robert Alexander Tucker, Sr. was born in North Carolina about 1833. In Giles County, Tenn. he married Francis Jane Erwin, daughter of John and Thurse Erwin. Their children were: John, Martha Jane "Mattie", Mary Ann "Mamie", Robert Alexander, Jr., Joseph, and Homer. All were born in Pope Co. except John.

Robert Alexander Tucker, Jr. was born Jan. 30, 1867. When he was eight years old his father died, and he and his older brother, John had to take up the plow and make the crop. The family were then living north of Scottsville, near the bridge. By 1880 census the family were living with the John Erwin family. It is not clear just what happened to Robert, Sr. Some say that he was down near Morrilton selling tanning yard rights and took pneumonia. Others say that he may have been



Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tucker

a Circuit Rider and was on his preaching rounds down near Arkadelphia. None of the family were able to go tend to burial arrangements and either the Masons or Woodsmen of the World buried him.

In 1893 Robert, Jr. married Margaret A. Ross, daughter of Tom Ross and Lucy Arthur. On March 5, 1894 their first son was born when they were living west of Dover on Crooked Branch. He was David Earl Tucker. Other sons followed: Roy Reece, Otis, Reuben Eben, Luke Hayes, Thomas Vernie, and Wylie. Only Earl, Reuben, and Vernie lived past childhood. Margaret Ross Tucker died in 1908 of consumption. Bob and the boys went to live with various of the relatives until 1914 when Earl married and they moved in together. Reuben and Vernie stayed there until they were grown. When Bob was very young man he started reading the religious works of Pastor C.T. Russell, and began talking about what he read. Many disagreed with his new views and called him a "Russelite". Bob was known as being an honest person and on at least one occasion some of the prominent citizens encouraged him to run for public office, which he declined. He died at the home of his son Reuben in Woodruff Co., Ark. on Nov. 26, 1942. He is buried at McFadden Cemetery in Dover.

David Earl Tucker married Dicie Mae Burch on Oct. 17, 1914. She was daughter of S.H. Burch, Jr. and Belle Sinclair. They lived and farmed in the Hector-Scottville area of Pope County until 1923. On July 9, 1915 their first child was born and was named Doyn Ray Tucker. On Oct. 5, 1918 Sibyl Loriene Tucker was born on Gunter Mountain. After 1923 they lived in Jackson, Woodruff, and Greene Cos. until 1963 when Earl had a series of strokes and they were forced to retire from farming and moved to Michigan where their children had preceded them. He died on Nov. 26, 1964. Dicie still lives in Pontiac and

is able to maintain her own home and stays active in religious work as one of Jehovah's Witnesses. Her daughter, Sibyl Tucker Berry and husband live a few blocks away. Doyn Tucker and his wife Jewell live in northern Michigan. Earl's brother Reuben married Pearl Holt and raised a family of three girls near McCrory, Ark. He was born on July 4, 1902 and died Jan. 7, 1975. Pearl died, and so just a few years before his death he had married Mary Bankster Brooks and they lived in Wynne, Ark. — Reubens girl: Alta Mae, Lucille, Shirley.

Vernie Tucker was born on Sept. 24, 1904 in Dover, Ark. He married Eva Elizabeth Downum of Leachville, Ark. on Oct. 18, 1933. They had: Doris Evelyn (Spachuk), Thomas Wayne, Robert Sidney Kenneth and Donald Everett. They all live in Michigan. Vernie is now retired from Auto-factory work.

by W. Ross Berry — 1978

JULIUS MARION TUCKER

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Julius M. Tucker moved to Pope County, Arkansas in 1924. He sold his farm in Johnson County and bought a home in Russellville.

Julius was born in September 1875, he was the oldest of thirteen children. There were six boys, Julius, Jim, John, Horace, Tom, Bland and Walter. Six sisters, Beulah, Lynne, Nora, Lou, Dicie and Mary.

The Tucker family left Kentucky and moved to Montague County Texas. Julius married Lena Brown in June 1900. Lena was born November 4, 1885 in Montague County Texas. Julius and Lena had six children, the oldest Hershel was born in Texas.

Julius and Lena with their small son left Texas and moved to Oklahoma which was then known as Indian Territory. While living in

Oklahoma a daughter was born in May 1905, they named her Sarah. Another son was born named Lester who died soon after birth.

The Julius Tucker family left Oklahoma and moved to Arkansas in Johnson County near Lamar. Three more children were born to Julius and Lena, a girl Minnie Lee (who died at age six months), Melbourne and J.W.

Hershel, the oldest child drowned July 1919 while swimming in Big Piney Creek, he was only seventeen years old.

The Tucker family sold the farm and moved to Russellville in Pope County in 1924. Sarah attended Arkansas Tech for a while. She later married Roy Buck, Roy died in 1947. Sarah has remarried and lives in Malvern Ark.

Melbourne attended Bible College at Enid, Oklahoma, there he met Florence Finkenbinder, they were married in Enid in April 1936. They have two children a son Jerry born Dec. 1937, he married Sara Tarkington of North Little Rock Ark. Jerry and Sara have four children, Philip, Jeri, Shannon and Tom. They all live in Grand Prairie, Texas. Peggy is married to Charles Wright. She has two boys, Jay and Scott, they live in Atlanta, Texas.

J.W. who was born Nov. 5, 1915 left his home in Russellville in Sept. 1939 to go to Belgian Congo, Africa as an Assembly of God Missionary. The Congo is now known as Zaire. J.W. met Angeline Pierce also a Missionary to Congo, they sailed on the same ship. About two years after they arrived in Africa they were married. They had three children, John, Carol Lynne and Melvin (known as Crickey).

In 1964 there was an uprising in Congo and J.W. was taken prisoner and was killed by the Rebel soldiers in Nov. just before Thanksgiving 1964. His wife Angeline and three children were rescued and flown back to Little Rock, to stay with J.W.'s brother Mel. who lives in North Little Rock. Angeline bought a home in Springfield Mo. and the family moved there in 1965. John married Linda Woodall of Springfield, they have three children Mieka, Mindy and Steven John. Carol married Delbert Garipey they have no children, Carol and Del live in Kansas. Crickey died at age 18 as the results of an accident while on a camping trip, he died in June 1971.

Angeline Tucker returned to Zaire Africa to continue her Missionary work, in 1972, she came home on furlow in Aug. 1976 shortly after her return home in Springfield she took suddenly ill and her son John took her to the hospital, she died two days later. Angeline is buried beside her son Crickey in Springfield Mo.

Julius and Lena had moved from Russellville in 1944 to North Little Rock to be near their daughter Sarah and son Melbourne. Julius died in Feb. 1958, Lena died Aug. 1962 they are buried in the Edgewood Cemetery at North Little Rock.

by Mel. & Florence Tucker

REUBEN TUCKER

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Reuben Tucker was the grandson of James and Jane Tucker of Giles Co., Tenn. with their

six children settled on a farm in Pope Co. in the late 1850s. The children were: Catherine, Mary, Robert, David, Sarah and Rusanna. Robert Tucker married Frances Erwin, the daughter of John and Sarah Erwin. (John Erwin was Pope Co. Sheriff during Civil War and also served later). The children of Robert and Frances Erwin Tucker were: Martha, Mary, Robert Jr., and Homer.

Robert Tucker was killed in 1873 by Carpetbaggers. W.H. Poynter, a participant in the Pope Co. Militia War, married Mandosia Tucker, a niece of Robert Tucker. A nephew of Robert, Joe Tucker, was killed 10 July 1872 at Shiloh church.

Robert Tucker, Jr. married Margaret Ross, dau. of Tom and Lucy Ross. (Tom was a cabinet maker who also did dental work died about 1918 and Lucy moved to Norristown Mtn. She died 28 May 1938 and is buried in Oak Grove cemetery). Robert Jr. and Margaret Tucker's children, all born in Pope Co., were: Earl, Reece, Otis, Reuben and Vernie. Otis and Reece died in infancy. Margaret died in 1909. Robert, Jr. known as "Uncle Bob" died 26 Nov. 1942. Robert, Margaret, Otis and Reece are all buried in McFadden cemetery at Dover.

Reuben Tucker moved from Pope to Jackson Co. in 1921 and on 18 July 1923 married Pearl Holt at the home of her mother and step-father, Rev. and Mrs. A.J. Rowlett of Swifton. Rev. Rowlett was a Free Will Baptist minister. Reuben and Pearl farmed and in later years owned and operated a country store in connection with their farming in Woodruff Co. Pearl died 5 Mar. 1963 and was buried in Woodman cemetery near McCrory.

In May 1966, Reuben married Mary Brooks. They resided in Wynne, Ark. where they owned and operated a trailer court and apartment house. Reuben died 7 Jan. 1975 and is buried in Woodman cemetery.

Reuben and Pearl Tucker had three daughters: Alta, Lucille and Shirley. Alta married Clarence Reynolds and they reside in McCrory. Their four living children are: Joyce and Boyce, twins; Roger; and Lisa. Joyce married Don Rand and they have two children: Leanne and Derek. Boyce married Kaye Reddell and they have twin daughters: Tara and Robin. Roger married Sharon Boyster. Lisa is sixteen and a sophomore in McCrory High School.

Lucille married (1st) Dorr Pittman and they had two children: Janie and Jennifer. Ronnie is single, lives in McCrory. Lucille married (2nd) Roger Burkett and they live on the Burkett Farm south of McCrory.

Shirley married Marion Thompson, Jr. They reside on the Thompson Farm south of McCrory. Their two children, James and Terry, are students in the McCrory Schools.

Carolyn and Ronnie Pittman, Joyce, Boyce and Rogers Reynolds, the oldest grandchildren of Reuben and Pearl Tucker, attended McCrory H.S. and Ark State U. of Jonesboro and all live in McCrory, except Carolyn who lives in Wynne, and Roger, who lives in Tupelo, Ark.

Reuben took his wife and baby on his first visit back to Pope Co. 17 May 1925. Seventeen years later, Nov. 1942, he was again in

Pope Co. for his father's burial, "Uncle Bob" Tucker. Reuben and his grandson, Roger Reynolds, spent several days in Pope Co. in 1965 visiting relatives at Norristown, inspecting Dardanelle Dam and other sites of interest.

by Lucille Tucker Burkett

THE FAMILY OF RIAL TUCKER

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Rial (Ryal) Tucker was born in Kentucky ca 1808 to John and Martha (Bunting) Tucker, who had moved from Virginia and settled in the Rough River area of Breckinridge County, Kentucky in 1808. Rial and his family moved to Pope County, Arkansas sometime between 1851 and 1854, and settled in Galley Rock Township. For a short while after the Civil War, the family resided in Boone County, Ark., but they returned to Atkins, Pope County before 1880. It is not known when or where Rial died, but he was living with his son, Logan, in Pope County in 1880. He was married to Elizabeth Beaven in Breckinridge County 13 Feb. 1830 by the Rev. James Taylor. Children: Letitia, Logan Walker, Stephen, and Nancy.

1. Letitia Tucker was born ca 1831 in Breckinridge County, Ky. She may have been the wife of Bannister Tucker of Pope County. At least three children were born to this couple: 1) Mary E. b. 1852; 2) William E. b. 1858; and 3) Nancy A. 6. 1860.

2. Logan Walker Tucker was born 18 Aug. 1833 in Breckinridge County, Ky. He enlisted at Lewisburg in June 1862 and served in Co. B., Gordon's Regiment, Arkansas Cavalry, CSA. Before 1880 he was a grocer in Atkins, Pope County, where he died 14 Apr. 1883. He is buried in Happy Bend Cemetery, Conway County, Ark. He married first Victoria Tweedy in Pope County 30 June 1857. Child: Jackson Galveston. He married second, Eliza Dover, daughter of a Baptist minister. Child: Tilden Benson. He married third, Millie Jane Gann 22 Feb. 1878. Children: Lorena Walker and Everett Allen.

a. Jackson Galveston Tucker was born 1 July 1862 in Pope County, and died in Southern California 31 August 1947. He married first Mary Louella (Bledsoe) Dyer. There were no children. He married second Debbie Miller. Children: 1) Erma Ruth b. 6 Sept. 1897 m. Ralph Spears; 2) Annie May b. 22 July 1899; and 3) Jack Faris b. 4 June 1901.

b. Tilden Benson Tucker was born 3 Nov. 1876 in Boone County, Ark. and moved with his father to Pope County before 1880. He then moved with his step-mother to Holdenville, Okla. soon after his father's death in 1883. From there, he and his half-brother, Jack, moved to Southern California ca 1900. He was a long-time resident of Oxnard, California, where he was a member of the First Baptist Church. He died there 24 April 1954. He married first Chessie F. Chandler 3 Nov. 1901. There were no children. He married second Susie Vern Elliot 5 Feb. 1908. Children: 1) Tilden Emerson b. 10 June 1909 m. Lola Marie Kliver; 2) Helen Elizabeth b. 3

Aug. 1910 m. Kenneth Ray Hines; 3) Verne Knox b. 28 Sep. 1912 m. 17 May 1936 Barbara Lorein Welsh. Children: Richard Knox m. Pamela Gay Suhr, Arthur Verne m. Patricia Kay Henry; 4) Susie Grayce b. 23 Feb. 1918 m. 1) Harold E. Ranney, m. 2) W.C. Wilson; 5) Sarah Jean b. 14 Aug. 1923 m. Grady Leon Bell.

c. Lorena Walker Tucker was born 26 Jan. 1880 in Pope County. She married Charles L. Burris 8 July 1902 and died 6 June 1903.

d. Everett Allen Tucker was born 26 Sept. 1882 in Pope County, and died in Holdenville, Okla. 7 Jan. 1944. He married first Olive Laura Miller 3 Sept. 1911. Child: Octa Olive b. 18 Aug. 1915 m. James B. Frank. He married second Myrtle Marie Warner 16 Aug. 1916. Children: 1) Martha Jane b. 26 May 1917 d. 24 Oct. 1918; 2) Pauline b. 12 April 1920 m. Verlin L. McHenry; 3) Irene b. 12 Apr. 1920 m. 1) Jimmie Scott, m. 2) William Risley; and 4) Everett Allen, Jr. b. 1 Feb. 1925 m. Joan Baily.

3. Stephen Tucker was born ca 1836 in Breckinridge County, Ky. and married Eliza Ann H. Gamble in Pope County 11 Mar. 1858.

4. Nancy Tucker was born ca 1838 in Ky., and married Jasper Holyfield in Pope County 7 Dec. 1854. Known child: James B. b. 1857. by Mrs. Richard K. Tucker

SARAH RICHARDSON TUCKER **745**

Sarah Richardson Tucker, a widow, lived in Franklin Co., Ark. in 1878 with 4 sons, William M., Silas known as "Bud", Ambrose, and Sam. William M., born in Ark., 7 Feb. 1857, went to Madison Co., Ark. where on 23 Dec. 1878 he married Mary Ann Motley and they moved to Holla Bend Twp, Pope County where he lived until his death 18 Sept. 1900. Those children of William M. and Mary Ann Tucker who lived to be adults were: William, known as "Willie"; Florence May; Mace; Bessie Jane; Grace Ann; and George Roy.

Willie Tucker married Myrtle Blake and their three children were: Marvin, Ita, who married Ted Johnson; and Truman. Willie died 20 Feb. 1920.

Maye married Nix Eoff and their children were: Waid, Neal, Roger, Ben, Mary Catheryn Baker and Grace Helen Bishop. Nix died in 1947 and Maye in 1948.

Mace Tucker, born 11 Jan. 1891, married Maggie Ruth Daniels 26 Dec. 1908. The children were: Lucille, Lola, Lettie, Lorene, Lovia, Lemoyne, George L., and Charles L.

Bessie Jane married A. Wade Daniels and their children were: Verna (Stewart) Willis; Robert, who died 20 May 1977; James Tucker, who died as a child; Mary Jane (Jones); Nina May (Rice); Clifford, died 8 May 1978; Ruby (Dixon); Helen (Sweedon); Betty Lee (Bowden); Virginia (Marks); and Sue, wife of Rudy Parks.

Grace Ann married John Morton and after the two older children were married they moved to Dumas, Ark. The children of Grace and John are: Faye (Hamaker); Opal (Taylor); Pauline (McBrumb); Mildred (Downen); and Mary Ruth (Henly).

G. Roy Tucker married Orpha Lynch. Their children were: William, known as "Pete"; Leon, known as "Bud"; Ima Reha (Shinn); Roy Mace; and Billy Ray. G. Roy Tucker, the youngest son of William M. and Mary Ann Tucker, died 13 Oct. 1977.

Lucille, the oldest daughter of Mace and Ruth Tucker married Edward Bert Williams. They had no children. E. B. Williams died 24 Nov. 1972.

Lola married Victor Turner. They have no children.

Lettie married Cecil Bozeman. Lettie has a daughter, Ruth Mildred Kinder, by a previous marriage.

Lorene married Raymond Lowry and they resided at Leachville, Ark. Raymond died 2 Jan. 1975. Lorene still operates the family farm near Leachville.

Lovia married W.L. "Cowboy" Ferguson and their children are: William Mace, Sue and Franklin.

Lemoyne married Louise Wheeler. Their three children are: Elizabeth Ann (Mitz); Joel Edward, with the U.S. Navy; and Karen Joy (Wheeler).

George L. Tucker married Wanda Bates and they have a daughter, Linda, who married Richard Prater. George's family resides in Universal City, Texas.

Charles L. Tucker married Ester Hassel. Their children are: Delois Lorene, Marsha Marie, Charles Gary, Carol Sue and Pamela Darlene. Charles resides in Pope Co. but his children are in California except Charles Gary who is with the U.S. Army in Germany.

by Lola Tucker Turner

JOHN B. TURNBOW FAMILY **746**

An early descendent of Pope County is John Butler Turnbow Jr.

This history begins with George Turnbow who was a native of England. He died in Haywood County, Tennessee at the age of 106. George Turnbow, a son of George Turnbow was born in 1765. He was a native of South Carolina. A child of George Turnbow was Andrew Turnbow who was born about 1783. Andrews wife, Gracie Coffee, was born in 1783 and died in January, 1859 in Erath County, Texas. John Butler Turnbow was one of the six children of Andrew & Gracie Turnbow. He was born in 1809 and died in 1886. John Butler Turnbow married Cathryn Knowles. This marriage resulted in ten children one of which was John Butler Turnbow Jr. who was born October 11, 1855 and died December 9, 1922. John Butler Turnbow Jr. married Oretha Hamilton on November 25, 1877. They had eight children; Martin Luther, James Walter, Lou Verta, Robert Lawson, Bertha, Lola Ellen, Lee Ona, and Lemuel Festus.

The Turnbow family was very involved in Pope County politics during the 1930's. Walter was the Pope County Sheriff and brother Luther was the Pope County judge.

Lola Ellen Turnbow was married to Leroy C. Bartlett, January 17, 1913 in Appleton, Arkansas. Leroy was an employee of the postal service for some 30 years. From this marriage

came two sons, Heartsill Reagon born January 28, 1916 and Harold Leroy born July 28, 1926. Lola Ellen died March 2, 1978 and is buried in Oaklawn Cemetery in Russellville, Ark. Heartsill married Polly Anna Robertson (a native of Yell County) on January 15, 1938. Heartsill has recently retired from Arkansas Tech where he was manager of the college bookstore.

Harold married Marian Embrey (a native of Sebastian County) on October 29, 1949. They have three children, David Lee, born July 7, 1951, Kent Douglas born November 1, 1952, and Nancy Ellen born October 3, 1967. Harold is an educator in the Russellville School System. David Lee Bartlett married Nancy Lorainne Wilhite, July 1, 1972. They have one child, Melissa Kay born June 24, 1974. The David Bartletts live in Cairo, Egypt where he is manager of an aluminum extrusion company. Kent Douglas Bartlett is a dentist living in Kansas City, Missouri. Nancy Bartlett still lives at the home in Russellville, Ark.

All of the Bartletts are members of the Central Presbyterian Church in Russellville, Ark.

by Harold Bartlett

A.S. TURNER

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Adlai S. Turner was born in southwest Arkansas just outside of Locksburg, Arkansas. He attended the U of A and got a B.A. and M.A. in civil engineering. While at the U of A, he played end, tackle, and fullback on the varsity team. He was shot put man and 220 in track.

After graduation he worked as a civil engineer for two years for the Interstate Commerce Commission. Next he worked for Chicago Mill and Lumber Co. as an Assistant Engineer. Here he was in charge of railroad layout and bridge construction. For the next four years he was geological engineer with Guffey Gillispie Oil Co. of Philadelphia. He was principal of Arkadelphia High School for more than 10 years and coached the football and other teams. Later he joined the staff of Quachita College as head of their Math Dept. Here he served for 4 or 5 years until coming to Arkansas Polytechnic College in 1936.

When he came to Tech the Engineering Dept. had about 40 students, but saw it grow to approximately 200 at his retirement in the Spring of 1957. After being head of the Math Dept. for four years, in 1940 he became head of the Engineering Dept. and except for five years during WWII served in that post until retirement.

He served 18 months in France during WWI as a Lieutenant and during WWII he held the rank of Colonel. After returning to Tech he was called Colonel from then on. Just after the war he helped organize the Bairritz American University at Bairritz, France, and he taught there for three terms before returning to Tech in 1946.

He married the former Dorothy McNutt of Arkadelphia. They had one son, A.S. (Tad) Turner Jr. He has been a member of the Country Club, A.S.E.E., Lions, and the Bap-

tist Church.

He is now living in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, where he moved upon retirement.

by Addie T. Coats

COLUMBUS MARION TURNER

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COLUMBUS MARION TURNER
1843-1913

Columbus Marion Turner, born in Altoona, Cass County, Georgia, in 1843, was the son of Zachariah Green and Sarah Dodgen Turner. Columbus joined the Confederate Army June 11, 1861, and served as a private in Co. B, Phillips Legion from Cobb County, Ga. After the death of President Lincoln, he returned home to find that Sherman's March had left the family home in ruins. He started farming again but was in dire poverty. In the summer of 1865, Columbus and Mary E. Brooks of Cartersville, Ga. were married. Their first son William Franklin Turner was born Oct. 9, 1866, at Altoona, now Bartow Co. Many relatives (Brooks, Mullins, and Chastines) had already left the area because of the post-war conditions and so the Turners also decided to move west.

They left Georgia by wagon in 1871, and settled north of Russellville on what was known as the Buchanan place near Center Point Church in Pope Co. (Gumlog). In Dec., 1882, Columbus homesteaded 80 acres of land 4 miles east of Dover, built a house, cleared the land and purchased an additional 80 acres. He was a prosperous farmer. Columbus and Mary Turner were parents of the following children born in Georgia: William Franklin, Zachariah Green, and George Richard. In Arkansas were Jackson Monroe, Wade Hampton (Doc), Lula Turner Stanwood, Bertha Bell Reed, Robert Edgar, Kirkscey and Marion L. A day following the birth of Marion, Mary Turner died. Columbus married Martha D. Bowen (nee Mullins) in 1889. To them were born LeRoy and Floyd Hershel Turner. Columbus Turner died in Russellville, Dec. 19, 1913. He and both his wives are buried in

the Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley.

Zachariah Green, George R., Jackson Monroe, Robert Edgar, Kirkcey, and Marion all moved to the Tyler, Texas, area by 1900. Zachariah G. (1869-1953), married Nettie Rice (1872-1928). Their children were Fairry, Faye, Nettie, and Leon. George R. (1873-1925) married Effie Boren (1885-). Their children were G.R., Mary, Alma, Doris, Elizabeth, Ruth, Marie, Frances, and Nita. Jackson Monroe (1873-1942) married Euna Griffin (1884-). They had seven children: Lois M., Whaley, Mary Lou, Amy Lee, Willie, Griffin, and Hugh. Robert Edgar (1883-1965) never married. Kirkscey (1885-1968) married Bessie Ponder (1890-1976). They had three daughters: Nettie Murel, Sunshine and Ray. Marion L. (1888-1969) married Nannie Griffin (1891-). Nannie and Euna are sisters.) Their children were Marion Earl and Gatha.

All of the brothers were farmers and honorable men. They lived mainly in the historic Dean Community west of Tyler, Texas, and are buried in the Dean Cemetery.

Leroy Turner was born in 1890 and died in 1891. Floyd Hershel Turner was born in 1893 and died in California since 1970.

Those children that remained in Arkansas were William Franklin (1866-1954), Lula Turner (1878-1942), who married Will Stanwood. Their children were Gyle, Foster, Lavenia, Jeff, Neil, and Ruth. Buried in Center Valley Cemetery. Wade Hampton Turner (1876-1935) married Maude McConnel (1888-1976). Their children were Ila Kimbro, Martha Sue Holloday, and Wade M. Bertha Bell (1881-1861) married James T. Reed (1875-1961). Their children were Leon, Huey, Florine, Reece, Adaline, and Brooks.

by Kathleen Bell

GEORGE J. TURNER

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The Turner family had its beginning in Pope County with George J. Turner and his wife Betsey, Jesse N. Turner and his wife Bersheba, and William Turner and his wife Anna. These Turner men were the sons of Samuel and Elizabeth Turner who had come from Dickson County Tennessee about 1833-34 and settled in Pittsburg Township, Johnson County Arkansas. Samuel Turner was born about 1790 in North Carolina and Elizabeth was born in Georgia about 1794. Samuel's parents were John and Elizabeth Turner, who settled in Dickson County Tennessee about 1804, coming from Person County North Carolina. Tradition says that John Turner came from Ireland as a boy; a man of light stature, who was much in demand as a jockey at the race tracks of Virginia. Later in his life he was a Primitive Baptist Minister and planted many churches in the Yellow Creek of Dickson County.

George J. Turner was born in Dickson County Tennessee about 1824 and his wife Betsey was born in Tennessee in 1829. They were the parents of three children: Sarah F. Turner, born 15 October 1847, who married Finis L. Lee; John Bailey Turner, born 25 November 1851, who married Susan Elizabeth

Herrin; and Nancy Ann Turner, born 19 May 1853, who married John Aaron Pitts. The mother Betsey, died between 1853 and 1855. George J. was married for the second time to Rowena (Ford) Adams, the widow of Isaac Adams, on the 1st of November 1855.

George J. and Rowena Turner made their home in Pittsburg Township, Johnson County Arkansas, where they were the parents of George W., born ca 1856; Margaret V. born ca 1859; Susan Belle, born ca 1861; and Samuel D. born ca 1863. George J. was listed as a Cumberland Presbyterian Minister on the 1860 Census of that county. He died in 1865, a victim of bushwachers at the close of the Civil War. His wife Rowena, and their children were still in Johnson County in 1870 but were gone from the county before 1880 and tradition says that they went to Texas.

The children of George and his wife Betsey returned to Pope County after the death of their father where they all married and were early residents of Dover. Sallie (Turner) and Finis Lee had five children: Jesse P.; Ida Scott, who married Jonas M. Eudy; Finis L. who married Caroline (Carrie) West; Robert Edward; Nora who married Joe Nation. Nancy Ann (Nan) and John A. Pitts were the parents of Julius Enoch, who married Elizabeth Wallace; Rose Lee, who married Charles M. Lane; Ida Corinna who married Walter E. Myers; and Louise who married Andrew C. Dunklin. John Bailey Turner is the subject of another family sketch on another page.

by Sue E. Tucker McCain

J.L. TURNER

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J.L. Turner was the son of Zack Turner, and came to Pope County in 1871, from Georgia. He was born in 1853 near Atlanta, Georgia. He was a farmer and settled on Crow Mountain in Pope County. He married Cynthia Brooks in 1873. She was born near Acworth, Cobo County, Georgia in 1852 and was reared by a widowed mother and came to Arkansas in 1871. To this union was born six children: Ben, who married Mattie Dover; Charlie, who married Ila Crites; Pearl, married Mal Humphrey; Luna, married a Dempsey; Velma, married Mace Owens and one child who died while young.

The above were farmers, and attended the Baptist church. J.L. and Cynthia were buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley, as well as other members of the Turner family.

Charlie Turner, was born April 2, 1878, in Pope County. He married Ila Crites who was the daughter of Labe Crites. They were married Dec. 25, 1900 and to this union was born - Ollie, who married Rosco Shinn and now deceased, and Bert born 1905 married Clara Shinn a sister of Roscoe.

Bert Turner went to school on Crow Mountain at the Liberty Hill School and they attended Russellville High School for a while. He first farmed for several years after marrying then went to work for the Swilling Lumber company in Russellville. In 1940, he moved



Back — Ila & Charles Turner, Mal Humphrey and wife, Pearl, Ben and Mattie Turner. 2nd — Velma Turner Owens, J.L. Turner and wife, Cynthia Brooks, Luna Dempsey and daughter, Floy. Front — Wallace, Ollie and Bert Turner.

to Covina, California and worked for Hammonds Lumber Company and retired from there in 1960, with a disability. During World War II, he worked for Niggs' Engineering in Covina, Calif. After retiring he moved back to Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas.

Clara Shinn was the daughter of James L. B. Shinn, who also lived on Crow Mountain and was a Free Will Baptist minister. They were descendents of an early Pope County family. She also went to school at the Liberty Hill School and after moving to California, went to nurseing school and received a vocational nurse license and worked as a nurse at Inter-Community Hospital in Covina, Calif. and retired from there after 20 years of service.

Bert and Clara had one child, Rex Eugene, who lived to be 17 months old, then died and is buried at Center Valley. Clara worked in St. Mary's Hospital in Russellville after moving back from California, for about three years but both Bert and Clara are now retired.

by Mrs. Bert Turner

JOHN BAILEY TURNER

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John Bailey Turner, a son of George J. and Betsey Turner, and Susan Elizabeth Herrin, a daughter of Dwen D. and Rachel D. (Campbell) Herrin, were married on the 11 September 1879 in Pope County. Thus began the generations of Turners who were to live, work, and serve the Dover Community for many years. They were active in their churches, their schools, their county, and took pride in being a part of their community.

John Bailey Turner was born 25 November 1851 in Clarksville, Johnson County Arkansas, and Susan Elizabeth (Sue) Herrin was born 12 October 1857 at Bakers Creek in Pope

County. They were the parents of Ada Dell, born 24 February 1881, who married Thomas Fred West; Rachel Belle, born 20 August 1883, who married Jessie Curtis Nelson; Finis Merrell, born 23 April 1885, who married Margaret Velpeau Woods; Owen Thomas Turner, born 11 March 1887, who married Sallie West; John Hershel, born 25 October 1889, who married Ida Etha Petty; Ben Doyne, born 30 March 1892, who married Jessie Maude Macomb; Sarah Lamont (Lamote), born 31 January, 1897 who married Willie Tartar Tucker; and Shelby K., born 27 August 1899, who married Mattie Pauline Mears. All of the children lived in and raised their families in Pope County except John Hershel and Shelby K., who left Arkansas in the 1930's and 40's to live in California.

The grandchildren of John B. and Sue Turner were numerous: Joe Rufe West, Sue Cathryn West, and Tommye Belle West, children of Ada (Turner) and Thomas Fred West; J.B. Nelson, June T. Nelson, and Jessie Sue Nelson, children of Rachel Bell (Turner) and Jesse Curtis Nelson; Sarah Zelle Turner and Mary Sue Turner, children of Finis Merrell and Margaret (Maggie) Turner; Owen Thomas Turner Jr. and Marguerite Elizabeth Turner, children of Dwen Thomas and Sallie Turner; Bonnie Anita, Blanch Arden, Dona Elizabeth, Josephine, John Hershel Jr., children of John Hershel and Etha Turner; Doyne Lynell, John Virgil, and Della Maude, children of Ben Doyne and Maude Turner; Billy Tucker Jr. and Sue Elizabeth, children of Lamote and W.T. (Bill) Tucker; Shelby K., Coyle Wayne, and Joe Bailey, children of Shelby K. and Pauline Turner.

During World War II five of the Turner grandsons served their country: Dwen Thomas Turner Jr., Doyne Lynell Turner, John Virgil Turner, Shelby K. Turner and Coyle Wayne Turner. Doyne Lynell Turner lost

his life in 1943 while flying a mission over Japan.

John Bailey Turner was a farmer, a blacksmith, and in 1900 was the Tax Assessor of Pope County. He was crippled by a piece of steel while doing blacksmith work and walked with a crutch. His life ended 24 March 1916 while traveling in a wagon between Dover and Russellville with his youngest son, Shelby K. Sue Turner lived many years longer and died 22 December 1943 at the home of her daughter Ada (Mrs. Tom West), at Dover.

by Sue E. Tucker McCain.

LARKIN G. TURNER

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Zachariah G. Turner was born in S.C. and married Sarah Dodgen who was from Georgia. He died in 1858 and was buried in Georgia. They had seven children: John Lewis, James Polk, Columbus M., William Dallas, Larkin G., Nancy, Josephine, and Elizabeth Nola.

Sarah and her children along with some of her in-laws, moved to Pope County, Arkansas, about 1870 or 1872 and settled in the Bakers Creek Community, north of Russellville. One of the sons, Larkin G., married Viola Herrin, July 4, 1877. Her father was Dwen Dinkins Herrin and her mother was Rachel Dobbin Campbell. They had three boys and 4 girls to live to be grown: Zachariah Green, "called Green," Edward Martin, "called Ed," Franklin, "called Frank," Addie, Elizabeth Liza, Effie, and Mae Viola who died in 1933.

Ed, signed E.M. married Mary Hettie Bowden in 1904. Her father was Fountain P. Bowden and her mother was Sarah Ann Linam Bowden. Their children were: Rayburn, Bessie May, died at age seven; Earroll Leroy; Cecil Eugene, "called Gene;" and William Haynie, "called Bill." Ed farmed many years. While living at Scottsville, Mr. Bob Bailey Sr., set up a portable stave mill, and Ed got the job felling trees. Later when the dam was being built across Illinois river or bayou, Ed buddied with Jeff Henson and two more men to mix concrete by hand and shovel on a board, for the reservoir that's on top of the mountain above the dam. They received .75¢ a day for their hard days work. The dam was built with convicts and Mr. Pete Huggler was the contractor.

After a number of years, Ed lost his team of mules after a crop failure, so he decided to go into well drilling business with his brother-in-law, Dan Bragg. At the time he was still farming the same 40 acres he was raised on. He would walk from home to town and back every day for a year or so. Finally he decided to move to Russellville in order to give his children better schooling, than what he had received and this put him more in the center of his work. At that time they received 50¢ to \$1.00 per foot. In time he bought his brother-in-law out. As work picked up he bought a good team of horses, and later bought another machine from Judson Divine, who had married his half-sister, Grace Arnett.

For a number of years Rayburn helped his father. With the second machine he put Rayburn and Judson together. For twenty-five years he devoted his time to well drilling. After his wife died, he sold out.

Rayburn spent over ten years as driller. Worked some at a local stove mill and finally decided to do electrical work. The pay was 50¢ an hour, only when he worked. This went on for some twelve or fifteen years then he went into business for himself, in 1942. At one time, during World War II, he was the only electrician left for the City of Russellville. It took some twelve or sixteen hours a day to keep up.

Rayburn planned to take his brother Gene in as a partner but Gene received a divine call to preach. Rev. C. E. Turner has spent some thirty years as pastor, 10 years as manager of a nursing home. At the same time acting as relief minister for other pastors. He is now visitation minister and assistant pastor.

Earroll, became a minister also and he pastored churches in Louisiana. He retired from preaching and is an insurance agent.

W.H. "Bill" went to an Air Craft defense school in Tulsa, Okla., in 1838 and secured a job in San Diego, California and is still with the same company.

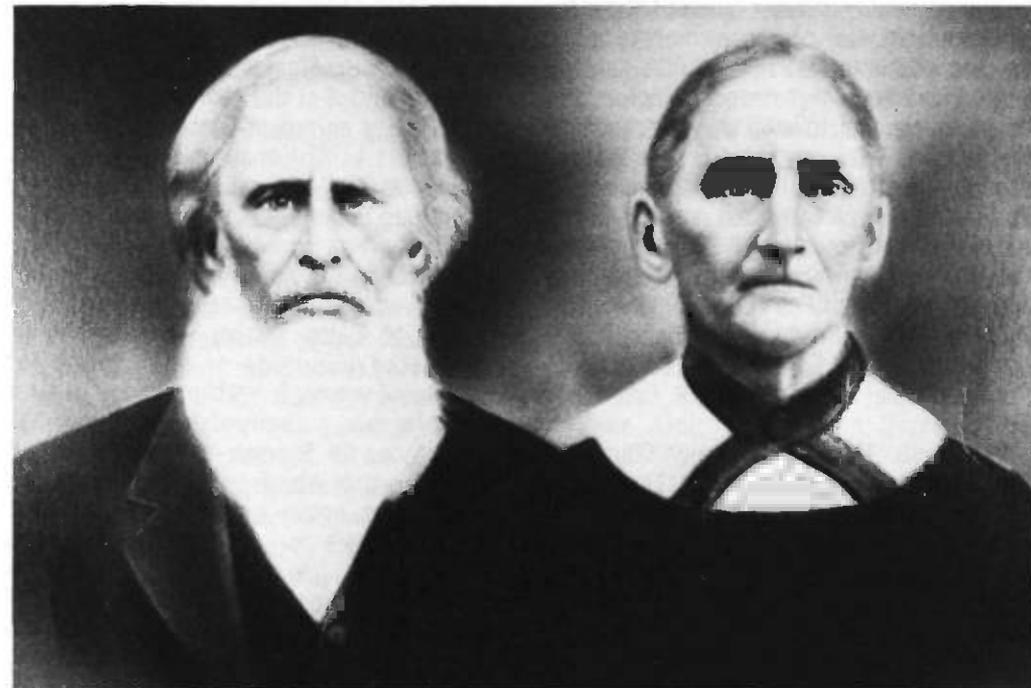
The Turner family has contributed much to Pope County, Arkansas.

by Rayburn Turner

MATTHIAS STATEN TURNER, AND THOMAS POWERS McCAIN

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Matthias Staten Turner and his wife, Nancy Chastain Turner were residents of Georgia until shortly after the Civil War when their farm was destroyed by General Sherman's army when they made their march across Georgia. The Turner family then left Georgia



Matthias Staten Turner and wife, Nancy Chastain Turner



Elder Thomas Powers McCain and wife, Nancy Rowena (Akins) McCain.

and moved to Arkansas in ox wagons, and first settled in Johnson County, Arkansas, later moving to Pope County. A town originated on the site of Matthias Turner's old farm in Georgia, and was named for his brother who remained in Georgia. His brother was Americus Turner, and so, this is where they got the name for the town of Americus,

Georgia. According to information from some of the older members of my family, Nancy Turner, wife of Matthias, was full-blood, or almost full-blood Indian, probably Choctaw. The first record I have of Matthias Turner and family living in Pope County, is a copy of minister's credentials belonging to my grandfather, Elder Thomas Powers McCain, a Primitive Baptist minister. These credentials were issued Dec. 12, 1892, and were signed by Matthias Turner, who was a deacon in the Primitive Baptist Church. It might be interesting to note at this time, that there were four generations of deacons in the Primitive Baptist Church in my family; my great-grandfather, Matthias Staten Turner, my grandfather, Benjamin Washington Turner, my father, James Benjamin Turner, and myself, James Benjamin Turner, Jr. After serving several years in the office of deacon, I was ordained to the ministry, Dec. 12, 1971, and later learned that this date was exactly 79 years after my maternal grandfather, Elder Thomas P. McCain, was ordained to the ministry, Dec. 12, 1892.

Thomas P. McCain, or "Uncle Tom", as most people called him, moved to Arkansas about 1867, having served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War, (52nd Tennessee Regiment, and later, the Tennessee Cavalry). He settled at Scottsville where he married Miss Georgia Ann Jones, who lived only about one year. After her death, he married Miss Nancy Rowena Akins, and they raised a family of six children, my mother being the

youngest of the six. Of the family of eight, both parents and four of the children were school teachers at one time or another. Two of his sons graduated from law school, and the youngest son was serving as a judge in Oklahoma at the time of his death in 1950. Thomas P. McCain died Jan. 12, 1931, just three days short of his 87th birthday. He was a native of Weakley County, Tennessee.

Benjamin Washington Turner, my paternal grandfather, married Martha Ellen Duvall, and they lived at Coal Hill in Johnson County where my father, James Benjamin Turner, was born Sept. 16, 1893, the 4th of their 12 children, 10 of whom lived. They moved to Pope County when my father was 4 years old, (about 1897), and settled near Moreland where they raised their family and lived the remainder of their lives.

An interesting note in conclusion of this writing: on the journey of the Turner family from Georgia to Arkansas, one of their oxen died, and they had to stop somewhere around Memphis, Tennessee and pick cotton long enough to get money to buy another ox and continue on their journey to Arkansas.

by James Benjamin Turner, Jr.

WILLIAM FRANKLIN TURNER

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W.F. TURNER



MRS. W.F. TURNER, KATHLEEN & MARJARINE TURNER

William Franklin Turner was born in Altoona, Georgia, Oct. 9, 1866. His father was Columbus M. Turner and his mother was Mary Elizabeth Brooks. Following the Civil War, conditions forced the Turners to move to Arkansas in 1871. Will had 9 brothers and sisters and following his mother's death, his father married a widow who had 5 children.

The two sets of children got along very well and Columbus managed to give them all a primary education.

The Turners were considered a pioneer Pope County family and Will was reared in the Center Valley Community. He was crippled in his early youth. While clearing land, his ax shattered a leg just below his knee. Blood poison set in but his father refused to have his leg amputated. He spent many months in bed but was unable to ever return to the fields to work. This gave him the opportunity for additional educational training in the schools at Russellville. Will received his license to teach school in the 1800's. His first school was at the Baptist Church two miles north of Center Valley for three months at \$30 per month. Other schools in which he taught were at Liberty Hill, Shiloh on Pea Ridge, Eggleston on Gumlog, Bakers Creek, Burris Schoolhouse on Isabel Creek, Broomfield, Caglesville, Dover, Atkins, Hopewell, Prairie Grove and Economy.

On May 9, 1886, at the Shiloh Church on Pea Ridge, he married Amanda A. Thompson, daughter of County Judge William Thompson. In 1896, he purchased the Atkins Chronicle and edited it until 1917. On May 20, 1913, he was appointed postmaster at Atkins and served in that position until Feb. 20, 1922.

From the union of Will and Amanda came 8 children. Only four lived to adulthood. The eldest was Lyle Bert (1894-1976) who married Tennessee (Tot) Potts of Atkins. They

had two children, William and Judith. Webster (1892-1962) married Lucille Smith of Russellville and they had one son, Robert Smith Turner. Kathleen (1904-) married William Alexander Strickland of Atkins and they had three children: William A., Jr., Kathleen, and Kerry. Marjarine (1906-) married Dodson Leonard of Little Rock and they had no children. Hugh (1901-1904) who died at the age of three, was a memory which W.F. cherished until his death. Amanda died Nov. 25, 1913, and was buried at the Atkins City Cemetery.

W.F. was an ardent Democrat and served nine terms as Chairman or Secretary of the Pope County Democratic Committee. After retiring as Postmaster, he prepared and laid out the first map of Atkins. With the help of Will Mitchell, he made the first survey and numbered the residences and business houses of Atkins. During World War II, he completed hundreds of legal forms for families of veterans. Within a period of three years he was instrumental in securing 117 tombstones for Spanish-American, Mexican, Civil War, and World War I veterans.

He was a notary public and one of three Commissioners for the Road Improvement District No. 1 (highway #64), a Member of the Atkins Methodist Church, a Mason for 57 years, and a member of the Woodsman of the World for 50 years. He died at the home of his daughter, Kathleen, January 17, 1954. Burial at Atkins City Cemetery.

by Kathleen Bell

ZACHARIAH GREEN TURNER

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SARAH CHASTINE BROOKS

The family of Zachariah Green Turner moved to Pope County in 1871 from Cass County (later Bartow County) Georgia. They traveled by wagon train and settled in the Center Valley Community along with other family members. Zachariah Green Turner was born in N.C. around 1813 and died in Georgia in 1858. It was his wife Sarah Dodgen Turner and their children who migrated to Arkansas. The children were Columbus who married Sarah Brooks, Nancy Josephine who married Jesse Moon, James Polk who married Sarah Cox, John Lewis who married Cynthia S. Brooks, William D. who married Catherine A. McMinninns, Elizabeth Nola who married John T. Jones, and Larkin who married Viola Herrin. Also in the 1871 move was the Brooks family. Cynthia and Mary Brooks married John Lewis and Columbus Turner-sisters marrying brothers-and it was Cynthia and Mary's mother, Sarah Chastine Brooks (1826-1910), their brother W.W. (Bill) Brooks (1849-1935) and sister Mary, and other sister Rhoda who came with the Turners. Rhoda (1848-1921) was the wife of Lewis Mullins (1848-1928) and they moved with their children that were born in Ga. Later Bill Brooks and his mother moved to Chandler, Texas, (near Tyler) to join other family members including many of the sons of Columbus Turner. Bill and his mother are buried in the Dean Cemetery near Chandler with the other Turner members. Sarah Dodgen Turner, widow of Zachariah G. Turner, lived with her daughter Josephine for a while and then went to live with her other daughter Nola Jones. She died at her daughters home in Seminole, Oklahoma in 1910.

Zachariah Green Turner also had some sisters and families to move from Georgia to Arkansas. His sister Prussa Turner, who married Clement Mullins and his sister Sarah M. Turner who married Moses H. Guest had al-

ready come to the Center Valley Community in the early 1850's. Then Zachariah Green Turner's cousin, Matthias Staton Turner moved with his family in 1868 from Georgia to Johnson County and later to Pope County and they are listed in the 1870 census of Pope County.

Many descendants of the Mullins, Guests, and Turners families can be found throughout the history of the Center Valley-Gumlog Communities and many are buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley.

by Sharon Bell

JAMES ROBERT TYSON FAMILY

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Ancestors of the James Robert Tyson family are on record as living in Accomack County, Virginia, in 1679. Descendants moved to North Carolina; later to Montgomery County, Tennessee, about 1807.

James Robert Tyson, born in Tennessee in 1808, died in the 1870's, married Elizabeth Morris and later, in 1839, married Margaret Lewis. He, his wife and six children moved to Pope County, Arkansas, in 1850. They obtained 80 acres from the Federal Land Office at Clarksville. The sheepskin document, signed by President Pierce, remains in the family.

They built on Gumlog Creek near where Highway 247 now crosses Gumlog Canal, three miles northeast of Atkins.

Four of the Tyson sons served in the Confederate Army. James Robert Jr. died of wounds received in the Battle of Corinth. Shortly after the war, William Monroe died of disabilities incurred during the conflict.

James Marshall Tyson, born January 13, 1845, died November 21, 1914. He served as artilleryman in the Confederate Army, taking part in the Northwest Arkansas campaign. He married Elizabeth Catherine Boyd. They lived in a house he built prior to their wedding. Their children and grandchildren have occupied it to the present time. He was a livestock dealer and farm operator. Oakland Cemetery is located on part of the Tyson land.

J.M. and Elizabeth Tyson had five children, all now deceased. Two sons, James Samuel and Thomas Jehu, died while young.

Rufus Watts was never married. He remained on the family farm and was an overseas veteran of World War I. Ora Alice married Bruce Chism Evans and they had one son, William Clarence, who taught in Atkins High School and several colleges. He retired as a professor at Northeast Oklahoma State, Tahlequah, Oklahoma, and resides there.

John Ardis Tyson, born December 19, 1893, died October 18, 1962. He was married June 18, 1911 to Ila Jane Matthews, born January 9, 1889, died February 9, 1959. Ardis Tyson started his career as a school teacher. In 1918 he bought The Atkins Chronicle and was editor and publisher until 1935 after which his sons and grandson continued as editor until 1961. He wrote a column "Down On The Farm" which was widely quoted and reprinted. He served as mayor of Atkins, president of Atkins school board and

state revenue collector for Pope county.

Ardis and Ila Tyson were parents of three sons and one daughter.

Van Tyson, born April 30, 1912, was editor of The Atkins Chronicle from 1935 until entrance in military service in July, 1941. He served overseas in the European Theater of Operations as a Major. Returning home he was appointed postmaster at Atkins, serving until retirement in 1972. He also served two years in the Korean conflict, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1972. He was married December 24, 1935, to Fannie Rhea Cheek, born October 29, 1911; died April 22, 1953. They had four children. Van Allen served as editor of The Atkins Chronicle and worked on newspapers in Des Moines, Iowa, and Little Rock. He is now as assistant professor at Arkansas Tech University. John Thomas is on the staff of the Parks and Recreation Department at Kansas City, Mo. Frances Rebecca is married to Robert W. Riley, Jr. and is a teacher in Atkins High School. Robert Henry is a computer programmer for George's, Inc., Springdale, Arkansas. On November 3, 1956, Van Tyson was married to Lucille Day.

LeRoy Tyson, born January 20, 1914, edited the Weekly Tribune, Russellville, and The Atkins Chronicle. He owned newspapers in Augusta, Dermott, Lake Village and Eudora. He married Floy Elizabeth Cole December 24, 1937, and after retirement they reside in his grandfather's home place in the Hopewell community. They have two children. James Roy was associated with his parents in the newspaper business. Later he was engaged in newspaper work in the Virgin Islands and is now foreman of the composing room for the Scottsdale (Arizona) Daily Progress. Linda Beth is married to Marshall Ross, a food broker in Little Rock.

John Henry Tyson, born October 16, 1917, remained on the family farm and was a farm operator and broiler producer. He is now employed by Morton Foods at Russellville. He is a World War II veteran, having participated in the Aleutian Islands campaign. He married Lucille Beeson October 16, 1937.

Ila Catherine Tyson was born January 21, 1926. She is secretary for the Sequoyah Elementary School in Russellville. She married Walter Gains, Jr. June 18, 1950, and they have four sons. William Tyson is a graduate student at the University of Arkansas. David George and Robert Merrill are students at Arkansas Tech University and Ronald Charles attends Russellville High School.

by Leroy Tyson

AUGUST UELLNER FAMILY

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August Uellner was born in Kappelenhagen Hanover, Germany, on May 8, 1861. He came to America as a young man and became a citizen of the United States on February 24, 1883, in Madison County, Illinois.

August met and married Antonia Kros in 1883. They lived in Staunton, Illinois, where he worked.

Antonia was born in Marhren, Bohemia (Austria-Hungary) on December 2, 1863. She

could speak both German and Bohemian. Her family came to America in about 1875. They were Lutherans.

Through ads in the "Lutheran Witness" they learned of railroad land for sale in Arkansas. They decided on Pope County in the Augsburg Community, north of London, because there was a Lutheran Church there and several German speaking families in the area. In 1885 they bought 160 acres from the Iron Mountain Railroad without seeing it.

They came by railroad to London and began the task of settling on the land and making a living. They had to build a house and clear land to farm. Anna the oldest child was about 1 year old at the time.

In the next 20 years 10 more children were born. During these first few years a large two-story house with a large cellar underneath was constructed as well as barn and other farm buildings.

The children were educated at the Augsburg Lutheran School and also at nearby Mountain Springs School.

This is a list of the children: Anna Uellner was born August 16, 1884. She married Herman Priebe of Augsburg. They had 8 children; Henry Uellner was born March 30, 1886. He married Dora Fricke of Lutherville, Arkansas. They had 9 children. William Uellner was born November 6, 1887. He married Martha Gompf of Lutherville, Arkansas. They had no children. Sophia Uellner was born March 15, 1890. She never married. Louise Uellner was born February 15, 1892. She married John Harms of Augsburg. They had 7 children. Minnie Uellner was born March 12, 1894. She married William Kauffeld of Lutherville, Arkansas. They had 3 children. Marie Uellner was born March 22, 1896. She married Fred Fricke of Lufe, Arkansas. They had 1 child. Emma Uellner was born May 2, 1898. She married Theodore Dorn of London, Arkansas. They had 2 children. August Uellner was born November 3, 1900. He died when he was 1½ years old. Frederick Uellner was born February 21, 1903. He never married. Freda Uellner was born August 19, 1905. She married George Gompf of Lutherville, Arkansas. They had 4 children.

August Uellner died January 8, 1930, at the age of 68 years. His wife died August 18, 1956, at the age of 92 years.

Of the 34 grandchildren born there was only 1 boy bearing the name of Uellner and he died as an infant.

by Melvin Dorn

EDGAR UNDERHILL

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Joseph Thomas Underhill was born in Ohio, 6 May 1840, and served in the Union Army during the Civil War. On 7 June 1863, he married Ann Ellen Black, born in Ohio 12 Oct. 1840. Joseph and Ann Underhill had five boys; John, Delbert, Harry, James, and Edgar; two girls, Rosie and Kate. John and Delbert died at an early age. The family moved from Ohio to Kansas where they lived a short time and then moved to Jenny Lind, Sebastian County, Ark. Later they moved to Yell

County and settled near Ola. Joseph was a carpenter and followed railroad construction, building and repairing houses in railroad camps. He became ill and died 7 Mar. 1893 and was buried near Ola. His widow and three single children, James, Edgar, and Katie moved to the mountains ten miles north of Hector in Pope County and homesteaded land. James married Susie Walker, Katie married Oscar Rogers, and Edgar, born 22 Mar. 1876, married Bertha Ida Ballard in 1899. All of this group remained in Pope County. Mrs. Ann Ellen Underhill, the mother, was blind and divided her time in the homes of her children. She died 25 Nov. 1927 at the home of James Underhill and was buried in Booher cemetery northwest of Russellville.

Edgar and Bertha Ballard Underhill homesteaded 160 acres of land 3 miles southeast of the Solo post office. They farmed the land and later operated a grocery store and grist mill. Edgar was also a photographer, a rural mail carrier and served as the last Postmaster at Solo. The children of Edgar and Bertha consisted of three boys; Roy, Ray, and Reese, and six girls; Clara, Lottie, Fannie, Artie, Iva and Gertie, all still living except Fannie who died at eleven years of age, and Clara who died at age 79.

Roy Underhill married Novella Curtis 16 Aug. 1931. Novella was the daughter of pioneer Pope County settlers. Roy attended grade school at Solo, high school at Hector and was awarded a B S degree at Arkansas Tech University. He taught school in Pope County for 17 years before going into military service during World War II. Upon returning home from the Service, Roy was employed by the Arkansas State Welfare Department as a County Visitor in Pope County for two years when he became County Director of Welfare in Pope County, serving for a period of 25 years and retiring at the age of 67 years in 1969.

Ray Underhill married Stella Huff. He is a first class carpenter and building contractor living in California. Reese Underhill married Vera Bankston. He is a veteran of World War II and is presently serving as a State Park warden in California. Clara Underhill married C.C. Harris and they were farmers. Lottie Underhill married Quinn Page and they were farmers. Artie Underhill married James Laymon who was a timber worker. Iva Underhill married Charles Horn who was a Forest Service employee. Gertie Underhill married Joseph Helton, a veteran of World War II and a heavy equipment operator.

Edgar and Bertha Underhill were Christians and brought their children up in Sunday School and church. Most of them are active in church work.

by Roy Underhill

JOSEPH T. UNDERHILL

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Joseph T. Underhill, was born May 6, 1840 and died in 1893. He had married Ann E. Black, born Oct. 12, 1840 and died Nov. 25, 1927. They were married in Ohio, June 7,

1863. Joseph was in the Union Army for about three years. They were the parents of seven children. John F. Underhill, born June 2, 1865, died Sept. 1866; Rosa B., born Jan. 22, 1867; James Henry, born Nov. 23, 1868, died Sept. 1943; Delbert, born Dec. 11, 1870, died Sept. 1871; Harry Willis, born Nov. 17, 1872, died June 27, 1875; Edgar, born Mar. 22, 1876; and Catherine, born May 16, 1881.

James Underhill, married Susie Walker, Dec. 27, 1896, they were the parents of ten children.

Annie, married Isaac Smith and they were the parents of: Ira, Violet, Irene, Sybil, Jaunita and Harvy.

John, died as an infant.

Mattie, married Roy Payne and they had two children: Minnie and Robert.

Cora, married Andrew Epps and they had one child that died in infancy.

Henry, married Ethel Brown.

Oliver, married Minnie Brown and their children are: Jimmy Brown, who married Betty Carter and they have two children, Jimmy Keith and Kimberly; Thomas Ray, married Bonnie Shaw and they have two children: Thomas David and Susan Dawn; Linda June, married John Miller and their children are: John Miller II and Melissa June.

Verna, married Carl Reynolds and they have two children: Ruby Mae and Carolyn.

Dee, married Katherine Ketcherside and their children are: Anna, Bob and Randy.

Lawrence, married Sybil Hopson and they have two children, Elaine and Peggy.

Addie, married Haskell Bailey and their children are, Don and Jerry.

by Ethel Underhill

WILLIAM BERRY UNDERWOOD

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W.B. UNDERWOOD

William Berry Underwood was born in Green County, Kentucky in 1826. He married Judia Burnham, daughter of Issac Burnham,

in 1847. He settled on land near Delaware Creek, which is now in Logan County but formerly Pope County. He was a farmer and landowner. He was a private in Co. K. 31st Regiment, Ark. Infantry, Confederate States of America. His children were Francis A., Missouri, Malinda K., Lucy Ann, George, Robert, Edward and Henry L. He died in 1867 and is buried near Delaware, Ark.

The youngest child of W.B. Underwood was Henry Lawrence who married T.A. Deeds, daughter of Mountique and Jane Brandon Deeds, in 1890. In the early years of their marriage they went to Okla. where Henry Lawrence was engaged in timber work. After a short stay there they returned to Delaware where Henry Lawrence took up farming. The trip to Okla. and back was in a wagon pulled by a yoke of oxen. Their children are George, Robert, Clara, Susie, Arthur, Roy and Minie. Henry Lawrence Underwood died in 1958 and is buried at Delaware.

The fifth child of Henry Lawrence was Arthur Grant Underwood who married Susie Campbell in 1927. He was a farmer. Their children are Truman, Dean, Hilda, Leon, and Nellie. The first child of Arthur is Truman Underwood who married Faye Pledger in 1952. He is presently employed at Ark. Tech. Univ. in Russellville, Pope Co. Their child is Larry Glenn who married Brenda Cronk in 1975. Their child is Melissa Leanne. Larry and Brenda both work at Ark. Tech. Univ.

by Faye Underwood

UTLEY FAMILY HISTORY

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CHILDREN OF ROBY UTLEY. ERMA, SHANNON, (BABY) RUTH DAYMONE AND R.D.



ROBEY UTLEY, ETTA DAVIS UTLEY, IRMA AND RUTH UTLEY.

William (Billy) Utley (1802-1871) was a Tennesseian who came to Arkansas before the Civil War. The tall blue-eyed blonde mar-

ried the widow Cordelia (Delia) Flemings Caruthers (1811-1891) September 2nd, 1847. He was forty-four, she thirty-six and the mother of Elijah (5), David (3) and Samuel Caruthers (2). They moved to Paris, Arkansas for a time then to near Dover out Morgan Road. They were hard workers who lived the Presbyterian faith. Their five children were Albert Cunningham, Mary, John, Ellen and Liza. Both Billy and Delia are buried in the old Utley family cemetery on what was once part of their farm out Morgan Road.

Nineteen year old Albert Cunningham Utley (1851-1930) married a dark eyed, raven haired nineteen year old neighbor girl. Catherine (Kate) Furr (1850-1931) was one of the twelve daughters of Captain Adam Furr (1823-?). Her mother was Sally Antos Whitley (1822-1872) a small dark eyed, dark haired plump woman of French descent. Kate's family traveled to Arkansas with a wagon train from N.C. in 1860. It was a three months journey that found them camped on the bank of the Mississippi River the day they heard Abraham Lincoln had been elected the 16th. President of the United States. Kate was ten years old at the time. During the Civil War, Kate's father (who had been a miller and blacksmith in N.C.) held the rank of Captain and was in charge of the Union troops' horses. The blacksmith shop was just south of Dover where McFadden cemetery is lo-

cated. Albert and Kate settled land next to his parents. It was on this homestead their eight children were born and reared. Albert and Kate lived out their lives on the same land they settled and at their deaths were buried in the family cemetery.

The children of Albert and Kate Furr Utley and their spouses and children were: Mary Ann — Elijah Bowen husband, — Emmett, Alvin, Wilma Bowen Smith, Emma Bowen Barton, Floy Bowen Newell, Clomer and Belulah Bowen Thompson.

Will married Tennessee Jones first then after her death Minnie Evans. Their children were: Bertha and Willie (daughters of Tennessee) then Bernice, Ralph and another son Glen.

Oze and his wife (Emma Henderson) were parents of four sons: Robert, Oze Jr., William (Willie) and Theodore.

Harriett wed John Cebourne Finley and had Annie Finley Yancey, Robey Joel, John Edgar, Kathryn Margarette Finley Nelms, Harry Quenton and Cora Zulema Finley.

Garfield was the only blue-eyed, blonde child of Kate and Albert. He married Ila Torbitt and went into the cattle buying business. He also ran a store for many years at the junction of Morgan Road and Hi-way 7N. It was here they reared their family of five children. Lucille Utley Aikens, A.C., Glen, James and J.W.

Reese Utley never married. As young man Reese worked around saw-mills but became handicapped due to an accident on the job. He walked with a wooden leg thereafter and was killed in an auto accident that also claimed the life of his brother Garfield in 1944.

Garland died in infancy.

Robey (1887-1958) was a tall dark complexioned man with dark eyes and hair. He liked good fast horses and quality riding stock. On July 9, 1910 he married naturally curly, auburn haired, blue eyed Etta Davis (1892-1967). She was the eighteen year old orphan daughter of Mary Berryhill Davis (1869-1905) and Jake Davis (1846-1901). Etta left her place of employment at Dr. Brown's in Dover and moved to Linker Mt. on the farm left by her late father. Over the years they bought her siblings share of Jake's farm and reared their family of four sons and five daughters. Their children were: Irma Utley Reese, Ruth Utley Young Blaine, R.D. Jr., Daymone, Shannon, Belva Utley Draper, Harold, Roger and Margaret Lois.

Robey, Etta, Irma, Ruth, R.D. Shannon and Margaret Lois are all buried on Linker Mt. across from the old Jake Davis homeplace.

Harold Utley married Juanita Miller of Dover and they live at Hector, and are the parents of four children: Russell, Donna, Nancy, and Danny.

by Juanita Miller Utley

ILLA MAE TORBITT UTLEY

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Illa Mae's great grandfather, John Warren Torbitt, was born in Tenn. in 1813. He came to Ark. before 1860. He brought three young sons with him. Damon, born 1847, Joseph, born 1850, and Jonathan born in 1852. John Warren was a stagecoach driver who drove from Ft. Smith to Ft. Gibson. He was killed by Indians near Ft. Gibson.

Damon Torbitt married Sarah Batterfield (born 1850) on Nov. 7, 1867. He reared his family near Blue Mt., or Waveland, Ark. He ran a grist mill and farmed. Their children: John Warren, Joe, Henry, Anna, Greta, Naomi, Ida Mae, Gusta, Mary and Martha.

John Warren married Sarah Daily. He bought a farm from Sarah's father on Linker Mt. Their children are Illa, Leila, Lee, Gladys and Arvel. By his second marriage to Cora Safley they had Clara, Peral Marie and Donna Lee.

Henry's children are Orville, Carl, Autry, Andice, Olive and Chester.

Anna married Will Mott. He was a farmer near Havana, Ark. Their children are Amos, Ila Belle, and Mack.

Greta married Tom Talley. Naomi married John Capps. Ida Mae married Vada Barker. Martha married Elifies Berryhill. Their children Earnest and Willie live in Calif.

Jonathan Cain, brother of Damon and Joseph, married Mary Haddox on Jan. 18, 1877. He moved to Indian Territory about 1900. Their children are Ida Mae, Carlie, Sanford, Walter Cary, Jessie Granville, and Claud. Mary had a tumor. She died in 1890. Jonathan married Fannie Helena Bryson in

1891. Their children are Dora, Eulalia, Elmer, Ora Mae, Viola Belle, Jonathan Neal, Josephone and Everett. Fannie took her ten month old son to visit a sister in Ark. She took typhoid fever and died. She is buried at Ark. Jonathan died in 1927 and is buried in Gans Cemetery in Okla.

Illa Mae Torbitt, married Garfield Utley. He was a farmer, cattle dealer and had a grocery and gas station between Dover and Russellville at Morgan Road. Their children are Alvin C., Lucille, Glen James and John W.

Alvin C. Utley married Theda Dixon. He served 24 years in USAF. He resides on his farm near Hector. Their children are Alvin C. Jr., Karen, Kylan, Sheldon, Durlan and Agalia.

Lucille married Frank Eakin. He was an overseer of farms in Delano, Calif. Their children are Doyle W., Billy, Karon, Terry and Barbara.

Glen Utley married Mary Len. They both work for the Catipillar Co. They reside in San Leandro, Calif. Their children are Jimmy, Ray and Susan.

James Utley married Sue Adams. They divorced. He is married to Anita Lemley. He uses a dump truck in road work. They reside on their farm on Pine Hill where Anita was born. His children are Mark, Susan and John.

John W. is retired from the USAF. He operated heavy equipment.

Illa Mae and Garfield have fifteen great-grandchildren.

by Alvin C. Utley

ALFRED C. VANCE

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Alfred C. Vance was born on April 8, 1920, in Russellville, Arkansas at the home of his parents, Will D. Vance Jr. and wife Mary H. Vance. He attended the public schools of Russellville and graduated from Arkansas Tech in 1939.

After graduation from Tech, he was employed for two years by an industrial x-ray firm, Triplett & Barton, Inc., whose plant was located on the Lockheed Aircraft lot in Burbank, California.

On June 6, 1943, in the Little Church of the Flowers, Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Glendale, California, he married Martha Ann Brownlee of Joiner, Arkansas. She is the daughter of Lee Roy Brownlee and Charlotte (Lottie) Ralph Brownlee, both long time residents of Joiner. She had met Alfred while attending Arkansas Tech. With the United States entering into World War II, Martha had gone to California to be married before Alfred entered the Army.

Alfred entered the military service in October 1943. He was assigned to the 9th Traffic Control Group, Transportation Corp which was stationed in England and later transferred to Europe. He was awarded four campaign stars for his service in Europe. A highlight of his tour of duty was being in Nurnburg during the trials.

After being discharged on January 23, 1946, he returned to farming in Russellville for a while. Then he taught veteran on-the-

farm-training for three years, after which he was employed as a Poultry Specialist by various feed companies for three or four years.

In 1955, Alfred applied for his abstracters license and became actively engaged in his father's abstract plant, the Will D. Vance Abstract Company in Russellville, which he now owns and manages. During the late 1950's and early 1960's, he was instrumental in leasing for oil companies some 200,000 acres of land, either acting as lessor or as an agent for the lessor and in all cases as a title specialist.

Alfred is a member of the First United Methodist Church of Russellville and has served on both the Board of Stewards and the Board of Trustees for his church. He has also contributed much time and energy to numerous civic and community activities. He is a past president of both the Russellville Kiwanis Club, the Russellville Chamber of Commerce, and the Arkansas Land Title Association. He served as Chairman of the Russellville Airport Commission for 20 years until he stepped down in January of 1977.

Martha and Alfred have two children, a son, David Lee, born November 16, 1947. David is married to Sandra Marguerite Turner of Houston, Texas, and they have one child, Karen Elizabeth, born May 22, 1973. David's sister, Betty Ann was born December 3, 1952. Betty is married to Melvin Keener of Atkins, Arkansas. They live in Columbia, Missouri, where they both are employed by the University of Missouri.

by David L. Vance

JOHN WALTER VANCE

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John Walter Vance was born January 8, 1895, Pope County, Russellville, Arkansas to William David Vance Sr. and Mary Frances Brigham Vance. He was the tenth of eleven children. He was baptized in to the First Methodist Church of Russellville. He attended the Junior College in Russellville and a business school in Ft. Smith, Arkansas. He was employed by Railway Express until joining the United States Army on June 4, 1917, during World War I. He attained the rank of Sergeant in the 142 Field Artillery before receiving an Honorable Discharge on June 28, 1919, at Camp Pike, Arkansas.

In 1919, he worked with his brother "Will" in the Vance Abstract Company in Russellville.

January 10, 1920, John married Mabel Howell, daughter of William Labon ("Labe") Howell and Lottie White Howell of Russellville. They had one son, John Laborn Vance and one daughter, Lottie Frances Vance Grafton (Mrs. Walter Weldon).

John was manager of two cotton gins for his father-in-law, "Labe" Howell, in Sallisaw and Vian, Oklahoma.

John was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Kalif Shrines, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Rotary Club and Elks Club. He was Commander of the American Legion of Russellville and played drums in the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps, Memphis, Tennessee. He

was one of twenty-seven charter members of the Russellville Lions Club.

He worked for the United States Government as a Farm Crop Loan Officer in Memphis, Tennessee, Boonville and Dardanelle, Arkansas during 1933 through 1950. He was manager of the Abstract Division of Buffalo Trust and Title Company in Buffalo, Wyoming from 1951 until his death on April 16, 1965.

He has five grandchildren: Jacklyn Vance Hirokawa (Mrs. Gary L.); Gary Bradley Vance; Carol Angela Vance; Jon Walter Grafton and Susan Frances Grafton. Two great-grandchildren: Eric Vance Hirokawa and Brandon Hirokawa.

by Lottie Frances Grafton

MARY DUTY HARDEN VANCE

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MRS. MARY H. VANCE

The daughter of William Henry Harden and Jennie Duty Coleman of Coldwater, Mississippi, being the second of five children. During my school years I would stay with my grandparents, James Johnson and Mary Tarkington Duty Coleman, who lived near the school only being at home on weekends and during the summer. Upon graduation from high school on June 8, 1908, I entered Ole Miss University at Oxford, Mississippi, for the summer. The next fall I taught all twelve grades at Bethel, Mississippi, in Tate County, and then I went to Mississippi A & M at Starkville, Mississippi, for the summer. The next fall I taught all twelve grades at Alligator Lake, Boliver County, Mississippi. That summer I went to the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

My cousin, Hattie Bell Davis, had been teaching in Russellville, Arkansas, and she told them about me. They offered me a position here and I excepted. In the fall of 1910 I came to Russellville Jr. High as a teacher.

Here I taught until June of 1916 when I returned to Coldwater to live with my parents. Since I had spent so much time away from home when I was growing up I had promised my mother that I would return home for a year before marrying.

On April 12, 1917, in Mariana, Arkansas, at the home of Rev. John A. Womack, a former Russellville Pastor, I married William David Vance Jr. of Russellville, whom I had met while teaching there. Will owned the Will D. Vance Abstract Office in Russellville. I soon went to work in the Abstract office and remained there until recent years.

While working in the office I kept the books for the Russellville School System for 21 years, along with keeping the books for the office.

By Mary H. Vance

WILL D. VANCE JR.

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WILL D. VANCE, JR.

William David Vance Jr. was born on July 30, 1877 in Conway County, just north of Plumerville. He was the son of William David and Mary Frances (Brigham) Vance. His paternal grandfather, Walter Johnson Vance, was a native of Tennessee and came to Conway County at an early date, being among the pioneer farm families of the area. Will came to Pope County with his parents in November of 1883.

After completing his education, which was acquired in the public schools, he engaged in farming and taught school for four years. In Russellville he worked for the New York Racket Store, owned by J.A. Clifton, and served as a clerk and bookkeeper. In 1909 he entered the Abstract business under the name of Simpson and Vance Abstract Co. After a couple of years he bought out Mr. Simpson and it was known as the Will D. Vance Abstract Co. for many years, until his death in January of 1957.

Will was married twice. In 1903 he married Miss May Burris of Pope County, who died in 1905, leaving one son William B. In 1917 he married Mary Duty Harden, who was born in Mississippi. They had one son, Alfred Crawford Vance, who now owns and operates the



HOME OF WILL D. VANCE, JR., RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.

Vance Abstract Company.

Will was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, serving as a secretary for one year. Later he was a member of the Rotary Club. Also being in the Regimental Band of Russellville, Secretary of the Church Board for the First Methodist Church of Russellville in 1928 during the time the present church building was being built. Serving on the Russellville School Board for many years, he served as Sec-Treas, having to do all of the paying of the teachers, school employees, and operating expenses for the school. In the early 1930's he served on the Pope County Relief Commission, along with J.A. (Jim) Clifton, a grocer, and Quince Hill, the County Judge.

He was a graduate of the Little Rock Commercial College, finishing on August 29, 1902. He passed the Arkansas Bar Exam in 1935, but was never a practicing Attorney.

by David L. Vance

WILLIAM DAVID VANCE SR.

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In the latter part of November, 1883, William David Vance Sr. and his wife Mary Frances Brigance Vance brought their four children to Pope County, Arkansas from neighboring Conway County. William was born on May 1, 1854, in Lewisburg, Arkansas, and died December 9, 1937. He was the son of Walter Johnson Vance (1823-1874) and Jane Plunkett (d1869), his second of three wives. Mary was born December 14, 1854, in Hattisburg, Arkansas and died January 19, 1944. She was the daughter of John Brigance and Margie Clingman, all of Conway County. William and Mary were married on April 5, 1874, and to them were born eleven children. On coming to Pope County they first lived with John Clingman, a brother to Mary's mother. William was a farmer and carpenter by trade, and he helped in the construction of the original buildings at what is now Arkansas Tech University. They lived north of town for many years before moving into town and living at the corner of North Arkansas Ave. and East K Street in Russellville.

Their oldest child, George Washington was born on July 25, 1875, and married Ida M.



VANCE FAMILY — L. to R.: Holden, William David, Sr., Margie, John, Mary Frances and Pearl.

Linam on Febraury 16, 1902. To them were born five children, twins Roy and Coy in 1903. Coy died of the flu and Pneumonia in January of 1919 and Roy drowned in the Arkansas River, near Lewisburg, with his father on July 27, 1921. Mary Ida was born August 24, 1905, and taught school in Russellville until she died on November 11, 1938. She had never married. May was born August 20, 1907, and married William Herbert Lewis on July 16, 1938, and they moved to Greenwood, Arkansas, where they have one daughter and four grandchildren. Lillian, their fifth child, was born May 19, 1910, and died May 31, 1911. She is buried in the Linam family lot in the cemetery at Dover.



The W. D. Vance, Sr. Home on N. Ark. Ave., Russellville, Ark.

The second oldest child was William David Jr. who was born on July 30, 1877. He married May Burriss on September 16, 1903, and they had one son William B. Vance. May died in the fall of 1905. On April 12, 1917, he remarried, this time to Mary Duty Harden. To them was born one son, Alfred C. Vance on April 8, 1920. William D. Jr. died on January 18, 1957.

The third child was Samuel Hiron Dyton. He was born December 18, 1879, and died on April 9, 1900. The fourth child was called Sissy and she was born on November 6, 1881, and died about a month later, December 11, 1881. The fifth child was Carrie Frances, born December 14, 1882, and she lived until December 8, 1899.

The sixth child was Margie Jane, born December 18, 1884, and was the first child born after the family moved to Pope County. She out lived all other brothers and sisters and lived to be the oldest of any of them. She married Louis A. Messenger upon retirement from the Russellville Credit Bureau. She compiled the Russellville City Directory and the State Directory for many years and was the first woman to be elected Pope County Treasurer. She died on Febraury 3, 1978.

The seventh child was Gertie May, born December 6, 1886, and died on October 18, 1899. The next child was Henry Holden, born Febraury 12, 1891. He served in World War I, and later worked as a veterans service officer. He helped organize and manage the first American Legion baseball team in Russellville, and was a charter member of Riggs-Hamilton Post 20 to the American Legion. He married Louise Howard on November 21, 1925, and they had one son, Henry Joe and two grandsons. Holden died on March 8, 1972.

The nineth child was Pearl, born April 5, 1893. She married Forrest Richardson and

moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma where he became a leading jeweler. She died November 10, 1933. They had no children.

The tenth child was John Walter, born January 8, 1895, was the youngest child to live to be grown. John married Mabel Howell on January 10, 1920, and they had two children, John Laboren and Lottie Frances. John died April 16, 1965. The eleventh and last child was Ola Myrtle who lived from April 9 to May 19 of 1897.

by David L. Vance

HISTORY OF THE ROBERT LEE VEST SR. FAMILY OF ATKINS

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James Henry Buchanan Vest (Dec. 24, 1857 - Aug. 18, 1932) and Virginia Elizabeth Goodwin Huff (Aug. 15, 1862 - March 10, 1904), my paternal grandparents, were married September 20, 1877 in Izard County, Arkansas by the County Judge Shaw. They farmed in Jumbo, Arkansas, and the surrounding area until 1897, when the family including ten children moved to Carden Bottoms. They came to Old Galla Rock in 1901 and purchased the farm now owned by Robert Lee Vest Jr. Their youngest child was born there. The family moved to Atkins in 1903, and lived in a house located on the hill in southwest Atkins, at the southeast corner of the property owned at that time by Benjamin Woodberry Lynch.

The names, birth and death dates of the eleven children are as follows: James Thomas, June 23, 1878 - March 20, 1953; Robert Lee Dec. 20, 1879 - Dec. 23, 1964; William Franklin Jan. 25, 1882 - Nov. 26, 1926; Delaney Rosella Feb. 10, 1884 - Oct. 29, 1954; Safroney Alberta March 3, 1886 - March 12, 1904; Henry Samson July 16, 1888 - Sept. 16, 1906; Albert Jackson May 28, 1891 - March 8, 1904; Alex Oakland March 10, 1893 - Still living in Russellville nursing home; Martha Ann April 26, 1895 - Sept. 18, 1904; Nancy Ann Aug. 24, 1897 - Sept. 18, 1904; Otis Oliver May 22, 1901 - Oct. 21, 1960.

The family members had very little formal education. My father learned his ABC's, and to read, from newspapers on the walls. When he was very young, pine knots were used as a source of light at night. He completed the fourth grade in school, and worked to help support the large family. All members of the family were above average in intelligence, and were well-read in adult life.

Grandma spun thread, wove cloth, and made clothing for the family until the children were grown. Papa bought his first factory-made suit when he was eighteen.

Tragedy struck the family in 1904. Grandma, Safroney, and Albert died within one week with the measles. Martha and Nancy drowned the following September, when Grandpa attempted to cross Isabel Creek after a heavy rain. He was enroute by wagon to Izard County to leave the three youngest children with relatives. He drove into the swollen creek, not knowing that the



Identification of Robert Lee Vest, Sr. Family group. Standing back row: Robert Lee, Jr., Forrest, Leona Virginia, Rayburn, Pearl, Raymond, Elmer. Front row: Flora Elizabeth, Mrs. Vest (Ruthie Alice Lynch) Mr. Vest (Robert Lee, Sr.) and Irma Ellen.

bridge had been washed away by the flooding waters. He rescued Otis, but was unable to save the two girls. In 1906 another son, Henry died with complications from the measles. All are buried in the Atkins cemetery.

Grandpa Vest sold the 160-acre bottom farm, jointly to his two oldest sons, James Thomas, and Robert Lee. The land was later divided with Robert Lee, my father, receiving

the south 75 acres. Grandpa moved to Norfolk, Arkansas, and married Martha Eskew. He spent his remaining years in Norfolk, where he is buried.

The rest of the family stayed in Atkins, until after they were married and rearing their children. Papa, called "Bob," and William, known as "Uncle Bill," were the only children who remained in Atkins the rest of their lives.

Robert Lee was married February 10,

1907, to Ruthie Alice Lynch (Feb. 9, 1885 - May 8, 1967) daughter of Benjamin Woodberry Lynch and his first wife, Ellen Elizabeth Jones Lynch, my maternal grandparents, of Atkins. Papa and Mamma started their life together in the log house on the Will Lynch farm, now owned by his daughter, Ruby Lynch Richardson. They moved in 1908 to the Scott farm in the Atkins bottoms, where their first child, Elmer, was born.

Papa purchased, July 19, 1909, a forty-acre tract of land located southwest of Atkins. The house was situated on the old military or wire road which runs through the property. Papa moved from the Scott farm to this house, called by his heirs the "Old House," which is now over one hundred years old according to records. They lived in the "Old House" from 1909 to February of 1918, when they moved to a new house built by Papa, and known as "The Big House." Papa and Mamma lived on this land the rest of their lives. They continued to work the bottom farm where they grew cotton, corn, and some alfalfa, until they retired.

The nine children born to this union were as follows: Elmer b. Sept. 24, 1908 - Jan. 18, 1942, married Annie Cloninger, who lives at 6025 Dias Ave., Sacramento CA 95824; Irma Ellen b.- Jan. 14, 1910, married George Harold Hatcher, Rt. 2, Ashdown AR 71822; Pearl b.- Sept. 29, 1912, married Edward Mignon Austin, Atkins AR 72823; Rayburn, a twin, b.- Feb. 9, 1914, married Mary Alice Sweeden, 1657 S. Gordon St., Wichita KS 67213; Raymond, a twin b.- Feb. 9, 1914, married Amie Hill, Rt. 2, New Albay MS 38652; Leona Virginia b.- Oct. 5, 1916, married Rayburn Keener, 1204 Ave. 4 NE, Atkins AR 72823; Forrest b.- Feb. 27, 1918, married Elizabeth Marie Kocsis, 4466 Eastwood Drive, Swartz Creek MI 48743; Flora Elizabeth b.- Jan. 8, 1920, married Thomas B. Breckenridge, 525 Lakeside St., Lake Village AR 71653; Robert Lee Jr. b.- Sept. 24, 1922, married Beatrice Williams, 475 S. 11th St., Cottage Grove, Oregon.

Mamma received her formal education in the Atkins public school. She finished the seventh grade. Elmer and Irma Ellen attended the Fronabarger school in Bells Chapel until the fall of 1919 when they transferred to Atkins. All the other children completed their formal education in the Atkins system. Irma Ellen earned a Bachelor of Science degree in home economics, and a Master degree in General Home Economics from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville.

The extended family includes sixteen living and three deceased grandchildren; twenty great grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren. Two daughters, Pearl and Leona still live in Atkins; also one of Leona's daughters and her heirs reside in Atkins. The remainder of the offspring are scattered throughout the United States.

by Irma Ellen Vest Hatcher



James Henry Buchanan Vest Family. Back row: Safroney Alberta, Robert Lee, William Franklin, James Thomas, Delaney Rosella. Seated: Alex Oakland, Albert Jackson, Martha Ann, Mr. Vest, Nancy Ann, Mrs. Vest, and Henry Samson.

JOSIAH VICK

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Josiah Vick, son of Samuel Vick, Sr., was



Mr. John T. Vick and sons, Raiph and Roy D. in 1908, at Vick's Carpenter shop behind his home on East Third St. Property now occupied by International Shoe Company.

born in Wilson County, Tennessee in 1804. He died in Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, 21 Aug. 1869. He married Mary Elizabeth Jackson in Wilson County, Tenn., and they moved to Arkansas in 1847-48. She was born 7 April 1820 and died of consumption 8 Feb. 1885. They had the following children: James; Henry Clay; Colonel; Joseph D. (Bud); Rubeca; Anderson; Wesley J.; Elizabeth; Harriet; Sarah Caldonia and Thomas J.

Joseph D. (Bud) Vick was born 2 March 1846, Wilson County, Tennessee and on March 12, 1868, he married Elizabeth Tate at Russellville, Arkansas. He died 7 March 1891. Mr. Vick was a sawmiller and had run mills in all parts of the county. He was in Griffin Township, at Cagle's Mill, on Linker Mountain and at Mill Creek. At one of his mills they had an explosion and two men were killed. In 1891, he was running a mill at Mill Creek, west of Russellville, when he had a difficulty with Grant Winn, and in the fight that followed, he was killed. Mrs. Vick was born in 1849 and died Dec. 28, 1928. Mr. and Mrs. Vick had the following children: John Thomas; Joseph H.; William W.; Lillie; James K.; Jess L.; Josh; Lydia; Elizabeth; and Jay D.

John Thomas Vick, born Jan. 1, 1869, Russellville, Arkansas, married Jennie Gamlin, Jan. 10, 1889, at Russellville and he died July 20, 1962. Mrs. Vick was born Aug. 26, 1868 and died July 17, 1914. John was a carpenter and helped build many of the finer and older homes in Russellville. He was also a foreman of the boy's dormitory when they built the 2nd District Agriculture School, which was later Arkansas Tech University. Mr. Vick had the distinction of being the only person to have witnessed the first and last passenger train to go through Russellville. He was only a lad when he saw the first passenger train in the 1870's and was nearing ninety when the last passenger train came through in 19 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Vick had eight children; Ruby Vick who married Jack Jackson of Van Buren and second, Iva Kem-brough; Cora Lee who married Clarence Farrior; Ralph married Vhanieta Jackson; Lela Fay, married Bill Wright and second Ernest Kirtley; Roy D. married Gailey Finnigan; Eva

Florence married Homer E. Hawkins; Joe Glenn born June 19, 1909 and died July 12, 1910; and Lois Manette Vick, born 23 March 1904.

Lois Manette Vick, married Ed Dacus and they were the parents of three sons and two daughters. Edward Horace Dacus, Jr., who married Marjorie Strickland. He was in the United States Marine Corps and was killed in service, March 31, 1943. Donald Madison Dacus married Pauline Nordin and he died Oct. 11, 1968. Alfred Eugene Dacus who married Marion Donaldson. Elenor Gay Dacus who married Kenneth W. Hichman. Lila Louise Dacus who married Charles Ray Morphis.

At one time, Mr. Vick owned the block where the International Shoe Factory is now located and had a carpenter shop behind his home.

by J.B. Lemley

SAMUEL VICK

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Based on research done in early Virginia and North Carolina, it seems the southern lineage of the Vick family originated with a Joseph of Wight County near the North Carolina line. Members of the second and third generation moved to sparsely settled areas in North Carolina thus leaving little record of themselves. Therefore, most proven Vick lines start in the latter half of the Eighteenth century.

Samuel Vick was born ca. 1784 in North Carolina. He moved to Wilson County, Tennessee between 1805 and 1808. There was a general migration of North Carolina settlers into eastern Tennessee during this period. Samuel married Drucilla Neil on March 27, 1809 in Wilson County.

Around 1845 Samuel, along with five of his sons, moved to Pope County. Three sons had married earlier in Wilson County; Josiah married Mary Jackson on February 5, 1836; Henry married Elizabeth Perry on December 11, 1841; and Samuel Jr. married Martha Wynne on May 20, 1842. The other two sons,

Robert and Alfred, married in Pope County. Robert married a Nancy ca. 1848, and Alfred married Carolina Timmons on March 12, 1848.

With the exception of Josiah, Samuel and all his sons settled in Griffin Township. Josiah settled in Clarke Township. All were farmers as were most of the settlers in the area.

Samuel and Drucilla died between 1850 and 1860 in Pope County. Henry died January 8, 1861; Josiah on August 21, 1869 and was buried in Shiloh Cemetery; Samuel Jr. on November 13, 1873; and Alfred on December 6, 1876. Robert apparently moved from Pope County after 1860.

Josiah, the ancestor of the writer of this history, was born ca. 1813 in Wilson County, Tennessee. He and Mary had fifteen children. Eleven survived to reach adulthood. Josiah farmed until his death in 1869. Mary, who was born on April 7, 1820 in Tennessee, died on February 8, 1885 and was buried in Shiloh Cemetery. Josiah's children were; James, who moved to Clark County; Henry Clay, born in 1843 and died in May of 1921 in Pope County; Colonel P. of whom there is no further record; Anderson who moved to Arkansas County; Wesley who married Martha Hearne in December of 1873; Thomas who never returned from the Army; Rebecca who married John Edwards in April of 1868; Elizabeth who married William Bartlett in August, 1873; Harriet who married Edgar Werry, August, 1877; and Sarah who married B.W. Berry on August 1, 1878.

The remaining son of Josiah, Joseph D. was the great-grandfather of this writer. Joseph was born March 2, 1846 in Wilson County, Tennessee, and died March 7, 1891 in Pope County. He married Elizabeth B. Tate on March 12, 1868. They made their home in Illinois Township. Joseph farmed for a few years, worked as a machinist, and finally owned a lumber mill near Linker Mountain. He and Elizabeth are buried in Shiloh Cemetery.

Joseph and Elizabeth had ten children; John Thomas, b. January 1, 1869 M. Jeannie Gamblin January 10, 1889; Joseph Henry b. May 2, 1870 m. Addie Everson October 10, 1900; William b. October 19, 1872 m. Lula Thompson on June 19, 1900; James b. March 11, 1877; Jesse b. March 11, 1879 m. Ertice Tyree Feb. 11, 1905; Joshua b. Jan. 4, 1884 m. Mamie Gideon Nov. 19, 1905; Jay D. b. April 29, 1886 m. Maida Gideon December 24, 1906; Lillie b. July 14, 1874 m. J.W. Albright March 23, 1891; Lydia b. October 9, 1881; and Lizzie b. May 14, 1889 m. Charles Taylor on June 10, 1908.

Some of the above children remained in Pope County. Some moved to Fort Smith, to Oklahoma, and my grandfather, Jay D., moved to North Little Rock around 1920.

by Richard Vick

JOHN CALVIN VIRDEN

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John Calvin Virden, born in Missouri about 1827 came to Pope County with his parents in 1840. On 24 Oct. 1860, John Calvin Virden

married Katherine Duvall of Yell County. On 30 Dec. 1865 a son, Calvin Thomas was born to this couple. Calvin Thomas was known in his adult life as "Spruce" Virden by his acquaintances and friends. On 8 Oct. 1885 Calvin T. Virden married Nancy E. Teague, the daughter of William and Amanda Teague. Nancy was b. 25 May 1869. "Spruce" and Nancy had ten children, seven living to be adults. Two of those children are still living; Jim, age 85 and Betty Bradley, age 78.

When two of their children were small, Calvin Thomas and Nancy went into Oklahoma by wagon and made a good crop. Calvin Thomas, or "Spruce" as he was called, had the misfortune of attending an Oklahoma "shivaree" where he got shot in the leg and the injury was such that his wife brought him back to Pope County by train. He lay for eight months without improvement, in fact, infection set up so that Dr. John Westerfield, Sr. and his son, Dr. John Westerfield, Jr. were called in and they sawed off the leg at the Virden home. This accident exhausted the resources of "Spruce" and Nancy making it necessary that relatives and friends take care of him. "Spruce" showed much resourcefulness when his leg healed by whittling out a peg leg and immediately going to work peddling groceries by the use of a wagon and team. After success in selling groceries and the accumulation of sufficient funds, he purchased a farm near Shady Grove cemetery on Pea Ridge, set out a large peach orchard, built a nice home and operated his farm. For a number of years "Spruce" served as a justice of peace and during that time performed many marriages. Later he sold his farm and purchased on on Gum Log where the soil was much better. This farm is still in the family and belongs to a grandson, Dewell Bradley. "Spruce" and Nancy belonged to the Methodist Church. Calvin Thomas Virden died in 1931 and Nancy Elizabeth died in 1961. They had six of their children are buried in Shiloh Cemetery on Pea Ridge.

by Mrs. A. J. Duvall

JESSIE WADE

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Jessie Wade was born near Chattanooga, Tennessee in the Mid-1800's. He married the former Nancy Hardin also of Chattanooga, Tenn. They moved to Ark. around 1898. They came by covered wagon. Jessie farmed in the summer and worked as a coal miner in the winter. To Jessie and Nancy Wade were born nine children. Enoch Wade, Eva Wade Slopes, Rena Wade Morris, Gracy Wade Miller, Mary Wade Griffith, Joe Wade, Tom Wade, Jim Wade, and Sally Wade Canada. All were born in Tennessee except Jim who was born in White County at Heber Springs, Ark. June 15, 1900. Three of the children are still living. Mary Griffith, Sally Canada, and Jim Wade. Jim lives in Russ. Ark. Jessie and Nancy's oldest son was Enoch.

Enoch Wade b. April 25, 1877 - July 14, 1954 was a coal miner, a restaurant operator, and a blacksmith. The last 30 years of his life

he operated a blacksmith shop in Atkins, Ark. He also was an old time fiddler. He was married to Cora Bell Davis and they had 8 children. Cora was born Jan. 1, 1883 and is still living and quite active at the age of 95.

Homer Wade b. Feb. 17, 1902 married Delma Thomlinson. He lives in Pottsville, Ark. and is the father of 16 children.

Abe Wade b. May 16, 1906 married Sabie Clark. Abe lives in Mulberry, Ark. and is the father of 2 children.

Mabel Wade Kimberline b. Sept. 11, 1908 married Lloyd Kimberline. Mabel lives in Maplewood, Louisiana and has 2 children.

Effie Wade Miller b. Feb. 13, 1911 married Nolan Miller b. Oct. 9, 1916. Effie lives in Russ. Ark. after having lived several years in California.

Carl Wade b. April 23, 1915 married Ora Lee Warren b. August 12, 1920. Carl lives in Russ. Ark. and works with the Human Service Center.

Gladys Wade Bennett b. Feb. 16, 1918 married John Fields b. Dec. 24, 1910 - June 24, 1954. They have three children. Marilyn Huffman of Fayetteville, Ark., mother of two. Johnny Carl Fields, of Atkins, Ark., father of three. Jeannette Steinberger of Virginia, mother of two. Gladys second husband is Earl Bennet b. May 27, 1913. They live in Russ. Ark.

Duard Wade b. April 25, 1923. Duard lives in Atkins, Ark. with his mother Cora. Their house is located where Enoch Wade's old blacksmith shop once stood. Duard works in the Atkins area. He is self-employed.

Emmett E. Wade b. Oct. 1, 1920. Born in Russ. Ark., and attended Atkins Public School and is a graduate of Ark-Tech. with a degree in bus. adm. Also attended Okla. State University, U of A Fayetteville and Little Rock, working toward a masters in counseling education. He served with the 8th A.F. during W.W. 2 being stationed near Cambridge, England for 2 years. During this time he was assigned as crew chief on B17 heavy bombers. In 1945 he married Atheleen Patterson b. Feb. 11, 1925. Atheleen is the daughter of H.D. and Etta Patterson whose parents and grandparents were pioneers of Pope County. Emmett is presently employed with the Russ. branch of the Ark. State Employment Security Division as Employment Service Supervisor. He has been a state employee for the past 26 years. Emmett and Atheleen have two sons. Michael (Mike) and Thomas (Tony) Wade. Mike b. July 19, 1946 attended Russ. public schools and is a graduate of Ark.-Tech. He is married to Elaine Turney b. July 3, 1946, of Quitman, Ark. Elaine is a graduate of Harding College at Searcy, Ark. They have two children Seth E. Wade and Amanda H. Wade. Tony b. July 4, 1949, also attended Russ. public school. He is married to Bettye Henson b. Dec. 6, 1948, of Cave Creek, Ark. and they are both graduates of Ark. Tech. in Russ. Ark. They have two daughters Angela Kelli and Teri Michelle. Mike and Tony are self-employed contractors for the Corps of Engineers and constructors of dwellings. Both families live in Russellville and attend the 5th and Greenwich Church of Christ.

by Carl Wade and Mrs. Tony Wade

ZACHARIAH WAIT

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Zachariah Wait was born in Alabama on September 13, 1821. He went to Mississippi as early as 1845. He was married to Rebecca Roberts and they had six children. They were Henry L., James Davis, Charles Baskerfield, Sallie E., Lydia R., and Mattie Louise. Henry died when he was about 20 months old. Zachariah served in the Civil War and was killed by bushwhackers in 1864. Sallie was the grandmother of Mickey Rooney who was born Joe Yule, Jr. Charles Baskerfield was the father of the late James Maurice Wait of Dover and Lola Wait Ross. Maurice was a U.S. Forest Service employee, a ranger and conservationist and was once Pope County surveyor. He served on the Selective Service board for many years. He was a veteran of the Spanish American War. James Davis went to fight in the Civil War, but was sent home when he was found to be much too young. He was born in 1849. He was married to Nancy Rebecca Selby in Mississippi. Her parents were Owen E. and Eliza Francis Selby. James Davis and Nancy were living in Yalabusha County in Mississippi in 1880 and had three children at that time. They were Minnie Ida, Mattie Elizabeth, and Charles Baskerfield. Some time between 1880 and 1882, James Davis brought his family to Pope County Arkansas from Tillatoba, Mississippi. After coming to Arkansas they had four more sons. They were James Richard, Coleman Carlisle, Zachariah Owen, and Rue Selby. Charles Baskerfield was married to Minnie Myrtle Eubanks and three of their daughters are still living in Pope County. They are Mattie Dale, Sue Vinson, and Mary Dell Karnes. Mattie Elizabeth was married to Rue E. Bonds, son of Hugh D. and Nancy L. Bonds and had one son-Rupert Bonds. Coleman was a lawyer in Russellville for several years. He married Cordelia Thompson and they had three children. Selby was one of the original football Wonder Boys at Arkansas Tech. He was president of the first graduating class of Tech in 1914. He married Ruth Lindsey and they had a son. Selby retired from the army with the rank of Captain having served in World Wars I and II. Minnie Ida was married to J.T. West in 1889. Owen was married to Grace Forehand. They had five children. They are Stanford Morgan, Grady, Nanka Louise, Jim B., and Peggy Jane. Stan lost his life while fighting for his country in the Korean conflict. He was a first Lt. and was awarded the Silver Star medal posthumously for gallantry in action. James Richard was married to Vesta Eakes, daughter of Squire Thomas and Emma Jane Coop Eakes. They had eight children. They are Granville, Charles Burl, James Murl, Robert Edward, O.K., William Richard, Ardella Vance, and Hallie Jane. James Richard had five other children by his second wife-Lenora Mears. They are: James Richard, Jr., Jack Clair, Jewell, Joann, and Mary Joyce. O.K. married Mary Ethel Mears. Their children are: Mrs. Joe (Frances Kay) Leavell, William Glen Wait, Mrs. Amos (Alice Ann) Hollis, Mrs. William N. (Mary Elizabeth) Robbins, Mrs. Jerry Don (Linda Lee) Turner. Ethel died



Front Row, L. to R.: Zachariah Owen Wait, Rue Selby Wait, Mattie Elizabeth Wait. West child, Minnie Ida Wait West, Coleman Carlisle Wait. Back Row, L. to R.: James Davis Wait, Nancy Rebecca Selby Wait, Charles Baskerfield Wait, James Richard Wait.

in 1969 and O.K. still lives on the old Wait place about a mile east of Dover. The house was built by Maurice Wait in 1913 which was the year O.K. was born. I, Alice Ann Hollis, live with my husband, Amos and our two sons, Rickey Glen and Randall Keith near Moreland on the place that once belonged to my husband's great grandparents, Hillary Columbus and Amanda Alice Sides Pigg.

The closest living relative of Zachariah Wait is a granddaughter, Mattie Leora Wait Ross who lives in Dover. However, there are hundreds of his relatives scattered all over the United States.

by Mrs. Amos Hollis

JOHN M. WALDO

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John M. Waldo, son of Nancy Cosley and David Waldo, and Elizabeth Matthews, daughter of Phoebe Kittrell and Enoch Matthews, were both born in 1852 and were married in 1868 at Taney County, Missouri. Here their oldest child, Melcenia Jane, was born on January 5, 1870. The family moved to Arkansas in 1871 and eventually settled on a farm in Martin Township of Pope County where Waldo Mountain is named for them. Three of John and Elizabeth Waldo's eight children reached adulthood and raised families in Pope County. Besides Melcenia who married Dan Page, there were Nancy who married W.E. Ragsdale and Minnie who married John Branch.

From 1887 when Melcenia and Dan Page were married, they lived close to the John M. Waldo family. Dan and Melcenia first lived near Waldo Mountain where their children, Nettie and John, were born. In 1896 they purchased an 80 acre farm in Allen Township where their children, Minnie, Charlie and Bert were born. John and Elizabeth Waldo purchased enough land from Dan and Melcenia

Page to build a house and mill and moved to Allen Township about 1900. They sold the mill to Scott Page, Dan's brother in 1907 and established a store in the Howard Community of Martin Township. Later John Waldo purchased the Grimmit Springs farm in the Ladd Community in front of Ladd Bluff. Dan and Melcenia Page sold their property in Allen Township to Tom Freeman in 1908 and purchased property near the Grimmit Springs farm where their youngest son, Dan, was born.

John M. Waldo died in 1912 after which the Dan Page family moved in with Elizabeth Waldo and took charge of the Grimmit Springs farm. In keeping with the custom of family responsibility falling to the oldest son, John Page worked the farm full time after he

married Eunice Ladd in 1919 and eventually took complete charge through a business arrangement with Elizabeth Waldo and after Melcenia Page died in 1933. Dan Page died at the Dover home of John and Eunice Page in 1935. Elizabeth Waldo died at the same place in 1941. John and Elizabeth Waldo and Dan and Melcenia Page are buried side by side at Owens Cemetery.

In 1978, John M. Waldo has seven living grandchildren. Three are John Alex Ragsdale of Missouri, Lige Ragsdale, and Charlie Ragsdale of Dover, all sons of Nancy Waldo and W.E. Ragsdale. Four are John W. Page of Dover, Minnie Page Newton of Conway, Bert L. Page of Russellville, and Dan W. Page of Mayflower, all children of Dan and Melcenia Page. John W. Page has repurchased from the Freeman estate most of the property in Allen Township owned by John Waldo and Dan Page. This property now serves as a tree farm and as an interest center for present and future descendants of John M. Waldo. The chimney from the Waldo homestead still stands. Remains from the Waldo Mill site can also be identified. Cenia Fields, daughter of Anna Page and Freddy Fields and granddaughter of Audra McAlister and Bert Page of Russellville is named for Melcenia Waldo. Daniel B. Page and John Page, sons of Jean Burnett and John M. Page and grandsons of Eunice Ladd and John W. Page of Dover are named for Dan Page and John M. Waldo.

by John M. Page

ANDREW WALLACE

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The 1860 census of Pope County, listed Andrew Wallace. We don't know how long he was there before Mr. Bullock compiled a book on the Wallace family. Andrew was born en-toute to America from Ireland. There was a violent storm and the captain was killed so



Front, L. to R.: Dan Page, Nettie Page Melcenia, Waldo Page, Nora Page, Jasper Waldo, John M. Waldo and Elizabeth Matthews Waldo. Back Row — Nancy Waldo, Christopher Waldo and Minnie Waldo. Made in 1893 or 1894.

Andrew was named for the Captain. James was Andrew's father.

Catherine Newman was Andrew's wife. Her father was Jonathan Newman of the John Newman's of England who emigrated to America in 1677. Jonathan was listed in the first census of S.C. in 1790.

Andrew Wallace was born May 29, 1791 and died Feb. 2, 1873. Catherine Newman was born Nov. 20, 1790, died July 27, 1872. Both lived to be 82 years of age and raised 10 children:

Elizabeth Wallace, born Sept. 3, 1811, married first to Drevry Joney who died Nov. 24, 1848 and she married John Howard.

James Wallace, born Feb. 20, 1814, died Aug. 22, 1858 (overheated in a hayfield.) He married Mary P. Goldsby, Dec. 28, 1835.

Jonathan N. Wallace, born May 13, 1816 died 1884, married Mary Ann Crawley Oct. 22, 1838.

Margaret Wallace (Peggy) born Feb. 24, 1819, married Silas Tompkins and second to Hardy Webb in May 1834 and he died July 28, 1836.

Robert C. Wallace, born July 8, 1821.

Mary Ann Wallace (Polly Ann), born March 11, 1824, died Feb. 28, 1856. She married William Jefferson Bullock, Dec. 4, 1842. Both are buried at Howard Cemetery. Came to Ark. from Weekley Co., Tenn.

Josiah Green Wallace, born Mar. 26, 1827, died Feb. 12, 1851, married Harriet V. Farmer, Sept. 24, 1850.

Sarah Jane Wallace, born Dec. 9, 1829, married Richard McCain, July 26, 1846.

William Washington Wallace, born Dec. 24, 1832, died Dec. 18, 1856. He was a school teacher and while walking home one night was murdered.

Great-grandfather Andrew Hampton Wallace (Andy), born May 17, 1838, died March 3, 1904. He married Mary Jane Mckee, May 10, 1863. She was born July 10, 1847. Both are buried at Howard Cemetery. They had nine children, three died, one during the Civil War and two are buried at Howard Cemetery.

George Washington Wallace born Nov. 29, 1866, married first to Minnie Angle, second to Rocksie Brown and third Josephine McGee Hickey. He had nine children by his first two marriages.

Wm. Archebald (Will) born July 7, 1869, never married.

Charles Robert (Bob) Wallace born Dec. 3, 18 married Margaret Looper and they had seven children. He is buried in California.

Grandpa Green Wallace, seventh son. (More later)

Catherine (Kattie) Wallace, born Nov. 29, 1878, died July 11, 1899 and is buried at Howard Cemetery. Never married.

Newman A. Wallace, born June 13, 1885, died July 29, 1927, married Gussie Casey.

Grandpa Green Wallace, born April 10, 1876, died Feb. 18, 1950. He married Louella Maupin, born June 7, 1885, died March 17, 1974. Both are buried at Howard Cemetery. They married Feb. 8, 1903, had five children:

Robert Laurence Wallace, born Nov. 12, 1903 died Jan. 5, 1961, married Kattie Alice Hickey, Dec. 21, 1922. She was born Jan. 29, 1903. He is buried at Conroe Memorial

Park in Texas. They had three children: Robert Houston Wallace, born in Pope Co. and married first, Betty June Kelley who died May 30, 1974, second Ann Brown. Helen Ruth Wallace, married first to Emmett Caplinger and second to Paul Nolan Jr. Betty Jane Wallace married Robert E. Mixon, Sr.

Myrtle Angeline Wallace; Mary Lou Green; William Amos Wallace; and Mildred Lois Wallace; all children of Green and Louella Wallace and are covered in another story.

My grandfather, Green Wallace owned and ran three sawmills at different times and places in Pope County. He could walk through a section of timber and estimate the number of feet of lumber it would make. He wore a big bushy mustache and in his younger days he had auburn red hair.

We lived in Texas and once a year we visited my relatives. They had wells that you drew water from with a bucket and a branch near the house we used to wade in.

My grandmother was very particular with her house and year. She was the youngest of ten children. Most of her family died from a fever when she was very young. She was raised by her mother's widowed sister, Harriett Adaline Cooper Ross in Pope County, Arkansas.

by Mrs. Betty Mixon

GEORGE W. WALLACE

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George W. Wallace was a son of Andrew Hampton Wallace, born on a ship at anchor off the Irish coast, 29 May 1791, was the son of Scotch parents on their way to America. The family settled in the Carolinas where Andrew in 1810 married Catherine Newman, born 20 Nov. 1790. Catherine was the daughter of an officer of the Continental Army. Andrew and Catherine moved to Kentucky where all of their children were born. Before 1860, Andrew H. Wallace with his wife, Catherine, the youngest son, Andrew Hampton, Jr. was born 17 May 1878, and the four children of his deceased son, James were living in Western Tennessee. By 1860 this family group had moved by wagon train to a place in north Pope County, Arkansas known as Three Knob Mountain. The 1870 census of Pope County lists Andrew and Catherine Wallace, both age 79, living with son, Andrew Hampton, Jr and his family. Jeremiah G. Wallace, age 19, one of four grandchildren who came to Pope County in 1860 in the company of his uncle and grandparents was reading law in the office of A.J. Bayless, a Dover Attorney. Jeremiah Green Wallace was later to be Circuit Judge in the Russellville area. Catherine Newman Wallace died 27 July 1872, and Andrew H. Wallace, Sr died 2 Feb. 1873. Both are buried in unmarked graves in Howard Cemetery near the base of Three Knob Mountain. Their son, Andrew Hampton Wallace, who died 8 March 1904 is buried in the same cemetery and has a marker at the site of his grave.

Andrew H. Wallace, Jr married Mary Jane McKee 10 May 1863. They were said to have had eight children. The Pope County census

of 1880 lists five of them. My father, George W. Wallace, born 29 Nov. 1866, was the oldest child of Andrew H. Wallace and Mary Jane McKee Wallace. George W. Wallace was first married to Minnie F. Angle 24 Dec. 1888 and they had eight children. In 1911 he married Roxie Ann Brown. The three children of the latter marriage were: Marion, born 16 Nov. 1912; Lonnie W., born 8 Jan. 1915; and the writer, Obie Mae, born 9 Feb. 1920. I, (Obie Mae Wallace) married George Edd Sayer and we had four children who were: Edward L., born 17 Oct. 1938; Anna Mae, born 6 Apr. 1941, died in infancy; Harold D., born 19 Nov. 1942; and Roger D., born 5 Feb. 1956.

by Obie Mae Sayer

GREEN WALLACE

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GREEN WALLACE

Green Wallace, born 10 Apr. 1876 in Pope County, was the son of Andrew Hampton Wallace, Jr. and the grandson of Andrew Wallace, Sr. The Wallace family left west Tennessee early in 1860 and had arrived into north Pope County by the summer of 1860. Andrew Wallace, Sr. was born on board a ship off the coast of Scotland in 1791.

Andrew Wallace, Sr., at the age of 19 married Catherine Newman, a red-haired girl, born in South Carolina 20 Nov. 1790 to the family of Jonathan Newman, probably a descendant of the John Newman who came from England to Virginia in 1635. Catherine and Andrew moved to Ky. shortly after their marriage and remained there for a period of time before moving to west Tennessee.

It was a most unusual situation that took place in western Tenn. in 1860. Andrew Wallace and his wife, Catherine, both approaching 70 years of age, gathered together the four sons of their deceased son, James, along with their son, Andrew Hampton, Jr., born 18 May 1838 and set out on a difficult journey to the northern part of Pope County.

The Civil War began shortly after Andrew Wallace, Sr. and his group arrived in Pope County. Andrew H. Wallace, Jr., along with his nephew, Amos Bullock, both became members of Co. A, Gordon's regiment and took part in the Battle of Wilson Creek as well as the Battle of Pea Ridge. In the Battle of Pea

Ridge, Andrew Hampton Wallace was shot in the knee and had an opportunity to return home for recovery. His hesitation about going home and leaving his unit earned for him the nickname of "Standard of Honesty." At another time while his unit was without food, Andrew H. Wallace stole a pitcher of milk from a spring house and shared it with his fellow soldiers. Quoting Amos Bullock, "This was the only theft of Uncle Andy's life."

Andrew H. Wallace, Jr. married Mary Jane McKee 10 May 1863. Their children were; George W. Wallace, born 29 Nov 1866; William A. Wallace, born 7 July 1867; Charles R. Wallace, born 3 Dec. 1872; Green Wallace, born 10 Apr. 1876; Catherine Wallace, born 29 Nov. 1878; and Newman A. Wallace, born 13 June 1885.

Green Wallace, a farmer and saw mill operator, married Louella Cooper Maupin, 8 Feb. 1903. They resided on a farm on "Wallace Ridge" north of Dover where Green died 18 Feb. 1950. Louella died 17 Mar. 1974. The children of Green and Louella Wallace were; Lawrence, born 12 Nov 1903, married Kattie Hickey; Myrtle Wallace, born 9 Aug. 1908, married Bob Wooten, later married Calvin Jone; Mary Lou Wallace, born 31 Aug. 1915, married Fred A. Jones; William Amos Wallace, born 21 July 1918, died 29 Apr. 1972. Mildred Lois Wallace, born 5 Jan. 1924, married William Love Linton, Sr. 3 Nov 1941 in Montensanto, Washington. The two children of this marriage are: Linda Linton Miller, with one daughter, Brittney Lynn Miller, and William Love Linton, Jr. with wife, Dale Bull Linton and children: Deborah, Billy, III, and Russell Dale Linton.

by Mildred Wallace Linton

NEWMAN AMOS WALLACE

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Newman Amos Wallace, born 13 June 1885 in Pope County, was the youngest son of Andrew H. Wallace, Jr. and Mary Jane McKee Wallace. Newman's father and grandfather came to Pope Co. from Tennessee in 1860. The grandfather was born in Ireland in 1791 and came to North Car. while very young. The early Wallaces settled near Three Knob Mountain north of Dover and buried dead in the Booger Hollow cemetery at the base of the Mountain.

Newman Amos Wallace married Gussie Casey, the daughter of William Thomas and Lou Angeline Ketchum Casey. The first child of Newman and Gussie was Jessie Thelma, born 25 June 1911, married 1st time to her cousin, Perry Wallace and 2nd time 25 Apr. 1945 married Tommy Raymond Hendrix. Tom R. Hendrix was born 16 Oct. 1913 and was the son of Charles Andrew and Nettie Caroline Hendrix.

The second, or possibly the 3rd child of Newman and Gussie was William Andrew Wallace, born 13 Aug. 1916 and died 23 July 1924. He is buried at Booger Hollow cemetery.

Raymond Taylor Wallace, born 17 Oct 1917, the 4th child of Newman and Gussie, married Elsie Elizabeth Epps 28 July 1935.

Elsie was born 2 Apr. 1917. The children of Raymond and Elsie were: Diana Rae, born 25 July 1937; Larry Wayne, born 24 Aug. 1942; Sharon Kay, born 28 Dec. 1945; and Raymond Newman, born 24 Mar 1949.

Diana Rae Wallace married Kenneth G. Tice, 7 May 1953 and their three children are: David Kenneth, born 11 June 1955; Cheryl Lynn, born 17 Nov. 1956; and Laurie Rae, born 11 May 1961. Daughter, Cheryl Lynn, married William Lawrence Faust II and the Faust sons are: Jeremy Christopher, born 25 Feb. 1975 and William Lawrence Faust III, born 6 July 1977.

Larry Wayne Wallace married Carol Ann Scarpellins on 14 June 1945 and their children are: Keith Wayne, born 10 June 1964; Cendy Elizabeth, born 24 Mar. 1966; and Hope Ann, born 7 Dec. 1970.

Sharon Kay Wallace married Peter Alan and they have a daughter, Stephanie Chyline Wright, born 7 Dec. 1967.

Raymond Newman Wallace married Vickey Grand and they have one son, Harley Newman, born 27 Nov. 1974.

Armand Newman Wallace, born 27 Feb. 1920, the 5th child of Newman and Gussie, married Phyllis Marie Champlin 16 Oct. 1942. Their two children are: Norma Alene, born 12 Mar. 1944; and David Armand, born 11 July 1953. Norma Alene married Anthony Joseph Angelo 20 Sept. 1963 and the two Angelo children are: Todd Bruce, born 29 Jan. 1966 and Stacey Leeann, born 25 Apr. 1967. The Angelos were divorced in 1975.

Louis Vernon Wallace, the youngest son of Newman and Gussie Wallace, born 4 July 1922, married Elsie Leota Wood 17 May 1941. Their three children were: Duane Malcolm, born 23 Dec. 1945; Darryl Michael, born 17 Oct. 1948; and Kathleen Ann born 29 May 1954.

Duane M. Wallace married Sandra Lee Waggoner 9 Jan 1965. Their children were: Kevin Leslie, born 2 Feb 1967; and Sherrie Lynn, born 21 Oct. 1969. The latter died 29 Apr. 1972. Duane M. and Sandra Lee were divorced 12 Nov. 1976.

Darryl M. Wallace married Stella Louise Walker 2 Oct. 1976 and adopted her two sons 23 Dec. 1977. Those sons are: Michael James, born 21 June 1970; and Philip Wayne, born 7 July 1971. Kathleen Ann, the 3rd child of Louis Vernon, married Ronald Wayne Mineo 29 Jun 1974.

by Jessie Hendrick and Elsie Wallace

NORA ELLEN WALLACE

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Nora Ellen Wallace, born 1 July 1913 in Pope County was the seventh child of Charles Robert Wallace, born 3 Dec. 1871, and Mary Margaret Partridge, born 2 May 1875, both in Pope County. Nora Ellen Wallace was the granddaughter of Andrew H. Wallace who came to Pope Co. from Tennessee in 1860. Those children of Charles Robert and Mary Margaret Partridge Wallace, other than Nora Ellen were: John Edward, born 19 Nov. 1896; James Andrew, born 2 Aug. 1900; Chester

born 1902 and died in early childhood; Robert Amos, born 25 Dec. 1904; William Quinn, born 5 July 1907; Perry A., born 28 Oct. 1909; and George Alton, born 7 Aug. 1915. Mary Margaret Wallace died in 1940 and Charles Robert died in 1948. Both are buried in Rosemead, Calif.

Edward Wallace, the oldest son of Charles Robert, married Willie Mae Divine of Dover 28 Nov. 1923. Edward was a veteran of World War I. He died in Westminster, Calif. in 1946 and was survived by his wife and nine children, all now living in Calif.

James Andrew Wallace married Laura Mae Berry of Dover 20 Nov. 1923. She was the daughter of Scott and Louise Berry. Their son died in infancy but there are two daughters, Velma Louise and Sherley Jean. James Andrew and Laura live in Hilmar, Calif.

Robert Amos Wallace married Hazel Mae Hillyard. Their two daughters were: Roberta and Gloria. Robert and Hazel reside at South Gate, Calif.

William Quinn married Dorthy Mae Homel and they adopted a son given the same name as his foster father. They reside in South Gate, Calif.

Perry A. Wallace married Jessie Wallace, the daughter of Newman Wallace. Perry and Jessie were later divorced and both remarried. Perry was a veteran of WWII. He died leaving no children.

George Alton and wife, Pauline Wallace had two children; Harold and Susan. Harold now lives at Tulare, Calif.

Nora Ellen Wallace and Ben Hill, the son of William and Polly Hill of Cleveland County, Okla., were married 20 Oct. 1928 at Norman, Okla. The children of Ben and Nora Ellen Wallace Hill are: Donald Wayne, born 8 Nov. 1929; Kenneth Ray, born 4 May 1935; Vernon Edward, born 29 July 1938; Lanora Evyonne, born 12 May 1952; and David Allen Hill, born 17 Oct. 1954. Ben and Nora Wallace Hill live in Los Angeles County, Calif. and plan to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on 20 Oct 1978. All of the children of Ben and Nora Ellen Wallace Hill reside in the state of California.

This Wallace family group are direct descendants of the Andrew H. Wallace who was born in 1791 on a ship off the coast of Ireland, later coming to America and marrying Catherine Newman who was born 20 Nov. 1790. Andrew H. and Catherine Newman, as well as other early members of the Wallace family are buried in Booger Hollow cemetery seven miles north of Dover.

by Nora Ellen Wallace

GEORGE W. WALKER FAMILY HISTORY

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George W. Walker was born in Fayetteville, Jackson County, Tennessee, January 19th, 1843. At the age of 5 years he moved to Arkansas with his parents, who settled at Benton in Saline County.

At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted in the 11th Arkansas Infantry and took part in



THE WALKER FAMILY about 1897. Front: Janey Foster, George Washington, Jane Eliza, Laura. Second: Susan, Mary Elizabeth, Mabin, Robert and wife Ada.

several battles. At the battle of Island No. 10 he was captured and carried to Ft. Douglass in Chicago, Illinois and was imprisoned for 18 months. He was released and returned to the South in time to take part in the battle of Shiloh, and later in the battle of Cornith. He was granted an honorable discharge on May 13, 1865.

He came to Russellville in 1870. Before leaving Benton he united with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and upon moving here he placed his membership with the Shiloh congregation. Later when a Cumberland Presbyterian Church was established in Russellville, he transferred his membership to that congregation and was made a ruling elder until the time of his death.

On October 20, 1870, he was married to Jane Eliza Williamson, daughter of David Foster and Mary Wilson Howell Williamson, early settlers of the Shiloh Community north of Russellville. To this union was born seven children, one of which died in infancy. The children were Mabine Amasa Walker, born in 1871, Robert Wilson Walker, born 1873, Janey Foster Walker (Wilson), born 1875, Mary Elizabeth Walker (Vore), born 1877, Susan Walker (Dodson), born 1880, Laura Walker, (Rose) born 1883.

He was a carpenter by trade and built many of the early homes in Russellville of which several are still standing, such as the Judge R.B. Wilson home and the former Charlie Howell residence. The home he built for his family is still standing on West Main Street now owned by Mrs. Okla Baird.

In later years, he was familiarly called Uncle George and lived a consecrated christian life. He died at his home, April 27, 1926, after a lingering illness. He was survived by wife, Jane Eliza and six children.

Jan Eliza loved to tell tales to her grandchildren of the Civil War and of the time as a young lady, before marrying, the carpetbaggers raided their farm north of Russellville.

A popular tale with the family about Aunt "Liza", as she was later called, was she could

be sick 6 days a week, but always able to attend the Ladies Aid Society which met every Tuesday.

She died January 13, 1929 at the age of 82. Her entire life was spent in and around Russellville.

by Norma Rollins

WALTHALL — LAWS

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Euel Frank Walthall was born near Conway, Arkansas in 1883 to Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Walthall. He was one of six children. His home in Conway is on Harkrider Street across from the Catholic school and was constructed

of homemade brick, made on the premises. It is now a tourist home. Euel attended Central College, carrying buttermilk daily for his tuition. He also attended the St. Louis School of Pharmacy.

He and his brother, Burr, owned a drug store in Conway until Euel answered the call of adventure and went to Indian Nation, now Oklahoma. He worked in a drug store there, finally owning his own store in the days when druggists also served as embalmers and diamond merchants, among other things. He also owned a livery stable and had the first Ford car in the town of Checotah. This car was used as a taxi. He married Elizabeth Delelah Whaley in 1908 and they had one child, Bobbye Yvonne.

Elizabeth Whaley was born in Checotah in 1890, the daughter of Rufus Morgan Whaley, a U.S. Marshall and landowner, and Rebecca Scott (always called Bobbie). Rebecca had a strain (5/16) of Creek Indian blood and was descended from Capt. William McIntosh, her grandfather, who married a full blood Indian wife. Capt. McIntosh signed the treaty with the U.S. government giving the Indians land in Oklahoma. He and his descendents figure greatly in the history of Oklahoma, McIntosh County being named for him. His grandson Alex McIntosh, who took as a cagnormen for his art "Acie Blue Eagle", was one of the outstanding Indian artists of America, his masterouece being "The Buffalo Hunt."

In 1918 the Euel Walthalls moved to Russellville, Arkansas where he was partner with his brother Burr in the Ford dealership. He bought out his brother's interest in a few years and remained in the Ford business until his death in 1943. He was an outstanding businessman and property owner, a director of the then Peoples Exchange Bank, and his pictures hang today in the Presidents' Rooms of the First Federal Savings and Loan and the



Euel Walthall in his T Model Ford at Checotah, Okla. before he came to Russellville as Ford Agent.

Russellville Chamber of Commerce. Elizabeth (known as Beth) preceeded him in death by 13 months, in 1941.

Bobbie Walthall attended Hendrix College and in her freshman year met her future husband, Ike Allen Laws, the son of Mr. & Mrs. M.M. Laws of Pine Bluff. Ike finished Hendrix in 1928 and Bobbye graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1929 and they were married August 14 of that year. Mr. Laws coached athletics and taught for 14 years, during which time he received his Masters degree at Peabody College. They were the parents of two children, Ike Allen Laws Jr. and Mary Beth Laws.

After Mr. Walthall's death they returned to Russellville in 1943 to care for the family interests. Ike owned and operated a dairy farm and for 35 years was a Director of The Peoples Bank & Trust Co. and nearly as long was a Director of First Federal Savings & Loan, of which he was 1st Vice President at the time of his death. He served many years on the Pope County Equilization Board, was a Methodist, and a charter member of the Arkansas Hall of Fame. He died January 21, 1976 and is survived by his wife Bobbye and his two children.

Ike Allen Laws Jr. is an attorney in Russellville, having graduated from the University of Arkansas. He married Joyce Richardson from Lepanto, Arkansas and they were the parents of three children: Ike Allen III, Hugh Richardson Laws and Margo Laws. Beth Laws graduated from the University of Arkansas and Lives in Russellville. She married Wylie Culbertson of South Carolina and they had three children, Lane Joseph, Richard Edward and Amy Culbertson.

by Mrs. Bobbye Walthall Laws

REVEREND CEPHAS WASHBURN

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Cephas Washburn arrived in what is now Pope County, Arkansas in 1820 as a missionary to the Cherokee Indians. Rev. Washburn established a mission on the west bank of the Illinois Bayou and gave it the name of "Dwight Mission".

History records the value of the ministry of Rev. Washburn in that the mission he established at Dwight also produced the following firsts in Pope County: blacksmith shop, grist mill, school, doctor's clinic, post office (Washburn as first Postmaster) and the site of the first Christian burial, all located within the mission on the Illinois Bayou.

Cephas Washburn was born July 25, 1793 at Randolph, Vermont and died March 17, 1869 at Little Rock, Arkansas. He is buried in Mt. Holly Cemetery, Little Rock. He married Abigail Woodward on October 6, 1818. She was born August 22, 1797 at Randolph, Vermont and died in Pope County, Arkansas August 19, 1879. She is buried at the Washburn Cemetery near Norristown.

Rev. Washburn was educated at Vermont's Burlington College. He was a Congregational minister and was sent out by the Philadelphia Board of Missions. Dwight Mission became a

complete village enterprise where dormitory students as well as daytime students were taught. The boys were taught fundamentals of raising crops, caring for livestock and blacksmithing. The girls were taught homemaking tasks such as bedmaking, cleaning, making candles and soap, along with basic hygiene. Bible study was the backbone of the school program. Adults as well as children came to the Sabbath services.

Cephas road horseback to perform marriages, take care of illnesses and accidents among the Cherokees. Although he was not a trained medical man, perhaps he had learned something from his brother, Hercules, who was a doctor; any basic hygiene was helpful to the people.

Abigail Woodward Washburn was 22 years old when they arrived at Dwight Mission site — a girl from a sheltered, cultured background. As a homemaker, Abigail's time was occupied in caring for babies and running the household in addition to supervising the boarding school facilities. As their children grew she and Cephas tutored them at home; therefore, they also had excellent educations for that day. As they grew older, they assisted as instructors at Dwight Mission School and at other Indian schools.

As the Indians were pushed westward the Washburn family moved to eastern Oklahoma where Cephas opened New Dwight Mission in 1828. The family moved to Benton County, Arkansas in 1840 where he established a church and taught school. He was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Fort Smith in the early 1850's when he became connected with the Arkansas Presbytery.

In 1855 Cephas bought 80 acres of land at Norristown and built a home. He organized a church at Dardanelle and Gallay Rock. He spent the last year of his life as an Evangelist under the Synold of Arkansas.

The old home place at Norristown along the Arkansas River served as a headquarters for the family — wives, children and grandchildren — during the Civil War.

Abigail M. Washburn was born at Dwight Mission, now Pope County, on January 25, 1827 and died January 18, 1881. She is buried in the Washburn Cemetery near Norristown. She married Edley H. Langford on September 28, 1858 in a ceremony performed by Cephas at Norristown. Edley was born January 31, 1820 in Alabama and came with his parents to the Arkansas Territory about 1829. He was a Confederate soldier and was killed during the Civil War. The family has a land grant signed by President Buchanan for 160 acres of land to Edley H. Langford on January 15, 1858.

Abigail Washburn Langford was the only child of Cephas and Abigail Washburn whose descendants are still living in Pope County and in Arkansas. They had three girls; only one left heirs. Abigail Washburn and Edley H. Langford's children were born at Norristown:

Ella Corinne Langford (twin) born at Norristown February 2, 1862. Married Charles W. Dodd February 15, 1882. He died March 30, 1933; she died August 14, 1934. Both are buried in Russellville. An article about C.W. Dodd is also in this book and lists their heirs.

Edward Payson Washburn born November 17, 1831 died March 26, 1860 at Little Rock, buried in Mt. Holly Cemetery. He was an artist, painted the "Arkansas Traveler" and portraits of his parents, himself and others. He lived at Norristown.

In 1957 the heirs of the late C.W. and Ella Langford Dodd gave the Washburn Collection to the Arkansas History Commission. The collection includes paintings, pictures, manuscripts, newspapers, clippings, scrapbooks, books and miscellaneous items.

The heirs of the Washburns who live in Oklahoma have given to the Oklahoma History Commission.

Material from: "Reminiscences of Indians" by Cephas Washburn and "Washburn & Family Lineage Booklet #3" by Vara Tidwell Dodd and Emily Holmes Vowell

by Ella Henry Hatchett

BURTON ALLEN WEBB

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Burton Allen Webb, was a grandson of Meredith B. Webb, who was born Nov. 16, 1772, and died in 1845. He was married to Elizabeth Hasley, in Virginia and their first two children were born in Tenn., the next four in Shelby Co., Ky. Meredith sold his land in Kentucky and purchased land in 1807 in Maury Co., Tenn. and here nine more children were born and one, Milton, died.

Meredith B. Webb sold his land in Tenn., in 1828 and came to Arkansas at the age of 55 to build a new home and help build a new state. In 1830 there were 27 persons in his household, including nine slaves. This family was of Scots Presbyterian Faith, which believed in the philosophy of personal industry and above all, education of their children. The Webbs took active part in the community in which they lived. Josiah H. Shinn in his book "Pioneers and Makers of Arkansas" says Meredith B. Webb helped found the Presbyterian Church at Shiloh near Williamson Camp Grounds in Pope County, Ark."

Meredith and Elizabeth were the parents of fifteen children, the fourth child being Meredith B. Webb, Jr. Meredith Jr., was born September 7, 1800, in Kentucky and married Sara Johnson. Their children in 1850 were: (all born in Ark.) Burton Allen Webb, 16; Monroe, 14; Martha and Walker, twins, 12; Tememtia Webb, 7, who married Dilliard Burke; Christina, 4; Sarah Webb, 1. There may have been older children of whom there is no record.

Burton Allen Webb, born in Arkansas in 1834, married Elizabeth Lemley, daughter of Ephraim Lemley, in Pope County, Ark., Nov. 11, 1855. Burton Allen Webb was in Co., A, 17th Ark. Regt. in the Civil War. He enlisted at Liberty, Ouchita Co., Ark., and was inducted at Fort Smith. His regiment was hit with an epidemic of measles; later lost more men when a steamer transporting them down White River hit a log and sank; it was at this time that Burton Allen Webb lost his life. Children of Burton A. Webb and Elizabeth Lemley Webb: Margaret Webb, married John Story, Feb. 19, 1874 in Pope County and their chil-

dren were: Rose, Edie, Charlie, Elbert and John. Rhoda Webb, married Tom Story and they had seven children. They were married March 9, 1873. Children: Dudley, Emma, Eva, Martha, Bert, Bill, and Tom. James Monroe Webb, married Mary Candace Price.

James Monroe Webb, born Sept. 4, 1861, married Dec. 28, 1879 to Mary Candace Price, born Oct. 14, 1861, daughter of Allen A. Price and his second wife, Frances Campbell, daughter of Alec Campbell and Julia Linton. James Monroe Webb, died March 10, 1903. Candace Price Webb died Aug. 10, 1922. Their children were: Roy and Ethel who died in infancy, then:

Fannie Webb, born in 1885, married Dr. J.M. Stanford and they had four children: Ruth, Cecile, Mildred, John M. Stanford II.

Bert Allen Webb, born August 28, 1887, married Effie Burris, born Sept. 14, 1891, daughter of William Mathew Burris, born Aug. 16, 1842, Lawrenceburg, Tenn. and wife Susan Rebecca Dalrymple, born Sept. 21, 1857, Alabama. Their children were: Dr. Lewis Webb of Dardanelle; Frances Webb; Dr. James Webb of Jonesboro, Ark.; Lois Webb of Memphis.

Dr. Floyd Webb, born Feb. 11, 1889, died May 1954, married Sara Bertha Eva and they had one child: Dr. Jack Webb of Blytheville, Ark. and they had two children: Jack Webb, Jr. and Mary Grace Webb.

James Thurman Webb, born May 18, 1892, died May 28, 1941, unmarried.

Dr. Grover Cleveland Webb, born Oct. 14, 1893, married first to Delena Mims and they had one son, James Mims who died young. He married second to Vera Smith and they had one daughter, Mary Jane Webb.

Lytle Edgar Webb, born Nov. 1894, married Jennie Langford and they had seven children: Roy; Ina; Marie; Margaret; Betty Jean; Virginia; and Aliene.

Dr. Bunyan Monroe Webb, born Feb. 16, 1903, married Cleo Anez Miller, daughter of Clytus Compton Miller and Fannie Folcom Hammond Miller. They live in Memphis, Tenn. Their children are:

Bunyan Monroe Webb, Jr., married Susan Spurbeck, daughter of Samuel Spurbeck of Potsdam, N.Y. They live in Nashville, Tenn. and have one daughter, Nadia.

James Thurman Webb, married Myrtie Jo Munger, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Munger of Lincoln, Nebraska; they live in Dayton, Ohio. They have adopted twins: Mary Margret and Amy Jo and have one child of their own, Patricia Ann.

by Mrs. Bunyan Webb

E.N. (EBB) WEBB

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E.N. (Ebb) Webb, a life-long resident of the Oakland Community north of Atkins, was born October 2, 1876, the son of Hampton M. and Mary P. Ford Marshall Webb. His father died the year he was born and was reared by his mother and stepfather, Arthur Shackelford. On November 19, 1895, he was married to Maud Elizabeth Sproles, the daughter of W.L. (Fate) and Betty Stevens

Sproles who had moved from Durant, Mississippi to the Oakland Community in 1881. E.N. Webb moved only once during his lifetime; that occasion being when he and his wife built a new home just across the road from the home where he was born and reared. Mr. Webb was a farmer. Ebb and Maud were the parents of three children: Raymond Hugh b. 1896, Mary Lila b. 1905. A daughter who lived only a few hours was born in 1903. Raymond married Willard Rankin, a daughter of E.E. and Mary Ann Griffen Rankin. After attending State Teacher's College in Conway and teaching school at Oakland and Atkins for a few years, Lila married Paul Burris. In 1931 Paul accidentally shot himself as he prepared for a squirrel hunt, and Lila died 6 days later of a complication following an emergency appendectomy. Both Lila and Paul are buried in St. Joe Cemetery. Mrs. Webb was crippled most of her adult life from rheumatoid arthritis and was confined to a wheelchair for many years. She died July 14, 1952 and her husband died June 21, 1956. Both were members of the Hopewell Baptist Church. Both are buried in Oakland Cemetery.

by Katie Murdoch

GEORGE WASHINGTON WEBB

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George Washington Webb was born January 21, 1806 in Maury County, Tennessee, the son of Meredith and Elizabeth Hasley Webb. He was married to Eliza Kern in Maury County on October 23, 1827. Washington, the name he always used, was living in Giles County when the 1830, 1840, and 1850 census was taken. The 1850 census shows that Washington had a second wife, Martha with children whose surnames were Gantt. Nothing is known about Eliza's death or Washington's second marriage except for the names of the children. Children of the first marriage were Zephaniah b. 1828, Newton b. 1832, Marody b. 1835, Thomas J. b. 1838, and Hampton b. 1840. Other children were Elizabeth P. Gantt, Jasper Gantt, Mary Ann Gantt, Martha S.T. Webb, George W. Webb, Andrew J. Webb, Benjamin F. Webb, Louisa F. Gantt, Marcus D.L. Webb, and Henry H.B.P. Webb. Washington and Martha probably brought their family to the Pope County area in 1858. He lived in Illinois, Dover, and Griffin Townships before his death on October 28, 1868. E.N. Webb and Margaret Webb Haney were grandchildren of Washington and Eliza. His gravesite is unknown but there are many unmarked Webb graves in the Oakland Cemetery north of Atkins.

by Katie Murdoch

HAMPTON M. WEBB

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Hampton M. Webb was born in Marshall County, Tennessee on March 24, 1840. He was the son of Washington and Eliza Kern Webb and the grandson of Meredith and Elizabeth Hasley Webb. He moved with his father and stepmother to Pope County in the

late 1850's. He enlisted in Capt. River's Battery, Arkansas Light Artillery in 1862 at Norristown. Later he was enrolled in Co. G., 4th Regiment of Arkansas Cavalry, Volunteers. His name at times appears as Hamilton in Civil War records. He was married to Mrs. Mary P. Ford Marshall on July 19, 1865. Mary P., daughter of Zadoc and Margaret Kendle Ford, had been married in 1858 to Garret M. Marshall, but her husband and both her children had died by 1862. To Hampton and Mary P. six children were born: John Edgar b. 1867, Jimmie & Jinks b. 1870, Margaret E. b. 1873, Rowena Clementyne b. 1875, Elbert Newton b. 1876, Hampton was a farmer and he and his wife owned a farm on what is now Highway 105 3 miles north of Atkins. This farm is presently owned by Mrs. Rita Harris, a great-granddaughter. Still more tragedy was in store for Mary P. for she was to lose five members of second family as well. Jimmy and Jinks (twins) died in 1870. Hampton M. her husband died December 14, 1876. Rowena C. died in 1877 and John Eddy accidentally shot himself while squirrel hunting in 1877. Elbert Newton and Margaret both lived a long life and raised families.

After Hampton's death Mary P. married Arthur Shackelford on November 28, 1880. Arthur's son, Will, and Mary P.'s children were raised together in the same family home where Mary and Hampton had lived. Mary P. outlived her third husband. She died on October 27, 1905 and is buried beside Hampton in Oakland Cemetery.

by Katie Murdoch

HAMPTON N. WEBB

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William Howell, Dora Howell Turner, Zebbie Lee Howell and Nettie Howell Love. 1923

Hampton N. Webb was the tenth of fifteen children born to Meredith and Elizabeth Hasley Webb. He was born on January 12, 1813, in Maury Co., Tennessee. His wife, Martha Rowland was also born in Tenn. around 1819. Apparently, they migrated to Arkansas soon after they were married on August 2, 1835, because their first child, William, was born in Ark. in 1837. Both Hampton and one of his brothers, Meredith Webb who was married to Sara Johnson, were listed in the 1850

US census for Pope Co. They must have come to Ark. together where they became farmers and neighbors for many years. Hampton and Martha Webb were the parents of 11 children: William, born 1837; Nancy R., born 1839; Elizabeth C., born 1841; George W., born 1845; Minerva Ann, born 29 Feb., 1846; Francis Marion, born 1848; Alfred H., born 1850; America, born 1852; Meredith, born 1854; Lydia Jane, born 1856; and Martha A. William was killed during the Civil War after he had married Elizabeth Tinsley on Dec. 20, 1859 in Pope Co. Lydia married William David Wolf in Van Buren, Ark. on Dec. 3, 1874. Minerva married a young widower, English Jesse Howell, Jr. who had one daughter, Nettie, from a previous marriage. He was the son of English Jesse and Elvira Davidson Howell who had settled in Pope Co. at about the same time as the Webb's. Minerva Webb Howell died young, around the age of 30, after she and E.J. Howell had had two children, Zebbie Lee and Dora Loudella. Zebbie Lee Howell was born Feb. 7, 1872, near Russellville. His sister, Dora, was born on Oct. 7, 1873, also near Russellville. "Zebbie Lee was named, jointly, by old Aunt Caroline Bird, who was in attendant (sic) when he was a wee baby, and his mother. Aunt Caroline, a devout old Saint, asked to name him a Bible name, which name so offered was Zebbie Dee. The mother agreed to Zebbie being the first name and for Dee to be changed to Lee as a second name in honor of General Lee, the Hero of the South." After their mother's death Zebbie Lee and Dora were raised by their half-sister, Nettie. Their father soon remarried and migrated to Texas where the descendants of his three oldest children still live. Zebbie Lee married Miss Laura Middleton of Sardis, Texas on Oct. 21, 1896. They had 10 children one of whom died young. Their surviving children are: Zebbie L. Howell, Jr., Nona May Howell (Mrs. V.C. Moser), Fannie Edna (Mrs. H.M. Bradford), Mary Ruth (Mrs. A.Y. Edwards), Nettie Laura (Mrs. C.D. Wooten), Tabbie Lynn (Mrs. J.R. McNatt), William English Howell, Lois Mauritsa Howell and Robert Lewis Howell. Zebbie Lee Howell served as a Methodist minister for 39 years. Dora Howell married Marvin Turner on Nov. 29, 1894, in Ellis Co., Texas. They lived in Ellis Co. for many years until they moved to Jack Co., Tex. around 1907 where they remained until their deaths in 1950. They had 11 children, 10 of whom survived; Ernest Euriel Turner, Marvin Lee Turner, Merwin Alonzo Turner, Ruby Gertrude (Mrs. Irl Lane), English Jesse Turner, Ludie Ann (Mrs. Martin Holley), Estell Clair Turner, Howard Willis Turner, Harry Key Turner, and Amos Spergeon Turner.

Most of these descendants of Minerva Webb and English Jesse Howell, Jr. still live in north central Texas near where E.J. Howell settled with his three young children after their mother's death.

by Pamela Turner Ellis (Mrs.)

WEBB-McCARLEY-JAMISON

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Meredith Burton Webb (b. 1772 son of

John and Elizabeth Webb) and Elizabeth Hafley Webb (b. 1777 dau. of John Hafley) moved to Dover area of Pope County, Ar., in 1829.

Meredith was a farmer and Justice of peace in 1832. He died in Pope county in 1845. Elizabeth died in 1847. They had 17 children; Polly married William McAllister, Lavina married 1) John Fearney 2) Mr. Chinn, John m Sally Horton, Meredith m Sarah Johnson, Margaret m Phillip C. Holledger, Sarah m James Copeland, Washington m 1) Eliza Kern 2) Martha Grant, Woodford C. m Micca Near, Hampton m 1) Martha Rowland 2) Susan Bernard, Alfred H. m Helen Earll, Paulina m John McCarley 1832. All these born in Ky. and Tenn.

John McCarley was born in Ky. and came to Pope County ca 1830 and settled near Dover. He was a farmer and slave holder. John and Paulina had seven children George, Eliza Ann, Rosannah, Alford, John, Therron B. and Rhoda. John and Paulina lived the remainder of their lives in Pope Co. He and most of his sons died during the Civil War, Paulina died shortly afterward. Rosannah married a Wade, Eliza Ann married 1) Robert Webster Jamison 2) John Hollingsworth.

Robert Webster Jamison born Ky. came with his parents from Mo. in 1830. He settled in the Illinois Bayou. He sold a part of his claim as the Dover Townsite. He married 1) Barbara Logan his cousin 2) Elizabeth Scott 3) Eliza Ann McCarley. Shortly after their marriage in 1852 Robert and Eliza left Pope Co. and went to the gold fields of California. Rosanna and her husband were in the same wagon train. Robert and Eliza remained in Ca. Rosannah went on to Oregon. Robert and Eliza Jamison's descendants still live in Mendocino Co., Ca., where they both died. He in 1863, she in 1916.

by Donald Jamison

WEBB-MEEK FAMILIES

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Samuel Webb (1828-1885) moved to Russellville in 1876, where he owned a confectionary-saloon on the present site of West's Department Store. He owned similiar businesses in Little Rock, Morrilton, and Atkins, but having been severely disabled while serving in Forrest's Cavalry, CSA, was unable to engage in his businesses other than as owner. He married (secondly) Mary Emily Meek (nee Conner) at Sardis, Miss. in 1871. Mrs. M.E. Webb (1838-1913) operated millinery stores in the above towns, her Russellville store being located on the present site of Vance Abstract Co., and later just north of the Central Presbyterian Church from 1878 until 1912. When the Webbs came to Arkansas (1871), they brought all their gold in a large mirror given to them by General Forrest and his sister Mattie Lufkin. Many Russellville ladies tried on their hats in front of this mirror, and it hung in Dr. R.L. Smith's office until he retired in 1944. Samuel Webb had one son, John T. Webb (1854-1910) whose only daughter May, aged nearly one-hundred years, talked on the telephone to her cousin

Joe T. Meek on Christmas Eve 1977. The Webb Bible dated "Russellville, 1879" remains in the family. Mrs. M.E. Webb had two children by her first marriage: Maxie Lee (1869-1955) married in 1886 to J.D. Williams (1866-1950) and William Thaddeus Meek (1859-1929) married in 1885 to Ora Lee Settle (1866-1893), daughter of Willis F. Settle, gunsmith-iron founder, and Georgia Anna Smith Brooks 1895, daughter of L.M. Smith and sister of Dr. R.L. Smith. (1861-1943).

W.T. Meek was born in Grenada, Miss.; entered the East Tennessee Military Institution, Knoxville, Tenn., at the age of nine years, from which he graduated in 1876. One of his instructors being Lt. Nave, an officer of Custer's command, spared from massacre by absence from the battle with a broken leg. He also graduated from Bryan-Stratton College in 1879, and came to Russellville in 1884 as bookkeeper for Capt. J.L. Shinn, and with whose backing he founded the first telephone Exchange in Russellville. He was later first manager of the Russellville Bell Telephone Co., and Secretary of the Pope County Democratic Committee. W.T. Meek had four sons: Roy Settle (1886-1962), William Lee (1889-1957), Lewis Smith (1897-1958), and Joe Thaddeus (1900-1973).

by Joe T. Meek

MILES JACKSON WEBB

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MILES JACKSON WEBB, SARAH MORROW WEBB

Miles Jackson Webb was born in Carroll County, Tennessee, on January 21, 1839. He was the son of George Webb (1785-1870) and Edy (Eady, Eda) Nordin Webb (1807-1880). Both were from North Carolina.

In the 1850 census of Carroll County, Tennessee, Schedule 1, District 14, House 1664, George was 65 years old, born in N.C., Eady was 44 years old, born in N.C. Their children were: Lucy A., age 17, Henry, age 15, George age 13, Miles, age 11, Sarah, age 9, John age 7, Theophilus, age 5, David T. age 3, William A. age 1, and Marquis De Lafayette (Tim) born in 1852 (later).

When Miles was twelve, his aunt and uncle moved to Arkansas. Miles asked his father's permission to go to the river to see them off. His father told him that he could not go, and he promised him a whipping when he got back home if he did go. Miles went to the river with his aunt and uncle, but he did not get the whipping from his father as he did not go back home. He came to Arkansas.



MILES JACKSON, WEBB "JACK" & AMANDA MELVINA DAVIS WEBB

In the 1860 census of Pope County, Arkansas, Clark Township, Page 753, House 350, Jackson M. Webb, age 21, is listed as living in the house next to the John M. Morrow family. John M. age 43, and Polly (Mary Ann) Drake Morrow, age 35, had a daughter, Sally Morrow, age 19.

The marriage of Miles J. Webb, age 22, and Sallie Morrow, age 19, on February 14, 1861 is recorded in Pope County, Arkansas, Marriage book D. page 57, by Albert Sinclair, J.P.

Miles J. Webb enlisted as a Private in Co. F. 1st Batt'n, Arkansas Cavalry, Confederate States of America at Russellville, Arkansas on February 15, 1862. He furnished his own horse. He was wounded severely on October 4, 1862 in the battle of Corinth, Mississippi while serving with Sterman's Regt. of Sharp Shooters and was in the hospital at Vaiden, Mississippi. He was captured July 4, 1863 at Vicksburg, Mississippi, and appears on a Roll of Prisoners of War. At Vicksburg, Mississippi, on July 7, 1863, in the terms of the capitulation of the city of Vicksburg and its garrisons by Lt. Gen. John C. Pemberton, CSA, he gave a solemn parole under oath not to take up arms against the United States nor to serve in any way with the Confederate States of America until duly exchanged by the proper authorities. His signature is on this oath.

On a Muster Roll of Co. M. 7th Arkansas Cav. Dated September 15, 1861 to December 31, 1863, Pvt. Miles Webb is shown as enlisted Sept. 15, 1861 in Johnson County, Arkansas for a period of three years and absent with leave.

In the 1870 census of Pope County, Arkansas, Dover Township, Page 13, House 90, Miles Webb, age 31, (born in Tenn.), Sarah, 27, (born in Missouri) had a daughter Tennessee P. age 8, a son Miles, age 5, (Called "Jack" for the 88 years of his life and later my grandfather), Henry, age 4, and Kate, age 2. A little brother, G.H. (Hillie) (1875-1879) is not on this census.

In 1880 census of Pope County, Page 17, house 20, Miles J. Webb is 44, Sarah E. is 39, Tennessee P. is 18, M.J. is 15, Kate, is 12, Lucy Ann is 8, Sarah is 7, and Joel is 6/12. A little sister, Eva, (1882-1890) is not on this census. A brother-in-law, G.W. Morrow, age 24, is listed in the home.

Miles Jackson Webb died June 3, 1886 and was buried in Pope County or in Cordon Bottoms.

The family moved to Johnson County be-

fore January 24, 1888 because M.J. "Jack" Webb married Miss Amanda Melvina Davis of Lebanon (between Lamar and Minnow Creek) on that day. Kate married Joseph N. Davis, Lucy Ann married John Hallum, Sarah married Levi Davis, and David Theophilus, married Myrtle Vanastria or Vanostrum. Amanda was the sister of Levi and Joseph Davis.

Sarah Morrow Webb died in 1898 as she was going home to Johnson County after visiting in Pope County. She was buried at Silex, Johnson County, Arkansas.

by Myrtle Webb Cazort Ewing

RAYMOND H. WEBB

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Raymond H. Webb was born August 28, 1896, the son of E.N. and Maud E. Sproles Webb and lived all his life in the Oakland Community and in Atkins. He was married January 4, 1920 to Katy Willard Rankin, the daughter of Everett E. and Mary Ann Griffin Rankin. Raymond and his wife were parents of three daughters: Mary Maud Webb Sober b. 1923, Katie Rae Webb Murdoch b. 1929, and Rita Ann Webb b. 1933. They also reared in their home their grandson, Michael Sober, from the age of 4 months to adulthood.

In 1917 he began a long postal career as a rural mail carrier. This service was interrupted briefly in 1918 by military duty during World War I. After his return he spent the next 39 years serving patrons on 3 different routes in the Atkins area. He wore out 2 buggies, 2 two-wheeled carts, 15 horses, and 16 cars before he retired in 1957 to return to a lifelong interest in farming and in livestock. His farm was 3 miles north of Atkins on both sides of Highway 105 and included the land once owned by his father and grandfather, Hampton M. Webb.

Raymond Webb died unexpectedly June 5, 1964 of a heart attack at his recently built farm home. His wife, who had been a successful homemaker and faithful wife and mother died 6 years later on October 20, 1970 at the age of 70. Mr. and Mrs. Webb were members of the Hopewell Baptist Church. Both are buried in Oakland Cemetery.

by Katie Murdoch

THE DAVID WEST FAMILY

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A study of the history of the West family is, in part a study of the history of Pope County as the two are closely related, the Wests having immigrated to Pope County while the county was not yet 10 years old. The Wests were descendants of the English Cavaliers, and settled in Virginia.

Their story in Arkansas began with Major David West, born at Swansboro, N.C., January 9, 1792, a son of Andrew and Tryphenia Meds West. Very patriotic and adventurous, he joined the United States army at an early age. In the war of 1812, he was a private under Andrew Jackson and fought in the battle of New Orleans January 8, 1815, after peace was declared in England, but before the

news of the treaty had reached America. Major West always said he had served in every war the United States ever had against a foreign foe, since the struggle for independence.

After the close of the war of 1812, Major West settled in Middle Tennessee, where he married Miss Milly Payne on November 11, 1816, nine children were born to them, namely Joseph, b. 9-11-1817-d., 12-12-1819; Warren, b. 3-6-1819-d. 8-4-1839; Caroline, b. 12-6-1820-d. ; Phoebe Jane, b. 2-19-1823- d. 12-26-1906; Thomas B., b. 10-6-1824- d. 9-14-1846; Washington, b. 5-23-1826- d. 7-8-1827; David Porter b. 6-30-1831- d. 7-4-1916; Eliza Ann, b. 10-1-1833- d. 9-17-1848; Victoria A. b. 4-22-1837.

Major West came to Arkansas and landed at Old St. Martin, near Scotia, in Pope County on May 7, 1839, leaving his family in Tennessee until he could get located. He settled on Piney and sent for his family. Soon after the arrival of his family, his wife and a son, Warren, died of fever. After a respectable length of time, he married Lucinda Lattimer.

The couple had eight children, Erastus L. b. 2-6-1843- d. 6-6-1844; Tryphenia b. 5-8-1845- d. ; Andrew North b. 12-7-1846- d. 11-15-1866; Alexander H. b. 2-23-1849- d. ; Abby Ann b. 10-27-1859- d. 9-25-1933; Daniel Webster b. 1-28-1855- d. 5-15-1874; John Bell b. 5-11-1857- d. 7-24-1946; Emma B. b. 12-30-1859- d. ; Major West had a total of seventeen children from the two marriages.

When war was declared with Mexico in 1846, Pope County raised two volunteer companies, one of Cavalry by Capt. Symp Moffit and the other company of Infantry by David West, commissioned as Captain. I have in my possession the original Muster Roll of Captain West's volunteer company known as Company B. organized at Dover, Pope County, June 15, 1846. When all the various companies were formed into a battalion, Capt. D. West received the appointment of adjutant major. During this war he earned the honorary title of "colonel."

Although Maj. West was military minded instead of political minded, following his return to Dover after the war, he was elected County Judge where he served one term. He also served a term in the Arkansas state legislature. He died on May 13, 1880 at the age of 88 after a colorful life. His wife, Lucinda Lattimer West, died on Nov. 9, 1903 at the age of 82.

Some of the David West children died in infancy or young man or womanhood. Victoria, Emma and Alex all married at Dover, but soon moved away. Caroline, the oldest daughter, married Samuel M. Hays, who played a prominent part in the making of the early history of Pope County. Phoebe married Dudley James. Tryphenia married Bennie Vanpelt Bewley and lived all her life in Dover. David Porter married Ardella Catherine Hallock. He also made his home in Dover. Two of his grandchildren, Sue Cathryn West Sisk and Tommye Belle West reside in Russellville, Arkansas. John B. West, youngest son of Major David West, lived in Dover also. He married

Margaret Ellen Phillips. He outlived the other 16 children. Some of the grandchildren of Major West and many of his great grandchildren still live in Pope County. Thus, Major David West still leaves his mark on the county where he settled more than a century ago.

by Sue Cathryn West Sisk

THE DAVID PORTER WEST FAMILY

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David Porter West, my grandfather, was the seventh child of Major David West and Milly Payne West. He was born in Cross Plains, Robertson County, Tennessee, June 30, 1831. His father immigrated to Arkansas in 1839 and settled on Piney near Dover when the county was not quite 10 years old.

On September 18, 1862, David Porter married Ardella Catherine Hallock. I have in my possession the letter he wrote to Ardella's parents, asking for her hand in marriage even before he had spoken to Ardella herself. Ardella Catherine was the daughter of Major Daniel Hallock of Pennsylvania and Susan Hallock, both of whom had come to this country from Germany. Major Daniel Hallock was a brother of Henry Wager Hallock, general in chief of all Federal armies until he was superseded by General Grant in 1864.

David Porter and Ardella Catherine, affectionately called "Uncle Porter" and "Aunt Kate" had eleven children, all born in Dover, Arkansas: David Porter, b. 9-27-1863- d. 1-9-1875; Sue Della b. 3-18-1866- d. 1-4-1867; Maggie Belle b. 1-1-1868- d. ; Daniel Henry b. 10-23-1869- d. ; Phoebe Jane b. 3-12-1872- d. 12-12-1874; Thomas Frederick b. 7-26-1874- d. 9-27-1933; Robert Hallock b. 2-2-1876- d. ; Mary Caroline b. 1-5-1877- d. 1-5-1885; Sue Kirschof b. 6-9-1879- d. 12-27-1884; Hallie Lavinia b. 7-29-1884- d. ; John Porter b. 2-18-1886- d. 6-4-1901.

David Porter was quite a versatile person. He was author of the book "D. Porter West's Early History of Pope County," and was a faithful contributor to the county paper for many years. He was one of the earliest of county educators. He taught his first school in Dover, Arkansas. I have in his own handwriting a contract with the Danville, Arkansas School District, where he agreed to teach spelling, reading and writing for \$1.00 per month, and arithmetic, grammar and geography for one dollar and 25 cents per month, to be paid at the end of the term.

"Uncle Porter" and "Aunt Kate" were devout Methodists, both taking an active part in the activities of the church as long as they were physically able to do so. He was also a Mason.

My father, Thomas Fred, better known as Tom was the sixth child of David Porter and Ardella Catherine Hallock West. Like his father, he was also a merchant. Tom West's Cash Store was known throughout the "Boston" mountains as well as in Dover, Arkansas. The roads were bad and the trade usually

stopped in Dover. Although his store was known as "Tom West's Cash Store," it wasn't a cash store at all. People from the surrounding communities bought on credit from one crop season to the next. They always paid when they could, usually at the end of the crop season. Then came the "depression," and when he died, he like many others, had thousands of dollars on his books that were never collected.

Tom, as he was called by all who knew him, was a great fox hunter and always had a pack of from 1 to 15 registered fox hounds. He and his friends hunted fox in the "Boston" mountains, and because of this he acquired the nickname "Boston."

My father was also interested in politics and was chairman of the Democratic Central Committee for many years until his death in 1933.

He married Ada Dell Turner, daughter of John Bailey Turner and Susan Elizabeth Herrin Turner, December 15, 1901. Three children were born to them: Joe Rufe b. 12-26-1902- d. 4-19-1974; Sue Cathryn b. 11-9-1908, and Tommie Belle b. 11-9-1910. They also reared one of Ada's neices, Sue Elizabeth Tucker, daughter of W.T. Tucker and Lamont Turner Tucker. Her mother died when she was 3 months old. Sue Cathryn, Tommie Belle and Sue Elizabeth were all school teachers.

Joe Rufe married Dora Gertrude Murphy, daughter of Poley and Myrtle Carter Murphy 11-6-1920. They had three daughters, Dora Josephine b. 8-15-1922, Peggye Jean b. 6-4-1928, and Mary Dell b. 2-18-1931, Joe was an upholsterer and a Salesman.

On 2-10-1934, Sue Cathryn married Alvin Marion Sisk, son of Will Sisk and Julia Pittman Sisk. They had one child, Alvin Thomas Sisk, born 11-14-1934. Alvin Thomas (Tom) is a Presbyterian minister and a Psychologist. He married Betty Kathryn Chenowith on 5-10-1960. They have two children, Thomas Wade Sisk, b. 4-19-1962 and Julia Susanne Sisk b. 6-10-66. Sue Cathryn's second marriage was to Leon Reed. They later were divorced.

The West family in Arkansas dates from the time my great-grandfather settled on Piney in 1839.

by Sue Cathryn West Sisk

ODIE WEST

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Odie West was the grandson of Robert Carter West and Mary Elizabeth Francis Cartwright West, who moved to Pope County, Arkansas from Georgia, soon after the Civil War. He had fought in the war and was wounded twice. They first moved to the Appleton community in Griffin Township and later moved to Gumlog in Valley Township. He was a well-to-do farmer and well thought of in the community. They raised a large family of five girls and three boys. The next to oldest son, was Joseph John (Uncle Johnny) West.

Uncle Johnny West married Nettie Cole and they lived in the Gumlog community and farmed until the early 1920's when they

moved to Russellville and he went into the Dray business with Harold Braselton and remained in this business until he passed away in 1956. Uncle Johnny and Mrs. West were the parents of three children: Odie; Tempie, who married Foster Barnett and Robert G. West, who married Edna Justice and was a City Mail Carrier in Russellville, when he passed away in 1962. He was a Navy veteran of World War II.

Odie was born and raised in the Gumlog community and attended church regularly as his father was a staunch Free Will Baptist. However, there was no Free Will Church in the community so they attended the Cumberland Presbyterian at Gumlog. Mr. West later helped establish the Harmony Free Will Baptist church between Russellville and Gumlog. For year's it was known as, "Uncle Johnny's Church." It is still a thriving church.

Odie and a bunch of boys and girls from Gumlog went to Gravel Hill to a Easter service where he met Eva Haskins and about two years later they had their first date and soon were married. They were married the first day of April 1923, on Easter Sunday.

When Uncle Sam called, during World War I, Odie answered the call and spent some time overseas in the trenches of France. He said that he never would forget when the officer came by and told them to turn back that the war was over. He had to stay for six more months doing guard duty. He considered himself lucky to be alive.

After marrying, he bought out the interest of Harold Braselton in the Dray business and was in business several years with his father. He later farmed, worked on the Russellville Police Force, bought and sold cattle, then worked for the Arkansas Highway Department. He and Eva had one daughter, Mary Jane. Odie and Eva both loved to travel and liked sports. Eva worked as a Sales Lady at Crooms in Russellville for a number of years. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1973, and Odie passed away June 20, 1977, after 54 years of good life together.

Mary Jane West, born May 30, 1925, graduated from Russellville High School, attended Ark. Tech, studied music and voice and plays both piano and organ. She had worked for First National Bank of Russellville, First National of Little Rock and is presently Secretary at First Baptist Church in Russellville. She is married to Tom L. Eaton, a graduate of Georgia Tech in Engineering and is a veteran of World War II and is retired under Civil Serv. They have one son, William E. (Bill) Eaton who graduated from High School in Comfort, Texas, attended Little Rock University and graduated from Ark. Tech with a degree in Sociology. He served three years in the Army Signal Corps, with one year in Viet Nam. He is now a Captain in the National Guard and is Commerical Manager for Continental Telephone Company. He is married to the former Sharon Hall, daughter of Bill and Jeannie Hall of Russellville and they have three daughters, Julie, Traci and Myra. They are presently living in Gentry, Ark., and are members of the United Methodist Church and very active in Church and Civic affairs. Bill is a Mason, a

J.C. and an alderman and a lay leader in his church.

by Eva Haskins West

WARREN A. WEST

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WARREN AND MABLE BUCHANAN WEST

Warren A. West, son of Robert Carter West and Mary Elizabeth Francis Cartwright West, was born August 15, 1882, at Buttermilk near Appleton in Pope County, Arkansas.

His grandparents on his father's side were Joseph John West and Clarica Roberts West. He was English; she was Irish. They landed at Virginia and moved to Georgia where they raised two or three children. Joseph John West was killed in the civil war.

His grandmother on his mother's side, Eliza H. Dane Cartwright, was born in 1823 in England. During the war she stayed home with a seven year old son and made a crop.

Robert Carter West fought as a foot soldier in the civil war under General Lee, and was wounded twice. His wounds became worm infected from lack of care. Often they were so hungry they ate grains of corn dropped in the dirt by Yankee horses.

After the War ended, Robert Carter West and Elizabeth Frances Cartwright were married and traveled by oxcart to Scott County in Arkansas. Eliza Cartwright moved with them. They later moved to Buttermilk near Appleton, and then to Gumlog in Pope County, where he farmed and worked for White Brothers Mercantile during the fall and winter. Eliza Cartwright at first stayed in Scott County. She would ride by herself, sidesaddle, to visit the Wests, spending two nights by roadside and leading her horse across the pontoon bridge at Dardanelle. She finally decided to live with the Wests.

The children of Robert Carter West and Mary Elizabeth Frances Cartwright include: Joseph John, James Madison, Warren A., Ida, Elizabeth Ann Louella, Kathryn Jane Cornelia, Sudie, Annie and Mae.

Eliza Carwright died February 12, 1907; Robert Carter West died January 11, 1915, and Mary Elizabeth Frances Cartwright West died August 28, 1922. All are buried at Gumlog.

Warren A. West married Mabel Buchanan January 14, 1903. She was the daughter of Dr. Maximilian Haynie Buchanan and Sarah Elizabeth McAnally Buchanan.

Dr. Buchanan was born August 12, 1846 in Mississippi, but moved while still an infant to Lawrence County, Tennessee where he grew to manhood. Much of his time in youth was spent in overseeing his father's plantation. When he was 17 he enlisted in the Confederate Army. When the war ended in 1865, he married Elizabeth McAnally. They moved to Texas, then back to Tennessee where he studied medicine. He began his practice in 1876, and moved to Pope County in 1880. In 1892 he was elected a member of the Arkansas legislature. He died March 2, 1910 and Elizabeth McAnally Buchanan died January 25, 1920. Both are buried at Gumlog. Other children besides Lula Mabel Buchanan West include: Haynie, Vannie, Ida, Annie, and Eska.

Warren A. West carried a rural route out of Gumlog for 99 months. The route was made longer and was to begin at Moreland. Since Mr. West had built a new house at Gumlog in 1910, he gave up the route. The last day of his route he was an hour late, for children met him all along the way to tell him goodbye and give him fruit and candy.

Later after moving to Russellville, he was in business for many years.

Warren A. West and Mabel Buchanan West had two children, Vivian West and Warren A. West Jr. Mrs. West died October 28, 1966 from injuries in an automobile accident on Highway 64, west. Mr. West died November

26, 1973. Both are buried in the Oakland cemetery at Russellville.

Vivian West married Kenneth T. Nothwang on July 7, 1926. He has been retired as business manager from Millard-Henry Clinic since 1970. They still live in Russellville.

Warren A. West, Jr. (June West) married Mary Alice Ellington West on August 26, 1928. They have two children; Susie West and Mary June West Young; two grandchildren, Deborah Susan Young Johnson, and Wayne West Young; and one great-grandson, Justin Bryan Johnson.

June and Mary West sold their wholesale business, Russellville Tobacco Company, in 1977 and live in Russellville. Their children and grandchildren live in Arkansas, some in Russellville.

The other children of Robert and Frances West and Dr. M.H. and Elizabeth Buchanan also have descendants living in the Pope County area.

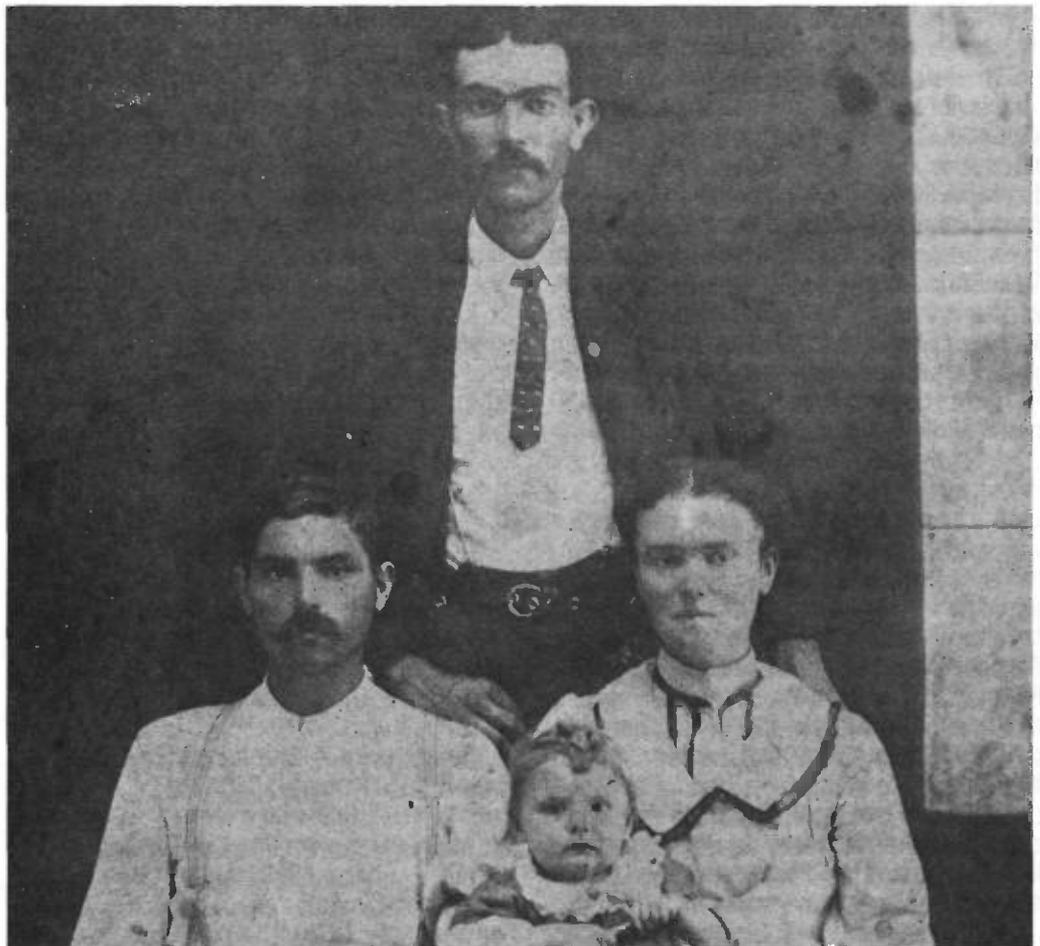
by Mary June West Young

FLEMEN GABIREL WHEELER

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Flemen Gabirel Wheeler better known as F.G. Wheeler was born in Alpine, Ark., July 8, 1874. He was married to Nora Lee Farrar. She was a native of Louisiana and moved to Ark with her family about 1904.

The Wheeler's were married March 25, 1906, in Montgomery County near Mt. Ida. Born to this union were four boys and two girls. Both girls died when they were young. Ellen is buried in Little Fir Cemetery in



Mr. and Mrs. F.G. Wheeler and Cordelia Wheeler. Standing: Marvin Farriar

Montgomery County. Thola is buried in Pisgah Cemetery west of Pottsville in Pope County. All of the boys are still living, three in Ark. and one in Texas.

F.G. Wheeler moved from Montgomery Co. to Ark. Co. in a covered wagon, in October 1918. He could not find a vacant house to move into so he bought a 12 x 16 foot tent for the family to live in. That December the temperature dropped to zero or below then it began to snow and the snow measured 18 inches deep when it stopped. Wheeler had to keep the snow raked off the tent to keep it from falling in on the family.

In January of 1919 he and a friend Jody Norris chartered a freight car and loaded all their household belongings and live-stock in it. Jody came with the freight car, Wheeler and their families came by passenger train to Pottsville, Arkansas in Pope County. At this time World War I had just ended and a epidemic of FLU killed thousands of Americans.

F.G. Wheeler was a farmer and he farmed what was known as the Jetty Morton Farm in Holla Bend bottom from 1920 till 1927. He moved to the Bob Wilson farm at Quita in December of 1926. That year in the Spring the big flood on the Arkansas River came and everyone had to plant their crops over.

F.G. Wheeler moved to Hot Springs in December of 1929. He and his wife moved back to Pope County in September of 1962, because Mrs. Wheeler was seriously ill and F.G. wasn't able to take care of her. They came to live with a son and his wife, Frank and Reba Wheeler at Pottsville. Nora died in October 1962. F.G. died Jan. 4, 1966, at the age of 91. Both are buried at Pisgah Cemetery.

Frank and Reba Wheeler married October 3, 1926. Five children were born to this union. All five are still living, married and have families of their own. The oldest Louise (Mrs. Lemoyne Tucker) and husband live at Pottsville. Sue (Mrs. Walter Roberts) and husband live at Rt. 3, Atkins. Sylvia (Mrs. Fred Carey) and husband live in Des Moines, Iowa. Jimmy and his wife Marj live in Little Rock, Ark.. Jearldean (Mrs. Jerry Shinn) and husband live at Rt. 1, Pottsville, Arkansas. Frank and Reba have 17 grandchildren living and 1 deceased while serving in the U.S. Army in Viet Nam, and 10 great grandchildren.

by Reba Robinson Wheeler

JAMES MADISON WHITE

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James Madison White, married to Vance Bullock White, was born January 18, 1903. He is the son of John W. and Laura P. White of Russellville, AR. He attended Culner Military Academy at Culner Indiana from 1918 to 1922, when he graduated. Then he attended the University of Missouri for three years, and belongs to the SAE fraternity. He came back to Arkansas and graduated from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville in 1926.

He is a member of the Central Presbyterian Church where he was a deacon for several years. He is now the oldest member on the

Board of Directors, Vice-President Discount Board, Trust Board Member at the Peoples Bank and Trust Co. of Russellville. He is a charter member of the Russellville Country Club, a member of the Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Industrial Board.

He is married to Vance Bullock, daughter of Wallace R. and Kathryn Bullock. They have one son, Jimmy White. They were married June 21, 1945, and live in Russellville, AR., six months in the winter and six months in Hot Springs, AR., in the summer.

by Mrs. J. Madison White

JOHN HENRY WHITE

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John Henry White was born on September 6, 1861 in Lawrence County, Tennessee. He was the son of John Milton White and Anna Elizabeth White, who moved from Mississippi in 1872 to Scott County, where they homesteaded land. In 1882, John Henry came to Pope County and bought a home about ten miles from Russellville. He lived in and near Russellville the rest of his life.

He married Litha Emily Cox, b. April 15, 1870, in Faulkner County. They had eight children, seven of which lived: Manual, b. June 26, 1890, d. Nov. 8, 1967; Mae, b. Sept. 6, 1892; Isabel (Lee), b. Jan. 3, 1894, d. April 6, 1976; John W., b. Feb. 21, 1895, d. August 19, 1976; Litha Melvena, b. May 26, 1896, d. April 6, 1968; Julia Inez, b. Dec. 27, 1897; and Pearl Etta, b. April 6, 1899.

Litha Emily Cox, the first wife of John Henry White died while in childbirth October 28, 1900. He then married Mary Ella Pless Malone on March 15, 1911. She had three children by her first marriage: Cecil Malone, Hollis Malone and Eddie Malone. She had two more sons by her remarriage to John Henry. John Henry, b. Dec. 25, 1911 and Joseph Ella, b. March 21, 1913.

John Henry was a farmer and a sawmiller during the summer months and he dug coal during the winter months. He was a Justice of the Peace for about twenty-two years. He was a long time member of East Point Baptist Church.

by Rose Marie Thompson

ROBERT B. WHITESIDES

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Robert B. Whitesides son of Major and Mary Whitesides was born in S.C. in 1828. Robert B. left S.C. in the early 1850's and traveled to Pope County. Robert came to Arkansas with a group who split away from their church in S.C., and settled near the Bethany A.R.P. Church.

Robert married Elmira Jane Blackwood on the 4th of February 1858. They lived in the area of Galla Creek on a farm. They had four children, who were Mary A.E., born 1859, Sarah J., born 1860, Milton Miller, born 1862, and Simontha, born 1868. Elmira died on April 24, 1870. The three girls had died previously. After the death of his mother and sisters, Milton went to live on the farm of his

cousin James Whitesides. James lived in the Holla Bend Township. He had lost his wife Catherine and only had two daughters to help with the farm. Milton and a hired hand named Benjamin Vicks helped with the chores.

Robert B. remarried in 1871 to Mrs. Julia A. Williamson. They raised eight children on their farm in Holla Bend. The children were Elmina (Minia), Robert Lee, Edward B., Isabell, Thomas Bruce, Ella, Lucy, and Walter.

Robert B. Whitesides died in 1886 and was buried in Pisgah Cemetery.

by Donna S. Pratt

DUDLEY WHORTON

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Dudley Whorton was born April 23, 1845, in Alabama. His parents were William and Sophronia Amos Whorton. William was born in South Carolina and Sophronia Amos was born in Georgia. They were farmers and sawmill operators and came to Pope County, around 1880, from Red Bay, Alabama. Some of his brothers and sisters were: Mike W. (1848); Jephtha Thomas (1855); Adline (Liz), (1851); Margaret Lucinda, (1857); these came to Pope County about the same time. They settled northwest of London, Ark., on what was later to be known as Whorton Mountain which still bears that name today. The children attended Martin School, which was built on land donated by Johnny Harrison Whorton.

As they made their way from Alabama, they brought with them their sawmill and three yoke of Oxen. It was quite a journey with all their belongings. Dudley, with his sons, Johny, Energy, Jim and Mikey Whorton, cut and sawed lumber that was sold all over Pope County. Mike Lafayette Whorton, hauled lumber into Russellville that was used to help build the town, on an ox wagon pulled by three yoke of oxen. He was an excellent driver of Oxen. There was no bridge over the bayou so they had to ford the creek. He could haul one load a day. If it rained while in town they had to sit and wait for the water to run down before crossing.

Sawmilling was carried on by his son, Energy Whorton and then by Horace Whorton, son of Energy, until around 1960. Dudley owned 600 acres of land on Whorton Mountain where he farmed and sawmilled. A fire on the mountain destroyed their home and rail fences. He borrowed \$2,000 from R.J. Wilson to build back their home and replace the fences with wire.

Dudley Whorton became a Master Mason, August 14, 1886. His father, William, was killed on Whorton Mountain by Bushwackers in 1865, during the Civil War. A few remains of his body was found some time later, in a hollow stump, near the home place. Mike W. Whorton, son of William, was 1st Lieut. Co. Forrest Regiment, Alabama Cavalry, during the Civil War.

Dudley married Symira Mississippi Vinson who was born July 15, 1852. Their first six children were born in Red Bay, Alabama:

John Harrison, (1868); Energy H., (1870); James Thomas (Jim), (1872); Mikey Lafayette, (1874); Alice, (1876); Margrett Adline, (1879). Born in Arkansas were: McCager Lawrence, (1882); Mary Leigh, (1884); William Lebbous, (1889) and Martha Ester, (1892).

Johny Harrison married Josie Baker and they were the parents of: Benjamin, J. Allen, Ruthie Mae, Hazel Delphena, Albert, Espie, Early, Alford Monroe, Gladys Lucille, and Woodrow.

Energy H., married Margaret Nordin and they were the parents of: Horace, Archie, Ora, Ethel, Lou, Odessa, Myrtle, and James Marshall. After the death of Margaret, Energy married Lizzie Richardson Brigham and they were the parents of one daughter, Becky.

James (Jim) Whorton's first wife was named Manda and they were the parents of: Ray, Mae, Lois, Buster, Cecil, and True. His second wife was Julie and they were the parents of: Luther, Bessie, Murtle, and Herman.

Alice Whorton, married Thomas Brown and they were the parents of: Effie. Mr. Brown died and she married Jess Hale and they were the parents of: Roxie Lee, Maxine, Samyria Francis, Woodrow Wilson and Lucille.

Margarett Adline Whorton married Pickney Dunn and they were the parents of: Ira, Mary, Martha, Opal, Ice, Maxie, Hazel, Earl, Sherman, and Myra Ellen.

McCager Lawrence, married Birtha Wallace and to this union was born: Buel, Ernest, Eugene, Lawrence Hays, L.D., Robert (Bob), and Richard.

Mary Leigh, married Oscar McDonald Martin, and they were the parents of: Calvin Alonzo, Noah, Iverson, Dortha Adline, Mike Lafauette, James Hurshell, Lucille, Chester Lee, Vera Leigh and Lester Eugene.

William Lebbous, married Myrtle Crowder and they were the parents of: Rhuel William, Ruby Nelle, Edna Earle, Edward Hobson, Exie Lee and Dean Rolland.

Martha Esther Whorton married Paul Bliss Bennett and they were the parents of: Buford Glen, Mary Naomi, Iva Lou, Jesse Lawrence, Reece Lebbous and Ester Pauline. After Mr. Bennett's death, Martha married Robert Lee Vinson and they were the parents of: Virginia Lee and Billy Kenneth.

Mikey Lafayette Whorton, married Palestine Martin, born March 11, 1875, and they were the parents of: Curtis Dudley, Dee, Silas, Joseph, Vonnice, Chloe Esther, Samuel Iverson and Elvis Eugene.

Curtis Dudley Whorton, first child of Mikey Lafayette Whorton, born June 28, 1896, married Mary Grace Dixon who was born March 3, 1896, October 13, 1915. They were the parents of: Doyle Mildred, born July 2, 1916, married James Theodora Hood, born July 25, 1918, and they were the parents of Sylvia Shirlene Hood, Glynda Geraldene Hood and Mary LaNelle Hood; Norma Lucille Whorton, married Jessie (Jay) Cochran; Naomi Irene Whorton, married Paul Ray Bentley and they had a son; Jay Curtis Whorton, married Shirley Hale and they have three children; Rayburn Harlen Whorton, married Kattie McMillen and they have three children.

by Doyle Whorton Hood

THOMAS "TOM" JEFFERSON WHORTON

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Thomas "Tom" Jefferson Whorton was born February 27, 1832 and came to Arkansas from Madison County, Alabama in 1868. He was the son of Thomas J. Whorton, born August 11, 1800. He was married to Ruth Evaline Coleman of Springville, Alabama. After they were married they lived in Huntsville, Alabama, and came to Pope County from Huntsville. They had four daughters, Mary Matilda "Tildie" Burris, who was married to George W. Burris, Sr., Sara Texana Owens, Cora Ennis and Margaret Malinda "Lindie" Burris, two sons John H. Whorton and Benjamin Ed Whorton. They lived in Pope County all their adult life and both died there and are buried at St. Joe Cemetery, Atkins, Arkansas.

by Mary Ann Burris Rutherford

JOHN R. WILCUTT

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John R. Wilcutt was a grandson of Mr. John Grinder who was a Confederate soldier, serving in the Arkansas Cavalry. His birthdate is unknown but he passed away in 1862, near Appleton, Pope County, Arkansas and is buried in the Camp Ground (Boiling Springs) Cemetery near Hector.

John Grinder was the father of Mrs. Ethel E. Grinder Wilcutt, mother of John R. Wilcutt. An uncle of John R., was also a Confederate soldier, Wilks Richardson, and lost his life in service in the Infantry. They never knew where he lost his life but it was after his outfit had surrendered. He was in a wild plum tree and a cannon ball from a boat hit the tree.

John R. Wilcutt married Nettie Juanita Coffee in 1939 at Atkins, Arkansas. Their marriage was on March 13, and to this marriage was born the following children:

Martha Evelyn Wilcutt, born Nov. 22, 1940, married Charles Edward Ketcherside, Aug. 16, 1958.

Wanda Sue Wilcutt born April 4, 1943, died June 22, 1943.

Ralph Edmond Wilcutt born April 18, 1944, married Caral Ann Biby at Okarche, Oklahoma, Sept. 1965.

Billy Carroll Wilcutt, born May 13, 1946, married Ruth Fulford at Little Rock, Ark. on Nov. 19, 1965.

Calvin Ray Wilcutt, born Aug. 30, 1949, married Jerri Lynn Roote, Aug. 1973, in Russellville, Arkansas.

Lula Pauline Wilcutt, born Nov. 22, 1950, married Jimmy Lee Patrick, Aug. 16, 1968 at Atkins, Ark.

Juanita Eulene Wilcutt born July 26, 1953, married Danny Clark, Dec. 1976 in Dover Arkansas.

Johnny Dewayne Wilcutt born July 26, 1953, is not married at this time.

Rickey Lane Wilcutt, born Jan. 2, 1956, married Senita Pratt, June 4, 1977.

Nettie Ann Wilcutt, born March 12, 1957, married David Tiggert.

Delbert Lee Wilcutt, born Sept. 26, 1958, married Janet Duvall in Atkins, Ark. March 25, 1977.

Patricia Kay Wilcutt, born Feb. 19, 1960, is not married.

Jamie Andrew Wilcutt, born Feb. 19, 1963, not married.

Thomas (Tommy) Wayne Wilcutt, born Oct. 22, 1966, attends school at Atkins and is the one responsible for this history being written.

by Wilcutt family

ERMA WILKER

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The paternal grandparents of Erma Wilker were a part of the German migration to the Arkansas River Valley influenced partly by the Bismark persecution of German Catholics and in part by the Little Rock-Fort Smith Railroad's campaign to induce settlers to come into the Valley and buy land that the railroad had gotten as part payment for railroad construction. The Wilkers came about 1881 or 1882 and settled on Crow Mountain. This was near the same time that a group of Germans came to Atkins. The Wilker family purchased a cotton gin located on Crow Mountain which did a good business because the farmers were hesitant to risk the unimproved steep road down the Mountain to Atkins or Pottsville with a heavy load of seed cotton. After operating the gin for a number of years, the gin was sold as it became evident that cotton was not the best crop for a stable farm income in hill country. The parents of Erma Wilker were John Wilker and Bertha Wirth Wilker. Bertha's parents were John R. Wirth, a soldier of the Union Army, and Mary Jane Smith Wirth. John R. Wirth was born in Switzerland.

Erma recalls her Wilker grandmother and her father's older sister holding conversation in German but says she (Erma) was never able to join in the conversations.

Erma married Ernest Sparks, the son of Elmer and Hattie Gilbreath Sparks. Ernest's grandparents were James and Elizabeth Simpson Sparks, and James and Lou Bruce Gilbreath, all pioneer settlers of Pope County. Erma and Ernest have two sons: Ernie, who lives in Little Rock; and James, who lives in Russellville.

Ernie Sparks married Jeanette Seger, the daughter of Curtis and Louise Seger of Newton, Kansas. Ernie and Jeanette have two children: Scott, a pre-med. student at University of Ark.; and Darcy Desire, an eight year old student of Sherwood private school. Ernie served in the Korean Conflict. He was injured in an ANG helicopter crash in Russellville from which he is disabled but does some work in real estate.

James married Linda Maud Kendrick, the daughter of Rayburn and Edna May Robinson Kendrick. Linda Maud's paternal grandparents are: Allen and Ophelia Morphis Kendrick, and the paternal great grandparents are; John and Alice Bowden Morphis, and I.E. and Hannah Jackson Kendrick. Linda's maternal grandparents are George and Maud Au-

stin Robinson; and great grandparents, Elam N. Robinson and Mary Elizabeth Rackley. The latter is a niece of Alice Bowden Morphis. James and Linda Maud have a daughter, Rhonda Lea; and a son, Steven James. James works with the Navigation Dept., Corps of Engineers at Dardanelle.

Erma's second marriage was to Barney C. Dikes, son of William and Alice Bagget Dikes. Barney was born in Texas but they now live in Dardanelle.

Erma has had a variety of work experiences, having worked, first, in the office of the family cotton gin, Roy's Hardware, Russellville Lumber Co., Nebo Lumber Co., and Renae Sims Building Supply. She has recently done research work.

by Erma Wilker Dikes

HENRY WILKER

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HENRY AND ANNA GROLL WILKER

Henry Wilker was born Sept. 13, 1851, in Germany and lost his wife after the birth of his second son, August. The oldest son, Henry Jr. was two years old. He arranged through the father of Anna Elizabeth Grollman, to marry her. The parents were Heinrich and Marie Lappe Grollman and she had only seen him one time, at church. A daughter Anna was born to them in Germany and when she was six months old they left for America. She was married very young and a son of her sister, Matthew, was the only relative she ever saw again. The sister, Josephine Wolf lived in Wisconsin. They landed on the East coast and traveled by wagon to Atkins, Ark. A Catholic Church was built there and some operated businesses while others cleared and farmed the land.

There were a hard working people, building and maintaining good homes for the families. He along with a goodly number of other farmers settled on the east of Crow Mountain. He owned and operated the equipment to cut and thresh wheat and traveled to the farmers

field as lots of wheat was grown in the early years. As the years passed, farmers turned to cotton and along with his sons they owned and operated a cotton gin on Crow Mountain. This was continued after his death by his sons but the gin was later moved to Atkins. They also owned and operated a grist mill for wheat and corn, a sawmill and a dipping vat for livestock, all behind their home. His children attended the old King School, the earliest school located on the Mountain but after he acquired the land from the Kings he gave the land for a new school called Palmetto school, behind the gin. This school was used until it was consolidated with the Atkins School system.

They raised pork, beef and sheep to be butchered and delivered twice each week to a market in Russellville. They kept a large herd of milk cows. A large concrete sealed cellar and milk room was behind the house, a cream separator was used and butter was churned from the cream in a large barrel churn that rotated on a stand. The butter was molded into one pound and delivered to the market. The separated milk was fed to the hogs.

In the early days of their life, they worked in the fields by moonlight, tending the stock and milking in the heat of the day, also that was the only rest and sleep during the growing season. Although a strong man, Mr. Wilker died of pneumonia after walking home in the rain from a days work in the Bernice mines, south of Russellville.

Anna the oldest daughter, married Albert Conrad Reichmann the son of Bridgette Kader. Joseph married Dora Kettles Nottenkamper. Herman married Rosa Kindrick Bowden, daughter of Florence and Nancy Harris Kindrick. Mary married Melvin Price the son of Alvie and Ludie McDonald Price and Gertrude lived with her until her death. Mary is the only remaining member of the family. William married Violet Davis a daughter of Bud Lucindy Collins Davis. Mrs. Wilker died at the age of 79 years, a sturdy little woman, standing less than 5 ft. high enduring hardships of

the early years. She was concerned during World War I, for the safety of her family because of bad feelings toward people of German ancestry. She was a Catholic and believed that God had the charge of everything. Her family knelt in prayer every night beside her bed, then she would rise remove the white sheets with the embroidered trim which covered the bed and retire. The whole upstairs was used for bedrooms for her sons and the help they hired. All beds had a feather mattress.

by Erma Wilker Dikes.

JOHN AND BERTHA WIRTH WILKER

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John and Bertha Wirth Wilker established their first home in a two room log house with a large cellar built beneath it, in a wooded section of land along Galla Creek near his parents. Most of the land was still uncleared. The old place has again overgrown with trees but the pit where the cellar stood and the old dug well that was rocked around it is still there. It also furnished water for the people who later farmed the land and a newer house was built just below the old one. It too has now been razed to make the land into pasture for livestock. Kenneth Wilker, now owns the land.

When a daughter, Erma, was six months old they moved to what was known as the Purviance place near the south bluff of the mountain. A large house ceiled with beaded boards and some of the rooms had wallpaper, which they thought was very pretty. A long front porch across the front with a room added at the end. The children used to meet with the other children who lived on the farm below the house to play in the sand and spring ran water across the road. They would build frog houses, play houses and dams over the streams until the evening was over and their mother would call from the end of the porch, "you children come home, its supper-



Children of John & Bertha Wirth Wilker. Left to Right: Ruth Patterson, Janet Davis, Vernon Henry Wilker, Lucille Jones, John Arvin Wilker, Erma Dikes, Eula Bowden, Orpha Giddeon, inset Kenneth Wayne Wilker.

time." They would know it was coming for they could smell the hot cornbread cooking. They always had that along with the cold milk that had hung in the dug well all day. They always had lots of fruit and vegetables from a large garden. During the depression days, Mrs. Wilker got a pressure cooker from Montgomery Ward and when a beef or hog was butchered that could not be cured, it was canned in jars and stored in cottonseed for the winter along with other canned goods. Lots of sorghum was grown for molasses and that was substituted for sugar in baking sweets. The leaves were stripped from the sorghum cane for feed for the animals and the heads of seeds were stored to feed poultry. They had ducks, geese, guianas and chickens.

An uncle, Herman Wilker, came to live with them and the children loved him very much. He would go with them to cross the creeks in bad weather and cut the footlogs and meet them when the water was high as they would go and come from school. It is remembered that some of the renters did not bathe their children and "Uncle Herman" would dip his handkerchief in the water and wash them before they would leave the creek for school. He would also say, every day, "learn all you can today for education is one thing no one can take from you," which must have been an inspiration to the children for most of them were honor graduates from the school.

Mr. Wilker and his sons still operated the farm machinery and the mills and cotton gin as a family unit for several years. The land was eventually divided among them. He also operated farms on Crow mountain and in the Point Remove bottoms.

One daughter married Edgar Bowden and lived most of the time in Kansas City. Erma, married Ernest Sparks in early life but later married Barney C. Dikes. John Arvin married Sybil Oswald and lives near Dardanelle. Vernon Henry married Ernestine Davidson. Ruth married Cecil Patterson. Janet married Artisa Davis. Lucille married Quentin Jones, Orpha married Joe Gideon and Kenneth married Daphne Phillips. All of the three families now live on Crow Mountain.

by Erma Dikes

JOYCE WILKER

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Joyce Wilker is the daughter of John Arvin Wilker and Sybil Oswald Wilker. Joyce married Robert Heath, the son of Loyd and Ratha Garner Heath. Joyce and Robert Heath have a son, Michael, who graduates from high school in Dardanelle in 1978. John Arvin Wilker is a son of John and Bertha Wirth Wilker. John Arvin's paternal grandfather was Henry Wilker born in Germany 13 Sept 1851 and came to Arkansas with the German migration to the Ark River Valley about 1881. John Arvin's maternal grandfather was John R. Wirth, born in 1834 in Switzerland and served with Co. K, first Indiana Cavalry during the Civil War.

Joyce Wilker Heath's mother, Sybil M. Oswald Wilker died in 1962 and is buried in Rest

Haven Cemetery. Joyce has a sister, Sharon who married Terry Foster, the son of Rex and Dora Scarlett Foster. Terry's grandparents were William and Georgia McCollum Scarlett. Sharon and Terry Foster have two daughters, Pattie and Rhonda. Presently Sharon lives in Dallas, Texas.

Danny Wilker, a brother of Joyce and Sharon lives with his father, John Arvin Wilker, in Dardanelle.

John Arvin Wilker, known as "Bud" raises and trains riding horses, a hobby, he has had for many years. He can shoe horses and perform the average veterinary services needed for a sick horse. John Arvin grew up on Crow Mountain when horses and mules provided the power for all farm machinery. He helped take care of the farm animals as a boy. He was able to select the seed corn, the corn used for making bread, corn for horse feed, and the poor quality corn to be used for feeding the hogs. Shucking corn was a rainy day job when the farm labor couldn't do more pressing tasks. John Arvin Wilker is a product of the farm and it was his privilege to witness the transition from horse drawn farming to machine operated farms.

by Mrs. Robert Heath

RUTH WILKER

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Ruth Wilker, daughter of John and Bertha Wirth Wilker, married Cecil Patterson, the son of Dan and Effie Patterson. Cecil has two brothers; Walter, known as "Bud", and Ray.

Walter married Sally May Ashmore of Russellville and they have a daughter, Wanda.

Ray married Elsie Williamson of Russellville and their three children are: Dorothy Ann, Rena Beth, and Thomas Ray. Later Ray married Helen Rogerson and they had a daughter, Pat.

Cecil and Ruth Wilker Patterson have three children: Larry, Paula Beth, and Keith.

Larry and his wife, Nell, have three children: Michelle, Eddie and Tony. Larry is a surveyor and geologist and his family resides in Houston, Texas.

Paula Beth married Billy Jim Warren, a son of William and Mabel Heer Warren. Billy Jim's grandmother was Beulah Smith Warren, a member of a family of early Pope County settlers. Paula Beth and Billy Jim have two children: Kimberly and Johnny. Billy Jim and his brother, Johnny Frank Warren, operate the Family Shoe Stores.

Keith Patterson, the youngest of Cecil and Ruth's three children, obtains his masters degree in agri this spring and will enroll for a doctorate in the same field at the University of Ark. summer school.

Cecil was formerly employed by Dr. Pepper Bottling Co. of Russellville, a firm owned and operated by G.M. Cook. Later Cecil and Ruth Wilker Patterson opened a cafe at Paris called "Cecil's 22 Cafe." They have since sold the cafe and are now engaged in following hobbies and recreational activities. Ruth is especially interested in collecting and selling antiques. For Ruth, a member of a large family that grew up on Crow Mountain in the Mars

Hill community, her memories of that childhood are especially happy ones. She recalls fishing and swimming in Galla Creek, the crossing of streams on a foot log holding to a single hand rail after a rain when the water was dangerously high. She recalls the school activities as well as winter evening recreation which might include family and friends popping corn, parching peanuts and making molasses candy. For Ruth Wilker Patterson, Pope County will always mean pleasant memories.

by Erma Dikes

VERNON HENRY WILKER

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Vernon Henry Wilker, the second son of John and Bertha Wirth Wilker, was born on Crow Mountain. His grandparents came to Crow Mountain from Germany about 1881 or 1882, at a time when Bismark, the German Chancellor, was persecuting German Catholics and simultaneously the Little Rock-Fort Smith Railroad was conducting an extensive campaign to lure new settlers to the Arkansas River Valley with the hope that the Railroad would be able to sell the land that it had received as encouragement from the government for building the railroad. The grandparents of Vernon Henry were, Henry Wilker, born 13 Sept. 1851, and Annie Wilker, born 1 Dec. 1851, settled on Crow Mountain where the family later purchased a cotton gin from the William Jackson family.

As a boy Vernon Henry Wilker attended the Palmetto School on Crow Mountain. He worked with his father and his uncles at the cotton gin and learned to drive a truck while still a boy hauling the cotton seed to a storage building and later hauling the seed to a cotton mill. The gin received most of the seed as payment for the ginning fee. The mill ground up the seed and sold some of the by-products for cattle feed. Vernon Henry names some of his uncles connected with the cotton gin who were: Herman and Joe Wilker, and an aunt, Annie M. Reichmann.

When the depression hit Arkansas, the hill farmers slowly realized that cotton was not the crop that they should be growing on the rolling hill land and many rural people looked elsewhere for employment. Vernon Henry Wilker left Pope County during the depression, going to Kansas City where other relatives had gone. Vernon Henry married Ernestine Davidson of Kansas City, the daughter of Chris and Cordelia Davidson who operated a dairy. The children of Vernon Henry and Ernestine Davidson Wilker are: Vicky, Beverly, Ben, and John Wilker.

Vicky married Theron Myers and they have sons, Bob and Jerry. Vicky is employed by a bank in Shantee Mission.

Beverly married Don Dewitt and they live on a farm outside the city limits of K.C. where they operate a neighborhood grocery store. Their three children are: Jimmy, Jenny, and Julie.

Ben married Donna Steart and they are in the automobile business. Ben and Donna Steart Wilker's children are: Debbie and Kelly.

John Wilker, the youngest of Vernon Henry and Ernestine's children is an executive at Montgomery Ward. John and Vicky Wilker have three children: Tracy, Chris, and Elizabeth. Recently the John Wilkers have been transferred to Chicago.

Vernon Henry and his wife, Ernestine Davidson Wilker operate an automobile business in Kansas City. They sell new and used cars, repair cars and in addition operate a tow business for the Police Dept. of Kansas City.

Vernon Henry Wilker says he is pleased with the progress made in Pope County since he lived here. He wonders how his grandfather, born 13 Sept. 1851 and died 20 Dec. 1907, would react to the changes of the last 70 years.

by Erma Dikes

ALBERT HENRY WILLIAMS

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Albert Henry Williams was born at Independence, Mo., Feb. 20, 1878, the son of Tilmon and Martha Ward Williams. Albert's parents moved to Pope County by wagon train, pulled by oxen in 1889, when Albert was 11 years of age. The family also brought with them a saw mill and Tilmon made a living for his family doing saw mill work and farming. Albert had two brothers: John Williams who married Minnie Talley, Hardy Williams who married Dora Fletcher.

He also had a half brother, who was older, Charley Williams who lived in Kansas City, Mo.

Albert's sisters were: Maggie who married Will Karnes and they were the parents of 18 children.

Celia, married Lee Karnes and they had 11 children.

Minnie, married Jess Darby of the Shiloh Community. The Darby's had 2 boys and 4 girls. Fred Darby was their oldest child.

Jane Williams also married a Darby.

Albert had a half sister, Sarah Nicholson, who lived in Missouri. She was known by all her friends as Auntie.

Albert married Minnie Linker and four children were born to this union, Annie, Carl, Ida and Faxon, known as L.F. Williams. Minnie was the daughter of Eph and Martha Shoptaw Linker. Minnie's brothers were Steve, Dock and Darrell Linker and Minnie had a half step-brother who was Ishems Cagle who owned and run Cagles Mill on the Illinois bayou where the old dam is located now.

Albert and Minnie were raising their family of four children on Linker Mountain when Minnie passed away, Sept. 4, 1925. Albert then moved with his children to Tucker Mountain, then to Wheeler Bend. Minnie is buried at McFadden Cemetery at Dover, Arkansas. A cousin of Minnie Williams, Mildred Shoptaw married Tommy Tomlinson who was a teacher at Ark. Tech in Russellville before his death.

Albert's mother passed away in 1899 and his father married a woman by the name of Wagner at Scottsville, Ark. When Albert's father, Tilmon died in the early 1900's, a Mr. Bibler at Scottsville got hold of Albert's fa-

ther's saw mill and at this writing they are the ones who own Bibler Lumber Company at Russellville.

Albert passed away April 9, 1946, and is buried at Williamson Cemetery at Shiloh, now Shiloh-Williamson Cemetery, north of Russellville. Albert was a farmer, lumber worker and also worked for the Arkansas Power and Light Company for years at the old dam on the Illinois bayou.

by Annie Williams Moriarty

THE WILLIAMSON FAMILY HISTORY

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JAY WILLIAMSON

An old and proud name in Pope County, the Williamsons, originally came from Northumberland County, England and settled in North Carolina before the Revolution. Immediate ancestor of Pope County Williamsons was John Williamson, Revolutionary soldier under General Nathanael Greene and at Battle of King's Mountain. He married Margaret Scott Cloyd of Virginia and they settled in Wilson County, Tennessee as early as 1796 on lands received as a bounty for war services. Here he served as Indian fighter under James Robertson, founder of Nashville. They are buried in Green Hill, Tennessee.

Their son, John Robert Williamson, and his family came to Arkansas in a wagon train

caravan in 1830, stopping first in Yell County, almost returning to Tennessee, finally voting during Sunday services at Point Remove to stay in Arkansas. John Williamson (dropped the Robert) and his sons received patents from the United States for almost 2000 acres in northern part of county near Dwight Mission on Illinois Bayou. With aid of slaves, they cleared land and planted corn and cotton. John's wife was Sarah (Sally) Tate and seven of thirteen children living to adulthood were: Robert Tate, Margaret McLin (Bernard), John Laurens, David Foster, Sally (Alston), George Montgomery Pike, James Guthrie. John Williamson, an early political leader, was elected from Pope County to Eight Territorial Legislature in 1833. He then was elected President of Legislative Council, in which capacity he laid the cornerstone of Old State House in 1833. He served continuously on the Council, which became the Senate with Arkansas statehood in 1836, and as a Senator from Pope County until 1852. In 1844-45, he was President of the Senate, receiving a gold-headed cane from fellow Senators as mark of esteem. He had also served as Acting Governor for seven months during the absence of Governor Thomas Drew.

John Williamson was also a devout Cumberland Presbyterian. From Sunday service in his home and brush arbor built by his slaves came Shiloh church and Williamson campground, early religious gathering place for Western Arkansas. He gave seven acres for the church and campground in 1834, while he and sons helped build first log church there. Last camp meeting was held in 1859, while church was used over one hundred years. John died in 1861, his wife in 1857; buried at Shiloh (Williamson) cemetery.

David Foster Williamson, son of John, married Mary Wilson Howell, December 29, 1835 at Old Scotia. Adult children were: Margaret Fanny (Cox), Alvin Benton, Jane Eliza (Walker), Levi Clark, Robert Tate, Susan Mildred (Russell), Jay, John Amasa. David Foster served as Pope County Treasurer 1838-1848, 1850-1852, 1864-1866. Also he wrote political and moral columns for church papers and newspapers, entitled anonymously "Over Forty". He was friend of Edward Washburn, painter of "Arkansas Traveler" and son of Dwight Mission's founder. Incidentally, Williamson children and grandchildren attended Dwight Mission school. David F. died 1877, his wife 1873; buried at Shiloh.

Jay Williamson, son of David Foster, married Dorcas Hamilton Aug. 23, 1876. Children were: Thomas Foster, married Mabel Roys; Hattie Ann, married Guy Ferguson; James Paschal, married Etta Pless; Benjamin, died age 2. Jay served as City Treasurer of Russellville for 12 years. He died in Clarksville September 21, 1938; buried in Russellville Cemetery. (See picture)

Hattie Ann Williamson Ferguson was born December 8, 1879 at Russellville and died December 10, 1967 in Clarksville, Arkansas. She spent last part of her life in Clarksville, where she served as Arkansas Gazette agent for 26 years. She was mother of Dorcas Katherine Ferguson, born February 14, 1903



THE JAY WILLIAMSON FAMILY (c. 1895)

L. to R. — Hattie Ann Williamson Ferguson, Thomas Foster Williamson, Jay, Dorcas Malissa, Hamilton Williamson, and James Paschal Williamson.

in Russellville and married to George O. Patterson, Jr. of Clarksville May 24, 1927. He later served as Chancery Judge of Ninth Judicial District, including Pope County, until his death in 1961. Dorcas served as City Treasurer of Clarksville for 14 years.

Their children were: Alice Ann, born 1932; married Eugene Harris and Dorcas Sue, born 1935; married Robert Pine, Jr.

Alice Ann is the mother of Ronald George, born 1952, Cheryl Irene, born 1955 and Eugene Patterson, born 1958. Ronald, a practicing attorney in Clarksville, is married to Carolyn Morgan and they are parents of the newest generation, Sarah Caroline, born 1978. All live in Clarksville.

Dorcas Sue is the mother of Robert Patterson Pine, born 1970, and is director of Admissions at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, where she resides.

by Dorcas Ferguson Patterson and Alice Ann Harris

REV. GEORGE WASHINGTON WILLIAMSON

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My Great Great Great Grandfather, Rev. George Washington Williamson, b. 29 Janu-

ary 1811 in West Tennessee, died 4 November 1876 in Pope County, Arkansas. He married Elenor Margaret G. Steele, b. in Virginia 1818, and died in Pope Co., Arkansas, 8 October 1881. Both are buried in unknown cemeteries in Pope County.

George and Elenor were married in Lebanon, Wilson Co., Tenn., 28 January 1834. They were the parents of seven children; William King; James A.; George S.; Margaret L.; Mary C.; Thomas E.; and Ellen Ann. George was a Cumberland Presbyterian Minister in Tenn., and Arkansas. George and his wife Elenor and their children moved to Pope Co., Ark. about 1844.

My Great Great Grandfather, William King Williamson, b. in Tenn., November 1834, died and was buried in Lee Cemetery, Pope Co., Ark. 1914. He and Mary Rachael Tate married, 13 March 1856, in Pope County. Mary Rachael Tate was born 1841, death date unknown. They were the parents of six children; Richard W.; John Henry; Margaret E.; Ruth; Della R.; and Ada. They lost seven babies; Billie; Grant; Michael; Samuel; Lillie; King; and Francis.

William King Williamson did not serve in the Civil War as a soldier, he was needed by the Confederate Army to make shoes for their men, as he had followed the tanning business. One day the Bushwhackers came and

he was to hide out for awhile. He had \$300. dollars saved, which he hid in his Tanner Books for safe keeping and then hid the books. After the War, he was having a hard time making a living. He decided to return and do some tanning to make some money to provide for his family. He found his tanning books and inside was the \$300 dollars he had hid. This was a happy day for this man.

My Great Grandfather, Richard W. Williamson, b. near Pottsville, Pope Co., Ark., March 1859. Nancy Catherine Davis, b. in Gumlog, Pope Co., Ark., 12 January 1861. They married in Pope Co., 3 August 1879 and were the parents of eight children; Richard; George W.; Joe L.; James G.; Lizzie; Carrie; Lewis; and Ruben Ernie. Richard W. Williamson was a farmer. Both he and his wife are buried in unknown graves.

My grandfather, Joe Lafayette Williamson, b. in Pottsville, Pope Co., Ark., 22 December 1884. He married to Sallie Jane Williams, b. 1 March 1889, died 3 Feb. 1916, and married 30 July 1905 in Pope Co., Arkansas. They were the parents of two children; Marvin and Alice. Marvin, born and died one month later. Both grandparents are buried in Bowden Cemetery, Pope Co., Arkansas.

Joe married to Lela May Simpson, b. in Pope Co., Ark., 26 May 1891 and died in Yell Co., Ark., 27 Aug. 1970. They married 30 July 1916 and were the parents of 4 children: George Raymond; Richard Edward; Eliza Lucille and Lela Jane. Richard Edward was born and died one month later. Joe was a carpenter and farmer. He died 17 March 1969. Both he and Lela May are buried in Bowden Cemetery, Pope County.

My father, George Raymond Williamson, b. near Pottsville, Pope Co., Ark., 27 Nov. 1924. Martha Lorene Land, b. Centerville, Yell Co., Ark., 24 Feb. 1929. They were married in Johnson Co., Ark., 22 Aug. 1947, later moved to Lubbock, Texas.

They have three sons: Roger Dale; Derrall Wayne; and Wendell Douglas. George was in the United States Navy in World War II. He is retired from the Fire Dept. He was a Captain, with 28 years service. He also worked as a carpenter. Lived in Lubbock for 27 years, then Blackwell, Texas for 2½ years, and in 1978 moved to Pope County, Arkansas.

Roger Dale Williamson was born in Lubbock, Texas 8 April 1949. Roger graduated Texas School for the deaf and Elkins Institute, the school of photography. He moved to Seattle 1 June 1976. He married to Ella Karlak in Carston, Alberta, Canada 1 April 1978. Ella Karlak born in Eskimo Point, Northwest Territory, Canada 7 April 1948. They live in Redmond, King Co., Washington. Roger works as a Custom Color Printer in Meisel Photochrome Corp. since 5 June 1976.

by Roger Dale Williamson

JACK LAWRENCE WILLIAMSON

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Jack Lawrence Williamson was a descendent of John Williamson who came to Arkansas from Tennessee in 1830. They settled north of Russellville on the property that now

belongs to Arkansas Tech and on out to the Shiloh community. They were very religious people and one of the first things they did was to build a house of worship at Shiloh. Thus establishing the Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

A grandson of John Williamson was William Woodbury Williamson. Woodbury was a member of the Shiloh church and served as an Elder. At one time he served the County of Pope as County Treasurer. He married (1) to Sallie C. Brigham, Jan. 18, 1878, who was born in 1862 and they had four children: Sam, Bessie, Josie and Jack. (2) Thula D. Hamilton and they had one child, Thula and (3) Elizabeth (Lizzie) Bryan and they had two children.

Jack Williamson, youngest child of the first set of children and son of Sallie C. Brigham, was born 1884 and died in 1960. He grew up in the Bakers Creek and Shiloh communities and married Ruth Boals, a daughter of an early settler of the community. He farmed for a while then worked for the O.K. Wagon Yard on north Arkansas Ave. for a while then went to work for Mr. Westphal in the planing mill and then worked for several years for Arkmo Lumber Company until he retired.

He was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church for a number of years, then he and his wife, joined the South Methodist church in Russellville. He and Ruth Boals Williamson were the parents of two children; Sarah Mildred and Helen Louise. Mildred attended high school at what is now Ark. Tech and then taught school for three or four years then moved to Bartlesville, Okla. After spending several years in Oklahoma she moved back to Russellville and worked for Faulkner Jewelry for several years before retiring in 1972. Helen Louise also attended high school at Tech and taught at West Ward for two years, took a year of absence to get a degree at Teachers College in Edmond, Okla., and never did come back. She married Othel Griffis in Oklahoma City and they have one daughter, Stella Louise and they live in Oklahoma City. Louise taught for 19 years with the Cassidy schools in Oklahoma.

by Mildred Williamson

WILLIAM WOODBURY WILLIAMSON

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William Woodbury Williamson was the grandson of John Williamson who migrated to Pope County, Arkansas, in 1830, from Tenn. John was a member of the Arkansas Territorial Legislature and when the Old State House was begun in 1833, being Pres. of the Council, laid the corner stone for this building. He served as Senator for nineteen years, ending in 1853.

He married Sally Tate, born in N.C. about 1806, in Wilson Co., Tenn. They had thirteen children, seven lived to be grown. Two of his boys, Robert Tate and John Laurens, had been dating two sisters, Harriet and Jane Williamson, who were distant cousins. In 1831, they went back to Tenn. and married the girls and brought them to Arkansas. One of the

first things John Williamson did upon settling in Pope County was to build a house of worship as he was a devout Cumberland Presbyterian. The Shiloh church was established in 1836, but a few years ago the church was disbanded.

John Laurens was twice married, and he and his first wife, Jane, were the parents of John S. Lawson and Sally Williamson. After the death of Jane he married Susan Quesenbury and their children were: Ann, Kate, Betty, Woodbury, Cloyd and Jewell. He was a colonel in the Confederate Army and known as "Uncle Jack." He was discharged from the Army on account of a disability and not long after his return home he passed away in 1862. His widow was left with six small children. One night after taking cotton to Norris-town, three masked men came and demanded money, which she denied them. They dragged her from her bed and held her feet over the coals in the fireplace until she told them where part of the money was hidden. The oldest child, Ann, had gone for help but before help arrived the bushwackers had left with their loot.

The fourth child of John and Susan was Woodbury (Uncle Wood) Williamson, born May 28, 1853 and died in 1942. He married (1) Sallie C. Brigance, who was born in 1862 and they had four children: Sam, Bessie, Josie and Jack. (2) Thula D. Hamilton, who was born in 1864 and died in 1894. They had one child: Thula, who married Jim Parker. (3) Elizabeth (Lizzie) Bryan, born in 1872, and they had two children: Buena Vista and Wood Bryan, who was born Dec. 30, 1903, in Russellville.

Woodbury was a farmer, school teacher and was elected County Treasurer in 1920 and served two terms. He was an Elder in the Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church and a Trustee and charter member in the church that was built in 1914, in Russellville.

Wood Bryan Williamson, was educated in the Russellville schools and the Agriculture School (now Tech). In 1927, he married Jewell Herrin, a descendent of an old Pope County family. They became members of the Russellville Cumberland Church in 1924 or 1925, before marrying. Wood operated several service stations until taking a position with Curtis Candy Co., where he worked for 18 years. In 1965, Mr. and Mrs. Williamson bought the Taylor Flower Shop in Russellville and it is now being operated by their son, William Bryan (Bill) Williamson. Bill came to be manager after the death of Mrs. Williamson in 1970. Wood Bryan died in May 1978.

Bill Williamson married Nell Wells of Mariana, Ark., in 1960.

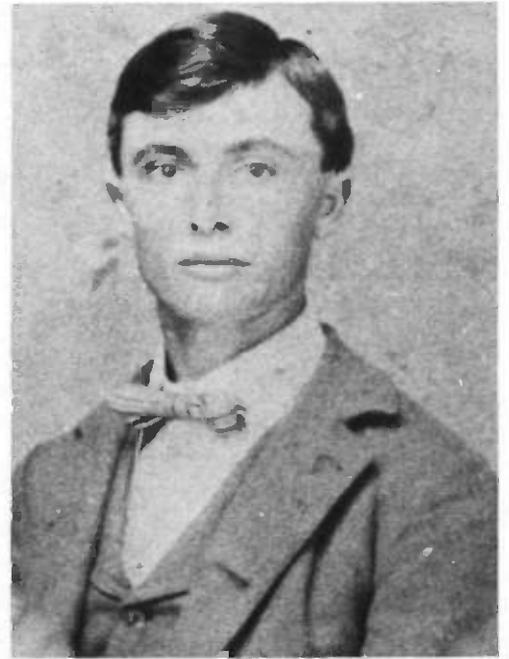
They lived in San Antonio, Texas before coming back to Russellville. They have two children: Sherri Lyn and David Bryan.

by Wood Bryan Williamson (now deceased)

EARL WILSON FAMILY HISTORY

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Earl Wilson, born 1879 in Woodruff County, Ark. the only child of Frank and Vir-



Earl Wilson



JANEY FOSTER WALKER WILSON
1946

ginia Raney Wilson. His mother died during his childbirth. He came to Pope County around 1882 with his maternal Grandmother, Virginia Raney. They made their home with his Mother's sister, Mary Raney Morris and her husband, George Samuel Morris.

The Morris's farmed on Galla Creek, then moved to Russellville where they continued to farm and bought and sold cotton and real estate.

Earl received about six years of schooling and worked on the farm, before starting an apprenticeship as a barber. He received his apprenticeship from Mr. Cecil Parks Sr. until at the age of 18, he started his own shop. He owned and operated several barbershops in Russellville for 32 years. A shop he was operating was destroyed by the fire that burnt down much of Russellville in 1906.

Earl married Janey Foster Walker, daughter of George Washinton and Jane Eliza William-

son Walker, on March 11th, 1902. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Jim Montgomery. They had nine children, 5 boys and 4 girls, Frank, Harry, Norma, Louise, Charlie, Joe, Walter, Virginia, and Elizabeth, and they helped with the farming. Aside from barbering Earl tried to make a better life for his wife and children, he farmed over 300 acres of cotton and alfalfa in the Arkansas River bottoms, and operated a dairy farm. He brought into the area the first registered Holstien cattle from New York and Wisconsin for the dairy farm, and paid the unheard of at that time, price of \$1500 for one cow. The dairy farm was located on the present site of the Russellville City Park and Hughes Community Center.

Eight of their children are still living with three residing in Russellville. The three are Mrs. J. Fay (Norma) Rollans, Mrs. Louise Hill, and Mrs. A.D. (Elizabeth) Guston.

There are 28 living grandchildren, with four residing in Russellville. They are Mr. Kenneth Wilson Guston, Mr. David C. Rollans, Mrs. Nannette Olson, and Mrs. Susie Gilbert. Also there are 50 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren.

Earl died at the age of 50, on July 2nd, 1929 after 6 months of illness. Six of the children were still living at home upon the death of their Father. Their Mother, Janey (Fossie) assumed the responsibility of rearing the children and of providing a christian home. As the children were old enough, they started working to help out with those still at home.

All those who knew Janey (Fossie) Wilson loved and admired her for she was always there to help her family, friends and neighbors in time of need. She passed along this desire to care and love others to her children.

On Jan. 1, 1956 Janey Foster, (Fossie) Wilson died at the age of 80.

by Norma Rollans

JAMES E. WILSON

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Harriett Newel Dicus Wilson

My grandfather, James E. Wilson, born 1817, in Wayne Co. Tenn. and wife Harrett Dicus Wilson, born 1833 in Wayne Co. Tenn., came to Arkansas in 1849. My Grandfather rode his horse through and grandmother and the children came by boat to Dardanelle. They first settled in Logan Co. and soon after came

to Pope Co. in Illinois Township. He was a farmer and land owner and raised horses and served in the Civil War and were Methodists. While he was away the bushwhackers came and demanded that my grandmother Harrett cook them a big meal. After they left she found a \$20.00 gold piece on the table but they also had taken some of her cured hams and her favorite horse and one slave. She was a midwife and also grew her own herbs to make tonics and medicines. Mary Wilson, the mother of James, born 1782, died 1857, while on the way to Pope County and was buried in the Shiloh Cemetery.

They had five children. Three lived to become adults. Josie Wilson (Mrs. Jim Taylor), Susan Ellen Wilson (Mrs. James D. Humphrey) and a son, O.D. Wilson, born 1862. He was a farmer, land owner, horse trader and musician. He married Alice Russell. They had nine children. Seven survived. Besse E. Wilson (Mrs. John W. Carpenter), Ott, Wilson, B. Enola Wilson (Mrs. Otis Robinson), Euela F. Wilson (Mrs. Arnold Thorson), M. Frances Wilson (Mrs. L. Bloss), James E. Wilson II, who served in World War II, Co. B 753rd Tank Destroyer Battalion in European African Theater. He was awarded Seventeen medals including one Silver and one Bronze Battle Star, also the Purple Heart. Josephine Ellen Wilson (Mrs. A.T. Braden) has two children, Dale Spencer Braden, great grandson of James E. Wilson. He was born in 1933, he attended school in Russellville, Arkansas Tech, the University of A in Fayetteville, and graduated from Law school in Tulsa, Ok. He is an attorney in Russellville. Jo Lynne Braden (Mrs. Kenneth Bowden) attended school in Russellville, and the U of A in Fayetteville. Married Kenneth Bowden. They have two daughters, Kimberly Ellen Bowden, born 7-21-60, and Stephanie Michelle Lynne Bowden, born 1-17-63.

by Josephine Ellen Wilson Braden

ROBERT WILSON

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Robert Wilson was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, in 1789. He came to Gold Hill, N.C. at the age of 17 to live with a sister, Jane Lewis. Later they all moved to Anderson County, Tennessee. Robert married Jane Latimore, also from County Tryrone. Robert accompanied Andrew Jackson to fight the Creek Indians and other tribes in Georgia and Florida. When Jackson became president many years later, he rewarded many of his Indian fighters with free land. Robert Wilson, was awarded about 1600 acres in what is now Pope County, north and northeast of Atkins. He came to claim his land in 1834. Friends and relatives accompanied him. Robert, being an Irish immigrant without money, may have sold or traded some of his land. However, he retained several hundred acres which he passed on to his sons. Some of this land was held by his descendants until the 1960's. Robert died in 1859. Jane died in 1849.

Robert's sixth child, Edmund Dixon Wilson, was born in Tennessee, January 17, 1826. He married Mahala Burkhead in 1855,

the daughter of Green Burkhead, who died on the way to Arkansas. Edmund Dixon served in the Confederate Army. He had two sons, Robert Green (1867-1940) and Edmund Dixon II, born September 18, 1869. In 1889, the second Edmund Wilson married Ada Reynolds, who moved with her family from Cleveland County in 1885 and settled northeast of Atkins in the house still standing just west of the Hopewell church. Edmund and his wife lived in the community until 1918 when they moved to the Griffin Flat Community where he was a successful farmer and stockman until his death in 1948. Ada died in 1949. They had six children: Edmund Bert (E.B.) married Mayme Hundley in 1913. They had two sons, E.B. Jr. and Harold. Mayme died in 1947 and Bert married Lucille Richardson. A graduate of the University of Arkansas, Bert spent his life in educational work. He taught in Atkins, Russellville, London, and Hector was supervisor of Yell County schools. He died in 1973.

Roy, a graduate of Hendrix College and a Veteran of World War I, married Vada Boen in 1921. They had two sons, Edmund Dixon III and William Roy. After serving as superintendent of the Pottsville Schools, Roy became associated with the Dierks Lumber Co. He and Vada now live in Waldron.

Guy began a career in the printing business with the Pope Co. Record under the late C.W. Dodd. He graduated from the Second District Agricultural School and served in the Navy in WW I. He married Vela Crawford in 1934. She and their son, Guy Crawford, now live in California. Guy died in 1965 in Lawton, Oklahoma, where he is buried.

May married W.A. Bollen in 1922. He died in 1964. Their two sons are Austin and Edmond. May was a graduate of UCA and a teacher. She taught in the Hector and Pottsville Schools, retiring in 1965. She now lives in Russellville.

Maud attended Arkansas Tech and taught twenty-five years in the Pope and Yell Co. Schools. She married Oliver Start in 1931 and died in 1947 leaving no children.

Allie graduated from the University of Arkansas and Peabody College and entered a career of teaching and librarianship. Her first high school teaching was at Hector. She retired from Henderson State University in 1971 and moved to Russellville.

All the deceased mentioned above, except Guy, are buried in Oakland Cemetery northeast of Atkins.

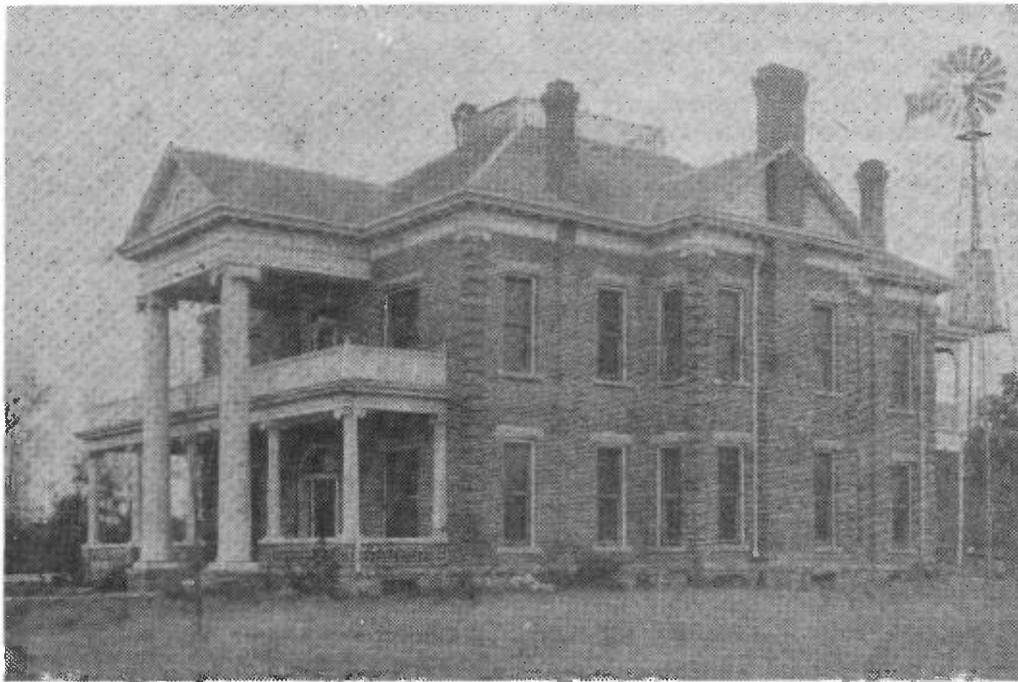
Descendants of Edmund and Ada Wilson born after 1950 are Robert Edmund Wilson, son of E.B. Jr.; Beth and Kay Bollen, daughters of Edmond Bollen; and Beth and Mark Wilson, children of William Roy.

by Allie Wilson

ROBERT BARNETT WILSON

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Robert Barnett Wilson (son of B.F. and Mary Wilson) of Tennessee was born May 26, 1850, in Shelby Co., Tenn. He came to Arkansas with his parents in 1853. They first settled in Conway County a few miles from



JUDGE R. B. WILSON HOME IN RUSSELLVILLE. 214 East 5th St.

Old Lewisburg. Two years later his parents purchased a large farm in the southeast corner of Pope County where they lived for about twenty years. There were no schools in the neighborhood and in 1860 his father employed a man to teach in that area for ten months tutelage out side of the home. Then the Civil War followed and the school was abandoned. In 1872, Robert Barnett Wilson went to Murfreesburg, Tenn., and attended Union University and in 1873 he attended St. John's College in Little Rock, Arkansas.

In 1875, he entered the law office of L.W. Davis of Russellville, where he was under the guidance of Judge Frank Thatch studying law. He was admitted to the bar on May 1876. He immediately opened his law office in Russellville where part of the Courthouse in Russellville now stands.

In 1878 he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of the County Judge and then was elected to another term. In 1888 he, without his solicitation, was appointed by President Cleveland the Register of the U.S. Land Office in Dardanelle. For 15 years he was a member of the Russellville School Board acting as president. On November 21, 1877, he was married at Russellville to Ann Mary Howell (who was the daughter of Jesse C. and Adalissa Hardaway Howell, formerly of Hardin Co., Ky.) Born of this marriage were five children: H. Howell Wilson, Mary Wilson, Frank C. Wilson, Adalissa Wilson and Robert Barnett Wilson Jr.

Judge Wilson has been credited with being one of the most effective agents in securing the location of the Second District Agriculture School (now Ark. Tech. Univ.) at Russellville in 1909. His contribution to the school was recognized immediately when the Board of Trustees named the south boys dormitory in his honor. The name Wilson Hall still remains with the dormitory today.

Judge Wilson gave us a gift to the United Daughters of the Confederacy some land on the east end of Skyline Drive. It was his hope that this land could be made into a local rec-

reational area. It was turned back to the Wilson family in later years and Miss Adalissa Wilson and her brother, R.B. Wilson, Jr gave it to the City of Russellville to be used as a park.

In 1902, people said it was uncomfortably near the cemetery, when it was being built; it was too far out, it was the only house in the immediate vicinity, on three sides stretched green pastures, while its colonial front faced the "far distant town" of Russellville. The year was 1903 when Judge and Mrs. R.B. Wilson moved into a new imposing two story brick colonial home with their five children. The address was 408 Franklin St., later changed to 214 East 5th St. Elaborate, even for a period of history renowned for architectural embellishments, it soon became an attraction.

Inside are twelve large rooms filled with mid-victorian furniture, complete to the needlepoint chairs. Wall to wall carpenting, an innovation for 1903, covers the floors of every room. At the back stands a small house for use by a colored couple who helped with the house and yard. A big red barn is near. Across the street is a cotton yard piled high with cotton bales awaiting train time.

Also at the back of the house stands a big windmill that once provided water for the colonial home before Russellville entertained thoughts along these lines.

Of the five children Mary Wilson married Elbert H. Rankin May 11, 1904. They had one son — Robert W. Rankin. Hurley Howell married Carolyn Shay of Pennsylvania on Oct. 2, 1914, and they had one child; Virginia Wilson. Frank C. Wilson married Lula J. Young on November 10, 1929; Robert Barnett Wilson, Jr., married Eva McGee on Jan. 30, 1930. Judge R.B. Wilson died June 18, 1928. His wife, Ann Mary Howell died Feb. 17, 1943. Sixty-three years later, the home was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Kemp and Miss Adalissa Wilson and her brother R.B. Wilson, Jr. and his wife moved into a modern duplex they built on the next lot to the old home.

Judge and Mrs. Wilson's children have all passed away. The only survivors are: Dr. R.W. Rankin, a nephew; Mrs. Virginia (Clarance) Tittle, a niece, and Mrs. R.B. Wilson, Jr., a daughter-in-law.

The Wilson home, as it is still known, was purchased in 1977 by Dr. Robert Thurlby (a member of the Millard-Henry Clinic) who was first attracted to the home during a trip through Russellville while enroute from Fayetteville to Little Rock for a Razorback football game.

by Mrs. R.B. Wilson, Jr.

CAPTAIN ROBERT JAMES WILSON

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Dr. William Robert McNess Hodgson

Captain Robert James Wilson's story was told in the first book published on Pope County. His parents John and Jane Edmiston Wilson among earliest settlers. They settled on a farm near Dover in Pope County, taking out a government claim and also secured additional land at a later period, becoming the owners of a large acreage and many slaves. At that time, game was plentiful in this section and the town of Russellville had not been founded. John Wilson was conceded to be one of the wealthiest men in Pope County.

On his tombstone in Dardanelle, "John Wilson, born Oct. 1, 1791, professed Christianity and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in 1829 in which faith he died a member in Pope County, Arkansas, Oct. 10, 1852." They were the parents of eight children born in Pope County.

Captain Robert James Wilson married Cassandra Boneparte Ford from Shreveport, Louisiana, a school teacher. Four children. Captain Wilson attended Canehill College, 150 miles from home. He rode his horse over the mountain, kept it during each school year, caring for it himself, and returning in the spring to the cotton farm in Norristown. He enlisted for service in the Civil War joining Scott's Squadron. He was promoted to the



William Robert Hodgson II

rank of Captain and participated in many battles and skirmishes. He received this discharge and returned home penniless, but with hard work and thrift managed to buy a store in Norristown which he moved to Russellville when the railroad was built. His store became known throughout Pope County and Northwest Arkansas, as "R.J. Wilson and Sons" for 70 years.

For many years while his mercantile business was growing and his land interest extending, he was identified as the Founder and first President of "The People's Exchange Bank" now renamed "The Peoples Bank of Russellville" which has grown into the largest bank in town. His hobby was fox hunting which he enjoyed with his sons. Oscar Wilson's family cooked the food and fed about ten hounds which kept all of us out of mischief. He would travel anywhere to get a better hound or horse.

Jerome Bonaparte, 1784-1860, brother of Napoleon Bonaparte, came to America in 1800, married Elizabeth Patterson of Baltimore. Through this line Cassandra's family ancestors led back to Napoleon. This marriage was annulled in 1805 in France by Napoleon. Elizabeth went to England where young Jerome was born in 1805 and returned to Baltimore.

Cassandra's parents were William Ford (Eng-Amer) and Martha Napoleon Spelling (Fr-Amer). Three children; Mollie Napoleon, Cassandra Bonaparte and Napoleon Bonaparte, who died in early life. They were born at "Robin's Rest" at Cottage Grove near Shreveport, La. Mollie married Steve Toby who was a partner of R.J. Wilson in Norristown, Ark., in general merchandise. Cassandra went to visit her sister and stayed to teach school. She and R.J. Wilson married and soon moved to Russellville, Ark., where their four children were born.

Cassandra refused to name any of her children any of the Bonaparte names because her mother was disinherited when she married an Englishman instead of a Frenchman.

Oscar, the eldest child, married Nancy Kerr Rankin, daughter of William Henry Rankin and Margaret Mallissa Oates. They became the parents of five children: Margaret, Robert,

James, Estelle, Evelyn and Will.

Kate married Joe Jacobson and had six children: Mariam Annette, Marvin, Joe Ford, Stella Noble, Oscar Mendell Wilson and Catherine Daniel. The Jacobson Family moved to New Mexico.

Stella married John Duffie, engaged in the export business in South America, had a daughter Marjorie Duffie Baker who lived in Hamilton, Texas.

Walter married Helen Richter from Little Rock, she being the supervisor of the Red Cross. Their son, Walter II, managed the extensive farming interests they own in Pulaski County.

Oscar, the only one who lived in Russellville all his life, became manager of the store and extensive farming interest. He was a generous, civic minded, forward looking man who attended the Wharton School of Business and studied law and was elected a delegate to rewrite the Constitution of Arkansas. He organized the first fire department after the town almost burned to the ground. All members were volunteers. I remember his jumping out of bed and into his clothes which were always on a chair by his bed and rushing out into the night, everybody following.

Oscar organized the first band in the town. His business as a merchant was important to the county. They carried everything for the needs of the people-piece goods, shoes, ready to wear, groceries, and farm machinery in the different departments.

Saturday nights around 1910 were real dingers. The band sometimes played. Horses drawing carriages, mules drawing wagons, and farmers with their children came to town from all over the county to shop, pay their bills, borrow money, and see their friends. It was true of small towns all over the country.

Oscar built the large brick home with the unusually large stone porch on Denver Street, known as River Street, for his family. The third floor was a ballroom and the children who danced came to our home or to John White's every Friday night to dance to the victrola or occasionally, a real band came to town.

In 1925 Evelyn married the attractive and talented young minister just out of McCormach Seminary who came to the USA Presbyterian Church. He remodeled the old church and built the beautiful new sanctuary as it now stands. The chancel window in the sanctuary is in memory of Nan Rankin Wilson and a large upstairs window in memory of Captain R.J. Wilson, who taught a men's Sunday School class for 25 years. Henry Willet of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, designed and built all the windows in the church. He shipped most all of his glass from Europe. He is reputed to be one of the two best window makers in America. He was written up as such in an issue of Life Magazine.

Dr. William Robert McNess Hodgson, minister born in South Shields, England, a master builder of men and churches, was that minister. He died December 6, 1976, living this life to its fullest every day.

Estelle never married and lived all her life in Russellville, spreading good news, boosting and bragging on the tremendous growth of

the town which has surpassed all small towns in Pope County and probably all of Arkansas. She always said President Franklin Roosevelt reminded her of our father, O.H. Wilson. Estelle died January 29, 1977, leaving Evelyn, the last survivor of O.H. Wilson's immediate family.

by Evelyn Wilson Hodgson

SUSAN ELLEN WILSON

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Susan Ellen Wilson, daughter of James E. Wilson who was born in 1817, in Tennessee and came to Pope County with his family in 1849. They had first settled in Logan County. Mrs. Wilson was midwife and has rode a horse many a mile during the night to attend the birth of a child. Sometimes the swollen streams necessitated the holding of the horses tail while they both swam the stream. Mary Wilson, the mother of James, born in 1782 had moved to Arkansas with James and just as they were moving to Pope County, in 1857, she became ill and passed away and was buried in the Shiloh Cemetery, north of Russellville.

They settled in the area of Center Valley and were the parents of five children, two dying young and three living to adulthood. Josie Wilson married Jim Taylor, Susan Ellen, married James D. Humphrey and a son, O.D. Wilson, married Alice Russell.

Susan Ellen Wilson, born Oct. 30, 1856, died Jan. 18, 1916. She married Jim David Humphrey who was born Jan. 19, 1853 and died Dec. 26, 1919. They were married at the home of the bride by Judge J.S. Linzy, Sept. 24, 1874. They lived in the Center Valley community all their life and are buried in the Old Baptist Cemetery at Center Valley. They were the parents of eight children:

William Dennison Humphrey, born Aug. 24, 1875, married Maud Gamblin and they were the parents of two children: Claud and Hazel.

Lillie Belle Humphrey, born Aug. 18, 1877, and died Aug. 3, 1975. She married John Logan Parker, who was born April 1, 1873 and died Nov. 10, 1945. They were the parents of ten children: Homer, Lester, Schyley, Wayne, Pebble, Fern, Clayton, Woodrow, J.L. Jr., and William.

James Robert Humphrey, born Nov. 9, 1879. He married Ada Mullins and they were parents of seven children: Bernice, Joe, Lou, Floy, Jessie, Wilma Sue and Ruth.

Rufus Malachi Humphrey, born July 14, 1882, died Dec. 10, 1963. He married Pearl Turner and they were the parents of one child: Jewell.

Rissia Virginia, born April 18, 1885, died Feb. 13, 1878. She married Pate (P.E.) Reed and they were the parents of ten children: Lois, Burl, Willie, Florence, Cecil, Jennings, James, Carl, Virginia and Ralph.

Jesse Abraham Humphrey, born Feb. 1, 1888, married Ethel Motley and they were the parents of four children: Louie, Herman, J.D. and Max Earl.

Mary Josephine Humphrey, born March 23, 1891, married Cebe Adams and they had

no children.

Hattie Humphrey, born June 19, 1894, married Brisco Renfro and they were the parents of six children: James, Mary Ellen, Truman, Betty Fern, Josephine and Freddie.

All of the children of Ellen Wilson Humphrey were born in and raised their families in Pope County and all are buried in Pope County, except Robert who had moved to Oklahoma about 1930.

by Woodrow Parker

THOMAS AUSTIN WILSON

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Thomas Austin Wilson was born in Lyons, Indiana, November 1, 1881, the son of Hiram Lee Wilson and Dica Anne Brough Wilson, and died in Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, Sept. 4, 1967. He came to Arkansas in 1887, and started to work in a printing shop when he was 13 years of age. He took a fulltime job in a print shop in Rison, Cleveland County, Arkansas, then spent 15 years working on the Pine Bluff Graphic and the Pine Bluff Commercial. In 1915, he went to work for the Arkansas Gazette as a linotype operator.

In 1919, Mr. Wilson was appointed Labor Commissioner for the State of Arkansas, by Gov. Brough, and was re-appointed by Gov. McRea, in 1921. He also served two terms in the legislature as a representative from Jefferson County, in 1913 and 1915. He made a record as labor commissioner that is most creditable and commendable.

Mr. Wilson gave up public life to return to the printing shop, and came to Russellville, Pope County, in 1926, and worked for the Russellville Printing Company. In 1943, he became sole owner of the Printing Company. He wasn't only owner and manager but also operated the linotype as well. They did all kinds of job printing for office supplies and also printed a number of papers and other periodicals.

In 1905, Mr. Wilson married Miss Lelia Maude Black, a daughter of Robert K. and Sally Tobin Black, and was a native of Hampton, Arkansas. She graduated from high school and attended Polytechnic College at Ruston, La. To this union was born three children.

Sally Ann Wilson, born July 12, 1906, at Pine Bluff, Ark., never married and now lives in Russellville.

Gordon N. Wilson, born Sept. 29, 1908, Pine Bluff, Ark., married Billie Carlee Brown of Clarendon, Ark., and they were the parents of four children: Sharon Wilson, born Aug. 28, 1943, married Donnie J. Adair of Texas and they have two children; Allyson Kay Adair, born in Tyler, Texas and Jennifer Carlee Adair, born in Garland, Texas. Sheila Wilson, born in 1941 and died in 1943; Larry Gordon Wilson, born in 1946, married Margaret Alice Staples of Houston, Texas; Janice Wilson, born in 1947, married James A. Hudson and they have two children: Mark Saunders Judson born in Shreveport, La. and Thomas Gordon Hudson, born in Houston,

Texas. Gordon N. Wilson worked with the Southwestern Telephone Company at Little Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson had an adopted daughter, Becky who was born Sept. 29, 1918, died March 1966. She married a Mr. Catterson and they were the parents of two daughters: Cathy Catterson, born Nov. 2, 1947, married Carwin Haley of Detroit, Mich. Sally Ann Catterson, born Aug. 13, 1949, married Thomas Fitton and they have one daughter, Christy Ann Roberts, born Nov. 17, 1972.

T.A. Wilson, Jr., was educated in the schools of Little Rock and Russellville, graduating from Russellville High School in 1933. He was a member of the football, basketball and track teams while in high school and also sang in the High School Boys Glee Club. He attended Arkansas Tech after high school and after World War II, attended the Southern School of Printing in Nashville, Tennessee. He then came home and went to work for his father in the Russellville Printing Company. When World War II came along, he served in the European theatre with the 80th Division.

In 1941, he married Adalissa Shinn, who was the daughter of Lemuel Avery and Ella Mae Hampton Shinn, who were members of early prominent settlers of Pope County. They live in Russellville.

In 1957, the Russellville Printing Company was incorporated with T.A. Wilson, Sr., Mrs. T.A. Wilson, Sr., and T.A. Wilson, Jr. Then in 1967, Mr. Wilson, Sr., retired and the company was incorporated with T.A. Wilson, Jr., Evelyn Bryan and Whitney Harger. The business is still being operated in downtown Russellville.

by T.A. Wilson, Jr.

JAMES ALBERT WIRTH

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James Albert Wirth was the son of John R. and Mary Jane Smith Wirth. He married Bertha Teeter, daughter of Wallace and Dora Jackson Teeter on Dec. 22, 1908. Their parents were early settlers of Crow Mountain. They made their home in the Double Springs community, near his parents. Their first child, Orlan married Doris Dracilla Raedler and he now lives in Abernathy, Texas. They had two daughters Nadee, now Mrs. Eugene Barker. She is the mother of four sons, Stephen Ray, Richard Paul, Lynn Patrick, Terry Neil. Wanda Lou, married Jimmy Jones and she has two sons, James and Tommy. A son, Dennis Orlan who is now married is the father of a baby daughter and lives in Memphis, Tenn. A daughter, Vida, married Charley Pipkin and lives in Texas. She has three sons, Alton Clois married Wanda LaJean Smith and had four children, John Alton, Sue Elaine, Ronnie Lynn, and Montie Glynn. Randall married Dorothy Hollingsworth and they have three children, Lenis Dean, Judy Kay and Dianna. A son, Kolan married Helen Wood and they have three children, Teresa, Kimberly and Kelly. He later married and he and his wife

Sandra have one daughter. A son, Dolan married Mary Sue Barton daughter of Doc Hill and Allie May Lofton. They have two children. A daughter Genevive who married Lawrence Stephens and they have a daughter, Teresa Reneea. A son, Carl Edward married Carlon Kay Clark and they have two daughters, Angela Kay and Dana Len. They live in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Virgie married Chester Lee Hipps, son of John and Laura Llewellen Hipps. They have three living children, having lost a daughter by death, Linda Darnell. She was married to Larry Scott and they had one son, Mark Allen who now lives with his grandparents. A son Carl Dwain and his first wife had a daughter, Debra Lee, who married Paul Princite and they have a daughter, Sarah Louise. Carl is now married to Sharon Lee Graeme and they have a daughter, Laura Lee. Their daughter, Evelyn, married Billy McDaniel and they have had one son, Billy Carroll who is now married and has a baby son. Evelyn then married Gene McKinney and they had twins, Michelle and Michael, Michael died in infancy. Their daughter, Elwanda who married Tom Brashears who had a daughter, Jan. A daughter, Ione married Luther Price, son of Alvie and Ludie McDonald Price and they had eight children: Kenneth Charles married Helen Louise Bradford, their children Carry Lyn, Terri Ann, and Charles Randall. A daughter, Glendean married Paul Henderson and they have two daughters, Pamela and Manda. A son Delbert, married Lurlene Farley and they have one child, Stephanie Renee. Glynn married Carolyn Pennington, they have a daughter, Kathryn. Lynn, married Carol Jean Semrud and he has four children, Christopher, Gary, Larry and Mark. Joyce Ann married Jake Malloy and they have a son Kirk and a baby daughter. Their youngest children are twins, Wayne and Dwayne now both married and each have two children. All live in Texas except Dwayne.

Leona, married Lelon Price the son of Alvie and Ludie McDonald Price. They have two sons, and lost two infant daughters by death. James Laurelle married Evelyn Finley daughter of Bob and Florine Martin Finley and they have two children, Sherry Lynn and Kevin. The other son, Ricky married Myra Sue White, daughter of Bob and Fay White. Geneva died as an infant and Geneta married Wilburn Jones, son of James and Lee Standridge Jones. They have three girls and a boy. Francille the older married Jerry Dean Nichols and they have three children; Gregory, Marla Kay and Michael Duane. Sleatta Ann married James D. Wiggins and they have one son, Jimmy Don and a baby daughter. A daughter, Gail, married John Perry and they have two sons, Mark and Steven. A son, Jerry Woodford, married Sherry West Jones and has a son, David S. and a baby daughter.

The Wirth family lived in the Palmetto Community on Crow Mountain where he was a well driller and a farmer. During the depression years they moved to Lubbock, Texas to farm. Mrs. Wirth died in April of 1976 and Mr. Wirth now lives with his children. He will be 91 years of age in September, still rides a horse and can perform menial chores. He is



James Albert Wirth Family. Left to right front row: Mother Betha Wirth, Virgie Wirth Hipps, Iona Wirth Price, Vida Wirth Pipkins, Leona Wirth Price, and Geneta Wirth Jones. Back row: James Albert Wirth, Dolan Wirth and Orlan Wirth.

good at cracking walnuts and picking out the meat although she wore no glasses.

The home where they lived was in two sections, divided by a breeze way with fireplaces for heat. Although she had a range in her kitchen she cooked most all the meals on the fireplace, using cast iron vessels. A large spring flowed the year around in front of the house. A long wooden box was set in a trench with holes in either end for the water to flow through. Milk, butter and other things were kept there in the summer to cool. The soap was made from meat scraps and lye taken from the ash-hopper. Plenty of fruits, vegetables, jellies, preserves and sorgum molassies were on hand through the winter months after an abundant harvest. Granny Wirth attended to the sick over the mountain carrying the medications she made from herbs and bark and many different things she gathered from nature. She could also tell the wild things that were good for food. She also spun wool for clothing, knitted socks and sweaters. She had a loom where she made carpets from old clothing.

Their children were: Minna who remained in Indiana after the death of her mother and she married a Mr. Moore. Lucy Lemone married George Harris the son of Dave and Charleta Morphis Harris. John Randolph married Martha Harris, daughter of Henry and Lydia Scott Harris. Ada, died in infancy, and Oscar who were twins. Oscar married Kate

the last living member of the John Wirth Family.

by Leona Wirth Price.

JOHN R. WIRTH, SR.

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John R. Wirth, was born in Zurich, Switzerland, Oct. 9, 1834 and came to America with his brother Jacob as a very young man. They settled in Indiana. He in Indiaapolis and Jacob in Covington and both operated a general store. On June 12, 1861, he enrolled in the Army, Co. K, 1st Indiana Cavalry, furnishing his own horse, valued at \$85.00. In a place called Greenbriar, Va., he was severly wounded, the ball entering the left side of his chest where it remained until his death, Feb. 17, 1917.

He married Wilheminna Becker of Indianapolis, May 2, 1862, and they were the parents of a daughter, Minna. After the death of his wife in 1876, he left the daughter with her grandparents and came back south, having fought there during the war, traveling through Georgia, Tennessee and Mississippi. In Mississippi, he met and married Mary Jane Smith Lemons, a daughter of Alsey and Nancy Clark Smith. In 1879, he brought his wife and her small daughter, Lucy Lemons, to Pope County, settling on Crow Mountain, in the Double Springs Community. At that time the Mountain was a wilderness, sparsley settled. After the death of her father, her mother came to live with them because of racial strife. Granny Smith smoked a corncob pipe filled with home grown tobacco and was very



Front Row: John R. Wirth, Sr., Mary Jane Smith Wirth, Lucy Lemons Harris and James Albert Wirth. Back Row: Alma Lou Ann Wirth Giddeon, John R. Wirth, Jr., Oscar Wirth and Bertha Wirth Wilker.

Benedict. After her death he married Maggie Roberds, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Orsborn Roberds. Miles, died in infancy. James Albert married Bertha Teeter, daughter of Wallace and Dora Teeter. Alma Lou Ann married John Gideon, son of George and Elizabeth Scott Gideon. Bertha married John Wilker son of Henry and Elizabeth Grollman Wilker. James Albert is the only survivor. The remains of Miles and Ada lie in the Center Valley Cemetery. Later the Haskins cemetery was opened and all the other family members were laid there except Bertha who rests in the Bowden Cemetery, opened later. Oscar rests near Lepanto, Arkansas. The old homeplace burned some years ago, but Crow Mountain still calls it the old Wirth place, and grandchildren still gather to recall the memories of the good times and good things to eat, and all the love of grandparents.

by Erma Dikes

JOHN R. WIRTH JR.

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Family of John R. Wirth, Jr. — Back: Holland, Ernest, Alice and Lonia. Front: Baby Leroy, John Wirth father, behind him Lola, Mother Martha and Deloria.

After the marriage of John R. Wirth Jr. and Martha Harris, they lived in the Maple Springs community on Crow Mountain, near her parents, Henry and Lydia Scott Harris. With the exception of one year spent in Oklahoma, they spent their entire lives on Crow Mountain, which in the early years was mostly undeveloped. They were the parents of nine children, the oldest daughter, Annie, died as a baby. A small son J.H. died after he was accidentally burned by hot water. After the death of Mr. Wirth, Mrs. Wirth sold the place on the mountain to move to town, except a portion where Ernest, the oldest son lives. He never married and lives alone. Lonia Ellis married Pauline Haney the daughter of Ebb and Mary McIntyre Haney. They live in Richmond, Calif., and have three sons. The oldest, Lonia

Jr. and his wife, Donna, have three girls, Cindy, Pattie and Terry. The second son, Kenneth and his wife Beverly, have three girls, two of which are Terry and Pattie. Doyle Richard, married a girl whose first name was Dottie and they had a son, Ronnie. He and his present wife, Pattie have two boys, Christopher and Jerry. The sons and families all live in Calif.

Alice Wirth married Robert Price, son of Jesse and Evaline Kindrick Price. They had three daughters and two sons. The oldest daughter, Martha married Gerald Bond, son of Nola and Iva Bond. She has two daughters, Wanda who married Chas. Goates and they have two daughters, Laura Ann and Angela. Vickie married Gary Goates and they have a son, Danny. The second daughter of Alice, Ava Sue, married Walter Lewcum, they live in Houston, Texas and have a son, Michael and a daughter, Anastasia. The other daughter, Sherry married Robert Ballenger and they have three daughters, Myra Kay, Joyce and Karen Sue. She is now married to Gary Sanders and lives in Fort Smith. He has a son, Gregg. A son Robert Ellis Price, married Rose Gordon. They have a son, Robert, and now live in Ozark, Alabama and a son, Larry Price who lives in Russellville. After the death of Mr. Price, Alice married Ira Phillips and they live in the Mars Hill Community on Crow Mountain and have no children. Lola married Lewis Park and since his retirement from the Corps of Engineers, lives in Dallas, Texas. They lost their oldest son, a talented musician and a ministerial student in college when he was hit by a drunken driver. Their daughter Joan teaches in the Lubbock Schools and a son Doug lives at home.

Deloria Wirth married Buel Price, a son of John and Della Stephens Price. They have a daughter, Linda, now married to Lewis Harris and they have one daughter, Stacy. James and his wife, Mary, have no children. Buel Price is now deceased. Leroy Wirth married Thelma Walters Clare. She has six daughters, Aleta, Shelby, Rebecca, Sharon and Gloria, and a son, Robert, and they live on Crow Mountain, in the Welcome Hill Community, near Double Springs.

Henry Harris was the son of Dave and Charlotte Morphis Harris, early settlers of Crow Mountain, in the Maple Springs Community. The Morphis family were laid to rest in the Haskins cemetery and you will find the early graves built with stone walls and covers to protect them from the animals that roamed wild there in the early years of the settlement of the Mountain. Most all of the Wirth family are buried in the Haskins cemetery. Mrs. Martha Harris Wirth now lives in Dardanelle and is 92 years of age. The old two rut roads have given away to modern paved roads to the mountain. Not much farming is done there except for the large peach orchards. The land is used to grow cattle and more recently, broiler and Turker growers cover much of it. Many modern homes are there with large divisions of new homes. I live in what was once the Mars Hill School, a brick construction modernized in to a comfortable house.

by Alice Wirth Price Phillips.

A.M. WITHERSPOON

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My grandfather, John W. Mauldin was born in Alabama, came to Arkansas and died in 1893. My grandmother, Nancy Ellen Witherspoon was born in Tenn., in 1828. My father James Monroe Witherspoon was born May 7, 1856. My mother, Nancy Alice Mauldin was born June 19, 1866. My parents married about 1882 and lived in Nevada County, Ark., then decided to move to the Cherokee nation in Oklahoma. They started out with a wagon pulled by two steers, stayed in the nation a few days and decided it was too dangerous there. They started back to Nevada County, Ark., and one of the oxen died. They bought a mule, put it in with the steer and finished the journey back home. They moved in a log house and were living there when I was born, Aug. 29, 1895. They lived in this house for a while then bought another farm which still remains in the family. In 1920, I made up my mind I could not gain anything farming so I decided to go to Tulsa, Okla., and get a job. Went to work with the Texas Oil Co., in the telegraph department. That was outside work, so I ask for work in the office and they offered me an office job provided I would go to Tulsa Business College. I worked in the office and went to school at night and worked for the company five years. In the meantime, I had met Dennie Mary Adair and had married at Claremore, Okla., March 22, 1924.

In 1926, I bought a farm and moved back to Nevada county, Ark. Our daughter, Wanda Lee Witherspoon was born while on the farm, near Prescott, Ark., April 12, 1927. I sold the farm and went to Little Rock, Ark., to a Barber College and when I finished the course I went to barbering in North Little Rock. I sold the shop and bought one in Conway, Ark., and didn't do so well as haircuts were only .25¢ and a shave .15¢. I then went to work for the Piggly Wiggly stores and moved back to Little Rock then to Hot Springs and from there to Russellville, Ark., in 1930. I worked for Piggly Wiggly for a while until they were taken over by Kroger Co. We were so well pleased with Pope County and Russellville we decided to make this our home. I worked for the following stores: Jay Rye, Jep Grant, Bill Chronister, Levi Wheeler, Ruff Yow, Sugar Creek Creamery and Henry Gramlin. I owned and operated a tire vulcanizing shop from 1942 to 1945, on the northside where the mall is now located and sold the shop when tires became plentiful. I then went to work for Russell's stores, operated the old Sample Shoe Store for four years then opened a store in Atkins, Ark. for the same company and ran it for five years. I then decided to go in business for myself and bought out the James Ford Store at 305 North Commerce, and operated it as Witherspoon Exchange. Was in this business for almost twenty-five years. The urban renewal bought my building and forced me to retire on my 80 acre farm, 2 miles Northeast of Russellville, Ark. on the west end of Crow Mountain.

by A.M. Witherspoon

DENNIE ADAIR WITHERSPOON

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Dennie Adair Witherspoon was the great-great-granddaughter of John Adair, born in Tenn., 1793. He and wife Sarah, came to Buffalo Valley in Newton County, Arkansas in 1840. Three of their children were: James, George and William.

James Adair, son of John and Sarah, was my great-grandfather, born in Tenn. in 1818, married Margaret Cecil, born Nov. 3, 1821, died Jan. 28, 1895. Their son, William Jasper was my grandfather.

During the Civil War, the bushwackers burned the feet of John, in order to get him to tell where his money was; he wouldn't tell. Two granddaughters were living with him, Nancy and Barbara and Nancy gave them her money and would have given them grandpa's money if she would have known where it was. She got one of the bushwackers by the arm and tried to bite a piece out of it, but it didn't taste so good — tasted like —.

James and two sons, William Jasper and John, were hiding in a cave and some women came and told them the bushwackers were looking for them. My grandfather escaped but John was crippled and my great-grandfather wouldn't leave his son. They were found and taken to Gaither Mt. and shot, falling over a cliff. The women went in an ox wagon, got the bodies and buried them in Gaither Graveyard. Each has on his tombstone, died April 27, 1864.

William Jasper was born in Newton County, Nov. 30, 1844, died in 1916. He married Canzada Caroline Dearing who died in 1877. He was in a skirmish in Limestone Valley, Newton County, and lived on Green apples for seven days.

They had two sons, the older being born and died in 1871. The other boy was my father, James Thomas, born Jan. 3, 1873. James Thomas married Minnie Trotter, Sept. 13, 1896 at Gaither, Ark., and to this union were born twelve children. James Thomas and Minnie Trotter Adair both died in Hamilton, Montana, in 1959. One of their children was Dennie Adair.

Dennie married Arthur Monroe Witherspoon at Claremore, Okla., in 1924, lived in Tulsa, 3 years, moved to Prescott, Ark., and bought a farm, were members of the Fairview Methodist Church. In 1929, sold the farm, moved to Little Rock, for a year then to Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, in 1930.

Monroe worked in grocery stores until he went into business for himself. First, a grocery, then a tire shop and last a second hand store with antiques.

Dennie taught school in Pope County 29 years, 20 of them in Russellville. She is a life member of: The National Education Association, The Arkansas Education Association, The National Retired Teacher Association, The Arkansas Retired Teachers Association and The Parent Teacher Association. She is a member of the Pope County Teachers Association, the Eastern Star, and they attend the First United Methodist Church in Russellville.

Monroe and Dennie have one daughter,

Wanda Lee who married Ben Phillips Jr. and they have two sons; Hugh, a student at Ark. Tech and Alan, in high school at Clarksville. Wanda is a graduate of Russellville High School, received her B.S.E. degree from Ark. State Teachers College, Masters degree from George Peabody College. Ben is a graduate of the University of Arkansas.

They live in Clarksville, Johnson County, Arkansas and are members of the First Methodist Church.

by Dennie Witherspoon

JOHN JACKSON WOOTEN

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John Jackson Wooten was born in Smith County Tenn. 1817, one of the nine children of John and Elizabeth Riley Wooten. The family moved to Panola C. Miss. and his father died there in 1861. Soon after the close of the Civil War, the children and their families moved from Miss. to Pope Co. Ark. settling in the area of Hector and Scottsville.

A brother, William Riley Wooten homesteaded 160 acres from the U.S. Government and lived there until his death 28 April 1894. He is buried at the Boiling Springs Cemetery. The original spelling of the name was Wooten, Wootton and Wotton, but he dropped one of the "t's" and since then the name has been spelled Wooten. His son, William Price Wooten was a cripple and on crutches at the outbreak of the Civil War. When the Confederate enlistment began, he applied for enlistment twice but was rejected because of his physical condition. He then purchased pistols, horse and saddle and went into the army anyway. He was later captured by a company of Yankees who decided to hang him, but thru the kindness of one officer of the Co. he made his escape.

John Jackson was married to Sylvia Pipkins and his third child was Joseph Lane Wooten, born about 1853 and was married 12 Mar. 1874 to Katherine Virginia Snider, who was a daughter of Dr. Peter Snider and his wife Mary Agnew. Joseph Lane was a member of the Boiling Springs Lodge and after his death 18 June 1884, a Tribute of Respect was written by members, W.E. Linton, R. Shurly, H. Birch, H.J. Mayo and J.T. Bullock, with R.W. Snider secretary. Also a poem entitled "In Memory of Joseph L. Wooten" by H.J. Mayo, both of which were published in the county newspapers. Their third child was William Lane Wooten born in the Scottsville-Hector area 7 Mar. 1879, married to Georgia Bell Hurley, daughter of Thomas Bert and Margaret Grinder Hurley. They were members of the Rock Springs Cumberland Presbyterian Church and both are buried at the Rock Springs Cemetery. Their children are Berlin Wooten who still lives at Hector, Sibyl Wooten Kinder of Atkins, Chlora Wooten Loomis and Louis Wooten Egbert of Tulsa, Okla. William Lane's Third Great Grandfather was William Wooten born 1729 and served in the Revolutionary War, being married to Frances Bradford a daughter of Col. John Bradford, who also served in the War, and was a descendent of

Governor William Bradford, the second Governor of the colonies.

The Wooten Family came from England and the medical doctor to the first Jamestown settlement and Capt. John Smith was Thomas Wooten born 1585 at Northamptonshire. Dr. Thomas Wootton is beyond a doubt the first Doctor of Medicine in America.

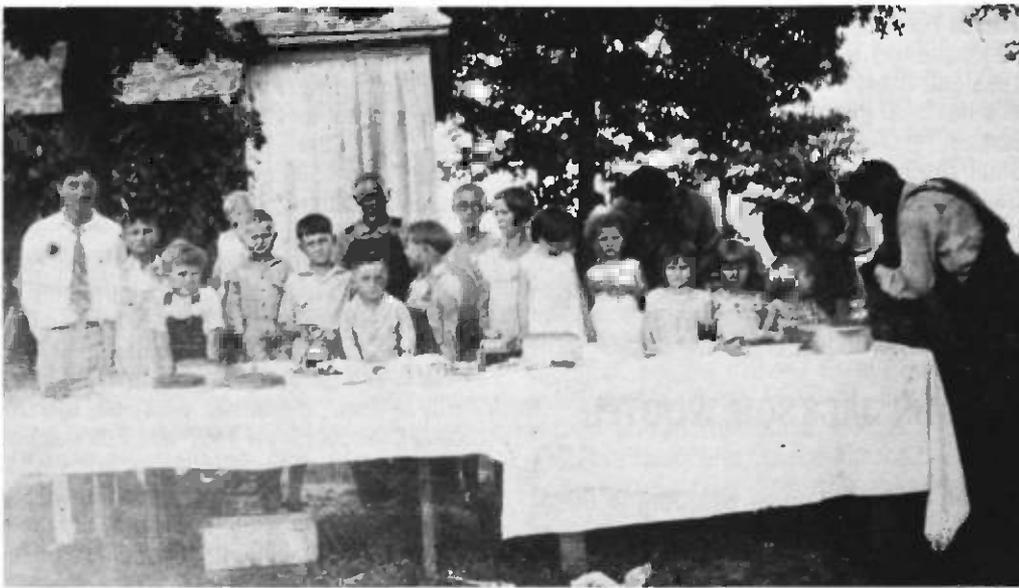
Much more is recorded of the family in England, than in America. Tracing the family to the year 1319, we find some were knighted by Queen Elizabeth, one created a Baron by King James I, and given the title, Lord Wootton of Marby in Kent., Diplomat, Naturalist, and Dr. Nicholas Wooten born 1497 was first dean of Canterbury and dean of York, and holds what is probably a record in being offered by Henry VIII the Lord Chancellorship, and by Elizabeth the Archbishopric of Canterbury, which he refused.

by Mrs. Louise Egbert

GEORGE WORKMAN

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George Workman was born in Springfield, Mo. in 1861, later moving into the Boston Mountain area of Arkansas. In 1888, he married Bell Rackley, daughter of Dan and Catherine Strickland Rackley who were pioneer farmers at Allred. They moved near Galla Rock, South of Pottsville where he farmed. Two girls, Ola and Myrtle were born. Bell died in childbirth in 1894 and the baby lived only a few days. They were buried in a cemetery near the Arkansas River. Her younger sister, Georgia Ann, born in 1871, had stayed with the family during times of illness. She and George were later married. To them were born: Roy, Letha, Delphia, Claude, Velma, Raymond, and Ruth. In 1908, his brother Frank, died suddenly leaving his wife Laura, and three small children. George cared for them in his home until she died in 1912. He raised the children; May, Aubie, and Loyd. Several homeless children were cared for in his home. They attended Pleasant Grove Methodist Church and the children went to Bethany School. He died in 1936 and she passed away in 1947. Ola died two weeks after Myrtle's death in 1978. Raymond, Velma, and Ruth are still living. Delphia was born in 1900. Being very shy, she didn't care much for school. In 1924, she and Dow Morton, son of Frank and LouElla Hunter Morton, were married. Frank was originally from N.C. and LouElla came from Ga. Three sons were born to them: Edward, Wilson, and Charles. Edward and Wilson became auto mechanics. Charles was a farmer like his parents. They farmed in Holly Bend Bottom. Delphia was a dedicated wife and mother who loved her family and home dearly. Fieldwork and rearing three "live wire" sons left no time for boredom. Occassionally, she had one boy catch the other when "switching" was needed. Her hamburgers and pecan pie were mouth-watering. There were few cars and radios in those days, but they got one in 1930. Saturday nights found people throughout the community gathering at her home to hear



George and Georgia Ann Workman and Grandchildren in 1929.

"The Grand Ole Opry" on the six battery radio and stayed until it went off the air. The car was always available when emergencies arose. Delphia passed away in 1976, having spent most of her life in the Pottsville area. Dow died in 1952. The above people were buried in Pisgah Cemetery near Pottsville.

Edward was born in 1925. One time his father had several bee hives sitting outside the hog pen fence. As Edward and Wilson tossed sorghum heads at the base of the bee hives, the hogs upset them. Angry bees swarmed the hogs who ran squealing and plunged into their water hole. Only their noses and eyes could be seen above the water. Needless to say, their father warmed the seats of their overalls. During World War II, he was an Army Infantryman serving in France, Holland, and Germany, and was wounded three times. In 1946, he married Alma Snoddy, daughter of Frank and Pearl Ferguson Baker whose



Front — Jim and Jane Morton. Back — Edward, and Alma Morton and Pearl Baker.

forefathers were Montgomery County pioneers. Their son James was born in 1947 and daughter Jane in 1949. He and both his children graduated from Pottsville High School, 1944-1965-1967. For 20 years he worked as an auto mechanic, operating his own shop most of that time until disability forced his retirement in 1970. Active in the community, he served Pottsville as Mayor 1970-1975 and was instrumental in acquiring a City Hall, Fire Department, and Water System. James (Jim) was born in Berlin, Germany, 1947. His mother had joined his father who was serving with Occupation Forces in Europe. In 1948, during the Russian Blockade of Berlin, when he was nine months old, his family was sent stateside. He revisited Berlin twenty-two years later. Jim served three years in the army; one year in Viet Nam.

In 1977, he received an Accounting degree from Arkansas Tech University and is employed at Russellville by Bechtel Power, Corp. Jane Morton Armstrong has a daughter Kelly, and a son Ricky. The above families live in Pottsville and attend the Baptist Church.

by J.E. Morton

WILLIAM R. WORLEY

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William R. Worley (1853-1946), his widowed mother Judith, his brother and sisters left N.C. by train in 1872 and arrived in Argenta (NLR) 6 days later. They spent the night under a hay shed and left the next day for Pope County stopping at Palarm, Morrilton, Germantown and to the end of the line at Perry's Store near what is now Atkins. William's "Uncle Bun" Davis met them and they went to Tucker Mt. Afterwards the family moved to Shinn Mt. west of Illinois Bayou. They farmed, raising food for themselves and their livestock.

In 1873 the railroad came to Russellville which was a small village with 7 stores, the Tucker Hotel, a small jail and one school called the Russellville College. On main street there was a water well and hitching posts. A Dr. Pruitt was the towns only doctor.

In 1880 William married Ellen M. Furr and to them were born: Ernest C. 1882, Alice 1885, George G. 1886, William C. (Kell) 1888, Rosetta 1890, Molly (Bird) 1895, Bessie 1899, and Willie Fay 1901. Rosetta died in 1925, Bessie in 1930 and Kell in 1974. Kell served in WW I and returned to the homeplace to live his entire life. George lives in Logan County, Alice Booher in the Mill Creek Community, Bird Whorton in London and Fay Luster in the Fairview Community. After William married he farmed and worked as a carpenter. He was an expert in riving boards for roofing material. In the mid 1890's he moved to a site where the present dam is on the Bayou and operated a water mill. In 1903 he bought 80 acres near the Ball Hill Community, built a 4 room house where he lived until his death. He was a JP for many years performing weddings, holding court and was a spiritual leader using his home for prayer meetings. Ellen died in 1948.

Ernest married Dolly Koone, a native of Van Buren County, in 1902 and after years living and farming in Pope County moved to Faulkner County where they lived until their deaths in 1964 and 1970. They had 4 children: Greta Lively (1903-1925) Ted R. (1906-1969) who served in WW II and was at one time the Arkansas State Historian, Carroll G. b. 1911 and Dimple Piker b. 1915.

In 1933 Carroll married Gladys (Muffett) Rachel, also born and raised in Pope County. They remained here until 1939 when they moved to White County. Their oldest son Don F. was born here in 1937 and was killed in action in Vietnam in 1968. Their other children are Helen Carol born 1944 and Michael born 1950. Carroll served in WW II and worked in the building material and contracting business before retiring in 1973, at which time he and Muffett returned to Pope County building a house on the original homeplace which his grandfather bought in 1903. Carroll and Muffett's parents and grandparents are all buried at the Ball Hill Cemetery.

by Carroll G. Worley

JAMES F. WRIGHT

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James F. Wright born in Mississippi, fought in the Civil War Co. K. 29th. Inf. CSA. He and his wife come to Pope County Arkansas in 1870 traveled up the Arkansas River by House Boat and settled about four miles east of Atkins near the old Primm Bridge, he helped incorporate Atkins in 1876. He was a Carpenter and Millwright. He had four sons. The youngest son moved with them. W.J. Wright, the other three did not move from Mississippi. He was born April 5, 1866. He married Beulah B. Johnson Sept. 16, 1894 she was born Nov. 26, 1875 in Alabama, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Johnson who also fought in the Civil War. Mr. and Mrs. James Wright both died in 1882. W.J. Wright was a Carpenter operated cotton gins, and a House Mover, he was a deacon in the Free Will Baptist Church at Union Grove. To this union was born four boys and one girl. J.E. Wright born June 30, 1895, married

Josephine Smirl Nov. 29, 1917 died Jan. 30, 1932. He was a veteran of World War II. He and Josephine had two children. E.O. Wright born Sept. 2, 1897 married Olgie Jackson Aug. 26, 1923. E.O. died May 18, 1970. He and Ogie had six children. Ola Mae Wright born April 28, 1901 married Grover Whorton Dec. 12, 1925 died April 3, 1940. She and Grover had two children. Earl Wright born Aug. 9, 1907 married Ollie Harris Dec. 21, 1925. He and Ollie had six children. Ollie died Nov. 3, 1976. Ira Wright born May 18, 1910 married Lola Reel June 27, 1936. Mrs. W.J. Wright died Oct. 1, 1944. W.J. Wright died May 4, 1945. All four boys and girls attended Atkins School and lived most of their life in Atkins.

by Mrs. E.O. Wright

JOHN HUTCHERSON WRIGHT

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This little volume is dedicated to the memory of my father and mother for whom I hold the deepest respect. From their children and lifetime friends and neighbors, I have learned enough about them to love and honor them. They are John Hutcherson Wright and Blanche Ethel Campbell Wright. I treasure the heritage they left in the words of Cicero, "The best inheritance that a father can leave to his children is the glory of his virtue and noble deeds." As my parents have been reflected in the lives of their sons and daughters, I know them to have been the type of parents I would like to be as an example for my own children. "The father that maketh his son worthy to be esteemed hath done much for him, although he leave him but little wealth." I am grateful to both my father and mother and grandparents for the good name with which I have been endowed. As Solomon declared, "a good name is rather to be chosen than great riches and loving favor, rather than silver or gold."

John Hutcherson Wright was the son of James Wesley Wright who was born November 11, 1865 and died May 19, 1935. His wife, Martha Ketchum, was the second child and oldest daughter of Simon and Elizabeth Ketchum and was born in Hot Springs County, Arkansas and died in 1909 at Scottsville, Arkansas. They were married May 20, 1880, at Point Cedar, Arkansas, Hot



The John Wright Residence North of Scottsville, Built in 1900.

Springs County, and both are buried in the McFadden Cemetery at Dover, Arkansas. They were the parents of three boys and one girl.

John Hutcherson Wright born December 20, 1882, at Point Cedar, Ark., died January 1, 1967, at his home at Scottsville, Ark. and buried at Boiling Springs or Camp Ground Cemetery at Hector, Ark., Andrew Jackson was born October 15, 1891, and died March 23, 1972. Molly Mary Wright May 31, 1889 and died February 2, 1962. James Matterson Wright was born January 11, 1894 and died August 21, 1963.

John Hutcherson Wright married Blanche Ethel Campbell. She was born July 21, 1878, at Scottsville, Arkansas, Pope County. She was the daughter of Thomas Henry Campbell and Lou Deshazo. They were married at Scottsville, Arkansas, on December 28, 1903, by Ben J. Cooper, Justice of Peace of Scottsville.

John H. Wright's ancestors, who were originally from Birmingham, Ala., were Irish and Dutch. The family lived at Point Cedar, Ark. until the children were grown. They bought a farm north of Scottsville and moved there in 1890.

Blanche Ethel Campbell's family were Scotch Irish, originally from Scotland, later moving to Tennessee and Kentucky before settling in Scottsville, Ark. in the early 1900's.

In 1903 the John Hutcherson Wrights purchased a two-bedroom bungalow house and 80 acres of land from George Bailey, which was built in 1900 by Hollie Hale and Lee Bailey. It is located 1½ miles north of the Scottsville store. They spent their married life (64 years) on their farm.

Both John and Blanche were charter members of Scottsville Missionary Baptist Church where they were active; He as a deacon, and she in various capacities. She is also a charter member of the Scottsville Eastern Star. Their occupation was farming and raising and selling livestock. Before retiring he worked for Pope County Road Department serving as foreman for a bridge crew. They raised a family of six children: Paskel Wright, born September 15, 1904, died December 4, 1904; Essie Wright, born January 21, 1906; Campbell Wright, born June 22, 1908, died 1917; Othello Wright, born May 18, 1911, died 1937; Berna Mae Wright, born October 8, 1914; and Lotus Harold Wright, born September 23, 1919. The three living children are Mrs. Charles (Essie) Heuston of Little, Ark., Mrs. Lelus (Berna Mae) Hurley of Russellville, Ark., and Lotus Harold Wright of Little Rock, Ark. Blanch Wright resides in Little Rock, Ark. with Mrs. Charles (Essie) Wright Heuston.

by Mrs. Berna Mae Wright Hurley

WILLIAM O. WRIGHT, JR.

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William O. Wright, Jr., son of William O. and Posey Jean Murdock Wright, was born at Salt Lake City, Utah and came to Arkansas from Illinois in 1939. He was employed by the U.S. Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District

and came to Russellville in 1940 to start the initial work on Nimrod Dam.

Bill (as he is called) married Claudine Gardner, daughter of Claude and Flora Gardner in 1941. Claudine was teaching in the Russellville School System (West Ward) at this time. To this union was born three daughters, Carol Jane (Moriarty), Mary Ann (Duncan), and Claudia Jean (Satterfield).

After service in W.W. II in the Navy "Sea-bees" he moved back to Russellville with his family in 1946 and established the first Grade "A" Milk Pasteurization Plant in Pope County! known as E & W Dairy. He encouraged the development of Grade "A" Dairies throughout Pope and Yell Counties. He discontinued this business in 1968.

Bill and Claudine are active in the United Methodist Church and also in the civic affairs of Russellville and Pope County. They were active in developing the Girl Scout and Swimming programs for the youth of Russellville.

They have seven grandchildren. William Joseph (Bill), Tori Jane and Megan Claudine; children of Carol Jane and Stephen Moriarty — Ronald William Stokes, Sean Gardner and Julie Ann, children of Mary Ann and Robert Duncan — Sara Jean, daughter of Jean and Tom Satterfield.

by Wm. O. Wright

ELIZABETH WYATT, SR.

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Elizabeth Wyatt, Sr., and several of her daughters, moved to Arkansas between February of 1838 and the time of the 1840 Conway County census. She settled in Conway County where two of her brothers, Radford and William Ellis had lived for years.

On 1 January, 1838, when she, through her attorney, Frederick DuVall, sought her share of Radford Ellis' property, she was listed as a resident of Walker County in Alabama. She was born about 1780 in Georgia, the daughter of William and Frances Mabry Ellis. She was married to James Wyatt in Oglethorpe County, Georgia on Nov. 5, 1799.

In 1829 she, and her husband, lived in Jefferson County, Alabama. That year James Wyatt sold her interest in her father's estate to her brother, John Ellis. James died sometime between the execution of that deed and that time of the 1830 Walker County Alabama census. Family tradition is that James was much older than Elizabeth. She did not remarry.

Tradition says there were nine Wyatt girls, and only one boy, who accidentally shot himself to death at about age 20. It is not known if this incident occurred in Pope County or not.

When Elizabeth Wyatt came to Arkansas she was accompanied by a son-in-law and daughter, Joseph and Elizabeth (Betsey) Wyatt Sides.

Six of the Wyatt daughters have been tentatively identified. Three are positive. The other three have been reconstructed from official records and family tradition. The Wyatt girls were: 1. Mary Jane, born about 1800, married 1. Daniel Colquitt 2. William Burnett. She

had one daughter, Araminta Colquitt, born 1844, married 1. William Taylor, 2. James C. Paschall. 2. Nancy, born about 1824, married Henry Franks and had Araminta, born 1842, married Israel Owens, Mary Jane born 1842, married Thomas Reynolds, Louisa C., and Cynthia, born 1848 married A.L. Cooper. 3. Cynthia born about 1806 married John J. Duvall son of Alexander, and had Dorothy, Elizabeth Lucy, Fanny, Lewis, Archibald Y. and Jane. 4. Araminta, born about 1810 never married. 5. Virginia who married a Hedgepath (no further information) and 6. Elizabeth (Betsey) born 1812 married 1827 Walker County, Alabama to Joseph Sides. Their children were Francis (female), David James, John Thomas, Araminta, Cynthia, Nancy, and Mary Elizabeth.

All the six, except Virginia, have been found in Pope county records. Mary Jane, Araminta and Betsey are proven daughters of James and Elizabeth Ellis Wyatt.

Elizabeth Wyatt apparently died about 1843 in Conway County. It is not known where she is buried.

by Doris Dean Hendrickson

JAMES A. YOUNG

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My Great Grandfather, Richard David Young was born in 1805 in South Carolina and came to Pope County in 1840. His first wife died in 1845 and he then married Caroline Linom Chambers in 1847. They settled in Slab Town, a thriving community about two miles southeast of Dover where they lived the rest of their lives and where they reared their three sons, Andrew J. Young born in 1849, Thomas Stanford Young born in 1853 and Robert David Young born in 1859 (my Grandfather).

Andrew J. Young went to California during the gold rush days and was never heard from again.

My Grandfather Robert David Young married Tibatha Francis Vaughn on December 19, 1878. To this union were born eight children, the four boys were, my father, William Richard, Alva, Edd and Charley. The four girls were, Lucy, Minnie, Bertha, and Jessie.

On June 25, 1909 my father, William Richard Young, married Alta Haskins, they had four children, Veda (Mrs. Roy Grant), James Allen Young, Mary Francis (Mrs. Haskell Vest), and Betty Caroline who died at the age of two years.

My father and mother, (William Richard and Alta Young) lived near Dover until 1933 when they moved to Russellville (Shiloh community). My mother passed away in 1970 and my father died in 1977 at the age of 90.

On September 25, 1935, I, (James A. Young) married Katherine Vest of Center Valley Community. We have continued to live near Russellville except a brief period from 1940-1945.

I might add that Haskell Vest who married my sister, Mary Francis, is a brother to my wife Katherine, so my sister is my sister-in-law.

Most of my ancestors were farmers, how-

ever in recent years the younger generation has left the land for the most part and gone into other fields of work such as Government service, computer Science, design and layout engineer, teacher, nursing, comm. agent of oil co.

William R. and Alta Young have 7 grand children and 7 great grand children.

by James Allen Young

EDWARD LUTHER

"EDD" YOUNG

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Edward Luther "Edd" Young, a son of Robert Daniel and Tabitha F. Young, was born 1-5-1893, in Pope County, Arkansas. (Date of Death, 11-24-1950) at age 57. McFadden Cemetery records show that R.D. was born 10-9-1858, died 5-9-1931 and that Tabitha was born 5-17-1847, died 3-13-1931 just 2 months before her husband's death. Other sons of R.D. and Tabitha were Will, and Alvie and one daughter, Bertha Bowden of Ft. Worth, age 83, only surviving of this family. Edd was married to Elsie Belle Hogins 10-31-1915. Belle's B.D. is 12-20-1896. She passed away on Easter in 1977 at Russellville at age 80. Places they lived include London, Shiloh, Griffin Flat, Vanduser, Missouri for several years, returning to Hector after Edd died. Edd and Belle were received into the Shiloh Congregation of the C.P. Church by recommendation on 4-13-1941 and Edd was ordained an Elder on 5-11-41. They had 14 children. Eleven still alive. Tabitha Aileen 9-4-1916 (died 1974) Twins sons, Ronald and Donald D. as infants after their birth in 1934 at Griffing Flat. They are buried in Ford Cemetery and Aileen in Russellville. Living: Othello born 9-4-1918 (Mrs. Bob Ed Williamson); Edna born 11-27-20 (Mrs. Raymond Martin); Robert Edward born 12-19-22; Hattie Belle born 1-9-25 (Hattie Belle Terral); Reece Hogin born 10-11-27; Haynes born 11-23-29; David born 7-17-31; Louis born 7-1-35; Marlin born 10-3-38; Sue born 9-6-40 (Mrs. Deon Pickens); Lou born 12-14-41 (Mrs. Ted Boster).

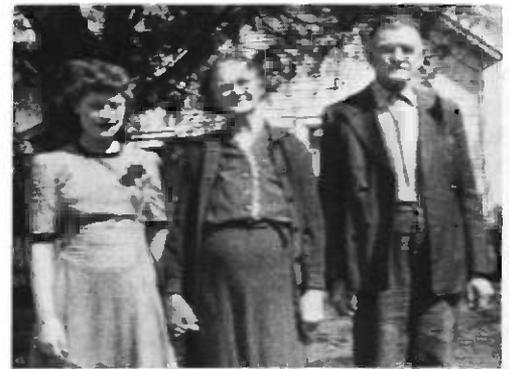
All six sons have sons and all except Haynes have daughters. Edd and Belle are buried at McFadden Cemetery with Edd's parents.

by Louis W. Young

RICHARD YOUNG

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My great grandfather, Richard Young, born about 1805 in So. Carolina married in Tenn. about 1833. He, with a wife and three children settled in the Gravel Hill community in 1840 three miles west of the Furr Cemetery on what is now known as Morgan Road. Three more children were born before the mother died in about 1845. Those six children in order of birth were: Samuel H., Isabella F., John T., Garret Madison, Sarah H. and Mary M. Young. On 2 June 1847 Richard Young married Mrs. Caroline Linam Chambers who had two children by a previous marriage; John W.



MYERS FAMILY: Sydna Ruth Martin, Amanda L. Myers, George B. Myers.

and Caroline Frances Chambers. (one source states that John W. Chambers was a member of the Militia stationed in Dover during the reconstruction period. He had obtained leave to visit his widowed mother and his sister but outlaws followed Chambers to his mother's home, shot and killed him, taking his uniform, gun, saddle and horse). By 1860 3 sons were born to the 2nd marriage of Richard Young and they were: Andrew J., Thomas Stanford and Robert Daniel, my grandfather. On 19 Dec. 1878 Robert Daniel Young was married to Tabitha Vaughan by Rev. C.L. Kirksey, a Methodist minister. Robert Dan., like his father was a farmer and continued to live near by in the Hatley area. The eight children of Robert Daniel and Tabitha Young were; Minnie, married Andrew Taylor; Jesse, married Rube Hubbard; Lucy, married Jep Grant 12 Dec. 1901 (Grant was later Pope Co. Judge); Charley Linam, married Effie Parker 28 Sept. 1902; William Richard married Alta Haskins 7 Jan. 1910; Bertha married Virgil Bowden; Edward married Bell Hogan; and my father, Robert A. Young, Sr. married Orra Myers 1 Sept. 1907 in Dardanelle, Yell County.

I mention that the three children of Uncle William Richard and Aunt Alta live in Russellville and are; Veda, who married Roy Grant; Mary Frances, who married Haskell Vest; and James Allen, who married Catherine Vest. Uncle Ed and Aunt Bell raised 12 children, three now living in Pope County.

Robert Alva, Sr. and Orra Young farmed in the Gravel Hill community and had 7 children, two dying in infancy. My older sister, Irene, died in 1923 at the age of 15 from accidental burns suffered when she attempted to build a fire in the kitchen stove of a neighbor. My parents were never able to overcome this the tragic loss of their first child. Their four living children are: Glynn, now living in Scranton, Logan Co.; Lynn, living at Cape Girardeau, Mo; Sydna Ruth Martin lives in Dover and teaches in Russellville public schools; and I, Robert Alva Young, Jr., who on 1 July 1944 married Mildred Joy Henry, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess F. Henry of Pope Co. Joy and I have five sons; John W., a special education teacher in Dallas, Tex. public schools; Jesse Randal, an engineer with Division of Soil and Water Resources, Little Rock; Robert Douglas with Dow Chemical of Russellville; Thomas Glynn, Employment Security Div., Russellville; and Richard Alva, a Dover kin-



Young Family: Left to Right: Front Row: Edward Young. Seated: Robert Danial Young, Tabitha Vaughn Young. Back Row: Robert Alva Young, William Richard Young, Bertha Young.

dergarten pupil. My great grandfather, Richard and Wife, Caroline Young are buried in the Furr Cemetery. My mother, Orra Young, age 87, lives near my dairy farm, Father, Robert Alva, Sr. died in 1962 and is buried in St. Paul Cemetery near the Gravel Hill community where four generations of Youngs have lived from the soil.

by R.A. Young, Jr.

NATHANIAL LAFAYETTE YOUNGER

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Martha Woolworth came from Alabama to Quitman, Arkansas, by wagon train shortly after the Civil War. There she met William Younger who operated an ox driven freight line with his father and brothers. The freight line ran to Clarksville.

William Younger and Martha Woolworth were married and continued with the freight line with oxen until the railroads came in. They moved to Pope County and settled about one mile south of Atkins where he owned several acres of land. They raised eight children, Lafayette Younger, Eddie Younger, Timman Younger, Nettie Younger Cummins, Author Younger, Rosie Younger Davis, Albert Younger and Ollie Younger.

Lafayette Younger known as Fate was their

oldest child, he was born in Pope County August 12, 1870. In 1894 Fate was married to Lula Carr who lived somewhere north of Dover. She was born December 5, 1878. After their marriage they lived in and around Russellville where Fate taught school for several years in different schools. They later moved to south of Atkins on the Younger property. There he built a grocery store and a blacksmith shop which they ran for several years. People came from miles around to get their plows sharpened and their horses shod.

Fate and Lula had seven children but only raised three of them. They had four babies to die. The children they raised were Tressie Younger Scribner, Lola Younger Dirickson and Earl Younger.

After their children were all married Fate and Lula left their place to their oldest daughter, Tressie, who was married to Andrew (Andy) Scribner, a coal miner, and went west to Oklahoma. They purchased property east of Salisaw, where they lived until his death March 5, 1951. Lula died July 26, 1972. They were both Methodist and knew the bible and believed it strongly.

Their oldest daughter, Tressie, left here in 1948. She spent the rest of her life in California. She died October 14, 1968. Lola died in July of 1974. Their son, Earl Younger, is living at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Most of the Younger property has been sold. There is still a few acres in the Younger name.

Fate and Lula have one granddaughter still living in Pope County. She is Mrs. J.D. Alexander, who has three children, Dana Alexander Wald, Rickey Joy Alexander and Joel Alexander. They have one grandson in Yell county, J.D. Younger, who has one son.

by Eulia Alexander



William and Martha Younger's oldest son and family. Lafayette (Fate) Younger, Lula Carr Younger, Tressie Younger Scribner, Lola Younger Derickson, Earl Younger.

Memorials and Tributes

The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

— The Twenty-third Psalm



THE G. RAY BAKER FAMILY



MARY ANN — GARLAND RAY, JR. — RAY, SR. — CINDY — GLENNA



G. RAY BAKER
JOHNNY SMITH

Ray Baker was born and reared in Conway County, Arkansas, just a few miles east of the Pope-Conway County line. In 1954, he moved to Russellville, Pope County, and married Glenna Virden, who was a descendent of pioneer Pope County Residents. They are the parents of three children and are members of the First Assembly of God Church in Russellville, where Ray is Sunday School Superintendent.

After returning from the Army in 1958, he began a trucking business that has grown into a thriving business. His trucks travel over other states as well as Arkansas, hauling poultry from the grower to the processing plants. Ray enjoys singing and for a number of years he sang and sponsored Country and Western Music. After being converted his attentions were drawn to Gospel Music and now he sings and sponsors a Gospel singing each month in Russellville.



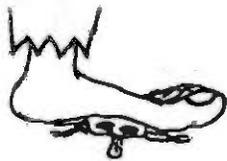
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FEEDERS SUPPLY COMPANY

In 1941, Holt Condren, Robert J. Middleton and Fred Canerday started a Purina Feed business—wholesale and retail, in Russellville. They had the franchise for Pope and five surrounding counties, doing business as Feeders Supply Co. After five years, Mr. and Mrs. Canerday bought the interests of the partners and continued as a feed business until the late 1950's, when they decided on a completely different line of merchandise — Honda Motorcycles. Their only son, Don, was by that time associated with them and the firm name was changed to "Canerday's." In 1973, Mr. and Mrs. Canerday retired (due to the health of Mr. Canerday) and Mr. and Mrs. Don Canerday took over the operation of the business. They are still doing business in the same location in which the feed store was begun, thirty-seven years before.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Canerday

POPE COUNTY OFFICIALS — 1978



Front, L to R: James Bell, County School Supervisor; J.C. Lawless, County Agent; Ermil Grant, County Judge; Willard Smith, County Civil Defense Co-ordinator; Bert Page, Jr., County Treasurer. Back, L to R: Larry Darter, Sheriff & Collector; Reece N. Caudle, Circuit Clerk; Ernest L. Powers, County Clerk; Stanford Lee, Tax Assessor; Deward Mallet, Coroner.

THE POTTSVILLE 4-H CLUB

SENIOR MEMBERS, rt. front row; Diana Wise, Abby Jo Montgomery, Melanie Oates, Melissa Howerton and Pam Howard. 2nd row; Cleve Reasoner, Jeff Tanner, Lyn Lewallen, Vickie Dorn and Kim Harris. 3rd row; Bruce Shipley, Eric Cole, David Carothers, Michelle Pinn, Shelia Lewallen. 4th row; Christine Jackson, Anita Shipley, Teresa Dorn, John David Oates, Shirley Lewallen and Renea Harris. 5th row; Charla Bradford, Mark Tucker, Buck Harris, and Mary Lynn Reasoner. Back row; Mrs. Portia Ballard, Ext. Home Economist; Mrs. Jim Cole, Mrs. Jerry Day, and Mrs. Shelby Carothers, 4-H Leaders at Pottsville.



JUNIOR MEMBERS, rt. front row; Kim Jones, Beverly Ingram, Marilyn Carothers, Stephanie Day, Laura DuVall, and Kim Boren. 2nd row; Melissa Townsend, Tammy Johnson, Tina Campbell, Loretta Ferguson, Angela Howerton and Carla Townsend. 3rd row; Leslie Oates, T.J. Montgomery, Celeste Reed, Cindy Patton, Pam DuVall Cecilia Ferguson and Sheri Jones. 4th row; Tim Bowden, Steve Clair, Wesley Morton, John Taylor, Terry Daniel and Jimmy Cole. 5th row; Karen Sears, Tracy Cole, Mrs. David Oates (Leader), Paula Jones, Connie Bruhn.



The Pottsville 4-H Club was organized in 1966 with 25 charter members. Mr. and Mrs. David B. Oates have served as Main Leaders since the Club's organization. Mrs. Dean Ferguson, Mrs. Jim Cole, Mrs. Shelby Carothers, Mrs. Jerry DuVall, Mrs. Jerry Day, all are serving as 4-H Leaders for the year 1978-79. The Pottsville 4-H Club has an enrollment of about 55 members. These young people are involved in community, county, and state 4-H activities. This Club has been active in community service projects and has been recognized as the County Champion Club for four years.

4-H Club work is made possible through the Cooperative Extension Service and the support and guidance of Pope County Extension Personnel: County Agent, J.C. Lawless; Assistant County Agent, William McClure; and Extension Home Economist, Mrs. Portia Ballard.

IN MEMORY OF THE WILLIAM J. ASHMORE FAMILY — 1888



Back, L to R: Mary Ashmore Golden, Steve Ashmore, Bob Ashmore, Alice Ashmore Smith — Front: Sawyer Ashmore, Millie Ashmore Speer, Mary Wilson Ashmore, Bill Ashmore and Alvin Ashmore.

By Emma Ashmore Young

IN MEMORY OF REV. J.W. TUCKER 1915-1964



Rev. J.W. Tucker was born in Johnson County, Arkansas, grew up in Russellville, Arkansas and attended the public schools of Russellville. He was a member of the First Assembly of God Church, attended Southwestern Bible College, then in Enid, Okla. He went to the Belgian Congo (now Zaire) in 1939, as a Missionary, with a group, which included Angeline Pierce of Oregon. They had met one time before and it wasn't long before they became man and wife and spent most of 26 years together in the Congo and raising a family of two boys and one girl. During a rebel uprising in 1960, they spent some time in Nairobi, Kenya, but were soon back at their home, near Paulis, Belgian Congo. When the uprising started in 1964, some Missionaries were evacuated but he and his family failed to make it. He was taken, beaten and tortured, then martyred, Nov. 25, 1964, because he was a Christian and an American.

By Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Lemley, Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lee, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Reid, Pauline Duggar Christenbury, Bernice Burris.



ARKANSAS TECH — THEN AND NOW

Arkansas Tech University, with its spacious 475 acre campus, is located on the northern edge of Russellville. The school was created by an act of the Arkansas General Assembly in 1909 as the Second District Agriculture School. The name was changed to Arkansas Polytechnic College by the General Assembly in 1925 and then to Arkansas Tech University in 1976. The University grants associate, baccalaureate and master degrees.



A.K. Short
1910-1911



George Cole
1911-1916



James R. Grant
1926-1931



Charles E. Scott
1916-1917



Charles G. Lueker
1917-1918



J.W. Hull
1932-1967



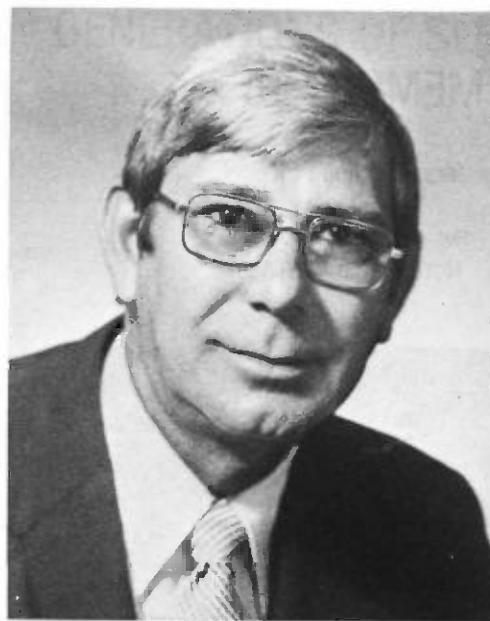
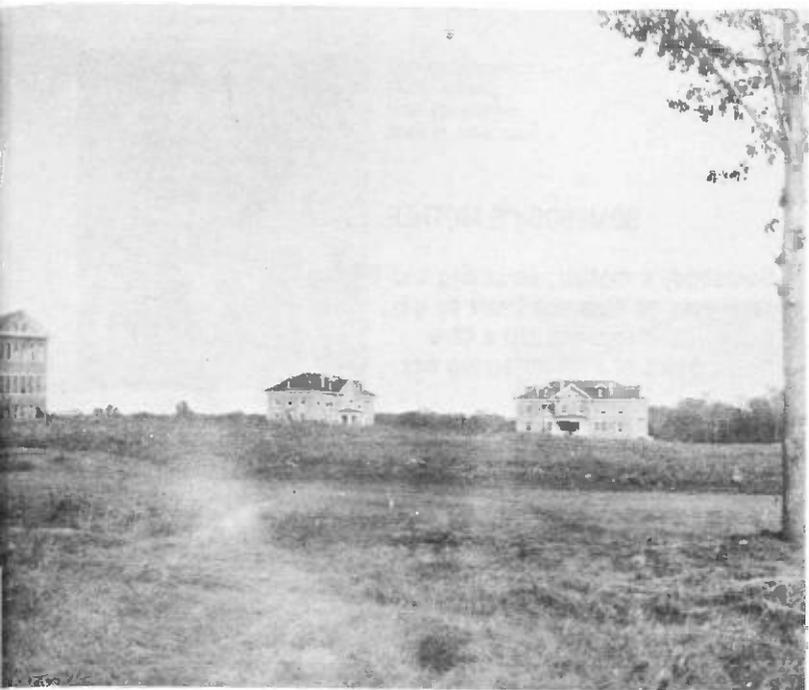
Hugh Critz
1918-1924



D.G. Armstrong
1925-1926



George L.B. Pratt
1967-1972



Kenneth Kersh
1973-



IN MEMORY OF . . .

Mrs. Eva Jobe Sleeker
and
her mother, Mrs. Viola
Norris Jobe Cloninger



From their children and grandchildren, the Homer and Eva Sleeker Family.

SOMEBODY'S MOTHER

Somebody's mother, so young and fair,
With eyes so blue and heart so gay,
Gathered flowers without a care
In the dawn of a bright spring day.

Somebody's mother, kind and sweet,
Played with her children so dear
In the pleasant hours of a summer retreat
While the angels hovered near.

Somebody's mother, with graying hair,
Courageous step, and heart so true,
Gathered the harvest in the autumn air
While the clouds sailed the sky so blue.

Somebody's mother, withered and gray,
Sat in the firelight's cheerful gleam
As the twilight gathered, she knelt to pray,
And remembered life as a pleasant dream.

Somebody's mother has flown to heights above,
Her body lies beneath the sod,
Her life work was a service of love,
She had great faith in the living God.

Mrs. Eva Sleeker
May 9, 1937

THE HOMER SLEEKER FAMILY



Widow, Eva Jobe Sleeker (deceased)



Second Son
Paul



Oldest Daughter
Mary Ellen
(Sweeden)

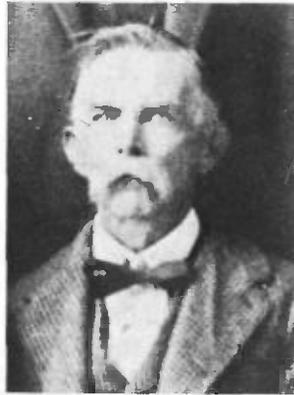


Youngest son, George W., Youngest daughter, Hazel Catheryn (Burgess), and first son, Webster.

SEVEN GENERATIONS OF SLEEKERS



George Woodruff —
1800, Illinois
First generation
born in America



Elbert — second
generation
born in Pope
County — 1847



Homer — third
generation — 1877



Mary Ellen Sleeker Sweeden,
4th generation — 1912



Polly Sweeden Kelch and her children and grandchildren — 5th, 6th, and 7th generations. Rear: Randy Wayne Kelch, father of Christine Dawn. Middle row: Polly Sweeden Kelch, fifth generation, Brenda Kelch Carpenter and Debra Kelch Wright, sixth generation. Front row: Christine Dawn Kelch, Daniel Robert Carpenter, and Jaclyn Suzanne Wright, seventh generation.

RIGGS-HAMILTON POST 20
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Russellville, Arkansas

PAYS HONOR TO IT'S FOUNDERS AND PAST COMMANDERS

On Tuesday night, Jan. 21, 1919, the Army-Navy Club of Pope County was organized and Robert A. Ragsdale, who had conceived the idea, was elected President. Wallace Cowan was elected Secretary.

Their first aim was to start a move toward the erection of a Memorial Auditorium for Pope County. Another aim was to help the men make an easy transition to civil life and to provide employment for returning soldiers and sailors, employment for the partially disabled and to provide free legal and medical advice.

Active membership was to be limited to members of home and overseas forces of the U.S. Army, Navy and Marine Corps. Honorary membership would be conferred free upon the wife, father, mother, brother or sister of a family in which a man had made the supreme sacrifice.

No one would become a member who had been dishonorably discharged from the service, as patriotism was the foreword of the club. Neither would anyone become an honorary member whose conduct during the war was such as to render him distasteful to the membership. It's slogan was: "We have stood together, let's stick together."

In the meantime the idea of a Veterans Association had unquestionably crossed the minds of many veterans on both sides of the Atlantic.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. had taken the lead to call a caucus in Paris, France on May 15, 1919. It was at that caucus the American Legion was born.

Another caucus was called in St. Louis in May, where the American Legion's aims, purposes and programs were set out. It's priority was the rehabilitation of the Veterans to civilian life and to take care of the widows and orphans of those buddies who would never return.

At the July meeting of the Pope County Army-Navy Club it was voted to join with the National Organization and become an American Legion Post. The Post was to be called Riggs-Hamilton, in honor of Samuel L. Riggs and Ed Hamilton, who were killed in action in France.

A charter was granted on July 22, 1919.

In later years the Auxiliary Unit was formed to assist the Legion.

For a number of years the Post met upstairs in the Ferguson Building, but in 1935 the present building was built to serve the needs of the Post and the community.

The Legion programs are Americanism (Boys State, Girls State, American Legion Baseball, Oratorical Contests and Teaching Patriotism), Child Welfare, Rehabilitation and National Security. The Post maintains a full time service officer to process claims for disabled veterans.

Charter members of the Riggs-Hamilton Post 20 were: Jas. H.A. Baker, Thos. G. Shinn, Robt. A. Ragsdale, W. Cowan, Percy R. Renfrow, Lloyd M. Reed, W.E. Kelley, E. Rummel, M.B. Roys, Grady C. Chambers, Frank Taylor, J.F. Hays, Reuben F. Roys, Paddock Roys, and Rufus M. Davenport. All of the above are deceased, except Grady Chambers of Russellville.

Past Commanders are : (D-deceased) 1920-1930; Van A.R. Moores, D; Henry Cochran, D; J.H.A. Baker, D; Holden Vance, D; Joe Faulkner; Fred Bradley, D. 1930-1940; Bill Davis, D; Mark Craig; C.A. Hughes, D; Bob Ragsdale, D; Homer Gibson, D; Jim Long, D; Wallace Cowan, D; Cecil Parks, D. 1940-1950; D.A. Hughes, D; Roy Jackson; Avery Shinn; Z.B. Thigpen, D; Dale Hill, D; James Long, D; Mark Craig; Bob Bailey, Sr., D; Elmer Boyd, D; John Vance, D. 1950-1960; Van R. Brooks; Earnest Holloway, D; Fred Caudle; Milton Rackley; R.D. Caudle, D; Audie Oldham. 1960-1970; Harvey Turner; Bob Legan; Earl Lakey; Floyd Ramey; Burl Trigg; Allen Taylor; Andy McKay; Herb Walters. 1970-1979; Allen Taylor; Paul White; Wayne Nordin; O.D. Floyd; Paul White; Jack Burris.

Post 20 is one of three posts in the State of Arkansas to have had three State Commanders; Harvey Turner in 1960, Bob Legan in 1967 and Paul White in 1976; and a National Executive Committeeman, Bob Legan, in 1977.

Outside of the Church, the American Legion has touched the lives of more people than any other service organization in the history of mankind.

**ELLA GERTRUDE (ELLIE)
DICKEY
9 Jan. 1889 — 13 April 1959**

Daughter of: Franklin Monroe Dickey and Eadie
Parletha Hickman Dickey. Wife of: George Lee Ross.

LOVE OF GOD
LOVE OF COUNTRY
LOVE OF FAMILY
LOVE OF MANKIND



This page dedicated to Ellie Dickey Ross and the thousands of other pioneer mothers of Pope County, Arkansas who endured many hardships, prayed to their God, worked extremely hard, but enjoyed life immensely.

They left little in a material way in this world, but their greatest hopes and the asset that they valued most and strived for continuously was to leave sturdy sons and daughters — equipped with mental and physical attributes and with the moral fiber — to leave foot-prints along their own paths and endeavors for the betterment of mankind.

When the country needed their sons in time of war they gave with a heavy heart but with a degree of pride and without complaint.

When hardship or tragedy struck they were at their zenith of absolute greatness.

And finally, at a time of dieing — they died bravely and with great dignity.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH OF RUSSELLVILLE HONORS THOSE WHO HAVE BUILT AND SERVED



FIRST CHURCH BUILDING — 1914
Rev. E.R. Fitzgerald



Rev. E.R. Fitzgerald
Co-founder & first Pastor



SECOND CHURCH Building — 1935-36
Rev. L.L. Riley



Rev. L.L. Riley — Co-founder
Pastor 1925-1939



PRESENT CHURCH BUILDING — 1964
Rev. J.W. Farrell



Rev. J.B. Lindsey
Pastor 1945-53; 1973-78

Fred R. Lohmann, 1922-23; M.M. Pinson, 1923-1924; Rev. & Mrs. Myer Tan Ditter, 1924; Frank Beard, 1940-1941; Rev. W.J. Higgins, 1942-1944; Rev. C.G. Owens, 1953-1955; Rev. J.C. Dickinson, 1955-1958; Rev. J.W. Farrell, 1959-1965; Rev. M.J. Harris, 1965-1966; Rev. Tommy Parker, 1967-1973 and elected again in 1978.

THE COURIER- DEMOCRAT

The Russellville Democrat, forerunner of the Weekly Courier-Democrat, was established in 1875 by a group consisting of J.L. Shinn, George E. Howell, J.F. Munday and M.L. Baird. James E. Battenfield was editor and B.J. Jobe was business manager. The first issue was dated January 28, 1875.

Battenfield retired in 1881 and Job and John R.H. Scott became publishers. They were succeeded by W.L. Morris, 1883, J.F. Munday, 1884; B.J. Jobe, 1885; his brother, John Jobe, in 1897. Thomas Elmore Lucy, who later became known as a poet and writer on the Chautauqua circuit, was connected with the newspaper in 1896-97. In 1898, the Democrat was consolidated with the Courier, which was started the year before, by C.B. Oldham and T.B. Mourning, who became publishers under the consolidated name of The Courier-Democrat which is still in effect.

J.A. Livingston, Courier-Democrat foreman, purchased interest in 1903 and 1905 and became sole owner. He sold half-interest to Todd Ellis in 1920. A daily edition was started in 1909 but suspended in 1914. Ellis took over the job printing department and established the Russellville Printing Co. Livingston continued with the newspaper.

The Pope County Record was started at Russellville in 1900 by C.W. Dodd. He sold the paper and it was suspended in 1918, the plant and good will being purchased by The Courier-Democrat.

The Tribune, the second Russellville newspaper to bear that name, was established in 1915 by C.W. Dodd and his son, George. In 1921, the Dodds sold the Tribune to the Tribune Printing Co. headed by Ardis Tyson.

Charles Lovesy became advertising manager of the Courier-Democrat in 1934. Lovesy, John Guion and Robert Breeden bought the Tribune in 1948. Lovesy died in 1951. His son Craig and Mrs. Lovesy operated the paper until 1955 when they discontinued it and bought an interest in the Courier-Democrat.

Livingston owned the Courier-Democrat

until his death and his daughter continued operation until 1947 when the paper was leased to a Corp. of Sen. Fulbright and the C.E. Palmer interests. On January 1, 1955, the Palmer-Fulbright Corp. sold to a corporation of John Guion, Robert Breeden, Mrs. Charles Lovesy and her son, Craig.

Advertising manager Garth Whipple bought an interest in September, 1957 and became general manager. His interest was redistributed in 1966 when he purchased a Mt. Vernon, Indiana newspaper.

P.C. "Pat" Huggler was named general manager in 1966 and Bill Newsom, news editor since 1960, became assistant manager. Huggler went to work delivering papers for the Courier-Democrat at the age of 9. He became janitor at 13 and an apprentice printer (printer's devil) at 16. After four years in service, Huggler returned as apprentice pressman and worked his way to assistant manager in 1959.

Harte-Hanks Newspapers, Inc., of Texas, purchased the Courier-Democrat on March 1, 1976, along with the Weekly Advertiser and two other Arkansas weekly papers and the Arkansas Newspapers, Inc., was formed with William H. Martin of Paris, Texas as president and publisher of the newspapers. Pat Huggler remained as general manager, Bill Newsom editor. Cal Sutton, former managing editor of the Fort Worth Star Telegram joined the Courier-Democrat October 15, 1976, as managing editor.

Marvin Johnson was named president of Arkansas Newspapers, Inc. on August 1, 1978. Johnson was formerly publisher of the San Francisco Progress which was also a member of the Harte-Hanks organization.

Under the new ownership, the Courier-Democrat has improved the newspaper product adding many new features including editorial pages. A Sunday issue with full color comics was added December 6, 1976. The Courier-Democrat now is a 6-day a week newspaper serving the Arkansas River Valley area.

HONORING THE REV. THOMAS G. MORRIS, SR.

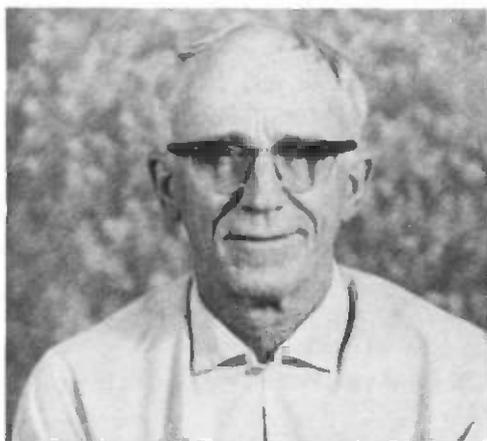
In 1954, the Rev. Thomas Gideon Morris, Sr., was called to the pastorate of the Pottsville Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church as its fifth pastor. The church, which had been without a regular pastor for six years, welcomed the new minister and his wife, the former Martha O'Neal Gunnin, with their son, Thomas, Jr., as they came to the church. Their daughter, Rebekah Gunnin, was born in Arkansas. Mr. Morris has served the Pottsville church and community since that time, except for a year and a half, when he was also pastor of the Monticello, Ark. A.R.P. Church. For several years, he was also pastor of the Russellville A.R.P. Church. The membership of the Pottsville church has increased from 103 to 180 during his pastorate, with 40% of the congregation being less than 21 years of age.

Mr. Morris and his family are active in community affairs. He has been active in helping to secure a water system and fire department for the town, is chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee, and serves on the Potts Inn Commission. Mrs. Morris is a teacher.

He is a member of the Russellville Ministerial Association, having served as President for one year, and as treasurer for the past 15 years. He is a good pastor and has contributed to the community in all phases of its growth.



IN MEMORY OF OUR CO-FOUNDER AND PARTNER



DALE WALKER
1916-1976

The C & D Drug Store, 121 North Commerce, Russellville, Arkansas, was founded in 1958 by Charles Oates and Dale Walker, to help serve the needs of the community. This remained a partnership until the death of Dale, in 1977. With the help of Mrs. Dale Walker and her son, Robert Walker, the business is still being carried on.

C & D Drug Store

BETHEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH



1706 East 2nd St. — Russellville, Arkansas

PAYS TRIBUTE TO ITS PASTORS



Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Chenowith and family

The real beginning of Bethel Assembly of God Church was in cottage prayer meetings but in the spring of 1939, Rev. Earl Findley, along with Oliver Welcher, Orland and Floyd Titsworth, Hobe Moore and Andrew Harris, built a Brush Arbor. The first Sunday in the Brush Arbor, there were 123 in Sunday School. The church bought the old Post Office building at Pottsville and tore it down and used the lumber to build a frame church building. Rev. L.L. Riley, Presbyterian, set the church in order upon completion of the build-

ing, in 1943. A cement block building was built in the '50's when Rev. Tom Bentley was Pastor of the church.

The present Pastor, Rev. Gerald D. Chenowith, came to Bethel Assembly for the first time in June 1963. Shortly after Rev. Chenowith became pastor, plans began to form concerning a new building. In January, 1964, the first building fund offering was taken and the congregation moved into the new church, Christmas of 1966. "To God be the Glory, great things He has done.



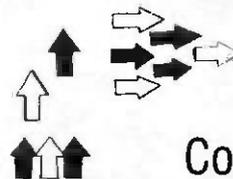
The Humphrey Funeral Home — formerly the Gardner Funeral Home — was established in 1930 by the late H. Guy Gardner. It was first located in the old North Methodist Church where the Arkansas Valley Savings & Loan is now located. In 1936 the funeral home was moved to 114 South Denver. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Humphrey purchased the funeral home in 1960. It is now located at 2801 West Main in new facilities built by Mr. Humphrey in 1974. He is being assisted by his wife, the former Kate English and their son Jim Bob. Staff members include: Louie Humphrey, Melvin Jackson, John Cribbins, T.J. Daniel, Scott Harper, Macie Wylie, Lillian Blalock, and Carl Rackley.

HUMPHREY FUNERAL SERVICE, INC.
2801 WEST MAIN
RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS

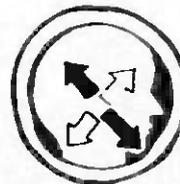
COLONIAL FLOWER SHOP

Founded in the early 1930's by Roy and Ella Black at their residence on the corner of West 8th and South Denver Streets in Russellville, Ark. The shop was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Humphrey in 1951 and in 1953, they moved to 306-308 West Main St. where the business still remains. Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey are descendents of pioneer families of Pope County.

Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Humphrey



Community Center of Learning



The Community Center of Learning is a non-profit organization whose main purpose is to provide community education in Pope County, Arkansas.

The Learning Center was begun as an all-volunteer organization in 1975, was chartered in 1977 and in fiscal year 1978 provided community education for 2,000 people through the volunteer services of 64 instructors.

The Center organizes classes and special events on virtually any subject for which there is an expressed interest or need.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL



(Built in 1925)

St. Mary's Hospital was built in 1925 by Dr. R.L. Smith. It had a bed capacity of forty-four and employed fifty people. Dr. Smith owned and operated the hospital until his retirement in June of 1944, at which time the hospital was closed.

A year later the hospital was reopened by W.R. Pate, a Russellville business man, who owned and operated the hospital until 1951 when it was purchased by Dr. Martin F. Heidgen.

During the 1960's two completely modern air-conditioned wings were added to the building, increasing the bed capacity to sixty-seven and giving the hospital a new surgical department and a new dietary department with full kitchen and dining room facility, new laboratories, x-ray department and

emergency room.

A \$1 million project started in 1971 expanded capacity from 65 to 105 beds. In 1978, a 4½ million dollar expansion was completed, expanding the bed capacity to 144 beds.



COMPLETED IN 1978

IN MEMORY OF OUR
BELOVED
FATHER AND MOTHER



Anna Teer McAlister
1881-1968

Ed McAlister
1882-1962

By
Audra McAlister Page — Joy McAlister
Ed Garvis McAlister — Zerl McAlister

JOHN MARSHALL
"JACK" SMALLWOOD

Jack Smallwood practiced law in Russellville, 1926-1962. He was elected Pope County representative to the state legislature in 1927. He was active in the community life of Russellville, having served as president and board member of the Chamber of Commerce, president of the Russellville School Board, member of Board of Directors of First Federal Savings and Loan Association, and city attorney.

Mr. Smallwood was also a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. He was a 32nd degree Mason and a member of Scimitar of Shrine Temple. He also served as a trustee of the First United Methodist Church and taught an adult Bible class for 22 years.



B. June 20, 1901
D. Jan. 18, 1962

HARMONY FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH



MEN'S BIBLE CLASS AND CHILDREN
OF HARMONY FWB IN 1930's



PRESENT HARMONY FWB CHURCH
HWY. #124 N. OF RUSSELLVILLE

A congregation of Free Will Baptist were having church at the old Davis Chapel Church Building on Gumlog Creek south of the Gumlog community. In October of 1929, a storm partially wrecked the building so it was decided to move the church to its present location. C.A. Haskins was the Sunday School Superintendent and when they met to name the new church, it was suggested they name it Haskins Chapel. Mr. Haskins refused to

have it that way so they agreed upon Harmony. The first deacons were: J.L. Stanton, T.L. Staggs, and G.W. Russell. The first Pastor was Rev. T.H. Dixon and the Sunday School was re-organized the third Sunday in December of 1929, and the church dedicated at that time. The building was remodeled in the 1970's and was bricked. The present Pastor is Rev. Bob Alexander.

HONORING THE DEAD BY HELPING THE LIVING



S-SGT. CHARLES J. "BUSTER"
ROGERS, JR.
July 1, 1924 — Nov. 4, 1944

Charles J. "Buster" Rogers was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rogers of Russellville. He answered the call to the colors of his country during World War II, and was attached to the 392 AAF Bomb CP. On a bombing raid over Germany, he was killed. The charter members of the Rogers-Rye VFW Post #2283, honored him by naming the Post in his memory.



LT. ROBERT H. "BUD" RYE
Mar. 12, 1915 — May 15, 1942

Robert J. "Bud" Rye was the son of Mr. and Mrs. T.R. Rye of Russellville. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps and was graduated at Randolph Field, Texas, July 10, 1941. He was sent to Australia and had only been there about three weeks when he met his death in the Pacific Theatre on May 15, 1942.

ROGERS-RYE VFW POST #2283

ODD'S 'N' ENDS DISCOUNT FURNITURE PAYING TRIBUTE TO PIONEER FAMILIES OF POPE COUNTY, ARK.



Floyd and Loyd Kinslow

The Odds 'N' Ends furniture store was established in 1975 as a used furniture and Odds 'N' Ends store. Business began to grow so in 1976 they moved into the old Dr. Pepper building on N. El Paso Ave. and now have a good discount furniture business. It was established and is owned by Lloyd and Floyd Kinslow who are the twin sons of the late Floyd Kinslow, Sr., and descendants of the pioneer Cumberland Presbyterian preacher, Rev. Aaron Kinslow.



RADIO STATION KARV

KARV began operation on February 25, 1947, under the management of C.R. Horne and J.A. Shepherd. Shepherd, a native of Russellville, and Horne, a native of Paris, returned to Russellville from World War II to start the radio station. It was one of the first 15 radio stations to begin operation in Arkansas and was called KXRJ, and was the only radio station between Fort Smith and Little Rock. The original location of the studio was on the campus of Arkansas Tech and remained there until 1957 when it moved to the corner of Commerce and Second streets. In 1960, KARV moved into its present studio at

the corner of Second and Boulder Streets. Jerrell Shepherd, after selling his interest to C.R. Horne, moved to Moberly, Missouri where he developed one of the top small market stations in America.

In 1968, the broadcasting company changed its call letters from KXRJ to KARV. In recent years K.A.R.V. has added such features as weather radar, (the first radio station in Arkansas to install its own radar) a 15,000 watt emergency generator, and a receiving antenna was built on Mt. Nebo for mobil broadcasts. Currently the radio station has an application before the FCC to change frequency to 610 kc which would result in a significant increase in coverage. KARV also recently applied for a new FM Radio station for Russellville.

IN MEMORY OF:



CPL. WILLIAM R. HALE
1947-1969

Cpl. William R. Hale was the son of Robert W. Hale of Lake Village and Mrs. Cleo Lewis of Russellville. He was a graduate of Russellville High School and attended Arkansas Tech and the University of Arkansas before entering the Army in 1968. He was named the most outstanding trainee among 2,000 at Fort Polk, La., during the period of May 6 through June 28. He received trophies and a certificate of achievement signed by Major Gen. Ellis W. Williamson, post commander.

Cpl. Hale was sent to Vietnam and joined Company A, First Battalion 46th Infantry, 198th Light Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, in October 1968. He was killed in action on May 14, 1969, while on a combat mission against a hostile force in Quang Tin Province about 25 miles from Da Nang.

He received, posthumously, the Bronze Star for exceptionally meritorious ability to adapt to the ever-changing phases of counterinsurgency type operations.

Other awards included the Purple Heart, Good Conduct Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge, National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Vietnam Campaign Ribbon.

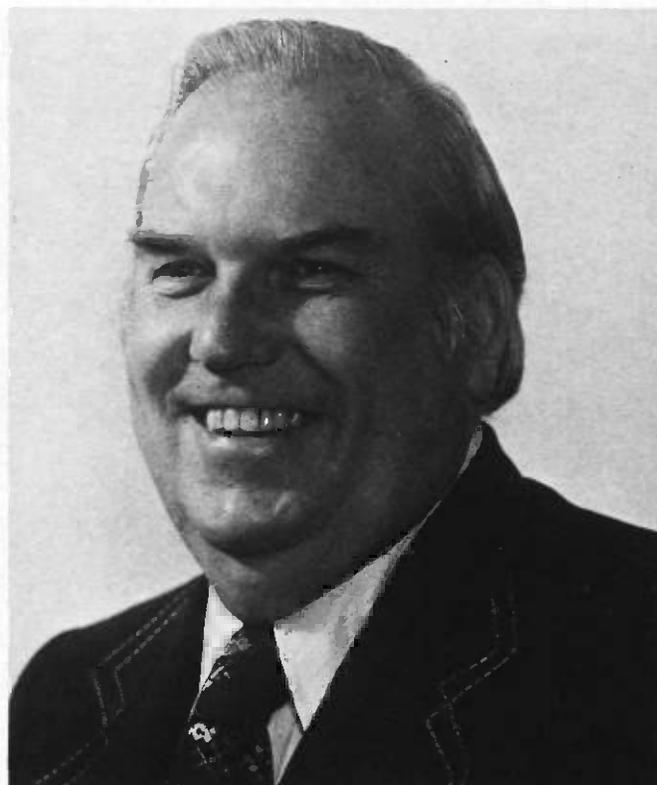
By Mrs. Cleo Lewis

PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE RAY LEE FAMILY

BURRIS OFFICE SUPPLY



Soon after returning from WWII, Troy Burris bought the interest of H.D. Coffee and began to expand into what is now one of the largest Office Supply businesses in the Arkansas River Valley. He has been in the present location since 1953 and now occupies most of the buildings on Arkansas Ave. from Main to Second St., known as the Ferguson building. Troy is assisted by his brother Roy and they are the sons of Dolan Burris and members of a pioneer Pope County family.



STANFORD LEE — POPE COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR
By Stanford and Zilphia Lee

REMEMBERING OUR
FAMILIES
PIONEERS OF POPE COUNTY



ERNEST POWERS — POPE COUNTY CLERK
MRS. AUDRA JOHNSON POWERS

IN MEMORY OF



FLOYD KINSLOW
1897-1976

THE JOE C. POE FAMILY — 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



July 9, 1978 — Pictured are: Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Poe, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Poe and children; Bill, Jr., Bobbie, Donnie and Terrie Lee. Mrs. Betty McNeley and son Mike. Mrs. Barbara Peterson and children; David, Dannie, Derek, Dug and Debbie. Mr. and Mrs. Ron Conrad and children; Eric, Jeremy, and Carey. Mr. and Mrs. David Wallukait and children; Mott David, Mashel and Monical. Mr. and Mrs. Randy Watt.



A life dedicated to service. His Dream was to have the Arkansas River made navigable. The Dam at Dardanelle also made it possible to have National Facilities for Everyone.

REED, HENRY (1865-1951)
At Dardanelle, Arkansas
Scottsville, Mississippi

IN MEMORY OF:
WILLIAM JEFF (BILL) PRICE
1904-1975



BY
JACK
PRICE

Mr. W.J. (Bill) Price, started to work for a Mr. Oglesby at the old checkerboard feed store, in Russellville, at the age of 16. He later became owner and manager, then the name was changed to Price Gro., later to Price and Son, when his son, Jack, became a partner. The business was closed about six months before his death. "Bill" was amicable and loved his fellow man.

RUSSELLVILLE MASONIC
LODGE #274
FREE AND ACCEPTED
MASONS

A charter was granted Russellville Masonic Lodge #274 on November 8th, 1871. The charter was granted during the tenure of office of Grand Master, Sam W. Williams. Bro. R.L. Dodge was Grand Treasurer and Bro. L.E. Barber was Grand Secretary. There were only seven charter members and are as follows: J.L. Shinn, John Ewing, W.M. Reynolds, H.S. Maddox, J.W. Miller, Alva Russell and J.M. Harkey. The first principle officers were, John Ewing, W.M.; J.L. Shinn, S.W.; and William Reynolds, J.W.

Bro. J.L. Shinn exerted a greater influence on the development of Russellville than any other member of the Lodge. He was a very prominent merchant and large land owner.

MEMORIAL TO MY WEIR FAMILY — by ELAINE WEIR CIA



Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Oscar Weir
1886-1924 — 1886-1918
(Wedding 17 August 1907)

Comodore Decator Weir, b. 10 Mar. 1861, GA & wife Sarah Frances Crites Weir, b. 13 Dec. 1862, Pope Co., AR were the parents of: Jessie; Lewis L.; Louvada (Ada) L.; Gilbert Oscar; Homer Decator; Orb Lindorf; Ida Mae; Florence; & Minnie Pearl Weir. (all born in Pope & Conway Co., AR).

Gilbert Oscar Weir, b. 25 Nov. 1886 married 19 Aug. 1907 to Helena Amelia Deitrich, b. in Augsburg, near London, Pope Co., AR. They were married in Seattle, Wa., & were the parents of Elaine (Weir) Cia; & Paul E. Weir. Elaine was born on the present day nuclear plant site at London, AR.

Paul E. Weir, b. 7 Dec. 1918, Grady, AR., married Rheba Baumann, daughter of Gustof A. Baumann & Dora Ethel Pless Baumann. Dora E. Pless was the daughter of M.M. Pless & granddaughter of John Adam Pless, Sr. (who lived 104 years & is buried in East Point Cemetery in Pope County, Arkansas).

Sarah Frances Crites was the daughter of Jessie Crites & Olive Catherine Stinnett, & granddaughter of Henry Stinnett, 1st Sheriff of Pope County in 1829.

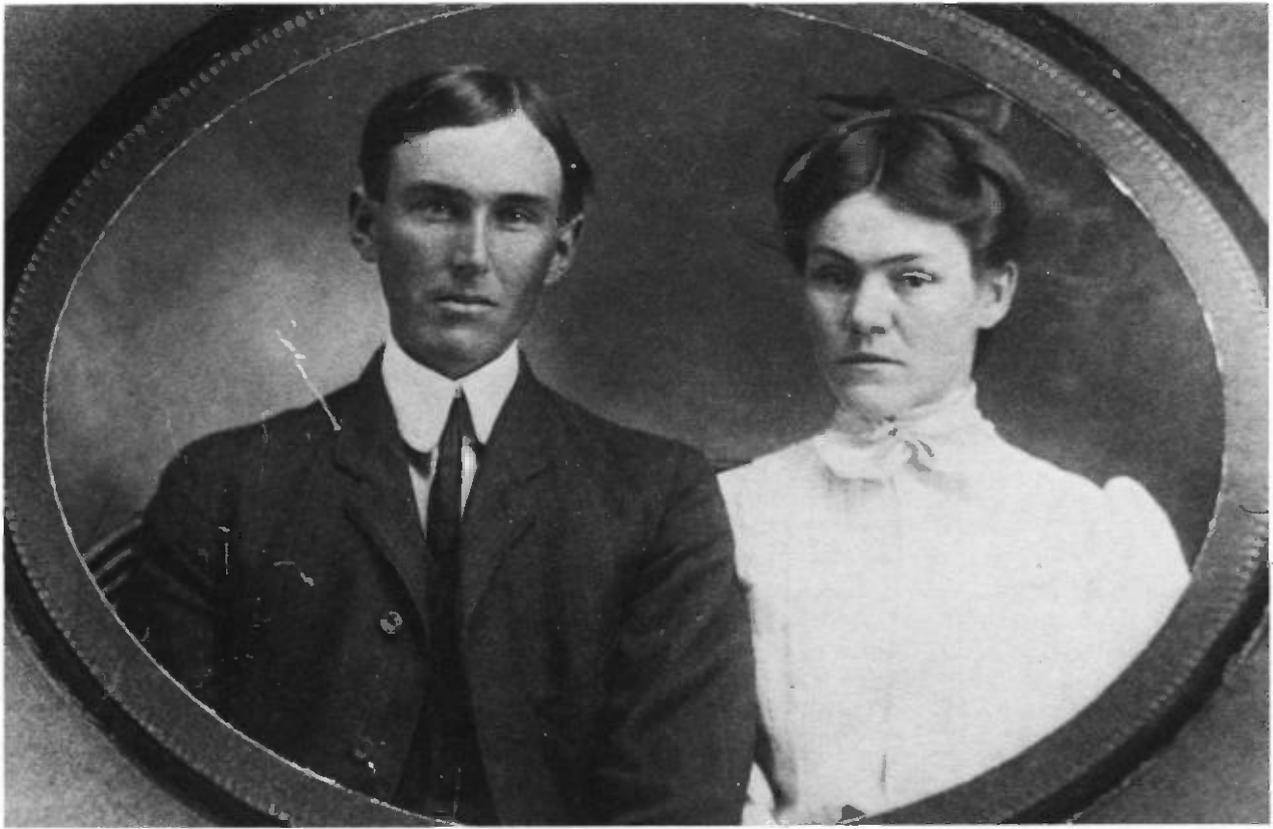


LAWRENCE R. ROBERTS RANCH

The Lawrence R. Roberts Ranch was started in 1944 when two young men with Kansas farm backgrounds relocated in Russellville, the heart of the Arkansas River Valley. Lawrence R. Roberts and James W. Savage, having a dream of putting together a solid line of purebred herefords, began to seek out cattle to fit into specific development

programs of a tried and proven bloodline.

Over the past 34 years they have had the personal satisfaction of selling cattle from their ranch to breeders in 32 states. Probably no other ranch in Arkansas has had the good fortune of selling more commercial bulls than has the Lawrence R. Roberts Ranch.

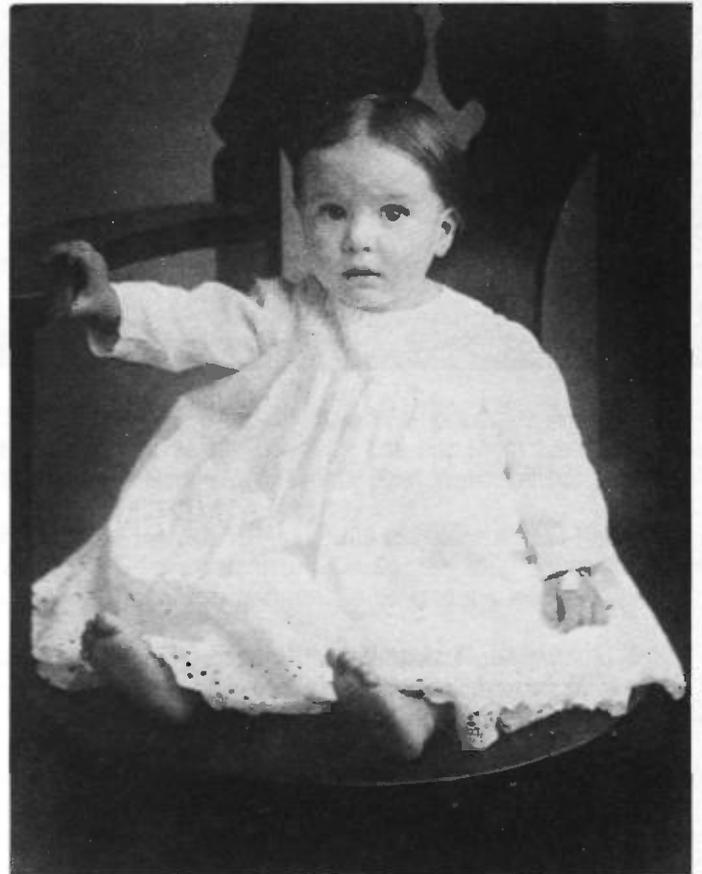


Wedding Picture — February 10, 1907
 Robert Lee Vest Sr. Ruthie Alice Lynch Vest
 Dec. 20, 1879 — Dec. 23, 1964 Feb. 9, 1885 — May 8, 1967
 The three elder children of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lee Vest Sr.
 Picture made in 1913 — a good example of wearing apparel of the well dressed "tiny tots" of the "Teens"



Elmer — Age 5
 B. Sept. 24, 1908
 D. Jan. 18, 1942

Irma Ellen 8 Age 3
 B. Jan. 14, 1910



Pearl — Age 1
 B. Sept. 29, 1912

Submitted by Irma Ellen Vest Hatcher of Ashdown, Arkansas



S. Clarence Tucker (1890-1971) and Effie Williams Tucker (1892-) on their 50th Wedding Anniversary in November of 1959.

IN MEMORY OF
The parents of eight grateful children



SGT. RICKY LYNN BOWDEN
JUNE 28, 1949 — FEB. 10, 1970

Sergeant Ricky L. Bowden was the son of Mrs. Walter (Sue) Roberts of Pottsville and the late Quinten Brooks Bowden of the Maple Springs Community, on Crow Mountain. He was killed in a Helicopter crash in Vietnam. He was an Army Specialist 4, and had been in Service since Nov. 25, 1968. Prior to his death, Ricky had been awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Sharpshooter Badge with rifle bar, and the Marksman Badge with automatic rifle bar. He was awarded posthumously the Good Conduct Medal and the Bronze Star, also a Sgt. rating which he had already earned was given to him. His remains were brought back to the United States and laid to rest in the Pisgah Cemetery.

By Mr. and Mrs. Walter Roberts

TO THE MEMORY OF MY
BELOVED MOTHER,
FRONIA FURR
MCCRACKEN

She led an active life filled with church and civic work, family and friends. Born 1885, died 1974, widow of L.C. McCracken and the daughter of Capt. Adam Furr and Catherine Stinnett Furr. She grew up attending rural schools and the old Russellville High School, then taught school in Pope and Van Buren counties. She was an active member of the Methodist Church, holding local and district offices in the WSCS. She was president of the Pope County Historical Assoc. from Spet. 1959 to Sept. 1961. She is survived by four children: Irene M. Heflin, Jacqueline M. Campbell, R.R. McCracken and A.W. McCracken; two children preceeded her in death: L.C. McCracken, Jr. and an infant; thirteen grandchildren: Houston D. Heflin, Jr., Sue C. Tucker, John L. Heflin, Mary N. Davis, Patricia C. Olgesby, Robert P. Heflin, Stanley W. Heflin, Roger L. Heflin, Karen M. Melton, Robert L. McCracken, Alan W. McCracken, Michael L. McCracken and Shelia S. McCracken; eighteen great-grandchildren: R. Shane Wright, Ramona L. Melton, Jeanie Jacqueline Melton, Shelby A. Heflin, Deborah A. Heflin, Sarah C. Johnson, Mary L. Johnson, Jackie L. Heflin, Cheryl A. Heflin, John G. Heflin, Michelle R. Newell, Phillip E. Newell, Shelia M. Newell, Ashleigh I. Corcoran, Sasha P. Heflin, R. Brandon Heflin, William H. Heflin and Courtney L. Heflin; and one great-great grandchild: Shelby A. Heflin, Jr.

Submitted by Jacqueline M. Campbell





KCAB-KWKK RADIO STATIONS

Central Arkansas Broadcasting Co., Inc. presently operating two radio stations in Dardanelle-Russellville, was incorporated in 1964. The Company was purchased by Ron Rye in 1972. At the time of this purchase the stations were operating at simulcast stations, KCAB-AM & FM, with all facilities located in Dardanelle. In 1973 the Administrative and Sales Divisions of the company were moved to Russellville with offices located in the 500 Building on West Main Street.

On May 1, 1973 the simulcast operation was split, thus KCAB-AM and KWKK-FM, two radio stations were their own individual format, sales force, programming department and

radio audience.

In 1976 the Administration and sales divisions were moved to their present location at 410 South Arkansas Avenue into a newly remodeled Building.

IN MEMORY OF A HUSBAND AND FATHER



EVERT ORLANDO HILL — 1938

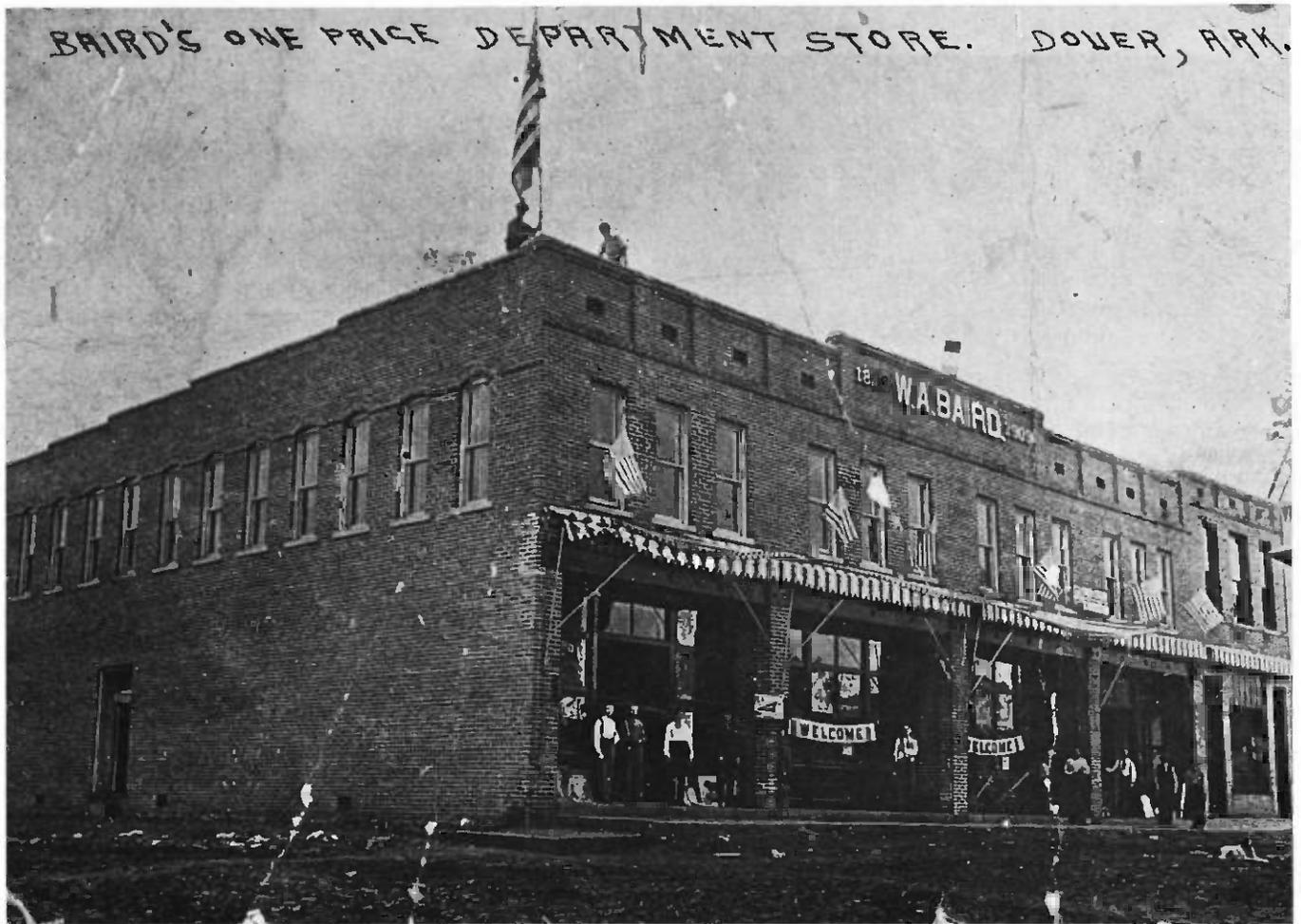
Mrs. Ora Elliott Hill
Jewell M. Hill
Reba Hill Sanders
Genieve Hill Ellis
Mary Freda Hill Benson

IN MEMORY OF SHARLOTTE EVERGREEN BURRIS CUDD



MATTIE BELLE CUDD
1909-

SHARLOTTE EVERGREEN
BURRIS CUDD
1883-1977



EXTERIOR OF DOVER BRICK STORE BUILDING ERECTED 1909, DEMOLISHED 1972.

THE L.J. AND AUDRA HILL CHURCHILL FAMILY

Early records indicate that the Churchills came from New York to the Izard Co. area of Arkansas before statehood. After the middle of the 19th century, James J. Churchill moved from northeast Arkansas to Pope County. Lattie J. Churchill, the son of Monroe K. Churchill and the grandson of James J. Churchill, purchased the W.A. Baird brick store building in 1932 from the Bank of Russellville and the Bank of Dover. The building was constructed about 1909 and following the death of Mr. Baird, the business was operated by W.M. Simpson until about 1930. For 38 years, 1934-1972, L.J. and Mrs. Audra Hill Churchill, daughter of Ephraim and Mary Rowland Hill, operated a general mercantile

store in this building. Any item sold could be purchased from L.J. Churchill whether it was groceries, hardware, clothing, farm machinery, just whatever was needed, could be supplied, either from stock, or, ordered from the wholesale house. The removal of the old W.A. Baird building for new construction represents the end of an era.

During the 38 years in business on the Dover site, Lattie J., also operated a farm implement business in Russellville from 1945 to 1962. From 1945 until about 1949 or 1950 he had a business in Clarksville, and for ten or twelve years he was a partner in a radio, T.V. and repair business with Troy Blalock in Russellville.



INTERIOR L.J. CHURCHILL STORE ABOUT 1962. FROM LEFT IS REV. J.D. COFFMAN, W.L. MASSEY, L.J. CHURCHILL AND EARL SHINN

While active in business during this time, Mr. Churchill was also involved in various community and regional activities. He served as an Elder and Clerk of Sessions in the local Cumberland Presbyterian Church. For 25 years he served on the Dover School Board. He served continuously as a member of the Pope County Board of Education from 1942, when he was appointed to fill a vacancy created by his brother, Odus' entry into service during World War II. L.J. was Chairman of the Board, Bank of Dover from 1945 to 1974. From 1945 to 1958, Mr. Churchill served as a member of the Arkansas River Valley Development Association. He, with other Arkansas Valley leaders such as Reece

Caudle of Pope County, Clarence Burns of Fort Smith and J.W. Hull of Arkansas Tech, made numerous trips to the nation's Capitol where extensive testimony was required in Congressional hearings before the Congress would pass the legislation to develop the Arkansas River for power, transportation and flood control.

While Mr. Churchill has retired from the mercantile business, he continues to be occupied in the real estate business and is now serving the City of Dover as its Mayor. Children of L.J. and Mrs. Churchill are: Elaine Churchill Berry, Vance Churchill, and Janea "Polly" Churchill Massey, (deceased).

POPE COUNTY JUDGE ELECT, SAMUEL M. "BUS" RYE AND FAMILY



MARSHAL

KAREN

SAMUEL M. (BUS)

PHILLIP

VIRGINIA

T-SGT. JOHN ROBERT CHEEK



KILLED IN WWII
1909-1944

Sgt. Cheek, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Cheek, was born at Hattieville, Ark., Aug. 29, 1909, graduated from Atkins public schools in 1929, and was married to the former Elizabeth Fox. He was a junior partner and salesman at Cheek Wholesale Grocer Co. Even before finishing high school, he was an efficient and faithful worker in the firm and became one of the key men in the business. He attended the Presbyterian Church, was a charter member of the local Lions Club, served as an alderman for a number of years, and was active in the Democratic Party of Pope County.

Sgt. Cheek entered the Army, Nov. 30, 1942, at Camp Robinson, serving in the Communications Platoon of Headquarters Co., 405 Regiment of the 102nd Infantry Division. He trained at Camp Maxey, Texas, Camp Swift, Texas, and Fort Dix, New Jersey. On Sept. 12, 1944, the 102nd Division was assigned to the Ninth Army under General Simpson. He landed in Cherbourg, France and on Oct. 28, 1944, he went into combat at Baeswiller, Germany, near the center of the Siegfried line. In Immendorf, Germany, Nov. 24, 1944, he was killed in action by a high velocity artillery shell. On this day, 85% of the First Battalion was lost. In Nov. 1949, his body was moved from a military cemetery in Margraten, Holland

for reburial in the Atkins Cemetery. The funeral was in Atkins Presbyterian Church Dec. 4, 1949 by the Rev. Millard Murphey with military honors by Barker-Cheek Post #5223 Veterans of Foreign Wars. He received the Good Conduct Medal, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, Combat Infantryman's Badge, and a posthumous award of the Purple Heart. Besides his wife and parents, he was survived by a brother, Cleo Cheek and three sisters, Athleen McCollum, Fannie Rhea Tyson and Mary Anna Bailey, all of Atkins.

In Loving Memory of
ELVIN W. "BOB" TRIPP
1910-1973



Elvin W. "Bob" Tripp, son of H.M. and Mary Coffman Tripp, was born June 25, 1910 at Hector where he spent his entire childhood and much of his adult life.

Bob began a career in teaching at the age of 16 at Snowlick in Van Buren Co. and continued to work in the field of education until the day of his death. He spent 46 years serving as teacher, coach, principal, and superintendent in schools of Pope, Perry, Ouachita and Chicot Counties.

Bob was an elder in the Hector Cumberland Presbyterian Church for 43 years. He served his church not only as elder, but in any capacity in which he could help.

He was active in civic affairs and served as Mayor of Hector from 1971-1973. In his short

term many improvements were seen.

Bob was interested in the history of our people and helped to promote pride in the heritage of our country. He served as president of the Pope Co. Genealogy Group and did much work in restoring old cemeteries and helping collect records from Pope Co. Cemeteries which were published by the Genealogy Group.

Bob was a devoted husband to his wife Marguerite and a loving father to their daughter, Mary Lois. He died April 24, 1973 leaving not only to his wife and daughter but to many relatives, friends, and former students an inspiration and a multitude of precious memories.



SGT. NORMAN WADE TEETER
May 4, 1946 — June 9, 1969

IN MEMORY OF:

Sergeant Norman Wade Teeter was the son of Mrs. Crystal Teeter and the late Silas M. Teeter. He entered into service of the United States Army, April 1968 and was sent to Vietnam in April of 1969. He was a squad leader in Co. C, 4th Bn., 25th Inf. Div. and died June 9, 1969, of wounds sustained in combat in Tay Ninh Province.

The Bronze Star with "V" Device (first oak leaf cluster) was awarded Sgt. Teeter for heroism while leading his squad on a sweeping mission on which he was fatally wounded.

Other medals includes another Bronze Star, Combat Infantry Medal, Vietnam Campaign Ribbon, sharpshooter badges for rifle and machine gun, and marksman badge for automatic rifle.

Surviving are two brothers, S. Neil Teeter and Milton P. Teeter.

By Mrs. Crystal Teeter



His first delivery truck — a 1923 Model T Ford.

A.J. Bowden

A.J. Bowden was a son of Wash Bowden and was raised on Crow Mountain, eight miles northeast of Russellville. In 1919, he started in the Dry Cleaning business in Russellville. He soon built up a good business because of his honesty, fairness and being courteous to his customer. He not only did dry cleaning but cleaned hats as well and when the WAC'S were stationed at Tech, during WWII, cleaned 100 hats in one day for them at \$1.00 a piece. His cleaning was an art that is fast passing. Mr. Bowden retired in 1965, selling his shop to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baker. He married Ada Spear in 1911 and they were the parents of one daughter, Helen, who married Pete Vaughn of Paris, Arkansas. Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn were the parents of two children, William "Bill" and Mary Lou Vaughn. Mr. Bowden was born in 1889 and died in 1974.

IN MEMORY OF A LOVING WIFE



MRS. RUBY SACREY

1913-1976

IN MEMORY OF MR. AND MRS. JOHN EDWARD REASONER



At home in Russellville
1970
John Edward Reasoner
2-22-1896 — 4-22-1974
Ola Jo Torrence Reasoner
4-12-1898 — 6-27-1974



Deleware Bay for family
Reunion — 1973



50th Wedding Anniversary — 1969



"Humbleness" — February 1974

By Dorothy E. Hamiel

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY PARENTS



LARKIN C. DAVIS
Born Aug. 31, 1874
Died April 21, 1926



LAURA B. DAVIS
Born May 11, 1877
Died July 11, 1933

A TRIBUTE TO THE LIVING

MRS. IDA DAVIS BLALOCK
AND SONS
HAROLD D. BLALOCK
K.R. BLALOCK
WILLIAM F. BLALOCK
FRED N. BLALOCK



Merle Lemley Enterprises

• A Prominent Name in Arkansas Since 1838 •



We wish to establish this memorial to our mother, Ida Elizabeth Canerday Lemley and to our father, Joe Daly Lemley.

Joe Daly loved his family and he loved people. He was a Texas cowhand as a young man and ever after loved a good horse. During World War I, his salesman delivered Singer Sewing Machines purchased in Pope County via buggys that could carry two crated machines on the back bed. He was most successful as a grocer — his own store. A real and lasting tribute is, he continued during the decline of mining activities in this area to extend credit to the miners, knowing they could never pay. They never did.

Ida Elizabeth — an "all round" person with the common touch and attractive to all ages who proved it by coming to her home to visit

a few minutes, hours or days. Ida was good at home work, church work and helping on the farm. Ida played a good game of any kind of cards until her fifth child (a son) was born. She was good at checkers and ominoes (Probably because of her big family of brothers and sisters). She played a good game of tennis into her 40's and jumped the net after a set.

Joe and Ida brought five children into the world — two sons and three daughters. One son and one daughter died in early age.

We always have loved, respected, honored and appreciated them — we miss them yet. If with us today, Joe would be 102 years and Ida 100. They "honeymooned" at Hot Springs, Arkansas, long ago.

Pacola Lemley Porter
Thelma Anne Lemley
Chronister
Joseph Merle Lemley

IN RECOGNITION OF SIXTY YEARS SERVICE

The Joe Hamilton Transfer was organized by Thomas D. Hamilton, during World War I. In 1920, he became ill and passed away in 1921. His son, Joe, although a young man, took over the business which only consisted of a team and wagon, and has been in the Transfer and Storage business ever since. When the business was first established, they had no telephone but used the telephone of White Brothers Mercantile on the corner of N. Commerce and West C St. Finally, Uncle Bud White leased Joe a few feet across the street to build a building on. About two years later the Missouri-Pacific Railroad Company said he was on their land and called him a "squatter" and asked him to move. Although Joe had paid rent to Mr. White, he was on railroad property. He has been in his present building since 1947.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hamilton

IN MEMORY OF



JAMES O. MCGUIRE
Aug. 16, 1893 — Dec. 10, 1970

By Alice Hickman McGuire

PASTORS AND CHURCH BUILDINGS OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS

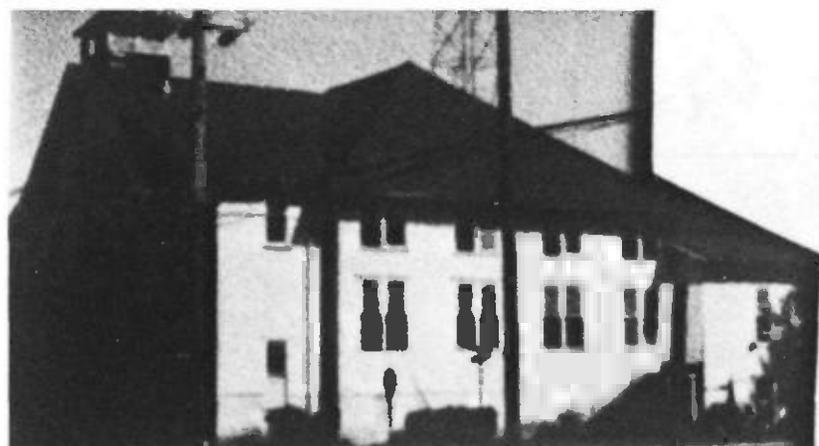
The earliest available information regarding Baptist work in Russellville, Arkansas, is 1866. The first record of a Baptist church was in 1871 and the earliest available minutes of a local Baptist organization was September 10, 1873.



Built in 1874

PASTORS IN FIRST BUILDING

1871-72 D. Perry
1872-73 W.T. Box
1873-76 W.W. Crawford
1876-79 J.R.E.W.N. Adams
1879-81 G.W. Reeves
1881-84 J.P. Weaver
1884-86 B.R. Womack
1886-88 J.B. Wise
1889- J.B. Hort
1890- J.H. Coson
1890-91 D. Elledge
1891-94 W.T. Box
1894-96 W.V. Walls
1897-99 A.G. McMannaway
1900-02 R.E. Reed
1902- E.L. Craig
1902-03 W.P. Kime
1904-06 J.O. Hill
1906-08 W.C. Wood
1908-10 B.R. Womack
1910-11 R.F. Kerby
1912- G.S. Clevenger
1913-14 J.E. Brown
1915-18 A.F. Cagle



Built in 1918

PASTORS IN SECOND BUILDING

1915-18 A.F. Cagle
1918-20 W.M. Groom
1920-22 R.M. Jennings
1923-34 C.V. Hickerson
1934-37 Troy Wheeler
1937-47 F.E. Goodbar
1947-53 W.E. Speed
1954-57 A. Ermon Webb

PASTORS IN PRESENT BUILDING

1957-64 Emil Williams
1964-70 Charles Thompson
1970-73 Jack Clack
1974- J.T. Riley



Built in 1961

IN REMEMBRANCE OF
A LOVING COMPANION
AND MOTHER



MAXINE BOWEN HOWELL.
1910-1975

Blynn (Bo) Howell
Wanda Howell Henderson
Vickie Howell Justice
LaDonna Howell Helms

A PRAYER OF SUBMISSION
We thank you God for this night,
For the stars that shine so bright.
As we walk these hospital grounds,
We thank you God for what we've found.
We've found a faith we've never known,
A source of power direct from the throne.
Into your care we commit a life,
A faithful companion, a mother, my wife.
Have your way Lord, what ever it may be,
We promise you Lord, we will never question Thee.
Blynn Howell

IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED PARENTS:

ADELBERT STEELE HAYS
SALLIE BUTLER HAYS
ANNIE G. PRATHER

MARION PRATHER HAYS AND BROOKS HAYS

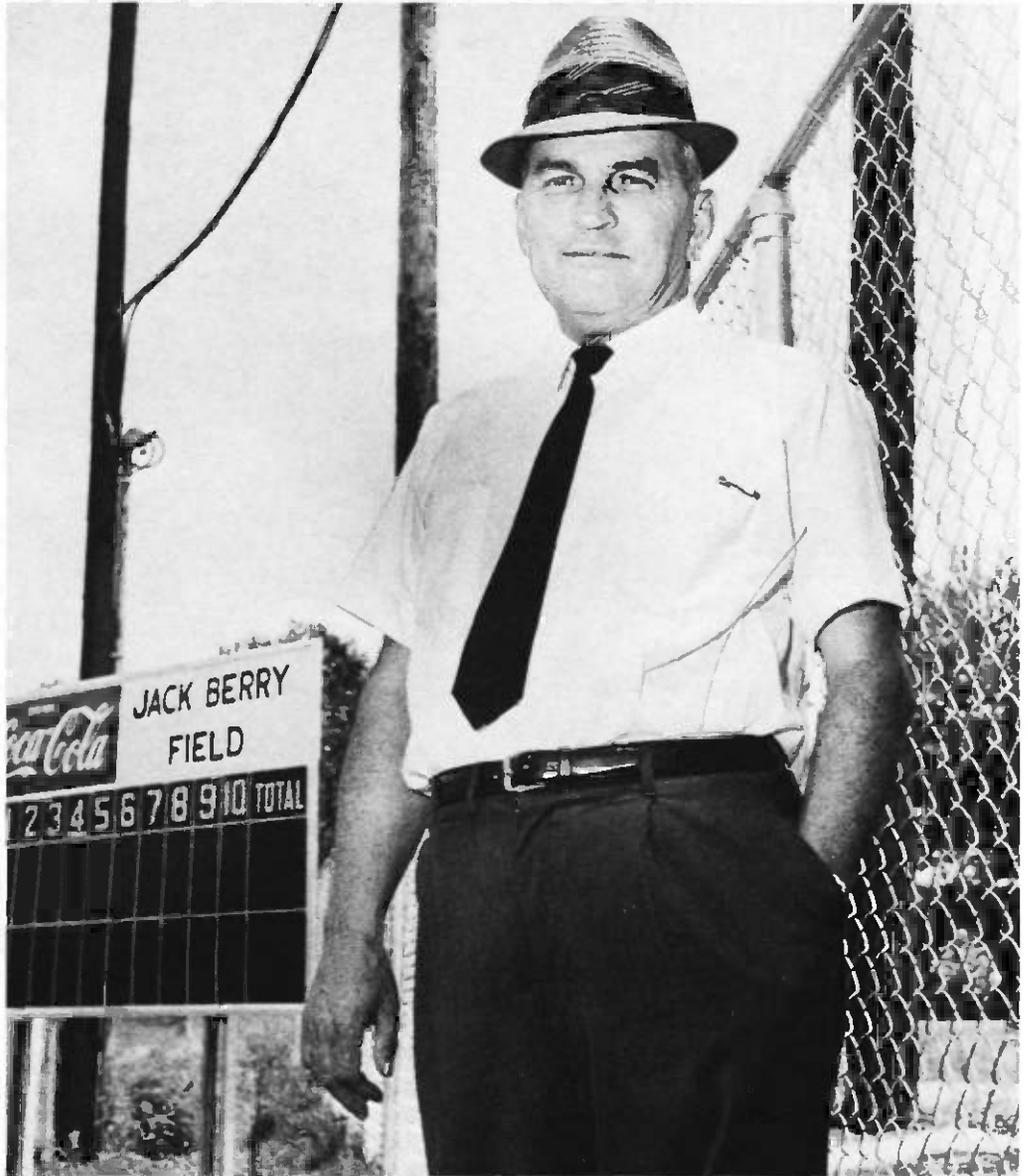
JACK E. BERRY (1919-1975)

Jack Ellis, son of Floyd and Ruth Eudy Berry, grew up in the Dover area where he spent his life in the service of community, family, church and his country.

As an insurance agent he was a spiritual as well as a financial counselor. Jack was an Elder in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church upholding the tradition of his grandfather, Eli M.R. Eudy, who was instrumental in the organization of the Church. He was a member of the Dover City Council, President of the Parent-Teacher Association, member of the Dover Masonic Lodge, and a member of the Air Force in World War II.

Jack Berry was friend to everyone whom he met. He led a well-balanced life showing close attention to the needs of his family and community. He was an ardent sports fan as an enthusiastic participant in sports, especially baseball. He was instrumental in organizing the Dover Independent Athletic Association and played his first game in 1939 on the field that was later named for him. Jack played baseball for 14 years. After he quit playing baseball, he continued to promote and support an athletic program for Dover youth as well as for those youth in the surrounding area by his presence and participation in whatever tasks needed to be done.

The immediate family of Jack Ellis Berry which includes his wife, Elaine Churchill Berry, son, Stanley Jack, daughter, Pamela Berry Chastain and granddaughter, Lana Marie Chastain; and those other family members including, sister, Bernice Berry Hottinger, brother, Billy K. Berry; and a host of friends, all who will cherish the memory of a man whose life was relatively short in time, but long on accomplishments in terms of what he did for his family, his church, the City of Dover and the surrounding area, the youth, and all those persons who were privileged to know him.



JACK ELLIS BERRY ON THE DOVER BASEBALL FIELD NAMED FOR HIM IN 1969

IN RECOGNITION OF MANY YEARS OF SERVICE LEMLEY FURNITURE STORE AND LEMLEY FUNERAL SERVICE



WILL LEMLEY



O.R. LEMLEY



JACK R. LEMLEY



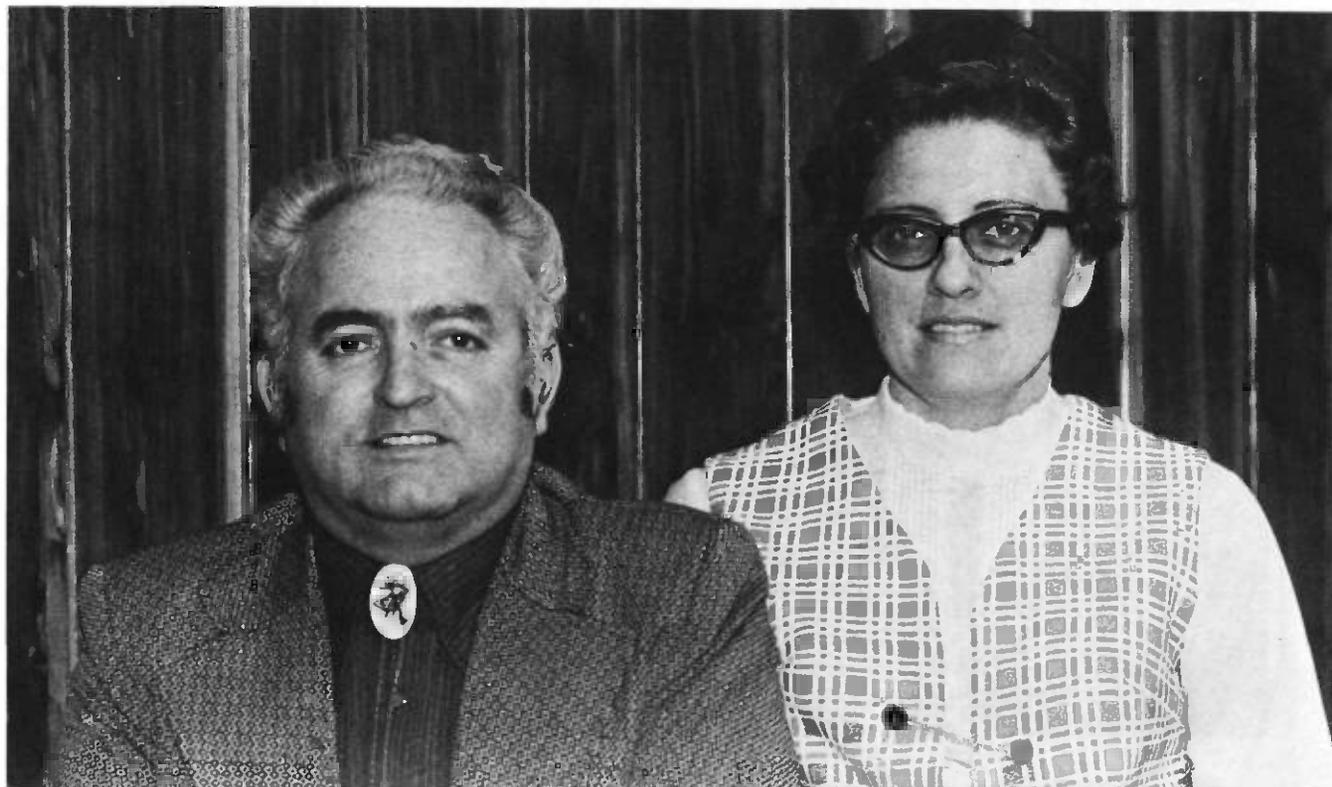
In 1903, W.M. Lemley and S.E. Wilson purchased the stock of merchandise of E.A. Darr and the Lemley firm had its beginning. This partnership lasted until 1907 when it was dissolved by Mr. Wilson selling to Mr. Lemley. That same year, J.E. Darr, who was in the mercantile business, formed a partnership with Mr. Lemley under the firm name of Darr and Lemley. In 1909, Darr and Lemley purchased the stock of hardware and furniture from J.R. Reynolds and became owners of one of the largest business houses in this section of the state. This partnership continued until 1915, when it was dissolved by dividing the business. Mr. Darr took the dry goods and groceries, Mr. Lemley took the hardware and furniture. The firm was composed of W.M. Lemley and sons, O.R. and W.F. In 1922, Mr. Lemley retired actively from the business and O.R., W.F. and E.O. Lemley became owners under the name of Lemley Brothers.

Mr. Lemley died Dec. 26, 1929.

O.R. Lemley purchased the interest of W.F. Lemley in 1924 and the business was run by O.R. and E.O. Lemley. In 1938, Lemley Brothers bought the undertaking business from Godbey and Sons. In June 1936, Lemley Brothers formed Lemley Burial Association with O.R. Lemley as President.

Lemley Brothers Furniture dissolved partnership on Jan. 1, 1940. O.R. continued business on Dover Street and had furniture and undertaking. He was assisted by son Jack Randolph and his brother Jack M. Lemley and E.O. Lemley had the hardware department. Mr. E.O. died in July 1950 and his wife and son, Andy bought a variety store which was later consolidated with the hardware store. After the death of O.R. Lemley in 1964, Jack R. has continued operating the business in the same location.

THE ARKANSAS KNIFESMITH



JIMMY & MARILYN LILE

James B. Lile born 8/22/33 the only son of Buel & Leona Clark Lile, attended Russellville Schools and Arkansas Tech & State Teachers College majoring in the Industrial Arts, taught & coached at Hector & Pottsville High Schools. Married Marilyn Mathis, 2/10/55, daughter of Connie & Beulah Goodall Mathis. The Mathis family have long been a part of Pope Co., Marilyn's grandfather, William Elisha, was brought to Pope Co. by his aunt, Mrs. Hopkins in the early 1850s, his mother died at his birth. They left Rome, Georgia to escape the Civil War and made the trip in a covered wagon. Mrs. Hopkins, a widow, her husband was killed in the Civil War brought her 2 children, a stepson and the infant William Elish to the Atkins, Arkansas area. William's father was serving in the military and did not see his son for 21 years. Marilyn's eldest brother, C.L., was a prisoner of the Japanese for 45 months and survived the infamous "Bataan Death March", he died of a heart attack in 1975 while on a plane coming home to visit his mother.

After teaching 4 years, Jimmy & Marilyn formed their own construction company & subcontracted on the McClellan-Kerr Waterway System at the Dardanelle Lock and Dam. In 1965 they woke up to the realization they were deep in debt & flat broke, being proud

and honest people, a trait instilled from early childhood, they would not declare bankruptcy instead they watched every material thing they had accumulated over the years be auctioned off, the creditors who were not paid from the revenue of the auction were paid over the next 10 years & with interest. This seemingly disastrous event allowed Jimmy to fulfill his life long dream that of being a full time knifemaker. From early childhood and through college he made his own knives and even sold some of them to help finance his education. With the crudest of equipment and a lot of determination, Jimmy and Marilyn began their handmade knife business. The first few years it was necessary for Jimmy to work as a construction superintendent during the day and then do all the grinding, polishing and fitting on the knives that Marilyn had roughed out during the day. After two years they returned to Russellville and Jimmy continued his job as superintendent, building the Conway Co. Hospital at Morrilton. A newspaper article stating Jimmy's plans to go into full time knifemaking ended his career with that company. Financially things were now to the point where he could take the chance of relying totally on the income from the sale of his knives.

VANCE ABSTRACT COMPANY

ESTABLISHED OCTOBER 9, 1906



Will D. Vance shown in office on Boulder Ave. in 1922
Will D. Vance (1906-1957), Alfred C. Vance (1957-present)

IN MEMORY OF: DR. JAMES BLALACK



1912

BORN
JAN. 19, 1856
BOONE COUNTY, ARK.
DIED
DEC. 14, 1950
POPE COUNTY, ARK.
AGE 95 YRS.



91st. Birthday Jan. 19, 1946

Dr. Blalack had practiced medicine in Newton County, Ark. for 66 years but had retired several years before his death and was living in Russellville with a daughter. The embalmer said that Dr. Blalack's body was in better condition than any 95 year old he had performed service for. When practicing, Dr. Blalack would answer a call as far away as 15 miles. He never did drive a car but would get on his well trained saddle horse, soon fall to sleep, but his first stop would be home. Although sometime taking a short cut through cattle and pig trails, the horse knew where to take the Doctor.

By a Daughter — Mrs. Ray Lee Sr.



DOVER BUSY BEAVERS 4-H CLUB & CLUBHOUSE, LEADER, MRS. RALPH REED JR. AT RIGHT

The Busy Beavers 4-H Club of Dover was founded 15 years ago and has operated on a continuous basis. In 1978 the Club has 50 members and is active in county, dist., state and national 4-H events. Mrs. Ralph Reid Jr. has been the main leader since 1970.

The Club was recognized for community projects such as a Paper Recycling Project in the Old Dover Fire Station and the work on Potts Inn at Pottsville. Since 1974 the group has helped with the restoration and upkeep of Potts Inn and the kitchen is their special project.

The Club has been active in Dover events and has collected funds for every major charity. It has helped with clean-up days in Dover and the surrounding area every year since 1970.

Busy Beaver 4-H members in addition to

civic work excel in 4-H project work. Members Sonja Jorgensen, Wade Jorgensen and Beverly Reid have been named state project winners in swine and attended the National 4-H Congress in Chicago. Wade Jorgensen and Kim Miller have been State 4-H Activity winners.

Since 1970 11 members have attended the National 4-H Citizenship Shortcourse in Wash., D.C. Beverly Reid was elected 1977 Ark. 4-H vice-president and was selected to be in the Arkansas 4-H Hall of Fame.

The Club has its own building on land donated by Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Ragsdale. It was built by the members and their parents and dedicated to Charley Mosley, a former club president, who was killed in an auto accident.



At Left: Governor's Volunteer Activist Award Presented 1977. Left to Rt.: Marla Ragsdale, Stacy Freeman, Kim Miller, Beverly Reid, and Governor David Pryor.

THE JORGENSEN FAMILY

Certainly Pope County has benefited from the migration of pioneer families who came here one hundred to one hundred fifty years ago, but, we are prone to overlook the more recent people who have added materially to the wellbeing of the area.

One notable addition to Pope County and the Dover area in particular is the Wayne Jorgensen family that purchased the John Pless farm on the Illinois Bayou two miles west of Dover and moved here from Kossuth Co., Iowa early in 1970. Wayne and Carmen Jorgensen came to Pope Co. with Sonja, a 12 year old daughter, and Wade, a son, 11 years of age. They also brought a wealth of experience gained in growing livestock in the harsh winter climate of northern Iowa.

While each member of the Jorgensen family has been fully involved in making the Arkansas farm a profitable operation, the children both joined the Busy Beavers 4-H Club and became involved in school and community work. Mrs. Jorgensen worked with the 4-H Club, Girl Scouts and various commu-

nity and county projects including the Community Chest. She has served as a member of the Pope County Fair Board and on the Ouachita Girl Scout Council. Wayne served a five year term on the Dover School Board, serving as Board President a part of the term. He is an active member of the Pope County Farm Bureau, having served as a member of the Farm Bureau Board, and the Swine Advisory Board of the Farm Bureau. In addition, Wayne is a member of Arkansas Cattlemen's Association, Arkansas Pork Producers and is a county committeeman for the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service. Both Sonja and Wade have won numerous honors through their work in 4-H and through the exhibiting of livestock in county and state fairs. Both received trips to Chicago in recognition of swine awards; Wade in 1975 and Sonja in 1976. Also, in 1976 Sonja was Arkansas Pork Queen and represented Arkansas in the National Pork Congress placing second runner-up.

In 1975 the Wayne Jorgensen family received the award of Pope County Farm Family of the Year and also, the District Farm Family for 1975.

In 1978 Wayne Jorgensen won the National Pork Cook-Out contest in Seattle, Washington.

The people of Dover and Pope County are certainly appreciative of this outstanding and industrious family and are happy that they chose Pope County as a home. Mrs. Carmen Jorgensen's statement that, "We love Arkansas and its people," is characteristic of this family's wholesome attitude toward life.



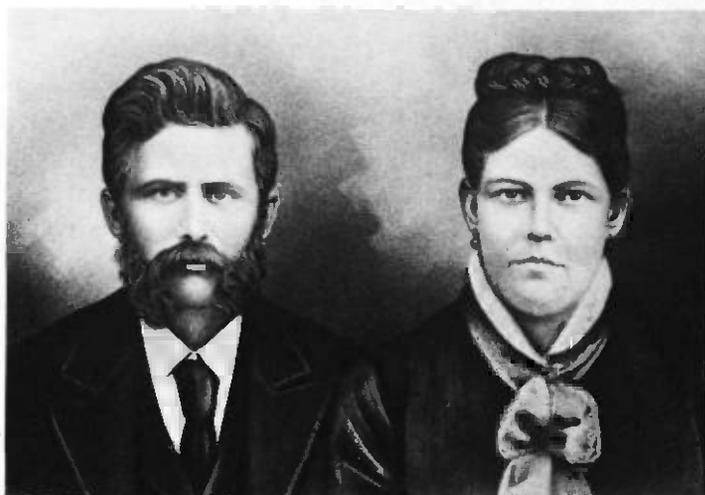
THE JORGENSEN FAMILY: SONJA, WADE, CARMEN AND WAYNE

IN MEMORY OF R.W. AND ELIZABETH WILSON WHITESIDES
AND CHILDREN

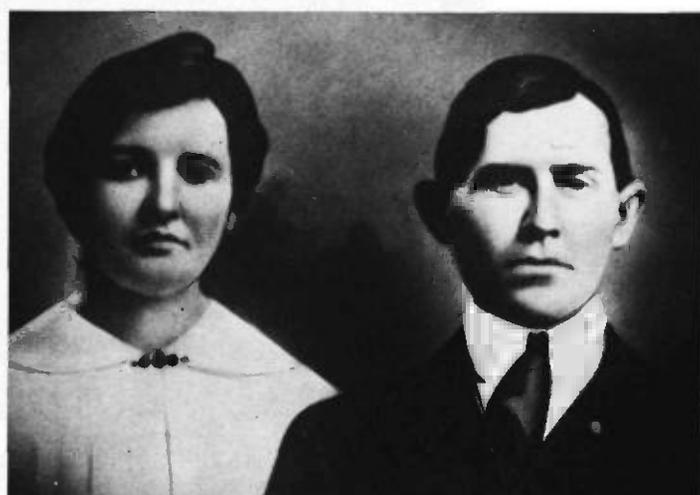


Sallie — Minnie — Ed — Cora — Delphia — Sam
Sitting — Elizabeth Wilson Whitesides

MEMORIAL TO GRANDPARENTS & PARENTS *
FROM MRS. KATIE B. WHORTON



Mr. & Mrs. William Baumann came to Pope County about 1895 from New Haven, Franklin County, Missouri, with their children: Edward, Ida, Julius & Clara, Louie, Gustof & William, Jr., & Carlana were born after they arrived in the Augsburg German Lutheran Community & lived their entire life.



Mr. & Mrs. Julius Baumann married 22 Dec. 1911 in the residence of her parents, John & Susannah Hickey, in Pope County, Ark. They were the parents of Katie B. (Baumann) Whorton & Sue (Baumann) Pye, also residents of Russellville & London, Ark.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO OUR SON'S AND THEIR FAMILIES

WILLIAM EDWIN LEMLEY AND FAMILY



Sheila — Greg — Edwin — Sheri — Shirley

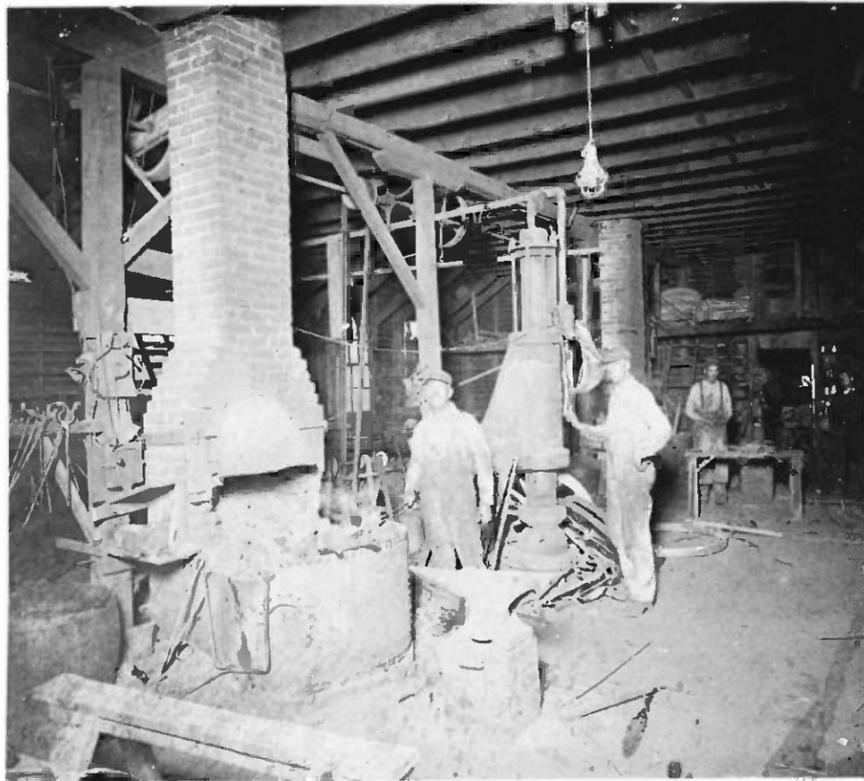
CHARLES RAY LEMLEY AND FAMILY



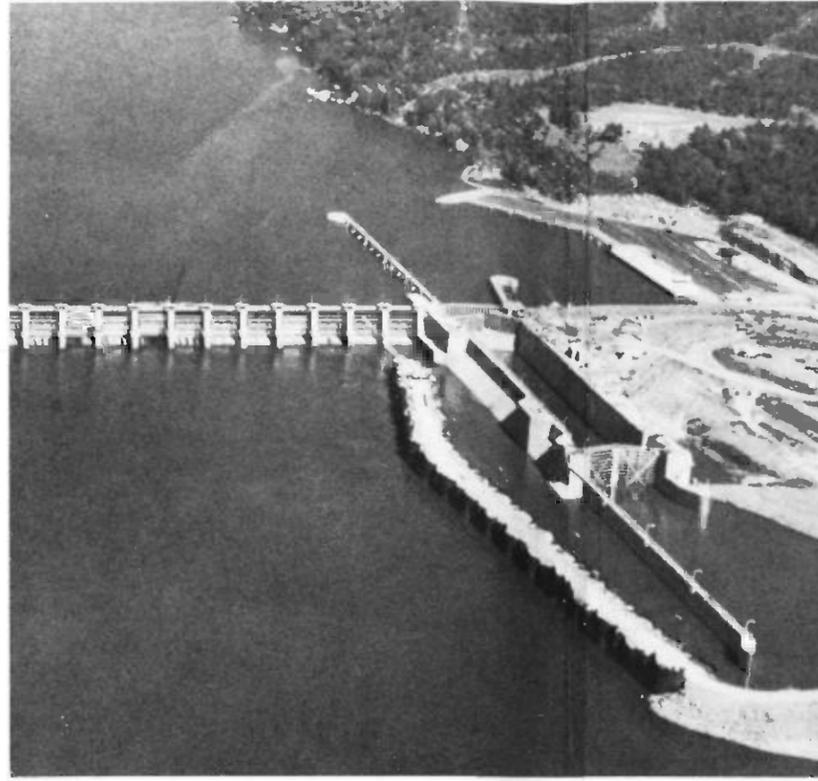
Nathan — Charles — Leah — Deanna — Pam

By Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Lemley

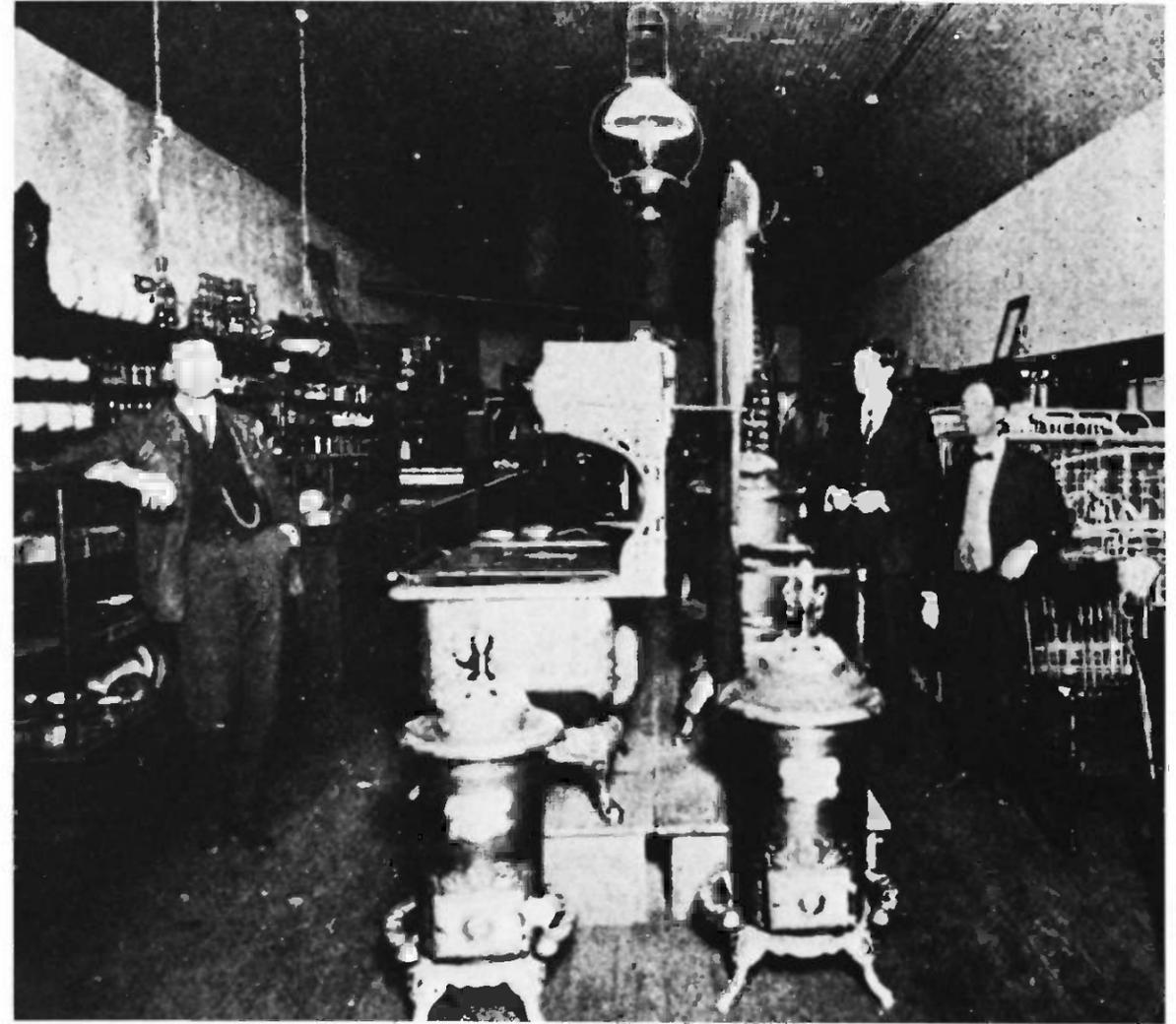




This is the interior of the Blacksmith shop at the Russellville Iron Works in the early 1920's.



Dardanelle Lock and Dam on the Arkansas River.



Interior View of the H.V. Williamson House Furnishing Co. This picture was taken in 1909.



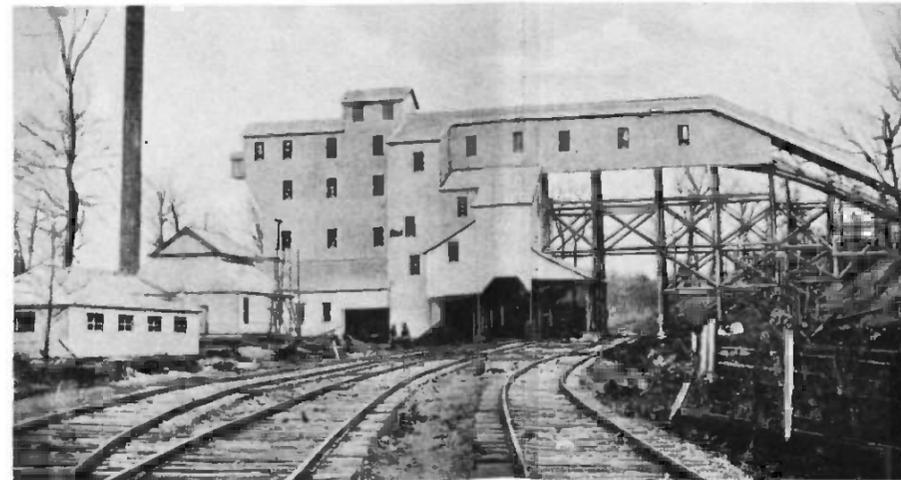
Olaf S. Nelson 1914, with Prize winning horse, Fred, 2nd premium in 1913 and 1st in 1914, Pope County Fair. Palace Hotel and White House in the background.



This is the big snow of 1918 in Dover. The four larger buildings are from left to right: the Bee Hive, a blacksmith shop, Telegraph Office, and a Poltry. The Town Well is shown across the street from the buildings. These buildings faced West on the East side of the Town Square.



M.R. Craig meat market on Jefferson St. before the fire of 1906.



Russellville Anthracite Coal Co's Mine, Russellville, Arkansas.



Roann's Mercantile Store in the 1890's.