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MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Membership is based on the calendar year, and we hope to get this one of 1989 off to a good start. Your dues need to be paid before you will get this issue of the ADVERTISER; if not paid soon enough there will be none waiting for you, until you do pay!

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Members of the Association are encouraged to submit articles of interest concerning the Brazos Valley. Items pertaining to deeds, Bible records, schools, churches, cemeteries, and other groups or organizations are desired. Research on material before the turn of the century is especially welcome.

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BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION
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SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS A WIDOW
(Submitted by Georgia LOCKE)

About a year after the close of the Revolutionary War, Rose BERRIMAN LOVING was born 9 September, 1784 in Amherst County, Virginia. She was the daughter of George LOVING and Mildred STEVENS. Rose died 29 January, 1887 in Talladega County, Alabama at the age of 102. Her two grandfathers had taken part in the American Revolution. Captain John LOVING was in the battle of Yorktown; while James STEVENS furnished beef for the army. Rose, on her mother's side, was a descendant of several Magna Carta Barons.

On 25 November, 1802, at age eighteen, Rose was married to Abraham Bond SEAY in Amherst County, Virginia. His father, Abraham SEAY, III, had also been a soldier in the Revolution, and had furnished supplies as well. Rose's husband was the fourth in a direct line of descent from the original Huguenot immigrant, Abraham SEAY (De Saye). Abraham Bond SEAY was born in Fluvanna County, Virginia in 1780.

Rose and Abraham had five children. They were Elizabeth Ann, called Eliza Ann; Armista, called Amy; Mildred, John Loving and Jacob Brown.

Just nine days after war was declared against England in 1812, Abraham enlisted in the United States Army at Lovingston, Virginia on 27 June, for a term of five years. He was stationed first on the Canadian line with headquarters at Buffalo, New York. He participated in the Battle of Lewiston, and was probably also in the Battle of Lundy's Lane. Abraham wrote an interesting letter to Rose's father, George LOVING, while stationed at Buffalo.

Dear Sir,

I embrace this favorable opportunity of writing to you. I will inform you that I am well, except a desperate cold, and hope these few lines will find you and all your good family well.

We have been stationed here since the battle of Lewistown, which was over the 16th of Oct. which I wrote a detail of in my last letter. For fear you did not get it, I will inform you the results of it. Our men crossed the Nilgary in the morning about 3 o'clock. There was some considerable number of our army killed, though they repulsed the British in the first assault and took their battery. They killed more British than the British killed of them, but the British took about 500 Volunteers and regulars. The Volunteers they have released on a parole of honor, the balance are yet prisoners. There was within ten days arrived on the line about 8,000 soldiers, as replacements and we are making our preparation to cross again. It is certain there may be a hasty pass in a few days. It may be my unhappy lot to fall victim in the attempt. But I trust in God, and hold out this confidence of a brave soldier.

I want you or some other of my friends to write to me as soon as possible as I am anxious to hear from you all. You may direct a letter to Buffalo Island, N. Y. Write Sgt. A. B. SEAY in the 20th Regiment, U. S. Infantry.

And, if I cross into Canada I can get it also and if I get killed I shant want it. But if I live you will sure hear from me.

I am still Orderly Sgt. for Capt. STANARD in the 20th Regiment, and am recommended by our quartermaster whose name is CAMP. He is a cousin to William CAMP of Nelson County, Virginia. He wishes me to have the place of the Sgt. Major, which is soon to be vacant.

I will write you something relative to this country, the soil is black and rich, though you can't dig a hole 3 ft. deep, but you come to a solid limestone rock.

It is sickly here, the soldiers die very fast, from 1 to 3 die every day. Though none of the Warren Recruits have died yet. James JOHNSON is well and respected as a soldier, James THOMPSON, John DAVIS and James BRYANT are well. THOMPSON is in my company. Nothing more of interest to write at present. John PLYRAVES, and James EDWARDS are here in the 5th Regiment. Give my compliments to my wife and little children, and all others of my friends.

A. B. SEAY

Norfolk, Virginia was Abraham's next assignment. He was able to come home for a short furlough, then was transferred to New Orleans, where he later participated in the Battle of New Orleans. At the end of his five-year term, Abraham received an honorable discharge at New Orleans.

A land warrant was issued to Abraham upon his discharge. He started home, but never reached Virginia. After arriving at Augusta, Georgia, he incurred a debt, and decided to return to Louisiana to teach school and earn the money to repay the debt. His land grant was sent home. It was for land in Phillips County, Arkansas.

Abraham wrote home regularly for a while, then the letters ceased. Rose and the family supposed that he had died until 1838. At that time their daughter, Eliza Ann, and her husband, Robert W. MARTIN, were moving to Texas with their family. In passing through Louisiana, they found Abraham in Catahoula Parish, where they visited with him for a period of time before continuing on to Texas. They kept up a steady correspondence with him until his death in 1845. Through the MARTINS, Rose was able to get word of her husband. But that is getting ahead of the story.

Rose and the children left the state of Virginia in 1829, and traveled to Franklin County, Tennessee. Groups of families traveled together in those days for safety reasons. Daughter, Eliza Ann, and her husband, Robert MARTIN, accompanied the family in their trek south. The couple had married in Virginia around 1825, and at the time of the journey they had a three year old daughter. A son was born in Tennessee.

Rose's son, John Loving SEAY, was converted at a Cumberland Presbyterian Camp Meeting while the group was in Tennessee.

In 1834 the families traveled to Talladega County, Alabama. Rose's son, John Loving SEAY, later purchased a home in Munford, several miles from the town of Talladega. John stated in his mother's pension application papers that he had taken care of his mother since he was sixteen. On 12 December, 1838, he married. Rose lived out her long life there in Alabama in her son's home. He became a Methodist minister, and served many years in Talladega County. There was a Seay Chapel there near where they lived.

Rose was granted a pension of $8.00 a month on the service of Abraham SEAY after many tedious efforts had been made confirming her as the widow. She was then eighty-five years old.

As Rose celebrated her 100th birthday, a friend, Judge W. E. HORNE visited her and dedicated a lovely poem on this occasion.

To Mrs. Rose Berriman Loving SEAY, in Her 100th Year

"The lights and shadows of a century fall,
Around the bent and honored form,
About thy brow seems centered all
The forces which outline the storm.

From life's apex an hundred years,
Far below lie valleys green
As memory through its mist, its tears,
Recalls again a happy scene.

Close by thy side through all these years
A son has walked, a help and stay,
Who honored thee, and all the tears,
With loyal hand, he brushed away.

Full rounded days! with every pain
With every joy which life can bring,
Thy wintered age shall know again,
Through faith in Him eternal spring."

In January of 1887, one cold, rainy night, the SEAY home was destroyed by fire. Rose had to be moved during this inclement weather; consequently, she took pneumonia and died at the age of 102. She is buried in the Seay Cemetery which is on the grounds near where the old Seay Chapel stood.

Georgia LOCKE

Thank you for submitting this story, Georgia.
Naomi McCORMICK

QUERIES

#3 PARKER

Seeking a correspondent descended from Milton PARKER and his wife Mary JOHNSTON PARKER. For reference, see the ADVERTISER, Vol IX, No. 2, Spring, 1988: "Biography of Mollie Parker", page 44.

Mrs. Lewis Perkins, Rt #2, Box 193, Franklin, TX 77856.

QUERIES (continued)

#4 STUBBLEFIELD
Seeking information on King STUBBLEFIELD of Mississippi, son of Joseph STUBBLEFIELD of Pickens County, South Carolina

#5 YOUNG
Seeking information on Ezekiel YOUNG, who married Minerva A. CAMPBELL of Rankin County, Mississippi, about 1843. They lived in Concordia Parish, Louisiana before 1850.

#6 ESTEP, ESTEPP, EASTEP
Seeking information on this family, who lived in Mississippi and/or Louisiana 1800 - 1840. Looking for Joseph, Daniel, Narcissia.

Above three queries submitted by Nadine Billingsley, 706 Pershing, College Station, TX 77840.

#7 MARTIN, SEAY
Seeking information on birthplace and parents of Robert W. MARTIN, born Virginia ca 1808, died ca 1879 in Brazos County, TX. Married ca 1825 Eliza Ann SEAY, probably in or near Nelson County, Virginia. No records found in Virginia Courthouse search. Went to Tennessee in 1829, to Talladega County, AL 1834, to Sabine Co., TX 1839, then to San Augustine County, TX, where he was District Clerk 1845 - 1854. Brazos County 1855, lived at Boonville.

Georgia Locke, 511 Southern Lane, Bryan, TX 77802.

#8 COTTON, NEWMAN, STRAUB, THURMAN
Seeking information on parents of Cora E. COTTON, born Kentucky 1873, died March, 1902 in Brazos County. Married 1. Lem NEWMAN 1889, 2. Louis STRAUB ca 1893, 3. Wylie L. THURMAN 1894, in Bryan.

Ann Thurman, 4702 Toreador Dr, Austin, TX 78746. (512) 327-6362.

AMERICAN ROOTS

By M.Herskovitz

In a remote Appalachian Mountains village where all who were born or came there still live, there are just 17 villagers in five houses. Additional to the founding couple, two men and two women from outside arrived. In the first house lives a childless couple. In two of the houses live couples with one child each. In the fourth house are a two-children couple and in the fifth and last house, a couple with three children.

Two families are named White; two families are named Black; one family is named Grey. The total number of children in the two families named White is larger by three than the total number of children in the two families named Black.

Besides these children who, being unmarried, live with parents, there are also married children among the 17 members of the community. One couple has a total of four offspring; two couples have three offspring each; one couple has one offspring and the last couple is childless. Furthermore, one couple has six grandchildren.

(1) What is the surname of the founding family? (2) How many married daughters do they have? (3) How many married granddaughters do they have? (4) How many great-grandchildren do they have and what is (or are) their surnames?

Your ed. will <u>try</u> to solve this puzzle in time for the August issue!

#9 GEORGE

Seeking information on persons wishing to attend family reunion of descendants of James ("Jim") Wesley GEORGE and Jane LIVINGSTON GEORGE, who moved from Alabama to Edge, Brazos County in 1850. Reunion to he held in August, 1989 in Oklahoma City.

Lynece George Pfledderer, 1513 Augusta, Benbrook, TX 76126.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our Editor, HARRY PORTZER, has requested your help in securing articles of interest to our members for publication in our ADVERTIZER. We need to support his outstanding efforts in bringing a very informative, readable document to this organization. He is asking for ancestor charts, queries, personal events, and items of general interest from all sources. Submit these items today and be watchful for others as you continue your search for your ancestors.

One of the joys (perhaps the only one) of having the key to the post office box is being able to read all of the exchange publications from other organizations interested in genealogy. I would recommend to our members that you sample these on a regular basis. They expand your opportunities of a connection with a line that may have ended temporarily. It also gives you the opportunity of comparing the quality of all of our efforts in making available the results of our investigations. It also provides an additional source for those descendants who will be trying to find out information on us. Isn't it fun to be involved in genealogy. You meet the most interesting people, providing they will listen to your newest interest.

We need your help in reaching this years' goals in publishing the cemetery listings, the ADVERTISER, having our cemeteries "metes and bounds", and securing more information on our individual families.

Donald F. Simons

EDITORIAL

"If I've told you once, I've told you a thousand times!" This slight exxageration is heard daily in some households, and here I am saying it again. I refer of course to my continual harping on the necessity of paying your 1989 dues which are $12 for single and $18 for a dual membership. Also your Spring ADVERTISER was not waiting for you on the table on May 15 if you had not yet paid. "A fine time to tell us, now that we got none!", you say. True. Pay and you will get one! Our address is on the inside of the front cover, or mail to H.J. Portzer, 2501 Sumter, College Station, TX 77840 for quickest results. Tell your friends, who may not have gotten their ADVERTISER's; ask them to guess the reason!

GOOD NEWS DEPARTMENT!

As of this writing (21 Apr) Carl LANDISS is recovering nicely from triple-bypass surgery at Houston's Methodist Hospital. He is now at home.

H. Portzer, Ed. *pro tempore*

SOME ASPECTS OF THE NEW I.G.I.

Dr. Martin A. A. Diestler
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The I.G.I. or International Genealogical Index published by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints has recently appeared in a new edition (July 1988). Since it is probably the largest single index readily available to genealogists throughout the free world, and since the new edition has some significant improvements over the last (1984) edition, it could prove to be of great benefit to many of our readers.

For those not already familiar with the I.G.I., it is essentially a computer generated collection of dead people. It organizes by geographic area, by name and by date some 121 million genealogical events - mostly christenings and marriages from all over the world, covering a period from about 1500 to the present, with the dates depending largely upon the availability of records. The input is largely by members of the LDS church at a present rate of about 10 million entries per year. It is available at all LDS branch Family History Centers and is being purchased, in whole or in part, by a number of other libraries and genealogical societies.[1]

For our readers the two most interesting changes in the new edition of the I.G.I. are the 50% increase in size, and the fact that the German section is no longer

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1. The I.G.I. is one of several computer files now being merged into a much larger file - The Ancestral File - which will allow indexed access to considerably more than the 121 million entries in the I.G.I. The Ancestral file will accept direct electronic input from floppy discs generated through the PAF (Personal Ancestral File) computer program version 2.1. The subtle but remarkably important change in PAF 2.1 is that the output of the program can now be directed either to a temple file, for LDS church members, or directly to the Ancestral File, which is strictly a research file with none of the religious overtones that have concerned some non-LDS genealogists in the past.

divided into separate states according to the 1871 boundaries. All entries for the whole of Germany are grouped together, though the location is still identified by the jurisdictional boundaries in effect when the record was created. If you are researching a relatively uncommon name like Diestler, you have the advantage of having all the Diestlers gathered together. That might not be considered an advantage by those named Schmidt!

There is one major drawback in the alphabetization system used in the I.G.I. Being aware of it will allow you to circumvent it, otherwise it can lead you astray and diminish the value of the file. In order to allow broader access to names, regardless of spelling, Salt Lake has grouped names with similar roots. The advantage is that whether the name is spelled Schmidt or Schmitt, entries will appear together. The disadvantage is that some of the groupings separate variant spellings rather than merging them. For example, looking up "Diestler" alphabetically in the 1988 I.G.I. gives the following message, "DIESTLER * * SEE DISTLER." Looking then to DISTLER gives all of the DIESTLER entries in Germany, along with all of the DISTLER, DISTELER, and DIESTELER entries. Since little attention was given to spelling of names prior to the 20th century, it is no great surprise to find variant spellings, and grouping them is a splendid idea. HOWEVER, it not only does good things for us, it gives us a false sense of security. Witness the following: I happen to know that the DIESTLER family has in the past spelled its name DIESSLER, and there are no DIESSLER entries in the I.G.I. under "DISTLER." Looking up "DIESSLER" we find the message, "DIESSLER * * SEE DIESEL." When we then look up DIESEL, we do indeed find DIESSLER entries along with DIESEL, DISLER, DISSLER, DISSLIN, DISSEL, DIZEL, TIESELER, TIESSLER, TIESLER, AND TYSSLER.[2] Of even greater interest is the fact that many of the variants are found in the same village and even in the same nuclear family, e.g. Bertha Luise DIESSLER, daughter of Carl August DIESSLER and Eleanore Mathilde von

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2. NOTE THAT "T" AND "D" are often interchanged as the first letter of a German surname.

PUTTKAMMER is surely the sister of seven other DIESTLER children born to Carl August DIESTLER and Eleanore Mathilde von PUTTKAMMER in the same city, regardless of the variation in spelling. But note that in the I.G.I. Bertha appears under DIESEL, while her brothers and sisters appear under DISTLER. Unfortunately the problem does not end there; the variants DIESTELERS, DISTLERS, DIESSELLER, and DIESSELER all appear separately, i.e. not grouped with the others under DISTLER or DIESEL. Now this is not intended to be a criticism of the diligent information handlers in Salt Lake City. They do an outstanding job and follow certain guidelines to produce a consistent product, What we as users of the I.G.I. need to recognize, however, is that they have not done everything the way we might do it ourselves, and when using the I.G.I. we must check all known variants if we are to get full coverage.

Another aspect of the I.G.I. that prompts caution is that the majority of the entries are extracted from original parish registers in which the handwriting is often less than clear. In addition, the original writer of the parish register was not the holder of the name and frequently spelled it according to his own inclinations. Add to that the fact that the computer program into which the information is fed does not have space for endless names, and the result is a record that must be read with some circumspection. As an example of what can be lost in translation, witness the entries of the children of my great-grandparents. The following variants are listed as the parents:

Carl Albert August DIESTLER & Bertha von PUTTKAMER
Carl Albert DIESTLER & Wilhelmine Eleanore von PUTTKAMER
Carl August DIESTLER & Eleanore Mathilde von PUTTKAMM
Carl August DIESTLER & Eleanore Mathilde PUTTKAMMUR
Carl August DIESTLER & Mathilde PURTKAMMER
Carl August DIESSLER & Eleanore Mathilde PUTTKAMM

In actuality Carl Albert August DIESTLER was married to Charlotte Wilhelmine Eleanore Mathilde Bertha von PUTTKAMMER, and knowing that, there is little doubt that each of the above entries refers to the same parents. In light of what we know about the opportunities for error in the primary source,

compounded by the opportunities in the secondary source, we must approach the I.G.I. with the same caution given to all secondary sources. There is considerable comfort, however, in the fact that every one of the 121,000,000 entries in the I.G.I. identifies its source. We can, and should, examine the source for ourselves, and rely on the I.G.I. for what it is, an index- probably the most universally useful of genealogical indexes.

The most common use of the I.G.I. , to search for specific individuals or families will not be described here. Let us turn instead to one of the most useful but most underused options available in the I.G.I. Frequently we have no idea where a German ancestor came from, or we may trace the family to one location in Germany only to find that they disappear when we go back two more generations. The I.G.I. may provide solutions to these problems (unless your name is Schmidt!). At the risk of offending some by continuing to use a personal example, let us examine what the 1988 I.G.I. suggests about the origins and distribution of the DIESTLER family. There are only about forty entries under the names DIESTLER and DIESSLER in the I.G.I., which is statistically a very small sample, but the entries suggest some very enlightening possibilities. There are some twenty-six locations given for the family, which at first blush suggests that they were scattered all over Germany, especially when we note that they are as far apart as Koenigsberg in Prussia, Herrstein in Oldenburg, and Frankenthal in Pfalz. A closer look, however, shows that the locations can be divided into three groups. Of the forty entries twenty-one are from villages and towns within about twenty miles from Kusel in Pfalz. Fourteen or so of the remaining nineteen entries are in eastern Prussia. The remaining five are in isolated locations in other parts of Germany. The other interesting observation is that the earliest entry from the northeast is 1775, whilst the southwestern entries go back to 1649. With a sample this small, it is dangerous to rely heavily on the implications, but certainly as a working hypothesis for tracking origins and movements it has value. It does not require much imagination to hypothesize that the DIESTLERS were originally in the southwest, and that they were among

the tens of thousands who migrated from the sourthwest to the northeast in the government-funded relocatons of the mid-1700's.[3]

This example worked out very fortuitously, because from other sources I have determined that the DIESTLERS arrived in Berlin about 1747 from the area of Zweibruecken. The point is that using just the I.G.I. I could have reasonably hypothesized that they did just that. If you have a relatively uncommon surname, the I.G.I. could provide the basis for a hypothesis that will allow you to track ancestors lost in Germany. Like all other secondary sources, use the I.G.I. with caution, but do use it. It is an invaluable tool.

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3. Editor's note: The author has promised an article about this migration for a future issue of the Immigrant along with extensive lists of names and data on those who migrated, many of whom later emigrated to the U.S

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The narrative which follows was submitted by Janis HUNT. Though it is not directly concerned with the Brazos Valley, it is related to Janis' husband Jim, and is so much the kind of thing that did happen in this area that we thought our readers should have an opportunity to enjoy it. It is quite long, so we are running it in installments.

The relationships involved are as follows: "Old Jacob" PHIFER was born in Germany March 10, 1762. His wife Rachel, whom he married in America, was born November 29, 1777. They had a large family, but in the tabulation below we only list those descendants who make up the two lines we are following. Silas was their eighth child (fifth son).

Silas PHIFER (1812-1886) married Harriet BARBER (1813-1898)

Sarah Lucinda PHIFER (1836-1907) (sisters) _____ PHIFER (-)
m. James Wm. GILLESPIE (1809-1882) m. James Morgan TRUITT (-)

Lelia T. GILLESPIE (1865-1937) (cousins) Hallie TRUITT (-)
m. W. B. RICHARDSON (1851-1923) m. _____ YENNI (-1934)

Emma T. RICHARDSON (1886-1962)
m. DeWitt B. TURNER (1885-1953)

Ruth Stone TURNER (1909-
m. Henry A. HUNT (1904-1987)

James Stone HUNT (1931-
m. Janis Pearl JONES

Now you are ready to read the story!



FAMILY STUFF

Recorded by Hallie Truitt Yenni for
her children - December 1941

Once a good many years ago I remember hearing an old negro say, in speaking of a worthless young colored boy who was the son of an equally worthless parents, "I reckon de Lawd ain't do so bad by him when you takes 'count o' de 'grejents he had put into him."

So I am writing this to tell you something about the ingredients that have gone into you. I'm not delving back into remote and unknown ancestors, just to prove you really had them, but I'm trying to tell real human stories of those I actually know about. Now and then you may find yourselves responding to some trait in your great great grandfather, and feel a real kinship with the old fellow. At any rate, here goes, and heaven help me to make it interesting - or I should say, heaven help me to keep from dulling the interest I know is there.

To begin with, I'll copy the family record as taken from the old Phifer family Bible. This will give you something to go on in case any of you might be bitten by the genealogy bug.

Jacob Phifer	born March 10, 1762
Rachel Phifer	November 29, 1777
Michael Phifer	March 1, 1796 (his mother 19 years old)
Elizabeth Phifer	May 20, 1799
Mary Phifer	October 9, 1800
Anna Phifer	January 27, 1803
Cornelius Phifer	November 28, 1804
John Phifer	April 7, 1807
Freeman Phifer	January 23, 1810
Silas Phifer	August 10, 1812 (my grandfather)
James Phifer	July 3, 1815
Lucinda Phifer	March 11, 1820

This was my grandfather's family as far back as I know anything about it. The father, Jacob Phifer, was born in Germany. My memories of what I heard about his home are vague and scrambled. I distinctly recall having heard that he lived within sight of the great clock at Strasburg, but I also seem to recall talk of the Black Forest.

He was unlike the quiet, peaceful Black Foresters - or, in the light of more recent times, were they so quiet and peaceful after all? At any rate he ran away from home at fifteen and joined the

army of the boy Lafayette, himself little older than Jacob, and so arrived in America.

What his occupation after the Revolution was over I do not know. I only know that at the time my grandmother first met her husband's family they were living on what seemed to be a rather large and prosperous farm in New York state.

I have heard Grandma describe this family that seemed so strange to her. She told of a great attic where the family hung all of the soiled clothes across lines and racks until the semi-yearly wash day rolled around. They had vast chests of hand woven linens and woolens, constantly being added to by the women of the family, and twice a year, in the spring and autumn, they gathered together all the clothing and bedding they had used during the time and spent a couple of weeks just washing and ironing.

They did somewhat the same thing in regard to their baking. There was a huge brick oven in the yard, and they baked about once a month - big hard crusty loaves and kuchen and pastries. I don't think my grandmother approved of them a whole lot and they probably thought her a trifling huzzy.

One of her most vivid memories of the family, on a later visit, was the sight of old Jacob - who was then a very old man in his nineties - raging up and down the road in front of the house roaring curses because he was too old to get into the Crimean War. Not that he had any special sympathy one way or another - he just wanted to get into it and be adoin'.

I remember only one story of Grandpa's youth, and the event with which it deals occurred when he was only seven. It gives a good key to his character, however.

He had gone to look for his pony, and before he came in sight of it he could hear its screams of pain and fear. When he reached it he found it being attacked by a "big gray dog" and he set upon the attacker in a fury, beating it with the bridle, banging it over the head with the iron bits, and yelling imprecations at the top of his lungs. One of his older brothers heard the commotion and came running to find him actually lambasting a huge timber wolf, and the wolf giving ground. To the day of his death when he, old and feeble and with not so much as a penknife by way of a weapon, followed a man armed with the pistol that had just killed my father, trying just to get near enough to carry out some terrible vengeance with his trembling, crippled old hands, he had never known the meaning of fear.

Since I know no more of Grandfather's youth than this brief glimpse, I'll take up the story of Grandma, who has always been one of the most interesting members of the family to me.

Her name was Harriet Barber and she was born somewhere in New York state on March 10 (the same birthday as old Jacob, if you'll notice), 1813. She knew nothing of her parents except that she was of English descent, and that they were Quakers. Both of her parents died in her infancy and she was adopted by a wealthy family by the name of Webb. Whatever her background was, she must have been descended from good stock, for I have never known anyone in all my life who was more essentially an aristocrat than my little Grandmother. She had no "company manners", no moments of relaxing into second best. I never saw her anything but neat. To the day of her death at eighty-six, her figure was as straight and her back as flat as it could have been at sixteen.

But to get back to her adoption by the Webbs: her life would have been very different if her foster mother had lived, but when Grandmother was quite small she died, and left the little girl again motherless.

Apparently Mr. Webb had been very devoted to his wife and after her death he went to pieces. He began drinking heavily.

In the meantime, as there were no schools in the neighborhood, Grandmother had been taught to read and write in the Sunday School. This was all the schooling she ever had.

As she grew older, Mr. Webb became more and more demoralized from drink, until the time came when it was no longer safe for her to stay in the house with him. An older sister who lived in a neighboring town heard of the situation and came after her one night on horseback. Harriet tied what few things she could take with her in a bundle, slipped out of the house and ran away, riding behind her sister on the horse.

The sister was a milliner's apprentice and she got Harriet a similar job. For several years she worked in the milliner's shop, learning a business that was to be of great help to her later.

I don't know how or when she made her way into Ohio. At any rate, it was in Cleveland that she met and married my grandfather.

In connection with this marriage there is a story. I stood near Grandma's bedside when she was dying and suddenly, just before the end, she opened her eyes and clearly and distinctly called a man's name, a name I had never heard before. I wondered about it, and later asked my cousin Lelia, in whose home she died. She had called the name of the man to whom she had been engaged before she married my grandfather. Some woman - a relative of Harriet's - had told the man that Harriet was unfaithful to him and had so thoroughly poisoned his mind against her, that he had married the woman's own daughter which of course was what the old hellion was working for. And Harriet, with the wedding dress all ready, had hurriedly married Grandfather before the other wedding took place. Cousin Lelia's

mother, Aunt Sally, had learned the story on a visit to the family in Ohio and Illinois.

Knowing her as I did, I could feel perfectly sure that the name had never passed her lips from the day of her wedding until that far distant day when she lay dying.

She must have been a beautiful little bride. Her features were marvelously regular, with deep blue eyes and dark brown hair that grew unstreaked with grey until the end of her days. She was tiny, not over five feet tall, and always slim. She was married in a white Empire dress with a pink fichu of something soft and sheet, like chiffon. She wore pink silk stockings and little black slippers with ribbons that crossed around her ankles, and a big leghorn poke bonnet trimmed in pink roses.

That was about the last pretty gay thing she ever had, for when she married my grandfather she was marrying the spirit of restlessness and adventure. Soon after they were married Grandfather decided to strike west, and they made their way into Texas by wagon, pushing as far west as possible at the time. When Grandfather felt that he had reached the back of beyond, he cleared ground and built a log cabin. It was summer, so he left the filling in of the chinks between the logs for a more convenient season and went about the business of raising a crop. Grandmother was terrified because the Indians would slip up and peek in through the cracks. She would suddenly look up from her work to see a row of black eyes staring unblinkingly in at her. Since she lived in mortal terror of everything connected with this wilderness, that must have been a bad note to go to bed on, so she spent all of her spare time nailing strips of anything she could get over the chinks, using a flat iron as a hammer.

She kept a fire in the fireplace all the time for fear panthers would come down the chimney and bears and panthers used to chase the pigs right under the house.

They lived bountifully on game of every kind. They grew so tired of it that they would use only the breast of wild turkeys, feeding the rest to the dogs. Venison and quail and squirrel - with now and then bear meat - were common fare.

I have heard them tell of one time when Grandfather found a bee tree. He and several other men came on it while hunting, and they felled it - after smoking the bees into a state of insensibility. They found that it held literally <u>barrels</u> of the finest honey. For want of anything else to carry the honey home in, they tied their buckskin shirts at the neck (first removing them, of course), filled them full of honeycomb, then tied them to a long pole, and then carried it home! It must have been like the old picture in the Bible of the Children of Israel carrying a gargantuan bunch of grapes on a pole carried between two men.

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DATE OF DEATH Month Day Year	NAME	AGE	LOT	BLOCK	REMARKS
Page 25 (Contd)					
April 11 1898	Inf Dau Jack MESSENA Tex.	1 da	68 SW¼	2	Convulsions
May 26 "	Judge Jno. A. BUCKHOLTS Miss	73 yrs	9 NW¼	2	Brights Diease
June 9 "	Mary Henrietta BOHME Tex	3 mo	78 S½	3	Gastro Enteritis
26 "	Inft Mr & Mrs. E. D. BEACH Tex	Born Dead	88 SE¼	3	Born Dead
" 28 "	Miss Verienne WEBB Tex	14 yrs	7	1	
Aug 2 "	Solomon J. CLUTE New York	71 "	83 NE¼	4	Malarcial fever
" 3 "	Antonio TRIVINO Mexico	80 "	42 SE¼	3	Old Age
" 8 "	Miss Mollie V. HIGGS Texas	17 "	42 E½	2	Malarial fever
" 20 "	Mrs Dinah DICKSON Tex	52 "	F.M.Grounds		Malarial fever
22	Burton CARR Texas	2 mo	36	3	Gastro Interetis
" 31 "	Simon PINSKI Europe	47 yrs	Hebrew Inclosiour		Tuberculosis
" 29 "	Cora Lucile HOLLMAN Tex	5 yrs	81 S½	3	Double Tonsiletis
Sept 30 "	Samuel HALL Texas	30 "	3	3	Sucide by Cocaine
" 27 "	Jeremiah WILSON Tenn.	75 "		3	Old Age
" 29 "	Col. Briscoe G. BALDWIN Va.	70 "	5 EC	3	Old age
Oct 26 "	Mrs. Sallie LANDERS (S) Tex	25 "	8 E½	1	Peritonitis
Nov 8 "	Hallie LAURENCE Tex	1 "	79 N½	4	Meningitis
" 11 "	Milton RHODE Tex	9 "	97	3	Peritonites
" 13 "	Mrs. M. J. KING Tex	59 "		4	Consumption
Dec 29 "	Wm. R. CUNMINS Indiana	59 yrs	49 NE¼	4	Consumption

Jan 11 1899	W. J. PIERCE Kentucky	84 "	41	3	La Grippe
" 13 "	Mrs. Naoma BEARD Ga.	85 "	9	3	Old Age
Feb 3 "	Col. R. K. CHATHAM Alabama	64 "		2	Heart failure

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DATE OF DEATH Month	Day	Year	NAME	AGE	LOT	BLOCK	REMARKS
Page 25 (Contd)							
Feb	3	1899	Mrs. M. M. MOORING La	70 yrs	87 NE¼	3	Paralysis
"	8	"	Mrs Dora NEWMAN Tex	42 "	79 SW¼	79*	Burned to Death
Page 26							
Feb	18	1899	Col. Wm. FALCONER Alabama	80 yrs	31 S½	2	La Grippe
Mar	6	"	Miss E. H. McMILLAN Miss	65 "	40 S½	4	Heart dease
"	9	"	Inft Mr & Mrs R. STUART Tex	3 wks	80 N½	3	Minitions
"	12	"	Robt H. NEWLAND Tex	20 yrs	23 N½	2	Congestion
"	31	"	Harris FORD Tex	1 "	5 SE C	2	Cholra Infantium
Apr	8	"	Margret J. TEASDALE Tex	4 "	96	3	Dysentery
"	10	"	Burt Morris TURNER Tex	17 mo	13	1	Enter Colitis
	14		Johnson C. WILLIAMS Ala.	53 yrs	22	3	Miningitis
May	7	"	Webb M. SPELL Texas	2 "	82 S½	4	Infamation of bowls
"	9	"	Dr. J. H. WEBB Carolina	78 yrs	16	3	Brights dease
"	24	"	Miss Mary Jame HOOKER Arkansas	57 "	119	3	Cholra Morbus
"	30	"	Wm. R. RHODES Ala	76 "	45	2	Brights dease
June	9	"	Robt. TEASDALE Texas	17 mos	96	3	Entercitis
"	10	"	Herchel E. ANDREWS	17 "	9	4	Measels
"	14	"	Alleen DOBSON Tex	2 yrs	101	3	Measels
July	9	"	Claud WARD Arkansas	21 "	62 E½	4	Sucide
"	21	"	Mary Virginia BURGER	2 mo	54 NE C	2	Cholra Infantium
"	22	"	Jas. P. WILSON Kentucky	80 yrs	109 S½	3	Old age
"	24	"	Chas S.. WYSE Miss	46 "	40 N½	1	Heart dease
Aug	10	"	O. P. McROY N.Carolina	79 "	86 NE¼	4	Old age
"	22	"	Ella E. TUCKR Tex	12 "	68 SW¼	4	Pertonitus

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DATE OF DEATH Month	Day	Year	NAME	AGE	LOT	BLOCK	REMARKS
Page 26 (Contd)							
Aug	25	1899	A. B. CARR Sr. Miss.	56 yrs	36	3	Heart desease
"	26	"	W. J. PICO Lousiana	46 "	29 W½	2	Paralysis
Sept	2	"	Mrs. Mariah ROWHAN Ala	65 "	7	3	Gastritus
"	5	"	Miss Ethel N. BULLOCK Texas	13 "	68 NW¼	4	Heart desease
"	9	"	William WARD Texas	21 "	62	4	Myelo Meningitis
Oct	17	"	Mrs. Elizabet RHODES Ala	57 "	53 S½	2	Senility
"	22	"	Mrs Mary A. JONES Miss	73 "	64	2	old age
"	27	"	Inft Mr & Mrs. W. P. WOOTEN Tex	Born dead	20 W½	3	Born dead
"	27	"	Col. J. C. GILLESPIE Va.	84 yrs	22	3	Chronic Diarrhoea
"	31	"	Mrs. Charlotte SANDERS Tex	49 "	8	1	Congestion of bowls
Nov	1	"	W. S. STUART Texas	51 "	98	3	Chronic Gastritus
"	15	"	Geo. W. JAMESON Tennessee	30 "	92 N½	3	Tuberculosis
Dec	4	"	W. M. MALONE Ky.	60 "	61 S½	2	Brights dease
"	24	"	Little Lena BANKS, Texas	3 "	Plat 1, Lot 4 in easter part of cemetary		Burns
Page 27							
Dec	26	1899	Ernest E. HIGGS Texas	3 yrs	110 N½	3	Congestion
"	27	"	Norma C. FOSTER Texas	9 "	1 NW C	2	Congestive Chill
Jan	3	1900	Mrs. A. E. EAVES Texas	30 "	83 ½	4	Tuberculosis
"	13	"	Mrs Estille CARSON, Miss	32 "	68 ¼	3	Child Birth
"	25	"	Mrs. Emma STUART Texas	23	98	3	Heart failure
Feb	1	"	Mrs. Mary H. WEBB N. Carolina	76 "	16	4	Heart desease
"	10	"	Mrs. Banner SNAPP Tex	23 yrs	68 NW¼	3	Typhoid fever
"	28	"	Isaac P. WOOLF La	32 "	3 Hebrew inclosiour		Sucide by pistol

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DATE OF DEATH Month Day Year	NAME	AGE	LOT	BLOCK	REMARKS
Page 27 (Contd)					
Mar 3 1900	E. B. WILLIAMS Ga.	38 yrs	121 NW¼	3	Heart desease
" 20 "	Louis Seamon GROGINSKI Tex	1 mo	3 Hebrew Inclosiour		Phneumonia
Apr 4 "	Mrs. Della V. BLATHERWICK Miss.	42 yrs	7	4	Cancer of Womb
" 9 "	Mrs BELLE DICKERSON	46 "	3 NW¼	3	Consumption
May 4 "	Samuel H. HIGGS Tex	52 "	111	3	Heart desease
" 20 "	Wm. Jennings ZUBER Tex.	1 "	8	3	Cholra Infantium
" 27 "	Beulah L. GILES Tex	2 "	121 S½	3	Cerebral Congestion
" 28 "	Florene HARRINGTON Tex	2 "	6 SE¼	4	Intestinal Infliction
" 28 "	T. P. WOOTEN Georgia	63 "	73	3	Heart desease
June 26 "	Florene EDGE Texas	1 "	110 S½	3	Whooping cough
" 26 "	Geo. J. MAWHIMEY Texas	40 "	118	3	Obstruction bowels
July 7 "	Jas. A. FOUNTAIN S. Carolina	72 "	30	2	Cystiles
" 30 "	Peter WINTER France	51 "	78	4	Volvulus
Aug 6 "	Mrs. Sallie J. BECK Ala.	48 "	30	3	Chronic Gastro Enteretic
" 10 "	Miss Orille LINCOLN La	35 "	77 SW¼	4	Consumption
" 12 "	J. C. COLLINS Temessee	57 "	95 N½	3	Heart desease
" 19 "	Inft. Mr & Mrs Cliff HARRIS Tex	Permiture	22	2	Permiture
" 23 "	Jno BERGER Germany	48 yrs	59 N	4	Black Jaundise
" 24 "	Oliver P. PATE Texas	20 "	57 SE¼	4	killed by oil mill
Sept 14 "	Thos A. BOYER Tex	18 mo	36 SW¼	4	Cholra Infantium
Oct 17 "	A. G. BOARD Jr. Tex	1 yr	29 E½	2	Intestinal Affection
	Solomam J. CLUTIS	taken up from the north north east ¼ of lot 83. Block 4 and shipped to New York. Nov. 2 1900.			
Nov 9 "	Dr. H. P. PHILPOTT Ala	74 yrs	72 S½	4	Chronic Dysentery

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DATE OF DEATH Month Day Year	NAME	AGE	LOT	BLOCK	REMARKS
Page 27 (Contd)					
Nov 15 1900	Mrs Rosiline WOOLF Germany	53 yrs	Hebrew		Consumption Inclosiour
Dec 11 "	Jas. W. JOHNSON Va	52 "	31	3	Suicide
" 19 "	Mrs Mamie CARR Tex	23 "	36	3	Typhoid fever
Page 28					
	[sic] Dr. Tilley died in FOWLKES died in Tom Green Texas 30 yrs. when he died in 1898 was taken up and reburied here on Dec. 29, 1900 on Lot 26 Block 2. he was first buried in Tom Green Co. and brought here and reburied.				
Dec 31 1900	Geo. P. CASTLES Texas	42 yrs	2	4	Consumption
Jan 15 1901	E. L. EDDMAN Georgia	62 "	22 S½	1	Consumption
" 15 "	Mrs. E. J. HIGGS Tex	45 "	117	3	La Grippe
" 23 "	Maggie E. McDOUGALD N. Carolina	43 "	8	3	Phneumonia
" 24 "	Jno. C. DAURIN Texas	27 "	37	3	Tuberculosis
" 25 "	Maj. J. W. TABOR Alabama	78 "	2	4	Senility
" 31 "	Jas. W. MARTIN Georgia	54 "	53 N½	4	Phneumonia
Feb 5 "	Wm. H. MINKERT Missouri	64 "	53	1	La Grippe
" 9 "	Dr. B. L. LAWLESS Kentucky	71 "	92 N½	3	Phneumonia
Mar 12 "	Hugh. Thos. HARRIS Tex	5 mo	23 N½	2	Marasmces
" 28 "	Mrs M. J. McNEELEY N. Carolina	53 yrs	41	4	Dropsy
" 31 "	Mrs. Elizabeth McCRACKEN Ky	63 "	Plat 1 designated on map place to bury strangers		Phneumonia
" 31 "	Jno. D. McCRACKEN Ky	35 "	Plat 1 designated on map as a place to bury strangers the eastern portion of the City Cemetary		
Apr 27 "	Douglas REED Texas	11 yrs	38	2	Drowned
" 8 "	Lillie Mae HIGGS Tex	1 "	111	3	Teething

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DATE OF DEATH Month Day Year			NAME	AGE	LOT	BLOCK	REMARKS
Page 28 (Contd)							
June	17	1901	R. F. BOYLE Virginia	69 yrs	F.M.Grounds		Consumption
July	31	"	Horatio BHODES Alabama	56 "	53 S½	2	Heart prostration
Aug	9	"	Catherine HINES Tex	1 "	89 S½	4	Cholra Infantium
"	18	"	Inft. of Mr & Mrs. N. B. COLE Tex	permiture	47	4	Permiture
"	30	"	R. W. JONES Tex	30 yrs	42	4	Black Jaundis
Sept	2	"	Mrs. S. G. YATES Kentucky	75 "	59	4	Paralysis
"	7	"	Mrs. S.E. THOMOROW (?) Ala. [THOMSON?]	54 "	68 N½	3	Paralysis
"	12	"	Henry WILSON Tex	3 "	71	4	Dysentery
"	23	"	Inft Mr & Mrs. E. W. KEU Tex	5 dys	83 SE¼	3	Congestion
Nov	11	"	Inft Mr & Mrs Joe GROGINSKI Tex	2 dys	In Hebrew Inclusuris		Permature
Oct	9	"	Mrs Bettie PARIS Tex	40 yrs	"	"	Compact Bowels
Nov	13	"	W. B. SCRIMSHIRE Alabama	40 "	70	3	Phneumonia
"	21	"	Mrs Maude BARKER Tex	30 "	22 N½	1	Consumption
"	29	"	Mrs RHEHL Germany [ROEHL?]	75 "	78	4	Phneumonia
Page 29							
Dec	12	1901	August HAWES Tex	18 yrs	54	1	Fits
"	16	"	Dorthy WALDROP Tex	17 mo	5	4	Dysentery
			Inft of Dr & Mrs. W.C. FOUNTAIN remove. fron Lot No 3 in Pottersfield to block No 4 West ½ of lot 63. Jan 12, 1902.				
Dec	2	1901	Emnett WELCH Tex	11 mo	37	4	Bowel trouble
"	"	"	Inft Mr & Mrs E. PARKS	Permture	64	4	Permature
Jan	2	1902	Dr. F. M. HALL Tenn	79 yrs	7	1	old age
"	16	"	F. C. TOUHELL Texas	14	121 NE½	3	Brights desease
"	18	"	Mr. P. E. WILLMAN Germany		81 S½	4	Heart failure
"	17	"	Frank DARNER	not known	Plot in Potersfield		killed by train

DATE OF DEATH Month Day Year			NAME	AGE	LOT	BLOCK	REMARKS
Page 29 (Contd)							
Feb	11	1902	Erwin BENBOW Ala	23 yrs	52 S½	4	Phneumonia
"	11	"	Mrs Margret FOMAN La	56 "	54 S½	4	Phneumonia
"	23	"	Mrs L. A. LINCOLN Ala	79 "	77 SW¼	4	old age
Mar	8	"	Mrs SIMMON'S S.Carolina	45	Buried in Potersfield No 2		Phneumonia
Mar	10	"	Mrs Mary A. SOUTH Miss	66 "	64	2	Paralysis
	21	"	Mr. A. B. BALLARD Tex	31 "	24 S½	2	Consumption
Apr	22	"	Mr. Geo. JENKINS England	39 "	99 N½	3	Hydrophobia
May	22	"	Mrs J. J. ADAMS Ala	55 "	5	3	Loss of mind
"	4	"	Mr. R. H. SMITH Ala	48 "	108	3	Phneumonia
"	7	"	Inf. Mr & M.E.JENKINS Tex	permiture	22	3	Permiture
"	8	"	Mrs MORTON Temn	82 yrs	49	2	old age
"	16	"	Eugene H. JOHNSON Tex	17 "	37 NW¼	4	Hooping Caugh
"	25		Mr. D. C. ZUBER Tex	50 "	8	3	Consumption
June	9	1902	Dr. F. M. LAW S. Carolina	74 "	4	4	Hemorage
"	17	"	Raysor BOYETT Tex	6 mo	14 W½	1	Lock Bowels
"	22	"	Inft Mr. & Mrs.STANLEY Tex	Still born	119 N½	3	Still Born
June	26	"	Mrs.Sallie C. SPELL Miss	29 yrs	82 S½	4	Malarial fever
"	28	"	Mrs. B. C. BLACKBURN N. Carolina	88 "	42 E½	4	old age
July	14	"	Famie POLK Texas [Sammie?]	6 "	55	1	Malarial fever
"	16	"	Inft Mr & Mrs.B.A.SMITH Tex	Rermature	76 NW¼	3	Permiture
"	31	"	Inft Mr & Mrs.ALPHIN Tex	2 wks	71	4	Permiture
"	31	"	Inft Mr & Mrs.I G.McGEE Tex	pemature	15 W½	4	Permiture

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DATE OF DEATH Month Day Year	NAME	AGE	LOT	BLOCK	REMARKS
Page 29 (Contd)					
Aug 11 1902	Moselle P. WILSON & Inf Tex	24 yrs	61 $S\frac{1}{2}$	2	Child Birth
" 24 "	Mr. J. N. LAURENCE Tex	47 "	79 $N\frac{1}{2}$	4	Diabetice
" 26 "	August SCHMDT Germany	27 "	95 $SW\frac{1}{4}$	3	Congestion
June 30 1902	Mr. J. E. PONDER	32 "	51 $S\frac{1}{2}$	4	Heart Failure
Page 30					
Aug 31 1902	Mrs. SCHMIDT Texas	31 yrs	95 $SW\frac{1}{4}$	3	Consumption
Sept 14 "	Geo. McLENDON Tex [son]	1 "	63 E C	3	Deptheria
" 16 "	Col. W. A. BANKS Virginia	79 "	Plot No.1 Lot 4 in Potersfield		Sun Stroke
Oct 1 "	Mrs. Lousia dunnica	42 "	75 $NE\frac{1}{4}$	4	Consumption
" 6 "	Mrs GAINES Tennisee	87 "	73 $SE\frac{1}{4}$	4	old age
" 6 "	Myrtle PRSNLY Tex	22 "	95 $N\frac{1}{2}$	3	Bowell trouble
" 17 "	Inft Mr & Mrs.D.S.HART Tex	3 mo	Hebrew Inclousior		
Nov 6 "	W. H. HARMAN Tex	59 yrs	28	2	Bowell trouble
" 11 "	Mrs. A. B. TAYLOR S. Carlona	75 "	67 $NW\frac{1}{4}$	4	old age
6 "	Martha H. SOUTH [SMITH?] Ala	75 "	34 $W\frac{1}{2}$	4	Applexey
" 13 "	Inft Mr & Mrs.O.E. SANDERS Tex.	Permature	71	3	Permature
21 "	W. M. KOPPE Germany	55 yrs	58	4	Sucide by pistol
Dec 4 "	Mrs. Bulia B. CHATHAN Tex	23 "	46 $SE\frac{1}{4}$	2	Child Birth
" 11 "	W. E. HARRIS Temn	46 "	57	2	General Debility
" 12 "	Henry HARRINGTON Tex	22 mo	6 $SE\frac{1}{4}$	4	Permature
" 26 "	Inft Mr & Mrs.T.JOHNSON Tex	Still born	37 $NE\frac{1}{4}$	4	Still Born
" 29 "	Ralph CHATHAN Tex	4 wks	46 $SE\frac{1}{4}$	2	Bowell trouble
Jan 4 1903	Iona ANTHONY Tex	17 mo	52 $SE\frac{1}{4}$	4	La Grippe

PROFESSIONAL HELP

For those of our readers who cannot conveniently do their own research in Brazos County, we offer the following list of local genealogists who are available to perform a certain amount of research for "outsiders": i.e., of other communities. Your initial inquiry should be accompanied by a stamped self-addressed envelope.

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A REMINDER

There are available in the ADVERTISER files complete tables of contents and alphabetized indices (not cumulative) of every ADVERTISER number ever published, since its inception in June-July, 1979. Any or all of these will be copied at cost for any person desiring them.

INTERESTING TRIVIA

From ***The Eagle***, Jan. 9, 1989: Souvenir Vol. Mo. 2:

> The first town to be established in what is now Brazos County was Millican, founded as early as 1831 by Elliott Millican, the first sheriff of Brazos County. The settlement became known as Millican Community, or Millican Crossroads, by 1845.

ODEN FAMILY BIBLE

We have been fortunate in obtaining from our own Ralph F. Cowgill of Hurst, Texas a transcription of birth, marriage and death data from the family Bible purchased by George Alexander Oden (1818-1879) on 11 Mar 1844. It is from the files of the late J. Ray Oden, a former member of this Association.

The founder of this Texas family, George Alexander Oden, was born in Georgia. He relocated to an Alabama farm, and again moved to Hill County, Texas, near Hubbard. His son Joshua Wyche Oden (1852-), Ray's father, is buried in Fairview Cemetery, Hubbard. Ray Oden was born at Hubbard.

G. A. ODEN BOOK

Bought 11 of March 1844.

Do not steal this book for fear of shame for look above and you will see the owner's name.

/s/G. A. Oden

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MARGINAL READINGS AND REFERENCES

and

Chronological Dates

It is recorded in the files that the following could once be seen on the main leaf, front of the Bible: Printed by T. Mason and G. Lane, 1839.

BIRTHS

George A Oden was Born on the 22 of January One Thousand Eight hundred and Eighteen
Frances C Oden was Born on the 22 of May One Thousand Eight hundred and Twenty
John Demcey Oden was Born on the 24 of January One Thousand Eight hundred and forty two
William Henry Oden was Born on the 6 of November One Thousand Eight hundred and forty three
Sarah Temperance Oden was born 10 day of February One Thousand Eight hundred and forty five
George Washington Oden was born October the eleventh One Thousand Eight hundrd and forty seven
Martha Ann Rebeca Oden was born on the 29 of May 1849
Emily C Oden was born on the 15 day of December 1850
Joshua Wyche Oden was born August the 4 - 1852
Henreeta V. Oden was born February the 25 - 1854

Walter Alexander Oden was born October the 26 - 1859
Martin Forney Oden was born Nov. 5th 1861
Rebecca Lee Oden was born December the 14 1863
Ada Jackson Oden was born February the 11 1866
Frances Jane & George Demcy Oden was born February the 28 1870 Twins
Willie Albert Radford was born the 2nd of July 1870
James Albert Oden was born January the 31 1873
Robert Clifford Oden was born March 22nd 1876
Walter Lee Oden was born on the 5th day of August AD 1878
William Henry Oden Jr was born Sept 16 1882
Mary Elmira Oden was born Oct 4 1883
Jennie Oden was born on the 1 day of April 1885
Ada Lee Oden was born on the the year 1887
W. E. Frost was born Sept the 27th 1882
M. R. Frost was born November the 21 1884
Ada Florence Oden was born the 4 day of October 188
Clyde Elmo Oden was born Nov. 22nd 1890
Dick J. Oden was born Dec. the 1 1893
Mary Francis Short was born November 5th 1883
E O Short was born th 1 day of May 1885
J. F. Short was born the 26 day of December 1886
J. G. Young was born Dec 11 AD 1885

MARRIAGES

George A Oden and Frances C Davis was Married on the 10 of December AD 1840
A W Davis and Emily Oden was Married the 12 of July 1838
James W Peeples & Palatiah Oden was married 8 of August 1839
John L Oden & Nancy West was Married 25 of April 1846
Joshua B Oden and Rebecca Peeples was Married 7 of Oct 1847
E. G. Oden and L. D. Peeples was married January 1848
S. B. Harvill and L. P. Oden was married May 23rd 1850
Wm M Radford & Sallie T. Oden was married on the 16th day of August 1869
J. W. Oden & Lucy Helen Petty was Married on 24th day of Dec AD 1876
J. W. Oden & Frances Louesta Black was Married on 26th of Oct 1881
C. A. Frost and Ada J. Oden Was Married on the 20th of Dec 1881
M. F. Oden and Lizzie Young was Married June 23th 1886
R. S. Short and Rebeca Lee Oden was Married on the 23th day of January 1888
C E Oden was married May 1903
C E Young was married Sept 28 1904.
J T Young was married feb 22 1902

DEATHS

Alexandre Oden Departed this Life the 26 of May 1834
John D Davis Departed this Life on the 19 of July 1843 - aged 56 years
Sarah A Davis Departed this Life on the 12 of August 1843 - aged 57 years
John N Davis Departed this Life on the 24 of July 1843
Eliza J Davis Departed this Life on the 17 of August 1843
Moses Davis Departed this Life on the 18 of September 1843

John Demcey Oden Departed this Life on the 11 of July 1844 aged 2 years 5 months and 13 days
George Washington Oden Departed this Life on the third of September 1848 aged 10 months and 23 days
Polly T Peeples Departed this Life on the 13 day of November 1849
Rebecca Oden Departed this Life on the 11 day of November 1863
Frances C Oden Departed this Life on the 30 day of December 1850 age 30 years 7 months 8 days.
Martha An R Oden Departed this Life on the 15 day of November 1850.
Emily C Oden Departed this Life on the 18 of December 1850
Henreetta Virginia Oden Departed this life on the 3 of July 1855 age 1 year and 5 months
Walter A. Oden Departed this Life on the 24 of August 1862 Age 2 years and 10 months
George Demcy Oden Departed this Life Oct 8 1870 age 7 months and 10 days.
Wm. M. Radford Departed this life on the 28th of Nov. 1870 aged 28 years
W. H. Oden Departed this Life 17th of March 1877 - died at Waco Texas
G A Oden departed this life 5th of June 1879 Aged 61 years & 5 months
M. J. Oden Departed this life on the 19 day of December 1887 aged 53 years 11 months 7 days.
Lucy H. Oden departed this life on the 10th day of March 1879 Aged 20 years and 4 months
Mary Elmira Oden departed this life on the 27th day of Dec 1884 Aged 14 months and 23 days
Mary F. Short departed this life on the 4 day of July 1887 aged 3 years 8 months and 1 day

This Bible record was submitted by Brazos Genealogical Association member Ralph F. Cowgill, 333 Circleview Drive North, Hurst, Texas.

The Bible is in possession of Mrs. J. Ray Oden, whose deceased husband was a member of Brazos Genealogical Association.

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1286	1286	HALL, Lucy	46	F	W	K house		S.C.
		LOVETT, Jemima	26	F	W	Seamtress		Ala
		SPENCE, Jeff	9	M	W			Tex
		Mary SPENCE	8	F	W			La
		HALL, Elmira	19	F	W	at home		Tex
		Wade	12	M	W			"
		NEILLY, John	24	M	W	Farmer		Ill
87	87	MATHEWS, Sarah	43	F	W	K House		S.C.
		Lyddia	22	F	W	at home		Tex
		Lacy	16	F	W	" "		"
		David	10	M	W	" "		"
		James	5	M	W			"
88	88	BAKER, John	28	M	W	Farmer		Ark
		Frances	18	F	W	K House		Ga
		Temperance	4	F	W			Tex
89	89	HARRIS, Evan	36	M	W	Farming		Ala
		Angelina	35	F	W	K house		"
		Julia	16	F	W	at home		Tex
		Elizabeth	13	F	W	" "		"
		Eldridge	11	M	W			"
		Laura	8	F	W			"
		Corene	6	F	W			"
		Sarah	1	F	W			"
1290	1290	RICHARDS, Frank	46	M	B	Farming		Miss
		Catherine	35	F	B	K house		Va
		Martha	13	F	B	at home		La
		Dan^{l}	10	M	B	" "		"
		Fenton	8	M	B			"
		Frank	4	M	B			Tex
		W^{m}	2/12	M	B		Apl	"
91	91	BEARD, Tom	45	M	B	Farmer		S.C.
		Martha	30	F	B	K House		Ala
		Pricilla	12	F	B			Tex
		Frances	6	F	B			"
		Elliza	3	F	B			"
		Bethenia	1	F	B			"
92	92	EMMET, Precilla	55	F	B			"
		FLEMING, Albert	44	M	B			Ala
		EMMET, Alf	60	M	B	Farming		Tenn
93	93	MOSELEY, Louisa	60	F	B	K House		Va

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1293	1293	MOSELY, Acey	13	F	W	Servant				Tex	
94	94	BURNS, Robt	29	M	W	Farmer				Ala	
		Sarah	23	F	W	K House				Tex	
		Jeff	2	M	W					Tex	
		SANDERS, Robt	23	M	W	Laborer				Mo	
		BAKER, Eugene	19	M	W	"				Ala	
95	95	SHOOK, Frank	52	M	W	WagonMaker				Mo	
		Jane	35	F	W	K House				Ala	
		PHILLIPS, Mary	16	F	W	at home				Tenn	
		Lander	14	M	W	" "				"	
		Wm	9	M	W					Tex	
		Lizzie	7	F	W					"	
		SHOOK, Jim	1	M	W					"	
96	96	MITCHELL, Mary	65	F	W	K house				Miss	
		Jim	30	M	W	Farmer				"	
		Lewis	26	M	W					"	
		Jane	27	F	W	at home				"	
		Gillien	22	M	W	at school				"	
		Walter	14	M	W	Laborer				"	
97	97	HILL, John	52	M	W	Farmer		1000	200	Pa	
		Nettie	32	F	W	K house				Tex	
		Requile	15	M	W	at home				Ga	
		Robert	14	M	W	" "				"	
		Claus	10	F	W					"	
		Volney	7/12	M	W		Dec			Tex	
98	98	HUDDLESTON, Eli	41	M	W	Farming				Ark	
		Emeline	22	F	W	K house				Mo	
		Leanna	4	F	W					Tex	
		Robt	3	M	W					Tex	
		Horace	1	M	W					"	
99	99	SHORT, Robt	49	M	W	Farmer		1000	500	Tenn	
		Frances	47	F	W	K house				Mo	
		Eliza	20	F	W	at home				Tex	X
		George	15	M	W	Laborer				"	X
		Robt	12	M	W					"	X
		Peirce	11	M	W					"	X
		Frank	4	M	W					"	X
1300	1300	SHERFIELD, John	26	M	W	Farming		300	--	"	
		Harriett	24	F	W	K house				"	
		KING, Sarah	15	F	W					"	

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1301	1301	BARNETT, James	25	M	W	Farmer		2000	200	Miss
		Mary	25	F	W	K house				Ala
		William	4	M	W					Tex
		Martha	1/12	F	W		May			"
		George	23	M	W	Farmer				"
		ELAN, Eliza	27	F	W	Servant				"
		Henry	8	M	W					"
		Emeline	7	F	W					"
2	2	LINDSAY, Harrison	26	M	W	Farmer				Ala
		Louisa	30	F	W	K house				Mo
		Allice	3/12	F	W		Apl			Tex
		Jane	28	F	W	at home				Ala
		FRANKLIN, Ben	15	M	W	" "				"
3	3	SCOTT, John	70	M	W	Farmer		1000	200	Ky
		Amelia	62	F	W	K house				"
		Wm	30	M	W	Farming				Mo
		Sarah	24	F	W	at home				"
		Mary	18	F	W					"
		Ben	21	M	W	Laborer				"
		Isabel	19	F	W	at home				Ky
		John	15	M	W	Laborer				"
4	4	CARNY, John	35	M	W	Farmer				Ala
		Mary	33	F	W	K house				"
		Wm	15	M	W	Laborer				"
		Joseph	13	M	W	"				"
		Carles	6	M	W					Tex
		Mary	3	F	W					"
		Thomas	1	M	W					"
5	5	WHITTEN, John	33	M	W	Farmer		300	100	Tenn
		Antonetta	25	F	W	K house				Tex
		Melissa	8	F	W					"
		Mary	4	F	W					"
		Alf	2	M	W					"
6	6	STINER, Joseph	57	M	W	Farming		1000	200	Va
		Nancy	51	F	W	K House				Tenn
		Sarah	25	F	W	at home				Ala
		WADDLE, Elijah	9	F	W					Tex
7	7	INGLEDOVE, Eliza	58	F	W	K house				Tenn
		Calvin	20	M	W	Laborer				Ala
		Laura	18	F	W	at home				"

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1307	1307	HONEYCUT, James	31	M	W	Farmer				Ala	
		Morey	26	F	W	K house				"	
		Granville	2	M	W					Tex	
8	8	ADAMS, Allen	54	M	W	Farming				Ga	
		Eliza	45	F	W	K House				Ala	
		Roland	19	M	W	Laborer				Miss	
		Boland	19	M	W	"				"	
		Henry	17	M	W	"				"	
		Druey	14	M	W	"				"	
		Geo.	12	M	W	"				"	
		Achy	9	M	W	"				"	
		Ben	6	M	W					"	
		James	4	M	W					Tex	
9	9	SOMERS, Joseph	40	M	W	Farming				S.C.	
		Joseph	21	M	W	Laborer				Ga	
		John	17	M	W	"				Ala	
		Frances	9	M	W					Tex	
		Nancy	42	F	W	K house				Ga	
1310	1310	SHAW, Thomas	43	M	W	Farming				"	
		Martha	36	F	W	K house				Ala	
		John	13	M	W	at home				"	
		Sarah	9	F	W					"	
11	11	PEIRSON, James	47	M	W	Farming		5000	1000	S.C.	
		Julia	30	F	W	K House				Ga	
		Emma	18	F	W	at home				Ala	X
		Allice	15	F	W	" "				"	X
		James	13	M	W					Tex	X
		Thomas	9	M	W					"	
		Lana	5	F	W					"	
		Mollie	2	F	W					"	
		Ella	11/12	F	W		Sep			"	
		RECTOR, Chas	56	M	W	Farmer				Tenn	
		PEIRSON, Thomas	23	M	W	No occupation				La	
12	12	MITCHELL, Ann	60	F	W	K house				Ala	
		Nancy	24	F	W	at home				"	
		Margt	18	F	W	" "				"	
13	13	BOWDEN, Henry	58	M	W	Farmer		1000	200	Va	
		Mary	57	F	W	K house				N.C.	
		Agustus	23	M	W	Laborer				Miss	
		Julia	20	F	W	K house				Ark	

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1313	1313	BOWDEN, Robt	2	M	W					Tex	
		JOHNSON, John	44	M	W	Farmer		800	200	Ark	
		Rebecca	35	F	W	K house				"	
14	14	HICKS, Wm	25	M	W	Farmer				Miss	
		Kate	22	F	W	K house				Ky	
		Mary Ann	2	F	W					Tex	
		Robt	9/12	M	W		Feb			"	
		James	10	M	W					Ark	
15	15	" James	23	M	W	Farming				Miss	
		Emma	17	F	W	K house				Ala	
16	16	FOSTER, Wm	40	M	W	Farming		500	200	Ky	
		Ellen	35	F	W	K house				Tex	
		Ida	2	F	W					"	
		Sarah A	2/12	F	W		Apl			"	
17	17	PRATER, Jesse	33	M	W	Farmer				La	
		Ellen	35	F	W	K house				"	
		Viola	12	F	W					Tex	
		Mary	10	F	W					"	
		Wm	6	M	W					"	
		Printes	2	M	W					"	
		Alberta	7/12	M	W		Jan			"	
18	18	KIRKHAM, James	47	M	W	Farmer		3000	500	Miss	
		Manda	48	F	W	K house				"	
		Susan	12	F	W					Tex	X
		LANGLY, Sydney	47	M	W	School Teacher				S.C.	
19	19	FOSTER, Master	46	M	W	Farmer		600		Miss	
		James	13	M	W					Tex	
1320	1320	FOSTER, Geo	58	M	W	Farmer		3000	500	Miss	
		Susan	50	F	W	K House				"	
		Virgil	21	M	W	Laborer				Tex	
		Emily	13	F	W					"	X
21	21	" Calvin	23	M	W	Farming				"	
		Medora	21	F	W	K House				"	
		Gibson	2	M	W					"	
22	22	BOWDEN, Wm	29	M	W	Farmer		500	100	Va	
		Leacy	30	F	W	Keeping House				Miss	
		Henry	4	M	W					Tex	
23	23	DARRVIN (?),Reuben	51	M	W	Farming		1000	200	La	
		Banks	21	M	W	Laborer				"	
		Ritson	24	M	W	"				"	

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1323	1323	DARWIN, Sarah	20	F	W	Keeps house				Ark	
		Codelia	2	F	W					Tex	
		Sarah	1	F	W					"	
24	24	HENDERSON, A.	21	M	W	Farmer				Ark	
		Isora	20	F	W	K House				La	
		James	6/12	M	W		Jan			Tex	
25	25	DARWIN, Howard	28	M	W	Farmer		600	300	La	
		Ellen	22	F	W	K House				Tex	
		Theodsia	3	F	W					"	
		James	1	M	W					"	
		Overton	29	M	W	Stockraiser				La	
		HAYES, Stephen	27	M	W	Farming				"	
		DARWIN, Ellen	20	F	W	at home				"	
		PYELS, Jerry	14	M	W					"	
26	26	MAYFIELD, Wm	55	M	B	Farmer				Md	
		Dennie	14	M	B	Laborer				Tex	
		Magg	47	F	B	K house				Md	
		Nelson	12	M	B	"				Tex	
		Harriett	10	F	B	at home				"	
		Miles	8	M	B					"	
		Andy	2	M	B					"	
27	27	HEARN, Eliza	44	F	W	K house				Ala	
		Thomas	23	M	W	No occupation				Ark	
		Sam	19	M	W	Laborer				Tex	
		Mary	17	F	W	at home				"	
		Texanna	13	F	W	" "				"	
	(G?)	John	10	M	W					"	X
28	28	FRIFFIN, Wm	59	M	W	Farmer		1000	200	S.C.	
		Louisa	55	F	W	K house				"	
		Wm	19	M	W	Laborer				Tex	
		James	12	M	W					"	
		McKINNEY, Allice	9	F	W					"	
29	29	HENDERSON, Jas	45	M	W	Farmer		1000	1000	Ill	
		Jane	45	F	W	K house				"	
		Harriett	18	F	W	at home				"	
		Rachael	17	F	W	" "				"	
		Sam	15	M	W	" "				"	
		Wm	12	M	W	" "				Tex	
		Rebecca	10	F	W					"	
		Andrew	8	M	W					"	

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