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NEXT MEETING - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th - 10:00 AM - HEALTH UNIT

Speaker will be CAROLA ANDREPONT of Louisiana Open House. Her program will consist of "Planning Family Reunions" and the "Calcasieu/St. Landry Connection".

MEETING ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17th

"Narrative Account of Various Military Operations at Port Hudson" will be presented by Arthur W. Bergeron Jr.

ADDITIONS TO THE SOCIETY LIBRARY

In Search of Your Canadian Roots by Angus Baxter
Applied Genealogy by Eugene A Stratton
Our French-Canadian Ancestors, Vol. X and XI, by Thomas J. Laforest
Land Records of the Attakapas, Vol. I, by Glenn R. Conrad
Managing a Genealogical Project by William Dollarhide
Genealogical Resources (1985) by Bayouland Library System

Work is in progress on our forth-coming book "The Civil War Veterans of Old Imperial Calcasieu".

We wish to thank those who contributed information to help make our book more complete.

FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

NANCY DUNN of the Family History Center, 6108 Hazelwood, Orange, Texas spoke to the members of the SWLGS at their regular meeting on May 19th.

Mrs. DUNN stated that the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints is microfilming records in 45 countries. At the present time, there are more than 1200 Family History Centers, branches of the LDS Library at Salt Lake City, at which records are available. The Salt Lake Library has over one and a half million records on microfilm and 200,000 microfiche, which act as safeguards against the destruction of original records and also aid the researcher. In the near future researchers will have computer access to these records.

The LDS Library at Salt Lake will accept genealogical research from an individual, but its acquisitions policy requires the information to be indexed. Your information and index will be microfilmed, and you will receive a free microfilmed copy of your research with the option to buy 3 additional copies.

The Family History Center in Orange urges researchers to use their facilities. There is a small collection of books and periodicals in the library, but microfilmed records and books must be ordered and take several weeks to receive.

A Family Registry is a new service offered to anyone interested in genealogical research. Individual researchers and family organizations can find others tracing the same lines and may register for this service by submitting forms provided at a Family History Center.

The current hours for the Family History Center in Orange are:

Tuesday1:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.
Wednesday.....9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.
Thursday.....1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

However, these hours are subject to change. For further information, call 1-409-833-7969 during operating hours.

The SWLGS was saddened by the death of
MRS. MARY BLACKWELL BONO, a charter member.

MY CIVIL WAR ANCESTOR
Amos Benjamin/Benoit SERVANT/SARVAUNT

When Louisiana's secession convention voted on January 26, 1861, it was decided that the State of Louisiana would secede from the union. Four months later, on May 26, 1861, the first company of newly enlisted volunteer soldiers left Washington, Louisiana by boat down Bayou Courtableau. They were headed for Camp Overton, just north of Opelousas for training. From there it was on to Camp Moore in New Orleans; and the troops were then sent east to fight for their Confederacy.

The first company of troops from St. Landry Parish to leave their homes and families, was the St. Landry Light Guards; they were quickly followed by the Opelousas Guards and the Confederate States Rangers. These three companies formed part of the Louisiana Brigade. Under the commands of RICHARD TAYLOR and HARRY HAYS, they fought valiantly in the Virginia Shenandoah Valley Campaigns under the direction of General "STONEWALL" JACKSON. The St. Landry Light Guards were later to be called Company C, 6th Regiment of the Louisiana Infantry and were commanded by Captain NATHANIAL OFFUTT.

Among the first volunteers of Captain OFFUTT's company was a 23 year old farmer named BENJAMIN SARVAUNT. Born October 9, 1837 in St. Landry Parish, Louisiana, he was the son of PIERRE SERVANT and MARIE JOSETTE BENOIT, also of St. Landry Parish, having come to that area from the Baton Rouge, Louisiana District. Both parents were deceased by the year 1861, when Benjamin decided to enlist in the infantry. Single and with no dependents, he decided to join the Confederate Army. He probably believed, (as did so many others who joined the Confederacy) that he would "meet the Yankee invaders in combat and end the war swiftly in one glorious, textbook battle" and be back home in a few short weeks or months a hero. However, this is not how things were to be.

By joining the 6th Louisiana Regiment, Benjamin had become part of a famous, yet notorious group that was both despised and loved at the same time. The "Louisiana Tigers", as these Louisiana regiments became known, were "branded as devils by the civilians", because of their rowdy, mischievous, and down right criminal behavior which was increased with their consumption of alcohol. They were known as adventurers, wharf-rats, cut-throats, thieves, drunks and deserters. Their bad reputation was a result of some incidents which involved only some of the Louisiana Brigade, but the title of "Louisiana Tigers" and all its negative connotations soon spread to include all the Louisiana soldiers. They were feared by the civilians as well as by the Union forces. Against the enemy they were fierce and tenacious. But they were looked

upon "as God-sends by cornered generals" because of their battle-field performances and their dependability. One can only hope that the incidents which gave birth to this bad reputation actually involved some "other" regiment besides the 6th Louisiana.

The "Louisiana Tigers" played a key role in the Shenandoah Valley Campaign during the spring of 1862, with major victories at Front Royal, Middletown, and Winchester, Virginia. During this time, Private SARVAUNT was a quartermaster cook for his company and how much battle action he was involved in is uncertain, but it is known that he was stunned by a shell and hospitalized in the C.S.A. Hospital in Winchester, Virginia in May of 1862. On the 7th of November 1863 in Rappahannock, Virginia, Private SARVAUNT's life took a turn when he was captured by Union forces. He was sent to Point Lookout, Maryland as a prisoner of war on November 11, 1863.

The prison at Point Lookout had been "established" in August of 1863, only two months prior to SARVAUNT's capture; it would later become the largest prison in the North, confining more than 20,000 men. The word "established" is used loosely because there were no barracks within the enclosure, only tents, "miserable affairs, being full of holes, and very rotten." The prison was located on the peninsula formed where the Potomac River joins Chesapeake Bay and it proved to be a miserably cold and damp place during the winter of 1863-1864. The severity of the cold winter is evidenced by the following actual account:

"The winter of 1863 was now approaching, and gloom, privation, and starvation were staring us in the face. On the 9th of November, snow fell and there was not a stick of wood in camp. The day was bitter cold, most of us were but poorly clad, and very few of us had shoes of any description. We were compelled to stand in our damp tents, and 'mark time' to keep from freezing. This scarcely seems possible, yet it can be attested by hundreds who were there."

On December 14, 1863, a letter was written which told more concerning the conditions at four Northern prisons, one in particular being Point Lookout:

"Many of these men are without the necessary clothing to hide their nakedness and during the late cold weather several absolutely froze to death at Point Lookout, where they are living in tents and more than half of the 9,000 and more here confined have not even a single blanket for covering or bedding and sleep on the bare ground, which you well know is certainly productive of an immense amount of disease and suffering."

And if the cold was not bad enough, the shallow wells from which drinking water was obtained were so heavily "impregnated with iron and alkaline salts" that it caused diarrhea and dysentery. The amount yielded was inadequate for personal use and the only other water available for bathing was the bay which was contaminated with human waste from the "sinks" [latrines]. The consequence to those who dared to bathe in it was typhoid. It may be assumed that during the cold weather few so dared; this was not the case in the warmer months, however. This lack of proper facilities resulted in very unsanitary living conditions and filthy prisoners, both of which contributed to disease. Another cause of disease was the lack of adequate vegetables in the rations, which of course, led to many cases of scurvy. These conditions, as bad as they were, were made worse by the fact that once stricken, a sick prisoner received little or no care because there was no hospital constructed at Point Lookout until the summer of 1864. The mortality rate was 10% even after the hospital was built.

Sometime during the winter of 1863-1864, BENJAMIN SARVAUNT (along with many others) was stricken with pneumonia while at the Maryland prison. It really is remarkable, given the conditions, that anyone so stricken could have survived; but Benjamin was one of the lucky ones. There are 3,384 graves outside the prison that tell us of the many who did not. By the summer of 1864 there was a hospital, but with it came the contamination of the water with gangrene and an epidemic of small pox. Is it any wonder so many died? But, by that time, Benjamin was no longer there.

There was a time during the beginning of the war when prisoners were exchanged, but that practice ended in the early part of 1863. There seemed to be no hope of SARVAUNT getting out of prison until the conclusion of the war; the fear of death from disease, exposure, or cruel treatment must have been tremendous. Then, in February of 1864, the Union made offers of release to those who would take the oath of allegiance. The men who took the oath were drafted into the U.S. Army and sent out west to fight the Indians. There were many Confederate soldiers who, once offered this option, chose service in the U.S. Army out west instead of dying in a cold, filthy, diseased prison camp.

So, on the 5th of February, 1864, Private BENJAMIN SARVAUNT decided he would take the lesser of the two evils. He was mustered into the U.S. Army on May 1, 1864 in Company D, 1st Regiment of the Maryland Volunteer Infantry. He was 24 years old and was described as 5' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " tall, with light "complexion", hazel eyes and light hair. Of course, these "Galvanized Yankees", as they were called, were looked upon as cowards and traitors.

SARVAUNT was appointed Lance Corporal in May of 1864 and

Corporal in August of that same year. He was sent to the Dakota Territory and Montana to fight the Sioux Indians. He was on detailed service at Fort Benton, Montana from May to July of 1865, returning to Fort Rice, Dakota Territory in July 1865.

On July 28, 1865, Fort Rice was attacked by the Sioux Indians in a battle that raged on for three hours and which covered a distance measuring two miles at times. This daring and fierce band of Sioux, although exhibiting superb horsemanship, was no match for the howitzers of the U.S. Army. The Sioux were driven back and finally they withdrew from firing range. The U.S. Army suffered two casualties with three others suffering from serious arrow wounds. BENJAMIN SARVAUNT was one of the injured. During this fight he became the recipient of a souvenir in the form of a flint point from an arrow in his right thigh. It was a nagging, disabling reminder that he carried around with him the rest of his life. Sometime in the following two months he lost sight in his left eye. It is uncertain if this blinding was a result of injuries sustained in the battle with the Sioux in July, or if it was an accident, or if it was a result of a fight with one of his own fellow soldiers. It is even possible that his blindness was a product of damage he sustained from the sun's glare on the sand and snow at Point Lookout Prison, as this was something the prisoners feared.

The winter of 1864/65 in the Dakotas was almost as bad as being in prison; in February of 1865 the temperature was 40 degrees below zero. The soldiers had clothing and blankets, but the harsh winter and close quarters again resulted in disease running rampant. Scurvy was claiming the lives of many soldiers who were being buried every few days in the post graveyard. By the fall of 1865 the Civil War was over, and these "Galvanized Yankees" were anxious to go home. The dread of having to endure another winter of death in Dakota was more than some could stand. They feared sickness breaking out as it had the previous winter and this fear was great enough to cause eleven men to desert. On October 6, 1865 definite orders were received which authorized the departure of the U.S. Volunteers from Fort Rice to Fort Leavenworth. Finally, on November 27, 1865, after one year and nine months in the service for the U.S. Army, BENJAMIN SARVAUNT was discharged along with the rest of his company at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

He returned home to Washington, Louisiana, marrying on April 4, 1866, SARAH EVALINA GARDNER, daughter of the deceased THOMAS GARDNER, JR. and CHARLOTTE EMILY KENDALL. Evalina's father had been killed at the battle of Antietam at Sharpsburg, Virginia on September 17, 1862. He had also been a "Louisiana Tiger". He was wounded, and listed as a prisoner of war like SARVAUNT, but he did not survive. One might wonder why Evalina and her family did not

consider Benjamin a traitor. Could it be that they too, saw the oath as a means of survival?

Ten children were born to Benjamin and his wife, Evalina, in St. Landry Parish. Around 1883/84 the SARVAUNT family moved to Lake Charles, Louisiana, where many descendants live today. SARAH EVALINA GARDNER SARVAUNT died in February of 1912, after which Benjamin moved to Smithville, Texas. He lived there until he died in a Galveston, Texas hospital on March 1, 1926.

The irony of it all, is that he survived Confederate military service, he survived pneumonia under terrible conditions, he survived the wounds received from fighting the Sioux, but, he died at age 89 of gangrene of the leg caused by a tiny tack in his shoe.

BENJAMIN SARVAUNT was not a war hero, nor was he a leader. He possibly wasn't even considered a good soldier. He was just an ordinary Louisiana farmer who learned the name of the game was survival. He made a decision that may have branded him a coward, but he was not alone. There were many soldiers of that time who did the same thing. And, given the conditions and circumstances of the times, there might have been even more who were not as well documented as BENJAMIN SARVAUNT.

Submitted by ANNA MARIE HAYES

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Death record of BENJAMIN SARVAUNT, Texas State Board of Health,
Bureau of Vital Statistics, # 170 Galveston, Texas.

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s/o NEEDHAM & FRANCES CLARK
WATKINS

b. 14 Jan. 1914

d. 9 Sept. 1914

WATKINS, NEEDHAM
h/o FRANCES CLARK

CLARK, RICHARD
s/o JOHN H. SR. & RACHEL DRAKE
CLARK

h/o SARAH DRAKE & LILLIE PERKINS

b. 1853

d. 6 June 1940

CLARK, SARAH DRAKE
d/o JAMES W. & CATHERINE DYKES DRAKE
w/o RICHARD CLARK

b.

d. 17 Dec. 1907

CLARK, LONNIE
CLARK, LONIE
Twins of IVY & LOVEYANN DOYLE CLARK

CLARK Infants - four
Children of RICHARD & SARAH DRAKE CLARK

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UPCOMING EVENTS

JEFFERSON GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY presents its Sixth Annual Workshop

Saturday, 25 August, 1990 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Comfort Inn, Williams Boulevard, Metairie, Louisiana

Lecturer: HELEN LEARY, C.G. presents Open Roads and Dead Ends: A Workshop
on Genealogical Problem Solving

Registration Fee - \$12.00 by 5 August, 1990. \$15.00 thereafter and at the door.

Lunch available in the Comfort Inn.

Contact Jefferson Genealogical Society, P. O. Box 961, Metairie, La. 70004-0961

Ancestor Research and Analysis, 13727 North Amiss Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810
Genealogical & Historical "GREAT DAY" with a Beginners Workshop

Saturday, 13 October, 1990 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with Beginners Workshop
from 2:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Location: Holiday Inn, Siegen Lane, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

"Great Day" will be an opportunity to showcase various groups and their publications.

Vendors will be in attendance.

No admittance charge.

EARLY LAKE CHARLES NEWS ITEMS
(Continued from Vol. 14, No. 2)

- 23 November 1888 - Birthmale ROGERS to ELDER & MRS. G. B. ROGERS, 21st inst.
Death of MONROE LYONS, 10, 22 November.
- 30 November 1888 - Death of MRS. ELLEN HEWITT, 73, wife of HON. J. T. HEWITT,
26 November; mother of A. J. PERKINS.
- 7 December 1888 - Marriage of JOHN LYONS and ELLEN SWEENEY, 18 November.
Marriage of EDWARD FAIRCHILD of Edgerly and LEVICY ILES of Sugartown at
bride's, 22nd ult.
Death of EFFIE MCMANUS, 7, child of MR. & MRS. C. B. MCMANUS, 7 Nov.,
Clinton, MS.
- 14 December 1888 - Marriage of EUGENE LEE DICK and AUGUSTA WELLS, eldest
daughter of GEO. H. WELLS, 12 December.
Birth of Male WINTLE, Goosport, 5th inst.
Death of JIMMY COSTELLO, 23, son of M. COSTELLO of Lake Charles; born in
Wyoming, Tennessee.
- 21 December 1888 - Birth of female RUNTE, d/o MR. & MRS. J. E. RUNTE, 8th inst.
Birth of male MAYO, s/o MR. & MRS. A. M. MAYO, 15th inst.
Death of CLAUDIE A. CARR, 1, child of A. M. & A. L. CARR, 14th inst.
Death of MRS. MISSOURI DEAR, w/o W. H. DEAR, Sugartown, 13th inst.
- 28 December 1888 - Death of MRS. SUSAN BLACK, 43, w/o SLICK BLACK, 26 Dec.
- 4 January 1889 - Marriage of W. M. HARVESON and AGNA WHITTINGTON, Orange, TX,
31 Dec. 1888.
Marriage of R. B. LINDSEY and ELLA HAMILTON, bride's residence, 27 Dec. 1888.
Marriage of COL. WALTER D. BETTIS and ELLA ALLEN, all of Orange, TX, 26th
inst., Baptist Church.
- 18 January 1889 - Death of LORETTA LORENO ROBERTSON, 2, d/o CPAT. & MRS. W. T.
ROBERTSON, Evergreen, LA, 20 Dec. 1888.
Death of MRS. I. REINAUER, 5th inst.
Birth of female COOK, d/o MR. & MRS. ANDREW COOK, 10 January.
- 25 January 1889 - Death of s/o MR. & MRS. A. WEST, Bagdad, 18 January.
- 1 February 1889 - Death of infant s/o MR. & MRS. T. H. PERKINS, Sugartown.
- 8 February 1889 - Death of WM. PHILLIPS, 68, 31 January.
- 15 February 1889 - Marriage of B. W. LYONS & CORA E. SWEENEY, Vincent Settlement,
10th inst.
Death of ALMA KNIGHT SCHWING, 33, w/o W. F. SCHWING, 9 February, Lake Charles.
- 1 March 1889 - Marriage of S. T. ELFORD, Rochester, Minn. & KATIE POLLICK,
Jennings, 25 February.

- 1 March 1889 - Marriage of D. C. DODD and MAY LANGLEY, Lake Charles, at Gallaughers's residence.
Death of ARTHUR ROSTEET, 25, Lake Charles, 26 February.
Death of MRS. SARAH C. SHIRLEY, 6 Feb., w/o DAVID A. SHIRLEY.
- 8 March 1889 - Marriage of ALFRED J. REID and MARY E. LANAGAN, 5 March, Catholic Church.
Death of CELISE FRUGE, widow of JOSEPH SALLIER, 71, 4 March.
Death of MARY C. TIPPIN, 67, widow of CALVIN E. DEES, residence of E. H. DEES, her son, 5 March.
- 15 March 1889 - Marriage of D. C. GROUT and SALLIE MITCHELL, Bagdad, 28 Feb.
Death of ELIZA ALLIS REEVES, 37, w/o DAVID B. HARMON, 9 March, Oaklin Spring, Calcasieu Parish.
Death of FRANK KINDER, 26, 13 March, residence of brothers JAMES A. AND SAM KINDER.
Death of GEORGE S. BENSON, Yuma, Arizona, 25 February.
- 22 March 1889 - Death of CAPT. CHARLES SCHMIDT, 37, 15 March, Germany.
Death of A. ROUX, 89, 16 March, Cameron.
- 29 March 1889 - Death of F. X. LAGRANGE, 56, 26 March.
Death of CAROLINE ALICE KELLER, 49, 22 March, at residence of A. COOK, born in St. Landry Parish.
- 19 April 1889 - Birth of male FARQUHAR, s/o G. W. FARQUHAR, 18 April.
Death of male DEASON, s/o GEO. DEASON, burned, Sugartown, 9 April.
Birth of female SIGLER, d/o MR. & MRS. ELLIS SIGLER, Sugartown.
- 26 April 1889 - Death of J. BARKER, 70, 22 April, Lake Charles.
- 3 May 1889 - Death of male CORBELLO, s/o MR. & MRS. EMILE CORBELLO, English Bayou.
Marriage of NAT WASEY AND --- DUHON, d/o VILION DUHON, few evenings ago.
- 10 May 1889 - Death of JAMES CECIL LYONS, 7 mo., s/o JAMES A. & M. E. LYONS.
Death of ROSS ATHERLY, nephew of REV. WM. H. CLINE, drowned last Tues. 7 May, Calcasieu Pass.
Death of --- MELWICK, wife and 2 children, fire and gunwound, Vinton postmaster, murder and suicide.
- 17 May 1889 - Marriage of SAMUEL GILLEY and MOLLIE KINGERY, 18 March, residence of J. J. KINGERY,
- 24 May 1889 - Death of MRS. LOUISA LYONS, 71, residence of son J. C. LYONS, Plaquemine Brule, 4 May.
Succession of ELIZ. MCCLELLAND, Edgerly, GEO. W. WING, Adm.
Succession of HARRIET S. WILLIAMS, R. B. LINDSEY, Adm.
Lodge notice of death of J. COOPER, Hickory Branch.

- 31 May 1889 - Death of VIRGINIA MARTHA GRAY, w/o JAS. F. GRAY, d/o L. M. and E. F. DADE, 29, 28 May.
Marriage of HENDERSON MANSFIELD and MAHALEY SIMMONS, Goosport.
- 7 June 1889 - Marriage of L. C. TOUCHY and ROSALIE KIRKMAN, 1st inst., Houston, TX.
Death of MRS. HANSEN, thrown from horse, husband, suicide soon after.
Birth of female THOMPSON, d/o REV. W. M. THOMPSON, Bagdad, 31 May.
Death of DORATH A. MIERS, 16, 6 May, Dry Creek.
Succession of LAURA COLE, DESIREE COLE, Adm.
- 14 June 1889 - Death of HERMAN BENDIXEN, Germany.
Death of MRS. MOISE LEBLEU, native of Lake Charles, residence 14 miles from Lake Charles.
Death of W. M. WHITE, nephew of J. B. WATKINS, 1 week ago.
Death of REESE W. PERKINS, s/o HON. ALLEN J. PERKINS, shot by GUS BLACK in Westlake.
- 21 June 1889 - Birth of female MOSS, d/o MR & MRS. EZRA H. MOSS, 15 June.
Birth of female LEMUER, d/o MR. & MRS. A. LEMUER, Bagdad, 15 June.
Death of ERNEST WALTER CHALKLEY, 7, youngest child of W. T. & MARY CHALKLEY, native of Yangery, Victoria, Australia.
- 28 June 1889 - Marriage of PROF. J. C. F. KYGER, Waco, TX, and ELLEN EUGENIA BRYAN, d/o J. W. BRYAN, Baptist Church, 24 June.
- 5 July 1889 - Death of MRS. MARTHA BOYD AMIS MANLEY, w/o REV. M. C. MANLEY, 53, 29 June. (REV. MANLEY - "the blind preacher")
- 12 July 1889 - Death of GORDON H. MACKENZIE, 15, a/o J. H. & REBECCA V. MACKENZIE, 6 July.
Death of MRS. JOHNSON, 78, Vernon Parish, 20 Dec. 1888, Baptist Church.
Death of WILLIAM LEVI JONES, 1, s/o N. A. & MARTHA JONES, Dry Creek, 5 July.
Death of MARGARET ELISABETH VINCENT, 32, w/o DOSITE VINCENT, d/o D. A. AND LOUISA LYONS, 6 July.
- 19 July 1889 - Death of WALTER B. JOHNSON, 2, s/o AUGUST & CATHERINE JOHNSON, 14 July.
Succession of A. J. CLENDENING, MRS. JOAN CLENDENING, ADM.
- 26 July 1889 - Marriage of JACOB RIGMAIDEN and MAGGIE L. HOUSE, Vincent Settlement, 17 July.
Birth of male ROSTEET, s/o MRS. ARTHUR ROSTEET, widow, 23 July, recent death of husband, will by Mrs. CHARLES SALLIER, infant heir with his uncle, J. W. ROSTEET.
- 2 August 1889 - Death of LOUIS DERNER, Switzerland, 26 July, drowned Calcasieu River, Westlake.
- 9 August 1889 - Birth of female RALPH, d/o MR. & MRS. JAMES RALPH, 2 August.
Death of WILLIE WARDWELL BEL, 10 mo., d/o J. A. & DELLA M. BEL, 4 August.
Death of VERNIE M. MASON, 10, child of J. M. & G. R. MASON, 6 August.
Death of JOHN ANTOINE MILLER, 11 mo., s/o GEO. A. & ROSA H. MILLER, 6 August.

ARCHIE CLARK CEMETERY

5½ miles north of Starks, LA. on Highway 109 and 1½ miles east on Parish Road.

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JOHNSON, PATRICIA ANN b. 17 May 1941 d. 17 May 1941	CLARK, JETTIE b. 13 Aug. 1895 d. 20 Feb. 1964	CLARK, ANDREW BABY
CLARK, MARION TILMON b. 1 May 1895 d. 24 May 1964	CLARK, ARCHIE b. 13 Oct. 1856 d. 29 Aug. 1941	CLARK, LOULE ETHEL b. 21 Aug. 1943 d. 21 Aug. 1943
CLARK, EDWARD ALVIN b. 1934 d. 1956	CLARK, ELIZABETH ASHWORTH b. 28 June 1862 d. 12 Mar. 1951	CLARK, RALPH b. 10 Apr. 1909 d. 10 Jan. 1985
CLARK, LOU ETHEL b. d. 21 Aug. 1943	CLARK, ARCHIE MERIDA b. 6 Mar. 1891 d. 2 Feb. 1901	CLARK Infants - three Children of ARCHIE & ELIZABETH ASHWORTH CLARK
CLARK, GERTRUDE b. 1912 d. 1935	CLARK, JOHN H. SR. b. 1811 d. 1897 Co. I, 6 La. Cav., CSA	ASHWORTH Infant - one Child of MARION & CORDELIA STANLEY ASHWORTH
CLARK, ELLEN b. d. 1935	SMITHART, WILLIAM	CLARK Infants - three Children of A. J. & GEORGIA SMITH CLARK
FISCH, MARGARET C. b. 20 Dec. 1926 d. 19 Oct. 1932	ASHWORTH, FRANK "GUS"	CLARK Infant - one Child of RALPH & PRUDENCE CLARK CLARK
SMITHART, LONIE	ASHWORTH, MARION b. 4 Feb. 1870 d. 6 Nov. 1946	PERKINS Infant - one Child of ROBERT & MARGARET SMITH PERKINS
SMITHART, EDDIE	ASHWORTH, CHARLES	
CLARK, RACHEL DRAKE b. 1830 d. 1916	CLARK, PRUDENCE b. 24 Feb. 1915 d. 4 June 1972	
SMITHART, WILSON	CLARK, RUTH EVELINE b. 1934 d. 1937	
SMITHART, AUZY	CLARK, MARY BELLE b. 1949 d. 1949	
SMITHART, WILLIE b. d. 25 June 1934	FISCH, CLARENCE C. b. 8 Feb. 1886 d. 12 June 1977	
WW I	FISCH, LAURA C. b. 30 Dec. 1896 d. 25 Nov. 1979	
SMITHART, RACHEL CLARK b. 1869	ASHWORTH, EDWIN b. 15 Oct. 1916 d. 14 May 1980	
FISCH, CLIFFORD HERBERT b. 3 Oct. 1926 d. 19 Oct. 1961		
CLARK, DANIEL ELLIS b. 7 Oct. 1884 d. 14 May 1870		

CAMERON PARISH SUCCESSIONS 1870 - 1900
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- #70 PERRY, JOHN C. File Date: 10 Nov. 1885
d. 13 Feb. 1887
Wife: Margaret W. PERRY
Minor Children: Oliver C., Maggie M. PERRY
Undertutor: John D. ARMSTRONG
Family Meeting: P. D. HARPER, John WETHERILL, F. H. ALEXANDER, I. G.
HARPER, J. C. SUTTLES.
- #71 FARQUE, JOSEPH DULVAS File Date: 30 Jan. 1885
d. 1884
Wife: Azilodie LEBLEU, now w/o Robert WALKINGTON
Minor Children: Joseph Dulvas, Marie Estelle, John Adonis, Marguerite
Inguene, Mitchel Achille, Joseph Charles, Francois Ambroise FARQUE.
Family Meeting: Relatives and Friends. Hervilien FARQUE, Fermont LEBLEU,
Toussaint DEMARETS, Belonie BLANCHARD, Laurent BLANCHARD, Lessin HEBERT,
Jean LEBLANC, Camille DUHON, Belonie GRANGER.
Azilodie LEBLEU futher represents that Miss Severine SALLIER, lately
departed from this life in the parish of Calcasieu, leaving a succession
consisting of movable and unmovable property in which said minors are
interested by the right of the representation of their dec. father,
Joseph Dulvas FARQUE, who himself came into the said inheritance by
right of the representation of his dec. mother, --- SALLIER, w/o
Hervielien FARQUE, a sister of said Severine SALLIER.
- #72 MARSHALL, AMANDA H., born HARRISON, former w/o JOHN TODD, dec. File Date: 6 June 1900
Husband: George C. MARSHALL
No ascending or descending heirs, only collateral heir in Miss.
Sister: Mrs. Lucy H. HYAMS, Edward-Hernl Co., Miss.
Named in will : Gideon CONSTANCE
- #73 DURR, E. A. (EMMANUEL) File Date: 27 July 1886
d. 8 Oct. 1885
Wife: Elizabeth GRIFFITH
Heirs: Sarah A. DURR w/o E. B. GORDON of Wharton Co., TX
E. A. DURR, Jr.
Laura DURR widow of James B. MCCALL of Cameron Parish
Ida C. DURR w/o J. A. DOXEY, 2nd petitioner
- #74 HEBERT, LESSIN, JR. File Date: 21 Aug. 1886
d. 13 July 1886
Wife: Tasil MOUTON
Heirs: Aurelia HEBERT w/o Desire DUHON
Lessin HEBERT, Jr.
Matilda HEBERT, w/o Alcide DEROUEN
Donatille HEBERT, w/o Asa ELENDER
Edouard HEBERT
Minor Heirs: Ophelia, Alcibiarde, Azelina, Pharnese, Elida, Deluno HEBERT

Undertutor: J. Baptiste BROUSSARD

Family Meeting: Relatives, Sosthene HEBERT, John LEBLANC, John B.

HEBERT, Cesaire HEBERT, J. J. GRANGER, M. D. HEBERT, Honore HEBERT.

- #75 DUHON, PIERRE V. File Date: 20 Nov. 1885
d. 9 Nov. 1885
Both parents dec., no decendants
Heirs: Brothers and Sisters:
Emile DUHON
Colastie DUHON
John M. or Genevieve
Joseph H. or F. DUHON
Marie DUHON w/o M. BENOIT
John B. DUHON
Virginia DUHON
- #76 DONAHOE, BETTIE J., born GRIFFITH File Date: 1 Feb. 1886
d. 26 Nov. 1885
Husband: D. W. DONAHOE
Minor Children: R. C. (age 18), R. W. (12), Elwin (10), Naomi (6)
Undertutor: A. P. BAKER
Family Meeting: J. GRIFFITH, W. R. GRIFFITH, J. B. PEVOTO, W. H. EDDLEMAN,
E. CHADWELL
- #77 STEPHENS, CICERO File Date: 31 July 1885
d. ca. 18 April 1885
Wife: Irene STEPHENS, born CRENSHAW
Minor Children: Bnnie M., Minnie E., Martha STEPHENS
Family Meeting, 21 Nov. 1885: Jas. PEVOTO, B. A. STEPHENS, G. W. MCDUFFIE,
Austin B. SMITH, E. M. SINGLETON
Undertutor: Issac SIMMONS
Family Meeting, 10 Dec. 1893 held at Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, LC.:
J. M. PEYTON, J. M. ALEXANDER, J. A. NEELY, R. N. SCARBOROUGH, F. H.
GALTIN
Undertutor: Martin LACY
- #78 BENOIT, ADILE (not included)
- #79 POIRIER, COLASTIE File Date: 13 Sept. 1886
d. 18 July 1885
Husband: Armand RICHARD
Children of 1st marriage to CHARLES THERIOT (long since dead):
1. Joseph Stanville THERIOT h/o Odeline LOPAES, both dec.
a. Joseph Stanville THERIOT, Jr.
b. Arthur THERIOT
c. Emma THERIOT
d. Asma THERIOT
2. Pierre Dolza THERIOT
3. George Adolph THERIOT
4. Julie Natalie THERIOT w/o Pierre RICHARD
5. Asma THERIOT w/o Cyprien BOUDREAUX

6. Vileor Theriot (Petitioner)

Children of 2nd marriage with Armand RICHARD:

7. Asma RICHARD w/o Emile GUIDRY of St. Landry Parish

8. Colastie RICHARD w/o Bartholomie BACCIGALOPI of Cameron Parish

9. Plazi RICHARD w/o Simon RICHARD

10. Armand RICHARD, Jr.

#80 BICKERSTAFF, FEDELIA

File Date: 14 Oct. 1886

d. 4 Oct. 1886 Cameron Parish

Petitioner: Robert J. LOONEY (son-in-law)

The petitioner states that his mother-in-law, Mrs. Fedelia GRIFFITH BICKERSTAFF, was married twice and that she left issues only with her first marriage with Jacob J. SIMMONS.

Major heirs:

1. Sarah SIMMONS w/o Asa PEVOTO

2. Laura SIMMONS w/o F. M. HARVEY

3. Missourie SIMMONS w/o Robert J. LOONEY

Minor heirs:

4. Henry SIMMONS

5. Williams SIMMONS

#81 PORTIE, PIERRE R.

File Date: 6 Oct. 1886

d. 11 August 1886

Wife: Exdosie A. ELENDER

Heir: Samuel PORTIE, age ca. 3 yrs. old

Under tutor: Benjamine ELENDER

Family Meeting: George MAYNE (step-father of widow); Eugene BROUSSARD (cousin); Alphonse PORTIE (brother of deceased); J. A. DOXEY, E. STURLESE (friends); Valsaint MILLER (brother-in-law).

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON SUCCESSION #61 (which appeared in last issue),
submitted by Harold Prejean, Jr.

John RUTHERFORD [H II 789] resident of Norfolk Co., Virginia, s/o James RUTHERFORD and Martha MOORE married 12 March 1828 Martha YOCUM [Opel. Ct. Hs: Mar. #7 H II 915], widow of James CALLIER, d/o Jesse YOCUM and Decy DENTON, res. of Kentucky. Died ca. Apr. 1844. Children: Elysa Wykoff [H III 574] b. 10 July 1831 [Laf. Ch. V. 5, p.204] and Martha b. 29 Nov. 1833 [Laf. Ch. v. 5 p. 204].

Captain Zacharie JONES [H IV 275] m. 12 January 1846 Martha YOCUM [YOCON, H. IV 512 YOCOMB, Laf. Ct. Hse. Mar. #817], widow of John RUTHERFORD; wife in first marriage James CAILLER; d/o Jesse YOCOM and Diana DENTON.

Until 1786 the Episcopal Church was the state church of Virginia. Baptisms were required for every child. Baptismal records with name of child, birth date, baptismal date and names of parents were filed and recorded in parish registers. The records which have survived the years are housed at the Virginia State Library in Richmond.

RECORDS REVEAL ORDINARY PEOPLE IN EXTRAORDINARY ERA

A set of microfilms recently obtained by the Calcasieu Parish Library for its genealogy collection preserves for posterity the sacrifices made by many Calcasieu residents during the fateful years between 1861 and 1865. The records also shed new light on why many 19th Century pioneers may have moved here - free land.

The microfilm set is of Confederate Land Grant applications and warrants filed in the 1880s and 1890s with the State Land Office. There are about 1,600 applications from veterans all over the state in the six-reel microfilm set. These documents contain first hand accounts by ordinary soldiers of personal experiences in famous and obscure battles which are a bonanza of previously untapped historical information.

Much of the free government land involved was in Calcasieu Parish and was probably the stimulus for many to move to Southwest Louisiana. To help disabled Confederate veterans or their widows, the state legislature passed the land grant act in 1884 granting approximately 160 acres of state owned land to those eligible. But because of the political turmoil of the Reconstruction Era following the war, it took nearly 20 years for the state's disabled soldiers to receive this benefit.

The Federal government furnished comprehensive pension, hospital and disability benefits for Union veterans of the War Between the States. But understandably it provided no benefits for the Confederate veterans who had fought to establish an independent Southern nation. Nor could the ex-soldiers of the South expect any help from their state governments at first. Until 1877 many Southern states were militarily occupied by Northern troops and ruled by iron-fisted Radical Republican state governments bent on punishing Confederate veterans, not helping them.

Lousiana in particular had been badly devastated and impoverished by the war. The state's Red River Valley in the north and Bayou Country in the south were like wastelands following the military campaigns of 1863 and 1864. Approximately 12,000 Louisianians died in the war. The primitive nature of medical care of that day and the large caliber, soft lead bullets used in the war had left thousands of soldiers with horrible disabling wounds and amputated limbs.

Also living for months and even years exposed to the elements of nature, poor food and the almost total lack of camp sanitation had left thousands of other soldiers disabled from crippling diseases and in precarious health for the rest of their lives.

What little help that was available for the returning Southern soldiers or their widows and children just after the conflict ended in 1865 was provided by private relief organizations, veterans associations and individual families.

One of Louisiana's earliest attempts to help its disabled soldiers and war widows was the Confederate Land Grant Act of 1884, which was extended in 1886 and 1896. The law set stringent eligibility requirements. To be eligible the veteran had to have a war related disability that "permanently disqualified him from the active vocations of life".

In addition, and most importantly for historians, the veteran had to describe how the wound or disability was acquired and present a notarized affidavit signed by three of his comrades-in-arms attesting to the fact that his wound or disability was gained during honorable service in the Confederate Army. Also the veteran had to prove that he had never deserted. Statements from two physicians attesting to the disability were also required.

Widows of Confederate soldiers who died in the war were also eligible for the land grants. The widow had to be indigent and provide proof of her deceased husband's honorable service in the Confederate Army, affidavits signed by three of his comrades and approved by the appropriate veterans organizations in existence at that time.

The three Confederate veteran groups in 1884 were organized around the three main geographic Confederate armies - the Army of Northern Virginia Benevolent Association, the Army of Tennessee Association and the Trans-Mississippi Department Association. In 1887 a single unified organization was formed - the United Confederate Veterans.

In a few instances the widows submitted their marriage licenses as well, although this wasn't required.

Much of the land granted to the veterans and widows was on state lands in Calcasieu Parish and Vermilion Parish, particularly to applicants in New Orleans. But numbers of veterans and widows residing in Calcasieu Parish also applied.

The very first application submitted in 1884 in the entire state was that of J. BEN. KIRKMAN of Lake Charles. JAMES BENJAMIN KIRKMAN was born in Texas about 1841 and moved to Lake Charles sometime prior to the war. He was an unmarried, farm boy when he enlisted with other Calcasieu Parish youths in 1861. The local group later became Company K, 10th Louisiana Infantry.

His regiment was assigned to ROBERT E. LEE's Army of Northern

Virginia where it took part in such famous battles as Malvern Hill, Va., Second Manassas, Va., Antietam, Md., all in 1862, Chancellorsville, Va. and Gettysburg, Pa. in 1863 and the Wilderness and Petersburg in Virginia in 1864 and 1865.

KIRKMAN, who was a sergeant, was present for all the battles until he was wounded in action at Chancellorsville on May 2, 1863. He was severely wounded in the right leg and the limb had to be amputated above the knee. Ironically, his older brother, DR. WILLIAM KIRKMAN - for whom Kirkman Street in Lake Charles is named - was serving as an assistant surgeon in the 10th Louisiana, but it is unknown if it was his brother who performed the amputation.

After the war BEN KIRKMAN served on the very first town board of aldermen when Lake Charles was incorporated in 1867.

Signing the affidavit for KIRKMAN's land grant application were fellow veterans of the 10th Louisiana Infantry and distinguished Calcasieu Parish pioneers JOSEPH LAWRENCE RYAN, OLIVER RYAN MOSS and JOE J. HERRINGTON.

Among other disabled veterans from Calcasieu Parish to receive land grants was DUPRE MARCANTEL who lived in the Welsh area of what is now Jeff Davis Parish. He received his grant on the basis of his wounds received at the Battle of Antietam, Md. on Sept. 17, 1862. He too was a 20-year-old farmer when he joined Company K of the 10th Louisiana as a private in 1861. During the Battle of Antietam - the single bloodiest day in all U.S. History - MARCANTEL suffered a gunshot wound to the ankle that shattered the bones.

JOHN W. CAVANAUGH, first sergeant of Co. B, 1st Louisiana Infantry, of Calcasieu Parish received his land on the basis of having been wounded in the right forearm while charging up Culp's during the Battle of Gettysburg (June 30-July 3, 1863). The bullet shattered the bones in his forearm which resulted in an amputation a few inches below the elbow.

But not all disabilities were caused by "shot and shell" on the "field of glory". Many men were just as surely and just as permanently disabled by diseases caused by the extreme hardships endured by soldiers of that war. Poor sanitation in army camps caused epidemics of typhoid fever, dysentery, measles, typhus, cholera and most commonly - chronic diarrhea. In many cases the soldiers' health was permanently impaired if he was lucky enough to recover from the disease.

Falling into this category was HANCE LINSICOMB who contracted his disability while serving as a private in Company D, 18th Louisiana Infantry. He managed to survive such horrendous blood-

baths as the Battle of Shiloh, Tenn., on April 6 and 7, 1862 and the Battle of Mansfield, La., on April 8, 1864 - but due to sickness was never able to fully regain his health after the war.

LINSICOMB's regiment would spend months in the field on long forced marches with little to eat and often only tainted water to drink. The unit spent the severe winter of 1863-64 in Northeast Louisiana enduring hardships not unlike those suffered by WASHINGTON's army at Valley Forge during the Revolutionary War. When he was granted 160 acres of land in Calcasieu Parish in 1897, LINSICOMB was still suffering ill health from the effects of his wartime service.

Some of the applications give interesting insights into local history. CHARLES C. QUIBODEAUX, who served as a private in Company E, 11th Battalion (SPAIGHT's) Texas Volunteers, said in his application that he helped build the breastworks at Niblett's Bluff - an important Confederate fort on the Old River in Calcasieu Parish. Those very same breastworks are still in existence and well preserved as part of Niblett's Bluff Park near Vinton. While helping to construct the breastworks there, QUIBODEAUX said in his application that he suffered a rupture that was still troubling him in 1897.

The stories told by the war widows were even more tragic. Mrs. KATY VIGE of Lake Charles stated her husband, PVT. EDMOND VIGE of Company I, 28th Louisiana Infantry, was killed on May 22 or 23, 1863, during the Siege of Vicksburg, Miss., "having his head shot off by a shell". Her application was approved.

Mrs. LUCY LANGLEY of Calcasieu Parish received her land grant because her husband, PVT. ANDREW J. LANGLEY of Company I, 28th Louisiana Infantry, had died of measles at Vicksburg on June 22, 1862.

Mrs. ADELE SAVOIE of Calcasieu Parish lost her husband, PLACIDE LEBLANC, in April, 1864. He was serving as a private in CAPTAIN TODD's Independent Louisiana Cavalry when his "left leg was shot off" during the Red River Campaign in Northwest Louisiana.

The stories told by these ordinary people who lived through extraordinary times record for posterity how war leaves scars that last far beyond the historic dates of the conflict. It is also a record of the incredible sacrifices made by people who fought for a cause in which they believed.

The above article appeared in the Lake Charles American Press on January 22, 1989 and was written by MIKE JONES.

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CLARK, A. L. BABE

b. 4 July 1850

d. 12 Oct. 1950

CLARK, SELIA ANN ASHWORTH

b. 1849

d. 19 Jan. 1911

SMITH, ANTHIVELS

BRANEFF, SION

b. 19 June 1862

d. 9 May 1941

BRANEFF, SINIA ASHWORTH

b. 4 Aug. 1884

d. 12 Nov. 1969

ASHWORTH, EGNEY

b. 16 July 1897

d. 21 Oct. 1974

ASHWORTH, IDA BRANEFF

b. 1 Jan. 1905

d. 8 May 1954

CLARK, PRENTIS W.

b. 27 July 1942

d. 28 Aug. 1942

CLARK, JOSEPH M.

b. 21 Sept. 1922

d. 20 Apr. 1924

CLARK, REGGIE S.

b. 7 Aug. 1939

d. 16 Mar. 1950

CLARK, ZIBA

b. 1875

PERKINS, JIM

b. 23 May 1889

d. 9 June 1910

PERKINS, SARAH

b. 1874

d. 1936

CLARK, ISABELLE SMITH

b. 11 Mar. 1884

d. 26 Sept. 1934

CLARK, BETTE SUE

b. 1947

d. 1948

CLARK, VICTOR PRESTON

b. 10 Nov. 1916

d. 26 May 1964

CLARK, ERNEST

b. 9 Feb. 1901

d. 1 Mar. 1972

BRYANT, MARGIE LOU

b. 3 Feb. 1949

d. 5 Oct. 1949

CLARK, ALICE SMITHART

d. 1 Sept. 1950

CLARK, KIZZAR ANDELION

POOLE

CLARK, MARY

b. 1905

d. 1912

CLARK, GILBERT

b. 31 Mar. 1911

d. 10 Aug. 1921

CLARK, CLARENCE

DOYLE, ROXY ANN CLARK

b. 1907

GRAY, ALBERT

b. 28 Feb. 1900

d. 28 July 1917

PERKINS, EDNA

PERKINS, ALENE

b. 23 Oct. 1917

d. 10 July 1920

PERKINS, ALENE

b. 1919

d. 1930

CLARK Infant

Child of ERNEST & RETTIE

TYLER CLARK

PERKINS, LEE

CLARK Infant

c/o WILLIAM & ISABELLE

SMITH CLARK

d. 11 July 1931

CLARK Infant

c/o A. L. & SELIA ANN

ASHWORTH CLARK

CLARK - 4 infants

c/o ELI & KIZZAR ANDELION

POOLE CLARK

CLARK - 2 infants

Children of A. J. & GEORGIA

SMITH CLARK

HATCHELL, CURTIS baby

SMITHART Infant

c/o CLYDE & LENORA GORE

SMITHART

THOMPSON Infant

c/o JIM & MARY STAINS

THOMPSON

STARKS Infant

c/o EUGENE & MATTA JORDAN

STARKS

BRANEFF - 2 infants

Children of SION & SINIA

ASHWORTH BRANEFF

BRANEFF - 3 infants

CLARK Infant

c/o ZIBA & ALICE SMITHART

CLARK

MAINS, LILLIE PERKINS CLARK

b. 17 May 1894

d. 9 June 1966

ASHWORTH, FRANKIE

b. 22 Aug. 1937

d. 24 Nov. 1962

BASS, ELMER

b. 13 July 1907

d. 1963

ASHWORTH, ISABELLE DRAKE

CLARK, JAMES EUGENE
b. 18 Apr. 1956
d. 14 July 1973

CLARK, LOUIS
b. 20 Aug. 1919
d. 4 July 1930

CLARK, W. P. SR.
b. 2 Jan. 1915
d. 14 Mar. 1963

CLARK, DAVID
b. 8 Aug. 1953
d. 7 Oct. 1957

CLARK, FAIRBA
b. 1888
d. 27 May 1958

ASHWORTH, LAURA

CLARK, WILLIAM
b. 18 Feb. 1878
d. 6 July 1955

CLARK, GEORGIA SMITH
b. 27 May 1882
d. 18 Nov. 1965

BRYANT, MARVIN W.
b. 28 Oct. 1945
d. 28 Oct. 1973

BRYANT, LOUIS L.
b. 1937
d. 1937

CLARK, ANDREW J.
b. 1872
d. 4 Dec. 1942

PERKINS, IRA
b. 1874
d. 1915

CLARK, NELON
b. 1889
d. 1922

BASS, CHARLIE
b. 8 Nov. 1886
d. 1935

BASS, EARLISE CLARK
b. 1887
d. 30 May 1925

RIDGEWAY, ADDIE CLARK
b. 1884
d. 23 May 1936

CLARK, MAYO
b. 1890
d. 5 Nov. 1956

PERKINS, ADRIAN
b. 9 Oct. 1888
d. 20 Dec. 1969

MYERS, HONORA PERKINS
b. 1878
d. 1948

MORRIS, ORA PERKINS
b. 1881
d. 1948

PERKINS, JOEL
b. 26 Dec. 1841
d.

PERKINS, SUSANER HOOSIER
b. 27 June 1853
d. 30 Dec. 1943

LATHAN, MARY PERKINS
b. 1876
d. 1922

PERKINS, JOYCE PERKINS
b. 15 Dec. 1890
d. 18 Mar. 1949

HOWARD, WILFRED R.
b. 24 July 1935
d. 6 Feb. 1985

BRANEFF, SIMON
b. 28 Nov. 1914
d. 14 Sept. 1983

BRANEFF, SHON H.
b. 14 June 1973
d. 1 Oct. 1979

BRANEFF, ANETTE J.
b. 15 Jan. 1953
d. 1 Oct. 1979

CLARK, JAMES W. SR.
b. 29 Oct. 1913
d. 30 Oct. 1981

FOSTER, SHARON CLARK
b. 17 June 1952
d. 14 May 1978

CLARK, VICTOR P. JR.
b. 17 Sept. 1944
d. 20 Mar. 1987

PAULK, MELVIN E.
b. 2 Apr. 1922
d. 10 Apr. 1982

PAULK, N. MAXINE
b. 26 Jan. 1926
d. 20 Nov. 1978

BRANEFF, BOBBY RAY
b. 11 Mar. 1953
d. 30 Dec. 1976

LATHAM, EGBERT
BRANEFF, ELIAS
b. 23 July 1909
d. 18 Dec. 1982

BRANEFF, LEVI
b. 26 Apr. 1916
d. 1 Mar. 1980

CLARK, ALLEN
b. 5 May 1905
d. 24 Nov. 1975

CLARK, WALTER C.
b. 5 July 1900
d. 31 Jan. 1982

CULVER, MAUDE M.
b. 4 May 1909
d. 13 Mar. 1983

WILLET, PENNY E.
b. 21 Apr. 1967
d. 13 Aug. 1976

BARROW, PEARL CLARK
b. 6 Apr. 1902
d. 19 June 1979

BARROW, DEWEL B.
b. 15 Feb. 1903
d. 24 Nov. 1977

Complete except
un-marked graves
to 16 May 1987

LAKE CHARLES DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN CIVIL WAR CONFLICT

Only once during the War Between the States did Lake Charles become directly involved in the conflict.

It was during the first week of October, 1862, when the then-tiny hamlet, also called Charleston, got a first-hand taste of war.

A brash Yankee skipper, LT. FREDERICK CROCKER, led a raiding expedition up the Calcasieu River to burn and plunder.

Following is the text of that officer's official report found in the OFFICIAL RECORDS of the UNION and CONFEDERATE NAVIES in the WAR of the REBELLION:

"U.S.S. KENSINGTON, Sabine Pass, October 12, 1862.

"Sir: At the date of my last report I was just leaving with the launch and howitzer, 12 men and two officers, on an expedition up the Calcasieu river and lake.

"I have the honor now to report that expedition successful. I was absent four days. I proceeded 80 miles up, where I found the steamer DAN, of which I went in search, and captured it.

"Returning with the launch in tow, I stopped at the town of Charleston, on Lake Charles, and burned a large schooner lying there. I then levied on the town a contribution of sweet potatoes and beef, which was furnished.

"By this time I had been three days, nearly, up the river, and was informed by Union men, plenty of whom I found, that a large party had collected to attack up below; whereupon I seized upon ten or twelve of the inhabitants of the place and posting them around the man at the wheel, who was exposed, made the best of my way down the river.

"I found one other large schooner, which I also burned, and thus destroyed all the navigation in that place, besides teaching the people a lesson they will not soon forget.

"As soon as I reached a place of safety I released the prisoners. I should have mentioned before, that on my way up I captured COLONEL NATHANIEL CLIFTON, the commander of all the rebel forces in that vicinity, and now hold him prisoner.

"I have proposed to the rebel authorities here to exchange him for LIEUTENANT KITTREDGE, of our Navy, but as yet have

received no reply.

"On reaching the mouth of the Calcasieu River we found it too rough to cross the bar with steamer, and having heard that the RACHEL SEAMAN was in danger, I left the prize steamer there with the crew and howitzer and hastened to this port, where I took in 25 men and a howitzer from the KENSINGTON, and came at once to man the prized schooner VELOCITY.

"The RACHEL SEAMAN was safe, and had taken prize the schooner DART, by which I have the honor to send this...

"I found here two families of Union people, who claimed the protection of the United States, and were put on board the VELOCITY by CAPTAIN HOOPER in my absence. I have sent them forward by the DART for your disposal.

"I beg leave to mention that the yellow fever has entirely ceased here, but quarantine precautions may be necessary.

"Messrs. KIRKPATRICK and DAVIS, whose families I thus send forward in the DART, are the gentlemen to whom I am indebted for a great deal of exceedingly valuable information and for faithful services as pilots...

"I am, respectfully, your obedient servant,

FREDERICK CROCKER,
Acting Master, Commanding."

Although he might have taught Lake Charles a "lesson" this time, on Sept. 8, 1863, CROCKER himself was taught a lesson in accurate artillery fire when LT. DICK DOWLING and his battery defeated a Union invasion fleet at Sabine Pass, Texas.

Among the captives was FREDERICK CROCKER.

The above article was written by MIKE JONES and appeared in the Lake Charles American Press on November 21, 1982.

INFORMATION FROM EXCHANGES

"Louisiana Genealogical Register", Vol. XXXVII, No. 1 contains records of Confederate Prisoners of War (their rank and unit) who were paroled 9-18 May 1865, mainly at Meridian, Miss. These records are housed at Jackson Barracks, New Orleans and were submitted by MARGARET M. LEE. The majority of those paroled were from Louisiana. The magazine also contains a listing of Confederate Personnel Files on the La. Historical Association Collection.

"La Voix des Prairies", Vol. 11, No. 41, April 1990, has an article on the La. Jayhawkers, who were led by OZEME CARRIERE. This story is entitled "The Robin Hood of Mallet Woods" and was written by GERCIE D. DAIGLE.

LA FAYETTE PARISH MARRIAGE RECORDS
MARRIAGE BOOK II (1831-1835)

Compiled/Edited by HAROLD PREJEAN JR.

Continued from Vol. 14 #2

#90

June 15, 1833

ELIAS McCLELLAND

to

MARGARET RIPPEY

ELIAS McCLELLAND, resident of Darlington District,
South Carolina, son of DENAIS McCLELLAND and
EULALIE McCLELLAND, married MARGARET RIPPEY.

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ELIAS McCLELLAND [H. III 487] son of DENAIS McCLELLAND and EULALIE McCLELLAND.

b.

m. June

15, 1833

Darlington District, South Carolina

MARGARET RIPPEY [H. III 554, Laf. Ct. Hse.

Mar. #90, NCR]

d.

children:

MARTHA ELISA [H. III 487]

b. April

7, 1835

(Sm. Ch. V. 8 #1017)

#91

July 16, 1833

ALFRED LEE

to

ALEZENITH ABSHIRE

ALFRED LEE, son of JOHN LEE and SUSAN WHITE;
married ALEZENITH ABSHIRE, daughter of BENJAMIN
ABSHIRE and HANNAH L. WEED.

The genealogical information BENJAMIN ABSHIRE and his wife, HANNAH L. WEED, will
be found in V. 1 pp. 57/58 of The Lafayette Parish Marriage Records.

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JOHN LEE JR. [H. IX 437] native of Virginia, son of PETER LEE and ISABELLE TAYLOR.

b.

m. February

27, 1811

SUSANNE WHITE [H. IX, NI Ch. OA Folio #92]
native of Natchez, Mississippi, daughter of
JOHN WHITE and SARAH GAMBEL.

d.

children:

ALFRED [H. III 414]

m. July

16, 1833

ALEZENITH ABSHIRE [H. III 1, Laf. Ct. Hse.
Mar. #91]

daughter of BENJAMIN ABSHIRE and HANNAH L. WEED.

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JOHN WHITE [H. I 573/574] son of JACQUES [JAMES] WHITE and ELIZABETH POU.

b.

m.

SARAH GAMBEL [H. I 236] daughter of JEAN [JOHN]
BAMBEL and SARA DEMPOT.

d.

children:

ANNA [H. I 573]

m. February

24, 1794

JOSEPH CAR [H. I 112, SM. Ct. Hse. Mar. OA 15-75]
resident of Jamaica, son of HUGO CAR and
MARGUERITE HALFAN.

WHITE

GUILLAUME [WILLIAM, H. I 574]

m. January 31, 1791 AMIEE COMSTOCK [H. I 142, SM. Ch. V. 4 #51]
daughter of WILLIAM COMSTOCK and RACHEL ALRIDGE.

JACQUES TELLEUR [H. I 574]

b. July 28, (year not given) (SM. Ch. V. 5 #371)

JEAN JESSEE [H. I 574]

bt. May 27, 1800 (SM. Ch. V. 5 #263) age 22 yrs.

LUCE [LUCIE, H. I 574]

m. January 2, 1795 WHITINGTON WALLACE [H. I 571, SM. Ct. Hse.
OA 16-128] resident of Baltimore, Maryland;
son of THOMAS WALLACE and REBECCA MACHAIN.

MARIE [H. I 574]

m. ALEXANDRE GRAER [H. I 247] resident of
Pennsylvania, son of JEAN [JOHN] GRAER of
Ireland and ANA McFERSON of Scotland.

SARAH [H. I 575]

bt. May 5, 1801 (SM. Ch. V. 5 #372)
m. JACQUES DONMAN [H. I 177] son of JEAN DONMAN
and JEANNE KILCHRIST.

#92

August 5, 1833

DAVID SPELL

to

MALINDA FORMAN

DAVID SPELL, son of BENAJAH SPELL and DOROTHA
FORMAN, married MALINDA FORMAN, daughter of
ISAAC FORMAN and EUPHROISE DOUCET.

#94

September 18, 1833

JOHN GRAY

to

ELIZABETH BOUYER

JOHN GRAY, son of ABSOLOM GRAY and MARIE LU[LEE],
married ELIZABETH BOUYER, widow of JOSEPH BAKER,
daughter of JOHN BOUYER [BOURG] AND ANN ABSHIRE.

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JOSEPH BAKER [H. II 36, H. III 25] parentage not given.

b.

m. August 24, 1825 ELIZABETH BOUYER [BOURG, Opel. Ct. Hse. Mar. #36]

d. ca May 20, 1833 [H. III 25, Laf. Ct. Hse. Succ. #246]

children:

MARIE [H. II 36]

b. March 8, 1828 (Opel. Ch. V. 3 p. 40)

Marriage Lincense and letter of concent from the first marriage of the bride
(ELIZABETH - Opel. Ct. Hse. Mar. #34)

Know all men by the present that JOSEPH BAKER and ALEXANDER DUGGINS both of the
State of Louisiana and Parish of St. Landry are held and firmly bound unto HENRY
JOHNSON Governor of the aforesaid state and to his successor in office the sum
of one thousand dollars, for the ? and faithful payment where of they and each
of them hereby bind themselves their heirs executor and administrator jointly and

severally firmly by their present. In witness where of they have here unto signed and affixed their seal at Opelousas this twenty fourth day of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty five.

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The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound JOSEPH BAKER has this day obtained License to marry ELIZABETH BOYER. Now if there should be or hereafter appear no legal impediment to the said marriage then and in that case; the above obligation to be null and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Signed, sealed and deleveried in presence of
JAMES ROY
Notary Public

his
JOSEPH X BAKER (Seal)
mark
A. DUGGINS (Seal)

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Letter of Consent

Mountville August 24th 1825

To the Honorable GEORGE KING

I am very unwell at this time and not able to come in to give my concent to the marriage between JOHN BAKER and my daughter ELIZABETH BOYUER, it being my wish for ? to be joined together you will procede as the law directs as this my full concent and by ? you will oblige your.

JOHN BOYUER

JOHN COOPER
WILLIS ELLEAU (?)

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Laf. Ct. Hse Succ #246 - Estate of JOSEPH BAKER

To THOMAS B. BRASHEAR Parish Judge and Ex officio Judge of the Court of Probate within and for the Parish of LaFayette in the State of Louisiana.

The Petition of BETSY BOYER, of the parish of Lafayette with respect represents that she is the widow of JOSEPH BAKER late of said Parish deceased that said Petitioner's deceased husband aforesaid left an only child of his marriage with your petitioner named BETSY BAKER, a minor now five years of age, that said minor is sole heir of deceased and entitled to his estate. Your Petitioner further represents that said deceased left some personal property such as a house, blacksmith shop, tools and together with some horned cattle, horned creatures and personal effects, all of which being acqusts (?) and gains after the payment of the debts: one half of which belongs to your Petitioner and the other half to the minor heir aforesaid of said deceased and in order to put an end to said Community so that each may have their distinct rights understood your Petitioner prays that you will order and inventory and appraisement to be made of all the property heretofore in Community between your Petitioner and her late husband aforesaid.

And your Petitioner prays for ? other and further relief as law and equity ?.

And as in duty bound

his
BETSY X BOYER
mark

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(continued next issue)

QUERIES

Please make your queries clear, concise and easily understood. Give full name of person; exact dates, if known, or an approximate date or time period if the exact date is unknown (ca); and a location, if possible. Be sure to state exactly what information you are seeking in your query. Queries are free to members and will be published as time and space permit.

THOMAS, GREENLEAF, CRYER

Desire information on the family of VIRGINIA BELLE THOMAS (b. 1873, Victoria, Tex.; d. 1947, Lake Charles, La.), who married FRED GREENLEAF. Was CRYER the maiden name of her mother ELIZABETH (b. 1844; d. 1920, Lake Charles)? DOLLY FARROW NICOL, 3822 Hansen Drive, Dickinson, TX. 77539-6114

HUGHES, ELENDER

Need information on EDWARD HUGHES and wife SARAH ELENDER, living in Calcasieu Parish ca 1889. RONALD HUGHES, 62156 Gracie Ave., Lacombe, La. 70455.

KYLE, ISTRE/EAST, MOFFETT

Need information on EDNA BELL KYLE (b. ca 1912, Crowley, La., daughter of RUFUS SADLER KYLE and EDNA ISTRE/EAST), who was married to HARRY T. MOFFETT in June 1941 when she purchased her grandparents house in Crowley, La. GENEVA ROWELL, 3450 Fargo, Paris, Tex. 75460.

ALFIN/ALPHIN, SIMMONS, GRANGER

Is anyone researching BERNARD SIMMONS, who married MARY ALFIN/ALPHIN in Sugartown, La., 31 Mar. 1875? Is MARY ALFIN related to JOHN Q. ALPHIN who married Mrs. CEDALESE GRANGER, 1880? BOBBIE EASON PAYNE, 801 W. High St., Grand Saline, Tex. 75140.

STARK, LOVING, DeROUSSEL, OLIVIER

Seeking information on the STARK family. WILLIAM SPENCER STARK married CATHERINE LOVING (when? where?). Their son JOHN STARK married CELANIE DeROUSSEL on 11 Nov. 1856, Iberville. Also need parents of DENNIS OLIVIER (b. 14 Jan. 1858; d. 22 July 1887), who married MARY JANE STARK. MARCH ELLA BELLON, 280 Dr. Beatrous Rd., Theriot, La. 70397.

HEBERT, BENOIT, WHITTINGTON

Does anyone have pictures or personal family stories on the following HEBERT families: CESAIRE HEBERT (b. 1834) m. 1857 MARIE ZELMIRE BENOIT (b. 1839); CESAIRE HEBERT, JR. (b. 1861) m. FELICIENE HEBERT (b. 1860); SOSTHENE HEBERT (b. 1825) m. 1846 MARY JANE WHITTINGTON (b. 1821). All lived in Grand Lake and vicinity. SHERRY WILSON MANUEL, P.O. Box 5086, Thibodeaux, La. 70302.

QUERIES cont'd.

BELLON, DOUGAT

Who are the parents of ANTOINE ALEXANDER BELLON (b. 1820), who married CELINA DELORAS DOUGAT 9 June 1856? MARCH ELLA BELLON, 280 DR. Beatrous Rd., Theriot, La. 70397.

PARROTT, TRAVIS

Need information on birthplace of ROBERT PARROTT (b. 1820) and wife SARAH (SALLY) TRAVIS, who lived at Conecuh City, Ala. Children were JAMES, ELIZABETH and LUCY. LILLY MAE NELSON DUFRENE, 315 Beauregard, Lake Charles, La. 70605

SINGLETON, THOMAS, HAYS, CLARK

Seeking information on and parents of ELDRIDGE MADISON SINGLETON (b. ca 1821-27); m. 1st. THERESA THOMAS, whom he divorced; m. 2nd. MARTHA HAYS, Jasper, Texas, 1878; m. 3rd SINA CLARK, Orange, Texas, 1887. SINGLETON moved to Livingston, Texas ca 1862. Died at Starks, La. ca 1895. DAVID BRYAN SINGLETON, 12018 Briar Forest, Houston, Texas 77077.

CALHOUN

Desire information on WALTER P. CALHOUN of S. Carolina, who moved to Mississippi. BERNICE IOLA DENNY, P.O. Box 2, Iowa, La. 70647.

LANDRY, BERNARD

Need parents of VICTORINE URSIN LANDRY, who m. DESIRE BERNARD (s/o HILAIRE NELSON BERNARD and MARIE ARTHEMISE LANDRY) on 25 April 1864, Lafayette. Also would like to correspond with anyone interested in the Acadians in the U.S. colonies, especially in the Maryland/Virginia area. CINDY HILLS MELANCON, 3508 Kileen Dr., Amarillo, Texas 79109.

FORK

Need any information on LUCAS FORK, who appeared in Louisiana in the late 1700's. JEANNE LeBLANC FARQUE, Rt. 8 Box 1681, Lake Charles, La. 70605.

MOORE, CAVANAUGH

Wish to correspond with any descendants of my gr-gr-grand-parents, JOSEPH WILLIAM MOORE (b. 1835, Ireland; d. 1914, La.) and ELIZA BRIDGET CAVANAUGH (b. 1839, Ala.; d. 1883, La.), who m. ca 1858. They had 12 children and lived in Allen and Vernon Parishes. KATHLEEN MOORE FITZPATRICK, 9213 Furrow Ave., Ellicott City, MD 21043.

The word "cenotaph" engraved on a tombstone denotes an empty grave with a stone erected in memory to someone who died elsewhere (i.e., buried at sea).

BOOK REVIEWS

Our French Canadian Ancestors: Volume X, by Thomas John Laforest.
1990. \$14.00

This is Volume X in the series originally published in Quebec as "Nos Ancestres" by Rev. Gerard Lebel and Jacques Saintongue. The opening chapter continues with the subject of life in New France, 1663-1760, this part concerning the origin of private property. The remainder of this work covers the biographies of ancestors as follows: CHARLES ALLAIRE, JOSEPH BONNEAU DIT LABECASSE, JEAN BOUCHER, JACQUES BUSSIERE DIT LAVERDURE, OLIVIER CHARBONNEAU, SEBASTIEN CHOLET DIT LAVIOLETTE, JEAN DECARIE DIT LEHOUX, FRANCOIS DUPONT, FRANCOIS FRECHETTE, MICHEL GAUTRON DIT LA ROCHELLE, GUILLAUME GUERIN DIT SAINT-HILAIRE, JEAN MIGNAULT DIT LABRIE, ANDRE PATRY, RENE PLOURDE, JACQUES ROUSSEAU, JEAN SOUCY DIT LAVIGNE, JEAN-JACQUES TALBOT DIT GERVAIS, ROBERT VAILLANCOURT, BARTHELEMY VERREAU DIT LA BOURGUIGNON. Also contains French-Canadian-American family name variations: -- H - I - J - K --.

Soft cover, 283 p., index of names, bibliographies, illus., maps, coats-of-arms.
Order from The LISI Press, P. O. Box 1063, Palm Harbor, Fl. 34682-1063.

In Search of Your Canadian Roots, by Angus Baxter. 1989. \$16.95

In this book the author has concentrated exclusively on the many sources available to Canadian genealogical research within Canada. He explains how to start the family tree and continues on with a discussion of the great migrations in a period from about 1750 until the First World War. The subjects discussed in this category are on the Scots and the Irish, German-speaking settlers, the Huguenots, United Empire Loyalists, the Ukrainians, the Jews in Canada, and a note on passenger lists. From there he touches on the LDS Church records, the National Archives, church records and registers, coats-of-arms. The largest part of this work is a detailed, province-by-province listing of sources that can be used. The last chapter discusses how to go about writing a family history.

Soft cover, 350p., index, bibliography.

Genealogical Resources: 1985.

This work contains the listings of the libraries belonging to the Bayouland Library System (these libraries located in, around, and east of the Lafayette area). Titles are arranged by subject matter or geographical area, family and state names are clearly marked in columns opposite the listings, and titles covering more than one subject are listed in each of the different subject areas. A listing of the libraries with their locations and instructions on using the materials are given in the introduction.

Soft cover, 296p.

BOOK REVIEW

Applied Genealogy, by Eugene Aubrey Stratton. 1988. \$12.95 plus \$3.25 S&H.

This author ranks high as a professional in the field of genealogy. He points out that this work is concerned with helping people understand what is good genealogy and what is bad genealogy (the word "people" covering genealogists on all levels). Subjects that follow touch upon: genealogical potpourri; scholarly journals; standards and documentation; onomastic evidence vs. the name's the same game; analyzing evidence; indirect evidence; forgivable sins; pride of ancestry-hereditary societies; royal genealogy - case studies, and ways and means; academia and genealogy; computers and genealogy; the organization of genealogy. Explanatory notes are to be found at the conclusion of each chapter. This volume has been praised for its readability and should be of great help for all researchers. The possibility also exists as to its use as a textbook.

Soft cover, 329p. Order from Ancestry, Inc., Department SRV, P. O. Box 538, Salt Lake City, Ut. 84110.

(This book was donated by the publisher for review).

CIVIL WAR PHOTOGRAPHY

The U. S. Army Military History Institute at Carlisle, Penn. has extensive photographic holdings of all phases of the Civil War - camp scenes, equipment, famous buildings, railroads and an unmatched collection of identified soldiers. However, the majority of these are from the Grand Army of the Republic.

There are more photographs of soldiers from New England and the Mid-Atlantic regions than from the Mid-West and West. There are pictures of more officers than enlisted men. There are few pictures of Confederates under the rank of general.

The Institute is seeking donations to its collection of Civil War photographs, and would welcome the opportunity to make copies of these.

If you are seeking the photograph of a soldier, contact the curator at the address below. Fees will be charged for reproduction.

The Institute is open to the public.

For further information write: Curator, U. S. Army Military History, Institute, Carlisle Barracks, PA. 17013.

Many of the old documents in England and other places in western Europe were destroyed by fires - some deliberately set to destroy the living quarters of those who died from the Black Plague. In 1360 Black Death destroyed about 50% of the population of London, and fire swept uncontrolled through the city, destroying everything in its path.

*Ancestor Chart*Name of Compiler CONWAY ROSTEETAddress P. O. Box 36City, State Ragley, La. 70657Date April 6, 1990Person No. 1 on this chart is the same
person as No. _____ on chart No. _____.

Chart No. _____

4 MIGUEL JUAN ROSTEET

(Father of No. 2)

b. 11 Nov. 1837
 p.b. Bayou Valenzuela, LA.
 m. 13 Nov. 1860
 d. 23 April 1906
 p.d. New Orleans, LA.

b. Date of Birth
 p.b. Place of Birth
 m. Date of Marriage
 d. Date of Death
 p.d. Place of Death

2 JOSEPH WILFRED ROSTEET

(Father of No. 1)

b. 11 Aug. 1861
 p.b. Lake Charles, LA.
 m. 30 Sept. 1886
 d. 3 March 1923
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

5 MARY JANE CHURCH

(Mother of No. 2)

b. 11 April 1841
 p.b.
 d. 11 August 1872
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

1 CHARLES MURPHY ROSTEET

b. 6 Jan. 1892
 p.b. Lake Charles, LA.
 m. 27 July 1915
 d. 8 May 1973
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

6 JOSEPH CAMERSAC LeBLEU

(Father of No. 3)

b. 8 April 1841
 p.b. Chloe, LA.
 m. 1867
 d. 6 Nov. 1914
 p.d. Chloe, LA.

3 GRACE LeBLEU

(Mother of No. 1)

b. 24 Oct. 1869
 p.b. Chloe, LA.
 d. 29 Feb. 1960
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

7 LAONISE HEBERT

(Mother of No. 3)

b. 11 April 1842
 p.b. Opelousas, LA.
 d. 26 Dec. 1943
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

ALBERTA GLADYS HARTMAN

(Spouse of No. 1)

b. 8 Oct. 1896 d. 12 Jan. 1984
 p.b. Abbeville, LA. p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

8 MIGUEL JUAN

(Father of No. 4)

b. ca 1807
 p.b.
 m. 30 April 1835
 d. 29 Aug. 1837
 p.d. Plattenville, LA.

9 MARGUERITE VIRGIE HERNANDEZ

(Mother of No. 4)

b. 7 Oct. 1808
 p.b. Bayou Valenzuela, LA.
 d. 24 June 1876
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

10 JAMES CHURCH

(Father of No. 5)

b.
 p.b.
 m.
 d.
 p.d.

11

(Mother of No. 5)

b.
 p.b.
 d.
 p.d.

12 ARSENE CAMERSAC LeBLEU

(Father of No. 6)

b. ca 1783
 p.b. Opelousas, LA.
 m. 20 April 1824
 d. 17 Oct. 1850
 p.d. Sacramento, CA.

13 ELIZA MILHOMME

(Mother of No. 6)

b. 31 Jan. 1800
 p.b. Opelousas, LA.
 d. 23 Nov. 1882
 p.d. Chloe, LA.

14 JOSEPH LASTIE HEBERT

(Father of No. 7)

b. 28 Feb. 1820
 p.b. St. Martinville, LA.
 m. 17 Nov. 1838
 d.
 p.d.

15 LUCY PAUL AUGUSTIN

(Mother of No. 7)

b. 24 July 1821
 p.b. Grand Coteau, LA.

16 MIGUEL JUAN

(Father of No. 8,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.

m.

d.

17 ANA PALOVER

(Mother of No. 8,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.

d.

18 LAZARO HERNANDEZ

(Father of No. 9,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. ca 1771

m. 9 June 1794

d. 24 May 1833

19 MARIA LOPEZ MACHADO

(Mother of No. 9,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. July 1778

d.

20

(Father of No. 10,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.

m.

d.

21

(Mother of No. 10,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.

d.

22

(Father of No. 11,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.

m.

d.

23

(Mother of No. 11,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.

d.

24 BARTHELEMY BLAISE LeBLEU

(Father of No. 12,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. ca 1722

m. 16 Oct. 1769

d. 2 Apr. 1797

25 MARIA JOSEPH DeLAMIRAND

(Mother of No. 12,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. ca 1749

d. 12 Dec. 1808

26 FRANCOIS MILHOMME

(Father of No. 13,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 18 April 1790

d.

27 PRUDENCE CHOATE

(Mother of No. 13,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.

d.

28 JOSEPH HEBERT

(Father of No. 14,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 25 Mar. 1772

m. 23 July 1806

d. 4 Sept. 1827

29 ISABELLE DUHON

(Mother of No. 14,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.

d.

30 PAOLO A GOSTIN

(Father of No. 15,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 25 May 1818

d.

31 CELESTE FELIX PELOQUIN

(Mother of No. 15,
Cont. on chart No. _____)

b.

d.

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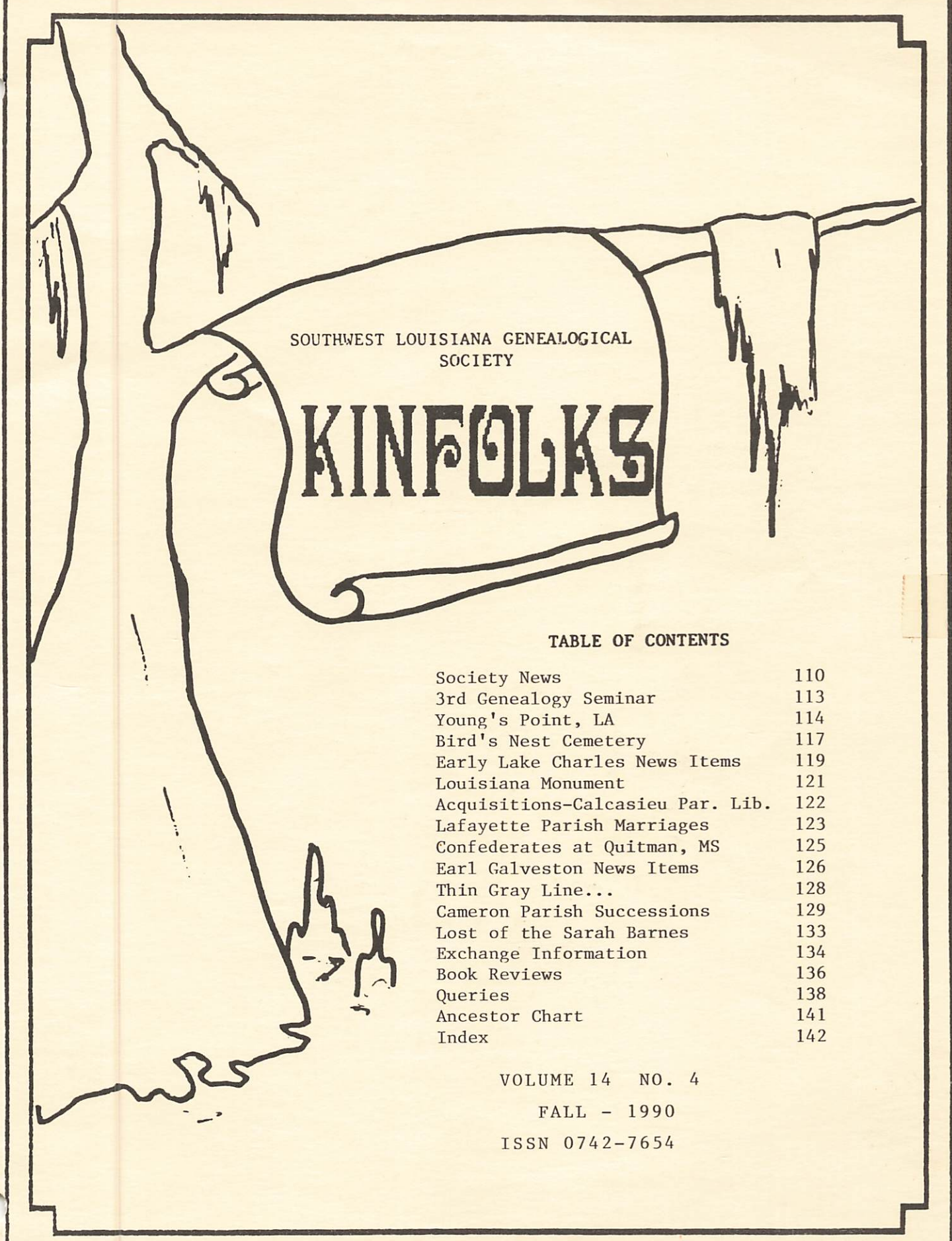
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Genealogy Library Update

1991 SWLGS OFFICERS ELECTED AT THE NOVEMBER 17 MEETING:

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(ed. note: This slate of officers remains the same as 1990. We are indeed fortunate that they agreed to serve an additional year. Their leadership has been exceptional!)

1991 DUES ARE PAYABLE! DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP.

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

The speaker for the SWLGS meeting on September 15, 1990 was CAROLA L. ANDREPONT, of the Louisiana Open House Program and author of Pont-Andrepont: Some Descendants of Josph Andre Pont and La Famille Ardoin de la Louisiane. She is currently writing the History of Opelousas.

Mrs. ANDREPONT showed a video tape on organizing family reunions. She also gave a short history of the Opelousas Territory. Records of the area prior to the 1800's can be found at the Louisiana State Archives. Those dating after 1800 can be found at the Opelousas Court House. The St. Landry Catholic Church records date back to the mid-1700's, the oldest of which are housed in the Archives of the church. The oldest Protestant church in southwest Louisiana was the Methodist Church, founded in 1806 at Opelousas.

"CIVIL WAR VETERANS OF IMPERIAL CALCASIEU"

Research has been finished on our forth-coming book "Civil War Veterans of Imperial Calcasieu." Compiling the research is being done by BETTY ROSTEET and SANDRA MIGUEZ is typing.

Our thanks go to all of you who have contributed information on our book. Thanks also go to those who helped research - LINDA WOOLFORD, LUCILLE SHOPTAUGH, LOUISE HANCHEY, DOLORES JORDAN, YVONNE GUIDROZ, and MAUDE STEFFENS.

Special thanks go to PAT HUFFAKER and SHIRLEY BURWELL who helped in many ways.

We especially appreciate the ladies who spent so much time reading microfilm for so many weeks - BETTY JEAN HENRY, BETTY ZEIGLER, ROSIE NEWHOUSE, and ANNA HAYES.

No price or publication date has been set for the book at the present time.

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YOUNG'S (YONGUE'S) POINT, LA.

submitted by YVONNE YONGUE GUIDROZ

In 1855, DR. JAMES YONGUE of Lowndes County Ms. purchased from MRS. AMANDA STONE, wife of WILLIAM P. STONE, dec. approximately eleven hundred and fifty acres, more or less, in Madison Parish, La. The tract or parcel of land is described as "lying and being on the Mississippi River in said Parish of Madison and known and described as Lots # Two, Three, Four and Five of Township # 16 of Range # 15, East District of Land north of Red River, La.", etc.....

(Book D, pp. 490-491, Madison Parish Court House, Tallulah, La.)

DR. YONGUE's property came to be known as "Young's Point" and this site played a very interesting part during the Civil War. Its location on a map of the Lower Mississippi River is described as Mile 442.8 AHP, Map 33, Right bank, descending. The following article, written by MARION BRAGG and published by the Mississippi River Commission gives this account:

Young's Point, on the Louisiana side of the river just above Vicksburg, is today one of the most tranquil places imaginable. Nothing disturbs the quiet of the rural countryside but the occasional throb of a diesel towboat gliding past the point, or the chug of a farmer's tractor in one of the nearby bean or cotton fields.

In 1863, Young's Point was literally covered with thousands of Federal soldiers and a whole fleet of Union Navy vessels were tied up in the willows along the shore. GENERAL U.S. GRANT was in command of the Union Army and ADMIRAL DAVID D. PORTER commanded the Union fleet. Vicksburg, on the opposite bank of the river, was their objective. It was the third attempt against the rebel stronghold. A Union fleet under DAVID FARRAGUT had tried to take it in the summer of 1862 and the effort was a dismal failure. A Union army under GENERAL WILLIAM T. SHERMAN had tried again at the end of 1862 and had suffered defeat. GRANT and PORTER were going to try it again. They arrived at Young's Point in January, 1863 and it would be six months later before they would see the inside of the Confederate fortifications at Vicksburg.

Between Young's Point and Vicksburg, the Lower Mississippi made a long, long bend in 1863. Union vessels that attempted to pass the fortified city on the bluffs were exposed to the merciless bombardment of the rebel guns.

GENERAL GRANT began his Vicksburg campaign with a half-hearted attempt to build a canal across Young's Point. After the Civil War the big ditch would be labeled, "Grant's Canal" but it would have been more correct to call it "Lincoln's Canal." Someone had proposed the project to the President in 1862 and he had ordered GENERAL THOMAS WILLIAMS to begin its construction while FARRAGUT bombarded the hill city opposite the point. GENERAL WILLIAMS had lost most of his men from disease and had withdrawn in disgust when FARRAGUT's fleet went down the river after failing to silence the guns at Vicksburg.

The U.S. Secretary of War had told GENERAL GRANT that PRESIDENT LINCOLN was taking a personal interest in the canal that was designed to cut Vicksburg off from the Mississippi. It was made perfectly clear to the general that his own personal opinion of the practicability of the idea was irrelevant. PRESIDENT LINCOLN said, "Dig" and GENERAL GRANT shrugged his shoulders and put his men to work. The project would at least keep his boys occupied while he explored other possible means of getting at the confounded city on the bluff (Vicksburg.)

GENERAL GRANT reported on 6 March, 1863, that the Secretary of War could inform the President that the Young's Point canal was almost completed and would soon be opened. The next day, the rising Mississippi breached the dam at the upper end of the canal and the work had to be halted. It was never resumed, but experiments were made at other sites. None succeeded, but GENERAL GRANT was undismayed. His 'providential failures' he said later, forced him to try the land routes that eventually led him to success and national fame, when he captured Vicksburg.

During the campaign that followed the unsuccessful effort to bypass Vicksburg by digging the canal, a camp for convalescent Union soldiers was established at Young's Point. When a small detachment of Confederates launched an attack on the position 6 June, 1863, a clever Union officer drew up the convalescents in battle lines that deceived the rebels and caused them to flee without a fight, believing themselves to be greatly outnumbered.

More than ten years after the Civil War ended, the Mississippi River made its own cutoff at Vicksburg and left the city of Vicksburg without a waterfront

Reports of events which occurred during this time have been handed down through my family for years. They described the way the YONGUE family was personally affected and the many deprivations incurred because of the Union intrusion into their lives. DR. JAMES YONGUE was my great-great-grandfather.

DR. JAMES YONGUE was born in Fairfield District, S.C., ca 1802. He married (1) JULIA A. _____, who was born 21 February, 1805, in Orangeburg District, S.C. and died 17 January, 1854 (estate probated Feb. 1854, Columbus, (Lowndes Co.,) Ms. He married (2) PRISCILLA ANNE DUFFIELD 21, Oct. 1858 - Rankin Co. Ms. (Ms.-20277-0338 - Ms. Archives, Jackson, Ms.)

Records in the archives at the University of South Carolina, (Caroliniana) in Columbia and the South Carolina Medical College at Charleston, S.C. show that JAMES YONGUE from Fairfield Dist., S.C. graduated from S.C. Medical College in 1827. He moved, with his first wife and two of his children to Columbus, Md. in 1833 and remained there until 1855. He subsequently bought property in what is now Leflore Co., Ms., Clinton (Hinds Co., Ms.) and Madison Parish, La. (Young's Point.) His will, which names all his children but the first child, ANNE, was filed in the Madison Parish Court House, Tallulah, La. His property was located on the Mississippi River across from Vicksburg, Ms. The records of Fisher Funeral Home, Vicksburg, Ms. listed DR. YOUNG's (YOUNG) death date as 12 May, 1862, then said "the remains of Dr. YOUNG in La." [Old Ct. Hse. Museum Vicksburg.]

The children of JAMES and JULIA A. YONGUE are:

ANN, b. 1830, S.C.;

JAMES ROBERT, b. 1832 S.C., m. 27 Mar. 1855, MARTHA ELLEN McRAE, d. 20 Aug. 1882, Winona, Ms.;

JULIA, b. 1833, Ms. m. THOMAS GRESHAM RICE 5 Jan. 1851, died in 1911 in Clinton, Ms. and buried Clinton Cemetery;

SAMUEL, b. 1835, Ms.;

MARIAH E., b. 1837 Ms. m. WILLIAM H. BIBB, 17 July, 1856 of Aberdeen, Ms. d. Aberdeen, Ms.;

VICTORIA JANE, b. 27 Dec. 1840, Ms. m. (1) NICHOLAS D. SCALES of Rockingham, N.C. and (2) JAMES L. HUGHES, d. 13 July, 1930 in Memphis, Tn., bur. Wooten Mausoleum, Chickashaw, Ok;

JOHN W., b. 1846, Ms.

It is presumed that the last five children were born in or near Columbus, Ms. There was no issue from the second marriage.

SOURCES:

Madison Parish Court House, Tallulah, La.

HISTORIC NAMES AND PLACES ON THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER by Marion Bragg, published by the Miss. River Commission, 1977.

ILLUSIVE CIVIL WAR ANCESTOR?

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Confederate Research Center, Hill Jr. College, Hillsboro,
Texas 76645.

To locate Civil War Ancestor buried in National Cemetery-
Write: Veteran's Administration, 810 Vt. Avenue, N.W., Washington,
D.C. 20420.

If you cannot find records for Civil War ancestors at the regular sources (National Archives, etc.), try the Veterans Administration, Federal Bldg., 915 Second Avenue, Seattle, WA 98174. Sometimes the pensioner's widow did not die until the 1940's, and their records came under the jurisdiction of the Veterans Administration.

CIVIL WAR EMBALMING

Modern day embalming first came to America during the Civil War. One doctor in Washington, D.C. alone embalmed more than 4,000 soldiers at \$100 each. These embalmers would follow the armies and when they came upon a body, they would search it for letters. If they could identify family connections they would wrap the body tightly, bury it in a shallow grave and wire for instructions. Quite often the family would come for the fallen son, husband or brother to take them home to the family plot. Embalming allowed them the time necessary to transport the body on a train. And if they didn't come or arrange for transportation, at least they knew the fate of their fallen relative. These embalmers were the first to mark and register graves, and they did not do it for sentimental reasons.

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BIRD'S NEST CEMETERY

Topsy, Louisiana

Submitted by Charlene Fairchild

LeBLEU, COLIN A. JR.

b. 13 June 1895

d. 26 Sept. 1967

Pvt. Co. D. 114

Mil Police WW I

CHAMPAGNE, ANGELINE

b.

d. 12 Oct. 1961

80 some odd years old

CHAMPAGNE, DONALD LOUIS

b.

d. 1950

78 yrs. old

STODDER, ALLEN

b. 28 Oct. 1884

d. 23 April 1973

TRAHAN, PIERRE

b. 17 Nov. 1907

d. 14 May 1967

KELLY, KENNITH B.

b. 14 Jan. 1957

d. 12 Oct. 1974

STODDER, MEARL D.

b. 15 Aug. 1912

d. 29 Nov. 1973

LA Tec 5 U.S. Army

WW II

STODDER, MONSON SR.

b. 17 Nov. 1890

d. 1 Aug. 1959

STODDER, DAVE

b.

d. 1978 (41 yrs. old)

LONG, COLLIN G.

b. 17 Feb. 1871

d. 31 Mar. 1960

LONG, LINISA

b. 1 Sept. 1873

d. 4 Sept. 1943

LONG, COLLIN

b. 14 Feb. 1900

d. 22 May 1978

STODDER, MUNSON JR.

b. 28 Aug. 1926

d. 25 March 1961

KOONE, CATHERINE

w/o A. D. LeBLEU

b. 19 Oct. 1881

d. 20 March 1957

LeBLEU, ADOLPH D.

b. 1 June 1878

d. 27 Feb. 1964

DONHAM, ADA TRAHAN

b. 1905

d. 1962

TRAHAN, LAWERENCE T.

b. 1899

d. 1973

HOLLAND, COTINA ANN

b. 10 Feb. 1871

d. 2 Apr. 1958

HOLLAND, DAVE

b. 19 Oct. 1847

d. 27 Oct. 1924

HOLLAND, MERHOES

3/31 March 188_

LYLES, LEON C.

b. 8 Jan. 1914

d. 4 Dec. 1968

Tex. Pvt. Quartermaster

Corp., WW II

LOVETT, DAVID R.

b. 20 Aug. 1946

d. 14 Sept. 1966

unmarked cement marker (3) BAILEY, HATTIE L.

unmarked child cement vaultb. 15 Jan. 1866

unmarked metal marker childd. 6 Aug. 1965

LOVETT, MISS EVA MAE

b. 1921

d. 1937

THOMAS, GEORGE M.

b. 8 Dec. 1941

d. 25 June 1976

LOVETT, JOSEPH SR.

b. 1905

d. 1977

BALL, BURRELL M.

b. 25 Jan. 1867

d. 6 Feb. 1961

HASHA, MARY EMMA

w/o B. M. BALL

b. 12 Feb. 1882

d. 25 Oct. 1938

BALL, MARGIE F.

b. 20 Sept. 1906

d. 20 March 1925

LONG, ROBERT

b. 12 Oct. 1867

d. 15 Feb. 1972

LONG, HENRY

b. 6 Oct. 1894

d. 31 May 1970

La. Pvt. U.S. Army, WW I

BALL, BENJAMIN F.

b. 17 Oct. 1879

d. 27 Apr. 1899

BALL, ELIZABETH A.

b. 10 Feb. 1830

d. 10 Feb. 1889

BALL, ROBERT LEE

b. 5 Sept. 1882

d. 15 June 1884

unmarked cement adult vault

unmarked cement marker adult

cement marker UCV

BALL, MARTHA E.
b. 2 Apr. 1847
d. 27 Feb. 1920

BALL, ELIZABETH
w/o ROBERT LONG
b. 20 Dec. 1868
d. 18 Dec. 1948

BALL, EMMA N.
w/o WILLIS M. WHITE
b. 28 Nov. 1885
d. 19 Mar. 1922

WHITE, MARTIN LUTHER
b. 25 May 1876
d. 22 July 1958
La. Pvt. Co. K
1 Regt. Miss. Inf.
Spanish American War

unmarked cement adult

WHITE, THELMA LEA
w/o WM. B. LANCASTER
b. 24 Aug. 1912
d. 15 Nov. 1963

WHITE, RUBY MAYBELL
w/o JAMES O. RICHARD
b. 10 Oct. 1905
d. 27 Mar. 1936

BALL, JOHN E.
b. 14 Nov. 1876
d. 19 Sept. 1947

BALL, MISSOURI
b. 7 Apr. 1889
d. May 1923

BALL, RENE
b. 31 May 1904
d. 30 Apr. 1923

PHARRIS, MOSES P.
Co. C., 27 La. Inf., CSA

REEVES, SILAS
b. 12 May 1888
d. 15 Oct. 1974

unmarked cement vault adult

unmarked cement cross monument
adult

unmrked adult cement marker

old marble marker adult

1990 SWLGS MEMBERSHIP

Our membership of 314 is found in the following states:

ALABAMA	1	NEW JERSEY	1
ALASKA	1	NEW MEXICO	1
ARIZONA	1	NORTH CAROLINA	1
ARKANSAS	2	OHIO	2
CALIFORNIA	10	OREGON	1
COLORADO	1	TENNESSEE	1
FLORIDA	3	TEXAS	47
ILLINOIS	3	UTAH	1
INDIANA	1	WASHINGTON	2
LOUISIANA	227	WISCONSIN	2
MARYLAND	3	WYOMING	1

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1

Louisiana memberships of 227 are found in these parishes:

ACADIA	6	LAFOURCHE	2
ASSUMPTION	1	LASALLE	1
BEAUREGARD	8	LINCOLN	2
CADDO	1	RAPIDES	3
CALCASIEU	152	RED RIVER	1
CAMERON	4	ST. LANDRY	1
EAST BATON ROUGE	8	ST. MARTIN	1
EVANGELINE	1	ST. MARY	3
IBERVILLE	1	ST. TAMMANY	3
JEFFERSON	4	TERREBONNE	2
JEFFERSON DAVIS	10	VERNON	4
LAFAYETTE	7	WEST BATON ROUGE	1

EARLY LAKE CHARLES NEWS ITEMS

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- 16 August 1889 - Marriage of FRED SHELLMAN and ANNIE SCHINDLER, Methodist Church, 4 August 1889.
Death of LIZZIE POWELL HARVERSON, 23, wife of QUINCEY HARVERSON, daughter of J. G. POWELL, Houston, TX, 12 August 1889.
Death of BENOIT DUHON, 18, son of J. VILLIOR and ELISSE BENOIT, Goosport, 14 August 1889.
- 30 August 1889 - Death of MRS. MARGARET JOHNSON, wife of HENRY W. JOHNSON, daughter of O. F. LYONS, Big Woods, 23 August.
Death of HARRY N. MUDGETT, 11, son of I. MUDGETT, 26 August.
Marriage of CHARLES O. RICHARD and MENA HERR, 27 August.
- 6 September 1889 - Death of LILLYBELL BROOKS, 3, daughter of JNO. T. BROOKS and ANNIE R. BELDEN, Scarton, Miss., 30 August.
- 13 September 1889 - Death of MRS. MARY RILEY, 62, (MRS. MCCANN), native of Waterford, Ireland.
- 20 September 1889 - Death of A. J. KINGERY, Bagdad, 13 September.
- 27 September 1889 - Birth of female MEYER, d/o Mr/Mrs. ADOLPH MEYER, 22 Sept.
Death of MRS. WARREN HAMILTON, 21st inst., Sugartown.
- 4 October 1889 - Marriage of W. H. MANAGAN and MATILDA EAST, Baptist Church, 2 October, bride from Newberry, PA, now Westlake, LA.
- 11 October 1889 - Death of EVELINE C. KNIGHT, 1, d/o Mr./Mrs. H. A. KNIGHT; burial 17 Oct., Corporation Cemetery.
Birth of female BLOCH, d/o SOL BLOCH, 9 October.
- 18 October 1889 - Death of DR. WILLIAM PARVIN FARQUHAR, Vincent Settlement, 8 October, father of G. W. FARQUHAR.
Death of MRS. MARY ANN HAYES, 74, wife of THOS. HAYES, 16 Oct., Lacassine.
Birth of male KAUFMAN, s/o Mr/Mrs. L. KAUFMAN, 16 October.
- 25 October 1889 - Death of J. V. PEVATO, 16 Oct., Orange, TX.
Death of D. H. BUEL, 22nd inst., architect and builder, wife in Colorado.
- 1 November 1889 - Death of NICOLAS GAMS, 83, Prien Lake, 28 Oct.
Death of JOSEPH Y. CANIN, 21, 30 Oct.
Death of MARGARET DRUMMOND CAMERON, wife of DANIEL CAMERON, 26 Oct., 68, Glasgow, Scotland.
- 8 November 1889 - Death of JOSEPH Y. CANTIN, funeral at Catholic Church, 31 Oct.
- 15 November 1889 - Death of GLADYS R. MASON, 24, wife of J. M. MASON, 12 Nov.
Death of ALMA O. MARSH, d/o CAPT. O. M. & LAURA O. MARSH, 13 Nov.
Marriage of DR. ALLIE J. PERKINS AND PEARL SNYDER, d/o THOS. S. SNYDER of Galveston, TX, at Methodist Church.

- 15 November 1889 - Marriage of G. L. WELCH and MINERVA LYONS, Carencro, LA,
6 November.
- 22 November 1889 - Birth of female KNIGHT, 16 November.
Death of ELIZA WRIGHT, w/o C. S. WRIGHT, Philadelphia, 2 November.
- 29 November 1889 - Death of MARIE CARMELITE LANDRY, d/o MR./MRS. ALCIDE LANDRY,
Westlake, 16 November.
Marriage of GEO. O. WILLIAMS and MOLLIE J. HOLBROOKS, Reeves, 21 November.
Death of MRS. UZEMA GUIDRY ANDRUS, residence of D. D. ANDRUS, on Mermentau
River, 21 November, wife of CHARLES H. ANDRUS.
Death of AVELINE V. CORBELLO CHALKLEY, wife of THOS. R. CHALKLEY, English
Bayou, 19, 24 November; was preceded a few weeks ago by her only child.
Succession of D. H. BUELL, JNO. BURNETT, Adm., 22 November
- 6 December 1889 - Death of MRS. ADALY LYONS, 75, at son's, O. F. LYONS, 28 Nov.
Marriage of ARCHIE C. KNOX and MARY E. MINELS, Mobile, Alabama.
Marriage of THOMAS S. HARDEY and LELLA CURLEY, Catholic Church, 27 November.
Marriage of GEO. O. HANNON and JOSEPHINE TIERNEY, 28 November, Catholic Church.
- 13 December 1889 - Marriage of W. C. SABIN and ELIZA FULLER, 10 Dec., bride of
Welsh, LA.
Death of T. H. ALEXANDER, 38, 11 Dec., Westlake.
- 20 December 1889 - Marriage of GEORGE EUBANKS and NUG HARPER, Sugartown, next week.
Death of ALMA O. MARSH, 15, 13 November.
- 27 December 1889 - Death of MRS. ADDELA LYONS, 75, 28 Nov., born in Vermilion
Parish, son OSCAR F. LYONS, Rose Bluff.
- 3 January 1890 - Birth of male BENOIT, s/o M/MRS. MITCHELL BENOIT, 30 Dec. 1889.
Marriage of FRED M. MORSE, Jennings, and KITTIE M. MEAD, 25 Dec. 1889.
Death of HENRY J. YOUNG, 26, 26 Dec.
Death of MRS. MARY L. DAVIS, 22, residence of A. A. ROUX, Leesburg, 20 Dec.
- 10 January 1890 - Marriage of EDWARD MOORE and MRS. MINNIE MOORE, 30th ult.
Marriage of ---DOWNING and GUSSIE GOODLETT, 8 Jan., d/o late DR. G. GOODLETT.
Marriage of DEWITT POWELL and AUPHEDA RICHARD, 8 January.
- 24 January 1890 - Death of FINLEY BARDEN, 18th inst., suicide, Vinton, dissapoint-
ment in love.
Marriage of WM. T. MILLER and MRS. M. J. WILSON, Orange, TX, 19th inst.,
Catholic Church.
Death of BLAST PITRE, 19, 20 January.
- 31 January 1890 - Death of JULIEN BENOIT, 48, Black Bayou, 9 January.
- 14 February 1890 - Death of H. D. NIX, lodge notice.
Death of CAROLINE WINGATE, 68, wife of JUDGE D. R. WINGATE, Orange, TX.
- 21 February 1890 - Marriage of ALFRED J. ST. GAUDAINS, and MARY N. ROY, Catholic
Church, 12 February.
Marriage of SAM SMART, Bagdad, and AMELIA ISADORE VINCENT, d/o ALADIN VINCENT,
17 February.
Death of JACOB E. HARMON, 69, Barnes Creek, 13 Feb., s/o D.S.A. HARMON.

7 March 1890 - Marriage of THEODORE KLUG and IDA VEATCH, 3rd inst,
Marriage of WM. N. ELLIOTT and LAURA E. MAYO, Methodist Church, 5th inst.
Death of J. G. D'ARMOND, JR., 33, Clinton, LA., 22 February; brother-in-law
of DR. W. A. KNAPP.

14 March 1890 - Marriage of GEORGE H. WELLS and JESSIE BARDEN.

(THIS CONCLUDES THIS SERIES)

LOUISIANA MONUMENT

In an article in the "Lake Charles American Press" on Monday, February 26, 1990, MIKE JONES informs us that Louisiana's elegant bronze and marble monument at the Gettysburg National Military Park, is now endangered by acid rain.

Louisiana troops, who fought in the Battle of Gettysburg, the largest battle ever fought on the North American continent, served in two brigades of infantry and four batteries of artillery in ROBERT E. LEE's famous Army of Northern Virginia. The troops from Louisiana took two crucial parts in the battle - the fighting on Cemetery Hill and Culp's Hill.

The Louisiana "Tigers" made one of the deepest penetrations on Cemetery Hill and the Washington Artillery of New Orleans bombarded the hill before PICKETT's charge on July 3rd.

Company K, 10th Louisiana Infantry, known as the Confederate States Rangers, was from Calcasieu Parish and took part in the fighting as part of EWELL's Corp., JOHNSON's Division and NICHOLL's Brigade on Culp's Hill.

One member of this company, PVT. ISSAC REEVES of Lake Charles, was killed in the battle. Wounded were JOSEPH HARRINGTON and PVT. JOSEPH L. STRANGE. SGT. JOSEPH P. GRANGER was missing in action. There were 519 Louisiana casualties in the fighting, including 89 killed.

Efforts are being made to preserve this historic monument. DONALD DE LUE, who created the monument in 1971, described his creation as "a great symbolic figure representing the spiritual idea of peace and memory".

Meanings of words have changed through the years. If you find the term "crazy" in reference to one of your ancestors, in colonial times this did not mean "insane" as it does today. Instead, it denoted someone who was ill or infirm. Likewise, an "inmate" was a man who did not own real estate, not someone serving time as a criminal.

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A major source of information on colonial and Revolutionary War ancestors can be found at the Sons of the American Revolution Library, 1000 S. Fourth St., Louisville, KY. 40203.

LA FAYETTE PARISH MARRIAGE RECORDS
MARRIAGE BOOK II (1831-1835)

Compiled/Edited by HAROLD PREJEAN JR.

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JOHN [JEHN] GRAY [H. III 287] son of ABSOLOM GRAY and MARIE LU [LEE]
b.
m. September 18, 1833 ELIZABETH BOUYER [BOURG, H. III 86, Laf. Ct. Hse. Mar. #94] widow of JOSEPH BAKER, daughter of JOHN BOUYER [BOURG] and ANN ABSHIRE.

d.
children:

CELINY [H. III 287]
bt. October 23, 1834 (Laf. Ch. V. 4 p. 116) age 3 mos.
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ABSOLOM GRAY [GREY - H. III 287]

b.
m. MARIE LU [LEE], no cross reference.

d.
children:

JOHN [JEHN] [H. III 287]
b.
m. September 18, 1833 ELIZABETH BOUYER [BOURG, H. III 86, Laf. Ct. Hse. Mar. #94] widow of JOSEPH BAKER, daughter of JOHN BOUYER [BOURG] and ANN ABSHIRE.

JOSEPH GEDEON [H. III 287]
bt. March 23, 1839 (Laf. Ch. V. 5 p. 113) age 17 yrs.
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JOHN [JEAN JACQUES] BOYER [H. I 79, H. II 116] son of JEAN BOYER and FRANCOISE HARTGRAVE.

b.
m. ANNE HABCHER [ABSHIRE, no cross reference]

d.
children:

ELIZABETH [H. I 79, H. III 86]
b. September 21, 1809 (SM. Ch. V. 6 #1575)
m. 1) August 24, 1825 JOSEPH BAKER [H. II 36, Opel Ct. Hse. Mar. #36, parentage not given]
2) September 18, 1833 JOHN [JEHN] GRAY [H. III 387, Laf. Ct. Hse. Mar. #94] son of ABSOLOM GRAY and MARY LU[LEE].

ANNE or NANETTE [BOYER H. II 116]
bt. June 5, 1828 (Laf. Ch. V. 3 p. 51) age 3 yrs.

CELESTINE [H. II 116]
b. October 9, 1811 (SM. Ch. V. 6 #1576)

MARIE [H. II 117]
b. February 2, 1813 (SM. Ch. V. 6 #1577)

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October 1, 1833
COATWORTH PINCKNEY MILLBORN COATWORTH PINCKNEY MILLBORN [MILLBURN] resident to of Wilkins Co., Georgia, son of THOMAS MILLBURN and DORCAS GLASS: married ELENOR BOOTH, widow of JOSEPH WHITE, daughter of REUBEN BOOTH and MARY J. MOSS.
ELMIRA BOOTH

Laf. Ct. Hse. Succ. #296
Estate of ELMIRA BOOTH

State of Louisiana
Parish of LaFayette

Be it remembered - that on this day of Nineteenth day of February Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty five, Before me THOMAS B. BRASHEAR Parish Judge and Ex officio Notary Public within and for said Parish and in presence of these witnesses herein after named and undersigned Personally appeared ANDERSON MOSS, ALFRED P. MOSS, WILLIAM WALLACE, JOHN WALLACE and DAVID WALLACE, the first named residing in the Parish of St. Martin and the four last residing in the parish of Lafayette aforesaid relatives of the minor herein after named composing a meeting of family duly convened before me the said Judge and Notary in virtue of an order of the Court of Probates within and for said parish dated Nineteenth day of this present month instant for the purpose of deliberating and advising relatives to the interest of JOHN WHITE minor and sole heir of JOSEPH WHITE late of this Parish deceased, of his lawful marriage with ELMIRA BOOTH also late of this parish deceased and the said ? of family meeting having been duly formed as the law ?, have convened, deliberated and advised and do deliberate, advise and declare as follows ? is to ? it have been represented to this assembly of family meeting that MARY MOSS ? BOOTH the grandmother of said minor has by the operations of the laws of this state claimed the ? of the minor JOHN WHITE aforesaid and the said assembly of family ? having been ? convened to give their advise and opinion touching the ? of the ? to be offend by the said MARY MOSS veuve BOOTH as tutrix of the minor aforesaid, and the said Dame MARY MOSS having ?, ROBERT PERRY and CHARLES KIBBE both of the said parish of Lafayette as her securities as tutrix of the minor aforesaid; and the said assembly of family meeting having taken the ? into consideration and ? deliberated ? they are unanimously of opinion that the securities offered by the said Dame MARY MOSS as tutrix aforesaid an of sufficient soledity (?) to answer the intentions of the law in ? case made and provided and they further unanimously recommend and advise that said security may be received accordingly and is having been further Known to the assembly of family meeting that Dame ELMIRA BOOTH also deceased; ? into a second marriage after the death of her first husband JOSEPH WHITE aforesaid with Mr. COATWORTH P. MILLBORN of this Parish by whom she had one child named MARY A. MILLBORN which together with the minor JOHN WHITE are the legal heirs of the late ELMIRA BOOTH and entitled to her succession and the said assembly of family meeting having taken into consideration the ? of the minor JOHN WHITE touching the community heretofore existing between the said C. P. MILLBORN and his late wife ELMIRA BOOTH and whether it ? be advantagous to minor to accept said community unconditionally and the said assembly of family meeting having deliberated on that point an unanimously of opinion that the best and safest course for said minor JOHN WHITE would be for the tutrix of said minor be authorized to accept said community with the benefit of an inventory and the recommends and advise that said tutrix be authorized accordingly. And the said assembly of family meeting declaring that this had nothing further to deliberate on touching the interests of said minor JOHN WHITE aforesaid they do therefore hereby close their present deliberation and ? signing deliveration. Personally appeared ROBERT PERRY undertutor of the minor JOHN WHITE aforesaid duly sworn who declared that he had inspected the foregoing deliberations and recommendations as herein ? forth be therefore as ? undertutor recommend the confirmation and adoption of the same.

Done signed and ? at the residence of COATWORTH P. MILLBORN in said Parish on the day and year first above written in presence of and ? competent witnesses

of assistance who have hereto signed with their appears and me Judge and Notary aforesaid after due reading.

Witnesses

E. CADE

JOHN MERRIMAN (?)

ANDERSON MOSS

ALFRED P. MOSS

DAVID WALLACE

JOHN WALLACE

WILLIAM ^{his}
X WALLACE
mark

The genealogical information on THOMAS MILBURN and DORCAS GLASS will be found in V. 1 pp 33/34 of Lafayette Parish Marriage Records.

The genealogical information on REUBEN BOOTH and MARY MOSS will be found in V. 1 pp 77/78 of Lafayette Parish Marriage Records.

CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS AT QUITMAN, MISSISSIPPI

Quitman, Mississippi, the county seat of Clarke County, was the site of a Confederate field hospital and burying ground. Seriously wounded and critically ill soldiers from Shiloh and other battles were taken to Quitman, which was located on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad. It was a "straight shot" from Corinth, Mississippi, where so many wounded were taken after Shiloh and similar battles. The men were cared for by local residents, but died in large numbers and were buried in unmarked graves.

In 1862 the people of Galveston and Houston, Texas, concerned about the Texas troops who were suffering and dying from inadequate medical care in central Mississippi, gathered money to build a hospital and sent Dr. LOUIS A. BRYAN there with medicine and supplies obtained in Mexico.

In Feb. 1864, Sherman's march to the sea destroyed the railroad, the hospital and most of the town of Quitman. However, the townspeople gathered the county record books and hid them in the swamps, preserving the valuable old documents.

Over 300 Confederates, many from Texas and Arkansas, were buried at Quitman, but to date only 64 of them have been identified. A list of these appears with this story in "Heritage Quest", Issue 25 (Nov/Dec. 1989).

If you have any information on a Confederate soldier who died or was buried at Quitman, please contact V.F.W. Post 4982, 401 E. Franklin Street, Quitman, Mississippi 39355.

FROM THE GALVESTON WEEKLY NEWS

January 6, 1857

LAKE CHARLES,
CALCASIEU PARISH, LOUISIANA
December 20, 1856

Eds. News: - After a few years residence in Texas, I have at length got back to my native State, Louisiana. Calcasieu Parish is situated immediately on the border of Texas; the inhabitants are principally engaged in raising cattle, large herds of which are driven every fall to New Orleans for sale. The country in this vicinity is very thinly populated and mostly by old French and Mexican settlers, who keep up their old habits and customs. Lake Charles is a thriving little town, situated on the border of a beautiful, romantic lake of that name, and has a population of some six or seven hundred inhabitants, four stores, hotel, etc. In its immediate neighborhood has been erected, within the past year, one of the largest and most extensive sawmills in the State - the property of CAPT. DAN GOSS. He has two large schooners - the "Lehman, Jr." and "Lake Charles", plying regularly between the mill and your city. Most of the lumber sawed here finds a market in Galveston, and I believe it is generally preferred to lumber from other places.

It is the intention of CAPT. GOSS to connect with his sawmill, a large and extensive Blind, Door and Sash Factory, early in the spring.

Game of every description abounds in any quantity here. The favorite mode of hunting deer here, is by torch-light at night, and they are so plentiful that we seldom, if ever go out without bringing home two or three.

A young lawyer, by the name of EWING, was killed at Lake Charles on the evening of the 17th inst., by Mr. COLIN LEBLEU. I was present when it happened. It appears that a difficulty had for sometime existed between the parties, in regard to matters of a domestic nature; when on meeting at the hotel on the above evening, a few words passed between them. Mr. EWING immediately retired, and in the course of a few minutes returned with a double-barrelled shot-gun loaded with buckshot, which he discharged at Mr. LEBLEU at sight, missing him. The latter then shot his antagonist, killing him on the spot. Mr. EWING had been but recently married. Both parties are members of highly respectable and (Illegible) families here. (Illegible) re gretted. Mr. LEBLEU immediately surrendered himself, and was honorably discharged, the unfortunate result being purely a case of self defense.

The above is a faithful record of the affair, and you may rely upon it. Should this prove acceptable, you may hear from me occasionally.

Yours, CREOLE.

Contributed by W. T. BLOCK of Beaumont, Texas.

Editor's Note: The young lawyer in the above story has been identified by our staff as HENRY EWING.

August 29, 1863

THINGS IN LOWER LOUISIANA:

We have received a letter dated Lake Charles, La. August 23rd, 1863, written by a clergy man, a very estimable and truthful man. It discloses a lamentable state of things in that part of the country but contains too many personal allusions to admit of publication. Nevertheless, we feel that it is our duty to present the leading facts to the public, as this is probably the only way to obtain some correction of the existing evils. The facts presented to us leave no doubt that there is a system of stealing going on that region of the country that would astonish most of our readers, and so we regret to say that Texans are largely concerned in these thieving operations. Gangs of negroes have been enticed away from their owners by various false representations, and brought into different parts of Texas and sold. Some of them have been induced to believe that their seducers were Yankees who would take them into the Yankee country and set them free. Some of them having discovered the deception that was being practiced upon them, have run away from their seducers while being brought into Texas, and being unacquainted with the country, are now occasionally seen in gangs wandering about nearly starved to death, not knowing which way to go to safety. They tell their own story when found and recaptured, and there is no room to doubt the truth of most of their accounts. Indeed their statements are often confirmed. Texas officers and soldiers, as well as private citizens, are often implicated in these disgraceful operations.

We hear many of our citizens have been badly swindled by buying Negroes thus stolen from Louisiana plantations. Indeed our correspondent states that the time will come when the real owners will be able to prove their property and take it away, but that the swindler will then be gone. We have seen some published notice that such operations were going on, but we had no idea of their alarming extent. Our correspondent says a Mr. LEHAN, of Vermilionville, is in possession of many facts, and the names of the parties concerned. There is said to be great excitement on the subject in lower Louisiana. It is further stated, on what we believe to be good authority, that a very large amount of the property captured by our troops after the retreat of BANKS has been appropriated, by wagon loads, by certain officers and other individuals, and we have reason to believe that some of this property has been sold in this market.

We presume testimony can be had should it be called for by proper authority.

It is stated that the Louisiana deserters who ran away to evade the service are now in the Calcasieu river bottom, and with the few negroes in their company, number about 700. They are said to be very desperate and are perpetuating the most horrible outrages from time to time, which are retaliated upon them occasionally by our troops in a manner almost too shocking to relate.

**Articles from the early Galveston newspapers were contributed by W.T. BLOCK, Beaumont, Texas.

THE THIN GRAY LINE GROWS WEAKER BY ONE

On Thursday morning, October 4, 1923, one more gallant Confederate Veteran was called across the Great Divide. JOHN J. BUNCH passed quietly and peacefully away.

After two weeks illness during which time all was done that loving hands could do, or that medical skills could suggest the patient sufferer entered the last deep sleep.

Friday morning the 5th, at 10 o'clock a.m., the funeral was conducted under the auspices of Calcasieu Camp, C.V.. Burial services were conducted by Commander SAM MALLET, Lake Charles, assisted by REV. C.W. JONES, pastor of the Westlake Baptist Church of which the deceased had been a member for many years.

Interment was in Bagdad Cemetery. The coffin was draped in a Confederate Flag, used during the war.

The floral offerings were a beautiful tribute among which was a beautiful wreath sent by R.E. LEE Chapter, U.D.C., Lake Charles.

The subject of this sketch was born on a farm in the state of Florida, April 19th, 1841, grew to young manhood as a farmer, migrated with his parents to Louisiana settling in Rapides parish before the Civil War and followed farming until Louisiana called for volunteers at which time he loosed his horse from the plow and hurried to the front.

When the dove of peace appeared and reason resumed her sway he hurried back to his plow and took up farming where he had left it.

He came to Calcasieu soon after the Civil War and engaged in farming and was a pioneer in the logging industry. For the last few years he had been a gardener and GRANDPA BUNCH's garden was the talk of the community.

Deceased married MARTHA ROYER, who survives him, fifty-two years ago. He joined the Baptist Church over forty years ago and has been in constant fellowship.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. MARTHA BUNCH, and four sons and two daughters as follows; JAMES A. BUNCH, Sulphur, La., JACOB L. BUNCH, Orange, Texas, JOHN J. BUNCH, Westlake, La. KINNEY R. BUNCH, Lake Charles, La., Mrs. EDWARD GRAY, St. Louis, Mo., Mrs. J.A. MIMS, Westlake, La.. Also one brother and one sister in California, brother in Kansas, one in Montana, and a sister in Nebraska.

BY A FRIEND

Transcribed from the Lake Charles American Press.

The preceeding obituary for JOHN J. BUNCH (1841-1923), Confederate Veteran, was contibuted by his grandson, OLAN BUNCH.

CAMERON PARISH SUCCESSIONS 1870 - 1900
(Continued from Vol. 14, No. 3)

- #82 YOCUM, JESSIE File Date 20 July 1888
d. 28 Oct. 1886
Wife: Martha YOCUM, born DAIVEWOOD
Major Heirs:
James A. YOCUM
Julia YOCUM w/o T. T. FAWVER
Susan YOCUM
Jessie YOCUM
John YOCUM
Charles C. YOCUM
Tessie C. YOCUM
Minor Heir: Mathew YOCUM
Family Meeting: Liza MILLER, friend; James M. WELCH, J. R. WELCH, John RUTHERFORD, Henry GRIFFITH, relatives.
- #83 VINCENT, VALSIN File Date 28 Jan. 1887
d. 17 Jan. 1887 - Cameron Parish
Wife: Elena VINCENT, born BROUSSARD
Child of first marriage of Valsin VINCENT and ---:
Adeline VINCENT w/o Amedees BROUSSARD, Lafayette Parish
Children of second marriage of Valsin VINCENT and Elena BROUSSARD:
Jean VINCENT, dec. h/o Leotine MARCEAUX, Minors:
Pierre Villire VINCENT
Mederique VINCENT
Joseph Leger VINCENT
Felicie VINCENT
Marie VINCENT
Gersian VINCENT, dec. h/o Anatolie GUIDRY - Vermilion Parish, Minor:
Marie Adeline/Odelia VINCENT
Edia VINCENT w/o Emile THIBODEAUX - Vermilion Parish
Theogene VINCENT
Demosthene VINCENT
Philogene VINCENT
Azelia VINCENT w/o Dupreville MARCEAUX - Vermilion Parish
Family Meeting for minors of Jean VINCENT, dec. and Leontine MARCEAUX:
Leo MARCEAUX, Olivia MARCEAUX, Emile Teofield BROUSSARD, Edmond Teofield BROUSSARD, Neurivelle VINCENT, Paul CORMIER, friends & relatives.
Family Meeting for minor of Gersian VINCENT, dec. and Anatila GUIDRY:
Friends and relatives, same as above.
- #84 LUKE, MARIAH File Date 7 March 1887
d. ca. Oct. 1886, resident of Johnson Bayou
Petitioner: Ferdinard PAVELL
Heirs: Alexander LUKE, E. LUKE, Amelia LUKE w/o Frank TURNER, Elizabeth LUKE, dec. w/o Wm. J. FURGERSON
All residents of Jefferson Co., Texas
Atty.: for absent heirs: Joseph CORMIER.

- #85 MILLER, DESIRE File Date 17 March 1887
 d. Feb. 1887
 Wife: Julia MILLER, born THERIOT, now m. to Joseph MOUGET
 Minor Children: Eucharise MILLER, 4; Natalie MILLER, 2; Desire Miller, 1.
 Undertutor: Eraste THERIOT
 Family Meeting: Dolzie THERIOT, Lezia MILLER, T. T. THERIOT, R. B. MHIRE,
 Euside MILLER, Alcide MILLER, relatives and friends.
- #86 GALLIER, MARTHA TARKINGTON File Date 25 April 1887
 d. 15 March 1887 in Harris Co., Texas on a visit
 Husband: Lastie GALLIER
 Martha T. GALLIER was twice married. First to --- GILLEN, who d. 1858
 leaving the following heirs:
 Elizabeth GILLEN, dec. w/o John PEVOTO, SR.
 W. O. PEVOTO - Orange, Texas
 Isabelle PEVOTO w/o David GRIFFITH - Cameron Parish
 Belzonia PEVOTO w/o Sam HEBERT - Orange, Texas
 Jessie PEVOTO - Orange Co., Texas
 Alvy PEVOTO minor, 16, Orange Co., Texas
 Salenia J. GILLEN w/o F. ERBELDING - Cameron Parish
 Legal representative Cherlott GILLEN, dec. w/o John PEVOTO, JR.
 Jessie GILLEN - Liberty Co., Texas
 Martha GILLEN w/o JOHN B. PEVOTO of Harris Co., Texas
 Martha TARKINGTON m. Feb. 1861 Lastie GALLIER; no children.
- #87 SMITH, DUNCAN File Date 22 July 1887
 d. 12 Dec. 1886
 Wife: Margaret Aure SMITH
 Major Heirs: Mary Ann SMITH w/o M. A. CRAIN
 Caroline SMITH
 J. V. SMITH
 John M. SMITH
 Ellen H. SMITH w/o J. H. SWEENEY
 Austin B. SMITH
 Margaret R. SMITH
 Theresa E. SMITH
 P. E. SMITH
- #88 BROWN, THOS. Capt. File Date 5 August 1887
 Drowned at the mouth of the Calcasieu River, 2 Aug. 1887.
 Petitioner: Thos. F. MONROE - Curator of vacant succession.
- #89 BROUSSARD, EUGENE File Date 7 Sept. 1887
 d. 9 June 1887
 Wife: Mary MILLER
 Major Heirs: Ramie BROUSSARD
 Orazlie BROUSSARD w/o Aladin VINCENT
 Minor Heirs: Armogene, Adalia, Amelia, Tholan, Adalied, Margaret BROUSSARD.
 Undertutor: Armand RICHARD, Jr.
 Family Meeting: Eusaude MILLER, L. D. BERTRAND, VALSAINT MILLER, Valsaint
 MONTIE, Talismon THERIOT, nearest relatives and friends.
 Undertutor: Armand RICHARD, Jr.

- #90 WETHRILL, JOHN File Date 5 Dec. 1883 &
7 Oct. 1884
d. 1876
Husband of Emilien HARGROVE
Heirs:
Sarah WETHRILL w/o William MATTHEW of Bulter Co., Kansas
Robert Wethrill
John WETHRILL
Mary WETHRILL w/o Thomas DOLAND
Amanda WETHRILL w/o Duprey TRAHAN
Julia WETHRILL w/o Issac L. SANNER
Samuel WETHRILL
- #91 LAGRANGE, MARIE File Date 30 May 1888
d. 23 March 1886
Husband: Emile DUHON
Major Heirs: Eugenie DUHON w/o Rene BROUSSARD
Amelie DUHON w/o Duprie BENOIT
Jean DUHON
Minor Heirs: Appolonia DUHON, 17, w/o Johnny BENOIT (married after succ.)
Joseph DUHON, 5
Undertutor: Clarville DUHON
Family Meeting: Jean DUHON (bro. of minors), Rene DUHON, Cyprien DUHON,
Cyphroyen DUHON, Lucien DUHON, Francois DUHON, Lezieme GRANGER, cousin.
- #92 GILLESPIE, FRANCES E. File Date 12 Jan. 1888
Petitioner: Jos. J. JONES, Administrator
Minors: Abi Frances GILLESPIE, Lilly Bryant GILLESPIE
- #93 RICHARD, VALERIEN File Date 16 March 1889
d. 27 Feb. 1889
Wife: Belzier PRIMEAUX
Minor Children: Irma, Adille, Emilie, Oliva, Zedor RICHARD
Major Heir: Mary A. RICHARD w/o Joseph THIBODEAUX
Undertutor: Pierre RICHARD
Family Meeting: Lessin PRIMEAUX, Dosite PRIMEAUX, Joseph RICHARD,
Desire RICHARD, John DUHON
- #94 FOREST, JOSEPH File Date 19 July 1889
Wife: Marie Ursin LEBLANC wid/o Joseph FOREST
No heirs.
- #95 MILLER, VALSIN File Date 6 Sept. 1889
d. 1889
Wife: Leah Mary MILLER, born PORTIE
Minor Heirs: Feloman, Pehlona, Victoria, Jule, Leah, Celeste, Pamela MILLER
Undertutor: Oscar PORTIE and Aurelian MONTIE
Family Meeting: Valsaint MONTIE, L. D. BERTRAND, Aladin MILLER, Alphonse
PORTIE, nearest relatives and friends.
- #96 SIMMONS, BENJAMIN File Date 29 Oct. 1889
d. 5 July 1889, Orange, Texas
John P. EDDLEMAN - qualified as guardian of minors
Children born of the marriage of Benjamine SIMMONS and Mary E. EDDLEMAN:
Thomas, Grace, Eva, Ada Simmons SIMMONS.

Undertutor: Lewis SIMMONS

Family Meeting: Albert PEVOTO, Olizeam PEVOTO, Caswell PEVOTO,
B. H. STEPHEN, H. J. SEAMAN.

- #97 PEVOTO, J. B. of Orange, Texas File Date 10 June 1890
d. 17 Oct. 1889
Wife: Anna M. PEVOTO
Albert PEVOTO - Administrator, major heir
Major Heirs: C. B. PEVOTO
Albert PEVOTO
Cagwell PEVOTO
Samantha PEVOTO w/o John T. DAIGLE
Minor Children: Maggie B. PEVOTO - Sp. tutor had hoc - David GRIFFITH
Lillie M. PEVOTO - Sp. tutor Isacia HOUSE
Aimee H. PEVOTO - Sp. tutor Thos. F. SMITH
Family Meeting - Asa PEVOTO, F. G. PEVOTO, D. A. SMITH, E. A. SMITH,
Cyprien DUHON, nearest relatives 4 Dec. 1890
- #98 SUTTLES, J. B. File Date 9 July 1890
d. 22 July 1888
Wife: Mary SUTTLES, norn KELGARE, res. of Cameron Parish
Minor Children: Nancy M. Hattie C. SUTTLES
Undertutor: I. J. C. SUTTLES
Family Meeting: T. F. MONROE, Theogene MILLER, H. HACKET, J. M. MCCALL,
Geo. W. WAKEFIELD.
- #99 STURLESE, LEONTINE File Date 21 July 1890
d. 13 May 1890
Husband: Aurelian MONTIE
Heir: Edmond MONTIE, about 2½ years
- #100 ROUX, AMEDIE File Date 12 March 1891
d. 1889 - Cameron Parish
Petitioner: Jes. CORMIER - Administrator
Attorney for absent heirs - John M. MCCALL 11 July 1894
- #101 BROUSSARD, CLARISSE File Date 30 March 1891
d. 11 Dec. 1890
Major Heirs: The children of Clemence HEBERT, dec. w/o Edouard H. BROUSSARD:
Camille BROUSSARD of Vermilion Parish
Belizire BROUSSARD, dec. w/o Simonet LACHASSEE, children: Desire, Adras,
Clemence, Eloisa, Cecile, Julien LACHASSEE.
Undertutor: C. BROUSSARD of Vermilion Parish
Aspasie HEBERT w/o Napoleon BROUSSARD of Cameron Parish
Aladin HEBERT, dec. h/o Euphemie DEROUEN, Children: Eraste HEBERT
and Rosa HEBERT w/o John J. HAYES of Cameron Parish.
Carmelite HEBERT w/o Gustave LAURENT of Vermilion Parish
Belize HEBERT, dec. w/o Service BROUSSARD, children: Severine BROUSSARD,
Euphemie BROUSSARD div/w of Jules BOUDREAUX, Desire BROUSSARD,
Alexander BROUSSARD, Albertine BROUSSARD, Edouard BROUSSARD, Aspasie
BROUSSARD w/o Cleopas BLANCHETTE, Irene BROUSSARD, Forest Arceneaux
BROUSSARD and a minor child of Mary Goderate BROUSSARD dec. w/o

C. Hiram ARCENEUX of Jefferson Co., Texas
Desire HEBERT
Family Meeting: Desire HEBERT, Alcide HEBERT, Valery LEDOUX, Emanuel
STURLESE, J. A. DOXEY, J. P. JONES, L. STURLESE, VILEOR THERIOT,
Sosthere RICHARD, A. CORMIER, Albert THERIOT, Charles THERIOT, C. V.
GERMAINE, J. CASTEX, Minos C. BROUSSARD, Alex BROUSSARD, D. L. BROUSSARD,
and Mr & Mrs. J. G. LAURENT as securities.

Added genealogical information to article in Vol. 13, No. 3, p. 88, 1989,
Cameron Parish Sucessions submitted by Harold Prejean, Jr.:

#28 November 1841 - November 22, 1841 - Paul JONES esq. to Virginia HARGRAVE
Paul JONES, esp. full of age (21 yrs.) married Virginia HARGRAVE, d/o dec.
Benjamin HARGRAVE and Eugenie PRIMEAUX.

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LOSS OF THE SARAH BARNES

This ill-fated steamer sprung a leak on October 25, 1843. The captain of the vessel endeavored to run her into the Sabine River, but finding this impossible he made an effort to run on the nearest shore, but the leak increased so fast that before evening she sunk to the fires under the boilers, and the passengers and crew engaged themselves in making preparations to save their lives from drowning. The boat sunk in the latter part of the afternoon. There were thirty souls on board, eighteen were on rafts, and twelve took the boat. Of those on the raft only five were saved after drifting about three days and three nights. Of those in the boat only three perished, passengers, one of whom was a female, lost in the breakers landing the boat.

Saved: - A.G. ABEL, bearer of dispatches; B.P. HARTSHORNE; F. PINCKARD and servant; GREEN, cabin-boy, two deckhands and two firemen.

Lost: - HENRY S. DAGGETT, JAMES POTTER, Judge BLAIR, R. MARTIN, Mr. BOYD, Dr. COSGRAVE; a female, name unknown; three deck passengers; CHARLES FRANKLAND, owner and captain; _____ DEAN, 2nd engineer; ALEXANDER JIBOLL, cook; two deck hands and two firemen.

Taken from the Concorida Intelligencer, Vol. III, No. 13 (28 Oct. 1843) p.2,c.5.

You can't choose your ancestors, but that's fair enough. They probably wouldn't have chosen you. - "Sunny Side of Genealogy", Fonda D. Baselt.

INFORMATION FROM EXCHANGES

"Bluegrass Roots," Vol. 17, #1, Spring 1990, the quarterly of the Kentucky Gen. Soc. reprinted the following information from the "Show Me" State Gen. News: "To get your personal genealogy into the Library of Congress, you need only pay the postage to get it there! Some of the expense of your personal research may be tax deductible when such a gift is given to the Library. Ask your tax consultant for more details. Send your typed, completed genealogy to: Library of Congress, Exchanges and Gifts Division, 10 1st St. SE, Washington, D.C. 20540

"The Family Tree Bulletin" #129 of the Cobb Co. GA. Gen. Soc. (reprinted from "Appleland Bulletin," Wenatchee, WA) tells us that "the 'Black Dutch' are the Sephardic Jews who intermarried with Dutch Protestants to escape the Spanish Inquisition. The Sephardic Jews lived in Spain, during the Middle Ages. 'Black' refers to their dark or black hair, and usually darker complexion due to their Spanish heritage. These people of Jewish origin moved through Belgium and the Netherlands eventually to become Catholic in religion, then Reformed Dutch. Later some of them migrated and settled in America."

In the days of Queen Elizabeth I, ships of the English navy sank the Spanish Armada. Many shipwrecked Spanish soldiers and sailors washed up on the Irish coast and were rescued and hidden by the Irish because of their common bonds of religion and hatred of the English. These Spanish intermarried with the Irish, and their descendants, having hair and/or skin darker than the 'pure Irish', were called the 'Black Irish'.

"Ancestry," Vol. VIII #3 (May-June 1990) has an article entitled "Cemeteries in Dickens' London: Nineteenth-Century Burials" by CHARLOTTE IRVINE in which she states that "despite what the dictionary might imply, cemetery and churchyard are by no means synonymous. A cemetery is a burial ground owned by a local authority or private company. Also, by the middle of the 19th century no churchyard burials were occurring in London, except in some of the outer parishes. The first private and public cemeteries came into existence out of absolute necessity.

By the turn of the 19th century the churchyards of London were trying to cope with up to 40,000 interments a year. The churchyards became so overcrowded that speculators often bought up land opened small private burial grounds. These speculators were quite unscrupulous. One of these private burial grounds somehow squeezed 20,000 interments into a space 50 feet by 29 feet! To achieve this bodies were buried on top of one another, quicklime was used to hasten decomposition, or bones were sold (or stolen) to be turned into fertilizer." The article goes on to advise how to find a 19th century London burial record.

The Puget Sound, Washington Gen. Soc. "Newsletter" Vol. XV, #3 (Aug. 1990) informs researchers who are unable to find federal pension records for ancestors who served in the Revolution, to try the Virginia state pension records. The pension paid by Virginia was higher than the federal pension, so 465 former Revolutionary War soldiers and/or their widows chose the Virginia pension.

The Seattle, Washington Gen. Soc. "Bulletin" Vol. #39, #3 (reprinted from "Cornsilk," the DeKalb, Ill. quarterly) gives advice about searching for ancestors born in Virginia between 1728 and 1863. The following states were a part of Virginia during the inclusive dates: Illinois (1781-1792), Indiana (1787-1816), Kentucky (1775-1792), Maryland (1775-1792), N. Car. (1728-1803), Ohio (1728-1803), Penn. (1752-1786), Tenn. (1760-1803), or W. Va. (1769-1863).

INFORMATION FROM EXCHANGES

"Bluegrass Roots," Vol. 17, No. 2, Summer 1990, published by the Kentucky Genealogical Society (reprinted from PARADE MAGAZINE 14 Nov. 1982) acquaints us with the unique custom of "smock marriages." 'In the 18th century widows sometimes remarried clad only in a smock, or sometimes wearing nothing at all. This custom was based on the notion that, according to common law, a man who married a woman with few or no clothes would not be responsible for her debts or those of her first husband. Without an estate, the popular thinking went, the widow-bride could not pass on any liability to her new husband. The noted jurist FRANCIS WHARTON (1820-89) called this a "vulgar error:"

These "smock marriages", which originated in England, were not uncommon in the New England colonies during the early 1700's. The custom varied according to the region. In some places, the marriage took place after the groom and his scantily clad bride, often naked, stood in a closet and put out one arm during the wedding ceremony. Sometimes the bridegroom lent wedding clothes to his bride-to-be, keeping her modest while he protected his money.'

Some of your ancestors may have participated in a "smock marriage."

Did you know that three transports taking the Acadians into exile in France were sunk? One was the "Duke William, which was conveying 300 Acadians, another the "Violet," with 400 Acadians, and a third, whose name is unknown, was lost off the coast of Spain. A figure of 1,300 has been given for those Acadians who perished at sea at the time. For more information on this subject, read 'THE SINKING OF THE DUKE WILLIAM AND OF THE VIOLET TAKING THE ACADIANS INTO EXILE' by Rev. C. J. d'Entremont in the "Acadian Genealogy Exchange," Vol. IIX, No. 2, April 1990.

Several sources tell us that the Library of Congress actually "cooks" any books they suspect of containing silverfish, lice or cockroaches. Instead of using expensive and dangerous chemicals to rid their collections of these damaging pests, they place the book in a microwave oven and "cook" it on a "warm" or "low" setting for about 60 seconds. The heat kills the insects and their eggs and leaves the book undamaged. This is a good idea to use for all your old books or those you pick up in used book stores or flea markets.

NEW SYSTEM FOR FAMILY RESEARCH

The Family History Center at 6108 Hazelwood, Orange, Texas is now offering "Family Search," an automated system of genealogical information.

Family Search is a collection of easy to use computer files, developed to help individuals find information on their ancestors. The new system includes an ancestral file containing genealogies linked together by family groups and pedigrees, and an International Genealogical Index (IGI) listing names and vital information for more than 147 million people.

To find the name of a town not on current atlases or maps, write to the U.S. Board of Place Names, STOP 723, Reston, VA. 22091

BOOK REVIEWS

Our French Canadian Ancestors: Volume XI, by Thomas John Laforest. 1990. \$14.00

This is Volume XI in the series originally published in Quebec as "Nos Ancetres", by Rev. Gerard Lebel and Jacques Saintonge. The first chapter continues with the subject of life in New France, this part being a demographic analysis. The remainder of this work covers the biographies of ancestors as follows: MICHEL BROUILLET DIT LAVIOLETTE, PIERRE-CORENTIN DENIS DIT QUIMPER, PIERRE DUCHESNE DIT LAPIERRE, FRANCOIS-ABRAHAM Fiset, ANTOINE FORTIER, JACQUES GAUTHIER, LAURENT GIRARDEAU, JACQUES GOULET, JACOB HENCKEL, GUILLAUME LANDRY, RENE LAVOIE, NICOLAS LEBLOND, JACQUES LUSSIER, PIERRE MONGEAU, OLIVIER MOREL DE LA DURANTAYE, JEAN MORISSET, FRANCOIS PAMPALON DIT LABRANCHE, MICHEL SAINDON. Also contains French-Canadian-American family name variations: --L--.

Soft cover, 289 p., index of names, bibliographies, illus., maps, coats-of-arms.
Order from The LISI Press, P. O. Box 1063, Palm Harbor, FL. 34682.

Immigration Files of Southwest Louisiana (1840-1929): Naturalization Records, by Rev. Donald J. Hebert. 1990. \$28.00 plus \$2.00 postage and shipping

In his introduction Rev. Hebert defines the terms "naturalization" and "citizenship". He discusses the history and acts concerning immigration. He also goes into the subject "Research and Inventory" having to do with files and records. Listed are courthouses with immigration files. Included are facsimiles of declarations of intention and one of petition for naturalization.

Soft cover, x, 166 p., facsimilies.

Order from Hebert Publications, P. O. Box 147, Rayne, LA. 70578
(This book was donated by the author).

→ Exile Without An End: Acadian Exiles in South Carolina, 1755-1764, by Chapman J. Milling. 1990 reprint of 1943 ed. \$23.00 plus \$2.00 postage and handling

This work was brought to the attention of the Rev. Donald J. Hebert, and he gained permission to reprint it. Rev. Hebert feels that there is more interest today in Acadian history and Acadian genealogy than in 1943; therefore, this should certainly be of value to genealogists in this field. It is an account of the transportation of over a thousand Acadians by the English governor of Nova Scotia in 1755 to Charleston in South Carolina. This concerns the unimaginable miseries suffered by this group as well as a most perplexing situation presented to the colonial government. Certainly much credit must be given to the Governor of South Carolina, James Glen, for his efforts in their behalf.

Soft cover, vii, 57 p., index, bibliography, footnotes, map, index. 1943 ed. pub. by Bostick & Thornley, Inc., Columbia, S.C.; reprinted in 1990 by Hebert Publications, P. O. Box 147, Rayne, La. 70578.
(This volume was donated by the publisher).

If you are researching New England, do not overlook town meeting or early church meeting records as a valuable source of information. Scandals, grievances against neighbors, charges of witchcraft, marriages and births of children may be recorded. Some of these records have been published in books or microfilmed, but most are available at the town hall.

Records of the Families Of Brothers, Swan, Bonar/Reeves, Beardsley,
compiled by William P. Brothers. 1990.

The SWAN family is the line from John Swan, 1721-1799, and his son Colonel Charles Swan, 1749-1832, to Irma Swan Brothers, 1890-1977. The JOHN BEARDSLEE family is the line from William Beardslee, 1605-1661, to Gertrude Selina Wheeler, 1869-1965, and Irma Swan Brothers, 1890-1977. The BONAR/REEVES family is the line from James Boner, 1788-1878, and his daughter Caroline Seville Boner, 1831-1919, who married John Ward Swan, 1833-1904. The ELIJAH BROTHERS family is the line from Thomas Brothers, b. ca. 1780, and his son Elijah, 1801-1869, to Maxwell Rice Brothers, 1909. The THOMAS BROTHERS family is the line from Thomas Brothers, b. ca. 1780, and his son Thomas Lewis Brothers, b. 1810, to William Perry Brothers, b. 1921.

Soft cover, xiii, various pagings, illus. ports., facsims., charts.

Address inquiries to compiler, Old Nonpareil Press, 430 Maple Way, Woodside, CA. 94062.

(This is a complimentary copy from William P. Brothers).

George Damon Tessier of Natchitoches, Louisiana: His Forebears and Descendants,
by Evelyn T. Smith. 1990. \$27.50 pp.

George Damon Tessier was the first of his line to be born in America. His father, Jean Michel Tessier, was a French mariner (believed to have been a captain in Napoleon's navy), who settled in Natchitoches around 1823. Here he met and married Marie Pelagie Des Nieges Adle', a descendant of the Adle', Clermont and Dubois families, some of whom were in Louisiana as early as 1730. Descendants of this union include the names of LATTIER, LESTAGE, TRICHEL, MCLEAN. The marriage of George Damon Tessier to Marie Emilie Debaillon united the Natchitoches and St. Landry branches of the family. The bride's parents, Benoit Debaillon and Louis Maximilien Fontenot, were both descendants of French officers who had survived Napoleon's unsuccessful attempt, in 1802, to conquer the island of San Domingo, and who had settled in Opelousas. In the book's final chapter, the author explores the family relationships to John Gradenigo, an Italian nobleman believed to be descended from the Doges of Venice.

Hard cover, vi, 186p., illus. maps. Order from the author, 6240 N. 16th St., #34, Phoenix, AZ. 85016

(The foregoing review was prepared by the author when presenting this complimentary copy to our organization).

Managing A Genealogical Project, by William Dollarhide. 1988. \$14.95

It is stated that this is not a how-to book, but rather that it focuses on a particular method of organizing research materials. This work is divided into sections with following headings: Types of genealogical projects; Collecting references; Retrieving notes and compiling family sheets; Ahnentafel numbering; Descendancy numbering; Using a computer; Presentation techniques. An appendix discusses Research Journals and logs. A set of master forms is included which may be photocopied.

Soft cover, xii, 69p., illus. Order from Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md. 21202

QUERIES

Please make your queries clear, concise and easily understood. Give full name of person; exact dates, if known, or an approximate date or time period if the exact date is unknown (ca); and a location, if possible. Be sure to state exactly what information you are seeking in your query. Queries are free to members and will be published as time and space permit.

WILSON, BYRD

Would like to correspond with descendants of FRANCIS WILSON (b. 1830, Jackson Co., Miss.) and SARAH MATHILDA BYRD (b. 1831), who m. 1851. Moved into Rapides, Vernon Parish area 1870-1880. Children were: MARTHA JANE (m. GEORGE GOLEMAN), JAMES ALBERT (m. EMMA DYESS), WILLIAM M. (m. SARAH JANE MUSSELWHITE), MARY CAROLINE (m. JERRY SMITH), SABRA ELLEN (m. THOMAS F. DYESS, SR.), JEFFERSON DAVIS (m. BELLE BUSBY), LUELLA B. (m. W. BAILEY GOLEMAN), JOHN ALLEN (m. MARY MADDOX), and SARAH ELIZABETH DELPHINE (m. ALEX SMITH). SHERRY WILSON MANUEL, P.O. Box 5086, Thibodaux, La. 70302.

LEBLEU, BALLANCE

Seeking any information on LAWARANCE ("LOSSIE") CARLOS ("CAYO") LEBLEU, m. ca 1887 ROSA CAROLINE BALLANCE and their son BENNIE LEBLEU, known to be living at Merryville, La., 1912 and Oakdale, La., 1920's. MAURICE JEAN LEBLEU, Rt. 5 Box 330A, Brenham, Texas 77833.

CASANOVA, PEREZ, ROGER

Wanted: any information on the CASANOVA family. FRANCOIS CASANOVA (b. ca 1782, perhaps Campeche; son of JOSEPH DOMINGO CASANOVA and GERTRUDE PEREZ of Canary Islands) m. BRIDGETTE ROGER, 6 May 1800, Baton Rouge. GWEN BERGERON MCMILLIN, Rt. 3 Box 27, Welsh, La. 70591.

VENABLE, TRAHAN, MCFARLAND

Need parents of MARY VENABLE (b. 21 Aug. 1876, d. 3 June 1940) m. EUFRASIE TRAHAN, 20 Jan. 1895. She was the only family survivor of yellow fever epidemic and thought to have been raised by some MCFARLAND's in St. Landry or St. Mary Parishes. SANDRA KAY TRAHAN, Rt. 10 Box 1201, Orange, Texas 77630.

DUHON, DUGAS, CRANFORD, JOHNNICE, BAKER, DOIRON

Need information on ROSAMOND DUHON (d. 10 Oct. 1890) m. LOUISA (CELESTE) DUGAS (d. 3 July 1886). Also on JAMES ALEXANDER CRANFORD (b. 1879, Phillips Bluff, La.; d. 1939, Edna, La.) m. LEMAND JOHNNICE (b. 1879 Phillips Bluff; d. 1948). Need parents of JAMES J. BAKER (b. 1889, Angelina, Tex; d. Lake Charles) m. LOUISA DOIRON (b. 1891, d. 1948). DARRYLE J. OLIVER, Rt. 8 Box 1601, #128 Lake Charles, La. 70605.

QUERIES, Cont'd.

WARD

Seeking information on DANIEL S. WARD (b. 1810, N.C.; d. 1874, Lake Charles). Where is he buried? Also on CAROLINE KELLER WARD (b. 1821; d. 1902; buried Magnolia Cemetery, Ragley, La.) Postage refunded. ARTIE MCDONALD, 23582 N. Bryant Rd., Acampo, CA 95220.

OLIVIER, OLIVIER dit MAURICE, FRUGE, LEJEUNE

Need place and dates of birth, marriages and death for MAURICE OLIVIER and CATHERINE LEJEUNE. Also for their daughter MARIE ANNE OLIVER dit MAURICE m. NICOLAS (COLAS) FRUGE. JEANETTE SINGLETON, 3074 Potomac Dr., Baton Rouge, La. 70808.

MUSSELWHITE, FINLEY

Would like to correspond with descendants of JONATHAN MUSSELWHITE (b. 1838, Telfair Co., Ga.), He m. 1st JANE, and moved to La. from Miss., 1858. He m. 2nd, 1866, Vernon Parish, POLY FINLEY. Children: N.E., SARAH JANE (m. WILLIAM WILSON), LIZA (m. BRIT NICHOLS), JESSE J. (m. FRANCES HUGES), and WILLIAM IRVIN (m. 1st MARGARET ULMER; m. 2nd ETHEL BELVIN). SHERRY WILSON MANUEL, P.O. Box 5086, Thibodaux, La. 70302.

HARRINGTON/ARINGTON, FRENCH, MATERNE, COLE

Need parents, birthdates, etc. on JOHN (JEAN) HARRINGTON/ARINGTON, b. late 1700's m. LYDIA FRENCH (FRANCE). In St. Landry Parish, 1820 census. Daughter SARAH (SALLY) m. 31 Jan. 1831 AUGUSTIN MATERNE, St. Martinville; m. 2nd 15 Aug. 1855 WILLIAM E. (JIM) COLE. JEANETTE SINGLETON, 3074 Potomac Dr., Baton Rouge, La. 70808.

LANSDALE, SIDERS

Would like to correspond with descendants of ALLEN HENRY LANSDALE (b. 1863, Bradley Co., Ark.) and MARY SUSAN SIDERS (b. 1868, Camargo, Ill.), who moved to Rapides Par. ca 1900. Children were: MINNIE BELLE (m. JOHN J. BAILLO), MAGGIE (m. WALTER POWELL), ARCH ALLEN (m. MELBA JONES), PEARL ODELIA (m. HENRY LAMPKIN WILSON), ALBERT HENRY (m. ALINE ELIZABETH WATTS) and ISSAC. SHERRY WILSON MANUEL, P.O. Box 5086, Thibodaux, La. 70302.

MASSEY, DEVEREAUX, SUGG

Need parents, siblings, marriage, etc. of LOUISA MASSEY, a Quaker (b. 31 Aug. 1826, prob. Penn.), m. HEBERT/EBER DEVEREAUX and moved to La. prior to Civil War, but other MASSEYS stayed North. Related to a CAP'T SUGG of Dover and to CAROLINE MASSEY m. LUTHER SUGG in Iberia, ca 1856. Will gladly refund postage. LOIS HAYES CULVER, 14945 Gale Ave., Hacienda Heights, CA. 91745.

HAYES, BERWICK, ACHOUETTE, ASHWORTH

Was JACOB HAYES (b. 1794, La.; m. MARIE ZILPHY BERWICK, 1816) the same JACOB HAYES who fathered RUDOLPH HAYES (mother SARAH ACHOUETTE-ASHWORTH) 1821? Need information on JACOB HAYES. Postage gladly refunded. LOIS HAYES CULVER, 14945 Gale Ave., Hacienda Heights, CA. 91745

QUERIES, cont'd.

O'QUAN, AUCOIN, Q'QUINN, VINCENT

Would like to establish death date of MICHAEL (Mitchell) O'QUAN (AUCOIN), enumerated in 1910 Cal. Par. census, living with JOHN F. VINCENT, great uncle. Need copy of his obituary and obituary for ALEXON O'QUINN (AUCOIN), d. 1900-1910. Will pay costs of photocopying and postage. Mrs. MEARL O'QUINN, JR., 2604 Martin St. Pasadena, Tx. 77502.

LANDRY, NELZON, BERNARD

Need parents of VICTORINE (UREIN) LANDRY (m. 25 Apr 1864, DESIRE BERNARD son of HILAIRE NELZON and MARIE ARTHEMISE LANDRY BERNARD). Mr. and Mrs. DON MELANCON, 3508 Kileen Dr., Amarillo, Tx. 79109.

MILLER, RITTER

Seeking information on GEORGE MILLER and wife CATHERINE RITTER (RETHE) who came from MD/VA area to Opelousas before 1731. Mr. and Mrs. DON MELANCON, 3508 Kileen Dr., Amarillo, Tx. 79109.

BAUMER, GOSEMEYER

Seeking information about ancestors of MARY TERESA BAUMER, b. probably New Orleans, ca 1842; m. 1860, GEORGE HENRY GOSEMEYER, Cincinnati, Ohio; d. 1898, Carthage, Ohio; buried St. John's Cemetery, St. Bernard, Ohio. JEAN E. SCHAEFER, 3913 Woodthrush Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45251.

HENDRICK, SMITH, SAVOIE

Need information about ELIZABETH HENDRICK (HENRY) and husband CHARLES SMITH, parents of JOHN H. H. SMITH (m. 16 June 1812, Opelousas, CELESTE SAVOIE). CINDY and DON MELANCON, 3508 Kileen Dr., Amarillo, Tx. 79109.

THOMAS, LONG BELL LUMBER CO.

Searching for a June 1932 issue of "THE LOG OF THE LONG BELL" for the service pins issued or retirements listed. Also any information on JAMES A. THOMAS who worked for the company in Bon Ami, La. and Longview, WA about 1912. LINDA ERNESTER ZACHER, 16655 S. Pam Dr., Oregon City, OR 97045.

FONTENOT, JEANSONNE

Need parents of AURELIEN L. FONTENOT m. ZELINE J.B. JEANSONNE on 3 Aug. 1854. EVELYN GARRETT, 840 Meadowlark, Bridge City, Tx. 77611.

EAST/ISTRE

Wish to correspond with anyone researching EAST/ISTRE families. I am trying to reconstruct family groups. ALVENIA THIBODEAUX, 1801 Augusta, Westlake, La. 70669.

FLEMING, BROUSSARD

Seeking descendants of JEAN MARIE AUGUSTE (A.V.) FLEMING and ALICE BROUSSARD who researched the family for the 1974 family reunion. LAWRENCE FRED CAPUDER, 8941 Chapman Circle, Strongsville, Ohio 44136.

Name of Compiler MARY SLOAN MILLERAddress 3400 Holly Hill RoadCity, State Lake Charles, LA.Date April 1, 1987*Ancestor Chart*

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. _____ on chart No. _____.

Chart No. _____

4 JOHN ALBERT SLOAN

(Father of No. 2)

b. 10 September 1859
 p.b. Rusk, TX.
 m. 14 December 1887
 d. 1929
 p.d. Rusk, TX.

2 JOHN MAXWELL SLOAN

(Father of No. 1)

b. 4 January 1894
 p.b. Rusk, TX.
 m. 7 September 1919
 d. 7 January 1937
 p.d. Jacksonville, TX.

5 LAURA JANET HARRIS

(Mother of No. 2)

b. 5 September 1863
 p.b. Rusk, TX.
 d. 17 May 1914
 p.d. Rusk, TX.

1 MARY JOYCE SLOAN

b. 4 October 1926
 p.b. Little Rock, AR.
 m. 20 October 1945
 d.
 p.d.

6 THOMPSON MACK DIETZ II

(Father of No. 3)

b. 25 May 1876
 p.b. Blue Lick, IN.
 m. 19 April 1899
 d. 2 September 1955
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

3 ROSAMOND ETHEL DIETZ

(Mother of No. 1)

b. 17 May 1900
 p.b. Lake Charles, LA.
 d. 14 December 1981
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

7 LANIE ETHEL GUILD

(Mother of No. 3)

b. 25 July 1878
 p.b. Delavan, IL.
 d. 17 December 1967
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

JOSEPH THOMAS MILLER

(Spouse of No. 1)

b. 26 Jan. 1927 d.
 p.b. Lake Charles, LA. p.d.

8 WILLIAM N. SLOAN

(Father of No. 4)

b. 2 August 1831
 p.b. Alabama
 m. 11 November 1858
 d. 22 June 1896
 p.d. Rusk, TX.

9 TERENA E. VINING

(Mother of No. 4)

b. 1839
 p.b. Alabama
 d. 16 May 1900
 p.d. Rusk, TX.

10 EVAN S. HARRIS

(Father of No. 5)

b. 1883
 p.b. Alabama
 m. July 1853
 d. ca 1880
 p.d. Taylor, TX.

11 REBECCA ANGELINE MALLARD

(Mother of No. 5)

b. 15 March 1835
 p.b. Walker Co., AL.
 d. 12 February 1885
 p.d. Taylor, TX.

12 THOMPSON MACK DIETZ, JR.

(Father of No. 6)

b. 22 February 1848
 p.b. Blue Lick, IN.
 m. 1867
 d. 26 December 1891
 p.d. Blue Lick, IN.

13 MARY REXIAVILLE TOWNSEND

(Mother of No. 6)

b. 20 March 1848
 p.b. Ohio
 d. 7 December 1928
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

14 CHARLES GRANVILLE GUILD

(Father of No. 7)

b. 10 March 1847
 p.b. Attetboro, MA.
 m. 12 September 1869
 d. 8 March 1915
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

15 DELANEY SWEAZY TEFFT

(Mother of No. 7)

b. 13 May 1852
 p.b. Delavan, IL.
 d. 10 June 1928
 p.d. Lake Charles, LA.

16 ARCHIBALD SLOAN

b. 1790 (Father of No. 8,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

m. 22 November 1827

d. 16 August 1834

17 LUCINDA NEELY

b. 1804 (Mother of No. 8,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

d. ca 1875

2nd, WA HICKS 8 Nov. 1836

18 COSBY VINING, M.D.

b. ca 1803 (Father of No. 9,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

m. 1832, Georgia

d. 1848

19 MARTHA HUDSON

b. 1814 (Mother of No. 9,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

d.

20

b. (Father of No. 10,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

m.

d.

21

b. (Mother of No. 10,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

d.

22 ELDRIDGE THORNTON MALLARD

b. 26 Sept. 1797 (Father of No. 11,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

m. 19 February 1819

d. 20 March 1876

23 CATHERINE BYLER

b. 1 May 1801 (Mother of No. 11,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

d. 14 March 1882

24 THOMPSON MACK DIETZ

b. 29 April 1811 (Father of No. 12,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

m. 28 November 1833

d. 10 March 1863

25 ABIGAIL GUERNSEY

b. 15 May 1816 (Mother of No. 12,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

d. July 1902

26 JOHN FOX TOWNSEND

b. (Father of No. 13,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

m.

d. 1870

27 CELESTA FERRIS

b. (Mother of No. 13,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

d.

d. 1860

28 HARVEY GUILD

b. Attetboro, MA (Father of No. 14,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

m. 1812

d. 1836

29 MINERVA GARDNER

b. 1812 (Mother of No. 14,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

d.

30 STEPHEN TEFFT

b. Providence, RI (Father of No. 15,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

m. 1 May 1851

d. ca 1868

31 ELIZA VARNEY

b. 26 Dec 1831 (Mother of No. 15,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

d. 1911 - Delavan, IL.

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