

SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA GENEALOGICAL  
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# KINFOLKS

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MEMBERSHIP in the SWLGS is \$10.00 for individuals, \$15.00 for families (husband and wife) and \$20.00 for patrons, per calendar year. Membership begins in January of each year.

SWLGS meets on the 3rd Saturday of January, March, May, September and November at 10:00 a.m. in the Calcasieu Health Unit Auditorium, corner of Prien Lake Road and Kirkman Street in Lake Charles.

KINFOLKS is published four times a year. Members joining during the year receive back issues of KINFOLKS (for the current year). We welcome contributions of unpublished material for inclusion in this publication. Articles and queries must be received by the 1st of February, April, August and November to be included in the next issue. Queries are free to members, \$2.00 to non-members. We do not assume responsibility for accuracy of information submitted and published. Permission is given to other genealogical societies to use information printed in this newsletter, provided the SWLGS is given due credit. Advertising rates are available upon request. KINFOLKS began in 1977 and back issues are available, write for a price list. A single issue is \$3.50.

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CORRESPONDENCE and DUES should be sent to the SWLGS, P. O. Box 5652, Lake Charles, La. 70606-5652.

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### MARCH MEETING

The meeting will be held on Saturday, 21st March, at 10:00 a.m. at the Calcasieu Health Unit Auditorium, 721 E. Prien Lake Rd., Lake Charles.

Speaker will be Margaret D. Findley. Her topic will be "The Life and Times of Christopher Columbus and Queen Isabella.

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**1992 DUES ARE PAYABLE!! DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP.  
DEADLINE IS 21 MARCH**

If you have not paid your dues, there is a colored sticker on your address label.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1992 - 21 March - Saturday - 10:00 a.m. - Calcasieu Health Unit Auditorium  
Speaker - MARGARET FINDLEY

1992 - 14 March - Saturday - 8:30 a.m. - Summer Grove United Methodist Church  
9119 Dean Road, Shreveport, LA

1992 Spring Genealogical Seminar & Book Fair

Sponsored by Friends of Genealogy, Inc., P. O. Box 17835,  
Shreveport, LA. 71138-0835

Featuring MARY BONDURANT WARREN, Editor of Family Puzzlers

Topics: Migrations to Georgia, Georgia During the Colonial and  
Revolutionary Period, and Georgia County Records Pre-Civil War

Pre-Registration fee is \$20 and includes Continental Breakfast

After March 1 - registration fee is \$22.50

1992 - 11 April - Saturday - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Ramada Hotel, Baton Rouge,  
LA.

Sponsored by Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Society  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Genealogical Seminar - Speaker - JAMES HANSEN of the State Historical  
Society of Wisconsin

Lectures - The Draper Manuscript, Naturalization Records and Passenger  
Lists, Tracing Your Ancestors in Newspapers, and What To Do When  
You Hit a Brick Wall

JAMES PERRIN, well known Civil War Researcher, will discuss  
"Confederate Research."

Registration Fee prior to 15 March 1992, including buffet:  
Members \$22 Non Members \$25

1992 - 29 April - 2 May National Genealogical Society 12th Annual Conference

"A New Voyage of Discovery" - Jacksonville, Florida

Conference Registration/Program, National Genealogical Society

4527 Seventeenth St., North, Arlington, VA 22207-2399

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1993 - 3 April - Saturday - 4th Genealogical Seminar, L. C. Hilton Inn  
National known lecturer Dr. GEORGE K. SCHWEITZER of Knoxville, TN will  
be the speaker.

1994 National Genealogical Society Conference  
sponsored by Friends of Clayton Library, Houston, Texas

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### KINFOLKS - Correction:

It has been called to our attention by CONWAY ROSTEET that there was an editing  
error on paragraph 2, p. 119, Vol. 15, No. 4. The sentence should read as  
follows: The widow MARGUERITE married MIGUEL III's godfather, FRANCOIS BEDRINANA.  
Mr. ROSTEET informs us that she was never a ROSTEET, as her son MIGUEL took  
the surname ROSTEET.

## NOVEMBER PROGRAM

### WOMEN OF THE CONFEDERACY: ADVOCATES OF SECESSION?

By RUTH RICE

GEORGE AUGUSTUS SALA, a British journalist who observed the American people at war, concluded that there was probably no conflict in history which was as much a "Woman's War" as that of 1861-1865. He found women in both camps to be "the bitterest, most vengeful of politicians," unanimous in their "exasperation and implacability." Although conditioned in contrasting environments and schooled in opposing philosophies, women stepped forward as defenders of their respective causes. Emotions, energies and talents that they did not even realize they possessed were unleashed. Here was a crusade in which they were needed and one in which they enthusiastically participated.

The majority were caught up in a movement which gained momentum in a "carnival-like" atmosphere created by emotions, not reason. For the first time they could participate in riotous celebrations, express their opinions on political matters and be noisy spectators without losing their position as "ladies." They were to be found in the galleries of secession conventions, in the throngs observing torch-light parades and waving their handkerchiefs when it was announced that another state had left the Union. It was inevitable that feminine enthusiasm should reach its highest point in Charleston. On the eve of the secession of South Carolina, the atmosphere of that city "rippled and swelled with excitement...the young girls devoted their time to manufacturing every kind of patriotic device in palmetto and silk ribbon...every young woman was as defiant, as determined, and as ardent as her brother or her sweetheart." A Montgomery sewing circle began making blue cockades for men's hats as a symbol that the wearers favored secession, and offered to supply every male citizen so there could be no excuse for not wearing them. In another community, members of a sewing circle stationed themselves on street corners and began distributing the badges to male pedestrians. One man refused to wear a badge because he was opposed to secession. This unexpected response so infuriated the donor that she turned to a gathering crowd and denounced the man as a coward and commanded the men present "to protect that man's wife and children should the South have to resort to arms in defense of its rights." Shortly before this incident, the same group of ladies had become so highly enraged on learning that a pro-Union meeting at Florence had condemned a local military tax measure that they offered to pay the money themselves. They also voted to send a hoop-skirt to the chairman as a mark of his cowardice.

At no time did the women flout established custom by joining men on public platforms in condemning the "common enemy." On the other hand, scores of concerned females waged an unrelenting campaign of hate for these "villains" in their diaries, letters and at gossip sessions. In this "women's war" many a battle was fought over the teacups and backyard fences. From the written sources it became evident that their views paralleled those of the men, and in a few rare cases, they were even more severe in their condemnation. In this period the people were being assured that secession did not mean war, but should the North instigate one, it would be brief and the South would be the victor. This most women believed.

One of the surest indications that Southern women did not expect secession to lead to war was their failure to withdraw their daughters from Northern schools before the firing started. Then they moved quickly. VIRGINIA MOON of Memphis got herself expelled from an Ohio school after shooting down the U. S. flag as it floated above the campus.

Support and encouragement came from the most unexpected sources. The press gave full coverage to those pro-Southern Northern women who endorsed secession as part of the campaign to justify what already had been done. A case in point was the letter from a "Lady of Cincinnati" who wanted to move South. She held the president-elect responsible for "all the confusion and discord that led to the dissolution of our once glorious Union," and went on to offer her "humble services" to any Southern governor "to assist in guarding magazines, protecting Capitals, etc."

It should not be assumed that all of the feminine champions of the cause of the South were motivated by a supreme optimism and an arrogant faith. The wiser ones tempered their emotions with salt of reality, philosophized upon the vanity of war, and looked with great apprehension upon the tasks which confronted the South. VARINA HOWELL DAVIS clearly foresaw the difficulties which faced the government of which her husband was head, believing the North would give the South "a hot time."

In conclusion, in doing this research, I contend that the subject should be "Women of the Confederacy: Advocates of Secession" ending with a period, not a question.

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## NUMBERING SYSTEMS

By KATHLEEN STAGG

There are many numbering systems used in genealogy today. One of the most familiar is the 5 generation pedigree chart which is pre-printed with the number 1 for the first person on the chart, number 2 for his father, number 4 for his paternal grandfather, etc. When you start another chart, using number 1 again for the first person on the chart, you must identify number 1 on each chart by referring to the chart he was previously on (i.e., number 1 on chart 2 was number 16 on chart 1). You keep track of an ancestor by what chart he appears on and not by an assigned identification number. However, with 12, 15, and 19 generation charts, each individual is assigned an identification number.

The Ahnentafel system solves this problem. Ahnentafel is a German word for "forebear table" and is actually a table of ancestors. The rules are basically the same as those for numbering charts. Every male is assigned an even number; every female has an odd number, a wife's number being one higher than her husband's. To find the father of a person, double his number; to find the mother, double his number and add 1. Each person has an identification number, and there are no chart numbers to confuse you. These numbers can go on into infinity. The Ahnentafel also uses less paper, and therefore less space, than the charts.



The above systems are used for pedigrees, or ascendencies. For genealogies, or descendencies, a variety of numbering systems are in use. However, the most common is the outline form with a combination of letters and numbers to show various generations and branches of the family. Always use the instructions shown in the front of the book when using a printed genealogy.

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## USING SOCIAL SECURITY RECORDS IN GENEALOGY

By SANDRA F. MIGUEZ

The problems of the aged, like those of the poor or disabled, have been handled through a variety of institutions and arrangements at different times and in different places. In most land-holding societies, the aged have found security in a familistic social organization in which food is shared, oldsters often marry younger mates, or progenitors hold sway over descendants. The family was kept safe by such other structures as the church or the guilds of medieval Europe, by private philanthropy, by giving of alms, or by building institutions to house the indigent or aged. These institutions, known as poor houses, poor farms, work houses or county homes, were locally administered institutions for homeless, aged persons without financial means.

Such systems declined radically in number in the second half of the 20th century, to be replaced by other means of financial assistance and care. Social security benefits, and later, Medicare lessened reliance on public homes until they became virtually obsolete

As part of FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT's New Deal, Social Security measures were enacted to provide old-age and widow's benefits, unemployment compensation, and disability insurance. The Social Security Act was signed into effect on Aug. 14, 1935 with the purpose to establish a national old-age pension system through employer and employee contributions. The system was later expanded to include dependents, the disabled, and other groups. Railroad employees were covered separately under the Railroad Retirement Act of 1934. Responding to the economic impact of the Great Depression, 5,000,000 old people in the early 1930's joined nationwide Townsend clubs, promoted by FRANCIS E. TOWNSEND, to support his program demanding a \$200 monthly pension for everyone over the age of 60. The Social Security Act has been periodically amended, expanding the types of coverage, bringing in progressively more workers into the systems and adjusting both taxes and in an attempt to keep pace with inflation.

The largest group of employment records in the world are those of the U. S. Social Security system. These records are fairly recent, since they only began in 1934, and are also restricted. However, records can be obtained from the file of a deceased direct ancestor.

The greatest benefit of these records may be that applicants for Social Security needed documentation of their birth to prove their age. The early Social Security files include many people born in the 1850's, 1860's and 1870's, as well as later. Among this group were naturalized citizens from foreign countries whose specific birth date and place may not be recorded anyplace else. This is especially true for people naturalized before 1906, when detailed birth information was not required to be registered.

If an ancestor lived past 1935 he or she may have a Social Security file. If your ancestor is dead and you are a bona fide descendant, the Freedom of Information Act gives you the right to this information. Even the Social Security number gives you a clue to the ancestor's residence. The first three digits of the number indicate the state in which the applicant was living when he applied for Social Security.

Social Security records have replaced or enhanced both birth and death certificates in many cases. Early birth records give little information beyond the name of the child, date and place of birth and parents' names. Some localities listed only the name of the father. This was particularly true in early New England town and church records.

Early birth records are also distressingly sparse, with the heaviest concentration found in New England. Church records from the colonial period that can serve as birth records were kept in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Virginia. By the mid-19th century birth records in the U. S. began to include more detailed information. Some entries in these registers list the mother's maiden name, which is helpful in identifying the maternal ancestry of the child.

A rarely used form of birth record is the delayed birth certificate. When Social Security benefits were instituted in 1937, individuals claiming benefits had to document their births even if their states had not required birth registration. The federal census enumerations for the 1800's and 1900 were partially or fully indexed to help provide this documentation. Another method was to file evidence as part of an application for a delayed birth certificate. The individual applying had to submit a petition to the county court stating his or her name; address; birthdate; birthplace; father's name, race and birthplace; and evidence to support the facts presented. The evidence could be in the form of baptismal certificate, Bible record, school record, affidavit from the attending physician or midwife, application for an insurance policy, birth certificate of a child, copy of an application for a Social Security account number, or an affidavit from a person having definite knowledge of the facts.

This delayed birth certificate lists vital information abstracted from the supporting evidence. Most states have delayed birth records, some of which have been indexed and are easily usable. Some delayed birth records have been filed for individuals born as early as 1840. These records are usually filed in the county of birth. These records can provide information about the individual and his or her parents when vital records were not widely kept. The records and testimony used as supporting evidence for the document can lead to other sources of information.

Modern death certificates have not been standardized in the U. S., but contain basically the same types of information as birth certificates. The Social Security number is not always provided, but when it is, it is invaluable. Other types of records, subject to right-of-privacy laws, are accessible if you have the Social Security number.

A new service of LDS Libraries is the Family History Library which has the Social Security Death Index. This lists many deceased persons who had Social Security numbers, whose deaths were reported to the Social Security



Administration. Most of these file numbers (38 million of them) are for people who died from 1962 through 1988. However, the file also lists 1.5 million people who died from 1937 to 1962, and additions are being made constantly.

The information in the Social Security Death Index comes from U. S. government records and is available under the Freedom of Information Act. The Index is now on four compact disks at Family History Libraries. Although no search or copy service is provided, anyone can search the Index. No Social Security number is required---only the name of the person and the actual or approximate birth date. The Index will search for similar spellings. The Index features:

- Birth and death records for 39.5 million people
- Information on place of last residence
- Search options for exact or similar surname spellings
- Option to copy data for use at home

After finding your ancestor's Social Security number, you may write the Dep't. of Health and Human Services, Office of Central Records Div., Baltimore, MD 21201 requesting a copy of the original application for his number. Cost is \$7.00 per record, and they will bill you. Your request should be made on Social Security form SSA-L997, but the form, does not include a space for indicating your reason for the inquiry. A cover letter must be included stating that the person about whom you are inquiring is deceased and that your request is being made under the Freedom of Information Act. The record that you obtain will be a photocopy of the Form SS-5 that your ancestor filled out when applying for his Social Security number. The form will provide the full name of the applicant, the father's full name, the mother's maiden name, date and place of birth, applicant's address, name and address of employer, and the signature of the applicant. If you know the Social Security number, you may avoid researching the Index and write directly to the SSA in Baltimore.

Remember, your ancestor will only be in the Index if his or her death was reported to Social Security, but any worker who contributed to Social Security will have a record with the SSA.

Sources: "The Source", Encyclopedia Britannica", Heritage Quest Magazine - Issue #13

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If your ancestor had a Social Security number of 700-728, he probably worked for the railroad, usually between 1937-1943. Railroad workers were assigned a special numerical prefix.

#### DESTRUCTION OF SOCIAL SECURITY RECORDS

The Social Security System plans to destroy the original 37 million applications for Social Security. These records may be completely filled out in your ancestor's handwriting, or at least contain his signature. Genealogists are urged to write the Social Security Administration or your Congressman to find an alternative solution to this problem.

## SOCIAL SECURITY AREA DESIGNATIONS

<u>Social Security #</u>	<u>Area Allocations</u>	<u>Social Security #</u>	<u>Area Allocations</u>
001-003	New Hampshire	468-477	Minnesota
004-007	Maine	478-485	Iowa
008-009	Vermont	486-500	Missouri
010-034	Massachusetts	501-502	North Dakota
035-039	Rhode Island	503-504	South Dakota
040-049	Connecticut	505-508	Nebraska
050-134	New York	509-515	Kansas
135-158	New Jersey	516-517	Montana
159-211	Pennsylvania	518-519	Idaho
212-220	Maryland	520	Wyoming
221-222	Delaware	521-524	Colorado
223-231	Virginia	525	New Mexico
232	West Virginia and	526-527	Arizona
	North Carolina	528-529	Utah
233-236	West Virginia	530	Nevada
237-246	North Carolina	531-539	Washington
247-251	South Carolina	540-544	Oregon
252-260	Georgia	545-573	California
261-267	Florida	574	Alaska
268-302	Ohio	575-576	Hawaii
303-317	Indiana	577-579	District of
318-361	Illinois		Columbia
362-386	Michigan	580	Virgin Islands
387-399	Wisconsin		& Puerto Rico
400-407	Kentucky	581-584	Puerto Rico
408-415	Tennessee	585	New Mexico
416-424	Alabama	586	Guam, Philippine
425-428	Mississippi		Islands, and
429-432	Arkansas		American Samoa
433-439	Louisiana	587	Mississippi
440-448	Oklahoma	700-728	Railroad Retire
449-467	Texas		ment Board (all
			states)

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## GENEALOGY OR PEDIGREE By BETTY ROSTEET

We all say that we are doing our family's genealogy, but what most of us are actually doing is a pedigree or ancestral lineage of the family. The two are different genealogical projects and even involve different numbering systems.

A pedigree is an ancestral lineage, involving only a person's direct ancestral lines. Children of a direct ancestor may be listed or researched, but the descendants of collateral lines (those of a brother, sister, aunt or uncle) are usually not researched. A pedigree moves backward in time, identifying all the ancestors of one person, and is also called an ascendancy. Five, seven or fifteen generation charts and ahnentafels are excellent examples of pedigrees or ancestral lineage. These charts are usually pre-printed with

numbers, starting with #1 for the first person, #2 for his father, etc. When you change charts, #30 on the first chart is the same as #1 on chart #2, etc.

A family genealogy or descendancy identifies every descendant of one common ancestor. A complete genealogy includes information on every person of each generation on every branch of the family, with all their children, grandchildren, etc. A genealogy starts with one common ancestor and moves forward in time. Printed books are generally family genealogies and are rarely the ancestral lines of one person. Numbering systems differ widely in printed genealogies, so consult the front of the book for instructions on the numbering systems used in that particular book.

Which is your goal--a pedigree or a genealogy?

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### JANUARY SEMINARS

#### RON BREMER SEMINAR

"The World of Genealogy" was presented by Ron Bremer of Salt Lake City. His topics included Introduction and Organization, Speeding Up Your Genealogy, Little-Known Sources, Laws and Rules of Genealogy, and Questions and Answers.

Sponsored by the SWLGS and the Calcasieu Public Library, the seminar was attended by 58 members and guests.

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#### DOLLARHIDE SEMINAR

The Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society presented a seminar featuring WILLIAM DOLLARHIDE of Bellingham, WA on 25 January 1992. Mr. DOLLARHIDE spoke on "Managing a Genealogical Project", "Finding the Place: Using Maps and Other Guides", "Census Records" and "Using Deeds and Land Records." He also gave a short program on "Everyone's Family Tree" especially for those using computers.

Mr. DOLLARHIDE said that there were three classifications for paperwork in managing a genealogical project:

- (1) Notes and documents, "database" (includes handwritten notes, letters from relatives, records such as birth and death certificates, etc.)
- (2) Compiled sheets (includes family group sheets, ancestor charts, research log, etc.)
- (3) Research aids (includes maps, addresses, books, etc.)

His rules for controlling piles of paper are:

- (1) Standardize the size of all papers (use standard 8½ x 11 paper, or fold larger paper to that size)
- (2) Separate papers by surnames
- (3) Separate these by place
- (4) Give every sheet a page number, and index them
- (5) Put papers into notebooks
- (6) Use code for sources

When you are trying to identify the place from which your ancestors came, Mr. DOLLARHIDE suggests using maps, atlases, telephone directories and directory assistance (if relatives are still living), city directories, BULLINGER's Postal and Shipping Guide (published since 1870; lists little known shipping points, nearest post office and zip codes; found at trucking companies), Post Office Zip Code book, land ownership maps and atlases (found in Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.). U.S. Government Survey Topographical maps show anything that had a name, rivers, hills, cemeteries, etc. Often these were named for the first settlers. Use the Index to Map Coverage, found at federal repositories, to find the name of a map; then order from U.S. Geo. Survey, PO Box 25286, Federal Bldg. Center, Bldg. #41, Denver, CO 80225. Also consult the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, which were made for all cities in the U.S. from ca 1840-1950. Write to the Library of Congress, Photoduplication Services, Washington, D.C. 20540, and ask for the cost of the maps for the town in which you are interested. Other useful maps include Union List of Maps, Census Research Maps (to find boundaries of states), American Expansion Maps, etc.

The first federal census taken was in 1790, at which time less than 10% of the people could read and write. Its purpose was to establish representation in the House of Representatives. There was no permanent census bureau in the U.S. until 1902 for the census bureau did not hire its first enumerator until 1880. Between 1790 and 1880 the census was taken by federal marshals and their assistants. Virginia and Massachusetts each had two federal districts. Kentucky was part of Virginia and Maine was a district of Massachusetts. The censuses were located at district court houses and, therefore, were not destroyed by the British in the War of 1812. An 1830 law mandated census records to be transferred to Washington, D.C.

Be aware that although the 1930 to 1990 census records have not been released to the public, they can be accessed if you are searching for proof of birth or death. You must use form #BC600, Search of Census Records. The form is available from the Social Security Office. Cost is \$25.00 per search for one person and \$6.00 per name for another person in the family.

Land records are the oldest type of record that mention a man by name. They are more complete than any other type of genealogical source. Before 1850 90% of white, adult males owned land. According to English Common Law, which was a part of the law of our country, dower rights (1/3 of the real property) of the wife were involved in any transfer of property, so the name of the wife was usually mentioned in the early records. Look at deeds first. They are always indexed in cumulative form, sometimes spanning over centuries. Deeds may present the only clue that other records exist. Search quit-claim deeds and deed releases. These types of conveyances transfer ownership of property within the family, and often mention relationships. Mr. DOLLARHIDE stated that finding a deed can be the first step in confirming the location of a family. Even if it is nothing but a property description, it can lead you to more genealogical clues and sometimes lets you "climb over the brick wall."

The DOLLARHIDE Seminar was attended by 63 members, 46 guests, and 6 new members joined the SWLGS.



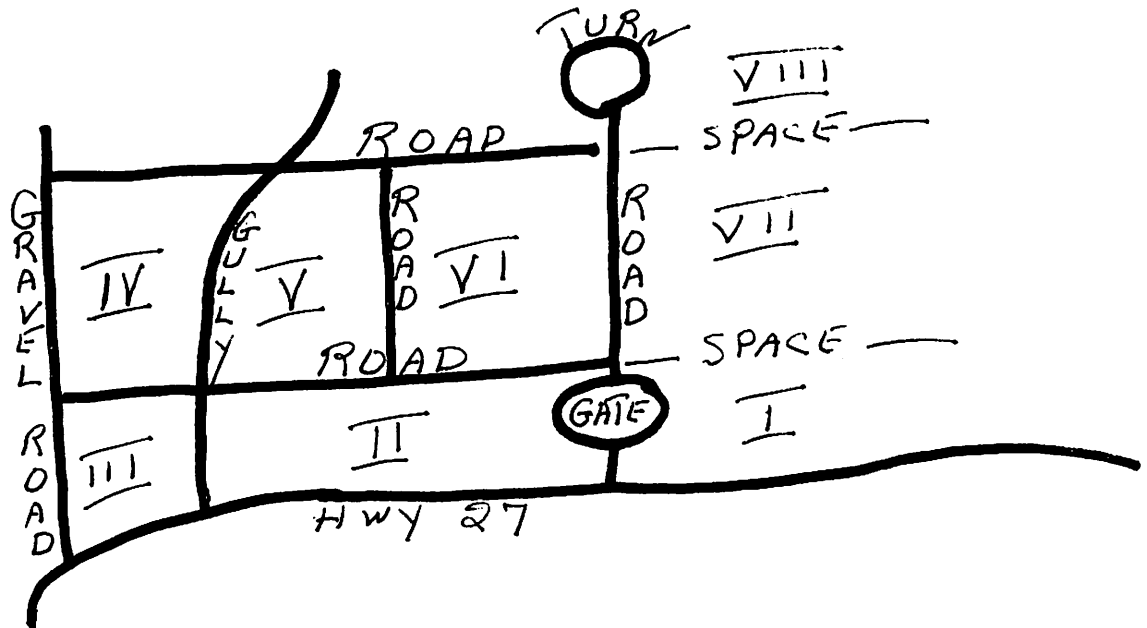
# MIMOSA PINES CEMETARY

SULPHUR, LA.

Mimosa Pines Cemetery is about 5-6 miles south of I-10 on Hwy 27.

Submitted by SUE HENNING and VINCENT CEASAR.

Listings through April 1990 except for unmarked graves.



## SECTION II

ATWELL, JOHNNIE MARIE

b. 24 Feb. 1930

d. 29 July 1981

ANDERSON, ROBERT G.

b. 1919

m. 25 Feb. 1950

d. 1988

ANDERSON, BETTY LEE

w/o ROBERT G. ANDERSON

1928 - 1983

ARDOIN, DONALD JOSEPH "Kojak"

b. 5 July 1963

d. 14 Apr. 1979

BADON, AGNES ROMERO

b. 4 July 1911

d. 11 Feb. 1978

BADON, CYNTHIA M.

b. 17 May 1966

d. 7 June 1978

BADON, MARTIN H. "Blue"

b. 14 Nov. 1932

d. 31 May 1976

BACQUE, CARL EDWARD

b. 18 Sep. 1960

d. 2 Aug. 1988

BARFIELD, EARNEST

b. 17 Dec. 1900

d. 3 Oct. 1984

BARKER, JUNIOR LEE

b. 13 Mar. 1913

d. 6 Dec. 1980

BAROUSSE, EDWARD W.

b. 3 Apr. 1925

d. 5 May 1984

BABCOCK, DAVID RUSSELL

b. 20 July 1955

d. 12 Mar. 1976

BATH, FRANK Jr.  
b. 1908  
m. 11 June 1928  
d. 1988

BATH, MABEL C.  
w/o FRANK BATH Jr.  
1901 - 1981

BERWICK, EMMA LANDRY  
b. 22 June 1909  
d. 16 Dec. 1955

BECK, ALBERT THOMAS  
b. 10 Dec. 1912  
d. 17 Sep. 1989  
MM I, U.S. Navy, WW II

BIGELOW, JAMES W.  
b. 11 Apr. 1949  
d. 28 June 1979

BLAKE, CARL B.  
b. 23 May 1903  
d. 11 Jan. 1982

BLAKE, ORA SPINKS  
b. 14 Oct. 1905  
d. 15 Aug. 1979

BONESIO, JOSEPH PATRICK  
b. 18 Mar. 1949  
d. 5 July 1986  
Chief Warrant Officer,  
U. S. Army Aviator - Vietnam

BONSALL, PAMELA ANN  
b. 23 July 1950  
d. 22 Aug. 1964

BOUILLION, CHESTER J.  
1923 - 1985  
Cpl., U. S. Army, WW II

BREAUX, JOSEPH OTHO  
b. 18 Apr. 1916  
d. 13 Feb. 1978

BROUSSARD, DR. BAYARD  
1883 - 1971

BROUSSARD, ASHTON ANN  
b. 26 Feb. 1916  
d. 23 Jan. 1976

BROWN, RUFUS R.  
1906 - 1978

BURKHOLDER, MYRLIN L.  
b. 16 Jan. 1914  
d. 22 Sep. 1975

BURKHOLDER, MARY GENEVA  
b. 5 Nov. 1918  
d. 25 Dec. 1988

BURROW, ROBERT HENDERSON  
b. 24 Jan. 1939  
d. 8 Sep. 1955

BUSH, JULIAN O.  
b. 17 Nov. 1914  
d. 18 Mar. 1989

BUSCH, JANIS JOYCE  
born GUILLOTTE  
b. 1 Oct. 1933  
d. 23 Apr. 1987

CAIN, ALBERT  
b. 4 Aug. 1908  
d. 10 Jan. 1989

CARROLL, WILLIE P.  
b. 31 Mar. 1896  
d. 13 Aug. 1974

CARRUTHERS, BYRON O.  
b. 1 Dec. 1904  
d. 1 May 1980

CARRUTHERS, JEWEL LEE  
b. 11 Jan. 1904  
d. 16 July 1978

CART, MATTHEW LEE  
b. 10 July 1974  
d. 30 June 1980

CHAMBLEE, WOODROW W.  
b. 5 May 1914  
d. 9 Sep. 1988

CHARGOIS, JAMES E.  
1939 - 1982

CLAYTON, CHARLES RUFUS  
b. 15 Sep. 1929  
d. 15 Jan. 1980

CLAYTON, CHARLES R. Jr.  
b. 5 Apr. 1953  
d. 1 June 1975  
Sn, U. S. Navy

CHESSON, OPHIE  
1908 - 1984

CHRISTIAN, ROBERT LEE  
b. 25 Oct. 1900  
d. 20 Nov. 1960  
Tennessee  
S2, U. S. Navy, WW I

CLEMENTS, MELLIE T.  
b. 18 Jan. 1916  
d. 24 Apr. 1988

COMPTON, NOLA E.  
b. 10 Apr. 1918  
d. 13 Sep. 1986

COMEAX, ISAAC Jr.  
b. 28 Jan. 1916  
d. 25 Dec. 1985

CORNES, THOMAS F. Sr.  
b. 1923  
m. 2 Nov. 1946  
d. 1988

CORNES, THELLIS JOY  
w/o THOMAS F. CORNES, Sr.  
1927 - 1983

CORNES, THOMAS Jr.  
b. 22 Apr. 1948  
d. 25 Mar. 1967

CRAWFORD, ALVIN C.  
b. 27 Mar. 1931  
d. 1 Jan. 1982

CRUZ, KENNETH O.  
b. 27 June 1960  
d. 30 July 1984

DAIGLE, HENRY  
1900 - 1968

DAIGLE, LUEILDA  
1903 - 1989

DAVIS, MONA BELLE  
b. 26 Mar. 1911  
d. 13 Dec. 1986

DAVIS, RUBY B.  
b. 22 Apr. 1905  
d. 9 Aug. 1974

DANIELS, MARIE  
b. 1 June 1932  
d. 17 Oct. 1981

DARTEZ, GEORGE O.  
1906 - 1959

DENNIS, TRUMAN  
b. 21 Jan. 1915  
d. 13 Dec. 1985  
s/o JOHN M. and CARRIE DENNIS  
Parent and Grandparent of  
GWEN DENNIS CRUZ  
m/o KENNETH CRUZ and ALICIA CRUSE  
TRUMAN GERALD DENNIS  
f/o ALEXIS DENNIS and ABEL DENNIS  
DAVID ALAN DENNIS  
f/o NATALIE DENNIS, ALAN DENNIS,  
CHRIS DENNIS, JULIE DENNIS  
LINDA DENNIS HARE  
m/o MARK HARE and KEVIN HARE  
INGRID DENNIS MOORE  
m/o SHANE MOORE and MARGARET MOORE  
KEITH FOSTER DENNIS  
f/o BRIAN DENNIS, MICHAEL DENNIS,  
KARRIE DENNIS

DIAKAS, CHRISTOS STAVROS  
b. 10 Apr. 1913  
d. 13 July 1985

DONALDSON, HOLMAN E.  
b. 9 Sep. 1923  
d. 17 Aug. 1974

DUFFY, CLYDE E.  
b. 8 Feb. 1908  
d. 13 Oct. 1970

DUFFY, EDNA  
b. 25 June 1911  
d. 2 May 1888

DUGAS, MARY P.  
b. 8 Oct. 1907  
d. 30 Jan. 1982

**INTERESTING ANCESTORS  
LOUIS and GREENWOOD LEFLORE**

compiled by MARGARET DODSON FINDLEY

LOUIS LEFLORE (LAFLAU, LEFLEUR) was my 4th great grandfather. The LEFLORE family of Choctaw Indians are descendants of MAJOR LOUIS LEFLORE and his brother MICHAEL LEFLORE.

The ancestors of LOUIS LEFLORE came in the early 1700's to Fort Conde (now Mobile, Alabama) with a company of French infantrymen sent to protect the colonists in the township from Spaniards and pirate ships. The colony, though sparsely populated, was very important to the French Colonial Empire. In 1762 LOUIS LEFLORE was born here, when Mobile was changing from a French to a British colony.

When the first white settlers came to this area, there were between 25,000 and 30,000 Indians living here. The Choctaws lived in the central area.

Sometime about 1780 LOUIS LEFLORE began trading with the Indians, mainly the Choctaws. He operated flat-boats on the Pearl and Amite Rivers, and along the Gulf Coast - the Mississippi Sound. He carried fine apparel and luxury items up the Mississippi River to Natchez. On the return trip the boats were loaded with pelts secured from the Indians, to be sold at the trading houses at St. Marks and Pensacola.

About 1790, LOUIS married NANCY and REBECCA CRAVAT, daughters of JOHN CRAVAT and REBECCA COLE. Through their mother's line, they were nieces of the renowned Choctaw Chief PUSHMATAHA. Choctaw custom at that time permitted two wives in a marriage. This custom was later changed by LOUIS' son, GREENWOOD LEFLORE.

To REBECCA and NANCY were born eleven children. My 3rd great grandmother FELICITY, who was born ca 1797 to REBECCA, married SAMUEL LONG.

GREENWOOD was born in 1800. He was named after an English sea captain who was a friend and business partner of his father.

When the Natchez Trace was opened in 1801, LOUIS began operating his "Way Station", where fresh horses could be obtained by the mail carriers. It was on a high bluff overlooking the Pearl River, later known as Leflore's Bluff. It is believed that the Old Capital Building in Jackson, Mississippi is on that site. Soon the "Way Station" grew to become an Inn where travelers could find overnight accommodations for themselves and their animals. LOUIS also delivered supplies from the U. S. government to the Choctaw Indians residing in the Choctaw Nation of the Mississippi Territory. As stated on a passport dated 1802, LOUIS LEFLORE was to be "allowed to pass safely and freely without giving or permitting to be given any hindrance." LOUIS LEFLORE was listed as one of the witnesses to a treaty signed in 1805 between the Choctaws and the U. S. government.



He served in the War of 1812 and attained the rank of Major, participating in campaigns fought in Pensacola, Florida; New Orleans, La.; and Alabama under ANDREW JACKSON.

MAJOR JOHN DONLEY traveled the Natchez Trace from his home in Nashville and became a close friend of LOUIS. Through this friendship MAJOR DONLEY became aware that GREENWOOD, now about twelve years old, was extremely bright. He convinced GREENWOOD's parents to let him take the boy back to Nashville with him in order to educate him with his own children. Ten years later GREENWOOD returned home with his young wife ROSA.

As the most highly educated member of the tribe, he was elected principal chief in 1822, and was the last Choctaw chief east of the Mississippi River. He believed that ignorance was the greatest curse of his people and set forth to enlighten them. He believed that he must educate his people and bring Christianity to them. He had churches and schools built, encouraged monogamy and stopped the flow of intoxicants brought to the Indians by the white man.

GREENWOOD LEFLORE was elected to the Mississippi legislature in 1831, 1835 and 1842. The Treaty of Dancing Rabbit Creek in 1830 was the most important of the famous treaties that he negotiated with the U. S. government. CHIEF LEFLORE, with the wise counsel of his father and the assistance of REV. ALEXANDER TALLEY, the Methodist minister who lived among the Choctaws near French Camp, worked out this treaty which would be equitable to the Choctaws while providing resettlement of the majority of the tribe west of the Mississippi River. One of the provisions of the treaty was to allow those Choctaws who wished to remain in Mississippi to do so, and to receive a portion of land. In addition to the Choctaws, a few others who rendered service to the tribe were granted parcels of land. At that time GREENWOOD received two sections of land, as did LOUIS LEFLORE and SAMUEL LONG. (The sixth generation of the family still lives on LONG land).

GREENWOOD continued to acquire land and became very affluent, owning 400 slaves who provided labor for his cotton fields. He built the town of Leflore (now in Grenada Co., Mississippi) for his cotton business. Greenwood, Mississippi is named for him, as are Leflore Counties in Mississippi and Oklahoma.

In 1854 GREENWOOD LEFLORE and his family moved into "Malmaison", a fifteen room mansion. GREENWOOD greatly admired NAPOLEON and JOSEPHINE, but when NAPOLEON divorced JOSEPHINE, his admiration turned to scorn for NAPOLEON. To show his deep sympathy for JOSEPHINE, he named his home for the place she had occupied and called "Malmaison" during her period of desertion.

Over thirty pieces of Louis XIV style furniture were ordered and made in France for the spacious rooms. The dining room was sixty feet long. The furniture was upholstered in crimson silk brocaded damask and was constructed of French hickory with gold-leaf overlay. A few pieces still exist and can be seen at the Cottonlandia Museum in the GREENWOOD LEFLORE Wing at Greenwood, Mississippi.

Among the china ordered from France was a little inkwell. GREENWOOD gave it to his daughter REBECCA CRAVAT LEFLORE. Just before her death in

1922, she gave it to a niece RUTH LONG CUTRER, who was about 13 years old at the time. RUTH is now 79 years old and gave the inkwell to me in 1988.

"Malmaison" burned in 1942. It had remained in the possession of the descendants of GREENWOOD LEFLORE all through the years.

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SOCIETY LIBRARY Additions

The History of Haverhill, Massachusetts by BENJAMIN L. MIRICK  
Thomas Kilgore, Sr./ (1712-1822) and His Known Proven Descendants to 1991  
by EVELYN YATES CARPENTER  
Early Records of Fishing Creek Presbyterian Church - Chester Co., S.C. 1799-  
1859 compiled by BRENT H. HOLCOMB and ELMER O. PARKER  
Grassroots of America - A Computerized Index to the American State Papers:  
Land Grants and Claims 1789-1837, edited by PHILLIP W. McMULLIN  
Post Hospital Ledger, Port Hudson, Louisiana 1862-1863, edited by  
LAWRENCE L. HEWITT & ARTHUR W. BERGERON, Jr.

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TEXAS BIRTH AND DEATH RECORDS

KAY PACHECO of Beeville, TX. writes that she wishes to correct/clarify information in Vol. 15 #4, Fall 1991 issue of KINFOLKS concerning the availability of vital records in the state of Texas.

Legislation passed in 1989 provides, in part, that: (1) A birth record is public information and available to the public on or after the 50th anniversary of the date on which the record is filed (the filing date might be many years after the actual date of birth) and (2) A death record is public information and available to the public on or after the 25th anniversary of the date on which the record is filed.

When these records are requested from the Bureau of Vital Statistics in Austin, the cost of a birth record is \$11.00. Copies of death records are \$9.00 for the first copy and \$3.00 for each additional copy ordered at the same time. The application should include the relationship of the person making the request to the person born or deceased, as well as the name, date and place of birth/death, father's name and mother's maiden name. More information can be obtained by calling (512) 458-7111.

In addition, these records may be ordered from the County Clerk of the county where the record was filed, if it is known. Fees vary at the county level. Texas Death, Birth and Probate Records are indexed on microfilm at libraries through the state.

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IN MEMORIAM

B. WADDELL BRANTLEY  
GEORGE BUCHANAN

## 1898 CALCASIEU PARISH REGISTERED VOTERS

(continued from Vol. 15, No. 4)

Key: (1) Date of Registry (2) Name (3) Age (4) Color (5) Nativity (6) Square No.  
(7) Residence (8) Occupation (9) Time of Residence in State (10) Time of  
Residence in Parish (11) Time of Residence in Ward (12) Year Born (13)  
Naturalized When (14) Naturalized Where (15) Did you Register as a Voter  
on the 1st of January 1867 or Prior Thereto? (16) Name of Father or Grand-  
father Who was Registered to Vote on 1st of Jan. or Prior Thereto (17)  
Whether Father or Grandfather (18) Where Father or Grandfather Resided  
(19) Remarks Ward & Precinct)

(1) July 21 (2) CARLISSE FONTENOT (3) 44 (4) W (5) LA (6) 68 (7) Kinder (8) Farmer  
(9) 44 (10) 44 (11) 44 (12) 1854 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) CLEMENT FONTENOT  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 21 (2) DAVID FONTENOT (3) 29 (4) W (5) LA (6) 69 (7) Kinder (8) Farmer  
(9) 29 (10) 29 (11) 29 (12) 1870 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) JACK FONTENOT  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 21 (2) MOISE FRUGE (3) 32 (4) W (5) LA (6) 86 (7) China (8) Farmer  
(9) 32 (10) 32 (11) 32 (12) 1866 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) WM. FRUGE  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 21 (2) FROZIN FONTENOT (3) 32 (4) W (5) LA (6) 99 (7) Kinder (8) Farmer  
(9) 32 (10) 32 (11) 32 (12) 1866 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) AUGUST FONTENOT  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 21 (2) HOMER FONTENOT (3) 23 (4) W (5) LA (6) 100 (7) Kinder (8) Farmer  
(9) 23 (10) 23 (11) 23 (12) 1875 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) CLEMENT FONTENOT  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 21 (2) AURELIEN FONTENOT (3) 36 (4) W (5) LA (6) 103 (7) Kinder (8) Farmer  
(9) 36 (10) 36 (11) 36 (12) 1862 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) ALEX FONTENOT  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 21 (2) JOSEPH FONTENOT (3) 34 (4) W (5) LA (6) 104 (7) Kinder (8) Farmer  
(9) 34 (10) 34 (11) 34 (12) 1864 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) ALEX FONTENOT  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 21 (2) JOACHIM FONTENOT (3) 46 (4) W (5) LA (6) 108 (7) Kinder (8) Farmer  
(9) 46 (10) 46 (11) 46 (12) 1852 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) AUGUSTIN FOREMAN  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 22 (2) ANTOINE FONTENOT (3) 53 (4) W (5) LA (6) 122 (7) China (8) Farmer  
(9) 53 (10) 53 (11) 53 (12) 1845 (13) — (14) — (15) Yes (16) — (17) —  
(18) — (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 23 (2) LEISE FONTENOT (3) 47 (4) W (5) LA (6) 140 (7) Nevils (8) Farmer  
(9) 47 (10) 47 (11) 47 (12) 1851 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) CLEMENT FONTENOT  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 3

(1) July 23 (2) CLEMENT FONTENOT Jr. (3) 34 (4) W (5) LA (6) 143 (7) Nevils  
(8) Farmer (9) 34 (10) 34 (11) 34 (12) 1864 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) CLEMENT  
FONTENOT (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 3

(1) July 23 (2) CEASAR FONTENOT (3) 36 (4) W (5) LA (6) 102 (7) Kinder (8) Farmer  
(9) 36 (10) 36 (11) 36 (12) 1862 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) CLEMENT FONTENOT  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 25 (2) TULLEY FURGUSON (3) 24 (4) W (5) LA (6) 150 (7) Fenton (8) Farmer  
(9) 24 (10) 10 (11) 10 (12) 1874 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) RAMSOM FERGUSON  
(17) Father (18) St. Landry (19) 2 - 5

(1) July 25 (2) DEMAS FONTENOT (3) 59 (4) W (5) LA (6) 151 (7) Fenton (8) Farmer  
(9) 59 (10) 59 (11) 59 (12) 1839 (13) — (14) — (15) Yes (16) — (17) —  
(18) — (19) 2 - 5

(1) July 25 (2) JULES FONTENOT (3) 37 (4) W (5) LA (6) 157 (7) Fenton (8) Farmer  
(9) 37 (10) 37 (11) 37 (12) 1861 (12) (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) DEMAS FONTENOT  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 2 - 5

(1) August 1 (2) P. P. FUSELIER (3) 40 (4) W (5) LA (6) 214 (7) Welsh (8) Barber  
(9) 40 (10) 40 (11) 40 (12) 1858 (13) — (14) — (15) Yes (16) — (17) —  
(18) — (19) 2 - 2

(1) August 11 (2) ISMA FOREMAN Jr. (3) 25 (4) W (5) LA (6) 285 (7) Lacasine (8)  
Farmer (9) 25 (10) 25 (11) 25 (12) 1873 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) ISMA FOREMAN  
(17) — (18) Calcasieu (19) 3 - 2

(1) August 12 (2) OSCAR FONTENOT (3) 26 (4) W (5) LA (6) 302 (7) Iowa (8) Farmer  
(9) 26 (10) 4 (11) 4 (12) 1872 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) ALPHONSE FONTENOT  
(17) — (18) St. Landry (19) 3 - 3

(1) August 24 (2) URBIN FUSELIER (3) 53 (4) W (5) LA (6) 311 (7) China (8) Farmer  
(9) 53 (10) 53 (11) 53 (12) 1855 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) FIRMIN FUSELIER  
(17) Father (18) St. Landry (19) 1 - 2

(1) August 25 (2) THEOGENE FUSELIER (3) 24 (4) W (5) LA (6) 338 (7) China  
(8) Farmer (9) 24 (10) 24 (11) 24 (12) 1875 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) URBIN  
FUSELIER (17) Father (18) St. Landry (19) 1 - 2

(1) August 27 (2) R. T. FONTENOT (3) 34 (4) W (5) LA (6) 345 (7) Nevills (8)  
Farmer (9) 34 (10) 34 (11) 34 (12) 1864 (13) — (14) — (15) No. (16) JAQUE  
FONTENOT (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 3

(1) August 29 (2) THEODULE FONTENOT (3) 22 (4) W (5) LA (6) 350 (7) Phillip Bluff  
(8) Farmer (9) 22 (10) 22 (11) 22 (12) 1876 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) JACK  
FONTENOT (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 1 - 3

(1) August 31 (2) LEONADIS FARQUE (3) 22 (4) W (5) LA (6) 375 (7) Lake Charles  
(8) Farmer (9) 22 (10) 22 (11) 22 (12) 1875 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) JNO  
FARQUE (17) Grand Father (18) Lafayette (19) 8 - 3



(1) July 27 (2) LUCIEN GARY (3) 25 (4) W (5) LA (6) 173 (7) Jennings (8) Farmer  
(9) 25 (10) 25 (11) 25 (12) 1873 (13) -- (14) -- (15) No (16) DON LOUIS GARY  
(17) Grand Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 2 - 1

(1) July 27 (2) FRANK GARY (3) 21 (4) W (5) LA (6) 174 (7) Jennings (8) Farmer (9)  
21 (10) 21 (11) 21 (12) 1877 (13) -- (14) -- (15) No (16) DON LOUIS GARY (17) Grand  
Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 2 - 1

(1) July 28 (2) ARTHUR GUIDRY (3) 25 (4) W (5) LA (6) 187 (7) Lake Arthur (8)  
Farmer (9) 25 (10) 25 (11) 25 (12) 1873 (13) -- (14) -- (15) No (16) EUGENE  
GUIDRY (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 2 - 3

(1) July 28 (2) JOSEPH GUIDRY (3) 28 (4) W (5) LA (6) 188 (7) Lake Arthur (8)  
Farmer (9) 28 (10) 28 (11) 28 (12) 1860 (13) -- (14) -- (15) No (16) EUGENE  
GUIDRY (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 2 - 3

(1) July 29 (2) EUSTACHE GARY (3) 55 (4) W (5) LA (6) 201 (7) Raymond (8)  
Farmer (9) 55 (10) 55 (11) 55 (12) 1843 (13) -- (14) -- (15) Yes (16) --  
(17) -- (18) -- (19) 2 - 4

(1) July 29 (2) JOS. T. GARY (3) 47 (4) W (5) LA (6) 202 (7) Raymond (8) Farmer  
(9) 47 (10) 47 (11) 47 (12) 1852 (13) -- (14) -- (15) No (16) DON LOUIS GARY  
(17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 2 - 4

(1) July 29 (2) CAMILLE GARY (3) 52 (4) W (5) LA (6) 203 (7) Raymond (8) Farmer  
(9) 52 (10) 52 (11) 52 (12) 1846 (13) -- (14) -- (15) Yes (16) -- (17) --  
(18) -- (19) 2 - 4

(1) August 6 (2) V. GRANGER (3) 46 (4) W (5) LA (6) 236 (7) Vinton (8) Farmer  
(9) 46 (10) 46 (11) 46 (12) 1852 (13) -- (14) -- (15) Yes (16) -- (17) --  
(18) -- (19) 5 - 2

(1) August 6 (2) O. GRANGER (3) 50 (4) W (5) LA (6) 237 (7) Vinton (8) Farmer  
(9) 50 (10) 50 (11) 50 (12) 1850 (13) -- (14) -- (15) Yes (16) -- (17) --  
(18) -- (19) 5 - 2

(1) August 27 (2) R. M. GEAREN Jr. (3) 28 (4) W (5) LA (6) 342 (7) DeQuincy  
(8) Farmer (9) 28 (10) 28 (11) 20 (12) 1870 (13) -- (14) -- (15) No (16) JOS  
GEAREN (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 8 - 1

(1) August 27 (2) JOSEPH GEAREN JR. (3) 24 (4) W (5) LA (6) 343 (7) DeQuincy  
(8) Farmer (9) 24 (10) 24 (11) 24 (12) 1874 (13) -- (14) -- (15) No (16) JOS  
GEAREN (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 8 - 1

(1) August 29 (2) PHILOGENE GRANGER (3) 44 (4) W (5) LA (6) 358 (7) Lake Charles  
(8) Farmer (9) 44 (10) 44 (11) 44 (12) 1853 (13) -- (14) -- (15) No (16) JULES  
GRANGER (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 3 - 4

(1) August 31 (2) S. GOODMAN (3) 36 (4) W (5) LA (6) 371 (7) Lake Charles (8)  
Laborer (9) 36 (10) 36 (11) 36 (12) 1862 (13) -- (14) -- (15) No (16) SERRINE  
GOODMAN (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 3 - 1

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## INFORMATION FROM EXCHANGES

PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH. If you are considering a professional researcher, you will want to understand more about what the initials following their names mean. They represent categories of certifications and are as follows:

- CG Certified Genealogist (Deals with research, problems, constructs pedigrees/family histories)
- AG Accredited Genealogist (Designation given by the Latter Day Saints, similar to CG)
- CASL Certified American Lineage Specialist (Using documentation, prepares a single line of descent)
- CGRS Certified Genealogical Record Searcher (Searches original records but not certified to construct pedigrees/family histories)
- CGL Certified Genealogical Lecturer (Lectures on specific topics and has the same expertise as CGRS)
- CGI Certified Genealogical Instructor (Same expertise as CG, provides instruction in all areas of research)
- CAILS Certified American Indian Lineage (Expertise in tribal records, etc., not limited to American Indians in the U. S.)

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- or Board of Certification of Genealogists  
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From: South Bay Cities, CA Gen. Soc. Newsletter, Vol. 15 #1, Nov./Dec. 1991

GERMAN RESEARCH. "Heritage Seekers," N. Little Rock, AR, Vol. I, Edition I, Sept. 1991 gives some tips for those doing German research. It states that most people going to Germany hope to find their ancestor's grave and tombstone, but unless he is buried in one of the few well-kept, historical cemeteries you might not find his grave. Space in Germany, including cemetery space, is at a premium. Families purchase a plot or plots for a certain period of time. Until recently this was for a period of 25 years, but this has been reduced to 20 years. After this time the plot has to be repurchased. Some families keep plots for decades; others do not renew the graves and "let them go." Since embalming is not practiced in Germany, nothing is left in the grave after 20 or 25 years. The tombstone is removed, usually by the city that sold it, and the grave is resold.

The quarterly of the Austin, Tex. Genealogical Society, Vol. XXXII, No. 3, Sept. 1991 tells us that there is a new lineage society---The Descendants of Mexican War Veterans. Address inquiries to DMV National Office, 1114 Pacific, Richardson, TX 75081.

LA FAYETTE PARISH MARRIAGE RECORDS  
( 1836 - 1837 )  
With Genealogical Notes

Compiled/Edited by HAROLD PREJEAN JR.

Abbreviations

Bodin (Selected Acadian & Louisiana Church Records by Rev. GEORGE A. BODIN)  
DeVillier (The Opelousas Post by GLADYS DeVILLIER)  
Dio. B. R. (Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Church Records, PO Box 1018,  
Baton Rouge, LA)  
Frank. Ct. Hse. (St. Mary Courthouse, Franklin, LA)  
G.C. Ch. (St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Grand Coteau, LA)  
H. (Southwest Louisiana Records by Rev. DONALD J. HEBERT)  
H(2) (The South Louisiana Records by Rev. DONALD J. HEBERT)  
Houma Ct. Hse. (Terrebonne Courthouse, Houma, LA)  
Laf. Ch. (St. John's Cathedral, PO Box 2386, Lafayette, LA)  
Laf. Ct. Hse. (Lafayette Parish Courthouse, Lafayette, LA)  
NCR (No Cross Reference)  
N.I. Ch. (St. Peter's Catholic Church, 108 E. St. Peter St., New Iberia, LA)  
Opel. Ch. (St. Landry Catholic Church, North Union St., Opelousas, LA)  
Opel. Ct. Hse. (St. Landry Parish Courthouse, Opelousas, LA 70570)  
SIC (States the individual signed his name)  
SJA (St. James Catholic Church, Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Church Records,  
PO Box 1018, Baton Rouge, LA)  
SM Ch. (St. Martin de Tours Catholic Church, PO Box 71, St. Martinville, LA)  
SM Ct. Hse (St. Martin Parish Courthouse, St. Martinville, LA)

1836

#106

January 23, 1836  
JOSEPH PIVOTTO  
to  
SERAPHINE DUBOIS

JOSEPH PIVOTTO, son of MICHEL PIVOTTO [PIVOTEAU]  
and PAULINE BROUSSARD; married SERAPHINE DUBOIS,  
widow of BENJAMIN BROUSSARD; daughter of PIERRE  
DUBOIS and JULIENNE DARTES.

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MICHEL PIVOTEAU [also PIVAUTAU, PIVAUTOT, H. I 453] son of JACQUES PIVOTEAU  
and LOUISE ST. EUSTACHE.

b.

m. September 22, 1795 APOLONIE BROUSSARD [H. I 90, SM.Ch.v.4, #120]  
daughter of CLAUDE BROUSSARD and LOUISE HEBERT.

d.

children:

JEAN BAPTISTE [H. I 453]

d. October 19, 1802 [SM.Ch.v.4, #284] age 6 mos.

LOUISE [H. I 453]

bt. July 2, 1797 [SM.Ch.v.4, #899] age 2 mos.

MICHEL PIVOTEAU - continued

MARIE DENISE [H. I 453, H. II 723]  
b. March 3, 1807 [SM.Ch.v.6, #385]  
m. February 26, 1827 JULIEN GILCHRIST [possible KILCHRIST, H. II 373,  
SM.Ch.v.6, #50] son of WILLIAM GILCHRIST and SUSANNE  
ROY.

MICHEL [H. I 453, H. II 723]  
b. February 4, 1799 [SM.Ch.v.5, #157]  
m. July 15, 1817 SUSANNE HARTGRAVE [possible HARGRAVE, H. II 424,  
SM.Ch.v.6, #49] daughter of ROGER HARGRAVE and  
EUPHROSINE KILCHRIST.

ONESIME [H. I 453]  
b. May 31, 1809 [SM.Ch.v.6, #621]

JEAN BAPTISTE [H. II 723]  
m. April 25, 1825 MARY POLLY LINCHCOMBE [LENXICON, LENSICON, H. II  
600, Opel. Ct. Hse.: Mar. #16] daughter of BASIL  
LENSICON and MARIE KILCHRIST.

JOSEPH [H. II 723]  
b. November 7, 1811 [SM.Ch.v.6, #1404]

LOUIS OSEMEE [PIVOTEAU, H. II 723]  
b. August 10, 1817 [SM.Ch.v.7, #329]

LOUISE [H. II 723]  
m. February 4, 1812 CYPRIEN GRANGER [H. II 384, SM.Ch.v.5, #246]  
son of JEAN BAPTISTE GRANGER and SUSANNE CORMIER.

MARGUERITE [H. II 723]  
m. July 15, 1817 JULIEN GILCHRIST [possible KILCHRIST, H. II 373,  
SM.Ch.v.6, #50] son of WILLIAM GILCHRIST and SUSANNA  
ROY.

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CLAUDE BROUSSARD [Deville p.65, H. I 92] son of JOSEPH BROUSSARD and  
NANETTE THIBODEAU.

b.  
m. 1) LOUISE HEBERT [NCR]  
2) April 24, 1793 CATHERINE TRAHAN [H. I 551, SM.Ch.v.4, #79]  
daughter of JOACHIM TRAHAN and MARGUERITE DUHON.  
d. November 14, 1819 [H. II 139, SM.Ch.v.4, #1306, age 75 yrs.;  
SM. Ct. Hse.: Succ. #346, filed December 1, 1819].

children:

AIMOND [H. I 88]  
b. September 25, 1807 [SM.Ch.v.6, #500]

ALEXANDRE [H. I 88]  
bt. May 9, 1779 [Opel.Ch.v.1, p.29] age 8 mos.



CLAUDE BROUSSARD - continued

ANASTASIE [H. I 89]

b. January 15, 1786 [SM.Ch.v.3, #105]  
m. May 6, 1806 AUGUSTIN BROUSSARD [H. I 90, SM.Ch.v.5, #59]  
son of AUGUSTIN BROUSSARD and ANNE LANDRY.

APPOLLONIE [PAULINE, H. I 90]

b. February 5, 1773 [SM.Ch.v.1, p.32]  
m. September 22, 1795 MICHEL PIVAUTEAU [H. I 453, SM.Ch.v.4, #120]  
resident of St. Charles Parish on Mississippi River;  
son of JACQUES (GUILLAUME) PIVOTEAU and  
LOUISE ST. EUSTACHE.

BAPTISTE [H. I 91]

b. October 19, 1774 [SM.Ch.v.1, p.42]  
m. September 28, 1794 JULIENNE TRAHAN [H. I 554, SM.Ch.v.4, #101]  
daughter of PAUL TRAHAN and MARIE DUON (DUHON).

ELIZABETH [ISABELLE, H. I 93 & 95]

m. February 11, 1800 CHARLES DUON [DUHON, H. I 94, SM.Ch.v.4, #191]  
son of CHARLES DUHON and MARIE JOSEPHE PREJEAN.

LOUIS [H. I 99]

b. August 25, 1777 [SM.Ch.v.1, p.56]

LOUISE [H. I 99]

m. August 25, 1801 JEAN THIBODEAU [H. I 542, SM.Ch.v.4, #23]  
son of ANSELME THIBODEAU and MARGUERITE MELANCON.

PELAGIE [H. I 102]

m. JEAN BAPTISTE GRANGIER [GRANGER, H. I 249]  
son of JOSEPH GRANGER and GENEVIEVE BABIN.

VALLERY [H. I 105]

b. May 15, 1776 [SM.Ch.v.1, p.56]  
m. MARGUERIE LANDRY [H. I 347] daughter of  
AMAND LANDRY and MARGUERITE MELANCON.

VICTOIRE [H. I 105]

m. March 27, 1810 JOSEPH FARK [FAULK, H. I 21, SM.Ch.v.5, #172]  
son of JOSEPH FARK and FELICITE AUCOIN.

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PIERRE DUBOIS [H. I 185] son of VICENCIO DUBOIS and JEANNE DEBLANC.

b. Vanes in Britany, France.  
m. April 24, 1797 JULIENNE DARTES [H. I 155, SM.Ch.v.4, #138]  
daughter of JEAN DARTES and PELAGIE PROVOST.  
d. ca 1823 [H. II 280, Laf. Ct. Hse.: Succ. #9,  
filed: June 9, 1823].

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SOME SPANISH MILITARY RECORDS OF LOUISIANIANS  
DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR PERIOD

Continued from Vol. 15 #4

submitted by DOROTHY M. BECNEL

TYPESCRIPT page 260 (Spanish)

A declaration to the accuracy of the service records of the GERMAN COAST PROVINCIAL DISCIPLINED MILITIA (for convenience here designated "GCPD REGIMENT"), signed at New Orleans 31 Dec. 1800 by Captain AQUILLE TROUARD.

TROUARD had the temporary rank of sergeant major during the absence of Lt. Col. PABLO LE BLANC, REGULAR ARMY.

TYPESCRIPT pages 260-270 (Spanish)  
271-272, supplement (Spanish)

Of the roster given, it seems that the following five men served only at the attack on FT. BUTE and the siege and capture of BATON ROUGE in 1779:

HEBERT, AMAND: age 48; married; from Louisbourg, New France. Began as 2nd sergeant 12 Feb. 1770; IBERVILLE MILITIA 21 yrs 11 mos 29 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

McCARTHY, LOUIS: Capt.; age 49; married; native of New Orleans; enlisted Rifleman 1 July 1779; served (apparently New Orleans) RIFLE MILITIA 13 yrs 4 mos 7 days; GCPD REGIMENT 7 yrs 1 mo 23 days.

VERRET, JUAN BTA.: age 49; of New Orleans; volunteered 12 Feb. 1770; CABAHANOSSE MILITIA 22 yrs; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

VERRET, NICOLAS: Capt.; age 49; single; native of New Orleans; commissioned 2nd Lt. 22 Feb. 1770; LA FOURCHE MILITIA 22 yrs and 10 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

VOISIN, PEDRO: 2nd Lt.; age 46; married; from New Orleans; Cadet 1 Jan. 1770 serving 8 mos in LOUISIANA "FIJO" (STANDING) ARMY infantry. IBERVILLE MILITIA 8 yrs 11 mos; RIFLE MILITIA (apparently of New Orleans) 11 yrs 6 mos 11 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

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The men serving at FT. BUTE and BATON ROUGE in 1779 and  
in the MOBILE campaign in 1780:

BOSSIER, PEDRO: 2nd Lt.; age 39; of German Coast St. John the Baptist; volunteered 1 Feb. 1777; GERMAN COAST MILITIA 15 yrs 11 days; in GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

CANTRELLE, MIGUEL: Capt.; age 50; married; of New Orleans; commissioned 2nd Lt. 12 Feb. 1770; ACADIAN COAST MILITIA 22 yrs; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days. At MOBILE was second-in-command of four companies of ACADIAN PROVINCIAL MILITIA.

DE GRURY, JUAN BTA.: 1st Lt.; age 51; married; from New Orleans; volunteered 25 Sep. 1774; GERMAN COAST MILITIA 17 yrs 10 mos 14 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

DE VERBOIS, NICOLAS: Capt.; age 44; married; from New Orleans; commissioned Lt. 12 Oct. 1776. Served IBERVILLE MILITIA 15 yrs 4 mos; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days. He was aide-de-camp to GALVEZ at MOBILE. At PENSACOLA in 1781 he was in the company of CAZADORES (hunters, rangers, or guerillas) attached to the FLANDERS REGIMENT.

FOLTS, ANTONIO: 2nd Lt.; age 37; married; native of St. John the Baptist German Coast; volunteered 1 Aug. 1774; GERMAN COAST MILITIA 17 yrs 6 mos 11 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

FORTIER, SANTIAGO: 2nd Lt.; age 38; married; from New Orleans; rifleman 1 July 1779; RIFLE MILITIA 6 yrs 1 mo; BATTALION OF NEW ORLEANS MILITIA 6 yrs 6 mos 11 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

HAIDEL, JORGE: age 50; married; from St. John the Baptist German Coast; GERMAN COAST MILITIA 22 yrs; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

JUDICE, LOUIS (SR.): age 66; married; from New Orleans; commissioned Capt. 2 Feb 1770; LAFOURCHE MILITIA 22 yrs 10 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 13 days.

JUDICE, LOUIS (JR.): age 45; married; from New Orleans; son of the Captain; 2nd Lt. 12 Feb. 1770; LA FOURCHE MILITIA 22 yrs; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

JUDICE, MIGUEL: age 45; married; from La Fourche, son of the Captain; Cadet 1 Jan. 1777; LOUISIANA STANDING ARMY 4 yrs; LA FOURCHE MILITIA 11 yrs 1 mo 11 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

LA BRANCHE, ALEXANDRO: 2nd Lt.; age 41; married; from St. Charles German Coast; volunteered 1 Jan. 1770; GERMAN COAST MILITIA 9 yrs. 5 mos; RIFLE MILITIA 12 yrs 7 mos 11 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

MOLERO, JOSEF: 2nd Lt.; age 37, from Acadian Coast; volunteered 12 Feb. 1779; ACADIAN MILITIA 13 yrs, GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

PERRET, ALPHONSE: 2nd Lt. of GRENADIERS: age 41; married; from St. John the Baptist German Coast. Volunteered 1 Feb. 1777. GERMAN COAST MILITIA 16 yrs 11 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

PERRET, MANUEL: 1st Lt.; age 41; married; commissioned 2nd Lt. 12 Feb. 1770; GERMAN COAST MILITIA 22 yrs; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

PERRET, PUJOL: 2nd Lt.; age 39; married; from St. John the Baptist German Coast; volunteered 1 Feb. 1777; GERMAN COAST MILITIA 19 yrs 11 days; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

PONTALBA, JOSEF: Commander; age 46; married; from New Orleans; commissioned Capt. 10 Oct. 1782; LOUISIANA STANDING ARMY 8 yrs 8 mos 28 days; GERMAN and ACADIAN COAST MILITIAS 7 mos; GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos. Total

Louisiana service 18 yrs 2 mos 21 days. Served in FRANCE 11 yrs as 2nd Lt. aide-de-camp, and Captain. In the SAVANNAH campaign led by COUNT DE ESTAING in 1773 and 1780. Retired from Spanish service with rank of Captain.

VERRET, AUGUSTIN: 1st Sgt.; age 46; married; from New Orleans; volunteered 12 Feb. 1770; CABAHANOSSE MILITIA 22 yrs and GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs 10 mos 19 days.

VILLANUEVA BAROSO, THOS.: 2nd Lt. and adjutant-major; age 40; married; from the Canary Islands; served in MILITIA OF GUIMAR, Tenerife, Canary Islands, 3 yrs 11 mos 28 days. Served LOUISIANA INFANTRY 11 yrs 8 mos 3 days; GCPD REGIMENT 7 yrs 7 mos 1 day. He was at MOBILE in 1780, at the capture of the fort at PENSACOLA and at assault of the MEDIA-LUNA (HALF-MOON) FORT in 1781.

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#### BOOK REVIEW

The History of Haverhill, Massachusetts, by BENJAMIN L. MIRICK. 1991 reprint of 1832 ed. \$23.00 plus \$3.00 shipping charges.

This is a reprint of the 1832 ed. printed and published by A. W. THAYER of Haverhill. The main body of the work is as the title indicates a history of Haverhill, Massachusetts, from the settlement in 1640 to the year 1831. There is an entry for practically every year between these dates. It is believed that this history was drafted by JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER, a native son, who turned it over to MIRICK. Of great interest is the Appendix which contains: Succession of Ministers; Catalogue of the natives of Haverhill who have received a college education; List of Representatives of Haverhill (copied principally from the Legislative Files); Census of Haverhill - 1830. There is a Directory which lists: Professional Gentlemen; and, Merchants, manufacturers, mechanics, etc. (occupation of each individual so noted). In conclusion Societies are listed with their officers in chronological order according to date of organization or incorporation. One such society created for the ladies was titled "Fragment Society" and here an intriguing question is interjected that asks "For what purpose?" There is a section devoted to the topography of Haverhill as of the date of publication (1832). The physical aspects of the region is discussed as well as comments on the industries of that period.

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## BOOK REVIEWS

Post Hospital Ledger, Port Hudson, Louisiana 1862-1863, edited and indexed by LAWRENCE L. HEWITT and ARTHUR W. BERGERON, Jr. 1981.

The majority of the 2506 entries are of Confederate soldiers, but there are also some from the Union side. Men wounded in the Battle of Baton Rouge on August 5, 1862, needed care, and Dr. A. PORTER BROWN, a resident of Port Hudson and late surgeon of the 1st Louisiana Cavalry, claimed after the war that he established the first hospital for the garrison that had orders to fortify the high bluffs near Port Hudson. This post hospital ledger apparently remained in the hands of Dr. ROBERT FRANCIS HEREFORD following the siege of Port Hudson. His heirs preserved it and made it available to the Office of State Parks, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in 1980. Besides being the only record of service for hundreds of soldiers, previously unknown death and discharge dates are given for many others. The widow of one patient was denied a pension after the war because no record of the man's medical discharge could be found. Unfortunately for her the ledger, which contains her husband's discharge date, was hidden away in a trunk until recently. In combination with other sources, the ledger is a valuable historical document.

Softbound, vii, 132 pp., photos, index. Published by Le Comite des Archives de la Louisiane, P. O. Box 44370, Baton Rouge, LA 70804.

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Louisiana Marriage Contracts: Volume II; Abstracts From Records of the Superior Council of Louisiana, 1728-1769, compiled and translated by ALICE DALY FORSYTH. 1989.

Previous to this the compiler had published "Louisiana Marriages: I Abstracts of Marriage Records of the St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans for the period 1784-1806." This was followed by "Louisiana Marriage Contracts, 1725-1758; Abstracts of records from the French colonial era." This present work concerns abstracts spanning the greater part of the French colonial era and documents in French from the earliest years of the Spanish regime. One abstract is for the year 1728, and there are a few scattered documents between 1735 and 1758. The bulk of the 160 abstracted documents, however, date from 1759-1769, a ten-year period which saw the transfer of the Louisiana colony from French to Spanish rule. These civil records are very welcome as they help bridge the gap of missing ecclesiastical records for the period. Besides data concerning the contracting parties, also may be found those of the parents (if they were listed in the original record), and the names and occupations of witnesses. Additional information may include the birthplaces of the contracting parties, the goods and valuables which they brought to the marriage, and the terms of the marriage contract. The majority of the marriage contracts occurred in the city of New Orleans, but there were some from other locales.

Softbound, ix, 178 pp., index. Published by Genealogical Research Society of New Orleans, P. O. Box 51791, New Orleans, LA 70151.

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## BOOK REVIEWS

Early Records of Fishing Creek Presbyterian Church, Chester County, South Carolina, 1799-1859, by BRENT H. HOLCOMB and ELMER O. PARKER.  
1991 reprint of 1980 ed. \$17.00 plus \$3.00 shipping charges.

This church was organized about 1770, and the Rev. JOHN SIMPSON was ordained and installed as pastor on April 6, 1774, and served until 1790. He was an active supporter of the patriot cause during the War for Independence. When the British destroyed his home and stole goods on Saturday June 10, 1780, they ignited a torch of freedom that burned in the breasts of the minister and his congregation. The church became the rallying point of patriot resistance, and members formed themselves into companies and joined General THOMAS SUMTER's partisan army. In this work we find the visitation list of every family the minister visited during the years 1774-1776. The records of sessions (1799-1859) list baptisms, marriages, deaths and removals. Both of these lists are facsimiles of the originals. Then last is the cemetery roster covering the years 1762-1799. This church is the first record of many early families of York and Chester Counties. The compilers state that they hope this work will aid genealogists and historians interested in this area of South Carolina.

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Thomas Kilgore, Sr. (1712-1822) and His Proven Descendants to 1991, by EVELYN YATES CARPENTER. 1991. \$46.40 plus \$2.50 shipping charges.

This is the genealogy of THOMAS KILGORE, Sr. (1712-1822) Virginia, North Carolina, and Tennessee. He had three sons: THOMAS, Jr., CHARLES and JOHNSTON and one daughter LYDIA ANN, all of Virginia-North Carolina-Tennessee. These sons later migrated on West and Southwest into the States of Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. This work has been written and outlined in genealogical and family history order with the reader in mind. It is indexed by full name, pictures of ancestors appear throughout, and included are true copies of court records. There is a brief discussion with the title "Surnames of Scotland." Also there is a chapter headed "KILGORES of Britain, Scotland and America." It is noted that there are three variations of the spelling of the name: KILGORE, KILGOUR, KILLGORE. The author is a native of Cross Plains, Robertson County, Tennessee and grew up on the Land Grants that KILGORE-YATES received before Robertson became a county.

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### JOHNSON, JOFFERION, ORTEGO, BILLAUDEAU

Need information on CHARLES JOHNSON, m. ca 1846 ZELLIM JOFFERION. They were parents of PAULINE JOHNSON, wife of JEAN PIERRE ORTEGO. HAROLD PREJEAN JR., 2700 Ambassador Caffery Pkwy. #254, Lafayette, LA 70506

### DAIGLE, MILLER, FORET, POOLE, LOQUE

Were EPOLITE DAIGLE and MARCELINE FORET/FOREST the parents of EUGENE DAIGLE/DAIGUE/DEGUES, b. 26 Dec. 1881; d. 11 Feb. 1976; m. 30 June 1918 to SUZET/SUSET MILLER (M. 1898, AURELIAN MILLER)? Also need information on JOE POOL/POOLE (son of DAVID POOLE of Cameron Par.), m. 25 June 1906, ORTANCE LOQUE.

JUDY FAYE POOLE CHIASSON, 865 Katherine Rd., Simi Valley, CA 93063

### DAY/DEY

Need all information on the DAY/DEY family from Arkansas. ELSIE WHIPPLE LEJEUNE, 110 Hotard St., Bourg, LA 70343

### ST. DIZIER

Who was the mother of AUGUSTE ST. DIZIER, b. 1825, New Orleans, LA. When did he move to Iberville Parish?  
D. C. DAVIS, 2108 Fifth St., Lake Charles, LA 70601-4747

### CLARK, DRAKE

Seeking father, birth, marriage and death data for JOHN HENRY CLARK, b. ca 1825, New Orleans, LA; d. 12 May 1897; m. Nov. 1846, Jasper, TX, RACHEL DRAKE. They lived near Starks, LA.  
JIM CLARK, 31132 Kendall Loop, Shedd, OR 97377

### GARRETT, NICHOLSON, COLEMAN, WEEMS

Would like to contact descendants of my ancestors JOSHUA GARRETT and RUFUS NICHOLSON of St. Mary Par., LA. Also need information on WALDEN COLEMAN and MATTIE WEEMS, his wife, in Lake Charles, LA in the early 1900's.  
JOHNIBEL ROBERTS, 912 W. 2nd St., Ft. Worth, TX 76102-2765

### AUCOIN

Searching for parents of JEAN BAPTIST AUCOIN, b. ca 1797, Opelousas, LA; m. MARGUERITE SOSIER (SOCIE).  
MARY VINCENT McKENZIE, 4036 Warbler St., Orange, TX 77630

### DOUCET

Need any information on JULIA DOUCET, m. 28 July 1873, Opelousas, LA area, to MELON DOUCET.  
JOSEPH J. COOLEY, Rt. 6 Box 842, DeRidder, LA 70634-9068



DITTMAR, BISHOP, LOVERIDGE

Need to know the maiden names of the following women: MRS. JOHN MICHAEL DITTMAR (MARY), b. 1838; d. 1860, Allegheny City, Allegheny Co., PA; MRS. RICHARD BISHOP (SARAH), b. 1794; d. 1848, Peebles Twp., Allegheny Co., PA; MRS. JAMES LOVERIDGE, b. 1833; d. 1862, Wheeling, W. VA; MRS. JOEL LOVERIDGE (HANNAH) b. 1800; d. 1832, Oswego, Oswego Co., NY.  
THOMAS WESLEY KIRBY, 2114 22nd St., Lake Charles, LA 70601-7858

BLANTON

Need place of birth, date and place of death for MATHILDA ALABAMA BLANTON, b. 8 Aug. 1854, TX. Also looking for information on the REEVES family reunion in TX, for descendants of JAMES REEVES (b. ca 1700-1710, Chowan Co., NC; d. 1781, Guilford Co., NC).  
KRIS FONTENOT, Rt. 15 Box 1964, Lake Charles, LA 70611

BALLANCE, LEBLEU

Seeking information on ROSA CAROLINE (BALLANCE) LEBLEU who taught school in several locations in Cal. Par., LA ca 1880-1910. Were personnel records required? Where can these be located?  
MAURICE JEAN LEBLEU, Rt. 5 Box 330A, Brenham, TX 77833

CLARK, DUNKS

Desire information on parents of EDMOND CLARK, b. 1820, LA; d. 12 Dec 1891, Acadia Par., LA; m. 16 Dec. 1842, ELLEN DUNKS.  
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BRANDT, RULONG, HANSBERRY

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HEBERT, GUIDRY

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 p.b. Russellville, TN  
 m. 5 Oct. 1885 - I.T.  
 d. 1 Nov. 1906  
 p.d. Bennington, OK

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

## 2 Willie E. DODSON

(Father of No. 1)

b. 19 Apr. 1889  
 p.b. Bokshi, Indian Terr., OK  
 m. 14 July 1908 - OK  
 d. 28 Nov. 1941  
 p.d. Durant, OK.

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(Mother of No. 2)

b. 3 May 1868  
 p.b. Carrollton, MS  
 d. 9 Nov. 1941  
 p.d. Bennington, OK

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b. 2 Aug. 1929  
 p.b. Durant, OK.  
 m. 23 June 1982 - Victoria, B.C.  
 d.  
 p.d.

## 6 Marion Jethrow CROWELL

(Father of No. 3)

b. -- 1872  
 p.b. Lawrenceburg, TN  
 m. -- 1892  
 d. -- 1945  
 p.d. Oklahoma

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(Mother of No. 1)

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 p.b. DeSota, TX  
 d. 26 Sep. 1976  
 p.d. Ponca City, OK

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 p.b. Lancaster, TX  
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 p.d. Oklahoma

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 p.b.  
 m.  
 d. before 1896  
 p.d.

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 d. before 1896  
 p.d.

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 d. before 1896  
 p.d.

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 p.b. South Lewis Co., TN  
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 d. 18 Nov. 1903  
 p.d. DeSota, TX

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 p.b. Lawrence Co., TN  
 d. 5 Feb. 1917  
 p.d. DeSota, TX

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(Father of No. 7)

b. 1 Sep. 1850  
 p.b. Springfield, IL  
 m. Dallas Co., TX  
 d. 18 May 1880  
 p.d. Dallas Co., TX

## 15 Susanna Victorine HILL

(Mother of No. 7)

b. 20 Aug. 1841  
 p.b.  
 d. 10 Aug. 1935  
 p.d. Lancaster, TX

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b.  
 m.  
 d.

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b.  
 d.

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b.  
 m.  
 d.

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b.  
 d.

## 20 John STARK

b. ca 1800  
 m. Mississippi  
 d. ca 1836

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Ellen M. HUTCHINS

b. -- 1797 -  
 d. 24 Oct. 1874 - MS

## 22 Sam LONG Jr.

b. 12 July 1817 - MD  
 m. 28 Dec. 1941  
 d. 19 Sep. 1858 - MS

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 d. 20 Feb. 1882 - MS

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 m. 24 Aug. 1812 - NC  
 d. -- June 1865 - TN

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Christina HAGGER

b. -- 1791 -  
 d. 14 Jan. 1871 - TN

## 26 Willis P. HAMRICK

b. Georgia  
 m. ca 1833  
 d.

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Sarah HENSLEY

b. -- 1813 - TN  
 d. -- 1903 - TX

## 28 Thomas W. OWEN

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 m. -- 1847 - IL  
 d. -- TX

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Margarite BULL

b. -- 1830 - NC  
 d. buried - IL

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James W. HILL

b. -- 1822 - MS  
 m.  
 d.

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Emma CLAIG

b. -- 1831 - AL  
 d.

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The meeting will be held on Saturday, 16th May at 10:00 a.m. at the Calcasieu Health Unit Auditorium, 721 E. Prien Lake Rd., Lake Charles.

Speaker will be DWIGHT DUPLESSIS of Kenner, LA. His topic will be "Louisiana Marriage Contracts and Successions."

Mr. DUPLESSIS was a speaker at the 1988 National Genealogical Conference held in Biloxi, MS. He is genealogical specialist for the Jefferson Parish Library and is a member of the Jefferson Genealogical Society.

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The members of the Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society, sincerely hope that their efforts to preserve their family heritage will promote an interest in genealogy and assist others in their research.

The following is abstracted from the SWLGS March program.

**CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS AND QUEEN ISABELLA**  
**BY MARGARET D. FINDLEY**

We have all heard it said that behind every successful man there is a supportive woman, and in the case of CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS history records the truth of this statement. The woman supporting COLUMBUS was the formidable QUEEN ISABELLA of Spain.

Although CHRISTOFORO CUMBO and ISABELLA the Catholic were born in different countries and had totally different backgrounds, they possessed many similar characteristics. The exact date and place of COLUMBUS' birth are not known, but it is believed that he was born in Genoa, Italy in the latter part of 1451. ISABELLA was born in April 1451 in the Spanish town of Avila in the province of Castille. Each had auburn hair and blue eyes and were of the Catholic religion. Each had inflexible determination, the ability to overcome adversity, visions of what the future could hold and faith in their ability to make these dreams a reality.

ISABELLA was the daughter of JUAN II of Castille and ISABEL of Portugal. Upon the death of her father in 1454, her stepbrother ENRIQUE inherited the throne and banished ISABELLA, her mother and brother ALFONSO to the castle of Arevalo, where they lived in almost total isolation on the verge of poverty. ISABELLA was educated by her mother and by priests and tutors who came to the castle.

Miles from the Castillian plains, CHRISTOFORO CUMBO was one of five children born to DOMENICO CUMBO and his wife SUSANNA. His parents were wool-weavers. Little is known of his early life, but he said that he first went to sea when he was 10 years old.

About the time COLUMBUS made his first voyage, ISABELLA and ALFONSO were summoned to court by their brother ENRIQUE. Internal unrest and civil war were raging in Castille due to the weak rule of ENRIQUE, who, hoping for support from Portugal, offered ISABELLA's hand in marriage to the fat and aging ALFONSO V. of Portugal. After the death of her brother ALFONSO, ISABELLA stood very near the throne. The high church officials and nobles who sought to remove ENRIQUE from the throne and make ALFONSO their king now gathered to support ISABELLA in place of her brother. She declined and recognized ENRIQUE as the rightful king.

ISABELLA had many suitors, but chose to marry her young cousin FERNANDO of Aragon. He was young, resourceful and brave, and marriage with him would unite the two largest provinces of Spain and the unification of Spain was ISABELLA's highest dream. When she was 18, marriage with FERNANDO was arranged.

COLUMBUS was living in Genoa, and after making several voyages in the Mediterranean, decided to abandon the weaving trade and make the sea his profession. When he was 19, he sailed on a Genoan warship. At the age of 25, while serving in a conflict between France and Italy, he was shipwrecked on the shores of Portugal. Though wounded, he managed to grasp floating

debris and reach the shore, making his way to Lisbon where his younger brother, BARTHOLOMEW, was employed in a chart-making establishment. He managed to get a job for CHRISTOFORO, and soon the brothers went into their own chartmaking business.

While living in Lisbon, COLUMBO married DONA FELIPA DE PERESTRELLO, connecting him by marriage with two important families of Portugal. They had one son, DIEGO. By the age of 31 or 32, COLUMBO was a master mariner and was considered to be the finest in the Portuguese merchant service.

The Indies (meaning most of eastern Asia, India, Burma, China, Japan, Indonesia and the Moluccas) had cast a spell over European imagination in the fifteenth century. Dreams of great wealth led to repeated attempts to get around Africa to reach India. Most learned people agreed that the world was a sphere and that a voyage to China could be made, but nobody had tried it. CHRISTOFORO COLUMBO, because of his reputation and connections, was convinced that the King of Portugal would support him in this endeavor. However, he failed.

Soon after, his wife died, severing his strongest ties with Portugal. Taking his 5 year old son DIEGO, COLUMBUS went to Spain for an audience with the queen, but his requests were rejected by ISABELLA for the next 6 years. However, she did grant him a small stipend for his existence until the time when she would devote more thought to his proposal. During these years COLUMBUS took a mistress who bore him a son, FERNAND.

Once COLUMBUS conceived the idea of sailing West to reach the East, he was driven to prove his theory. He was considered a "little touched in the head". It was very difficult to convince influential people that his "Enterprise of the Indies" was plausible.

While COLUMBUS' dreams of the future seemed to be stagnating, ISABELLA'S dreams came true. The mother of five children, she was considered one of the ablest European sovereigns. The Moors had been forever expelled from Spain and the country was united, bringing international dignity and respect. Now she could allow herself to think of the strange Italian sailor who had haunted and puzzled her for years. Suddenly after 6 years of indecision and refusal, ISABELLA agreed to COLUMBUS' request, much to the dismay of FERNANDO. If COLUMBUS did find a western route to the Indies and did discover new islands, it would be another triumph for the glory of Spain. ISABELLA proposed to pledge her jewels for expenses, but the treasury supplied most of the money, \$14,000.

AT last 3 caravels were ready to sail. In those days a Spanish ship had an official name (usually that of a saint) and a nickname. La Gallega was the Santa Maria, Santa Clara was the Nina, but the official name of the Pinta is not known. They sailed on Aug. 3, 1492. Comforts and conveniences were totally lacking. Cooking was done over a bed of sand in a wooden firebox. The diet was a monotonous one of salt meat, hard tack and dried peas. They drank wine until it ran out, then had only water which often went bad. Only the Captain General COLUMBUS and the captains of the ships had cabins with bunks; the others slept where they could, in their clothes.

After about a month and a half, a small island in the Bahamas was sighted, and COLUMBUS, believing he had reached the Indies, called the natives Indians. The Spaniards observed the natives fine build and almost complete nakedness (shocking in an age when custom required women to be heavily clothed from head to foot), and the little gold pendants suspended from the necks of some of them. They collected specimens to take home as proof of their discovery. These included Indian corn or maize, sweet potatoes, cinnamon leaves, bananas and coconuts, seen for the first time by Europeans. But they found no gold. The sailors adopted the craft of making hammocks from native cotton.

Taking 6 Indian guides with them, the Spaniards continued their voyage to a large island called Colba by the natives. Of course, what they had discovered was Cuba, where the Europeans had their first contact with tobacco. The Indian guides indicated that there was gold further west, and the gold found on the island of Haiti saved COLUMBUS' reputation.

The Santa Maria had settled on a coral reef, so the equipment was removed and the ship was abandoned. COLUMBUS, with his strong sense of divine guidance, took this as a sign that God wished him to start a colony with the crew from the Santa Maria. Thirty-nine men, anxious to stay because signs of gold were now plentiful, remained while the Pinta and Nina set sail for Spain.

COLUMBUS was home after a 224-day voyage. At that point he could have had everything he wanted, but regarding his God-appointed work as having just begun, he must assure that the island were settled, the gold trade initiated and the native converted to Catholicism. So a second voyage was made.

Seventeen ships with 100 male colonists reached Haiti in 21 days. There they found that the Spaniards left there had all been killed by the natives, whom they had mistreated. On the northern coast of the island COLUMBUS founded Hispaniola, the first European colony in the Americas.

A third voyage found the colony of Hispaniola seething with discontent because there was not enough gold to make everyone rich in a year. In 1500 ISABELLA sent BOBADILLA to settle the matter, and he sent COLUMBUS and his two brothers back to Spain in chains. They were released by royal order.

After his fourth voyage to the new World, COLUMBUS was a disillusioned old man of 53 years. He had not discovered the passageway to the East. He had not found enough gold to make Spain wealthy. His affairs were at their lowest ebb. ISABELLA died on Nov. 26, 1504. COLUMBUS, the Great Admiral of the Ocean Sea, died May 20, 1506.

As we celebrate the quincentennial anniversary of COLUMBUS' discoveries, we must not let the current controversy as to whether he was a good or evil man obscure his actual achievements. Nor let us overlook the woman who shared his vision and undeniably changed the course of history forever.

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LA. CONFEDERATE PENSION RECORDS - Photocopies of pension records for Confederate veterans and/or their widows granted by the State of LA. can be obtained from the LA. State Archives, PO Box 94125, Baton Rouge, LA 90804.

## UNEXPECTED RESULTS OF COLUMBUS' DISCOVERY

As we celebrate the Quincentennial Anniversary of COLUMBUS' discovery of the New World, we may not be aware of all of the consequences that such a discovery brought to our ancestors. Obviously, the colonization of the newly-discovered lands caused a great migration of Europeans. New opportunities and new markets for trade brought great wealth to Europe, giving rise to a new and powerful merchant class of society. Other less known results of the discovery also had social and economic consequences felt by many parts of the world.

As a direct result of the discovery, irreparable damage was done to the Aztec, Maya and Inca civilizations by the Spanish in their greed for gold and silver and their desire, at any cost, to convert the natives to Christianity. Centuries of knowledge, thought to be heathen gibberish, were destroyed. Vast numbers of the natives were either killed or enslaved to work in the mines. The three great civilizations of the New World were virtually eradicated in a short period of time. For these people, COLUMBUS' discovery brought disaster!

In both North and South America, much of the native population was wiped out by disease inadvertently brought to them by their contact with the white men. Diseases like measles and chicken pox, common among Europeans, decimated the Amerindians. But from the Indians the white men contracted syphilis and brought it back to Europe.

New foods (such as corn and sweet potatoes) discovered in America increased the food supply of Europe and Africa. Fewer people died of starvation, leading to a dramatic increase in population, especially in west Africa. Many Europeans immigrated to the New World, so overpopulation was not a problem there, but in west Africa the population explosion did become a serious problem. One of the solutions was to export some of the people to the Europe and the American plantations as slaves.

With the wealth it brought back from the New World, Spain became the envy and the terror of the world. The Spanish navy was the most powerful in the world. Spain and its dread Inquisition became a threat to all the nations of Europe. But a more subtle result of Spanish wealth was a price revolution which affected not only Spain and other parts of Europe, but even the Ottoman Empire. With the abundance of Mexican silver and gold, coinage was increased, inflation occurred and prices rose. At that time few people understood the relationship between more money and higher costs. While some people, mainly the merchants and ship owners, prospered greatly, others starved and suffered. The general consensus of opinion was that greater greed and evil were more prevalent at that time than ever before. Therefore, many people turned to religion to deliver them from their misery. This resulted in one of the primary causes of the religious movement known as the Reformation.

Each of us has thousands of ancestors who lived during these times. Their lives were somehow affected or completely changed by COLUMBUS' discovery of America.

## TIME LINE 1492-1506

Everyone is aware of the discoveries of CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS but do you know what was happening in the rest of the world between 1492 and 1506, the year of his death? Europe, as ever, was wracked by war, but change was in the wind. The world was expanding and the socio-economic structure would never again be the same.

CHARLES VIII of France invaded Italy and began the Italian Wars. His successor, LOUIS XII, who united France and Brittany by his marriage to ANNE of Brittany, also invades Italy. France went to war with England, then with its erstwhile ally, Spain.

In England, HENRY VII united the houses of Lancaster and York by marrying ELIZABETH of York, and began the Tudor Dynasty. HENRY VIII was born. The English population was beginning to recover from the heavy losses resulting from the War of the Roses, the Black Death and famine. England was at war with France, and the people were heavily burdened by taxes to fill the empty coffers of the Crown which were depleted in past wars. JOHN CABOT discovered Newfoundland.

JAMES VI of Scotland married MARGARET, daughter of Henry VII.

In Russia IVAN III "the Great" married SOPHIA, the daughter of the last Byzantine emperor. He removed Tartar rule and began to modernize the country. Russia gained Lithuania by defeating Poland.

MAXIMILIAN of Hapsburg, King of the Germans, became Holy Roman Emperor. Hungary, having acquired Austria, became the most powerful nation in central Europe.

Switzerland had become an independent republic and was the leading military power in medieval Europe, largely dependent on the loot and pay of its mercenary troops who fought in Europe's wars.

CABRAL claimed Brazil for Portugal. Portuguese established trading posts on the Malabar coast and founded Mozambique.

In Rome the notorious Pope ALEXANDER VI (RODERIGO BORGIA) strengthened the temporal power of the Papacy by creating the Holy League.

The Ming dynasty of China flourished during this time. Japan had developed a complex society and culture comparable to the civilized nations of Europe.

Europeans were growing increasingly wealthy and powerful. They were interested in new ideas and admired knowledge. The Renaissance was beginning, especially in the city states of Italy. DESIDERIUS ERASMUS of Rotterdam was one of the most important men of the age. MICHAELANGELO, DA VINCI and RAPHAEL were making their marks in the art world. NICCOLO MACHIAVELLI, whose name has become an unadmirable adjective, was living in Florence.

But it was in Spain that the most dramatic events were occurring. The Catholic rulers of Spain, FERDINAND of Aragon and ISABELLA of Castille,

united their kingdoms by marriage. In 1492 they financed COLUMBUS' voyage and also led the Crusade which drove the Moors from Granada, the last bastion of Islam in Spain, and from the entire Iberian peninsula. The Pope gave FERDINAND permission for the Castillian Inquisition to be set up under TORQUEMADA. Judaism was outlawed in 1494, and many skilled artisans, doctors and businessmen fled to other parts of Europe rather than accept the Catholic faith. The Spanish rulers encouraged exploration and expansion in new colonies. Innovations in shipbuilding, navigation and cartography led to Spanish naval supremacy which would last for over a hundred years. Seapower, riches from America and the dread Inquisition made Spain the terror of all Europe.

These were the years that changed medieval society and transformed Europe. All of us had thousands of ancestors living during these years. Although we might not know their names, these were the times in which they lived.

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#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1992 - 16 May - Saturday - SWLGS Regular Meeting  
Speaker - DWIGHT DUPLESSIS  
Topic - Louisiana Marriage Contracts and Successions
- 1992 - 19 September - Saturday - SWLGS Regular Meeting
- 1992 - 21 November - Saturday - SWLGS Regular Meeting

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- 1993 - 3 April - Saturday - 4th Genealogical Seminar, L. C. Holiday Inn  
National known lecturer Dr. GEORGE K. SCHWEITZER of Knoxville,  
TN will be the speaker.

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#### SOCIETY LIBRARY ADDITIONS

- Harrison County, West Virginia Death Records 1853-1903 by PATRICIA B. HICKMAN  
The Outlaw Years (History of the Land Pirates of the Natchez Trace)  
by ROBERT M. COATES
- Davidson County, Tennessee County Court Minutes 1799-1803 by CAROL WELLS  
Salem Witchcraft and Hawthorne's House of the Seven Gables  
by ENDERS A. ROBINSON
- Spreading the Word - Mississippi Newspaper Abstracts of Genealogical Interest  
1825-1935, compiled by MARY LOIS S. RAGLAND
- Our French-Canadian Ancestors, Volume XIV, by THOMAS J. LAFOREST
- Southwest Louisiana Records, Vol. 36, by Rev. DONALD J. HEBERT
- Leaves from the Diary of Louise by GEORGE ANN BENOIT
- The First Hundred Years: 1882-1982 The Centennial of Catholic Education  
in "Imperial" Calcasieu

MIMOSA PINES CEMETERY  
SULPHUR, LA.

Mimosa Pines Cemetery is about 5-6 miles south of I-10 on Hwy 27.

Submitted by SUE HENNING and VINCENT CEASAR.  
Listings through April 1990 except for unmarked graves.

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SECTION II

DUGAS, DALLAS  
b. 23 Apr. 1900  
d. 19 Oct. 1974

DUGAS, WARREN  
b. 4 Oct. 1929  
d. 9 Nov. 1985

EDWARDS, JAMES B.  
b. 11 Oct. 1933  
d. 2 Dec. 1989  
SN U. S. Navy - Korea

EDWARDS, BARBARA JANE  
b. 5 Nov. 1939  
d. 2 Nov. 1984

EDGAR, LOLITA W.  
b. 21 Jan. 1922  
d. 12 Mar. 1989

ELLIS, JAMES F.  
1907 - 1979  
LA Wildlife & Fisheries  
Commission Enforcement

ELLIS, THELMA L.  
1900 - 1970

ETIE, CHARLES  
1889 - 1964

ETIE, CORA SLOANE  
1892 - 1974

ELLENDER, RUBY G.  
b. 5 Dec. 1904  
d. 27 Feb. 1977

FUGATT, CARL A.  
b. 11 Aug. 1907  
d. 19 Oct. 1989

FUGATT, MILDRED S.  
b. 17 Oct. 1910  
d. 5 Jan. 1990

FARLEY, WILLIAM  
b. 21 June 1917  
d. 20 July 1966

FARLEY, VIOLA  
b. 13 June 1918  
d. 18 July 1988

FINN, WALTER  
b. 2 Sep. 1925  
d. 12 Apr. 1977  
U. S. Navy - WW II

GARDY, JOSEPH CLARENCE  
b. 22 Feb. 1927  
d. 29 May 1990

GRANGER, KAREN S.  
b. 22 Oct. 1947  
d. 1 Feb. 1974

GRANGER, DAGESTILE  
b. 18 Feb. 1897  
d. 13 June 1958  
LA Pvt. Co. F 84 Infantry - WW I

GAYLE, CHARLES T. III  
b. 15 Jan. 1938  
d. 17 Sep. 1976  
Adj. 3 U. S. Navy - Korea

GRAY, RUTH A.  
b. 24 Jan. 1911  
d. 28 Jan. 1982

GREEN, Rev. ROBERT  
b. 12 Aug. 1908  
d. 22 May 1979



GREEN, MARY W.  
b. 29 May 1908  
d. 12 Apr. 1981

GRANGER, MARY  
1902 - 1983

GEORGE, FREDERICK PEARLY  
b. 23 May 1911  
d. 29 Apr. 1984

GRIFFITH, GEORGE L.  
b. 15 June 1921  
d. 15 Oct. 1969  
LA PFC U. S. Marine Corps - WW II

GATRO, TROY J.  
b. 20 Mar. 1924  
d. 19 Sep. 1964

GRANGER, DAGESTILE  
b. 18 Feb. 1897  
d. 13 June 1958  
LA PVT. Co. F 84 Inf. - WW I

HANTZ, AUGUST J.  
b. 21 Mar. 1923  
d. 28 July 1982

HALL, HELEN MARY  
b. —  
d. 26 June 1982 (age 85)  
Combat Nurse - WW I - France

HALL, ANDREW C.  
1913 - 1978

HALL, SARLAYN R.  
1918 - 1979

HENDERSON, IREL M.  
1904 - 1985

HEFFERMAN, JOHN H.  
b. 17 May 1930  
d. 6 Aug. 1989  
Pvt. U. S. Army - Korea

HEFFERMAN, SANDRA L.  
b. 5 Mar. 1943  
d. 19 Apr. 1987

HEFFERMAN, HENRY EDWARD  
b. 27 Aug. 1901  
d. 8 May 1981

HICKS, "T." B.  
b. 18 Aug. 1927  
d. 3 May 1977

HIRSCH, CLYDE SIMPSON  
b. 9 Dec. 1914  
d. 5 Mar. 1986

HINES, WAYON M.  
b. 15 July 1925  
d. 28 Aug. 1974  
Cpl. U. S. Marine Corps

HOFFPAUIR, Rev. LOUIS  
h/o ALICE SPELL  
b. 9 Aug. 1888  
d. 16 Dec. 1966  
Methodist Minister 1910-1960

HOFFPAUIR, ALICE SPELL  
w/o LOUIS HOFFPAUIR  
b. —  
d. 5 Aug. 1970  
Mother of  
HERBERT WAYNE HOFFPAUIR  
CLAUDE BARNEY HOFFPAUIR  
DORIS H. HUBBARD  
AUDREY BESS HEATON

HOFFPAUIR, JAMES CURTIS  
1900 - 1979

HOFFPAUIR, ELECTRIA M.  
1905 - 1978

HOFFPAUIR, HEBERT  
b. 9 Apr. 1908  
d. 19 Feb. 1983

HOFFPAUIR, CLAUDE B.  
b. 11 Apr. 1909  
d. 15 Aug. 1972

HODGES, JAMES E.  
b. 1 Aug. 1888  
d. 17 May 1976  
M. Sgt. U. S. Army - WW I, WW II,  
KOREA

HOLT, FRANK BYRON  
b. 17 Mar. 1927  
d. 18 Dec. 1983

HOWARD, LUTHER V. "Red"  
b. 3 June 1913  
d. 13 July 1977

HOWARD, LEORA V.  
b. 25 Aug. 1914  
d. 7 Nov. 1979

HOWARD, HENRY E.  
1916 - 1983

HUNTER, DEWITT HIRAM  
b. 28 Oct. 1898  
d. 10 Sep. 1988

IRBY, MARTHA CONN  
b. 12 Jan. 1926  
d. 21 Dec. 1980

ISAAC, MARY E.  
b. 18 June 1922  
d. 25 Oct. 1976

IVY, WILLIAM CHARLES  
b. 1 Mar. 1901  
d. 2 Mar. 1977

IVY, HUGH DANIEL  
b. 13 Mar. 1937  
d. 23 Apr. 1968

JERNIGAN, FRANK W  
b. 4 June 1902  
d. 24 June 1976

JERNIGAN, GOLDEN B.  
b. 8 Nov. 1905  
d. 17 Jan. 1972

JOHNSON, J. DUDLEY  
b. 13 Sep. 1906  
d. 11 Dec. 1976

JONES, DARON ROBERT  
b. 20 July 1969  
d. 20 Nov. 1985

KELLY, CLARENCE M. Jr.  
b. 17 May 1915  
d. 6 Feb. 1977  
U. S. Army - WW II

KOONCE, JOHN EARL  
b. 20 Nov. 1911  
d. 15 June 1985

KOONCE, DOROTHY H.  
b. 19 Sep. 1914  
d. 28 Sep. 1958

KRAMER, CARL WARREN  
1909 - 1975

KRAMER, HAZEL J. ADAMS  
1908 - 1988

LANE, ALONZO B.  
1923 - 1987

LANE, MARTHA A.  
1922 - 1983

LENAMON, JAMES EDWARD  
b. 26 Feb. 1926  
d. 3 Oct. 1982

LEVENS, ROLFE Jr  
b. 12 July 1907  
d. 30 Sep. 1974

LeDOUX, CLEMRIE "Blackie"  
b. 6 Jan. 1918  
d. 15 Oct. 1987

TRAVIS, JOHN  
b. 24 July 1919  
d. 19 May 1981

LeSUEUR, EVELYN R.  
1918 - 1983

LINCOLN, JAMES A.  
b. 22 Oct. 1902  
d. 15 Mar. 1961

LUPER, GEORGE F.  
B. 2 Jan. 1897  
d. 16 Jan. 1973  
TX - Pvt 308 Motor Supply Train  
WW I

LUPER, MABEL J.  
1885 - 1976

LYONS, LUCIUS  
b. 29 Jan. 1906  
d. 16 Dec. 1979

**FRANCIS MITCHELL GRACE, D.D.  
HUMANITARIAN AID DURING THE CIVIL WAR  
SUBMITTED BY JAMES M. LOWREY**

FRANCIS MITCHELL GRACE was born in a log cabin at Elyton, Alabama in 1832. He was the son of BAYLIS EARLE GRACE, a pioneer in the development of the iron and coal industry around Elyton (Birmingham), Alabama who was active in the politics of the area and had a gap in the mountains Grace's Gap, named for him. FRANCIS M. GRACE was the grandson of JAMES GRACE who served in ANDREW JACKSON's Army in the Creek War and the Battle of New Orleans.

In 1900 Dr. GRACE, once President of Mansfield, La. Female College, wrote a short autobiography which was published 76 years later. This article is based on that publication.\*

Of his early childhood FRANCIS GRACE wrote:

"Strange to say, the Negro race had much to do with my early raising. A Negro woman nursed me at her breast, a Negro boy was my early guide and companion, while Uncle Ben was the hero of my youthful admiration. At night I went to Uncle Ben's cabin and heard him play the fiddle and tell ghost stories. Also, he showed me how to build a fire, using different sizes of wood and many various kinds. The pine knot made the light that illuminated the walls of his cabin. He also showed me how to make and mend shoes, bridles and harness. He taught me to hunt opossums and coons. Much he knew of dogs and horses...." Such a familial bond between whites and blacks was not at all unusual; it was, in fact, quite normal in those days. Many a white child's black "mammy" was closer to him than his mother for his first preschool years.

F. M. GRACE became a teacher at age seventeen in a log house two miles south of Elyton near Grace's Gap. From there he moved to the academy at Elyton, and in 1853 to Centenary Institute at Summerfield, where he became associated with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Rev. GRACE was a preacher when the Civil War started and chose to remain a civilian. In this way he differed from many other preachers including my maternal grandfather, L. M. McGEHEE, but there is nothing to suggest that his views differed significantly from those of the other Southerners. His only mention of the politics of the era was that after the war he worked hard to overthrow the carpetbaggers.

As the war years went on with thousands of Southern men being killed, widows and orphans multiplied, and many manless families were in truly pitiable condition. GRACE wrote: "...Soldiers wives came to the more productive portions of the country bringing their sacks like those who went to Egypt to be filled with corn..." On one occasion he learned of a number of destitute families of women and children who had walked across the mountain at Red Gap to ask for corn at a plantation but the overseer, faithful to his responsibilities to his master, refused to let them have any, except for money. At least one of the women had a pistol and had intended to take the corn by force, but the overseer stood them off with a shotgun. GRACE found out what was going on, hurried to meet the women, found them trudging

single file on a path at the foot of the mountain, gave each one five dollars of money he had collected, and told them to go back and buy the corn. He wrote: "If an angel from Heaven had met them, they could scarcely have been more astonished."

Soon after the corn incident, Rev. GRACE heard of a group of orphans that were living on the Cahaba River west of Selma. After arranging with various families to provide homes for them, he set out in a wagon to get them. After they were loaded and underway, he discovered every one to be sorely afflicted with scabies, "in popular language, the itch. Thinking it wrong to deliver children in that condition to the homes that had been promised them, I found a lady in Greensboro who undertook to keep them a month and cure them with sulphur and lard." He wrote of these men in complimentary terms, calling them "noble planters, who, when they saw that all was lost and they must begin life again with nothing but the soil and the teams to work with, did not harden their hearts against those who had not even bread but shared their supplies with the poor and needy."

Due to the unsettled conditions, GRACE rode several days rechecking with the people who had said they would take an orphan. He concluded this episode: "I am happy to record the fact so creditable to human nature, that in only one instance was the offer declined, and that was in the case of a widow who had agreed to take a little girl. One of her neighbors, however, promptly filled the place and so every one of my scabby children found a good home."

The LOWREY family came to Louisiana when Dr. GRACE brought his sister and her children to Louisiana, circa 1883. The writer's paternal grandmother was MARY ISABELLA GRACE, the sister of DR. FRANCIS MITCHELL GRACE.

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#### THE CURTIS AND GLADYS JACOBS MEMORIAL COLLECTION

The CURTIS and GLADYS JACOBS Memorial Collection, a family history archives, was recently donated to the Sam Houston Regional Library and Research Center, located on FM 1011, off of State Highway 146. The address is P. O. Box 310, Liberty, TX 77575. Hours are Monday to Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.; Saturday, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Over 150,000 names are in the collection. Dating from 1534, the information collected on the various surnames include birth and death information, marriage, military service, land ownership and other general information compiled from numerous sources. There are 8,000 family group sheets. Some of the records include families in southeast Texas and southwest Louisiana, and virtually everyone buried in Beauregard Parish after 1880. The collection has been microfilmed by the Utah Genealogical Society.

1898 CALCASIEU PARISH REGISTERED VOTERS

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Key: (1) Date of Registry (2) Name (3) Age (4) Color (5) Nativity (6) Square No. (7) Residence (8) Occupation (9) Time of Residence in State (10) Time of Residence in Parish (11) Time of Residence in Ward (12) Year Born (13) Naturalized When (14) Naturalized Where (15) Did you Register as a Voter on the 1st of January 1867 or Prior Thereto? (16) Name of Father or Grand-father Who was Registered to Vote on 1st of Jan. or Prior Thereto (17) Whether Father or Grandfather (18) Where Father or Grandfather Reside (19) Remarks Ward & Precinct)

(1) August 31 (2) L. M. GUSSMAN (3) 51 (4) W (5) LA (6) 378 (7) Lake Charles (8) Laborer (9) 51 (10) 30 (11) 30 (12) 1847 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) N. GUSSMAN (17) Father (18) New Orleans (19) 3 - 5

(1) August 31 (2) AMILE GUILLORY (3) 39 (4) W (5) LA (6) 380 (7) W. Lake (8) Laborer (9) 27 (10) 4 (11) 4 (12) 1859 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) A. GUILLORY Jr (17) Father (18) St. Landry (19) 4 - 3

(1) August 31 (2) JNO. GUILLORY (3) 32 (4) W (5) LA (6) 368 (7) Lake Charles (8) Laborer (9) 32 (10) 23 (11) 23 (12) 1866 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) — (17) — (18) Calcasieu (19) 3 - 1

(1) August 30 (2) DUDLEY HAYES (3) 39 (4) W (5) LA (6) 360 (7) Lake Charles (8) Laborer (9) 39 (10) 5 (11) 5 (12) 1859 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) DAVID HAYES (17) Father (18) New Iberia (19) 3 - 1

(1) August 31 (2) B. F. HOGAN (3) 51 (4) W (5) MS (6) 364 (7) Edgewood (8) Farmer (9) 14 (10) 14 (11) 14 (12) 1846 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) LOUIS HOGAN (17) Father (18) Mississippi (19) 8 - 1

(1) August 31 (2) LOUIS HOGAN (3) 25 (4) W (5) MS (6) 365 (7) Edgewood (8) Farmer (9) 14 (10) 14 (11) 14 (12) 1872 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) B. F. HOGAN (17) Father (18) Mississippi (19) 8 - 1

(1) August 31 (2) F. B. HOGAN (3) 21 (4) W (5) MS (6) 366 (7) Edgewood (8) Farmer (9) 14 (10) 14 (11) 14 (12) 1877 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) B. F. HOGAN (17) Father (18) Mississippi (19) 8 - 1

(1) August 31 (2) HAMPTON HOLLAND (3) 27 (4) W (5) LA (6) 363 (7) Lacassine (8) Farmer (9) 27 (10) 27 (11) 27 (12) 1870 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) JAMES HOLLAND (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 3 - 2

(1) August 31 (2) ADOLPH HEBERT (3) 63 (4) W (5) LA (6) 303 (7) Iowa (8) Farmer (9) 63 (10) 63 (11) 63 (12) 1835 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) — (17) — (18) JOS. HEBERT (17) Father (18) St. Landry (19) 3 - 3

(1) August 31 (2) JEROME HEBERT (3) 37 (4) W (5) LA (6) 301 (7) Iowa (8) Farmer (9) 37 (10) 37 (11) 37 (12) 1861 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) AD. HEBERT (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 3 - 3

(1) August 31 (2) J. T. HEBERT (3) 30 (4) W (5) LA (6) 302 (7) Iowa (8) Farmer  
(9) 30 (10) 30 (11) 30 (12) 1868 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) AD. HEBERT (17)  
Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 3 - 3

(1) August 31 (2) TELESPHORE HEBERT (3) 29 (4) W (5) LA (6) 304 (7) Iowa  
(8) Farmer (9) 29 (10) 29 (11) 29 (12) 1869 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16)  
AD. HEBERT (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 3 - 3

(1) July 12 (2) R. J. JEAN (3) 49 (4) W (5) TX (6) 27 (7) Merryville (8)  
Farmer (9) 30 (10) 30 (11) 30 (12) 1849 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) JAMES  
JEAN (17) Father (18) Vernon Par. (19) 6 - 2

(1) July 21 (2) JAMES JOHNSON (3) 37 (4) W (5) LA (6) 84 (7) Kinder (8) Farmer  
(9) 37 (10) 37 (11) 37 (12) 1861 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16) JAMES JOHNSON  
(17) Father (18) St. Landry (19) 1 - 6

(1) July 29 (2) DAN JANISSE (3) 43 (4) W (5) LA (6) 357 (7) Lake Charles  
(8) Farmer (9) 43 (10) 43 (11) 43 (12) 1855 (13) — (14) — (15) No (16)  
ALEXIE JANISSE (17) Father (18) Calcasieu (19) 3 - 3

(1) July 6 (2) J. T. KINGREY (3) 49 (4) W (5) GA (6) 3 (7) Pearl (8) Farmer  
(9) 42 (10) — (11) — (12) — (13) — (14) — (15) — (16) — (17) —  
(18) — (19) —

(1) July 23 (2) ALFRED KINGREY (3) 21 (4) W (5) LA (6) 139 (7) Nevills (8)  
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(1) July 27 (2) JAMES KELLY (3) 30 (4) W (5) LA (6) 176 (7) Jennings (8)  
Farmer (9) 30 (10) — (11) — (12) — (13) — (14) — (15) — (16) — (17) —  
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(1) August 5 (2) L. KUTCHER (3) 35 (4) W (5) LA (6) 235 (7) Edgerly (8) Farmer  
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(1) August 30 (2) E. J. KING (3) 23 (4) W (5) LA (6) 362 (7) Lake Charles  
(8) Farmer (9) 23 (10) — (11) — (12) — (13) — (14) — (15) — (16) —  
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(1) July 27 (2) RED LaBOVE (3) 38 (4) W (5) LA (6) 164 (7) Jennings (8) Farmer  
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On July 6, Captain JAMES WESLEY BRYAN became the first mayor of Lake Charles. On that date the first Board of Aldermen also took office. The aldermen were Dr. WILLIAM H. KIRKMAN, JAMES BENJAMIN KIRKMAN, BENNETT R. STODDARD, Dr. WILLIAM G. KIBBE and JOSEPH LAWRENCE BILBO. On July 25 the town's first appointed officials were sworn in. These included JACOB RYAN, Jr., treasurer; JOHN SPENCE, secretary; MIGUEL J. ROSTEET, tax collector; PATRICK FITZGERALD, constable and GEORGE H. WELLS, city attorney. The city limits were the present-day Kirkman Street on the east, the lake on the west, the site of the Southern Pacific railroad station (Railroad Avenue) on the north and Pithon Coulee on the south. In 1869 the city limits were extended for the first time.

On October 3, 1868, the first town ordinance was passed. It provided that disturbing the peace brought a fine of \$50 or 12-24 hours of imprisonment 'at the discretion of the mayor'. The second ordinance, passed February 20, 1869, required dogs to have collars, available from the constable for \$1.00.

In these early days the town of Lake Charles was fairly isolated. Transportation was by horse or on schooners, which sailed to Galveston and New Orleans regularly. J. B. PRICE, the mail contractor for southwest Louisiana, operated a line of stages from Berwick Bay, Louisiana, through Lake Charles to Orange, Texas, three times a week. The post office had been established in 1850 with JOHN HAGGAR as the first postmaster, but it wasn't until the railroad came in 1880 that the town really established contact with the outside world.

Some of the businesses in the town in the late 1860's and early 1870's were WILLIAM HUTCHINS' store on South Court St. (whose entire inventory was worth less than \$100), a store owned by JAMES WESLEY BRYAN (corner of Ryan and North Court St.), a store owned by PAUL PUJO (corner of Front and North Court St.), the first sawmill in Lake Charles owned by JACOB RYAN and JAMES HODGES (located on the lake front near the corner of Broad St.), the dance hall of J. LeFRANC (on South Court St.), the printing shop of the "Lake Charles Echo" (South Court St.), the FARQUE Saloon (North Court St.), and the Corse Tavern or Hotel. This hotel was owned by PAUL AUGUSTIN, whose nickname was 'Corse' because Corsica was supposedly his homeland. It was reputed to have been one of the finest inns in the area. Later the Lake House Hotel stood on this site.

Newspapers appeared very early in the town. The "Calcasieu Press", a one-page weekly publication, was founded in June 1855 by Judge B. A. MARTEL and JOHN A. SPENCE. It continued publication for about ten years and was published in English and French. The first issue of the "Calcasieu Gazette" was published in August 1858, with WILLIAM HUTCHINS as proprietor. The "Weekly Echo", established in 1868 by DAVID J. REID, LOUIS LEVEQUE and BRYANT HUTCHINS, subsequently became the "Weekly Echo". Then came another "Calcasieu Gazette", which was only published from 1878 until 1879, when the owners WILLIAM and ADOLPH MEYER announced that the paper had permanently suspended operations and that the contract for parish printing was awarded to JAMES WESLEY BRYAN, editor of the "Weekly Echo". In 1881, JOHN McCORMICK established the "American". On February 5, 1896, the weekly "Press" became the city's first daily newspaper. The "Press" and the "Daily American" merged in 1910 to become the "Lake Charles American Press".

Religion was both a spiritual and social outlet in the small frontier community. A visitor from Galveston, Texas recorded his impressions of the area in August 1866 in the "Galveston Daily News", stating that the population of Calcasieu was 'small and consisted mainly of French Creoles'. Therefore it is understandable that the Catholic church was the first to be established in the area. A mission was built in 1857 with lumber from ANSELM SALLIER's sawmill, on land purchased for \$375 from SIRIUS M. PITHON, a veteran of NAPOLEON's Army. This church was served by priests from Opelousas until 1866-67, when Father SIMON began to minister to the Catholics of the area. Although Protestants held church services in private homes, it was not until 1873 that the first Protestant church was built in Lake Charles.

Private schools were the first schools in southwest Louisiana and thrived in the area from 1860 until the 1880's. During this period more than 30 private schools existed, some for a short period of time. The Lake Charles Seminary was established in 1860 with D. A. BLAND as principal; Mrs. HARRINGTON's School flourished from 1860-1865. The Civil War interfered with all types of education, and it was not until 1868 that the Lake Charles Male and Female Institution was established by the Reverend and Mrs. L. I. DAVIS. In 1869, the Private Male and Female Academy was established with JAMES WESLEY BRYAN as its principal. According to an advertisement in the "Lake Charles Echo", January 2, 1869, monthly fees for the Academy, which included room, board and washing, were \$8.00 for males and \$9.00 for females. Tuition in the English department was \$2.00.

After the Civil War both white and Negro public schools developed, as the improvement of financial conditions made more funds available for public education. Since tax money provided education for those whose parents could not afford private schools, early public schools became known as Pauper Schools. In 1871, there were two public schools in Lake Charles---one taught by A. H. MOSS and the other by Miss FANNIE GRAY. There was also a school for Negroes established in 1871. Children usually started school at the age of 6 or 7, but many were as old as 10 years when they began their formal education. Usually they attended school for only a few years. Although a law had been passed making public education compulsory, many parents did not think education was important, and the law was not strictly enforced until the 1920's.

Education in private schools continued and in 1874 two schools were established, one by Mrs. M. A. McCLELLAND and her daughter and a second by Mrs. E. F. DADE. About this time a school was also operated by Professor O. S. DOLBY. In 1875, Captain O. M. MARSH opened the Lake Charles Male and Female Academy. In 1880, the Reverend SEVERANCE was principal of the Lake Charles Male and Female Institution, and S. O. SHATTUCK opened his own school. Also in 1880 the Lake Charles Common School began, with JOHN McNEESE as its principal. The Reverend C. D. HYDE opened his school in 1881. In 1882 the Sisters Marianites of the Holy Cross founded the St. Charles Academy for Young Ladies. The Glendale Academy was opened in 1886 by the Misses ALICE and ELLA USHER, and the MYRTLE KENNEDIA Institute was established by the Misses MOLLIE and MATTIE BURT.

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## 1920 CENSUS RECORDS

The Calcasieu Parish Library now has all 34 rolls of the 1920 federal census for the entire state of Louisiana. The Soundex Index for Louisiana has also been purchased.

The 1920 census is the 14th federal census for the United States. It accounted for 105,711,000 residents, an increase of 13.8 million over the 1910 federal enumeration. The 1990 count was 249 million. The 1920 census consists of 2,076 rolls of microfilm. It includes all of the 48 states, Alaska, Guam, American Samoa, Hawaii, the Panama Canal Zone, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. There was no separate Indian schedule for 1920.

The date of the census was January 1, 1920, and was so chosen because the Dep't. of Agriculture decided that they would get a more accurate report at this time. However, this was not the case, because of the many problems the severe winter caused the farmers. As a result, the census was changed to April 1 for all subsequent censuses. Enumerators were given 30 days to complete their job, and were instructed to count every person in a household who was living on Jan. 1. Babies born after Jan. 1, 1920 were not to be counted.

The 1920 census is similar to the census of 1910 in many areas. However, World War I occurred between the two and as a result many boundaries in the world were changed. Enumerators were instructed, when in doubt, to enter the city and province, in addition to the name of the country, on the census form. In many cases, this additional information will be useful to genealogist. The 1920 census showed that for the first time there were more Americans living in urban areas of the country than in rural areas.

Information found on the 1920 census includes the following:

- Place of abode (location of house or farm, etc.)
- Name of each person living in house on Jan. 1, 1920
- Relationship of each person to head of the household
- Tenure (whether home was rented or owned, free or mortgaged)
- Personal information (sex, race, age, marital status)
- Citizenship (date of immigration, naturalized or alien, year of naturalization)
- Education (school attended since Sept. 1, 1919; able to read; able to write)
- Nativity and Mother Tongue (state or country of birth, language spoken; birth place and native language of father and mother; if able to speak English)
- Occupation

This census is a very important tool for genealogists, but remember that, as in previous censuses, the enumerator recorded only what he was told, so check other sources to assure accuracy in your research.

Census rolls for other states can be ordered on loan through the library for \$2.75 per roll. However, consider buying a roll of microfilm for your library. You will have the opportunity to use it anytime you wish and will also help others researching the same area. Census rolls are \$17.50 each, and can be used as a gift or memorial to other researchers.

**SOME SPANISH MILITARY RECORDS OF LOUISIANIANS  
DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR PERIOD**

Continued from Vol. 16 #1

submitted by DOROTHY M. BECNEL

The following men, as found in TYPESCRIPT pages 272-277, had unsigned, incomplete service sheets in which NO campaigns were listed. The sheets, however, did contain some regimental and service data.

ANDRY, MANUEL: born New Orleans; began service 1792.

BRINGIER, MARINS: 1st Lt.; from Marseilles; began service 1785.

CABARET, ALEXANDRO: 1st Lt.; from New Orleans; began service 1792.

CANTRELL, SANTIAGO: of New Orleans; commissioned 2nd Lt. 12 Feb. 1770; made 1st Lt. 21 Aug. 1779; ACADIAN MILITIA.

CORBO, FRANCISCO: age 58, from Santa Cruz, Tenerife; commissioned 2nd Lt. 30 Nov. 1779; LA FOURCHE MILITIA.

DE LANGUI (DE L'ONGY), PEDRO ROBIN: of New Orleans; began service 1792.

DU COURNAU, SIMON: 2nd Lt.; native of Pau, France; began service 1785.

FORSTALL, NICOLAS: Capt. on staff; age 74, from Martinique; of Noble Character but broken body; commissioned Capt. 2 May 1785.

GARIDEL, AMBROISE: age 35; from Louisbourg, New France; volunteered 12 Jan. 1782

HEBERT, JOSEF (NICOLAS): age 37, from Louisbourg, New France; volunteered 12 Feb. 1780, LA FOURCHE MILITIA

JONES, EVAN: rifleman; native of New England (New York); began 23 Oct. 1779.

LANDRY, JOSEF: 2nd Lt.; from Louisbourg, New France; volunteered 12 Feb. 1770; LA FOURCHE MILITIA.

LANDRY, MARIN: age 50; native of Acadia; volunteered 12 Feb. 1782 in CABAHANOSSE MILITIA.

LE BLANC, OCTAVIO: began service 1794.

LE BOURGEOIS, PEDRO: age 48; from Paris, France; volunteered 12 July 1781; MILITIA BATTALION OF NEW ORLEANS.

MELANCON, JOSEF: age 44, from Acadia; volunteered 12 Jan. 1780; LA FOURCHE MILITIA

REINE, PEDRO: 1st Sgt.; age 48; from St. Charles German Coast; volunteered 12 Feb. 1770; GERMAN COAST MILITIA 22 yrs; in GCPD REGIMENT 8 yrs. 10 mos. 19 days.

SEGUI(R), LORENZO: Capt.; from Metz, France. Made Lt. 26 Mar. 1778. Served  
IBERVILLE MILITIA more than 13 years.

SIGNE(SEGUI), PEDRO: 2nd Lt. attached; began service 1780; IBERVILLE MILITIA.

TOUPS, PABLO: age 49; from St. Charles German Coast, volunteered  
12 Feb. 1770; GERMAN COAST MILITIA 22 years.

TROUARD, AQUILLE: Captain; French; record begins 1783.

VEGA, ANDRES: age 51; from Canary Islands; 1st Sgt. of GRENADIERS: volunteered  
1 May 1772; made 2nd Sgt. 1 Aug. 1779; LA FOURCHE MILITIA.

VIVEZ, JUAN: Lt.; native of Denia in Valencia; began service as a cadet  
30 Nov. 1779; LA FOURCHE MILITIA.

CHURCHILL concludes this section (Alemenos) on page 277 of the TYPESCRIPT  
(English):

"The preceding records in reality constitute one document (Libro de  
Vita et Moribus) the contents of which, having been scattered, are here  
brought together, somewhat out of order but with no loss of data."

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This article covers only a part (pages 253-277) of CHURCHILL's complete work.

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### VACATION TIME

As vacation time draws near, many of us are planning trips that include family reunions and genealogical research. To save valuable time and unnecessary expense, it is wise to plan ahead.

CORRESPOND! Write family members and offer to exchange and share information with them but avoid saying, "Send me everything you have". Be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) to insure a reply. Find out who currently owns any family documents and letters and offer to pay for copies.

READ! Learn the history and geography of the area you are researching. Find out the names and addresses of libraries in the area. Usually, the largest libraries have the most extensive genealogical collections. Locate the parish or county court house; most legal and public records will be found there.

PLAN! Be sure to take all necessary supplies for family interviews, cemetery, library and court house research, such as: tape recorder and extra tapes, camera and extra film, pedigree charts and family group sheets, maps, paper and clip board, pencils (ink pens are often forbidden in libraries), shaving cream (for reading illegible tombstones), onion skin paper and wax colors (for tombstone rubbings), gardening tools (for removing weeds and grass from old tombstones), and insect spray.

SEARCH! Parish and county court houses will usually provide records such as: marriage, marriage bonds, separation and divorces, will, successions, probates, dower rights (for widows), quit claims, orphans records, guardians' bonds, land records, tax records, poll tax records, apprenticeships, indentures, etc.

RESEARCH! Area libraries may provide census records (federal, state, and special), city directories, telephone directories, area histories, centennial publications, scrapbooks, special family collections, surname indexes, genealogies (published or unpublished), manuscripts, copies of old newspapers and other information of interest. Ask to see vertical files which may contain special information about the area. Remember that the largest library in the area is most likely to contain the largest genealogical collection.

VISIT! Take time to visit all relatives in the area, who may be very glad to share their knowledge with you. Consult the telephone book or local genealogical societies to find persons in the area with the surname you are researching, and make an appointment to visit them. Visit churches and cemeteries in the area for ecclesiastical documents, such as baptism, confirmation, marriage, funeral and burial records. Remember the hazards of cemetery research. Bites from red bugs (chiggers), mosquitoes and fire ants can be annoying, but poison ivy and snake bites can be hazardous. Use a small amount of shaving cream on a tombstone to make the inscription more legible. This will not injure the stone. If you wish to do a rubbing of a tombstone, attach onion skin paper to the stone and stroke a pencil or wax paper over it. Remember to get permission to visit rural or privately-owned cemeteries. Local sheriff departments can often help locate rural cemeteries and warn you of the local dangers. Trespassers are often not only unwelcome but may also be in jeopardy. One of the current hazards in visiting seldom-used cemeteries is booby traps which have been placed under broken headstones to protect a crop of marijuana.

REMEMBER! Check the local newspaper. If the library does not have microfilmed copies of old editions, the newspaper itself may have a "morgue" or newspaper file. See what events-local and national-were happening when your ancestor lived that may have influenced his life. Information can be gleaned from birth announcements, society columns (engagements, weddings, anniversary celebrations, birthday parties, trips, etc.) obituaries, funeral notices and memorials, public auctions (notice of sales of estate property), personal advertisements, political advertisements, etc.

ENJOY! Good planning prevents frustration and annoyance. It is the key to a successful research trip.

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#### DID YOU KNOW?

To make way for progress, the bodies in many small family cemeteries were moved to other locations. However, in all 50 states it is prohibited by law to disinter the remains of a person who died of smallpox, regardless of the burial location, because of the extremely long life of the virulent germ.

**LA FAYETTE PARISH MARRIAGE RECORDS**  
**( 1836 - 1837 )**  
**WITH GENEALOGICAL NOTES**

Compiled/Edited by HAROLD PREJEAN Jr.  
Continued from Vol. 16 #1

PIERRE DUBOIS - continued

children:

CLARA [CLAIRE, H. I 184, H. II 279]  
b. February 11, 1800 [SM.Ch.v.5, #302]  
m. June 1, 1819 JEAN BAPTISTE TRAHAN [H. II 876, SM.Ch.v.6, #146] son of PAUL TRAHAN and MARGUERITE MONTET

PELAGIE [H. I 185, H. II 280]  
b. February 25, 1798 [SM.Ch.v.5, #185]  
m. September 9, 1817 EDOUARD BROUSSARD [H. II 141, SM.Ch.v.6, #58]  
son of JEAN BAPTISTE BROUSSARD and JULIENNE TRAHAN.

SERAPHIE [H. I 185, H. III 212]  
b. July 8, 1806 [SM.Ch.v.7, #81]  
m.1) BENJAMIN AUGUSTIN BROUSSARD [BODIN I 88] son  
of BENJAMIN BROUSSARD and MARIE MADALENE  
HEBERT.  
2)January 23, 1836 JOSEPH PIVOTEAU [H. II 522, Laf. Ct. Hse.:  
Mar. #106] son of MICHEL PIVOTEAU and  
PAULINE BROUSSARD.

ALIX [ALICE, H. II 279]  
b. June 15, 1816 [SM.Ch.v.7, #381]

LUCAS [H. II 279]  
b. January 1, 1811 [SM.Ch.v.6, #1337]

MARIE ZULMA [H. II 279]  
b. May 19, 1814 [SM.Ch.v.6, #1759]

ROSEMOND [H. II 280, H. IV 156]  
b. March 22, 1818 [SM.Ch.v.7, #618]  
m. November 22, 1841 MELITE PRIMEAU [H. IV 402, Laf. Ct. Hse.:  
Mar. #730] daughter of FRANCOIS PRIMEAU and  
JUSTINE BAUDOIN.

URSIN [H. II 280]  
d. November 22, 1826 [SM.Ch.v.4, #1818] age 23 yrs.

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Lafayette Parish Courthouse: Succession #9  
Estate of PIERRE DUBOIS  
Filed: June 9, 1823

Be it remembered that on this ninth day of June Anno Domini One Thousand Eight hundred and twenty three, Before me THOMAS B. BRASHEAR Judge of the Parish of La Fayette and Ex officio Notary Public in and for said Parish. Personally came and appeared PIERRE DuBOIS, EDWARD BROUSSARD, JEAN PIERRE DARTESSE, JEAN BAPTISTE TRAHAN and BENJAMIN RAULIN relations and friends there not being a sufficient number of relations in the parish composing the meeting of the family of the minors, SERAPHINE DuBOIS, PHILEMON DuBOIS, URSIN DuBOIS, LUCAS DuBOIS, ALIXE DuBOIS, ZULMA DuBOIS and ROSAMOND DuBOIS called by PIERRE DuBOIS and held before me in obedience to the order of the Court of Probates in for the said Parish and dated this day for the purpose and avising to the most convenient and equitable manner of disposing of the property in community between PIERRE DuBOIS, EDWARD BROUSSARD husband of PELAGIE DuBOIS, JEAN BTE. TRAHAN husband of CLARISSE DuBOIS, SERAPHINE DuBOIS, PHILIMON DuBOIS, URSIN DuBOIS, ZULMA DuBOIS AND ROSAMOND, heirs and legal representatives of Prr. DuBOIS & JULIENNE DARTESSE deceased, after mature deliberation the said meeting of the family on their oaths first had and taken and by and with the consent of FRANCOIS MERCEAU and FRANCOIS GUIDRY undertutor to said minors, aforesaid say that they are of unanimous opinion and recommend as a proper measure to be adopted that all the property belonging to the said community be sold at Public auction payable as follows, to wit: in two equal payments the first to be made in all the month of April One Thousand Eight hundred & twenty four, and the second and last payment to be made in one year from that time and all the property to remain mortgaged and Hypothicated until final payment.

JOSEPH DUGAT  
ROBT. (?)

PIERRE DuBOIS  
his  
EDOUARD x BROUSSARD  
mark  
his  
JNO. PRRE. x DARTESSE  
mark

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JEAN (PIERRE) DARTES [Bodin II 67, H. I 153] resident of France; son of  
PIERRE DARTES and MARIE \_\_\_\_\_.

b.

m.

PELAGIE PROVOT [Bodin II 199] resident of  
Illinois, daughter of NICOLAS PROVOST and  
MARIE FRANCOISE QUEBODEAU.

d. ca.

1810

[H. I 153, SM.Ct.Hse.: Succ. #61,  
filed: July 20, 1810].

children:

ALEXANDRE [H. I 153]

b. June 1, 1798

[SM.Ch.v.5, #181]

CELESTE [H. 153]

m. 1) June 19, 1800

LOUIS THIBAUDAU [THIBODEAU, H I 543,  
SM.Ch.v.4, #203] resident of Kaskasias,  
Illinois, son of ROBERT THIBODEAUX, resident  
of Paris, France; and JOSEPHE PRUDOMME.

CELESTE DARTES (continued)

2) November 21, 1808	FRANCOIS GUIDRY [H. I 254, SM.Ch.v.5, #126] resident of Nantes, France: son of JEAN GUIDRY and MARGUERITE HEBERT.
EUGENIE [H. I 153] bt. June 19, 1795	[SM.Ch.v.4, #705] age 1 mos.
JEAN PIERRE [H. I 153] bt. November 9, 1787 m. August 28, 1807	[SM.Ch.v.4, #284] age 2 mos. VICTOIRE GUIDRY [H. I 257, SM.Ch.v.5, #96] daughter of JOSEPH GUIDRY and MADELEINE COMO [COMEAX].
JOSEPHINE [H. I 158] bt. June 19, 1795	[SM.Ch.v.4, #704; age 4 yrs.
JULIA [JULIENNE, H. I 153] bt. April 23, 1780 m. April 24, 1797	[Opel.Ch.v.1, p.33] age 3 mos. PIERRE DuBOIS [H. I 185, SM.Ch.v.4, #138] son of VINCENCIO DuBOIS and JEANNE DeBLANC.
MARIE [H. I 154] m. September 23, 1799	ANDRES SUIR [SUIRE, H. I 528, SM.Ch.v.4, #179] resident of St. Andres de Cabigae near Bordeaux, France; son of PIERRE SUIRE and JEANNE DuBOIS
PELAGIE [H. I 154] bt. June 19, 1779 m. August 10, 1809	[SM.Ch.v.4, #703] age 5 yrs. FRANCOIS MARCEAU [H. I 390, SM.Ch.v.5, #159] resident of St. Saturin de Chartes; son of JEAN LOUIS FRANCOIS MARCEAU des GRAVIERS and MARGUERITE DUFOIX.
PIERRE [H. I 154] bt. June 19, 1795	[SM.Ch.v.4, #702] age 2 yrs.
SEBASTIENNE [H. I 154] bt. November 9, 1787	[SM.Ch.v.4, #283] age 3 yrs.
JOSEPHINE PONPONNE [H. II 231] d. November 25, 1814	[SM.Ch.v.4, #931] age 25 yrs.

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BOUNTY LAND IN ILLINOIS. Most of the land in Illinois was bounty land, given to veterans as a reward for their serving in wars between 1812 and 1856. Bounty land warrants may be ordered from the Federal Archives in Washington, D.C. Be sure to state that you are ordering the complete record.

## BOOK REVIEWS

Spreading the Word - Mississippi Newspaper Abstracts of Genealogical Interest, 1825-1935; compiled by MARY LOIS S. RAGLAND. 1991. \$20.00 plus \$3.00 shipping.

These newspapers which are the property of the Old Court House Museum-Eva W. Davis Memorial in Vicksburg were filmed for the first time by the Mississippi Department of Archives and History in 1989. Although 35 papers were searched (these listed on pg. 249), most of the information comes from three papers: Vicksburg Weekly Whig (1857-1858); Vicksburg Weekly Herald (also called Weekly Vicksburg Herald) (1866-1878); and Vicksburg Daily Herald (1865-1868). The items of interest are mainly those of marriages and deaths plus some others of "family news" of genealogical interest. Since Vicksburg was one of the busiest ports and rail centers in the South, it had direct ties with other towns up and down the waterways, and so a vast amount of news came from throughout the state.

Soft cover, 249pp., index. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Suite 300, Bowie, Maryland 20716.

(This is a complimentary copy from the publisher)

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Davidson County, Tennessee, County Court Minutes: 1799-1803, by CAROL WELLS. 1991. \$20.00 plus \$3.00 shipping.

This account of county court minutes comes several years past frontier wars, territorial troubles, the wresting of land from Indian claimants, and shows that life was not without problems. Justices of the peace dealt with disputes, orphans, poverty, estates, wills, sales, licenses, apprentices, roads, and other matters that fell to their jurisdiction. Few records survive from this formative period in Tennessee history and are important because many people are mentioned in the minutes who do not appear in other records. Much of the flowery language of the original minutes has been condensed to a more business like form.

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Harrison County, West Virginia, Death Records: 1853-1903, by PATRICIA B. HICKMAN. 1991. \$18.00 plus \$3.00 shipping.

Harrison County, formed in 1789, was originally part of Virginia. Because of that, all county records prior to June 20, 1863, when West Virginia became a state, were recorded as Virginia counties. However, Harrison County death records began ten years prior to this and so preface the bulk of this work. No record is available for the year 1863. Information includes names arranged alphabetically by year, date of death, age, names of parents, and/or spouse, and the birthplace. Where parents' or spouses' names are not available in the records, names of other relatives or individual are given.

Soft cover, 191pp., surname index. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Suite 300, Bowie, Maryland 20716.

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