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SEPTEMBER MEETING

The September Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 17, at 10:00 a.m. in the Calcasieu Health Unit Auditorium, 721 E. Prien Lake Rd. (corner of Prien Lake Rd. and Kirkman Street), Lake Charles.

Speaker will be Mrs. BETTY JO TUCKER of Sour Lake, TX. Her presentation will be on "Scottish Genealogy".

Fellowship and coffee begin at 9:30 a.m.. JOIN US!!!

IN MEMORIAM

DAVID CHARLES DAVIS, JR.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1994

- 17 SEPTEMBER SATURDAY SWLGS REGULAR MEETING 10:00 a.m.
 CALCASIEU HEALTH UNIT AUDITORIUM, 621 E. Prien Lake Rd., L.C.
 SPEAKER MRS. BETTY JO TUCKER of SOUR LAKE, TEXAS
 TOPIC SCOTTISH GENEALOGY
- 17 September Saturday Jefferson Genealogical Society 8 to 5
 10th Annual Workshop Radisson Hotel, 2150 Veterans Blvd,
 Kenner, LA
 Speaker MARILYN MILLER NORTON, M.S., F.I.G.R.S.
 Topic British and Irish Research in British Isles/Ireland
 Registration \$23 by 6 September, \$28 after and at door
 Jefferson Gen. Soc., P. O. Box 961, Metairie, LA 70004-0961
- 12-15 October On To Richmond! Four Centuries of Family History
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 More Than 140 lectures presented by 80 excellent speakers.
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 For registration information, contact "On to Richmond", FGS,
 P. O. Box 3385, Salt Lake City, UT 84110-3385.
- 29 October Saturday Houston Genealogical Forum Speaker - DESMOND WALLS ALLEN
- 12 November 3rd Bi-annual Genealogical Seminar 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

 Sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

 of Alexandria, LA

 Holiday Inn Convention Center, 701 4th St., Alexandria, LA

 Speaker Dr. ARLENE EAKLE

Topics - "Are Your Ancestors on Microfilm"; "Tracing a Southern Pedigree: Tracing Ancestors Back Through Arkansas to Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia and Maryland Origins"; "Pre-1820 Census Records"; and "Tracing the Ladies in our Pedigree".

Registration - \$20 includes a working lunch for pre-registrants. Deadline for reservations is 9 November.

- 19 NOVEMBER SATURDAY SWLGS REGULAR METING 10:00 a.m.
 CALCASIEU HEALTH UNIT AUDITORIUM, 621 E. PRIEN LAKE RD., L.C.
 PROGRAM TO BE ANNOUNCED
- 1995 1 APRIL SATURDAY 5th GENEALOGICAL SEMINAR L. C. CIVIC CENTER, Lake Charles, LA Speaker - DESMOND WALLS ALLEN
- 1995 29 April Saturday Houston Genealogical Forum Speaker - HELEN F. M. LEARY

MAY PROGRAM

The following article was taken from the speech given at the May meeting of the SWLGS by Mrs. DOROTHY BARBE HANCHEY, who spoke on early Lake Charles. Mrs. HANCHEY is descended from several pioneer families of southwest Louisiana, including the LEBLEUS, PUJOs and BARBES, and is a sixth generation descendant of BARTHELEMY LEBLEU, the first white settler in southwest Louisiana.

OLD LAKE CHARLES

Shell Beach, down on the south bank of the Lake Charles, is where I was born and reared. Lake Charles was way uptown, on the east side of the lake. When we wanted to go uptown, we walked to the end of Lake Street where the streetcar stopped. When the streetcar arrived (and it came regularly), the conductor discharged his passengers, switched the trolley pole from one end of the car to the other, connected it to the overhead cable, tied the line to the car, took his glass and metal fare—box and his money changer to the other end of the car, and we boarded the streetcar. I was always accompanied by an adult who paid the fare, so I'm not sure of the amount. I think it was a nickel.

When the passengers were all on, we wobbled and wiggled on that old streetcar and headed toward town. From Lake Street it turned onto South Ryan. We passed Sallier Cemetery first, then St. Patrick's Sanitarium where the nuns, with their black habits and white fluted bonnets, took care of the sick themselves. Then we went by Fourth Ward School and Fourth Ward Fire Station. Where South Ryan converged with Miller Avenue and South Street was St. Charles Academy, run by another order of nuns. Across the street was the GEORGE KING home, and on the other corner was Locke playground, where open-air community band concerts were held.

The old streetcar shook, wiggled, and headed up Ryan Street. There were a few residences and we passed the Missouri Pacific depot, headed for City Hall and the Court House. On one of those streetcar trips the lady with me suddenly threw her hand across my eyes, but I could peep through her fingers. On the Court House lawn a gallows had been constructed just in front of the jail, and they were hanging a man! This was one of the worst memories of my childhood.

Then we passed GORDON's Drug Store and came to Broad Street, where we always got off. But the street car went on, past MULLER's Store to the Southern Pacific railroad tracks and depot, where it turned. Ryan Street continued past the lovely homes of the LANDRY family to the ice house at the end of the street on the river. Mrs. LANDRY bought the old Baptist Orphanage and gave it to the Catholics for Landry Memorial High School, which is now St. Louis High School. The ice plant was established by the LANDRYs. You could have ice delivered to your home or business, or you could buy it there. You could get a block of ice for a nickel or a dime, or buy a bigger block if it was needed.

The streetcar turned and stopped at the Southern Pacific depot and the conductor switched the trolley line again to the other end of the car, got his fare-box and headed back along the Ryan Street tracks. But beyond the

depot was Railroad Avenue, with blocks of busy shops and businesses which went on to Enterprise Boulevard. There Enterprise Boulevard crossed the railroad tracks into Goosport.

Goosport was founded by Capt. DANIEL GOOS when he brought his schooner in from a Scandinavian island. He anchored it there on the river, built a home, established a business and brought other families, the JESSENs, FITZENREITERs and many others, who came and settled in Goosport.

But as I said, we always got off at Broad Street, at MATHIEU's Drug Store, where my grandfather, Dr. PIERCE, had his medical office upstairs. We walked on down Broad Street to Bilbo, past the KAUFMAN home on the corner and then to the house where the FRANKs lived. Next was Hodges Street where the big stone Post Office was located and is still standing. Beyond the Post Office was a high-raised brick cottage where Mr. H. C. DREW lived with his wife and her sister. They always wore black, and I wondered why they were so sad—perhaps because they had no children. But Mr. DREW left his large estate of land and stocks for the vocational training of the young men and women of southwest Louisiana. His trust is still active today, giving large sums to equip schools and offer scholarships.

My grandparents, the PIERCEs, lived next door to the DREWs. About 1900 they built a large two-story white wood home from the wonderful lumber that was in the area. It is still intact within the brick walls and behind the white columns the HIXSONs erected when they bought it for a funeral home. It is now Delta Business School. In the next block was the C. O. NOBLE home, then the NORTH home and across the street, the HOLLINS'. At Kirkman Street was the big white MOSS home.

Broad Street continued to the edge of town. Old Highway 90 came in from the east. Before that it was called the Old Spanish Trail, which came in along Broad Street, around the lake to Pithon Coulee, past Shell Beach on to Walnut Grove. Originally travelers were ferried across the river there, but then a large bridge was built. You can see the remains of it on the far side of the river, across from the docks.

Lake Charles was a fresh water lake originally. The strong current of the river washed in clams or mussels, which lodged in the muddy banks in the south bend of the lake. As they ripened and opened, the water washed off the brown coatings and stacked the empty shells up on the beach. In time there was a wide white shell beach that extended for several hundred yards. We know that tribes of Indians roamed this part of the country looking for food. They discovered clams, and every season as they ripened, the Indians camped nearby, dug the clams out of the mud, roasted them on big fires and threw the empty shells up on a pile. When the pile got too high, the Indians moved down the beach, built other fires and started other piles. There were finally three large piles of shells or Indian mounds at Shell Beach. One of the pictures that I have is the remains of a shell pile. The man sitting on it is Mr. M. L. KREAMER a jeweler in early Lake Charles. Many of you know his son GEORGE KREAMER, the talented musician.

After the Indians, came a white man. An abstract on the Shell Beach property shows that BARTHELEMY LEBLEU was the first white man to settle in the area. Much research has been done on this man. The abstract on the property, of

course, names other people and almost raises more questions than it answers. The old records for this part of the country were all in Opelousas and RUTH FONTENOT secured copies of many old documents for me.

One of these documents was a marriage record of the first owner of Shell Beach, BARTHELEMY LEBLEU to MARIE JOSEPHE DE LA MIRANDE. There were no priests at the church at Opelousas that year (1769), so they went over to the Church of St. Francis in Pointe Coupee to be married. The couple moved westward and settled on English Bayou. Six children were born there and two of the sons, ARSENE and MARTIN, built a trading post there. That established the LEBLEU settlement, which extends south through Chloe and beyond. At the LEBLEU Cemetery there are graves decorated with shells like those from Shell Beach.

BARTHELEMY LEBLEU apparently went on down to the lake and built another residence in the woods behind Shell Beach. Because of this residence, his heirs were able to establish the claim for the Rio Hondo land grant of 610 arpents, which went from the Beach, across Contraband Bayou, and almost to Prien Lake. It was 610 arpents. An arpent is .85 of an acre, so he had over 520 acres.

BARTHELEMY brought in men to help him with his cattle and other work. Among them was CHARLES SALLIER from Opelousas. SALLIER married CATHERINE LEBLEU in 1802 and built a log cabin closer to the Indian mounds on the Beach. They had six children.

By 1819 we know that the pirate JEAN LAFFITE was sailing into these waters—up the river to English Bayou to the LEBLEU trading post and down to Shell Beach to trade with the SALLIERs. After one of his visits, CHARLES SALLIER came home, so the tale goes, and found CATHERINE wearing a beautiful amethyst brooch. He jumped to the conclusion that she had accepted the attentions of LAFFITE. He pulled out his pistol and shot her! CATHERINE threw up her hands to protect herself (and the brooch, I'm sure). CATHERINE fell to the floor, bleeding, but the brooch had deflected the bullet. SALLIER thought that he had killed her, so he jumped on his horse, rode away and was never seen in these parts again.

CATHERINE recovered and remained there to rear the children. In 1825 she settled her husband's succession, comprised only of cattle and slaves. Her second son, ANSELM, continued to live with her. He is known to have had a sawmill between Shell Beach and the town, which was growing on the east side of the lake. It was probably on one of the coulees, perhaps Pithon Coulee. He was probably the one who had the lumber to build the big two-story house around the old log cabin of the SALLIERs at Shell Beach. It is there today. The original place had a separate building for the kitchen, as well as cow sheds and horse stables.

In 1855 CATHERINE had an affidavit drawn up declaring that ANSELM's residence was near the site of BARTHELEMY LEBLEU's homestead and thereby staked their claim. The document is very interesting. It shows CATHERINE's mark (which many made in those days) and the signature of her son, A. SALLIER, JOE L. BILBO (for whom the street and cemetery were named), MICHEL PITHON (for whom the street and coulee were named) and JACOB RYAN (who was regarded as the 'father of Lake Charles')—all important names in early Lake Charles.

ANSELM's first wife died and he married another cousin, DALILA LEBLEU, the daughter of ARSENE LEBLEU and ELIZA MILHOMME. DALILA had two sisters who married two PUJO brothers, PAUL and AMEDE, who were early settlers here. The PUJOs had come from southern France by way of New Orleans to this area. PAUL settled uptown. Pujo Street, where he had a store, is named for him. AMEDE and his wife CLARISSE went down the river to Rose Bluff and established a home and a trading post there, where Cities Service Refinery is now. Now there is no more Rose Bluff.

As his business prospered, AMEDE had a schooner captain, who took the schooner to Galveston to get supplies for his store, locate a clerk for his store. He contacted young CHARVEY BARBE, who had come from Paris, France to join his cousin Bishop ODIN in Galveston. CHARVEY came back to Rose Bluff where he clerked for PUJO until the Civil War. When CLARA PUJO, AMEDE's daughter, was sixteen, she married CHARVEY BARBE.

The Civil War came and went, DALILA outlived her husband, ANSELM SALLIER, and stayed at Shell Beach until she died in 1865. Her minor children went to live with relatives. CHARVAIS and CLARA PUJO BARBE acquired the homeplace at Shell Beach. Eight of their ten children were born and reared there. In his later years, CHARVEY developed tuberculosis and went west to recover, as many did in those days when the disease was so prevalent. He died and was buried in Uvalde, Texas in 1894. And a third widow was left at Shell Beach to rear her children! But by this time she had the added burden of taxes for her land. She decided to sell the shells from the big Indian mounds in front of her home. The Parish bought the first shells to pave Shell Beach Drive along the lake and then to pave other roads as they developed out from town. CLARA sold the last of the shells from the mounds before she died in 1923.

After CLARA passed away, among her things was an amethyst brooch. Many years later I acquired it. I took it over to the Imperial Calcasieu Museum and showed it to the curator, AMY BOYD. She turned it over, saw a crack in the stone and exclaimed that this was the amethyst brooch from CATHERINE LEBLEU SALLIER. There is no way to prove this, but it makes an interesting story. The only way it could possibly have been is if CATHERINE had given the brooch to DALILA, and DALILA had given it to her favorite niece, CLARA PUJO BARBE.

In her will CLARA bequeathed a hundred foot lot on Shell Beach to her youngest son, who built boats. He continued building boats, went into partnership with an older brother and they built a wharf on the lake with a large pavillion called Shell Beach Pleasure Pier. The downstairs part had rooms for bathers to dress. You could rent a bathing suit for 25¢ or a towel for 10¢ for as long as you liked. No one ever drowned at Shell Beach Pleasure Pier. Upstairs, there was a dance floor. A lot of the big-name bands came in, as well as the small Cajun bands. It was popular for public and private dances for many years. After that it was a skating rink, and then it was an arena for boxing and wrestling. They brought in big-name performers for many years. (Mrs. HANCHEY showed a water-color rendition of Shell Beach Pleasure Pier painted by the local architect-artist, ROBERT KLEINSCHMIDT.)

The Pier was used for many public and private events. Fourth of July and Labor Day celebrations were held every year during its heyday. As boats became more popular, the BARBE brothers built a shed out on the far side of the wharf

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for big boats to be stored. The wharf toward the shore was lined with smaller boat sheds where they stored boats with outboard motors. The Pier was closed to swimmers for safety reasons.

In 1970 two boys were cleaning their father's boat and emptied the oil and gas into the lake. One of them was smoking, and flipped his cigarette into the water. It ignited the big fire that burned the pier and many of the boats that were there that day. A landmark of fifty years disappeared through an act of carelessness!

But what became of the Shell Beach? As the ship channel was opened up from the Gulf to the port of Lake Charles, salt water came into the lake. The clams no longer reproduced in the lake and as the clams disappeared, the waves washed the shells away until now there is only a narrow strip there, very little left of old Shell Beach. It was the end of an era and the end of my tale.

Catherine X Lebles (on Sallier)

Joe L Billow This

BARTHELEMY LEBLEU

BARTHELEMY LEBLEU was the first white settler in southwest Louisiana, which was then known as the Rio Hondo lands—an unchartered, unsettled wilderness. The background of this man, who was often seen in the old records as BARTHELMY, BARTHOLOME BLAISE or BARTHOLOMIE LEBLEU, is shadowy, and mysteries or discrepancies cloud many of the records pertaining to him. The date and place of his birth are apparently unrecorded, but he was probably born about 1720-22. In his marriage record of 1769, he states that he was a native of the Arkansas Post and the son of LOUIS LEBLEU and MARIE GENTILS (GENTILE), both of whom were deceased, but their names have not been found in a list of the residents of the Arkansas Post or in any other record.

Only two other LEBLEU names have been found in the early records of the colony—PAUL LEBLEU and PIERRE DANVIDO dit LEBLEU. PAUL LEBLEU, his wife (unnamed), one child (unnamed) and three servants were listed in the censuses taken for the city of New Orleans in 1726 and 1727, living on Rue de Bourbon. PIERRE DANVIDO dit LEBLEU is among those listed as having been massacred at Natchez on 28 November 1729. Since the LEBLEU name is rare in the early records of Louisiana, it is probable that there is some connection between these men and BARTHELEMY LEBLEU.

The first mention of BARTHELEMY LEBLEU is in his marriage of 16 October 1769 when he married MARIE JOSEPHE "JOSETTE" de la MIRANDE at the Church of St.

Francis, Pointe Coupee, La. The following is a translation of their marriage record, which was originally written in French:

"The year seventeen hundred sixty-nine, the sixteenth of October, after having published one marriage bann during the parish Mass the fifteenth of the same month, the twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost, between BARTHELEMY LEBLEU, native of the Arkansas, son of the deceased LOUIS LEBLEU and the late MARIE GENTILS, his father and mother, of one part, and MARIE JOSEPH DELAMIRANDE, native of Kaskaskia, parish of the Immaculate Conception, in the Illinois, daughter of JOSEPH equier* DELAMIRANDE and of HYPOLITE N., legitimate wife of said Sieur DELAMIRANDE, her father and mother, of the other part, both residents of the Opelousas, and having found no impediment whatever to the performance of the said marriage, the parties having been dispensed from the other two banns, and there being no Pastor at the said Opelousas, I the undersigned Capuchin priest, pastor of Pointe Coupee, have received their mutual consent and have given them the nuptial benediction in the presence of the undersigned witnesses the day and year as above. (Signed) JOSEPH DELAMIRANDE, fils**; MARIE CHAUVIN; MISSIONIERE; COURTABLEAU; BARON, fils**. (Signed) F. IRENEE, Cap(uchin)"

(* As "equier" is not capitalized in the entry, the word intended may be "ecuyer", squire, **"Fils" denotes "son of" or "junior".)

MARIE JOSEPHE de la MIRANDE, seen in some of the old records as "JOSETTE" LAMIRANDE, was born at Kaskaskia in the Illinois country about 1749/50. She was the daughter of JOSEPH de la MIRANDE and HYPOLITE CHAUVIN de la FRENIERE.

BARTHELEMY LEBLEU is on the militia list for the Opelousas Post in 1770, as a Creole (denoting his birth in the colony), age 46, height 5 ft. 1 in. The general census for the Opelousas Post district of Louisiana for 4 May 1777 shows: Mr. BARTHELEMY LE BLEU; Dame JOSEPHE LA MIRANDE, wife; Dlle. CONSTANCE LA MIRANDE, her sister; age of LE BLEU, 55; age of wife, 28; cattle, 30, horses, 8; slaves, 5.

Among the documents from the Opelousas Post, which are housed in the Louisiana State Archives, is a statement of promissory notes of LOUIS RICARD to BARTHELEMY LEBLEU, signed by GEROME MATULICH, and dated 29 June 1774. LOUIS RICARD is probably the same man as LOUIS GUICHARD, who stated in his death record of 14 May 1814 that he was brought to southwest Louisiana by LEBLEU.

BARTHELEMY LEBLEU received a Spanish land grant for a tract of 610 acres bordering on "Lake Culkeshoe", on the south side of the lake. His home was on what was later called Shell Beach Drive in Lake Charles. After the U.S. bought Louisiana in 1803, claimants were required to prove their titles to the lands and in September 1811 the Board of Commissioners of the Western District of the Orleans Territory recognized the rights of the heirs of BARTHELEMY LeBLEU as having legal claim by right of settlement. An old abstract in the possession of the Imperial Calcasieu Museum at Lake Charles shows:

"No. B, 1488, Date Sept. 14, 1811.

Names of Persons Under Whom Land was Claimed: BARTHELMY LEBLEU.

In Whose Favor Issued: Representatives of BARTHELMY LEBLEU

Nature of Settlement-Situation of Land: County, Opelousas
Water Course, Lake Culkeshoe."

The copy of the "Journal of Decisions" of the Board of Commissioners of the Western District of Orleans Territory for Sept. 1811 states:

"JOHN THOMPSON, Clerk

U.S. to Representatives of BARTHOLOMY LEBLEU. Patent Sept. 16, 1884, filed July 31, 1888, 367 Book "p", page 401. This contained 609.75 acres in Section 38, T. 10 S, R. 9 W. It was signed by the president, CHESTER A. ARTHUR, by M. McKEAN, Sec., W. H. WALKER of the General Land Office and Interior. Probate #155, CATHERINE LEBLEU, mother of ANSELME SALLIER. She died December 3, 1860. Estate opened December 12, 1860. heirs are listed and also the inventory. The inventory made December 12, 1860, shows in part: No. 5-The old Spanish land claim of BARTHELMY LEBLEU, fronting on Lake Charles and Calcasieu River, surveyed and located for said deceased by J. M. BRADFORD, as per certificate of said BRADFORD, dated at Lake Charles, August 5, 1855-the tract containing 610 acres, but there is to be deducted from the said amount the claim of BOURGEOIS and Mrs. DELILAH SALLIER*, leaving about 550 acres, more or less, appraised at \$1,000.00. Decree and Order granted Dec. 28, 1860, appointing JOS. SALLIER** as Bonds and letters filed. MOISE LEBLEU, Under Tutor." Administrator. (*DELILAH SALLIER was the second wife of ANSELM SALLIER, second son of CHARLES ANSELM SALLIER and CATHERINE LEBLEU. ** JOSEPH SALLIER was the oldest son of CHARLES ANSELM SALLIER and CATHERINE LEBLEU.)

Six children were born to the LEBLEU family. In the old records, some of the names were written in their Spanish forms, which are shown here in parentheses. They were:

(1) PAULINE (HIPOLITA), b. 1780; bapt. Opelousas Post, 11 Oct. 1780,

age 2 mos.; m. SEBASTIEN BENOIT.

- (2) ARSENE (ARSENIO BLEUVE), b. 1783; bapt. Opelousas Post, 30 Oct. 1789; d. Sacramento, California 17 Oct. 1850; m. 1st, FELICITE REON; m. 2nd, SARAH CELESTE ANDRUS; m. 3rd, 20 April 1824, Opelousas, ELIZA MILHOMME, d/o FRANCIS MILHOMME and PRUDENCE CHOATE.
- (3) CATHERINE (CATALINA), b. 12 June 1786; bapt. 18 May 1787, Opelousas Post; d. 3 Dec. 1860, Lake Charles, La.; m. CHARLES ANSELM SALLIER (CARLOS SAVOYARD), later called "the father of Lake Charles".
- (4) JEAN BAPTISTE (JUAN BAUTISTA), bapt. 18 July 1790, Opelousas Post; m. Opelousas, 18 May 1813, MARGUERITE LeJEUNE.
 - (5) OSITE (OSITA), b. 24 March 1792; bapt. 1 March 1794.
- (6) MARTIN CAMARSAC, b. 5 Oct. 1793; bapt. 1 March 1794, Opelousas Post; m. 1st, Opelousas, 22 March 1815, ELOISE REON; m. 2nd, CARMELITE BRAU/BREAUX.

One of the bones of contention concerning this family is the fact that the baptismal records of some of the children give the name CAMARSAC or one of its variations. Marginal notes state that the name CAMARSAC was the same as LEBLEU. Why?

In the records of the Archivo General de Indias, Seville in the papers on the proceedings of Cuba, on 15 April 1776 BARTHELEMY LEBLEU is listed among those who are exempt from service, either from age or infirmity, with the militia at Opelousas. Therefore, he was not a part of the Galvez Expedition who took part in the American Revolutionary War.

BARTHELEMY LEBLEU died in New Orleans in 1797. A Certificate of Burial from St. Louis Cathedral, written in Spanish, shows that he was buried on 2 April

1797 in St. Louis Cemetery. His place of birth was shown as "of this colony"; his age was given as 83. In his household at the time of his death was CONSTANCE de la MIRANDE, who was his sister-in-law and not his wife, as has sometimes been erroneously translated.

The 250th edition of the "Opelousas World", published in 1970, reprinted research done by JACK D. L. HOLMES, Associate Professor of History, University of Alabama, entitled 'Louisiana's Nascent Cattle Industry: Late 1700's'. This article included information on BARTHOLOMY LEBLEU and stated:

"About July 14, 1799 a commission to locate any of Piernas' cattle investigated to see if any of the Piernas cattle were grazing with those belonging to MARTIN CAMARSAC. In the expense account rendered by the commission, MARTIN CAMARSAC claims that he worked 12 days with his horse at a daily wage of \$1.50. BARTHOLOME LEBLEU earned \$10.00 for supplying the trail hands on the Calcasieu. The Chevalier LAMIRANDE agreed to look for Piernas' animals because their presence had been noted in the Calcasieu area. The commission had explored the length of the Calcasieu River and Lake Ste. Adelaide, but had found no evidence of settlement, nor any evidence of surveyors or engineers' posts which would indicate the beginning of a town or ranch. The report was duly witnessed by MARTIN CAMARSAC, JEAN GRADENIGO and JOSEPH LAMIRANDE." The article refers to the cattle of JOSEPH PIERNAS. Another mystery of discrepancy here is the fact that BARTHOLOME LEBLEU died in 1797 in New Orleans, yet is mentioned as living in southwest Louisiana in 1799. Was there another man by that name that hasn't been seen in other records? Was the date of the commission in error by two years? Or was it a case of mistaken identity, calling either ARSENE or MARTIN by the name BARTHELEMY?

In 1804 MARIE JOSETTE de la MIRANDE made a plot of the legal records of her property north of Chloe, several miles east of Lake Charles. She died on 12 December 1807 at her home near Chloe, which was to become the LEBLEU settlement. The following is the record from Funeral Book I, page 6 from St. Landry Catholic Church, Opelousas, La.:

"Funeral of JOSETTE LA MIRANDE, wife of BARTHOLEMI LEBLEU.

The year 1807, the twelfth of December, died at Carcussio (Calcasieu) JOSETTE LA MIRANDE, wife of BARTHOLEMI LeBLEU, she was buried at Carcussio (sic) & because of the distance from the church I have certified this in the presence of three witnesses at this aforementioned time.

(Signed) BTE DAVIE LOUIS BUHOT X BARTHOLEMI LeBLEU" Who is the BARTHOLOME LEBLEU who witnessed this document?

After the death of BARTHELEMY and MARIE JOSEPHE LEBLEU, the will of MARTIN CAMARSAC brings additional mysteries to this family. The will, dated 21 February 1817, is in the Louisiana State Archives. It states that MARTIN CAMARSAC "gives and bequeaths to ARSENE LEBLEU, BAPTISTE LEBLEU, MARTIN LEBLEU and CATHERINE LEBLEU, wife of CHARLES SALLIER, the whole of my estate, etc." He further acknowledges "the said ARSENE LEBLEU, BAPTISTE LEBLEU, MARTIN LEBLEU and CATHERINE LEBLEU, wife of CHARLES SALLIER, to be my natural children by JOSETTE LAMIRANDE, widow of LEBLEU—and declare that I have no legitimate children, never having been married". MARTIN CAMARSAC made his mark in the shape of a capital "T" in signing the will. Judge GEORGE KING was the notary. It has been suggested that CAMARSAC claimed the LEBLEU children as his own because he had no heirs to his property.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: A typewritten copy of the last will and testament of MARTIN CAMERSAC, contributed by WINSTON de VILLE, can be found in "N'Oubliez Pas", Vol. 1 #3-4, Imperial St. Landry (LA) Genealogical & Historical Society. The document is among the St. Landry Parish Collection, LSAR, Baton Rouge. The language is English.)

Many descendants, in Louisiana, Texas and other localities bear the LEBLEU name; however, some branches of the family spell the name "LEBLUE". Many descendants of this family claim that their progenitor was not BARTHELEMY LEBLEU, but was MARTIN CAMARSAC. However, in Louisiana, then as now, a married woman's children were assumed to be those of her husband and were the legal heirs to his name and his property. Proof of the origin of this pioneer family is lost in the mists of time. Each person must draw his own conclusions.

If anyone has additional information on the background of BARTHELEME LEBLEU or MARTIN CAMARSAC, please advise "Kinfolks", so that we may share the information with other interested descendants.

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THE NEED FOR ACCURACY

The obligation to present well-documented, factual accounts in genealogy cannot be overstated. Mistakes in print will be perpetuated over the years until eventually "family stories" will become accepted as "fact". If mistakes are not corrected, especially if printed in a newspaper or book, they are generally accepted as facts, and few ever bother to question the information or its sources.

To use a local example, as stated in the article above, BARTHELEMY LEBLEU was the first white in southwest Louisiana, but some sources given his name as MARTIN LEBLEU. Proof of the man's name is given in his marriage record of 16 Oct. 1769 at Pt. Coupee Parish. (1) This information is further affirmed from a direct transcript from the French record, which states, "The Year 1807, the twelfth of December, died at Carcussio (sic) JOSETTE LA MIRANDE, wife of BARTHELEMY LEBLEU, etc." (2).

A thesis on the history of Calcasieu Parish stated that the first white settler in southwest Louisiana was MARTIN LEBLEU, but there was no one named MARTIN LEBLEU until a generation after BARTHELEMY. It further stated that he was a native of Bourdeaux, France (BATHELEMY was a native of the Arkansas Post) who had settled in Virginia before coming to Louisiana, and whose wife, a

Miss DE LA MARION, came to Louisiana overland by oxcart from Virginia. The author of this thesis probably heard this erroneous account from a family member and did not check any further. Unfortunately, this thesis has been used as a basis for innumerable newspaper articles and talks by area "historians", who did no further research on this pioneer family. Since this story has been found in print, it is accepted as fact.

Part of the discrepancy in the stories is the name of the man; another part is Miss DE LA MARION, instead of de la MIRANDE; and yet another error is the method of her transportation. The first items are well documented. As to the last, overland transportation from the Illinois country to Louisiana was extremely rare and dangerous in the mid-1700's, so it is likely that she traveled from Kaskaskia down the Mississippi River.

Our concern is getting the facts straight. If you find an error, try to correct it and do not repeat wrong information. Too many mistakes have been made by people who did not check their "facts". The printed word is not infallible! As genealogist and family historians we have a duty to future generations to present true and accurate information supported by documentation.

SOURCES:

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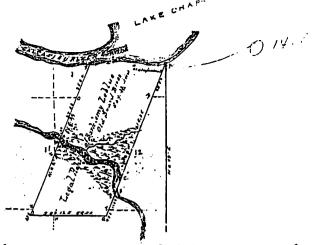
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MARRIAGE, 16 October 1769, BARTHELEMY LEBLEU with MARIE JOSEPH DELAMIRANDE:

This marriage record is an exact copy as it appears among the records of the Church of St. Francis of Pointe Coupee, which are now in the Department of Archives of the Diocese of Baton Rouge.



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Submitted by ANTHONY and FLORENCE ROY - Members #664/665

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MARY G. BERGERON b. — 1919 d. — 1921

CLARISSE BERTRAND b. 3 Sep. 1907 d. 25 May 1986

EMAR BERTRAND b. 12 Jan. 1876 d. 18 Apr. 1929

HILLARY BERTRAND b. 17 Jan. 1924 d. 14 July 1980

LAWRENCE BERTRAND b. 17 Jan. 1901 d. 18 Nov. 1947

ARTEL CARRIER
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CLIFTON J. CARRIER Sr. b. 5 Aug, 1932 d. 23 Sep. 1989 ANNE M. BERGERON b. — 1919 d. — 1921

ARVILLIA BERTRAND b. — 1880 d. — 1948

CLEVELAND BERTRAND b. 18 Mar. 1911 d. 25 Feb. 1957

FURDAY BERTRAND b. 16 Feb. 1913 d. 2 Dec. 1972

JOSEPH D. BERTRAND b. 30 Apr. 1928 d. 21 Jan. 1946

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MARY ADDIE CARRIER b. 20 Feb. 1913 d. 27 Apr. 1927 URSIN CARRIER b. d. age - 68 yrs. 9 mo.

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b. 28 Oct. 1946

d. 31 Oct. 1946

URSINE CARRIER b. 14 July 1913 d. 9 July 1967

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WILTON LEE CARRIER b. 1 July 1943 d. 7 Jan. 1980		ADAM CHAPMAN b. 24 July 1895 d. 22 Apr. 1954
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JOSEPH D. CHAPMAN b. 25 Oct. 1912 d. 8 Mar. 1915		LOUIS CHATMAN b. — 1899 d. age 55
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OZEMIE CHATMAN b. 5 Mar. 1857 d. 8 Feb. 1921		P. NORRIS CHATMAN b. — 1931 d. — 1947
JOAN CHAUMONT b. 23 Mar. 1881 d. 16 June 1959		ROSE CHAUMONT b. 19 July 1896 d. 28 Nov. 1978
ALPHAN COURVILLE b. 14 Sep. 1906 d. 18 Feb. 1971	0	BYON R. COURVILLE b. no dates d. no dates
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ELOISE DARBONNE

d. 25 Mar. 1909, age 69 yrs.

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AN INTERESTING ANCESTOR - COLONEL JAMES WILLIAMS Submitted by JANE COMEAUX - MEMBER #240

In Hanover County, Virginia, on 10 November 1740 JAMES WILLIAMS was born to DANIEL and URSULA WILLIAMS, natives of Wales. His parents died when JAMES was very young, and the family moved to Granville County, North Carolina where relatives resided.

In 1762 JAMES WILLIAMS married MARY WALLACE, and the couple moved to Little River, Laurens County, South Carolina. Here JAMES became a miller, farmer and merchant, making his plantation home at "Mt. Pleasant". He helped establish the Little River Presbyterian Church. JAMES and MARY were the parents of eight children: JAMES Jr., DANIEL, JOSEPH, JOHN, WASHINGTON, ELIZABETH (m. JAMES TINSLEY), MARY (m. JAMES ATWOOD WILLIAMS), SARAH (m. JOHN GRIFFIN).

In 1775 WILLIAMS was elected to the first and second Provincial Congresses for the District between Broad and Saluda Rivers. He also served in the first General Assembly, and was appointed Commissioner of the Continental Association, as well as Road Commissioner and Justice of the Peace of the 96th District.

During the American Revolution, JAMES WILLIAMS was Captain of a Company of the 96th District, fought in the Snow Campaign in 1776 and was promoted to Lt. Colonel. He took part in the Cherokee expedition and the Florida Campaign. He was promoted to Colonel and on 20 June 1779 was at the Battle of Stono. He then served in Georgia, was present at Briar Creek and participated in the seige of Savannah. When Charleston surrendered to the British in May of 1780, Col. WILLIAMS joined the forces of THOMAS SUMPTER and was appointed Commissary, taking part in the battles of Rocky Mount and Hanging Rock.

WILLIAMS, abruptly and without authorization, left SUMPTER's camp, taking supplies and a party of men. They participated in the Battle of Musgrove's Mill. He then took a group of captured British prisoners to Hillsboro, North Carolina, after which he was promoted to Brigadier General. He returned to SUMPTER's camp, expecting to take command, but SUMPTER's men refused him. Thereafter, WILLIAMS traveled to North Carolina to recruit men who went with him to South Carolina, where they were joined by many South Carolinians. For the old song, called 'The Battle of King's Mountain', says:

"Old Williams from Hillsborough came: To him the South Carolinians flocked amain."

WILLIAMS watched the British Col. FERGUSON's movements at King's Mountain and wrote to Colonels CAMPBELL, CLEVELAND, SHELBY and SEVIER, asking that they unite with him to prevent FERGUSON from escaping to the country below. Agreeing, they joined him and marched to Cowpens where they organized for the pursuit and battle. On 7 Oct. 1780 they were near FERGUSON's encampment on King's Mountain. Concealing his rank of Brigadier General and taking his station as commander of his own men, WILLIAMS began ascending the mountain. A shot was fired from the heights above and the ball hit WILLIAMS between his shoulders and ranged downward through his body. He turned to his command, cheered them onward, and fell within a few feet of Col. FERGUSON. He had received his death wound. The memoir of Major THOMAS YOUNG in the 'Orion'

of Oct. 1843, page 87, states: "On the top of the mountain, in the thickest of the fight, I saw Col. WILLIAMS fall; and a braver or a better man never died upon the field of battle. I had seen him but once before that day — it was in the beginning of the action as he charged by me at full speed around the mountain. Toward the summit a ball struck his horse just below the jaw, when he commenced stamping as if he were in a nest of yellow jackets. Col. WILLIAMS threw his reins over the animal's neck, sprang to the ground, and dashed onward. They carried him into a tent, sprinkled some water in his face, he revived, and his first words were, 'For God's sake, boys, don't give up the hill'".

A letter dated 13 Oct. 1780 from WILLIAMS' sons DANIEL and JOSEPH (who were present and in the action), written to their mother, simply states that their father was wounded in the Battle of King's Mountain, on the 7th instant, died on the 8th, and was buried with the honors of war on the 9th.

In his "History of South Carolina" RAMSAY stated, "Col. WILLIAMS, of the district of Ninety-Six, in particular, was indefatigable in collecting and animating the friends of Congress in that settlement. With these he frequently harassed the conquerors." He also said, "The Americans lost comparatively few, but in that number was that distinguished officer, Col. WILLIAMS."

An article compiled by MADGE C. FRINK for the D.A.R. National (Aug./Sept. 1985) quotes a young soldier who saw that Col. WILLIAMS had been wounded, "I ran to his assistance for I loved him as a father."

Although his friends endeavored to take him back home, Col. WILLIAMS died en route and was buried at a farm house on Buffalo Creek near the battlefield. In 1917 the Daniel Morgan Chapter, D.A.R. of Gaffney, South Carolina was given permission to exhume Col. WILLIAMS' body and bury it in front of the library with an appropriate memorial.

J. D. BAILEY, author of <u>Commanders</u> <u>at King Mountain</u>, states that Col. JAMES WILLIAMS was "five feet, nine inches tall, and quite corpulent. His complexion was very dark; his hair and eyes were black; his nose uncommonly large, turned up and round at the end."

Almost a year after Col. WILLIAMS' death, tragedy again struck his family. Near the Little River Church in Laurens, stood a fort or block-house, inside of which were about 23 men, among whom were WILLIAMS' sons, Capt. DANIEL and JOSEPH, aged 18 and 14, respectively. On 19 Nov. 1781 they were surprised and surrounded by Tories led by 'Bloody' BILL CUNNINGHAM, who set fire to the block-house by throwing red-hot irons from a blacksmith's shop onto the Seeing the hopelessness of the situation, Col. JOSEPH HAYS, commander of the fort, agreed to surrender on condition that he and his men be treated a prisoners of war. To this CUNNINGHAM readily agreed, and separated some women, youths and children from the rest of the party. Then, in direct violation of his pledge, he put the others to death. When he was about to execute Capt. DANIEL WILLIAMS, his young brother, JOSEPH, cried out, "Oh! brother DANIEL, what shall I tell mother?" "You shall tell her nothing, you d-d Rebel suckling!", replied CUNNINGHAM, and with his sword he hewed JOSEPH down. Col. HAYS and Capt. WILLIAMS were hung to a fodderstack pole, and, when the pole broke, CUNNINGHAM literally hacked the men to pieces with his sword.

Buried in the WILLIAMS-NANCE Cemetery in Laurens County are:

Mr. WASHINGTON WILLIAMS (youngest child of Col. JAMES WILLIAMS), b. 22 Aug. 1777; d. 24 June 1829.

Mrs. ELIZABETH TINSLEY (daughter of Col. JAMES WILLIAMS), d. ca 1807, Musgrove Mill, South Carolina.

Mrs. MARY (WALLACE) WILLIAMS, widow of Col. JAMES WILLIAMS. MARY WILLIAMS was left with 8 small children. The Tories took possession of their house and most of her property after the death of Col. WILLIAMS, drove them out of their home, forcing them to abandon their home and all their comforts. She had to take shelter in an outhouse a few miles off. When the Tories were forced to leave, they burned down her mill, houses, and many other valuables. On Oct. 1781 at Hays Station, her two oldest sons, DANIEL and JOSEPH, were murdered in cold blood by the Tories, just twelve months after the death of her husband, and some years after that her oldest son JOHN was supposed to be poisoned while on a visit to Virginia. Although she encountered many troubles, hardships and losses, through the assistance of a Kind Providence and great energy she succeeded in raising the balance of her children well and seeing them respectably married and settled near her. Her tombstone was placed by her grandsons.

GENEALOGICAL DESCENT: Colonel JAMES WILLIAMS

ELIZABETH WILLIAMS TINSLEY

JOSEPH W. TINSLEY

ELIZABETH TINSLEY HIGGENBOTHAM EMMA JANE HIGGENBOTHAM GUIDRY

EFFIE GUIDRY DEFFEZ HILDA DEFFEZ LANDRY JANE LANDRY COMEAUX

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HISTORY OF EARLY LAKE CHARLES (Continued from Vol. 18 #2)

By the mid 1890's many people from the mid-west and other regions of the country had come to settle in Lake Charles and other parts of southwest Louisiana. The contrasts between advantageous climate and the drought and blizzard-ridden climates which caused crop failures in the North and mid-west, combined with the timber and water resources, enticed many settlers to come to the area.

The Lake Charles weekly "American" of March 4, 1896 reported the following items of local news:

- C. M. CROOME moved into his new house.
- $\mbox{M. G. DAVIS}$ replaced $\mbox{Mr. SNELL}$ as transfer agent for GEORGE & SWIFT Livery.
 - A. A. WENTZ of WATKINS Co. returned from Nacogdoches.
- GEORGE WRIGHT of Mansfield opened a jewelry establishment in GEORGE WOOLMAN's store..
- C. D. MOSS, son of Dr. A. H. MOSS, won the honor of being Valedictorian at Tulane University, New Orleans.

Miss LUCY HARRISON, daughter of Colonel DICK and Mrs. NELLIE HARRISON, left to attend the Catholic Conservatory of Music, New Orleans.

FRED REYNOLDS, who sold his restaurant to JOHN RUNTE, has leased the Acme Hotel on Ryan Street and proposes to make it one of the best in the city. (Other hotels at this time included the Walker House, Hotel Howard, Reynolds House, Lake House and Nason Villa Hotel.)

The Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church met at the home of Mrs. L. W. KINNEY. The meeting was conducted by Mrs. C. W. LYMAN.

W. P. CALHOUN sold his Ryan St. meat market to Mr. JANDEL.

ROBERT O'BRYAN advertised as an Attorney at Law.

H. L. ROBINSON of Lake Charles plans to erect a shingle mill near Evergreen on the Texas and Pacific Railroad.

The paper also stated that on Wednesday, February 26, the wedding of T. B. HUTTS and CLARA MARSHALL took place at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. MARSHALL. The Rev. Dr. FRAZER of Crowley, the former pastor of the Lake Charles First Prsbyterian church, conducted the ceremony. The bride wore lavender silk with dahlia velvet and carried a bouquet of English violets. The couple will make their home in Crowley.

The "American" also told that W. J. McDONALD sold his residence on Ryan St. for the sum of \$1400. Messrs. BLACK and REESE arrived on Watkins Railroad with their families and a carload of furniture. Mr. BLACK settled on the STRONG property and Mr. REESE rented the WILLET farm near Iowa. Both plan to farm rice.

It also reported that pure black skunk skins had become a commodity in the furrier trade, which led to the establishment of several skunk breeding farms.

News given by the "American" on March 11, 1896 included the fact that 600 perished in floods along the Tigress River and that undergraduates of Princeton University burned the King of Spain in effigy and dragged the flag of Spain along the main street. Among advertisements in the paper was one from

Montgomery-Ward of Chicago, stating that they would send their 700 page catalog with its 12,000 illustrations and 40,000 descriptions for "everything that's used in life", for 15¢ in stamps to pay "part postage".

Some local news items were:

The wedding of MARIAN SANDEFER and Miss ALMIRA MITCHELL took place on February 27 at Hickory Branch in the home of the bride's father, W. G. MITCHELL.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Broad St. Methodist-Episcopal Church will sponsor a "Matching Party" on March 12 at the home of GEORGE H. WELLS.

JAMES H. HOUSTON opened a steam laundry on west Mill St. near the lake.

R. P. O'BRYAN, mailing clerk of the KCW&G Railroad, is ill.

The children of W. D. GRAHAM have the measles.

E. A. STUBBS returned from a journey north.

R. G. MILLAR was awarded a contract to repaint the WATKINS Bank Building.

The new rice milling plant of WILCOX & PARROT, southwest of the city, is now running full time and also doing night work.

The Court House yard was graded and leveled and trees were planted. Superintendent GOSSETT is in charge of the work.

A. MOORE lost his thumb in the fence-making machine at the HODGES Fence Co. factory.

Mrs. J. D. EVERSOLE had as her guests, her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. ELIAS FITERLING of Los Angeles.

JOHN KETCHUM had pneumonia.

ED CARHILL resigned as clerk in the freight station of KCW&G Railroad and has purchased a 1/2 interest in the French Market.

SIM MARX, manager of Mrs. MULLER's store, returned from a New York purchasing trip. The store offers a fine line of spring and summer goods.

The BRADLEY-RAMSEY Lumber Co. shipped 41,000,000 feet of lumber.

Hackberry was to have 2 mail deliveries a week, due to the petitions of the residents. Mail was to be delivered on Monday and Friday.

During the week ending March 11, marriage licenses were issued to the following couples.

HOWARD W. HARMON and Miss MARY E. WHITE.

AARON PERKINS and Miss (illegible) CLARK.

MANUSE CUNNINGHAM and Mrs. MARY E. COURSEY.

DAN LOUIS CHAMPAIGNE and MISS LAURA LOVETT.

Capt. HAWKINS was reported to have moored the "Henrietta" in the city. She was said to be the "finest boat on Calcasieu waters. Trim built, a stern wheeler, 91 ft. long and 30 ft. wide, double-decker, cabin accommodations, kitchen and dining room, swift and safe". She was to be used for general transportation, towing, excursions and pleasure parties.

Lake Charles continued in growth and prosperity, due to it great cultural and economic potential.

TO BE CONTINUED IN NEXT ISSUE. (Editor's Note: Articles in this series are not intended to be an in-depth study of the political and economic growth of the town, but are written to present a general view of the town's development with particular emphasis on the names of as many old residents as possible. Sources for this article are the weekly "American", 3/4/1896 and 3/11/1896.)

STREETS

Street names are a part of a town's history. As in most towns, many of the streets in the town, especially those in the older parts, are names for pioneer families of the town. Some examples of the practice of naming the streets for early residents are listed below.

Ann Barbe St. Bilbo Chavanne Clement Deesport Drew Ethel Ford Foster Fournet Gi11 Goos Haskell Helen

Hodges (originally Charles St.) JAMES HODGES

Kirbv Kirkman Knapp Lawrence

Lyons (Goosport)

Mayo Moss Pithon

Poe

Prater Puio Reid

Richard (now 5th)

Rvan Sallier Scott

Shattuck

Touchy Watkins

Winterhaler (Goosport)

ANN LAWRENCE BILBO CHARVEY BARBE THOMAS BILBO FRANCIS CHAVANNE

Dr. STEPHEN H. CLEMENT

LEMEUL C. DEES HARRISON C. DREW ETHEL BURTON Rev. I. B. FORD DENNIS M. FOSTER GABRIEL A. FOURNET WILLIAM E. GILL DANIEL GOOS

WILLIAM H. HASKELL HELEN KNAPP FAY

SAMUEL ADAMS KIRBY Dr. WILLIAM KIRKMAN Dr. SEAMAN A. KNAPP ANN LAWRENCE BILBO Dr. ERASTUS H. LYONS

THADDEUS MAYO ABRAM MOSS

MICHEL (MICHEALE) PITHON

JOHN POE

JASPER NORTON PRATER AMEDEE and PAUL PUJO

DAVID JOHN REID

CHARLES M., A. S., JULIAN RICHARD

JACOB RYAN CHARLES SALLIER J. E. SCOTT

SIMEON OSCEOLA and BENJAMIN SHATTUCK

VICTOR TOUCHY JABEZ B. WATKINS

Mayor CHARLES H. WINTERHALER

SOURCE: MAUDE REID's Scrapbook

OLD KODACHROME SLIDES are being sought for inclusion in Americans in Kodachrome. If you have any of these slides of family or friends, you have an opportunity of becoming a part of a unique folk portrait of the American people in postwar America. For further information, contact GUY STRICHERZ, 23 Prince St., New York, NY 10012 (Phone 212-226-3399).

LIBRARY RECEIVES 1865 "CALCASIEU PRESS"

The earliest known Lake Charles newspaper, Volume 2 Number 18 of the "Calcasieu Press" dated August 30, 1856, was donated to the Genealogy Library at Lake Charles by Mr. and Mrs. ALLEN LANDRY of Houston and ELIZABETH ADAIR of Ferndale, Washington. The newspaper was a part of the collection of HENRY CLAY SMITH, whose father, NATHAN SMITH of Johnson's Bayou, wrote a letter to the editor which was published in the issue of the paper.

The four-page paper was published weekly every Saturday. The issue contained news of the crime situation in southwest Louisiana and southeast Texas, the 1856 presidential campaign, national and state politics, abolitionist terrorism in Kansas and the minutes of the Calcasieu Police Jury. "The Calcasieu Press" was the official journal for Calcasieu Parish and also contained legal advertisements, as well as regular advertising. A one-year subscription cost \$2.50 if paid in advance and \$3.00 if paid at the end of the year. The cost of announcing political candidacy was \$10.00.

NATHAN SMITH's letter protested criminal suspects being set free because of corrupt witnesses and jurors in Madison (present-day Orange, Texas). He wrote on behalf of a 'Safety Committee' that was concerned that law and order had broken down because of witness and jury tampering. SMITH wrote that the trouble started with the burning of the 'East Pass' sawmill; then four related murders occurred, as well as livestock thefts. He also wrote that the outlaw gang was operating a bogus mint. The murders were of people who tried to resist or were witnesses to the crimes. SMITH wrote that the 'Orange (County) rascals' were getting ready to come back and plague the honest citizens again.

After the outlaws were released, they may have gone into hiding in Calcasieu Parish to escape the vengeance of the Safety Committee, as evidenced by another letter in the same issue of the "Calcasieu Press". West Calcasieu resident C. AVERY wrote: "Mr. Editor— It has been reported that the citizens of the western part of the Parish of Calcasieu would take some active measures to rid themselves of certain characters, who have been driven from Orange County, Texas; and who have taken up their abode temporarily or permanently in the solitude of the Sabine Swamp."

AVERY said there was a mass meeting of Calcasieu citizens of the area and 25 men 'took up the line of march' to confront the suspected outlaws. He wrote that the 'said persons' did not offer resistance and agreed to leave the country soon, or provide proof that they would be honest citizens. AVERY said the suspected desperadoes were warned, "Go thy way and sin no more". In his letter he also outlined the reasons why western Calcasieu was an attractive hide-out for fugitives from the law. "There are few places within the State in which the assassin, the murderer and the robber can so successfully escape detection as in the almost impenetrable forests and heavy cane breaks upon the banks of the Sabine River. To the dwelling places of some of those persons, there is no path, not even a blaze, to conduct you to their haunts, you are left to grope your way through the primeval forests, lagoons, &x., with nothing to guide your footsteps, but reason and the meager information which you may chance to obtain from some sojourner."

NATHAN SMITH was a native of Vermont, who had lived in Ohio and served in the Indiana State Legislature before moving to Louisiana in 1843. He was listed in the 1850 U.S. census of Calcasieu Parish as a native of Johnson's Bayou. During the War Between the States SMITH was a loyal Union man and was jailed several times by Confederate authorities. He died in 1867 at Johnson's Bayou and is believed to have been buried at Taylor's Bayou, Texas.

The editor of the "Calcasieu Press" was JOHN ABRAHAM SPENCE, who established the newspaper as a weekly in June 1855. SPENCE was born Jan. 17, 1836 in Opelousas, Louisiana. He and his mother, BASALINE SETON, his half-brother and half-sister, EDWARD and FANNIE SETON, moved to Lake Charles in 1855 to operate the newspaper. EDWARD assisted his older brother in running the paper. SPENCE became the first town secretary when Lake Charles was incorporated. He married JOSEPHINE DEPUTY on Sept. 23, 1858; the couple had six children. During the War Between the States, SPENCE served in the local militia company, the Calcasieu Invincibles. His half-brother, EDWARD SETON, who served in Co. K, Louisiana Infantry, died as a prisoner of war in Fort Delaware, Delaware on Feb. 11, 1865. SPENCE died Sept. 11, 1875 and is buried in the Old Catholic Cemetery on Common Street.

Besides crusading against the local crime problem, in the Aug. 30, 1856 edition of his newspaper SPENCE also endorsed the Democratic ticket in the 1856 presidential campaign—JAMES BUCHANAN for president and JOHN C. BRECKINRIDGE for vice president. The edition contains news of state elections as well. In addition, the "Press" reflects the intense buildup of strife that led to the War Between the States in 1861. The newspaper ran a story about an army of 800 abolitionists invading Lecompton, Kansas and doing battle with U.S. troops and citizens.

Reflecting his own strong 'Southern Rights' opinions, SPENCE, under the headline 'Treason! Treason!', ran the following story: "Mr. W. B. LEWIS said in his speech at the Know Nothing barbeque in Alexandria on Saturday last 'That the interests of the South would be as effectually promoted by the election of J. C. FREMONT' (The Black Republican candidate) as by JAMES BUCHANAN'!" and the sentiment was vociferously applauded! Men of the South, what do you think of this? Great God, what are we coming to when such treasonable language is uttered in our midst with impunity." The 'Know Nothing Party' was the popular nickname of the American Party, an important political force in the 1850's. It sprang from secret nativist societies and when a member was asked about the organization, he was supposed to reply, "I know nothing".

"The Calcasieu Press" was also the official journal of the Calcasieu Police Jury and ran the minutes of several police jury meetings in the August 1856 edition. The police jurors at the time were: ALEXANDER DESSEARTS of Ward 1, ANDREW LANGLEY of Ward 2, MARTIN A. LEBLEU of Ward 3, SIMEON VINCENT of Ward 4, WILLIAM COWARD of Ward 5 and SOLOMON SIMMONS of Ward 6. Among the business conducted at the June 2, 1856 session was to grant HENRY EWING permission to build a law office on the public square; postpone settlement of Public School funds; call an election for Ward 3 Justice of the Peace; appoint road overseers and grant a charter to JONATHAN H. COLE for operating a ferry over English Bayou. The ferry rates were fixed as follows: horse cart or calash, 50¢; ox cart or wagon, \$1; footman, 10¢; lead horse 10¢.

The issue also contains legal ads, which were given in English and French. They included a probate sale for the estate of EDMOND GUIDRY, deceased, which showed slavery was very much part of the Calcasieu Parish economy and social fabric in 1856. Among the 'property' to be auctioned was 'One Mulatto Woman, named Francoise, aged 30 years' and 'One Mulatto Girl, named Milly, aged 14 years'. Among the commercial advertisements were patent medicines which promised cures for everything from 'consumption to ear and eye problems.

JOHN STEWART ROSE, M.D., in his ad, offered his 'Medicated Vapor Inhalation' as a treatment for consumption and 'kindred afflictions'. While criticizing the cures of other doctors as 'quackery', he contended, "There is no case so helpless that Inhalation will not reach!" 'Medicated vapors' must have been the 'wonder drug' of the age because they were also advertised for 'infallible and painless treatment for diseases of the eye-acute or chronic, cataract, specks, inflammation, film and weakness of vision, granulation of the lids, ulceration &c.'

The "Calcasieu Press" continued publication until 1865. The Dec. 17, 1864 edition of the newspaper is on display at the Imperial Calcasieu Museum. The 1856 edition will be preserved and microfilmed by KATHY BORDELON of McNeese State University. It will be available to researchers sometime in the future. It was made of rag paper, an almost universal source of paper until the mid-19th century.

SOURCE:

MIKE JONES, 'Library Receives 1856 Edition of Calcasieu Press', "Lake Charles American Press", 3/1/1994

MIKE JONES, 'Crime, Politics Dominated News of Long Ago', "Lake Charles American Press", 3/19/1994

*Chitimacha Tribe, Charenton-300 residents on reservation.

*Coushatta Tribe, Elton-680 tribe members, not all living on the reservation. They have an oral, unwritten language and are known for their pine-needle baskets.

*United Houma Nation, Duclac-17,950 tribe members, known for the baskets, hats, mats and fans they weave from palmetto leaves and for their moss dolls, wood carvings and culinary skills. The tribe was in southeast Louisiana prior to 1765, when it traded with French explorers. As a result, the tribe adopted French as its first language.

*Jena Band of Choctaws, Jena-159 residents on the reservation, only 12 of whom speak fluent Choctaw.

*Apache-Choctaw Tribe, Gardner-350 to 400 tribe members. The tribe has been in central Louisiana since the early 1800's.

*Tunica-Biloxi Tribe, Marksville. This is the only tribe to have a conservation lab for its cultural artifacts.

*Caddo-Adai Tribe, Robeline. The tribe has been recorded in the Natchitoches area since 1529.

MARKS, SONNY, 'Indian Day Brings Tribes Together for First Time', "Lake Charles American Press" 6/24/1994.

GENEALOGY OF AN EARLY FRENCH FAMILY SUBMITTED BY GENEVA BAILEY SEYMOUR - MEMBER #80

- I. PIERRE LETTARGE/L'ELNAGE
 - m. CARLOTA SAINT MAURICE, native of Canada. Their son
 - II. PIERRE LETANT
 - b. ca 1768, Lionna, Canada
 - d. 5 August 1828, age 79 years
 - m. (1) 3 July 1793 ROSA/ROSALIE DELAFOSSE of Manchak (b. ca 1771, LA; d/o LOUIS ROMAIN DELAFOSSE and ROSALIE BENOIT of Acadia). Their son
 - III. (1) PIERRE LETANT
 - b. 19 April 1794, LA; bpt. 29 October 1796
 - m. 2 September 1822, Opelousas, LA, MARIE CATHERINE MAURICE; d/o FRANCOIS ADRATE MAURICE and CATHERINE MAURICE.
 - m. (2) LOUISE CONSTANCE LAMIRANDE, b. 6 June 1762, Pt. Coupee, LA bpt. 27 June 1762, Pt. Coupee; d. 20 November 1811 d/o JOSEPH CHEVALIER LAMIRANDE and MARIE CATHERINE FREDERIC w/o JAMES BERTRAND dit BEAULIEU, native of Montreal Their natural daughter
 - III. (2) MARGUERITE LETANT
 - b. 25 March 1802; bpt. 27 November 1802
 - m. (1) 15 January 1819, Opelousas, LA; ALEXANDRE ROSAS/ROZAT
 - (s/o JOSEPH ROSAS/ROZAT and AGNES VIDRINE)
 - m. (2) 9 May 1825, Opelousas, LA; EUSTACE MOREAU (s/o EUSTACE MOREAU and DOROTHEE ROY)

Estate settled 23 May 1852, Opelousas, LA

SOURCES: Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Church Records, 1850 LA Census and Southwest Louisiana Records.

OVERHEARD AT AN AREA LIBRARY. A librarian was explaining the "how-tos" of beginning genealogy, and referred the group to the 1900 census. One of the novices was heard to remark, "Why would we want to see the 1900 census? Those people are all dead!"

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USING THE AVERAGE HELPS

If your research in the pioneering period (before 1850) has 'dead ended', it's time for creative thinking. You many find these trends helpful in analyzing your problems.

There are approximately three generations per century.

Average age for men to marry was 24. They rarely married before 20.

First marriages were usually between couples near the same age. Women generally outlived their husbands, but old widowers frequently married much younger women who have never been married before. (Remember those old Revolutionary War soldiers!)

Births generally occurred at two year intervals. Frequently the first child was born a year after marriage. As a woman aged, the interval between births increased slightly. Child bearing generally ended about 45.

Families and neighbors generally migrated together from their old homes. Women rarely traveled alone.

Men usually married women from their neighborhood. If a seemingly 'strange' woman turned up, check the man's former home. Often men returned to their former residence to find a wife.

If you can't find an old parent, chances are he 'went west' with a son.

If you have an ancestor born around 1840, strongly consider the possibility of Civil War military service.

Studies show that after 1850, Ohio pioneers frequently moved to counties in other states on the same latitude as their home county in Ohio.

If your ancestor has a 'virtue name' (e.g., Patience, Silence, etc.), consider a New England heritage.

Children were often named for their grandparents, both male and female.

Frequently a middle name or even a first name was the mother's or the grandmother's maiden name, especially if the name is repeated through several related families.

SOURCE:

"Bluegrass Roots, Vol. 20 #4, Winter 1993, Kentucky Gen. Soc., reprinted from article by NAN CARD, Sandusky Co., Ohio Gen. Soc. "News".

MEMBERS - Please check your address label, and if the zip code does not include the plus four numbers - check your utility bills to get those numbers and send them on to us. It will help us get a better postal rate for KINFOLKS and other mailings.

INFORMATION FROM EXCHANGES

THE SWLGS urges its members to peruse the many periodicals available to them. The SWLGS exchanges periodicals with more than 70 other genealogical societies. These are housed with the collection of the Genealogical Department of the Carnegie Memorial Library, 411 Pujo St. in Lake Charles. Periodicals are an important genealogical tool and researchers should search those published in their area of interest. The following items were extracted from some of these periodicals:

FRENCH-CANADIAN IMMIGRATION TO THE U.S. In 1808, 300 Franco families had moved to the Quebec border of Vermont. In 1837, Vermont became the refuge of the Patriots, following the failure of the Papineau Rebellion. Between the years of 1870 and 1890, 200,000 French-Canadians crossed into New England. Between the years of 1890 and 1910, the number decreased to 150,000. For the entire period of 1871-1931, the number was 1,600,000 from the province of Quebec and 400,000 from France.

In 1940, 82% of all Franco immigrants to New England still spoke French. In his campaign speeches in the area, FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT occasionally spoke French. In 1950, the results of this emigration were reflected in 427 Franco parishes in New England, representing 30% of all Roman Catholic New England parishes. Also part of this: 1000 priests and 264 colleges, high schools and parochial schools, serving 8000 students.

'French-Canadian Influence in the U.S.', ANNE-MARIE PERRAULT,

"American-Canadian Genealogist", Vol. 20 #1, Winter 1994, Manchester, NH.

TENNESSEE MIGRATION PATTERNS are found in the censuses of 1850 and 1860. During these years the majority of Tennesseans were born in that state. In 1850, almost 77% of the free population were born there; in 1860 the figure is over 79%. Considering that the nineteenth century was a period of great mobility by the American populace, and that an enormous number of people moved into Tennessee between 1800 and 1860, it is indeed remarkable that so many of the inhabitants are found to have been born here. A second remarkable fact is that very few of these people were foreign-born. While migration into other states from Europe was heavy in these years, the immigrants did not, as a rule, come to Tennessee. In 1850 only 3/4 of 1% were born outside the country. In 1860, largely because of a heavy migration of Irish in the state in the 1850's (to build the railroads), the percentage had risen to 1.2, and in this later year over half the foreign-born were Irish. North Carolina had been the chief source of the population increase before 1850; Virginia was second; and South Carolina and Kentucky a distant third and If we had the figures for earlier censuses, we would probably find fourth. that Pennsylvania and Maryland had been heavy contributors to Tennessee's population growth.

"Tennessee Family Connections", Vol. 2 #1, March 1994, Memphis, TN.

ILLINOIS LAND RECORDS. The Illinois State Archives, Archives Bldg., Springfield, IL 62756 now has a computerized listing of 550,000 names of people who appear on the Illinois public domain land records with all pertinent facts regarding the purchase of such land. Inquiries by mail are accepted. "Ancestors Unlimited", 1993 via "Copper State Bulletin", Vol. 29 #1, Spring 1994, Arizona State Genealogical Society.

QUERIES

Please make your queries clear, concise and easily understood. Give full name of the person; exact date, if known, or an approximate date or time period if the exact date is unknown (ca); and a location, if possible. Be sure to state exactly what information you are seeking. Queries are free to members and are \$2.00 for non-members. They will be published as time and space permit.

When you receive an answer, please write a thank you note and reimburse for copies and postage.

FARRIS/PHARIS, LOVE, SHERWOOD

Looking for the parents, birth place and date for DAVID FARRIS/PHARIS (b. 1780-1790; d. prior to May 1841, Catahoula Par., LA.), who m. ELIZABETH LOVE. First child b. 1830, Amite Co., MS. By 1830 FARRIS was in Catahoula Par., LA, where he m. LUCY DAVIS SHERWOOD, 1836.

MARGUERITE S. HALL, P. O. Box 645, Sulphur, LA 70664

SMITH, HENRY/HENDRICK

Need parents and other information of JOHN H. SMITH (b. ca 1770, Fairfax Co., VA; d. 1854, Grand Coteau, LA; m. 1812, Opelousas, LA). Parents are listed as CHARLES SMITH and ELIZABETH HENRY (HENDRICK).

DONALD J. MELANCON, 3508 Kileen Dr., Amarillo, TX 79109

BRASHEAR, BROWN, LeBLEU, CROW

Need information on the following interrelated families. MARY CATHERINE BRASHEAR (b. 1833, St. Mary Par., LA; d. 1919, TX; d/o THOMAS BROWN BRASHEAR) and MARIE CROW) m. FRANCOIS LeBLEU, 1854, Calcasieu Par. THOMAS BROWN BRASHEAR (b. 1751, MD: d. 1820-30, St. Mary Par., LA; possibly s/o JEREMIAH BRASHEAR). They lived around Lafayette, St. Martinville and Franklin. BRASHEARs were married to DEMARETS, LeBLEUS, CROWS, CAFFREYS, BEAUCHAMPS and MURPHYS.

DAVID MILLICAN, 5319 Holly, Bellaire, TX 77401

LATIOLAIS, COQUELIN

Has anyone gone further in their research than ETIENNE COQUELIN, father of GUILLAUME LATIOLAIS COQUELIN (d. 1755, AL) ?
DENISE LATIOLAIS RONSONET, 1038 Latiolais Rd., St. Martinville, LA 70582-7425

FREELAND, DINWIDDIE, CATES, BUCHANAN, NORWOOD, HOODENPYLE

Would like to contact anyone researching the above listed families who were living in TN and NC in the 1700's and 1800's. In particular, I need information on JAMES FREELAND (d. ca 1822) m. SARAH DINWIDDIE, NC; DANIEL CATES (b. 1797, TN) m. AMY ----; the parents of MARGARET BUCHANAN (b. ca 1836, TN) m. ALLEN DINWIDDIE FREELAND; parents of S. C. NORWOOD (b. 1822, TN) m. CATHERINE HOODENPYLE.

BOBBYE FREELAND FELLER, 310 Allison Lane, Sulphur, LA 70663

SEZAR, LAVAN, COLE, LAROUX

Need information on family of JOSEPH SEZAR (b. 1904, Mamou, LA; d. 1988, Orange, TX; s/o JOSEPH SEZAR and LOUISA LAVAN) m. VERDNA COLE (d/o HERMAN COLE and ALICE LaROUX). There is supposed to be a SEZAR Cemetery near Mamou. WILFORD COLLINS, Jr., 10615 44th Ave. Ct. SW, Bldg. C #106, Tacoma, WA 98499

PENISTON, PENISTONE, VAUX, DE LUCY, L'ARCEDEKNE

Need parentage of GREGORY PENISTON (also PENISTONE) b. ca 1415 in Courtesello, Province of Piedmont, Italy. Gregory's wife is listed as Mrs. GREGORY PENISTON. Daughter, CATHERINE PENISTONE, married ca. Dec. 22, 1456 to WILLIAM VAUX (son of Sir Knight WILLIAM VAUX and MAUD LUCY (d/o WALTER De LUCY and ALIENOR L'ARCEDEKNE (the name is pronounced ARCHDEACON). HAROLD PREJEAN Jr., 2700 Amb. Caffery Pkwy. #254, Lafayette, LA 70506

PAGGEOT FAMILY ASSOCIATION. We are interested in finding the descendants of the PAGGEOT/PAGEOT/PAGEAU family, especially the descendants of PETER (m. MARY NORMAN) and CHARLES (m. SARAH NORMAN). Please contact either BETTY TYLER ROSTEET, 2801 St. Francis St., Sulphur, LA 70663 (Phone 318/625-4740) or RICK PAGGEOT, P. O. Box 68, Whitehall, MI 49461 (Phone 616/893-1414).

HOFFPAUIR, FONTENOT

Need information on the parents of JOHN HARDY HOFFPAUIR (b. 27 May 1811) m. CONSTANCE FONTENOT, 3 Feb. 1835 in St. Landry Parish, LA. DALE STUTES ACY, 264 St. Andrews Blvd, LaPlace, LA 70068-1604

CLAVERIE, GESELL, BERRY

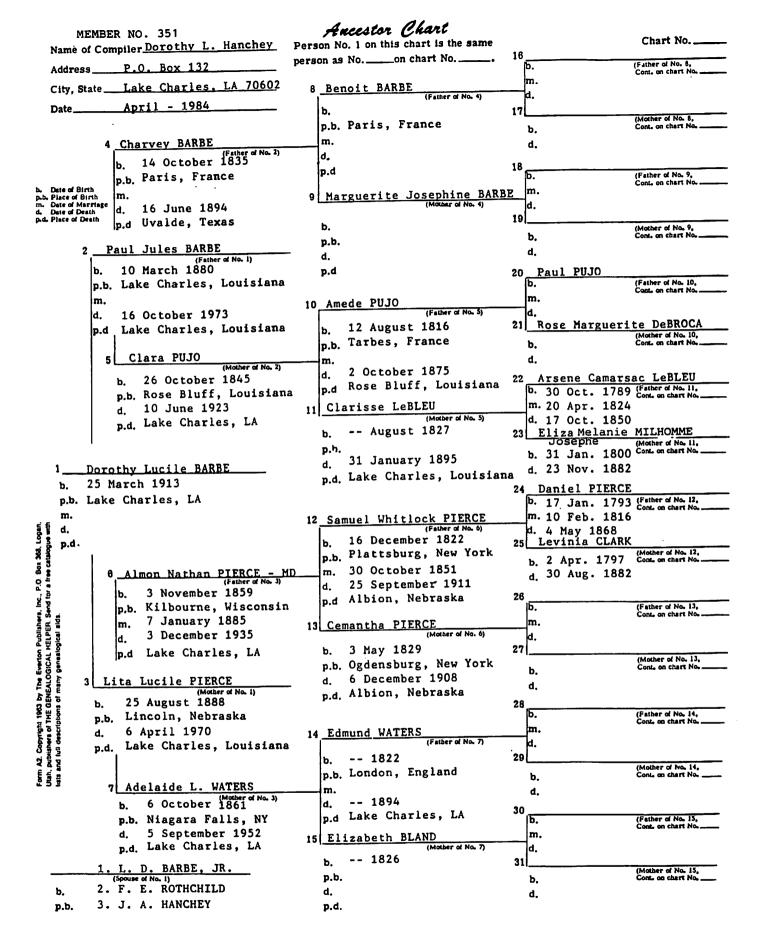
Seeking information on LELIA CLAVERIE (1859-1925) and her sister, EMMA, reportedly born between Baton Rouge and Lake Charles. LELIA m. WILLIAM GESELL (1852-1910) of Baton Rouge and had four children. She died in Baton Rouge and is buried in Magnolia Cemetery. EMMA moved to Beaumont, TX either before or after marriage. Daughter - ETHYL, m. EARL (or ELMER) BERRY. They had a son, ELMER (or EARL) who may have played baseball in the late 1930's or early '40's in the old Texas League.

JULIAN B. HONEYCUTT, 1756 Madras Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70815

THE NATCHEZ TRACE COLLECTION, which is housed in the Center for American History, University of Texas at Austin, contains records and documents that pertain to Natchez and Texas, and also to the Louisiana parishes of Avoyelles, Iberville, Ouachita and Pointe Coupee. Some of these records date back as far as 1759 and include civil records, such as marriage contracts, conveyances, probates and land surveys, as well as correspondence and personal records. The documents are in their original French, Spanish or English. All but six boxes of the documents were inventoried, and JUDY RIFFEL of Le Comite' has presented a preliminary index to the contents of the other six boxes in "Le Ranconteur". The documents will be microfilmed later in the year and will be an important source for the study of Louisiana colonial history and genealogy. Lists in the quarterly include: the persons taxed for the prison at Ouachita, 1796-1799; slaveowners in Iberville Parish for 1806-1807 (tax of 15¢ per slave); jurors of Iberville Parish, ca 1808-1812; 1825 voter registration, Iberville Parish. There are also extracts from personal papers and newspapers.

"Le Raconteur", Vol. XIV #1, April 1994, Le Comite des Archives de la Louisiane, Baton Rouge, LA.

LAFAYETTE PARISH MARRIAGES WILL BE CONTINUED IN "KINFOLKS" VOL. 19 NO. 1



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BOOK REVIEWS

The New England Historical and Genealogical Register: v. XV 1861; v. XVI 1862
Published quarterly under the patronage of the New England Historic Genealogical Society. 1993 facsimile reprints. \$25.00 per volume.

It is stated that this quarterly is commonly referred to as "The Register" and considered the oldest and arguably the best genealogical periodical in the U.S. Heritage Books has taken on the project of now reprinting early volumes of this serial (beginning with volume I 1847).

Volume XV 1861: Genealogies: KNOWLTON, GREENE, TOMPSON, MASON, CLAP, PAIN, HARLAKENDEN. Other records: Prince's subscribers, Hingham MA immigrants, passengers on the "Hercules" 1634, Indian wars in NE, MANNASSEH CUTLER Journal, gleaning in England, early settlers of Westerly RI, Rehoboth MA church rec, Suffolk Co MA wills, marr & deaths from newspapers, roster of deceased members, bibl on early voyages to Am, Boston vr, passengers to VA, Middletown CT inscr, JEREMIAH BUMSTEAD diary 1722-7, Wethersfield CT fam recs, York ME area fams, Woodstock CT inscr.

Volume XVI 1862: Genealogies: PARKER, MARVIN, FOLGER, MESSINGER, KINGSBURY. Memoir: Hon. NATHAN APPLETON, Sir WALTER RALEIGH, METCALFE. Other records: Prince's subscribers, early Wethersfield CT fams, Rev. journal of DANIEL GOOKIN 1779, diary of ROBERT CALLEY 1699-1765, Suffolk Co MA wills, Middlesex Co MA wills, Dorchester MA vr, Boston petition 1699, marr & deaths from newspapers, grantees of Narragansett towns, Dorchester soldiers 1690, Topsfield ch members, Falmouth ME marr intentions, Taunton MA vr, Lancaster MA vr.

Softbound, 374pp, 397pp, indexes. Order from <u>Heritage Books</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Suite 300, Bowie, MD 20716.

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The first part of this work presents an overall listing of this family and follows with a HIGHT-HITE family index. In the "Chronology of Early Hights" are listed events, documents, or record entries, with book, page, county, and title information, so that the researcher may go to the cited sources and obtain photocopies if so desired. Then there are extracts from the Albermarle Register (1747-1774) which includes names of children christened, with their sponsors or godparents. Next can be found marriages performed in: Virginia, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee. Following this are official records of Virginia and Georgia plus Tennessee records which includes Nashville city directories (1855-1920 plus several listings up to 1970). Prominent allied surnames include THOMPSON, JOHNSON, SMITH, WALLACE, WELL, WILKENSON and WILLHITE, and also the surnames ACRES, BACON, CHAMBLY, COTTON, DEMASTUS, GEE, HURLOW, HOPKINS, HUDSON, JONES, McDANIEL, NEBLETT, SHEFFIELD, SIMMONS, and YSTROM.

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Acadian-Cajun Genealogy Step-By-Step, by TIMOTHY HEBERT. 1993. \$10.00

To quote the author: "This book is not a basic how—to book on genealogy; neither is it a treatise on the Acadian or Cajun people. It is a mixture of the two...put together in a unique fashion". Chapter headings: 1. Acadian—Cajun ancestry with table of Acadian—Cajun surnames; 2. Genealogical research including tables of Acadiana area courthouses and Archives of the Diocese of Louisiana; 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7 cover research going back from today to 1636; 8. Putting it all together. The appendixes contain helpful hints, genealogy forms, maps, reference sources, history of Acadians—Cajuns, Acadian—Cajun timeline, Canadian and Louisiana Genealogical Societies and their periodicals, libraries with significant Acadian—Cajun resources, genealogical supply companies, Louisiana genealogical travel guide, Acadian genealogical travel guide. Although this publication is directed primarily to the Acadian—Cajun, there are many helpful hints that could be useful for any other beginning researcher.

Softbound, ix, 146pp., forms, maps, tables. Order from Center for Louisiana Studies, University of Southwestern Louisiana, P. O. Box 40831, Lafayette, LA 70504-0831.

Marriage and Death Notices, Caddo Parish, Louisiana and Environs, 1843-1871, comp. by JUANITA DAVIS CAWTHON. 1992. \$15.00 plus \$2.00 shipping.

The foreward states the following "Marriage and Death Notices of Caddo Parish and Environs, 1843-1871 were extracted from the <u>Caddo Gazette</u>, <u>Shreveport Journal</u>, <u>Shreveport News</u>, <u>Shreveport Semi-Weekly News</u>, <u>Shreveport Daily News</u>, <u>Shreveport Sentinel</u> and <u>The South-Western</u> newspapers which are on microfilm at Shreve Memorial Library. Some of the old newspapers were extremely difficult to decipher. There were many write-ups of deaths in these newspapers; however, this compilation relates primarily to individuals who resided within about a 100 mile radius of Shreveport. Most of the marriages had some definite connection to this general area. Every effort was made to spell names correctly, and microfilm of Marriage Records of Caddo Parish was referred to in making this compilation. This microfilm may also be found at Shreve Memorial Library.

Softbound, 115pp. Order from <u>Juanita Davis Cawthon</u>, 844 Acklen St., Shreveport, LA 71104.

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BOOK REVIEW

<u>Video Family Portraits</u>, by ROB HUBERMAN & LAURA JANIS. 1987. \$17.50 plus \$3.50 shipping.

This publication is a most helpful guide to help in video taping your material. Chapter headings are: Stories come alive! Family interviewing "tips"; "Staging" your family interview; "User friendly" video guide; Get your equipment "set up"; Lights, camera, action! "Advanced video techniques; Video taping "special occasions"; Family history question guide; Discovering "other" family roots. The last chapter gives pointers of a genealogical nature including names and addresses of Federal Archives and Record Centers; Genealogical Societies & Associations; State Bureaus of Vital Statistics. In the chapter on video techniques there are directions for transferring old home movies to video.

Soft bound, 160pp., illus. Order from <u>Heritage Books</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, <u>1540-E Pointer Ridge Place</u>, <u>Suite 300</u>, <u>Bowie</u>, <u>Maryland 20716</u>.

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THE MOST COMMON MISTAKES IN GENEALOGY

- 1. Not using family group sheets and pedigree charts.
- 2. Not contacting relatives for assistance.
- 3. Assuming that "No one else is working on my line".
- 4. Not using maps of the area at the time your ancestors lived there.
- 5. Not knowing the history of the area.
- 6. Not using common sense when reading family histories.
- 7. Gathering information on everyone by "that" surname.
- 8. Not using the primary sources——land, probate, church, city records——but relying on printed histories.
- 9. Not making photocopies.
- 10. Not making a master copy.
- 11. Not organizing your records.
- 12. Not paying attention to the clues your ancestors are giving.
- 13. Not using your imagination on the spelling of names.
- 14. Not remembering that memories fade and bits of information, such as dates, places, etc. can always be slightly off the mark.
- 15. Giving up.

"Heart of the Lakes Gen. Soc.", Dec. 1993, via Crow Wing Co., MN "Newsletter", Vol. 16 #1, 2, 3, Jan., Feb., March 1994.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Perhaps the most common and important mistake researchers make is not properly documenting their research. When trying to avoid the above pitfalls of genealogical research, also learn to properly record where you found your data.)

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NOVEMBER MEETING

The November Meeting will be held on Saturday, November 19, at 10:00 a.m. in the Calcasieu Health Unit Auditorium, 721 E. Prien Lake Rd. (corner of Prien Lake Rd. and Kirkman Street), Lake Charles.

REMEMBER to bring canned goods for our Thanksgiving Basket, which will be donated to Oak Park Pantry.

Speaker will be Ms. SANDRA S. HUNT of "Creative Memories" of Houston, She will be telling us about the importance of preserving photos and memorabilia, the damaging effects of common storage methods, the variety of acid-free materials available for photo storage, and the many uses of photo albums.

Ms. Hunt will also have a display of items for sale to accomplish this preservation.

Fellowship and coffee begin at 9:30 a.m.. JOIN US!!!

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New Library List will appear in the next KINFOLKS.

The Executive Committee at its October meeting adopted the policy of keeping review and donated books in the SWLGS Library for 6 months; after that if the book is not being used by our members, the books will be donated to the Genealogy Department of Calcasieu Parish Library.

SOCIETY LIBRARY ADDITIONS

Fanning's Illustrated Gazetteer of the United States

Shenandoah County, Virginia: A Study of the 1860 Census, Vol. 2 by MARVIN J. VANN

Diary in Gray: Civil War Journal of J. Y. Sanders, edited and annotated by MARY ELIZABETH SANDERS

Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Church Records (1877-1879) Vol. 14

Archdiocese of New Orleans Sacramental Records (1807-1809) Vol. 9

Genealogical Abstracts from Tennessee Newspapers 1803-1812

compiled by SHERIDA K. EDDLEMON

English Surnames (Their Sources and Significations) by CHARLES WAREING BARDSLEY History of Cumberland County, Maine by W. W. CLAYTON

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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- 12 November 3rd Bi-annual Genealogical Seminar 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

 Sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
 of Alexandria, LA
 Holiday Inn Convention Center, 701 4th St., Alexandria, LA
 Speaker Dr. ARLENE EAKLE
 Registration \$20 includes a working lunch for pre-registrants.
- 19 NOVEMBER SATURDAY SWLGS REGULAR MEETING 10:00 a.m.
 CALCASIEU HEALTH UNIT AUDITORIUM, 621 E. PRIEN LAKE RD., L.C.
 SPEAKER SANDRA SKORUPINSKI HUNT of "Creative Memories",
 Houston, TX
 PROGRAM PHOTO PRESERVATION
 SPECIAL "HAND-ON" WORKSHOP 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. \$10 fee

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- 21 JANUARY SATURDAY SWLGS REGULAR MEETING 10:00 a.m.
 CALCASIEU HEALTH UNIT AUDITORIUM, 621 E. PRIEN LAKE RD., L.C.
 PROGRAM "SHOW AND TELL" BY 3 or 4 MEMBERS
- SATURDAY SWLGS REGULAR MEETING 10:00 a.m.
 CALCASIEU HEALTH UNIT AUDITORIUM, 621 E. PRIEN LAKE RD., L.C.
 PROGRAM TO BE ANNOUNCED
- 1 APRIL SATURDAY 5th GENEALOGICAL SEMINAR 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. L. C. CIVIC CENTER, Lake Charles, LA Speaker DESMOND WALLS ALLEN
- 22 April Saturday Annual Meeting/Seminar 8:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
 Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Society
 Ramada Inn, Baton Rouge
 Speakers RUSS WILLIAMS, BOBBY DeBLIEUX, CARL BRASSEAUX

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SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Mrs. BETTY JO TUCKER of Sour Lake, Texas, was the guest speaker at the September meeting of the Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society, Inc. Mrs. TUCKER spoke on Scottish Ancestry and gave a video presentation on Scotland. Her Scottish interest developed from her husband's interest in the bagpipes. The following are highlights from the program.

SCOTLAND AND SCOTTISH ANCESTRY

There is a Scottish Society in the east Texas area which meets monthly rotating between Orange, Port Arthur and Beaumont. Guests are welcome.

One of the things that is unique to Scotland is the kilt, which Scottish men wear with great pride. Because they wore kilts, some of the Scottish warriors were known as the "Ladies from Hell." The kilt is a warm, closely woven, almost waterproof garment, with pleats about one inch apart. In addition, over their shoulder they wear another plaid, which looks like a large stole, in which they wrap up to keep warm. Scotland has a very chilly climate. In the summertime, in August, they complained about the heat on days when it was only 75 degrees.

Each Scottish family originally came from a clan. There are many subdivisions (septs) within the clan. A clan is basically a family, but there may be more than one surname within the clan. For instance, my husband's clan is MacLAUREN, but their family name is PATTERSON. Each clan has its own plaid or tartan, which is very distinguishable. There are many plaids for the Scottish clans. It was easy to recognize other members of the family or clan, because you knew how their plaid looked.

The bagpipe is also identified with Scotland. The story goes that the English gave the Scots a bagpipe as a joke, and they haven't figured it out yet. If you really like bagpipe music, listen to the "Edinburgh Military Tattoo" (tape cassette, compact disc, record from BBC Enterprises Ltd.) At a Scottish party you will hear the bagpipes and see dancers doing the Highland Fling, in which the hand motions represent the deer of the forests. You will also hear "Scotland the Brave", the unofficial national anthem, played on the bagpipe.

The largest cities are Glasgow on the River Clyde and Edinburgh, the capital, located on the Firth of Forth. Natives of Glasgow are called Glaswegians. The University of Edinburgh is on "The Mound", a large hill in the capital city.

The music of Scotland is interwoven into its culture. This is especially true in songs such as "Auld Lang Syne". Scottish games reflect their spirit of competition. Stone Mountain, Georgia and Arlington, Texas, are two sites of Scottish festivals and games in the U.S.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following notes are from Mrs. TUCKER's video presentation from "Scotland and Your Scottish Ancestors", a Heritage Corporation Scotland Production, 8 Lower Baggot St., Dublin 2, Ireland.) This guide to Scottish ancestry is a journey of discovery, sweeping through the ages, to meet with

In 1066, when William the Conqueror invaded England, a wave of British refugees poured into Scotland. These included the deposed English king's children, Edgar (called the Aethling) and Margaret, who married King Malcolm of Scotland, made changes in the church and became known as St. Margaret. As a result English began to be spoken and the Scottish church was altered.

Heraldry came into Scotland in the mid-12th century as a means of personal identification. On the battlefield it notated leaders; a man's crest on his seal was an authentication on important documents. A coat-of-arms was granted to one individual, and was passed on to his eldest son; other sons had to take different arms. The trained eye could recognize to which clan he belonged. Interest in heraldry is more alive and important today than ever before.

By the 16th century Scotland emerged as a world leader in commerce, science and medicine. James VI of Scotland became James I of England, and the crowns were united.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following information and addresses were provided by Mrs. BETTY JO TUCKER.)

PUBLISHED MATERIAL: A detailed bibliography of printed pedigrees of Scottish families will be found in MARGARET STUART's Scottish Family Lines (1930). JOAN FERGUSON's Scottish Family Histories Held in Scottish Libraries (1986) and G. F. BLACK's Surnames in Scotland (1946) should also be consulted.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND CENSUS RECORDS: In Scotland registration of births, deaths and marriages became compulsory in 1855. Before that date some 4,000 old parish registers were kept by the Church of Scotland, dating from the 16th century, and may also be consulted for genealogical purposes. These records are housed in the General Register Office for Scotland, New Register House, Edinburgh EH13TY. Extracts may be obtained by writing to the above address or members of the public may book in advance to carry out a search, both on payment of a fee.

WILLS AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS: At the Scottish Record Office in HM Rgister House, Prices St., Edinburgh EH13YX, indexes of wills, justiciary records, deeds and services of heirs and other legal documents may be consulted and copies may be obtained.

SCOTS ANCESTRY RESEARCH SOCIETY, 3 Albany St., Edinburgh EH13PY, which is normally non-profit making, will assist inquirers upon a modest registration fee. Investigation and report costs are additional. The fee charged for tracing one ancestral line does not normally exceed \$125 plus VAT tax.

SCOTS GENEALOGY SOCIETY: This Society issues a quarterly free to members $\frac{\text{The Scottish Genealogist}}{\text{county lists of monumental inscriptions and maintains a Register of members' interest. A list of searchers can be obtained from the Honorary Secretary, 15 Victoria Terrace, Edinburgh EH12JL.$

THE SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETIES: Details from the Honorary Secretary, Mrs. ISABEL BARNETT, 5 Ochil Gardens, Dunning, Perthshire PH2OSR.

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MUSEUM OF SCOTTISH TARTANS: The Museum of Scottish Tartans, Davidson House, Drummond St., Comrie, Perthshire, a noncommercial organization, is the custodian of the world's largest collection of information about tartans. For a minimum search fee of about \$10 for overseas inquiries (plus postage), the Society will provide identification of tartans and/or information concerning clan and family links with any particular tartan.

RECOMMENDED READING: Scottish Roots; A Guide for Ancestor-Hunters in Scotland and Overseas, (1984) by ALWYN JAMES, about \$6.25 plus postage and packing. Available from the publisher: Macdonald Publishers (Edinburgh) Limited, Edgefield Road, Loanhead, Midlothian EH2O 9SY. Tracing Your Scottish Ancestors: A Guide to Research in the Scottish Records Office (1990) by CECIL SINCLAIR, about \$7 plus postage.

MAGAZINE: The Highlander, a magazine of Scottish heritage, published 7 times yearly, \$16.50. Write Angus J. Ray Associates, Inc., P. O. Box 397, 202 S. Cook St. No. 214, Barrington, IL 60011.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Video of Edinburgh Military Tattoo 1987 can be obtained from Publishers Choice Video, Box 4171, Dept. HA51-PL, Huntington Station, NY 11746 - cost \$19.95 plus \$3.00 postage and handling.)

SCOTLAND AND THE '45

It has been estimated that approximately 1.5 million Scots have emigrated to America, so thousands of Americans have Scots roots. But not all Scots immigrants came by choice. In the colonial days forced immigration, or transportation to the colonies, was a form of punishment used by England to rid herself of "undesirables", such people as criminals, debtors, religious dissidents, and rebels.

In September 1650 it is estimated that approximately 10,000 Scots were captured by Oliver Cromwell in the Battle of Dunbar. Many of these prisoners perished on the long march to Northumberland; some were shot because they could not or would not march. Cromwell ordered that 150 Scots "well and sound, and free from wounds" be selected for transportation to New England. These prisoners arrived in Boston in December 1650. Over the years uprisings in Scotland sent many more of these "undesirables" to the colonies.

One of the major emigrations of the Scots was the result of the unsuccessful Jacobite Rising, which culminated in the disastrous battle of Culloden. In the forty years after James Stuart, King of England and Scotland, was sent into exile, four attempts were made to reinstate the Stuarts to the throne. Most of the Jacobites were Scottish Highlanders, who especially despised the Hanoverian ruler of England. The Risings were basically civil wars, in which some of the Scots clans fought against the English and those clans who were loyal to them. An interesting example of this state of affairs was the case of Anne Farquarson, known as "Colonel Anne", who raised the MacKintosh clan for Prince Charles in the '45, while her husband, Angus, the 22nd chief of the clan MacKintosh, fought for the Hanover King of England.

As early as 1708 a French invasion was planned in conjunction with Jacobite rebellions in the northern counties of England and in Scotland. However, King Louis XIV of France died before the plans could be carried out, putting an end to the French invasion. The Rising of the '15 (1715) ended in defeat for the Jacobites, causing the emigration of some Scots. The Jacobites then turned for support to Sweden and Spain, and in March 1719 the Scots and the Spaniards were defeated.

After the '15 the English government sought to establish law and order in the Highlands to reduce the chance of further rebellions. They 'transported' many of the 'undesirables' to the American colonies, mainly Virginia and Maryland. The MacGregor clan was completely omitted from the Act of Pardon; as a result, many of them were exiled or transported overseas. Disarming the Highland clans proved ineffectual because it left the clans who surrendered their arms at the mercy of their neighbors who illicitly kept their weapons; instead, they established 'independent companies' to assist the regular troops.

From these came the first Highland regiment in the British army—the famed Black Watch. Sir Robert Munro, 6th Baronet of the clan Munro, commanded the Black Watch in the battle of Fontenoy in the '45, using their own method of fighting—alternately firing and taking cover—for the first time in a Continental battle.

Gradually the hope of the Jacobites switched from James Stuart to his son, Prince Charles Edward, who was known as "Bonnie Prince Charlie". In 1744 France, which was engaged in a war with Britain, decided to invade England, aided by the Jacobite clans. However, a spring storm wrecked many of the French ships and turned the plan into a disaster. But Prince Charles landed anyway, and the Highland clans came to his aid.

In the Rising of '45, the number of Highlanders ready to fight for the Stuart cause was less than in the Rising of '15; the Lowlanders were apathetic, so the cause was doomed almost before it started. After the battle of Prestonpans on 21 September 1745, Charles was master of Scotland, and another victory was won at the battle of Falkirk the following January. But at the disastrous battle of Culloden near Inverness, the Jacobite army was crushed, and casualties were high, especially among the officers and gentlemen of the clans serving in the front ranks as volunteers. Many Scots were killed in the battle; some were executed; some were exiled; others, more fortunate, fled to the hills. In 1746 shiploads of Jacobite prisoners landed in Virginia and Maryland, for sale as indentured servants. Scotland was a conquered nation; the Scottish army was destroyed; the Highlands were scourged and subdued; and the hope of a Stuart restoration died, as Bonnie Prince Charlie fled the country, never to return. The English government, determined to destroy the clan system, passed a Proscription Act that completely disarmed the clans and made it a penal offense to wear Highland dress. proscription against wearing the tartan was strictly enforced and was not removed until 1782, when the tartan had become only a memory.

Clans which espoused the Jacobite Cause included the CAMERONS, Clan CHATTAN ("Clan of the Cats"), CHISHOLMS, DRUMMONDS, FARQUARSONS, FLETCHERS (arrrowmakers of the MAC GREGORS), FORBES, FRASERS, GORDONS, GRANTS of Glenmoriston (other GRANTS supported the Hanovers), JOHNSTONS, LIVINGSTONES,

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MACDONALDS, MAC DONNELLS, MAC FIES (also seen as MACPHEE, MAC GUFFIE, MAC HAFFIE), MAC GILLIVRAYS, MACGREGORS, MACKINTOCHES, MACINTYRES, MACKENZIES, MACKINNONS, MACLEANS, MACLACHLANS, MAC LARENS, MACNABS (the chief supported the Hanovers; the clan rose for the Stuarts), MACLAINES, MACPHERSONS, MACRAES, MURRAYS, OGILVIE, OLIPHANTS, ROBERTSONS, STEWARTS, STUARTS, and others.

DONALD CAMERON was a staunch supporter of "Bonnie Prince Charlie and one of the outstanding personality of "the '45". His estates were forfeited, he escaped to France and never saw his homeland again. Other surnames associated with Scottish clans and septs include: ALEXANDER, ALLANSON, ALLARDICE, ANDERSON, ANDREWS, ARMSTRONG, BANNERMAN, BEATON, BERKLEY/BARCLAY, BOYD, BRODIE, BRUCE, BUCHAN, BUCHANAN, BURNS, CADDELL, CALDER, CALLUM, CAMPBELL, CARMICHAEL, CARNEGIE, CARSON, CHALMERS, COCHRANE, COLMAN, COMYN, COWAN, CROOKSHANK/CRUIKSHANKS, CUMMING(S), CUNNINGHAM, CURRIE, DAVIS, DAWSON, DONALDSON, DOUGLAS, DUNBAR, DUNCAN, ELLIOT, EWING, FERGUS/FERGUSON, FINDLAY, FLEMING, FORSYTH, FULLARTON, GALBRAITH, GEDDES, GIBSON, GILBERT, GILCHRIST, GILLESPIE. GILMORE, GLEN, GRAHAM, GRIER, GUNN, HAMILTON, HAY, HUTCHINSON. INGLIS, INNES. KENDRICK. KEITH, KENNEDY, KIRKPATRICK, LAMONT, LANG, LEWIS, LINDSAY, LOGAN, MACBEAN, MACBETH, MACBRIDE, MACCALL, MACCLURE, MACCONNELL, MACCORMACK, MACCORQUDALE, MACCRAW, MACDUFFIE, MACFAYDN, MACGILL, MACGOWAN, MACKAY, MACLEOD, MACMURDOCH, MACQUARRIE, MACRAE, MACVEY, MATHESON, MAXWELL, MENZIES, MONTGOMERY, MUNRO, NEILL, NISBET, REID, RITCHIE, ROBB, ROSS, TAGGART, TODD, SCOTT, SHAW, SINCLAIR, SUTHERLAND, WALLACE, WRIGHT, WHYLIE and many others.

The Scots were leaders in America's westward expansion. By 1773 they were settling in Kentucky, and six years later they had crossed the Ohio River. Many pioneers of Tennessee and Missouri were descendants of North Carolina Scots families.

Some of the Scotsmen were stockmen, while others were craftsmen and artisans, such as textile workers, printers, and wigmakers. Although Presbyterianism was the religion of most of the Scots, many were Catholic and a few were Episcopalian.

The battle of Culloden was fought over two hundred years ago, but its tragedy has been so romanticized that legends are still told about it. Bitterness against the English, grief for lost kinsmen and poor economic conditions gave impetus to the emigration of the Scots Highlanders and kept old memories alive. The large scale emigration of Scots Highlanders after the battle changed the history of our country. These exiles and emigrants settled in Virginia, Maryland, New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, and even in Nova Scotia, but the greatest concentration of the Scots was in the Appalachain areas of North and South Carolina.

The history of Scotland was also changed at Culloden. It was the last time a war would be waged over Scottish succession to the English throne; it removed, forcibly or willingly, a great number of the population, making it easier to feed and employ those that were left; and old warring clans were replaced by entrepreneurs who turned from agricultural to commerce and coal mining.

Many sources are available for tracing these Scots Highlanders. In addition to parish registers, and other civil records, many published sources are

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available. Among them are: Tracing Your Scottish Ancestry by KATHLEEN B. CORY, Directory of Scottish Settlers in N. America by DAVID DOBSON, Colonists from Scotland, Emmigraiton to N. America 1707-1783 by IAN GORHAM, In Search of Scottish Ancestry by GERALD HAMILTON-EDWARDS and The Highland Clans by IAN MONCREIFFE and DAVID HICKS. Books that show clan tartans and tell the history of the septs and clans of Scotland can also be found. If your ancestor was a Scots minister, consult The Colonial Clergy of Maryland, Delaware and Georgia by FREDERICK LEWIS WEIS.

Source: ROBERT BAIN, The Clans and Tartans of Scotland; DAVID DOBSON, Scots on the Chesapeake, 1607-1830; IAN FINDLAY, Scotland; DAVID HACKETT FISCHER, Albion's Seed; KATHERINE TOMASSON & FRANCIS BUIST, Battles of the '45; Gowen Research Foundation Newsletter, Vol. 5 #7, March 1994; "Scottish Heritage", Treasure State Lines, Vol. 19 #1, Jan. 1994.

THE DARIEN DISASTER

Was your Scottish ancestor a part of the Darien Disaster? Scotland's greatest attempt at colonization in the New World, an attempt to settle the Isthmus of Darien, was a foolhardy one, doomed to failure from its start. Seeking economic opportunities a trading company was formed and 1200 Scots set out in 1698 to settle on the Isthmus of Darien (Panama), a territory already claimed by Spain. Two other expeditions also went to Darien, but the colony, weakened by the tropical climate, disease, famine and Spanish attacks, failed.

"To be ignorant of what happened before you were born is to be ever a child. For what is the value of human life unless it is interwoven with past events by the records of history?

MARCUS TULLIUS CICERO (106-43 B.C.)

THE CELTS

The ancient ancestors of the Scots, as well as many other European peoples, are the Celts or Kelts. From the Stone Age the Celts had dwelt in the Alps and the valleys of the Danube. Called the "Keltoi" by the ancient Greeks, the Celts occupied central and western Europe as well as parts of Asia Minor. "Celt" is a collective name for many tribes of the same background and physical characteristics.

About 500 B.C., approximately the time of the fall of Troy, Celtic tribes of the Alps were introduced to the saddle-horses from the East. These horses, superior to the smaller cart-ponies of the Celts, provide them the mobility to seek new horizons. By the beginning of the 3rd century B.C. the Celts had spread to France and Spain, then went to the England, known as Albion.

Skilled in metal working, especially in ironwork, these tribes spread throughout ancient Europe. As they moved, the various tribes, such as the Averni, Galatians, Gauls and Brythons (Britons), traded and mingled with other tribes. By 390 B.C. a Celtic tribe known as the Gauls were strong enough to sack Rome.

In the British Isles the Celts, were pushed into Wales, Ireland and Scotland by invading Angles, Saxons and Jutes. Although the Celts once dominated most of England, their descendants can be found today mostly in Brittany and the British Isles; many of them still speak languages with Celtic roots, such as Welsh, Cornish and Gaelic.

The Celts, who were excellent craftsmen, also loved poetry and music and had a deep reverence for nature. The Druids were their holy men, and the misty Isle of Mona was the site of the Druids last stand against the invading Romans.

Celtic contributions to western civilization are achieving more recognition as historians and archaeologists glean more knowledge of their past history. Their independent spirit and love of freedom and poetry, combined with a taste for adventure, in still deep rooted in many of their descendants. Some of these descendants are the people of Scotland. Most of us can claim Celtic heritage!

SCOTTISH CLANS

The Ellen Payne Odom Genealogical Library, P. O. Box 1110, Moultrie, GA 31776 is the designated depository for numerous Scottish clans and expects to become the major repository for Scottish records in the U. S.

CELTIC NATONS HERITAGE FESTIVAL OF LOUISIANA

The Celtic Nations Heritage Festival was held at Madisonville in early October as a part of the Louisiana's Celtic Heritage Week. International and national entertainers, craftsmen, artisans and athletes celebrated the culture of the Celtic nations——Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Cornwall, Brittany and the Isle of Man. Rowing teams held races in currachs, ancient types of canvasskinned boats similar to the Cajun pirogues. Celtic arts and crafts were exhibited, Scotish Highland and Irish Step dancing were demonstrated and games and sports were played. Skilled craftsmen demonstrated tartan weaving, Irish linen making, Aran sweater knitting and Welsh "Loved Spoon" carving. Genealogists provided information on Celtic family history, including Cajun families' Breton origins. If you have Celtic roots and you missed this celebration, write to the Chamber of Commerce at Madisonville for information on the next festival.

1995 DUES ARE DUE!

Membership in the SWLGS runs through the calendar year, but dues for the coming year may be paid at your earliest convenience. To keep your membership current, your dues should be paid before January 1, 1995. If they are not paid by March 18, 1995 your name will be dropped from our membership, and you will no longer receive KINFOLKS.

Make good use of your postage stamp and send in queries, ancestor charts, interesting stories, humorous incidents, ideas for articles for KINFOLKS, etc.

TIME LINE, 1745-1755

The time between 1745 and 1755 was part of the period known as the 'Age of Enlightenment' or the 'Age of Reason'. Change was in the air. Religion, tradition and authority were being challenged. France became the cultural center of Europe and French became the language of polite society. Philosophers, writers and scientists were 'enlightening' the populace.

Russia, considered an eastern 'barbaric' country, became an important power under Sophia of Anhalt-Zerbst, who was renamed Catherine. Marie Theresa, Queen of Bohemia and Hungary, also ruled the Hapsburg countries of Austria and the Netherlands. Her husband, Francis Stephen of Lorraine, was elected emperor as Francis I. As a result of the war over Polish Succession, Augustus III ruled Poland, which was in a state of near anarchy and civil war. Frederick II, styled the Great, extended Prussian power and influence.

In 1745 the 'Young Pretender' to the English throne, Charles Edward Stuart (known as 'Bonnie Prince Charley'), landed in Scotland and raised his followers among the clans. The defeat at the Battle of Culloden banished the hope of Stuart restoration to the English throne.

Austria, Saxony, Britain and the Netherlands were allied against Prussia. England and France were competing for supremacy in Europe, America and the Far East. In the battle of Fontenoy the French defeated the English forces in the War of Austrian Succession. The British captured Louisburg, the French fortress in Canada. The English soldier, Robert Clive, seized Arcot in India, halting French plans for supremacy in southern India.

China invaded and conquered Tibet in 1752, the same year that Benjamin Franklin invented the lightning conductor.

As a result of the French and Indian War in America, the British expelled the Acadians from Nova Scotia in 1755. This was also the year of the Lisbon earthquake that leveled the city of Lisbon, killing 30,000 people, and was felt throughout Europe. The earthquake inspired religious conversions, emigrations and new scientific theories.

The works of Jean Jacques Rousseau, the foremost philosopher of the era, inspired many of the leaders of the French Revolution. Francoise-Marie Arouet, known as Voltaire, was considered the genius of the time. His best known work, 'Candide', was based on the Lisbon earthquake. In music this was the time of Gluck, Joseph Haydn (master of the Austrian symphonies) and the latter years of Handel.

John Wesley, the English Evangelistic preacher, established the Methodist Church during this period.

These were the events which shaped the world and the lives of our ancestors in the mid-eighteenth century.

LOOKING FOR AN ANCESTOR - SEND US A QUERY!!

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DURIO CEMETERY

Located North-East of Oberlin, LA. (Allen Parish). From the red-light on U.S. #165, go North 1.7 miles to Parish Road #156, turn East (right), follow the winding asphalt road for 1.8 miles, then turn South (right) to the cemetery.

Listing was completed on November 17, 1993.

Submitted by ANTHONY and FLORENCE ROY - Members #664/665

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EMILY J. DARBONNE b. 18 Jan. 1903 d. 23 Dec. 1969

GERALD B. DARBONNE b. 10 Oct. 1930 d. 1 Jan. 1992

GILL DARBONNE b. 2 Sep. 1894 d. 2 May 1988

JOSEPH E. DARBONNE b. 17 Nov. 1898 d. 5 June 1974

JOSIEN DARBONNE b. 22 Jan. 1875 d. 7 Feb. 1924

MARTIN DARBONNE No Dates

MRS. OUBRE DARBONNE No Dates

EZORE P. DESHOTEL b. 1 Nov. 1894 d. 1 Dec. 1950

CAMMIE "PLOUK" DUPLECHIN b. 1 Apr. 1918 d. 22 July 1951

AMELIA C. DURIO b. 6 July 1878 d. 21 Dec. 1958



ERNEST DARBONNE b. 11 Sep. 1920 d. 29 Oct. 1921

JOSEPH A. DARBONNE b. 24 Apr. 1864 d. 29 Mar. 1917

NIEZE D. DARBONNE b. 30 Sep. 1898 d. 10 May 1961

JOSIE DARBONNE b. 22 Feb. 1883 d. 8 Apr. 1933

LUDA DARBONNE b. 26 June 1901 d. 10 Oct. 1920

ORTELIA C. DARBONNE b. 11 Aug. 1880 d. 3 Feb. 1964

WALTER DARBONNE No Dates

JOHN H. DODD b. 4 May 1926 d. 9 Mar. 1975

KAREN R. DUPLECHAIN b. 2 Sep. 1966 d. 30 Dec. 1989

ODELL DURIO b. 28 Nov. 1866 d. 30 Mar. 1935

MARRIED

AMOS DURIO

b. 24 Mar. 1872

d. 7 Feb. 1923



JOSEPHINE D. DURIO b. 26 Mar. 1881

d. 8 Jan. 1954

DARNICE DURIO

b. 21 Jan. 1895

d. 15 Mar. 1956

AUGUST DURIO

b. 17 Aug. 1860

d. 7 Mar. 1919

HOMER DURIO

b. 20 Apr. 1902

d. 8 July 1954

JEROME DURIO

b. —

d. 17 Dec. 1918

Pvt. 128th Inf., 32nd Div.

JOSELINE DURIO

b. — 1875

d. — 1942

OSCAR DURIO

b. 27 June 1919

d. 12 Mar. 1985

– E –

A. C. EASTERLING

b. — 1888

d. ---1931

- F -

EDGAR FAUL

b. — 1887

1946 d. --

MARY FAUL No Dates

OSCAR FAUL

No Dates

Z. FAUL

No Dates

AGNES C. FUSELIER

b. 19 May 1906

d. 15 Nov. 1985

CELIMA B. FONTENOT

Age 47 yrs.

AMY J. FONTENOT

b. — 1877 d. --1942 ARTLEUS FONTENOT

b. —

1871

d. — 1942

CENA FONTENOT

b. 8 Jan. 1888

d. 6 June 1937

EVIA C. FONTENOT

b. — 1867

d. — 1914

THEODULE FONTENOT

b. 23 Jan. 1858

d. 8 Mar. 1928

WILBERT J. FONTENOT

b. 10 Sep. 1900

d. 14 Feb. 1961

- G -

JARUM GUILLORY

b. 15 Aug. 1886

d. 14 Jan. -

LEAH GUILLORY

No Dates

	MARRIED	- H -
EUNICE HANCE b. 12 June 1890 d. 20 June 1925		LESTIE HANCE b. — 1903 d. — 1942
WADE HANCE b. 15 Aug. 1898 d. 10 June 1925		DORIS J. HARDY b. 24 Jan. 1940 d. 25 Aug. 1978
BURRELL HEBERT b. 22 Mar. 1912 d. 8 May 1968	0	ELDA C. HEBERT b. 27 June 1918 d. 27 July 1993
LOURICE HEBERT b. 18 Nov. 1905 d. 9 May 1992		
		- I -
·		- J -
WAYNE A. JAMES b. 20 Aug. 1958 d. 24 Dec. 1990		LOUIS LOFA JOUBERT b. 5 Oct. 1901 d. 17 Feb. 1950
ALICE D. JOUBERT b. 26 Aug. 1874 d. 25 Feb. 1969	\bigcirc	JEAN-BAPT. JOUBERT b. 30 Feb. 1874 d. 4 Jan. 1922
ATTIE JOUBERT b. 2 June 1904 d. 2 Mar. 1991	\odot	EURICE JOUBERT b. 26 Jan. 1900 d. 27 Aug. 1991
MAISY MAY JOUBERT b. 24 Dec. 1926 d. 12 June 1927		
		- к -
ELWYN "SPUD" KEENEY b. 22 Sep. 1936 d. 24 Dec. 1981		
		- L -
SAULANGE LACAZE b. 2 Mar. 1856 d. 29 Dec. 1908	\bigcirc	MRS. SAULANGE LACAZE b. 15 Nov. 1855 d. 9 Feb. 1924
ARTEMISE LACAZE		JOSEPH D. LAFLEUR

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b. 20 Sep. 1858d. 29 Mar. 1933

b. 3 July 1860d. 27 Oct. 1900

FARQUE FAMILY OF LOUISIANA SUBMITTED BY JEANNE MARIE FARQUE - MEMBER #516

It seems that everyone who is researching the FARQUE family eventually runs into the same "brick wall", namely LUCAS/LUC FARQUE. Most researchers agree that the surname is probably German, but some have the opinion that they were Huguenots or came from Holland. However no definite proof has been found for the origin of the man or his surname.

One of the main problems in finding this family comes from the many variations in the spelling of the surname. Some of the spellings are: FARCK, FARK, FARQUE, FARC, FARGE, FALK, FAULK, FOLK, FARLK, FOLSE, FORK, FALCK, VARK, VALK, PFARK, etc.

Although the Christian name LUC or LUCAS is not very common for the time period (1770's), it is not extremely rare. However, it is not a "usual" FARQUE name; they tend to be John, William, James, Richard, Benjamin, Jonathan and George.

Early records list their "place of origin" as North Carolina, Virginia, South Carolina or merely "the Carolinas". Their nationality is listed as "American", making the information very vague. Checking in those states, I haven't found a single LUCAS FARQUE. However, in a list of debts dated 5 August 1773 due to a Mr. ELI CAMPBELL in Worchester Co., Maryland, I found LUCAS FARQUE. Although the time period is possible, no other reference mentions MARYLAND.

The following items prove that the FARQUEs appear in Louisiana records in the late 1700's.

- *** May 1779 A list of "foreigners" is presented to the Attakapa District Militia—their weapons were to be confiscated. Listed here is LUKE FOLSE & JOHN FOLSE. Most of these people were Irish & German.
- ** 19 Aug. 1788 LUC FOLK & son JEAN FOLK appear before the Civil & Military Commanders at the Attakapa Post to give inventory of the deceased sons of LUC FOLK, namely LUC and JACOB.
- $\ensuremath{^{**}}$ 1788 & 1789 A cattle brand is registered to LUC and JEAN FOLK in St. Martin Parish.
- ** JEAN & GEORGE FARGE are listed on the 1794 General Census of the Attakapa Militia. Nationality is given as "American". JEAN's age was given as 32 (born ca 1762) and GEORGE was age 20 (born ca 1774).
- I think that the FARQUE family has been in the Calcasieu Parish area since the 1830's, or possibly even earlier. My reasons for thinking this are as follows:
- ** THOMAS RIGMAIDEN, local school teacher and diarist has an entry in his diary (in the Calcasieu Parish Genealogy Library) which was dated August 5, 1837 and states that a "ball" was held at Mr. JOE FORK's house. He was the father of ARVELLIAN FARQUE, who settled near THOMAS BILBO in Lake Charles.
- ** ARVELLIAN FARQUE married SEDALISE SALLIER in 1834. Their son AMADEE gives an account of early Calcasieu in a newspaper story in 1917, stating that he was "born at the northwest corner of Sallier and Ethel Streets, 77 years ago" (Feb. 1840) and that "the house was built 97 years ago (1820)

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and was the oldest house in the city".

pprox In 1840 a meeting was held to determine the "town seat" and one of the areas mentioned for this site was "Falks Bluff"-the area in which JOSEPH FAROUE lived.

** In 1844 ARVELLIAN FARQUE received a land grant in the present-day Cameron Parish area, which was then a part of Imperial Calcasieu. The grant was for 161 acres in the area known as Spanish Point, Township & Range 12S, 9W Section Frac. Sec. 10. Acres: 161. Date: Oct. 17, 1844. Parish: Calcasieu.

** The section of land then known as Falk's Bluff was on the east side of the river.

JOSEPH FARQUE and his wife VICTORINE BROUSSARD, appear in the 1840 census of Imperial Calcasieu Parish with three children. His age is listed as between 50 and 60, as is that of his wife. In the 1850 census JOSEPH and VICTORINE appear with their youngest son EUGENE. He also appears on the 1860 census for the parish, but neither he or his wife is listed in the census of 1870, leading to the conclusion that they were deceased by this time. No marker has been found to confirm a place of burial for either JOSEPH or VICTORINE BROUSSARD FARQUE.

JOSEPH FARQUE had only one brother, MICHAEL FARQUE, who married MARIE DELPHINE BROUSSARD. This family stayed in the Lafayette-Vermilion Parish area and spelled their name "FAULK".

I have concluded that the FARQUE families of the Calcasieu area are the only ones who spell their surname "FARQUE", while the FARQUE/FAULK families of the Lafayette, Vermilion and Acadia Parish areas all use the "FAULK" spelling. The FAULK branch of the family is much larger than the FARQUE branch. Most of the FAULKS stayed in Acadiana; however, some did immigrate into Calcasieu and Cameron Parishes in the late 1880's. In the early records some of the FARQUE families can be found with the FAULK spelling. However, most of the time the name was seen as FARK, FORK or FARQUE. In later years, it is seen almost exclusively as FARQUE for the lines of JOSEPH FARQUE.

Several of the FARQUE's in the Calcasieu Parish area were represented in the Civil War. They include the following men:

FARQUE, JOSEPH DULVA (s/o HERVILLIAN FARQUE & SEDALISE SALLIER)

Birth: 29 June 1838; Married: 19 March 1868; Death: 1884, Buried: Sallier Cemetery

Spouse: AZEOLIDE LeBLEU, born 1 Nov. 1849; died 28 March 1917, buried Sallier Cemetery

Children: JOSEPH DUMA, ESTELLE, JOHN, MARGARET, ARCHILLE, AMBROSE, CHARLES Service: Enlisted, age 24, Private, Co. K, 10th LA Infantry

FARQUE, DESIRE (s/o HERVILLIAN FARQUE & SEDALISE SALLIER)

Birth: 9 February 1834; buried Sallier Cemetery. Tombstone states: CONFEDERATE 1861-1865; no other dates

Spouse: NATALIE GRANGER

Children: LELIA, VALMORE, ELEANOR

Service: Enlisted LA, Co. B, 7th LA Infantry (Regulars)

Reference: Widow's pension, 1890 Veterans Census (age 77, Vinton, LA)

FARQUE, AMADIE (s/o HERVILLIAN FARQUE & SEDALISE SALLIER)

Birth: 4 February 1840; Marriage: 20 Dec. 1860; Death: 7 December 1919; buried Sallier Cemetery

Spouse: FANNIE CHARLOTTE SEATON (born 16 December 1845; died 27 April 1928) Children: NAOMI (died 4 September 1880, age 6), KATHRYN (married THOMAS FRANKLIN ELSTON), EMMA (married LaBESSE), RUBY (married HILL), AUGUSTUS "GUS" (married MOLLIE PLEASANT)

Service: Co. B, 7th LA Cavalry

Reference: "Lake Charles American Press" 12/8/1919, p. 3; widow's pension list, 1924-26, Lake Charles, LA

Additions, corrections and suggestions on the FARQUE family are welcome!

LINE OF DESCENT

- 1. LUC/LUCAS FAULK/FARQUE
 - m. 1st, MARIE LISILIN: 2nd, SARA RIPLAY
- 2. JOSEPH FAULK/FARQUE
 - m. FELECITE AUCOIN
- 3. JOSEPH PIERRE FARQUE
 - m. VICTORINE BROUSSARD
- 4. HERVILLIAN (ARVELLIAN) FARQUE
 - m. 1st, SEDALISE SALLIER: 2nd, MARIE SERAPHIE BROUSSARD
- 5. CARMELLIAN FARQUE
 - m. ARMELISE BLANCHARD
- 6. JOHN WOODROW FAROUE
 - m. EARLE MARIE FONTENOT
- 7. BILLY RAY FARQUE
 - m. JEANNE MARIE LeBLANC

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RECORDS OF 9th WARD DISTRICT COURT, CALCASIEU PARISH, STATE OF LOUISIANA, 1905-1907

The following information is abstracted from the records of GEORGE W. ATKINSON, Justice of the Peace in Hayes, LA. The records are of importance since they represent a few of the records which did not burn in the Calcasieu Parish Court House in the fire of 1910 and also because they reflect an aspect of life at that period. The records are currently in the possession of THOMAS "SCOTT" ATKINSON. Mr. ATKINSON has kindly donated a copy of his great-grandfather's records to the SWLGS and has given permission for them to be printed herein.

- 9 Dec. 1905. OLIVER HAYES vs La. Western Rail Way Co. Judgment rendered against La. Western Rail Way Co. in favor of OLIVER HAYES for \$75.00 and 9th Judicial Court cost of \$14.33 and cost in 15th Judicial Court of \$43.06. Total \$132.39, handed to Sheriff D. J. REID for collection on 20 April 1906 was: Justice fees for citation, 30¢; 4 Summons Witnesses, #\$1.00; 4 affidavits, \$1.00; filing, 50¢; notice judgment, 75¢. Constable fees, 4 Summons \$1.20; mileage, 28¢. C. M. GOOS, Sheriff Orleans Parish, \$5.00; J. W. GARDNER, \$10.80; D. J. REID, Sheriff, \$8.56. Witnesses—A. ATKINSON, \$7.00; A. MOORE, \$7.00; FOX HAYES, \$6.20; A. DESARMEAUX, \$3.50. ____udg for mule, \$75.00.
- 5 Jan. 1906. ACY and THOMAS KENT vs Dearborn Cypress Co., Ltd. Notification of seizure of 5,000 best grade cypress shingles to sell on 27 Jan. 1906 to satisfy unpaid balance of \$6.24. ALCIDE DESARMEAUX, Constable. Note forwarded to D. J. REID.
- 23 Jan. 1906. ACY and THOMAS KENT vs Dearborn Cypress Co., Ltd. Notification of intent to sell shingles at Hayes, La.
- 12 Feb. 1906. Notification of postponement of sale of shingles until 17 Feb. because Constable DESARMEAUX was held as a witness by the 15th Judicial Court.
- 17 Feb. 1906. Shingles sold to ADRIAN LORAINE for \$1.35 per thousand for cash.
- 22 Feb. 1906. Loyd Fruit & Produce Co., Ltd. vs ELIAS BOUQUET. Citation issued for \$15.55 owed to Fruit Co. Defendant to appear in court 17 March.
- 17 March 1906. Judgment in favor of plaintiff. Defendant BOUQUET fails to appear at court and is required to pay the \$15.55, plus cost of suit. Costs listed as \$1.85 for J. P. and 50% for constable.
- 22 March 1906. Writ to sheriff or any constable of parish to seize and sell property of ELIAS BOUQUET to satisfy debt.
- 16 April 1906. A. DESARMEAUX, Constable reports that there "was no property upon which to levy for the satisfaction" of the debt of BOUQUET.
- 26 May 1906. State of La. vs ISSAC DAVID. Warrant for ISSAC DAVID, accused by CALVENT ANDRUS of taking a pair of barber's shears from his home.

- 19 June $1906. \,$ Affidavit of CALVENT ANDRUS swearing to the theft of the shears valued at \$1.00.
- 26 June 1906. ISSAC DAVID was required to post bond of \$100 for his appearance before the 15th Judicial Court. Justice fees \$1.50; Constable, \$2.00; Witnesses, CESAR GUIDRY and CALVENT ANDRUS, both of Hayes.
- 22 Aug. 1906. DULVA DUROUEN vs ODRA PREMEAUX. Complaint of indebtedness to DULVA DUROUEN for \$15.00 for 4 sacks of rice.
- 18 June 1906. Marriage of ROBERT E. BARNES and ZORA HAYES. Witnesses: Z. THOUR, W. J. DUHIG, W. R. ABNEY.
- NO DATE. Record for disbursement of \$91.50 for 30 M shingles. Paid for: Advertising in Lake Charles "American", \$6.00; J. DEROUEN for setting, \$4.55; ALFONSO ATKINSON for appraising, \$1.00; TOLIVER HAYES for appraising, \$1.00; J. W. GARNER, clerk fees, \$2.20; THOMAS and ACY KENT, plaintiffs, \$47.00; Constable DESARMEAUX, \$15.00; Justice fees, \$14.00.
- 4 Dec. 1906. State of Louisiana vs JULIEN VERET. Deposition of ALBERT BROUSSARD stating that on 1 Dec. 1906 JULIEN VERET did "willfully, maliciously wound by using a knife in cutting and stabbing" ALEXANDER ARCENEAUX at the home of HEBERT LANDRY in Ward 9,
- 19 Dec. 1906. JULIEN VERET was arrested 4 Dec. 1906 and furnished bond of \$400 to appear in 9th Ward Justice Court. Witnesses for state: HOMER COMEAUX, ALCIDE VERRET, OZENE ARDOINE, ODRA COMEAUX, HEBERT LANDRY. Witnesses for defendant: ALCIDE VERRET, ORELIAN ROSSEAUX, MARCEL ROSSEAUX, URSAN BREAUX, OMARE COMEAUX. Upon hearing evidence of witnesses, court released JULIEN VERET.
- 9 March 1907. Jennings Carriage Co. vs R. M. WALKER. Citation for a promissory note dated 21 April 1903, originally \$90.60, at rate of 8% per annum.
- 20 March 1907. Hayes Cypress Co. vs LET WILLIAMS. R. DUVALL, agt. & attorney for Hayes Cypress Co. Complaint that on 13 March LET WILLIAMS contracted for labor and obtained \$5.40 in advance for railroad passage from Gibson in Terrebonne Par. to Hayes in Calcasieu Parish, and that WILLIAMS absconded with the money. Asks that he be apprehended.
- 3 June 1907. Deposition of ESPREE NARCISSE stating that HENRY BRISSON threatened to kill him.
- 7 June 1907. Received check, J. P. MAY, \$5.00.
- 18 June 1907. HENRY BRISSON vs PAUL W. DANIELS. Affidavit of HENRY BRISSON "that PAUL W. DANIELS has damaged him in the sum of \$50.00 by reason of allowing his oil tank or cistern of kerosene oil to overflow", destroying his crop and the fertility of his land.
- 24 June 1907. State of La. vs WILLIAM HOWARD. Deposition of JOHN CLEMONT stating that WILLIAM HOWARD had stolen his boat on Lacassine Bayou near Hayes Cypress Lumber Co.

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- 19 Aug. 1907. Subpoenas served on witnesses for TERRENCE (CLARENCE) DAVIS vs WILL CRUSE. Witnesses for prosecution, CLARA LAMBERT, Mrs. JOHN LAMBERT, Mrs. JOHN KELLY, OCTAVIA DAVIS, OMAR CESAR. Witness for defendant, DROUSAN LAMBERT.
- 31 Aug. 1907. Deposition of DAVIS against CRUSE for libel and slander. Warrant for arrest of WILLIAM CRUSE, placed under \$50 bond.
- 7 Sept. 1907. "Recvd chk \$5.00 for the month of Augt. from Parish treasurer. Sent chk to J. H. MATHEWS, 6 Bots Liquid Sulphur \$5.00".
- 5 Oct. 1907. "Recvd ch for Sept. & paid it to SOL HAYS for lease of land for the year 1907 ending on the 1st of Oct. 1907. Paid GUIDRY for Bed stead".
- $12\,$ Oct. 1907. R. M. WALKER paid balance of \$89.60 in cash to Jennings Carriage Co.
- 12 Oct. $1907.\,$ O. COMEAUX agrees to pay DULVA DUROUEN \$15 for rice, plus \$3 attorney fees.
- $21\ \text{Oct.}\ 1907.$ Complaint of J. L. HOLLAND against CHARLEY GARDNER for selling spirits or liquor without a license.
- 31 Oct. 1907. AL HOLLAND swears that on 29 Oct. 1907 his gold watch valued at \$20 was "feloniciously taken and stolen".
- 4 Dec. 1907. State of La. vs ARETA BEADO. Complaint from ARNEAL NORRIS, concerning his daughter IDA NORRIS.
- An account by G. W. ATKINSON owed to PROSPER VERRET (apparently a merchant) shows some 1907 prices. Some of the items included are: 1 pair pants, \$1; shirt, $50\mathfrak{e}$; 2 shoe strings, $5\mathfrak{e}$; pair of shoes, \$1.40; 6 pkgs. washing powder, $25\mathfrak{e}$; dipper, $5\mathfrak{e}$; swamp wood, \$1.00; liver medicine, $25\mathfrak{e}$; pound dried apples, $10\mathfrak{e}$; tobacco, $25\mathfrak{e}$; 2 cans salmon, $35\mathfrak{e}$; coat and vest, \$8.50; Bed tick, $40\mathfrak{e}$.
- (EDITOR'S NOTE: SCOTT ATKINSON is seeking information on the ATKINSON and GIROIR families in southwest Louisiana. Any help will be appreciated. Write to Scott Atkinson, 15119 Rockriver Ln, San Antonio, TX 78247.)

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The Sons of Confederate Veterans are conducting a nationwide search for burial sites of Confederate Soldiers in any state. They have located over 600,000 such sites. Data is being collected and recorded for preservation, and will be available for use by researchers. If you know of, and would like to register the grave of a Confederate veteran, or would like to place an official marker (a stone with the Confederate Cross of Honor, which lists name, date of birth and death, and unit of service), write for the SCV form from DENNIS E. TODD, 1113 Pine St., Cayce, SC 29033. There is no charge for the service. The names and gravesites of soldiers submitted do not have to be ancestors.

JOSIAH GAYLE'S LINK WITH SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA SUBMITTED BY WILLIAM GEDGE GAYLE, JR. - MEMBER #451

JOSIAH GAYLE, SR. is the earliest American ancestor of the Gayle family of Southwest Louisiana. Born about 1730, the Vestry Book of Cumberland Church, Lunenburg County, Virginia, indicates that JOSIAH GAYLE was living there in 1763-64. Between 1764 and 1769, he moved to South Carolina. On August 1, 1770, he and his sons CALEB and CHRISTOPHER joined in a petition asking the Assembly to assist in building a "chapel of ease" at High Hills of Santee in the Parish of St. Mark's near Camden, for which he subscribed 20 pounds sterling.

JOSIAH GAYLE, SR. and his sons, JOSIAH GAYLE, JR. and CHRISTOPHER participated in the War of the Revolution. JOSIAH, JR. was among the prisoners captured at the battle of Camden, August 16, 1780. He was hanged by the British along with a number of other prisoners the following day.

About 1771, JOSIAH, JR. had married REBECCA CANTEY, and among their three children was JOSIAH GAYLE, III, born about 1775. About 1803, he married MARY RICHBOURG (b. 1787), and moved to Amite County, Mississippi. fourth child, born March 6, 1812, was JAMES RICHBOURG GAYLE, who married SARAH ELIZABETH ANDERSON on December 11, 1832. Shortly after their marriage, they relocated to Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana, to live on land granted to them by SARAH's father, JOHN B. ANDERSON (d. November 17, 1838). There, they built Belvue Plantation near Lettsworth, Louisiana, on 900 acres of SARAH had been a member of Bethany Presbyterian Church in Liberty, land. Mississippi, and although their nine children were born on the plantation, she brought most of them there to be baptized. However, at the time of their deaths in 1873 (JAMES) and 1874 (SARAH), they were buried in the churchyard at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Innis. Two of their children, WILLIAM JOSEPH GAYLE and JAMES FRANKLIN GAYLE, were to have Southwest Louisiana connections.

WILLIAM JOSEPH GAYLE, born October 12, 1856, was the first of the family to relocate to Lake Charles, where he married GEORGIA MUNNS on June 29, 1886. In 1891, his nine-year-old nephew, ARTHUR LEO GAYLE, born February 22, 1882 in Pointe Coupee, came to live with them and "seek his fortune", traveling by steamboat to Opelousas and railroad to Lake Charles.

ARTHUR was one of eight children born to JAMES FRANKLIN GAYLE, born July 31, 1844, and CECILIA CAROLINE TESSIER, born November 29, 1851. JAMES took over the operation of Greenbrier Plantation, on the Atchafalaya River at Legonier, Louisiana, an inheritance of his wife from her grandfather, DAVID THOMAS. During the Civil War, JAMES FRANKLIN GAYLE served in the Confederate Army, first as a member of Boone's Battery, and later transferring to Miles' Legion, where he was a special aide to General Ogden. After the war, he was engaged in cotton farming for some years at Greenbrier.

In 1903, JAMES FRANKLIN GAYLE and his wife moved to Lake Charles, where he was engaged in real estate until his death, April 19, 1924. He personally planted the large live oaks on the grounds of the old Arthur Gayle home at 1004 Pujo Street. By this time, ARTHUR LEO GAYLE was established in business and had wed SUSAN MELISSA GEDGE, born August 28, 1889, in Vallejo, California.

ARTHUR's older brother, EDWIN FRANKLIN GAYLE, born August 8, 1875, had begun a distinguished law career in Lake Charles in July, 1906. Among the other siblings to relocate to Lake Charles were CHARLES TESSIER GAYLE, born August 18, 1877, WILLIAM JOSEPH GAYLE, born July 25, 1886, and MARY AMELIA GAYLE, born September 20, 1888, who married THOMAS FITZGERALD PORTER, JR. in Lake Charles on June 29, 1910.

A great majority of the Gayle family who have called Southwest Louisiana "home" in the past and present, are direct descendants of this line.

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ANCESTOR CHARTS AND TABLES, VOL. IV

ANCESTOR CHARTS AND TABLES, VOL. IV is now available from the SWLGS. This volume contains corrections and additions to previously published Charts and Tables, as well as five-generation Ancestor Charts of members which have not been previously published. Some Ancestor Tables include the 10th and 11th generations. This book is $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$, soft cover, spiral bound and contains 247 pages with 2,135 surnames. It is indexed by surname. The surnames included are not only typical of Louisiana, but are also from other states and countries. This is a genealogical tool that should benefit many researchers, but copies are limited. Price is \$25.00, postpaid. Order from Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society, Inc., PO Box 5652, Lake Charles, LA 70606-5652.

HISTORY OF EARLY LAKE CHARLES (continued from Vol. 18 #3)

As the years passed, Lake Charles continued to become more populated and more cosmopolitan. The town had access to the latest in news, fashions and entertainment. In 1896 it was the busiest town in between Houston and New Orleans.

Among the new businesses which had come to town was the SPENCE & HENDERSON Millinery Parlor, which opened on April 1, 1896. They advertised the "grandest display of millinery goods ever seen in Lake Charles". The law firm of SCHWING & MOORE were having their office over SOL BLOCK's store "fitted up", where they "will be pleased to see all their friends who are in trouble, as well as those in prosperity". Mr. D. C. BROWN was awarded the contract for building the REISER Machine Shop. Messrs. BARR and WATSON announced the opening of their cold storage rooms in the HASKELL Building on Ryan St., opposite from the Opera House. They also announced that they would be handling high grade northern beef. ALEX HYMES and A. STRAUSS of St. Charles Parish purchased the Southwestern Liquor and Cigar Co. in the city. J. K. McDONALD opened his blacksmith shop next to KIRKWOOD's stable.

The "American" of March 18, 1896 reported that the Ladies Aid Society of the Hodges St. Methodist-Episcopal Church would give a "Conundrum Social" with Mrs. JOHN BUCK at the home of S. W. PIERCE on Iris St. The charge of 20¢ would benefit the church.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. SUMERALL hosted a party in honor of their niece, ELLA SUMERALL of Alexandria. Attending were: ELLA ZENOBIA SHATTUCK, MAY GARRAWAY, LOUISE and LOIS WENTZ, IDELIA SILAS, Mrs. J. SIM FOSTER, Messrs. TOM, WILL and LOUIS CRUIKSHANK, CLARENCE DAVIS, DAVID MANSON, BUD FOSTER, WILL GLENNIE, T. B. CLINGO, ABBIE DEES and MARK WENTZ.

New businesses were opening as the town expanded. EDDY Brcs. Department Store announced the arrival of Miss EVA MYER, experienced trimmer from New York City, who would be in charge of their millinery department. Plans were made for Jackson St. to be extended "through the large orange grove belonging to Sheriff REID". KAUFMAN was the architect for the planned Broad St. Methodist-Episcopal Church. The "American" of March 25, 1896 called the attention of the Board of Health to the sewer problem on the west side of Ford St., between Broad and Pujo Sts., stating, "there is enough disease in that one sewer to kill a whole regiment".

In Goosport Mr. CLINGO was making additions to his store, while Mrs. W. J. CRUIKSHANK "left over the Watkins Road" to visit relatives in Alexandria.

The town's weekly newspaper, the "American", dated March 18, 1896 carried the following death notices for persons who had died on March 14:

L. T. BURROUGHS, age 27 years, 7 months died at home. Interment, Orange Grove Cemetery.

CARRIE E. HELM, age 36 years, 4 months and 26 days, the wife of J. E. HARPER, died at home. Funeral service at her residence on Bilbo St. Interment, Orange Grove Cemetery.

Social notes in the paper included the following:

Mrs. C. W. LYMAN lectured on the five books of Moses at the Presbyterian Church.

The home of GEORGE H. WOOLMAN on south Hodges St. will be turned over to the ladies of the Christian Church on Friday, March 27 for a "Crazy Tea".

Marriage licenses were issued to the following couples for the week ending March 24, 1896: THOMAS W. PERKINS and Miss JOSEPHINE PERKINS, RANDALL STEPHENS and Miss ELLA JOHNSON, WILLIAM J. PATE and Miss EMMA R. BARBER, and JOHN McLAUREN and Miss CORA ALSTON. For the week ending March 31, 1896 marriage licenses were issued to HARPER H. GILLIS and Miss GEORGIANA GIBSON and to LEON LABONNE and Miss ADRIAN ARDOIN.

The ELLY H. DEES homestead was "brought in" by Dr. A. H. MOSS, who held a second mortgage on it, selling for \$4,400.

The "American" of March 25, 1896 also announced that the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of the state of Louisiana unanimously selected Lake Charles as their meeting place for 1897. A committee consisting of W. A. STEIDLEY, GEORGE T. LOCK, R. B. WALKER, C. W. DOANE and Capt. CHARLES SCOTT was appointed to make the arrangements.

The following were "Advertised Letters" listed in the "American" for the week ending Saturday, March 28, 1896:

LADIES LIST

ARMSTRONG, HANER COIL, Miss MARY COLE, Mrs. S. A. DORES, Miss MANDY GUIDRY, CORDELIA HAWFORD, Miss ELNORA HOMES, Miss ELLEN HYNES, Miss MADORA JACKSON, Miss MEDORA JONES, Mrs. J. JOHNSON, Mrs. MARY L. LASPREE, LAURA

MORSE, Mrs. WESTLY O'QUIN, Miss M. E. PRICE, Mrs. EMMIE PHOSE, Mrs. CLEMENTINE RYANS, Miss RACHEL SHELTON, Miss IDA SHORTER, Miss MATHILDA SCOTT, Mrs. IDA THOMPSON, Mrs. C. WEBB, Miss A. WILLIAMS, Mrs. E.

GENTLEMEN'S LIST

ABERTER, PORT ADDELIAS, JAS. ALAISIA, ANTONIO ALSOCK, T. H. BOOTH, G. BOOTH, L. H. BROWN, L. CHEATMAWN, M. COOPER, RICHARD CUNNINGHAM, M. DEAN, JOHN DINES, SHER EASLY, GEORGE EASTON, CICERO FLOYD, JAS.

FORMAN, JACK FRAZER, HORTON FULLERTON, E. C. GEORIL, DETTER GUIDRY, ALFRED GYLES, THOMPSON HAMBLETON, H. HARRIS, FRANK HEWITT, A. M. HOUCHEFF, CHAS. HYNES, J. M. JOSEPH, ARIAS LAMBLACK, MUNROW LAUANGE, RICHARD LEANARDO, CLORI

Leblanc, J. C.
LYONS, Dr. A. A.
LUKES, Mr.
McDONNELL, J. H.
McKINNA, JAS.
MAMON, JAS.
MARTIN, G. W.
MATCHETT, CHAS. T.

NELSON, Capt. W. P.
PHILLIP, J. H.
PARR, R. G.
PATHER, EDMOND
PUGH, P. S.
ROBERTSON, G. M. (2)
SARGENT, Rev. W. T.
WATTS, H. W.

Say "advertised" when calling for any of the above letters.
J. P. GEARY, Postmaster.

TO BE CONTINUED. (Editor's Note: Articles in this series are not intended to be an in-depth study of the political and economic growth of the town, but are written to present a general view of the town's development with particular emphasis on the names of as many early residents as possible. Sources for this article are the weekly "American", 3/18/1896 and 3/25/1896.)

A SUCCESSFUL HUNT SUBMITTED BY HELEN L. BOURQUE - MEMBER #488

In 1983 I began working on my family's history. Last year I began my search for ALICE BELLE McGREGOR's birth date and wrote to the county clerk of two towns in Michigan (where she was said to have been born), searched censuses for Bowie Co., Texas (where she was supposed to have lived) and found no information on her. A Fort Smith, Arkansas librarian spent about 5 hours searching microfilm for her obituary and found it. The obituary stated the name of the funeral home who handled the arrangements, and a letter to them produced a copy of her death certificate, place of birth (it was Michigan!), and her Social Security number. A letter to the Social Security Administration gave me additional information on this elusive relative. The moral to my story is "keep searching" and perhaps you too will have a successful hunt!

NO INDEX? Don't be discouraged. Check the title page for the names of families, time period and georgraphic area covered. Also check the table of contents for names of families you are researching.

HISTORICAL SOURCES: Use local histories to familiarize yourself with th world in which your ancerstors lived, their dress, mode of transportation, culture, etc.

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All of these would make interesting and unique gifts for the genealogist on your list.

STREETS OF LAKE CHARLES

Street names are a part of the history of a town. The following streets, most of which are in the older sections of the town, were named for pioneer families. For other street names, see $\underline{\text{KINFOLKS}}$, Vol. 18 #3.

NAME OF STREET

PERSON FOR WHOM NAMED

Ackerman Belden Blake

Britain Burnett

Celeste Clarence Clarinda

Cole Foster Frances

Franklin Goos Blvd. Grace

Granger

Grey
Griffith
Henry
Iris
Miller Ave.
Milligan
Moeling
Orrin
Peake
Pruitt
Rock
Ryan
Toomer
Watkins

HOWARD ACKERMAN, rice industry R. L. BELDEN, sawmill owner BLAKE, "an old darky belonging to H. D. NIX" GEORGE W. BRITAIN, 1umberman JOHN BURNETT, owner of town's first brickyard "An old colored woman in Hi-Mount" CLARENCE A. KIRBY, lumberman d/o "Uncle" GEORGE RYAN, slave of JACOB RYAN EWELL L. COLE DENNIS MILLIKEN FOSTER, 1umberman FRANCES WELLS, d/o GEORGE H. WELLS, town's first lawyer FRANK E. HASKELL, lumberman DANIEL GOOS, ship owner GRACE WELLS, d/o GEORGE H. WELLS, town's first lawyer JOSEPH JUBERTY GRANGER, CSA veteran, 1andowner JOHN G. GREY, lumberman DAVID GRIFFITH HENRY HUGO TOUCHY, s/o VICTOR TOUCHY IRIS PEAKE, w/o GEORGE PEAKE E. D. MILLER, Judge HARRY B. MILLIGAN, lumberman KATRINA MOELING, w/o DANIEL GOOS ORRIN H. DOLBY, educator GEORGE PEAKE E. L. PRUITT GEORGE T. ROCK JACOB RYAN, "father of Lake Charles" J. SHELDON TOOMER JABEZ WATKINS, landowner, businessman who encouraged settlement of area

by farmers from mid-west

Source: MAUDE REID Scrapbook, Reel #1.8; <u>Lake Charles Daily Press, Special Edition</u>, 1895; various newspaper articles.

LANDRY LETTERS FAMILY NEWSLETTER features free queries, records and research on all branches of the Landry family. For further information, contact DEDE D. MERCER-LANDRY, 12600 Bissonet A2-407, Houston, TX 77099.

ARE YOU STUMPED?

Are you stumped? Have you hit a brick wall? Do you think you've tried everything from A to Z? Perhaps the following suggestions will give you a few new leads!

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ADOPTION PAPERS FUNERAL HOMES
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BIBLE RECORDS

GRAVESTONE INSCRIPTIONS
HEPAIDDY

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS
BIRTH CEPTIFICATES

HERALDRY
HEREDITARY SOCIETIES

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HOMESTEAD PAPERS

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BUSINESS RECORDS
HOSPITAL RECORDS
IMMIGRATION LISTS
TMMICRATION PAPERS

CEMSUSES RECORDS IMMIGRATION PAPERS
CENSUSES INDIAN RECORDS

CHANCERY RECORDS

INDIAN WAR RECORDS

CHURCH RECORDS

INSCRIPTIONS (BOOKS GRAVES)

CHURCH RECORDS

CITY DIRECTORIES

COLLEGE RECORDS

INSURANCE RECORDS

INTERVIEWS

COATS OF ARMS
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CORONER'S RECORDS
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DEEDS LODGES (MASONIC, ELKS, ETC.)

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WIDOW'S PENSION APPLICATIONS

WIDOW'S PENSIONS

WILLS

PERSI is the Periodical Source Index in which genealogical articles from over 1,500 periodicals are indexed by place, subject and surname. Indexes from PERSI are available on microfiche and in books. The Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Library at Lake Charles has five volumes of the index. The first two volumes contain only families and are from periodicals dating back as early as 1847. The last three volumes are indexed by place and subject, as well as family surname. KINFOLKS is among the periodicals indexed in PERSI. For a small fee, photocopies of articles can be obtained by writing to PERSI, Allen Co. Public Library, PO Box 2270, Fort Wayne, IN 46801.

FAMILY TREE. Why do we refer to a genealogical diagram as a "Family Tree"? It is believed by some authorities that the idea of a family tree had its origin from the efforts of artists in the Middle Ages to depict the prophecy in Isiah 11:1, "There shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse". Jesse was a patriarch of the tribe of Judah and father of David. A typical example showed a tree growing from the chest of a reclining Jesse with each branch ending with one of his descendants who became a king. This may have given rise to the term family tree as a synonym for genealogy. Monroe Co., IA Gen. Soc. News via Blue Grass Roots, Frankfort, KY.

THE MELUNGEONS: The Resurrection of a Proud People. Anyone interested in further information on these mysterious people who dwelt in the southeastern U.S., especially in the hills and hollows of the Appalachains, will enjoy reading N. BRENT KENNEDY's book. (See KINFOLKS, Vol. 18 #2, 1994.) For further information on this book, contact Mercer University Press, 1400 Coleman Ave., Macon, GA 31207-0001.

INFORMATION FROM EXCHANGES

The SWLGS currently exchanges publications with about 75 other societies. These publications are presented to the Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Library, 411 Pujo St. in Lake Charles. These quarterlies present interesting stories, valuable research tips, queries and previously unpublished records. If you are not utilizing these publications, you are missing a valuable genealogical resource. The following information has been gleaned from some of the publications.

POST DU RAPIDES MILITIA ROLL, 1787 is the second oldest extant militia roll for the post and is presented exactly as names were spelled. This document was found in the <u>Papales Procedentes de la Isla de Cuba, Archivio General de Indies</u>. Names include:

RIFLEMEN - Michelle de Ville, Louis huer, Bte. Martin, Joseph Renois, Remond, Joseph de Cor, Antoine doyen, Louis Laprerie, Charles Davion, Louis Norman, Phillipe, Pierre Pitre, Charles Vecler, francois fruger, Bte. Porie, Joseph fruger, Jn fruger, Nicolas fruger, Jn Louis de Ville, Louis de Ville, Valentin de Ville, Pierre Paren, Louis Ratel, Thomas Belgarde, Joseph Renois, Guillaume Chauvin, Jn Bte huer, Michael Laprarie, Celestin.

AMERICANS - Adam Hoofman, Guillame Oneal, Matthieu Graye, Robert Meckin, Jacques Cedre, Leonard Delson, Robinson, Richar Graye, Richard Simon, Jean Iglaen, Guin Iglaen, Edman Iglaen, Simon Graye, David Graye, Jaques d'Elson, Mets.

'Post du Rapides Militia Roll: 1787', JAMES MICHAEL HILTON.

<u>Central LA Genealogical Society</u>, Vol. 8 #2, April 1994, Alexandria, LA.

MEN WHO DIED AT FORT DELAWARE, 1863-1864 are listed with their rank, company, state and date of birth, in 'To Those who Wore the Grey'.

Terrebonne Life Lines, Vol. 3 #1, Spring 1994, Terrebonne Genealogical Society, Houma, LA.,

TIMES HAVE CHANGED! In 1770 English law stated that all women, regardless of rank, virgins, maids or widows, who seduced and betrayed into matrimony, any man by use of scents, paints, heeled shoes, bolstered hips, artificial teeth or hair, iron stays, hoops, cosmetic washes, etc. shall be convicted of witchcraft and the marriage declared null and void!

The Journal, Vol. 5 No. 2, Friends of Genealogy, Shreveport, LA.

DEATH RECORDS OF U. S. CITIZENS IN OTHER COUNTRIES are reported to the nearest U. S. consulate and become a permanent file at the U. S. Dept. of State. Copies may be obtained from Passport Services, Correspondence Branch, U. S. Dept. of State, Washington, D.C. 20524. For records of members of the U.S. Armed Forces, write to the branch of service (Army, Navy, Air Force, etc.), Secretary of Defense, Washington, D.C. 10226. Frontier Research, Ft. Smith, AR via Family Tree Quarterly, Vol. 4 #1, March 1994, Cobb Co., GA Genealogical Society.

NORWEGIAN RESEARCH. Church records, emigration registers, census and "bygdeboker" from all over Norway has been compiled by the Norwegian Emigration Center. Write them at Hotel Atlantic, Vermbaven1, 400 Stravenger Norway.

News 'N' Notes, Vol. 26 #8, August 1994, St. Louis, MO Gen. Soc. (reprinted from Foothills Gen. Soc., No. 51).

THE IGI: WHAT IT IS AND HOW DO YOU USE IT? The IGI (International Genealogical Index) of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints (LDS) Library is an index which lists millions of names of persons now deceased, with brief genealogical information about birth, christening, marriage, death, and temple ordinance dates. The information was taken from a variety of sources, but can generally be divided into two sources—vital records of birth, christening and marriages (94.5 million names and "patron-submitted" entries (names submitted by relatives and friends to request LDS temple ordinances be performed for them). The 1993 edition of the IGI, which contains over 200 million names from over 90 countries, is available only on compact disc as a part of the Family Search program and can be found at all LDS Family History Centers. The article covers how to find information on the IGI and gives step-by-step instructions for the computerized IGI.

Bulletin, Vol. 43 #2, Winter 1994, Seattle WA Genealogical Society.

CENSUS OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE COUNTY OF OPELOUSSAA (SIC) for Dec. 13, 1813 for the district assigned to I. M. DeBAILLON by the Sheriff is given with all pertinent information.

N'OUBLIEZ PAS, Vol. 11 #2, Summer 1994, Imperial St. Landry Genealogical and Historical Society, Opelousas, LA.

GENETICS GLOSSARY. If you are interested in genetics, you will find terms and definitions from A (amniocentesis) to Z.

The Genealogical Record, Vol. XXVI #3, The Houston (TX) Genealogical Forum.

THE OLD WIRE ROAD in north Louisiana goes from east to west through the parishes of East and West Carroll, Morehouse, Ouachita, Lincoln, Bienville, Webster, Bossier and Caddo. It is an extension of Indian trails along which Spanish explorers traveled and cleared. When the Louisiana Purchase of 1803 opened the territory to American settlement, the hopeful pioneers used this path to find new land. Homesteads sprung up along the route and heavy wagons began using the trail, widening and deepening its track. This issue has maps of old Louisiana.

The Genie, Vol. 28 #3, 1994, Ark-La-Tex Gen. Soc., Schreveport, LA.

"FROM GERMANY TO LOUISIANA VIA PLOEMEUR" relates the history and tragic fate of 4000 German colonists en route to Louisiana in the 18th century.

Les Voyageurs, Vol. XV No. 1, March 1994, German-Acadian Coast Genealogical Society, Destrehan, LA.

CIVIL WAR LETTERS of JAMES BOBBITT STEPHENSON to his wife from Beaumont, Houston, Sabine Pass and other east Texas locations tell of the Battle of Calcasieu Pass and of a soldier's life and concerns. Footprints, Vol. 37 #2, May 1994, Ft. Worth, TX Genealogical Society.

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QUERIES

Please make your queries clear, concise and easily understood. Give full name of the person; exact date, if known, or an approximate date or time period if the exact date is unknown (ca); and a location, if possible. Be sure to state exactly what information you are seeking. Queries are free to members and are \$2.00 for non-members. They will be published as time and space permit.

When you receive an answer, please write a thank you note and reimburse for copies and postage.

SPEIGHTS, SPAIGHT

Would like to contact descendants of J. M. SPEIGHTS from MS, living Hemphill, TX, 1840, where he lived for 23 years. Also interested in Col. ASHLEY W. SPAIGHT (d. 1912, Episcopal Home, Galveston, TX), who had a TX battalion during Civil War and a plantation in Liberty, TX.

YANOULA R. McCOOL, P. O. Box 1694, Pearland, TX 77588

SCHAUBHUT, SIMON, OURSO, HEBERT, FABRE, ST. JULIEN

Researching BARTLIN/BARTHELEMY SCHAUBHUT (b. 1827/8, Baden, Germany) who m. 1850, ROSE FELICITY SIMON (b. ca 1832, St. John Par., LA; d. 1858). Also COSTE/COSSE OURSO (m. SERAPHINE HEBERT). And ALCEE FABRE (d. Youngsville, LA) who m. 1880, EDMEE ST. JULIEN (b. 1862; d/o JULIEN ST. JULIEN). ANDREW PAUL SCHAUBHUT, 2628 Somerset Dr., New Orleans, LA 70131

PAGGEOT, NORMAN, DE MARCE, GEMOU

Interested in contacting anyone doing research on the above named families from French Canada and Michigan.

BETTY ROSTEET, 2801 St. Francis St., Sulphur, LA 70663 and RICK PAGGEOT, P. O. Box 68, Whitehall, MI 49461

BURCH

Searching for descendants and information on the 3 Burch brothers $\underline{\text{INCREASE}}$, $\underline{\text{SHERWOOD}}$ and $\underline{\text{CHARLES}}$, who were ship captains on the Sabine, Neches and Trinity Rivers. They were b. in NY, m. 1st in OH, and emigrated from Meigs Co., OH to Sabine Pass, TX ca 1850. I am descended from a sister. PAT JOHNSON, 2 Wild Lake Dr., RR #5, Covington, KY 41015

CORBELLO, DUGAS, GUILLOT, BOUTTE, BAUDOIN

Need parents for SELMA/CELIMA DUGAS (b. 9 May 1882, Lacassine, La.; d. 6 Aug. 1954, Lake Charles, La.; m. 1 Feb. 1898, Lake Charles, NICOLAS V. CORBELLO) and all information on OLYMPE BOUTTE (m. ARISTILE GUILLOT; d/o PHILLIPE BOUTTE and AGNES HELOISE BAUDOIN).

FRANCIS C. CORBELLO, 120 Norton Dr., Lafayette, LA 70507

SPATES

Interested in details on 1870 Mortality Schedule for WILLIAM SPATES (b. Texas, d. 1 June 1870, Spring Hill, Bayou Rapides, LA from gunshot wound, listed as homicide). His family left the parish. Who were they and where did they go? Also interested in locating information on DAN SPATES, policeman in Galveston, ca 1900.

YANOULA R. McCOOL, P. O. Box 1694, Pearland, TX 77588

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BOOK REVIEWS

Genealogical Abstracts From Tennessee Newspapers, 1803-1812, compiled by SHERIDA K. EDDLEMON. 1989. \$19.00 plus \$3.50 shipping per order.

This second volume of Tennessee newspaper abstracts contains information gathered from seven papers published in the early 1800s in Tennessee. (The first volume covering 1791-1803 was acquired by the Society and reviewed in the summer-1992 KINFOLKS, Vol. 16 #3). This work continued to cover such items as: public land sales, signers of letters to the editor, lists of delinquent taxpayers, announcements of all kinds of goods and services for sale or wanted for purchase, notices of runaway slaves and spouses, and more. The issue of the paper is given, and there is a complete surname index to the thousands of people mentioned in the following: The Carthage Gazette and Friend of the People, 1809; the Nashville Whig, 1812; The United States Herald, 1810; Wilson's Knoxville Gazette, 1807-1809; The Newspaper and Washington Advertiser, 1803-1804; The Carthage Gazette, 1810-1811; The Democratic Clarion and Tennessee Gazette, 1810-1811.

Soft cover, 239pp., index. Order from <u>Heritage Books</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, 1540-E Pointer <u>Ridge Place</u>, <u>Suite 300</u>, <u>Bowie</u>, <u>MD 20716</u>

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The title continues on with the following: "The location, physical aspect, mountains, rivers, lakes, climate, productive and manufacturing resources, commerce, government, education, general history, etc., of the states, territories, counties, cities, towns, and post-offices in the American Union with the population and other statistics from the census of 1850". There are also some entries which include information from the 1820, 1830, and 1840 censuses. Certainly this is a good book for browsing and perhaps may be the gateway to an ancestor's hometown which can no longer be found on modern-day maps.

Soft cover, 400pp., illus., maps. Order from <u>Heritage Books</u>, <u>Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place</u>, <u>Suite 300</u>, <u>Bowie</u>, <u>MD 20716</u> (This is a complimentary copy from the publisher).

English Surnames; Their Sources and Significations, by CHARLES WAREING BARDSLEY 1990 facsimile reprint of 6th edition, 1898. \$35.00 plus \$3.50 shipping per order.

The opening contains prefaces to the fifth, third, second, and first editions plus the preface to the "Index of Instances" which cites the sources where specific surnames were found in ancient documents. Following are chapter headings: Patronymic surnames, Local surnames, Surnames of office, Surnames of occupation (county), Surnames of occupation (town), Nicknames, Appendix to chapters IV and V.

Soft cover, xxi, 612 pp.; index. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Suite 300, Bowie, MD 20716 (This is a complimentary copy from the publisher).

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- ... When you think every home should have a microfilm reader.
- ...If you rather read census schedules than a good book.
- ...When you know every town (county) clerk in your state by name.
- ...If town (county) clerks lock the doors when they see you coming.
- ...When you're more interested in what happened in 1693 than 1993.
- ...If you store your clothes under the bed and your closet is carefully stacked with notebooks and journals.
- ...When Savage, Torrey, and Pope are household names, but you can't remember what you called your dog.
- ...If you can pinpoint Harrisham, Hawkhust, Kent on a map of England but can't locate Topeka, Kansas.
- ...When all your correspondence begins, "Dear Cousin,"
- ...If you traced all your ancestral lines back to Adam and Eve, have it all fully documented, andd still don't want to quit.

Thanks to $\underline{\text{The}}$ $\underline{\text{Kalamazoo}}$ $\underline{\text{Valley}}$ $\underline{\text{Heritage}}$ (18:3) via the Essex Society of Genealogists, Inc.

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