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**Research Price Schedule
Effective 2004**

An initial search of up to 2 hours is \$25.00 to be paid before any research begins. No part of the initial fee will be refunded. If any further work is desired, arrangements will be made with the individual actually doing the research. Upon your request, a search will be made to locate someone willing to work on solving your questions about your Grundy County connections. Please contact the Grundy County Historical Society, P.O. Box 1422, Tracy City, TN. 37387. Phone 931-467-3170 or e-mail jcoats@cafes.net with your question to initiate the process.

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“DID YOU KNOW?”

By Mona G. Moreland

Be it remembered that at a County Court began and held for the County of Grundy at the house of Jesse Wooten on Cumberland mountain, the place to which the last count court adjourned, on the first Monday being the second day of June A.D. 1845 and the 69th Year of the Independence of the United States. Present the worshipful Anderson S. Goodman, Chairman Wm. Dugan, Richard Bradford, Isaac H. Campbell and Ambrose Killian, esquires Justices.

Ordered by the Court that Henry Clay be appointed overseer of the river Road from the Warren County line, to the corner of William Dugans esqr. Fence, and have all the hands of the northeast side of said River including Isham Dykes plantation to keep the same in repair.

NOTE:

Starting with this issue, I have changed the Header of this publication. We will no longer be using Roman Numerals for the Volume # of each issue, instead will use regular Numbers.
Mona G. Moreland, Editor

Our Policy

Members and friends of GCHS are encouraged to submit materials pertaining to Grundy and surrounding counties for publication and to be archived in the following categories.

1. Genealogical Histories and materials
2. Articles of General Interest
3. Photographs
4. Maps

Data should be well documented as to source. Sources for submitted materials can be noted by Footnotes at the bottom of the page or Endnotes at the conclusion of the article. We ask that photographs and illustrations be accompanied by a description of their contents. Family Histories will be limited to no more than 5 pages per issue and will be printed in no more than 2 issues.

Please try to have the document typed. Original documents should be transcribed by the submitter. Include your name, address, phone number and e-mail address on the manuscript when submitted. We prefer to have the materials submitted electronically, diskette or CD's.

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President's Message

Mona Moreland, we are so thankful to have had you as editor of *The Pathfinder* since 2001. Where would we be without your work? It is a daunting task to put together a journal 4 times a year, but you have done a grand job every time. We wish you well.

Finding a successor will be no easy task, but we trust someone will step up and take on the job. Great organizations continue on! Successive generations will benefit from the work that you have done and the work that will continue to be done. Historical Societies never get finished with their work because it keeps increasing as time continues its march. Readers, please let Mona know how much she is appreciated and how valuable her work for the Society has been. Mona, we hope that you will continue to contribute articles for publishing as you are able.

Get well wishes go to GCHS director Jerry Davenport who is receiving chemo treatment in the Skilled Care Unit at the hospital in Winchester. Anna Mary Parker of Hermitage, a long-time member of GCHS, fell recently and broke several bones. We hope she is doing well.

The Historical Society has made plans to publish another book. This book will be a pictorial history of Grundy County. We will be collecting pictures of people, places, event and just about anything pertaining to Grundy County. **Please send your pictures!** We intend to **collect** then **select** the pictures we can use. We are still in the planning stage at the moment, but we have decided that the book will be available to the public in the first part of 2009. The pictures you send will need to be clear photos, not Xerox copies. Identification of the people, place or event will be needed. If the picture is a group picture, we will need to have as many as possible in the picture identified. The date range of pictures we are gathering will be from the earliest you can find up through the 1990's. Of course, we want to emphasize the earlier pictures, but we also want to include some more modern-day ones as well. **Please** do not send your original, irreplaceable pictures! Send copies that do not need to be returned.

Pictures may be sent to Janelle Taylor; U.S. Highway 41; Pelham, TN 37366 or send them to .jpg format to jcoats@cafes.net. Most likely we will pre sell these pictorial book, so keep an eye out for our ad in the next few months. Remember that the success of this book depends on people like you who respond by sending your pictures. So, dig out your best Grundy County photos, tell your neighbor to do the same. Support this new endeavor.

Thank you *all* for everything you do for the Grundy County Historical Society.

Sincerely,

Janelle Layne Taylor , President

A Note from the Editor

Mona G. Moreland

We want to thank all that have continued their membership to our Society and welcome all new members. We hope you find our publication filled with information that interest and benefits you. If you have information about Grundy County or about any families of Grundy County, please share it with us. **We also need pictures of interest in Grundy County. Note: See Janelle's message above.**

I also want to thank all who have supported me in my endeavor to publish "The Pathfinder" and have shared your pictures, family histories and wonderful articles of Grundy County history. I especially want to thank Dola S. Tylor for all her hard work and sharing it with me, without her the publication would not be the success it has become.

I am sorry to say that I will no longer be your editor. I have some health issues that are the cause of my resignation. I have loved every minute of my time as your editor. I am certain the new editor will do a great job.

For Your Information

The Grundy County Historical Society has the following books for Sale:

Grundy County Heritage Books for sale for \$72.00 postpaid. They are 512 pages; fully indexed, and beautifully hardbound.

We have the following family books:

<u>Kilgore Family</u> by Catherine Flury	\$50.00
<u>Meeks Family</u> by Coats, Campbell & Campbell	\$40.00
<u>Stoker Family</u> by Catherine Flury	\$20.00
<u>Flury Family</u> by Catherine Flury	\$20.00
<u>Street Family</u> by Catherine Flury	\$20.00

Corrections:

Please correct the Marriage Records in the following issues of **"The Pathfinder"**

Issue 4, 2005; Issues I-2-3-4 2006

I had put the Marriages listed as being from 1888 to 1904 and they were from 1904 to 1916.

Please correct the Content page for **Families** of Grundy County, Tennessee to **Neighbors** in Grundy County, Tennessee-1900 to page **#23** not **#24**.

Thank you, Mona G. Moreland, Editor

QUERIES:

#174-2007

CLARK-RANDOLPH

Looking for John B. Clark, b: July 1848 in TN. and Amanda Randolph, b: Sept. 1854 in TN. I found them in the 1900 Franklin Co., TN. Census Records but I can not find them prior to that.

I found some of the descendants of John B. and Amanda in the 1910. 1920 and 1930 Grundy Co., TN. Census Records. Some of John B. and Amanda's descendants continued to live in Grundy Co., TN. through the 1990's.

Any information on the Clark/Randolph families would be greatly appreciated. Thank you very much.

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#175-2007

KEEL-LOCKHART

My grandmother moved to Hartford, AR around 1906 from Tracy City, TN. Her name was Stella Lee Lockhart. Her brothers and sisters were Jack, Aurthor, Bonnie, and Blanch. Her parents were Sidney Johnson Lockhart and Sally (Kell) Lockhart. Stella was born July 13, 1901. Sidney and Sally were born in 1869. I visited Tracy City in 1984 and met a relative by the name of Wilson Lockhart. I would love to have any information on the Kell and Lockhart families.

From: Charleston, AR E-mail: leisam78@yahoo.com

#176-2007

DORSEY-ATKINS-ARNOLD

She was Emma Dorsey, 1st. married an Atkins, later to an Arnold. She was born in the 1800's and was still alive in 1933 and living in Tracy City. Need information of her birth and death.

Paul Engsberg E-mail: pengsber@sewanee.edu

#177-2007

RUBLEY

Need information of marriages of Edward Rubley and his sister Lena Rubley. Both probably occurred in early 1900's.

Sandra Tate Hereford E-mail: herefordst@comcast.net

#178-2007

ROSS-BROWN-MASSENGALE-LOCKHART-HUNTER-CUNNINGHAM

My special need is info on the Hunter and Cunningham connection. Holman Lockhart and wife Nancy Hunter Lockhart are buried in Philadelphia Cem. Told that Zora Hunter could be her sister. Nancy's death certificate states Squire Hunter as her father. Any info appreciated.

Karen Ross E-mail: Karen.Ross@shawinc.com

**CIVIL WAR MEMORIES
Of Robert C. Carden
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Part 2~ The Tale Continues**

BOONE, IOWA, FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 28, 1912
CHAPTER XIII

While we were in the trenches at Atlanta the authorities gave so much a pound for minie balls picked up in the rear of our main line, as our ammunition was running short and we wanted to send them back the first chance we got. Those that were whole did not have to be moulded again. Some of the men made good wages picking them up. When we would be in line of battle or in the ditches when some part of our army would be engaged at some part of the line the soldiers would write letters to friends on the line to find out whether any of our acquaintances was killed or wounded. We would get a small stick about six inches long and split one end far enough to put the envelope in, then take a string and tie around the split end to hold it secure, then toss it where we wanted it to go. Some one would toss it again and so on until it reached its destination. I have got an answer the same day.

I remember when we were in line of battle in Atlanta that the Georgia militia would be in reserve just behind our line, and they would have a negro cook to bring them their rations to them at their line, and I have seen the negroes carry a frying pan up in front of their heads to keep the Yankee balls from hitting them. The balls would have probably have glanced off anyway, as a negro's skull is almost bomb proof.

Soon after I got home, in 1865 I married and settled down at the old home. I looked after the family, my mother being a widow, as my father died when I was about ten years old. I reared a large family of children, two boys living in Iowa, one daughter in California, the rest are living near me in Tennessee.

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One of the saddest things in the reconstruction madness was that the church tried to give the sanction of religion to the effort to steal our property and disfranchise us in favor of the carper bagger, the sca'awag and the negro. The General Assembly of the Presbyterian church had been very bitter during the war denouncing rebellion as they called it, and in advising and encouraging the government in all its measures, however cruel and oppressive. In May, 1865 the assembly met in Pittsburg, Pa. and passed a series of resolutions practically suspending all Presbyterian ministers until they had repented of the sin of rebellion, and as those in the south, almost to a man was strong supporters of the Confederacy this action declared every pulpit vacant and meant that North had the right to take over all our churches with their property. The southern ministers, in 1861 had protested against the church taking sides in the political question dividing the country, and when the assembly demanded that all ministers under its jurisdiction should support the cause of the union those in the Confederate states withdrew and organized a separate church. This action at Pittsburg in 1865 was thus a distinct refusal to acknowledge the southern General Assembly as having any rights that the northern body was bound to respect.

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The first Presbyterian church of Nashville was probably the first to resist the effort of the northern church to get possession. This church had called the Rev. R.F. Bunting, the noted chaplain of the Texas Rangers to be their pastor and he had gone to Ohio to meet his family and bring them to Nashville and take charge of the first church. In the meantime the Northern Board of Home Missions appointed as minister a Mr. Brown, to come to Nashville and take charge of the First church. The elders had been notified of his appointment and were expecting him any day, but they determined that he should not take charge of the church, so they employed Rev. McKinley, D.D. to hold the church until Dr. Bunting arrived. The church building had been used as a hospital by the Federal troops and was in no condition to have church services in. Rev. McKinley had run the church for some time when Rev. Brown and Dr. Bunting both arrived about the same time. Both were getting ready to hold services. Mr. Brown saw at once that he had run against a snag. They told him that the First Presbyterians had never given up their organization, nor forfeited their rights and claimed the right to select their own minister. The matter was argued pro and con and the church frankly told Mr. Brown that they did not want now would they have him as their minister. After he saw that the case was hopeless he got his Irish up and spoke something like this: "Gentlemen, you seem to forget that the rebellion is crushed and that Nashville is in the hands on the union army."

Prof. Cross, rising to his feet, drawing himself to his full stature said: "Mr. Brown, do you mean to threaten us? Is it your aim to use military force to compel us to accept you as our minister?" Dr. Bunting preached that day. Mr. Brown appealed to Gen. Thomas who gave him to understand that he was not in it, and he went back north where he was probably liked better.

I stayed around home and kept out of sight of the Yankees that passed that way from one place to another, until a neighbor, a union man, advised me that I had better go with him to headquarters at Tullahoma, and report, which I did. This man's name was R.E. Lasater, and he was a great help to all of us southern people. He had great influence with the Yankee commander and saved many lives. The commander was named Milroy and another was Gen. Payne. He was a regular mean one and if some one like Lasater did not interfere they generally got shot in short order after reporting to headquarters.

The authorities had me to report down at Tullahoma once a month, which I did for several times, when they sent me down to Nashville and for several days I had to report every day. They finally got tired of that, I suppose, and they sent me to the penitentiary for safe keeping. The prisoners in the pen were of all sorts and sizes, Rebels, Yankees, citizens, negroes and what not. There was one old citizen in there, I remember, who would stand around and cuss the Yankees from morning till night. There was also a Yankee who wore a Mother Hubbard made of a barrel, with a hole in the head of it just large enough for his head to go through, and it was labeled "Thief." He might have been the fellow who stole my mother's pie, I don't know. Then there was a lot of negroes with ball and chains on their legs. There was a long shed that we all would stay during the day and sleep in the building at night. We got two meals a day, one in the morning and one about 3 p.m. We would get bread and some other stuff and a lot of coffee if you had any vessel to put it in. If you did not, you got no coffee.

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At the afternoon meal you could get bread and beans or soup, if you had something to put them in. I had got a Yankee canteen and cut the top off, and fared very well after that.

Most everyone in the pen, I mean the war prisoners, gambled from morning till night. After remaining there two or three weeks myself and a number of others took some kind of an oath and came home. I was all right then and was not afraid to meet any Yankees that might be passing through the country. Then is when I settled down to farming.

When I was released from the pen I went up in the city to some of the bosses and showed them my papers, and told them I would like to get transportation home. The fellow asked me if I did not walk to Nashville and I told him that I walked in there with Gen. Hood. I thought that would be a point in my favor, but he told me I could walk home, which I did. I have thought ever since then he ought to have given me transportation as my feet got awfully blistered.

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In Rhea county, Dayton, Tenn., was organized the only Ladies Company in all the land of Dixie. The object of this company was to visit relatives, friends and sweethearts who had enlisted in the several companies from Rhea county, taking them clothing, medicines, and provisions, performing the part of ministering angels. This company was organized in 1862 and was from the most prominent and respected families of Rhea county. Miss Mary McDonald was the captain, Miss Jennie Hoyal first lieutenant, Miss O.J. Lock second lieutenant, Miss R.G. Thompson, third lieutenant and Miss Kate Hoyal, Barbara Allen, Jane Kieth, Sadie Mitchell, Caroline McDonald, Annie Myers, Mary McDonald, Margaret Abel and Martha Easley were members.

After the Federals had occupied Tennessee Valley and reduced the women to starvation the Federal authorities, on February 5, 1865, sent and arrested all these young ladies who were members of the company and on the 6th. day of April, these young ladies were marched by an armed guard to Smith's Cross Roads, now Dayton; thence in the night they were marched to Belle Landing, on the Tennessee river, marching in mud over their shoe tops. Here they were made to wait all night long until an old boat known as the "Chicken Thief" came along when they were placed aboard and locked up in the dining room and a guard placed at each door. They were taken to Chattanooga, sleeping on the bare floor. Upon their arrival at Chattanooga they were marched up to the provost marshal's office like a lot of criminals and required to take the oath of allegiance. Gen. Steadman, who was in charge of the Federal forces, on looking over these young ladies who were among the best of Rhea county, ordered them released and directed that they be served a splendid dinner and then be returned to their homes. He severely reprimanded the inferior officers for having arrested these girls, who were from 16 to 22 years old. Such id war—cruel war. The Yankee officers were generally kind to our women and some of the men were kind but others were very mean to the helpless women.

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The following sketches of the South is by permission taken from "Battles and Sketches of the Army of the Tennessee," by Bromfield L. Ridley, of Murfreesboro, Tenn. The battle of Nashville gave us a heroine whose name Gen Hood placed on the Roll of Honor, Miss Mary Bradford, now Mrs. John Johns, appeared when Gen. Thomas' army was pouring the musketry into us and Hood's army was in full retreat, rushed out into the thickest of the battle and begged the soldiers to stop and fight.

The famous raid of Gen. Stra??, with two thousand men, near Rome, Georgia, resulting in his capture through of Miss Emma Sausome was an instance of female prowess long to be remembered. Amid the flying bullets thrilled with patriotism she jumped on behind Gen. Forrest and piloted him across Black Creek. The legislature of Alabama presented her land and the people lauded her to the skies.

Another heroine in name only, yet a hero in fact appeared in Gen. Morgan's camp on the line of Kentucky and Tennessee, grew to a terror in that section. The boys, on account of his feminine features and flowing hair used to call him "Sissie." They dressed him up one day and introduced him to Gen. Morgan as Miss Sue Munday. It turned out to be Jerome Clark, son of Hector Clark, of Franklin, Kentucky, but after this he was known only as Sue Munday. He was a member of the old squadron and on account of the insults heaped upon his family he was a terror to every one who wore the blue that came his way.

At one time in 1863, says Gen. Colman, of the Indian Territory, Miss Press Whitley, aged 19, of Knob-noster,(*as spelled), a Federal post in Missouri rode on horseback from her home 60 miles carrying news to the intrepid Quantrell and another time, when the Federals were at the home of her father, Capt. Wm. Whitley on search of contraband goods, she shot a lieutenant, wounded a private and made her escape. They outlawed her, her uncle was shot from ambush, breaking his under jaw and cutting off his tongue. Miss Whitley rode 20 miles at night, found her uncle, carried him home and hid him in an old well until he had recovered sufficiently to ride away. The Federal authorities banished her from the state.

The old scouts in the west will remember two other heroines through whose aid we were often saved from attack. Miss Kate Patterson, now Mrs. Kyle, of Luvergne,(*as spelled) Tenn., and Miss Robbie Woodruff, who lived ten miles from Nashville. They would go into Nashville and get what information was needed and place it in a designated tree or log to be conveyed to us by our scouts. I have often wondered if that diagram of the works around Nashville found upon the person of Sam Davis was not the work of the young ladies, notwithstanding it was the impression that it was stolen from Gen. Dodge's table by a negro boy.

But I have a heroine of the mountains who developed in war times, yet on account of her obscure habitation and the bitter heart burnings existing between the two sections so evenly divided that history has not given her the merited fame. I got her record from the Rev. J.H. Nicholds, who lived near her in Putman county, three miles from Cookville, Tenn. Her name was Miss Mariana Gunter, now Mrs. Joseph Harris. Her father, Larkin Gunter, was a southern man, and some bushwhackers claiming to belong to the Federal army, resolved to kill him. One night three of them, Mixwell, Miller and Patton, visited him at their house and told him in the

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presence of his family that his time to come to die. They took him from the house and in a short time this girl of 17 heard the blows and her father's groans, when she rushed to the woodpile, got an ax and hurriedly approached the scene. She killed two with the ax and broke the third one's arm and he fled in a hurry, but afterwards died from his wound. She then lifted her father up and carried him to the house. Soon he sought and obtained protection from the Federal general at Nashville. She said afterwards that upon hearing her father's groans she grew frantic and does not know to this good day how she managed it. This is the greatest achievement of female heroism ever recorded and places Miss Gunter on a pinnacle of glory that belongs not only to patriotism but to the grandeur of filial devotion, the ties that stretches from the cradle to the grave, spans the heavens and is riveted through eternity to the throne of God.

They talk of Sheridan's ride, but let me tell you on one that strips it of his grandeur. The famous run of Miss Antoinette Polk, displaying worthy of imperishable record. She was on the Hampshire turnpike, a few miles from Columbia, Tenn., when some one informed her of the Federals contemplated raid upon her father's home on the Mt. Pleasant pike, five miles across, said pike forming an obtuse angle from Columbia. She knew that some soldier friends at her father's would be captured unless she had notice and in order to inform them she had to go across the angle which was barricaded with high rails and rock fences. There was no more superb equestrienne in the valley of the Tennessee, of magnificent physique and she had a thoroughbred horse trained to do her bidding. She started, her horse leaped the fences like a deer and came out in front of the troopers four miles from her home. They took after her but her foaming steed was so fleet of foot that she got away and saved her friends from capture.

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I remember another heroine, Lieut. Buford, of an Arkansas regiment. She stepped and walked, the personification of a soldier boy, had won her spurs at the battle of Bull Run, Shiloh and Ft. Donelson and was promoted for gallantry. One evening she came to Gen. Stewart's headquarters at Tyner's station with an order from Major Kinlock Folconet to report for duty as a scout but upon finding that he was a woman she was sent back and the order revoked. She has written a book. In point of devotion to duty, nursing our soldiers in distress, the sick and

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wounded, the women of the south were all Florence Nightengales. It would be invidious to discriminate but I will mention some other noteworthy deeds.

I have another heroine, bless her sweet soul. I have forgotten her name. One day Gen. Morgan sent a squad of us on a scout and we were pursued by Col. Funkerhauser's regiment in Denny's bend of the Cumberland river near Rome, Tennessee. My heroine, a girl of 14 directed us to Bradley's Island for safety, a place or about sixty acres in cultivation. On the river side it was encircled by a sand bar with driftwood lodge on an occasional tree. This sweet little girl brought us a square meal and watched like a hawk for our safety during the day. Thinking that it was only a foraging party and that they were gone, we ventured to leave during the afternoon, but run into them and a running fire ensued. After eluding pursuit we concluded to go back. In a short time a company of Federals appeared on the island, evidently having tracked our horses. We left our horses without hitching them and took shelter under a big fallen tree. The troops were within ten steps of us at the time. We could hear them distinctly. One fellow said, "If we catch them this is a good place to hang them." Another one said, "Let's go into the drift wood on the sand bar and bag them." Our hearts throbbed and our legs trembled for we thought we were gone. One of our squad said, "Let's give up," but the rest of us were too scared to answer and they passed on without discovering us. Our heroine came to us after nightfall, she called and we answered. She was happy over our escape and said she saw them leaving and seeing no prisoners she had mounted her horse and followed them to the toll gate two mile away and learned they had returned to Lebanon, after which she brought our supper and put us on a safe road. Such heroines the soldiers often met with in disputed territory between contending armies. They evidenced a devotion to country that only might and not right could subdue.

There was another class more nearly comporting with the female character --- sock knitters, clothes makers, needle pliers, God servers, rebelling in sentiment, in touch with the times. From wealth they drank the dregs of poverty's cup until now nearly fifty years, by frugality, they have been instrumental in our Southland's blessed resurrection. Female clerks, teachers, stenographers, form authoresses to cooks, they attest the courage and praiseworthiness that exceeds bellicose valor.

The following account of heroism in saving her father's life is contributed by J.M. Bedichek, brother of the heroine, and now principal of the Eddy Literary Scientific Institute of Eddy, Texas. Mr. Bedichek was under Gen. F.M. Cockrell, in the 1st. Missouri Brigade. His sister and father were left alone, their mother having died before the war. It was on the night of the 16th. of June, 1865, when the most cruel phase of the horrible war was seen nightly in ghastly murders and lurid flames, that a band of soldiers was seen in our front yard seven miles north of Warrensburg, Johnson county, Missouri. A knock was heard at the door and Sister Mary Bedichek, then 16 years old, asked, "Who is there?" "Friends," said a voice outside. "What do you

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want?" she asked "we want to come in and warm." "You have guns?" "Yes" "If you will leave your guns outside you may come in," she said. "Oh, well, if that will please you, we will do so," whereupon the leader came in.

No others appeared to care to enter and sister closed the door and locked it. The soldier asked if there were any bushwhackers in the house. "There's no one but Father and I," she said. "Your two brothers are in the Rebel army, eh?" "Yes" A search of the room by the dim light of the fireplace was made. It was near bed time, and when the militiaman had satisfied himself that nobody but father and sister were in the house he said: "Old man, I have come to kill you," drawing his pistol at the same time. "Ah!" As father made this laconic response he grabbed the pistol and a most terrible scuffle ensued. The assailant wrested the pistol out of father's hand and began to beat him over the head with the pistol. Sister Mary, not idle, ran to the kitchen, seized a corn knife, a very large one, and directed an effectual blow at the uplifted arm and with rapid blows chopped his head until he cried for help, saying "For God's sake let me out," where upon one of the party outside ran to the north door, opened it, gun in hand and tried to see which one to shoot. My sister, hearing him seized the gun with her left hand and dealt him a blow. He jerked the gun from her and she gave him another blow and pushed him out of the house. She then locked the door and put the window shades down so they could not see where to shoot. Those on the south of the house opened fire at the window and with a beam broke the door down. No one attempted to come in but the wounded man staggered to the door and down the steps. Some one asked if he was hurt and he said, "I am a dead man." He fell within ten steps of the door and they took him away.

Father sent word to Warrensburg that his house had been attacked and Co. Thos. Crittenden, of the Federal army, later democratic governor of Missouri, sent out a scout under Capt. Box. As they approached the house and were about to enter the yard he ordered them to halt outside. Sister thought they had come for revenge and she procured a long dagger, hide it in the folds of her dress and waited at the door for the approach of the captain.

"Well." Said the captain, "you have had a battle here I understand. It looks very much like it from the looks of the room." There was blood, hair, a hat, gloves, etc. strewn over the house. The captain said: "Tell me about it." As sister was telling her story the company came up close in order to catch what was said. One of the soldiers said, "I wish she had killed the other one too." Another said, "I wish she had killed the whole outfit."

Col. Crittenden made my sister a present of a fine pistol as a mark of her heroism and to emphasize his disapproval of murdering old men by brutal soldiers and bushwhackers. This account is as father and sister told me soon after the terrible tragedy.

Signed J.M. Bedeker

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When I got home there was just one mare on the place and she was two years past and that was the stock I made the first crop with.

After my return home the negroes had a stock of fodder which they had hid in the woods that had not been taken. The only kind of plow I had to do the breaking up of the land and the cultivation of my crop was an old "bull tongue" plow. Some of our people had to go forty miles to get corn to make a crop with and for bread. When I returned and started my crop the negroes all wanted to start out for themselves, which they did. I offered my negro man a 30 acre piece of land but he refused the offer and the whole batch started out on their own resources except for a negro girl who lived with our family until her death only a few years ago.

We suffered many privations during those years. Our women had to wear homemade clothing. The first suit I had after my return was homemade. My mother spun the thread and then wove it and a neighbor lady made the suit. My overcoat was made of a Yankee blanket, but we made out that way until we could do better. When anyone was lucky enough to have bacon they had to hide it to keep the Yankees from stealing it. Some would hang it in the tops of the trees in the summer and some would put in an ash hopper and cover it with ashes.

I have been trying ever since the war to find the Yankee that took a family pie my mother was cooking on the fire place. I don't want to hurt him but simply shake hands with a good forager. Mother was cooking the pie and watching it very closely, and this Yankee was watching her. He finally walked into another room and returning told her that a soldier was going through a bureau in another room. My mother went to see about it but there was no one in the room. When she returned the fellow was going out of the gate with oven, pie and all. After the cavalry had gone on, my mother went up where they had stopped to feed and got her oven. I would like to hear from that fellow if he is living. It is not too late to apologize for the trick he played.

Some time after I had returned from prison and the war had ended and Rebel soldiers commenced passing on their home. The reconstruction set in. Gov. Brownlow, the military governor of the state set in to reconstruct us old Rebels and try to make good citizens out of us. He would appoint three good union men to run our county business. Our county got three very good men to act as commissioners who die reasonably well with the people. The governor appointed a son-in-law of President Johnson of East Tennessee to be our circuit judge and he appointed a little Yankee carpetbagger to be our attorney general and the way they run our courts was a sight. Judge Patterson was very near deaf. I remember on one occasion a Rebel lawyer got up to make a speech in a certain case and in starting out made a remark to the jury that the old thing sitting as a judge was a deaf old fool, and everyone in the court laughed. The judge leaned over the desk with hand to his ear and asked what was the matter and the lawyer turned around and said, "Just a little levity, Judge," and proceeded with his argument.

Everyone summoned as a juror was asked under oath whether he was a Ku Klux or not A Ku Klux could not sit on a jury if they knew it.

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They never found a Ku Klux but there was plenty of them in the county.

Every white man that was old enough to vote had to have a certificate from on of Gov. Brownlow's appointees before he could vote but the negro would vote, and a good republican could vote everyone of them and the same is done to this day. Every man, white or black, has to have a poll tax receipt before he can vote, and the negroes generally wait until about election time in order to get some good republican to pay his poll tax and there are some low down whites that do the same. That kind of voter ought to be barred from voting.

After several years we all got things in shape so we could vote and you ought to see the carpetbaggers retire, and most of them have been taking back seats ever since. We finally got to be good citizens and have been attending to our own affairs ourselves.

After the negroes got their freedom it made awful fools out of them. That is what brought the Ku Klux into existence. We had to have something like that to handle them. When a company of the Klan wanted to scare them they would go to a negro house in the night with the scariest,(*as spelled), clothing imaginable and call for a drink of water. The negro would bring out a dipper and the Ku Klux would drink and call for more and keep calling for more and keep calling for more and keep calling, then he would finally ask for the bucket full and he would then tell the negro that was the first drink he had since he was killed at Shiloh. Negroes were very superstitious and they lay very low after that. The Ku Klux would whip one once in a while. I knew of their whipping mean white men too. There was a white man living in this county who was so mean and stingy that he would not buy his daughter books to go to school or clothing to dress her decently. Well, the Klan went to see him one night and told them they would be back in a week and if he did not have things in shape they would attend to him. He told them they need not return as he would get the necessary articles at once, and he did.

There was an old couple of white people living near me, each being over 80 years of age. I called to see them one morning while they were eating breakfast and I saw some of the little negroes go to the table while the old folks were eating and grab a handful of fried eggs. It was not long after that the Ku Klux called and whipped a couple of the ring leaders. I never heard of any more complaints against the negroes. The threshing they received seemed to make good citizens out of them.

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CHAPTER XVII**

In writing these sketches, before I close, I want to chronicle the death of Sam Davis, a Tennessee hero. The following condensed sketch was furnished by Joshua Brown, of New York City, who was a member of the 2nd. Kentucky cavalry of the C.S.A. and was a fellow scout, of Sam Davis. He says, "As you requested I will give you my personal recollections of the capture,

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imprisonment and execution of Sam Davis, one of the noblest patriots that ever died for his country." Other patriots have died for their country. Capt. Morton Williams and Lieut. Peters who were hanged at Franklin, Tenn. By the Federals knew that death was inevitable and died like brave soldiers, but Davis had continuance of life, pardon and a pass offered him through the lines, if he would only reveal where he got the information and papers that were found on his person and in his saddle seat, but he knew that the man who gave them to him was at that moment in jail with him, Col. Shaw, chief of Bragg's scouts, who had charge of the secret service of the Army of the Tennessee. Gen. Bragg had sent the scouts into Middle Tennessee to see what the Federal Army was doing and to report the same to him, at Chattanooga by courier. When we received our orders we were told it was a very serious undertaking and they expected but few of us to return. After the scouts had been in Tennessee about ten days we watched the 16th. corps, commanded by Gen. Dodge, move up from Corinth, Miss. to Pulaski, Tenn. We agreed that we would leave for the south on the 19th. of November, 1863. A number had been captured and several killed. We were to start that night each for himself. Each had his own information, but I did not write it down or make a memorandum of it for fear of being captured. We had counted every regiment and all artillery of the 16th. corps and had found out that they were moving to Chattanooga. Late in the afternoon we started out and ran into the 7th. Kansas cavalry, known as the "Kansas Jayhawkers." When we were told what regiment had captured us we thought our time had come,

We were taken to Pulaski, about fifteen miles away and put into jail where several other prisoners had been sent. Among them was Sam Davis. I talked with him over our prospects of imprisonment and escape, which was gloomy. Davis said they had searched him and found some papers on him and that he had been taken to general headquarters and that they had found in his saddle seat maps and descriptions of the fortifications at Nashville and at other points, and an exact report of the Federal army in Tennessee. They found in his boot this letter which was intended for Gen. Bragg.

Giles County, Tenn. ,Nov. 18,1863, Col. A. McKinstry, Prov. Marshal Gen. Army of Tennessee, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

I sent you seven Nashville papers, three Louisville papers and our Cincinnati paper. I also send for Gen. Bragg three wash ball of soap, three tooth brushes, and two blank books. I could not get a large size diary for him. I will send a pair of shoes and slippers and some more soap, gloves and socks soon. The Yankees are still camped on the line of the Tennessee & Alabama railroad. Gen. Dodge's headquarters are in Pulaski. His main force is camped from that place to Lynville, some at Elk river(*as written) and two regiments at Athens, Ala. Gen. Dodge has issued an order to the people of those counties to report all stock, grain and forage to him and he will give vouchers for it, upon refusal to report that he will take it without pay. They are now taking all

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They can find. Gen. Dodge says he knows they are all southern and does not ask them to swear to a lie. All spare forces around Nashville are being sent to McMinnville. Six batteries and twelve Parrot guns were sent forward on the 14th., 15th., and 16th. It is understood that it is to work in front. Telegrams suppressed. Davis has returned, Gregg has gone below. Everything is beginning to work better. I send Roberts with things for you and Gen, Bragg with dispatches. I think the Yankees will stay. Everything looks that way. I understand that part of Sherman's army has reached Shelbyville. I hope to be able to post you soon. The dispatches I sent you on the 7th. reached Decatur on the 10th.

Here is Sam Davis's pass:

Headquarters Bragg's Scouts, Middle Tennessee, Sept. 25, 1863

Samuel Davis had permission to pass anywhere in Middle or South of the Tennessee river as he may see proper.

By order of Gen. Bragg

F. Coleman, Comdg. Scouts

The next morning Davis was taken to Gen. Dodge's headquarters and this is what took place between them, as Gen. Dodge told me recently. Gen. Dodge says he took Davis into his private office and told him it was a very serious charge against him, that he was a spy, and was found upon his person showed that he had accurate information regarding my army and I must know where he obtained it. I told him he was a young man and he seemed not to realize the danger he was in. Up to that time he had said nothing, but he replied in the most respectful and dignified manner. "Gen. Dodge, I realize the danger of my situation and am willing to take the consequences."

I then asked him to give me the name of the party who gave him the information as I knew it must be some one near headquarters or who had the confidence of my staff officers and repeated that I meant to know the source from which the information came. I told him I would have to call a court martial and have him tried for his life and from the proof we had we would be compelled to convict him.

He replied, "I know that. I know I will have to die, and I will not tell where I got the information. There is no power on earth that can make me tee it. You, General, are doing your duty as a soldier. I am doing my duty to my country and my God."

I plead with him, said Gen. Dodge, and urged him with all the power I possessed to give me some chance to save his life, for I discovered that he was a most admirable young man, with the highest character and strictest integrity. Davis the said "It is useless for you to talk to me. I do not intend to do it. You may court martial and do anything else you like, but I will not betray the trust reposed in me."

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The commission that sat on the case when Sam Davis was tried was composed of the following: Col. Madison Miller, 18th. Missouri; Lieut.Col. Thos. W. Gains, 50th. Missouri Inf.; Mayor Lathrop, 39th. Iowa Ifnt.(*as spelled); Judge Advocate.

After hearing the evidence the following sentence was pronounced:

“The commission do hereby sentence him, the said Samuel Davis, of Colman’s Scouts, of the so-called Confederate States to be hanged by the neck until dead, at such time and place as the commanding general shall direct, two thirds of the commission approving. The sentence will be carried into effect on Friday, November 27, 1863 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Brigadier General T.W. Sweeney, commanding the division will cause the necessary arrangements to be made to carry out this order in the proper manner.

Capt. Armstrong informed Davis of his sentence by the court martial. He was surprised at the severity of his sentence, expecting to be shot not thinking they would hang him, but he showed no fear and resigned himself to his fate as only brave men can. That night he wrote the following letter to his mother.

Pulaski, Tenn. Nov. 26, 1863

Dear Mother,

Oh, how painful it is to write you. I have got to die tomorrow morning, to be hanged by the Federals. Mother, do not grieve for me. I must bid you good by forever more. Mother, I do not fear to die. Give my love to all.

Your son

Samuel Davis

Mother, tell the children all to be good. I wish I could see you all once more, but I never will any more. Mother and Father don’t forget me. Think of me when I am dead but do not grieve for me, it will not do any good. Father, you can send after my remains if you want to do so. They will be at Pulaski, Tenn. South of Columbia.

He was then taken back to his cell in jail and we did not see anything more of him until Thursday morning. The day before his execution we moved into the court house, about 100 feet from the jail. Davis was handcuffed and brought in just as we were eating breakfast. I gave him some meat and he thanked me for it. The guard was then doubled around the jail and we all bade him good bye.

Next morning, Friday, Nov. 29th. at 10 o’clock we heard the drums and a regiment of infantry came marching down the street to the jail. A wagon and a coffin in it was driven up and the Provost Marshal went in the jail and brought Davis out. He stepped into the wagon and looked around at us and seeing us at the windows bowed to us his last farewell. He was dressed in a dark brown overcoat such as many of us had captured and dyed brown. He sat down on the coffin and the regiment moved off to the suburbs of the town where the gallows had been erected. Upon reaching the gallows he stepped from the wagon and took a seat on a bench under a tree.

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He asked the Capt. Armstrong how long he had to live and he replied, "Fifteen minutes." He then asked the Captain the news. He told him of the battle of Missionary Ridge and that the Confederates had been defeated at which he expressed his regret and said, "The boys will have to fight the battles without me."

Captain Armstrong then said, "I do not think hard of you. I feel that I had almost rather die myself than to do what I have to do."

Davis replied, "I do not think hard of you. You are only doing your duty." General Dodge still had hopes that Davis would recant when he saw death staring him in the face and that he would reveal the name of the traitor in his camp. He sent Capt. Chickasaw, of his staff, to Davis. He rapidly approached the scaffold, jumped from his horse and went directly to Davis and asked him if it would not be better to tell who gave him the information in the documents found on him, as it was not yet too late.

And now, in his last extremity, Davis turned to him and said: "If I had a thousand lives I would lose them all here before I would betray my friends or the confidence of my informer."

Davis then requested Capt. Chickasaw to thank Gen. Dodge for his efforts to save him, but to report that he would not accept the terms. Turning to the chaplain he gave him a few keepsakes to send to his mother and then said to the Provost Marshal, "I am ready." Ascended the scaffold and stepped upon the trap.

Thus passed away one of the noblest and most sublime characters known in history and in future ages this act will be pointed out as one most worthy of emulation.

In a private letter with this sketch Comrade Brown writes that Gen. Dodge has been very kind and has given every assistance in getting reports from the war department and that he, Gen. Dodge hopes that the citizens will build a monument to Davis in the capital square at Nashville and thinks that it should be of bronze, representing a Confederate soldier. The monument has been erected as suggested and one of the grandest things about the whole affair is that Gen. Dodge subscribed \$10 as a contribution toward the fund which was raised to build it.

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CHAPTER XIX

Although in my four years experience in the war between the states I saw many sad things. I never saw a sadder thing that happened near Dalton, Georgia, while we were in winter quarters there. I have seen dead soldiers on the battle field so thick that you could walk long

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distances upon them, have witnesses heart rendering scenes in the hospital but never anything more affecting than this.

We had erected an arbor for devotional services and a protracted meeting was going on. Our chaplains were conducting these meetings and the men of our and other commands were showing great interest in the services, many having embraced religion and came forward for prayer.

One night while these services were going on in the arbor, after the captain had preached an excellent sermon he called upon the penitents to come forward to the altar. Many men came forward and were kneeling, the altar being full. Strong men were bowed asking forgiveness for their sins when a large tree standing near, which had got on fire at the stump, burned off and fell right across the arbor where the penitents were upon their knees in prayer, killing nine of them instantly. It fell right along the log upon which they had their heads, crushing them to a pulp.

I attended the funeral the next day when the nine were buried in one square grave with the honors of war, a platoon of soldiers firing volleys over the grave.

This concludes my story of my experiences in the civil war. The sufferings and privations of the men in the field, our mothers, sisters and daughters at home can never be told at least by my feeble pen. A new South has been born, a new generation has come upon the field of action and we hope there may never be another call to arms but that all differences may be settled without the shedding of blood. With best wishes to every reader, I am

Fraternally yours,

R.C. CARDEN

This ends the CIVIL WAR MEMORIES OF ROBERT C. CARDEN

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**Descendants of Anthony Burrows
Shared by Bob Douglas**

Generation No. 1

1. ANTHONY¹ BURROWS was born Abt. 1775 in Surry County, North Carolina, and died 1823 in Grundy County, Tennessee. He married ELIZABETH¹. She was born Abt. 1778 in South Carolina¹.

Children of ANTHONY BURROWS and ELIZABETH are:

- i. CATERINE² BURROWS^{2,3}, m. UNKNOWN WILLIAMS.
- ii. LY BURROWS⁴.
2. iii. RUSSELL BURROWS, d. Bef. 1859, Tennessee.
 - iv. JAMES BURROWS, b. Abt. 1800.
3. v. JOHN BURROWS, b. 1802, South Carolina.
4. vi. THOMAS T. BURROWS, b. Abt. 1806, South Carolina; d. Bef. August 06, 1855, Grundy County, TN.
5. vii. RACHEL BURROWS, b. Abt. 1807, Tennessee.
6. viii. DAVID BURROWS, b. October 10, 1810, Franklin County, Tennessee; d. May, Nacogdoches, Texas.
7. ix. ANTHONY JR. BURROWS, b. 1813.
8. x. JOHN G. BURROWS, b. 1817.
9. xi. JOSIAH BURROWS, b. Abt. 1822.
 - xii. FANNY BURROWS⁵.
 - xiii. FRED BURROWS⁵.
 - xiv. HENDERSON BURROWS⁵.
 - xv. SAMUEL M. BURROWS⁵.

Generation No. 2

2. RUSSELL² BURROWS (ANTHONY¹) died Bef. 1859 in Tennessee. He married ELIZABETH⁵.

Children of RUSSELL BURROWS and ELIZABETH are:

- i. MARY ANN³ BURROWS⁵.
- ii. JAMES M. BURROWS⁵.

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- iii. SILAS T. BURROWS⁵.
- iv. GEORGE R. BURROWS⁵.
- v. RUSSELL BURROWS⁵.
- vi. RACHEL C. BURROWS⁵, m. WILLIE WARREN⁵.

3. JOHN² BURROWS (ANTHONY¹)⁶ was born 1802 in South Carolina⁶. He married MALINDA PAYNE^{6,7}. She was born Abt. 1806 in Georgia⁸.

Children of JOHN BURROWS and MALINDA PAYNE are:

- 10.** i. POINTDEXTER³ BURROWS, b. Abt. 1831.
- 11.** ii. MINERVA BURROWS, b. January 12, 1833, Grundy County, Tennessee; d. October 25, 1921, Grundy County, Tennessee.
 - iii. THOMAS F. BURROWS⁸, b. Abt. 18428.
 - iv. ANNA J. BURROWS⁸, b. Abt. 18468.

4. THOMAS T.² BURROWS (ANTHONY¹)^{9,10} was born Abt. 1806 in South Carolina¹¹, and died Bef. August 06, 1855 in Grundy County, TN. He married JANE. She was born Abt. 1805 in Tennessee¹².

Children of THOMAS BURROWS and JANE are:

- 12.** i. ANN ELIZABETH³ BURROWS, b. December 24, 1839, Grundy County, TN; d. May 17, 1904, Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN; Adopted child.
 - ii. HARRIET BURROWS, b. 1851; d. Abt. September 1884, Grundy County, Tennessee¹³; Adopted child; m. JESSE M. GIVENS, September 12, 1868, Grundy County, TN¹⁴.

More About JESSE GIVENS and HARRIET BURROWS:

Marriage: September 12, 1868, Grundy County, TN¹⁴

- 13.** iii. MARTHA JANE BURROWS, b. Abt. 1837; d. 1919, Tracy City, Tennessee; Adopted child.
 - iv. GEORGE BURROWS, m. LOUISA TOSH, December 07, 1864, Coffee County, TN..

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More About GEORGE BURROWS and LOUISA TOSH:

Marriage: December 07, 1864, Coffee County, TN.

5. RACHEL² BURROWS (ANTHONY¹)¹⁵ was born Abt. 1807 in Tennessee¹⁶. She married UNKOWN MCINTOSH¹⁷.

Children of RACHEL BURROWS and UNKOWN MCINTOSH are:

i. ELIZABETH³ MCINTOSH¹⁷, b. Abt. 1833¹⁷; m. CALDUN MURRY¹⁷; b. Abt. 1831, Alabama¹⁷.

ii. ELIJAH MCINTOSH¹⁷, b. Abt. 1837¹⁷.

iii. JOHN W. MCINTOSH¹⁷, b. Abt. 1840¹⁷.

6. DAVID² BURROWS (ANTHONY¹) was born October 10, 1810 in Franklin County, Tennessee, and died May in Nacogdoches, Texas¹⁸. He married ELIZABETH KING^{19,20}. She was born February 28, 1811 in Tennessee^{21,22}.

Children of DAVID BURROWS and ELIZABETH KING are:

i. WILLIAM MUCKLEROY³ BURROWS²².

ii. HARRIET BURROWS²², m. DANIEL F. COATES²².

14. iii. JOHN BURROWS.

15. iv. MARY ANN BURROWS.

7. ANTHONY JR.² BURROWS (ANTHONY¹) was born 1813²³. He married MARTHA DICKERSON^{23,24}. She was born 1824²⁵.

Child of ANTHONY BURROWS and MARTHA DICKERSON is:

i. JAMES³ BURROWS²⁵, b. Abt. 1842²⁵.

8. JOHN G.² BURROWS (ANTHONY¹) was born 1817²⁵. He married ROSANNAH²⁶. She was born Abt. 1817²⁶.

Children of JOHN BURROWS and ROSANNAH are:

i. SAMUEL³ BURROWS²⁶, b. Abt. 1838²⁷.

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Children of JOHN BURROWS and ROSANNAH continued:

- ii. ABAGAIL BURROWS²⁷, b. Abt. 1840²⁷.
- iii. JAMES BURROWS²⁷, b. Abt. 1841²⁷.
- iv. GEORGE BURROWS²⁷, b. Abt. 1842²⁷.
- v. JOHN BURROWS²⁷, b. Abt. 1843²⁷.
- vi. THOMAS L. BURROWS²⁷, b. Abt. 1845²⁷.

9. JOSIAH² BURROWS (ANTHONY¹)²⁷ was born Abt. 1822²⁷. He married MARY A.²⁷. She was born Abt. 1820²⁷.

Child of JOSIAH BURROWS and MARY A. is:

- i. FERFERIE³ BURROWS²⁷, b. Abt. 1849²⁷.

Generation No. 3

10. POINTDEXTER³ BURROWS (JOHN², ANTHONY¹)^{27,28} was born Abt. 1831²⁹. He married MARTHA JANE BURROWS February 25, 1853 in Grundy County, TN³⁰, daughter of THOMAS BURROWS and JANE. She was born Abt. 1837³¹, and died 1919 in Tracy City, Tennessee³².

More About POINTDEXTER BURROWS and MARTHA BURROWS:

Marriage: February 25, 1853, Grundy County, TN³³

Children of POINTDEXTER BURROWS and MARTHA BURROWS are:

- i. FLORENCE⁴ BURROWS³⁴.
- ii. EME BURROWS³⁵.
- iii. ANDREW JACKSON BURROWS³⁵.

11. MINERVA³ BURROWS (JOHN², ANTHONY¹)³⁶ was born January 12, 1833 in Grundy County, Tennessee^{36,37}, and died October 25, 1921 in Grundy County, Tennessee³⁷. She married (1) SOLOMAN POINDEXTER GOODMAN³⁷. She married (2) WILLIAM BURNETT³⁸ January 20, 1854 in Grundy County, TN^{38,39}.

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More About WILLIAM BURNETT and MINERVA BURROWS:

Marriage: January 20, 1854, Grundy County, TN 40.41

Child of MINERVA BURROWS and SOLOMAN GOODMAN is:

- i. FRANCIS P.4 GOODMAN⁴¹, b. Abt. 1868, Grundy County, Tennessee⁴¹.

Children of MINERVA BURROWS and WILLIAM BURNETT are:

- ii. MALINDA⁴ BURNETT⁴¹, m. ARCH CAMPBELL⁴¹.
- iii. JOHN BURNETT⁴¹, b. Abt. 1848⁴¹.

12. ANN ELIZABETH³ BURROWS (THOMAS T.², ANTHONY ¹) was born December 24, 1839 in Grundy County, TN⁴², and died May 17, 1904 in Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN. She married (1) JAMES M. CUNNYNGHAM October 26, 1853 in Grundy County, TN, by John Burrows, JP, son of WILLIAM CUNNYNGHAM and ELIZA CROCKETT. He was born December 06, 1831 in Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN⁴³, and died October 27, 1862 in Danville, VA ⁴³. She married (2) JOSEPH H. ALLISON⁴⁴ September 15, 1864 in Coffee County, TN.. She married (3) CAPTAIN JAY LUSK JOSEPH ALBERT LUSK April 13, 1877 in Coffee County, TN., son of JAMES LUSK and SALINA DUNCAN. He was born January 01, 1838 in Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN, and died March 15, 1918 in Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN.

More About ANN ELIZABETH BURROWS:

Burial: May 1904, Cumberland Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Hillsboro, TN.

More About JAMES M. CUNNYNGHAM:

Burial: 1862, Lusk Cove, Hillsboro, TN

More About JAMES CUNNYNGHAM and ANN BURROWS:

Marriage: October 26, 1853, Grundy County, TN, by John Burrows, JP

More About JOSEPH ALLISON and ANN BURROWS:

Marriage: September 15, 1864, Coffee County, TN.

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More About CAPTAIN JAY LUSK JOSEPH ALBERT LUSK:

Burial: March 1918, Cumberland Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Hillsboro, TN.

Census: 1880, Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN

Military service: Bet. March 1861 - 1864, Civil War

Namesake: Joseph Albert Lusk, Uncle

Occupation: Farmer

More About JOSEPH LUSK and ANN BURROWS:

Marriage: April 13, 1877, Coffee County, TN.

Child of ANN BURROWS and JAMES CUNNYNGHAM is:

i. VICTORIA B.4 CUNNYNGHAM, b. 1855, Coffee County, TN; m. JESSE R. CASH, October 07, 1869, Coffee County, TN.; b. Abt. 1851.

More About JESSE CASH and VICTORIA CUNNYNGHAM:

Marriage: October 07, 1869, Coffee County, TN.

Children of ANN BURROWS and JOSEPH ALLISON are:

ii. DEWITT W.4 ALLISON⁴⁴, b. September 14, 1865⁴⁴; d. April 15, 1900.

More About DEWITT W. ALLISON:

Burial: Cumberland Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Hillsboro, TN.⁴⁴

iii. EMMA M. CUNNYNGHAM ALLISON, b. Aft. 1862.

Children of ANN BURROWS and JOSEPH LUSK are:

iv. STERLING WEBSTER CUNNYNGHAM⁴ LUSK, b. January 14, 1871, Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN; d. May 21, 1877, Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN.

More About STERLING WEBSTER CUNNYNGHAM LUSK:

Burial: 1877, A marked stone in Lusk's Cove

v. LEE BEULAH LUSK⁴⁵, b. August 19, 1873, Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN; d. June 19, 1958, Warren County, TN; m. ROBERT LEE SHELTON⁴⁶; b. April 08, 1870⁴⁷; d. December 19, 1929, Coffee County, Tennessee⁴⁷.

More About LEE BEULAH LUSK:

Burial: 1958, Hillsboro Cumberland Presbyterian Cemetery

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vi. CHEATHAM LUSK⁴⁸, b. April 29, 1878, Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN.; d. July 24, 1955, Warren County, McMinnville, TN.; m. LILLIE DILLINGHAM; b. 1884, Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN; d. March 1955.

More About CHEATHAM LUSK:

Burial: 1955, Hillsboro Cumberland Presbyterian Cemetery

vii. JOSEPH ALBERT LUSK, b. October 03, 1880, Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN^{49,50}; d. April 15, 1970, Cannon County, TN; m. LUTHER NATHANIEL ANDERSON, Abt. 1900⁵¹; b. August 23, 1877, Coffee County, Hillsboro, TN⁵²; d. May 08, 1945, McMinnville, Warren County, TN.

More About JOSEPH ALBERT LUSK:

Burial: Riverside Cemetery, McMinnville, Tennessee

Census: 1900 Coffee County, Tennessee Census

Nickname: Joe Alma

More About LUTHER NATHANIEL ANDERSON:

Burial: May 11, 1945, Hillsboro Cemetery, moved to Riverside Cem, McMinnville

Occupation: Foreman McMinnville Manufacturing Company

More About LUTHER ANDERSON and JOSEPH LUSK:

Marriage: Abt. 1900⁵³

13. MARTHA JANE³ BURROWS (THOMAS T.², ANTHONY¹) was born Abt. 1837⁵⁴, and died 1919 in Tracy City, Tennessee⁵⁵. She married POINTDEXTER BURROWS^{56,57} February 25, 1853 in Grundy County, TN⁵⁸, son of JOHN BURROWS and MALINDA PAYNE. He was born Abt. 1831⁵⁹.

More About POINTDEXTER BURROWS and MARTHA BURROWS:

Marriage: February 25, 1853, Grundy County, TN⁶⁰

Children are listed above under (10) Poindexter Burrows.

14. JOHN³ BURROWS (DAVID², ANTHONY¹)⁶¹. He married MARTHA ANN RICHARDSON⁶¹.

Child of JOHN BURROWS and MARTHA RICHARDSON is:

i. ELIJAH MUCKLEROY⁴ BURROWS⁶¹, b. January 15, 1845⁶¹; d. October 02, 1898, Nacogdoches, Texas⁶¹; m. MARY JANE MILLARD⁶¹; b. 1848, Nacogdoches, Texas⁶¹; d. December 02, 1901, Nacogdoches, Texas⁶¹.

15. MARY ANN³ BURROWS (DAVID², ANTHONY¹)⁶¹. She married H. B. POWERS⁶¹.

Child of MARY BURROWS and H. POWERS is:

i. MOLLIE⁴ POWERS⁶¹, m. ROBERT THOMAS FAIN⁶¹.

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End notes:

1. 1850 Grundy County, Tennessee Census.
2. Wills and Deeds of Franklin County, Tennessee, Pp 49-50.
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10. Settlement Book One, Grundy County, TN., #264, page 26.
11. 1860 Grundy County, Tennessee Census provided by Jimmie Lou Bryan..
12. 1850 Grundy County, Tennessee Census.
13. Undocumented source of Jim Hampton, JimH629@aol.com.
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41. Email from Jeff Burrows, JBB01@aol.com, Oct 24, 2002.
42. 1850 Grundy County, Tennessee Census.
43. Grave on Lusk Farm, Hillsboro, Tennessee.
44. Tombstone Hillsboro Presbyterian Church provided by B. K Anderson 2-22-2004.
45. Obituary provided by Jess Lewis, Coffee County Web page.
46. Coffee County Tenn., County Court Loose Records, #1620 and #1621.

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End notes:

47. Jim Shelton, email jimshelton@cafes.net, September 24, 2000.
48. Obituary provided by Jess Lewis, Coffee County Web page.
49. 1910 Coffee County Census, District 8, Family # 25.
50. 1900 Coffee County Census provided by Susan Blevins, September 2002.
51. 1910 Coffee County Census, District 8, Family # 25.
52. WWI registration card.
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CAN YOU HELP IDENTIFY THESE MEN AND WHAT MINES DID THEY WORK?

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Dola S. Tyler

This is a continuation of the 1900 US Census Records of Grundy County published by Goins & Hobbs. Places of birth are Tennessee unless otherwise noted.

Some of the information on residents of Wesley Chapel area is from the book "Wesley Chapel Church and Cemetery, 2005", by James R. & Betty Sherwood.

- 118/118 William B. ADAMS, farmer, born Sept 1849, 50; Martha I., born Jan 1861, 39, 7 children/7 living; Myrtle, born Feb 1880, 20; Ida M., born July 1884, 15; George A., born Dec 1886, 13; Birtie L., born Nov 1889, 10; Hudie, born Oct 1893, 6; Floyd, born June 1896, 3; Claude, born Feb 1900, 3 months. (In Coffee County marriages, William B. married Martha B. LUSK, 12 Oct 1876, and in the Coffee County census, 1880, William is 27; Martha A. is 12 but surely an error; Myrtle is one year old. In the 1910 Grundy census, Hudie ADAMS is living with her grandparents, Anderson C. and Lucy A. LUSK. Daughter, Ida M., married W. H. HAYNES, 4 Nov 1903, and in 1920, they have children: Jesselene, 12; Mary E., 10; Howard, 8; Floyd, 5; Isabelle, 3.)
- 119/11
9 Davis B. WOOTON, farmer, born June 1861, 38; Sarah F., born Sept 1860, 39; Lawrence E., born Mar 1882, 18. (This may be their marriage in Coffee County: B. D. WOOTEN - S. L. WINTON, 16 Dec 1879. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Sarah L., wife of D. B. WOOTON, daughter of Steven and Mary Elizabeth WINTON, 4 Sept 1860/19 May 1907. In 1920, Grundy County, Davis B., 58, widower; Larence, son, 37; Bertie, dau/law, 36; Dessie, grdau, 16. Davis B., 29 Jun 1862/23 May 1937, son of William and Marantha (BRALEY) WOOTON, is buried in an
- 120/120 James B. WOOTON, farmer, born Dec 1849, 50; Eudory E., born Oct 1857, 42, 5 children/4 living; .Hervie S., born May 1882, 18; Ollie V., born Mar 1886, 14; Charlie F., born Dec 1891, 8. (In Coffee County marriages, James B. married Eudora E. WINTON, 15 July 1877. In 1920, Grundy County, Jim B., 70; Dora S., 53; Hervie, 37; Ollie, 33. Nearby are Charley, 28, and Ethel, 26. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, James B., son of William and Marantha (BRALEY) WOOTON, 26 Dec 1849/12 Jan 1925; Eudora W., daughter of Jesse and Caroline VNORTHCUTT) WINTON, 23 Oct 1856/17 Apr 1927; Charlie F. WOOTON, 27 Dec 1892/ 18 Jan 1966; Ollie, daughter of James B. and Eudora E. WOOTON, 14 Mar 1886/14 Feb 1964.)

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- 121/121 Mary CARROLL, farmer, born Nov 1850, 49, widow, 8 children/ 7 living; James W., born Jan 1887, 13; Horace J., born May 1889, 11; Rancy F. GUEST, sis, born Jan 1848, 52.
(In 1910, Mary is 57, James is 22 and a salesman, and Harris is 18.
In 1920, Oregon CARROLL, 67 and a widow, is head of this household. Horace, 26, lives with her. In marriages, J. W. married Mable HILL, 31 Aug 1910 and John CARROLL married Martha E. TATE, 1 Jan 1916.)
- 122/122 Joe H. LUSK, farmer, born Jan 1867, 33; Mary C., born Jan 1871, 29, born Jan 1871, 29, 5 children/4 living; Harvey B., born Mar 1888, 12; Randolph H., born Aug 1891, 8; Purley B., born Jan 1895, 5; Millie, born Oct 1899, 9 months. (In Coffee County, W. H. and L. C. LUSK have son, J. H., 13, in 1880. In 1920, Grundy County, Joe H. is 52, Mary Chester is 49; Randolph, 27; Jerred, 17; Frank, 13; Willie May, 9. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery: Joe H. LUSK, 30 Jan 1867/18 Mar 1940, son of Wm. Harrison and Leucania (WARREN) LUSK; Mary (CHESTER), 10 Jan 1870/27 Apr 1942; Harvey LUSK, Mar 1889/9 Oct 1918, killed in Battle in France, son of Joseph F. and Mary Chester (RHEA) LUSK; Frank LUSK, 30 Jun 1906/11 Aug 1932; Randolph H., LUSK, 9 Aug 1892/4 June 1974.)
- 123/123 Eddie E. WINTON, farmer, born June 1868, 32; Mary T., born Apr 1872, 28, 2 children; Wade W., born Nov 1893; Ralph, born Apr 1897, 3. (In Coffee County, 1880, John and Nancy WINTON have son, Edwin E., 10. In Grundy County, Ed WINTON married Mary LUSK, 8 Jan 1893. In 1910, Ed E., 41; Mary, 36; Wade, 16; Ralph, 13. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Edd E. WINTON, 13 Jun 1868/17 Feb 1946, son of John A. & Nancy W. (BONNER) WINTON; Mary, daughter of Anderson C. & Louisa Ann CUNNINGHAM LUSK, 22 Apr 1872/1 July 1967; Wade W. WINTON, 30 Nov 1893/ 2 Jan 1925, married Alma DEADMAN, 6 June 1920; Ralph E. WINTON, 5 Apr 1897/6 Aug 1998.)
- 124/124 James G. SAIN, farmer, born Sept 1857, 42; Jennie, born Dec 1859 40, 10 children/8 living; Bertie, born May 1883, 17; Morris, born June 1886, 13; Tom P., born Aug 1888, 11; Lena G., born Oct 1890, 9; Dena B., born July 1892, 7; Earnest E., born June 1894, 5; Blanche, born Oct 1896, 3; Frank W., born Oct 1898, 1.
- 125/125 John M. SAIN, farmer, born Nov 1865, 34; May, born 1877, 3 children/3 living; Charley B., born Nov 1894, 5; William O., born Aug 1897, 2. (In 1910, John M., 44, widower; Charley, 15; Oris, 13; Emet, 8; Maggie, sis, 56; Nannie, sis, 54. In

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- 125/125 continued 1920, Johnie M. SAIN, 53; Sallie, 46; Oria, 23; Maggie, sis, 65. Next door are son Charley, 25; Zella, 24; Cordell, 2; Ila May, 9 months. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, May SAIN, daughter of Harrison & Mary (COLVILLE) STUBBLEFIELD, 3 May 1871/5 Mar 1909; John M. SAIN, son of Nimrod B. & Martha (SANFORD) SAIN, 12 Nov 1865/6 Jan 1951; Sallie (LAWRENCE) SAIN, 28 Oct 1872/26 Feb 1947.)
- 126/126 Roann BRALEY, farmer, born Jan 1844, 56, widow; Alca CUNNINGHAM, daughter, born Nov 1878, 21; Henry L. CUNNINGHAM. son/law, Steve CURNELISON, inmate. (H. L. CUNNINGHAM married Alca BRAWLEY, 23 Nov 1899. In 1910, Lee CUNNINGHAM, 44; Alca, 30; Jay, 1; Roann BRAWLEY, mo/law, 65, widow. In Braley Cemetery, near Viola, Roann BRAWLEY, 1 Jan 1844/ 22 Oct 1924. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Henry Lee CUNNINGHAM, 2 Dec 1866/13 Apr 1958; Alca BRAWLEY CUNNINGHAM, daughter of J. A. & Roann (ANTHONY) BRALEY, 29 Nov 1878/5 Feb 1936.)
- 127/127 Tom RHEA, farmer, born May 1835, 65; Elizabeth, born Jan 1836, 64, 3 children/3 living; John H., born Feb 1860, 30, single. (By 1920, Thomas is 85, Elizabeth is 83, and Jack is 58. In 1930, John, 69, single, lives alone. From Grundy County Death Records and Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Bettie RHEA, daughter of John & Ruth (TIPTON) FLETCHER, 15 Jan 1836/26 Dec 1923; Tom RHEA, son of William & Pollie RHEA, 2 Nov 1834/9 Nov 1923.)
- 128/128 William B. RHEA, born Sep 1859, 40; Jennie E. , born Mar 1868, 32, no children. (William married Jamie E. LUSK, 26 Dec 1895. In 1910, William B., 50; Jennie, 40, 3 children/1 living; Lida, 2. By 1930, Will B., 70; Jennie, 60; Lyda, 22. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Will RHEA, son of John & Sarah RHEA, 22 Sep 1859/1 July 1939; Jennie, 23 Mar 1869/26 Mar 1960; Lida, 24 Feb 1907/6 Apr 1937.)
- 129/129 Gustile G. BRALEY, farmer, born Aug 1825, 74, single; inmates in this household: Robt. E. QUALLS, born Oct 1862, 37; Leah C., born Nov 1860, 39; Levander C., born June 1892, 8; Elmay L., born Feb 1894, 6; Rachel E., born Feb 1895, 5; James H., born Dec 1897, 2; James D., born Sep 1876, 23.
(In Grundy County Death Certificate No. 32073, Jintile BRAWLEY 84, widower, died Sep 1911, of "old age". In Wesley Chapel, Jim D. QUALLS, 5 Sep 1875/20 May 1957, son of Gentile BRALEY and Sarah QUALLS.)

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- 130/130 Joseph QUALLS, farmer, born Apr 1862, 38, single; Buller B., sister, born June 1876, 21, single. (In 1910, Joe, 50, single; Bulah, sis, 32, single. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Joseph C. QUALLS, born 24 Nov 1862, died May 1942; Sister, Beulah B. QUALLS, born 17 Feb 1879, died 26 Aug 1946, children of Gentile BRALEY and Sarah QUALLS.)
- 131/131 Homer RAMSEY, farm laborer, born Apr 1883, 17; Eliza, born Dec 1881, 18, no children; Polly, mother, born Mar 1845, 55, widow, 9 children/6 living. (This is a black family. In 1880, Coffee County, there is this black family: Nelson RAMSEY, 50; Polly, 43; Anna L., 12; James, 7; George W., 6; Charity, 4; Lady L., 2; Walter, 1 month.)
- 132/132 Henry H. HENSLEY, farmer, born Aug 1874, 25; Sarah A., born Jan 1874, 26, 2 children; Lillie A., born Nov 1897, 2; Willie, born Sep 1898, 1.
- 133/133 Willie McCORMACK, farmer, born Mar 1863, 37; Mary, born Mar 1863, 37, 11 children/7 living; Bennie, born Aug 1883, 16; Asa, born July 1886, 13; Emmet, born Feb 1888, 12; Julia A., born Oct 1889, 10; James, born Oct 1891, 8; Thurman, born Dec 1893, 6; Hubert C., born Aug 1897, 2. (In 1920, Thurman, 24; Vowria, 22; Laura, 5. In Mt. Zion Cemetery, Warren County, Thurman R. McCORMICK, 15 Feb 1893/5 Feb 1979, son of William "Billy" and Mary (TALLENT) McCORMICK, husband of Elvowry CAMPBELL. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Willie B. (Bill) McCORMICK, 2 Aug 1855/23 May 1936, son of Ben & Kattie (CHOCKLEY) McCORMICK; Mary L. (BLACK) McCORMICK, daughter of Sam and Sarah (BLACK) TALLENT.)
- 134/134 Jefferson McCORMACK, farmer, born Aug 1873, 26; Annie, born Aug 1873, 26; Smith T., born Oct 1897, 2; William R., born Oct 1899, 7 months.
- 135/135 John B. THAXTON, farmer, born Dec 1835, 64; Elizabeth, born Aug 1849, 50, 1 child/1 living; George T., born Feb 1882, 18. (In Coffee County, 8 Apr 1881, J. B. THAXTON married Elizabeth SAIN. In 1920, George, 37; Nannie, 39; Beauford, 17; Bettie, mother, 70, widow. In Wesley Chapel, J. B. THAXTON, 27 Dec 1835/22 May 1905, son of John Thomas and Frances (HAMMOND) THAXTON; wife, Eliza J., 29 Jul. 1838/9 Mar 1880, daughter of James D. & Janet (McGEE) HENNESSEE; wife, Sarah Elizabeth, 9 Aug 1859/28 Apr 1932, daughter of Nimrod B. & Martha (SANFORD) SAIN.)

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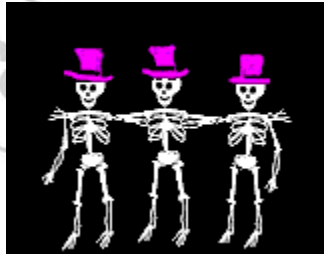
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If you cannot get rid of the family skeleton, you may as well make it dance. -- George Bernard Shaw

Everyone is welcome! Come join us!

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An initial search of up to 2 hours is \$25.00 to be paid before any research begins. No part of the initial fee will be returned. If any further work is desired, arrangements will be made with the individual actually doing the research. Upon your request, a search will be made to locate someone willing to work on solving your questions about your Grundy County connections.

Please contact the Grundy County Historical Society, PO Box 1422, Tracy City, TN, 37387. Phone (931) 467-3170 or email jcoats@cafes.net with your question to initiate the process.

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"A family tree can wither if nobody tends its roots." Unknown

"Did You Know?"

Ordered by the Court, on the petition of William B. **Smartt** & others that Ballard G. **Wilson**, Aaron **Bowlin**, Terrell **Rogers**, James **Lockhart**, and William B. **Smartt** be appointed a Jury of Vew, to lay off and mark a road from the mouth of William **Dugans** lane the nearest and best way to the county seat of Grundy County, and report to the next term of this court.

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1. Genealogical Histories and materials
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President's Message

We are continuing to work on our Grundy County Pictorial History, which we hope to have finished by December 2008. Our formal announcement of the book and its cost will be made at some point this summer. We hope to have the publisher present at our June meeting to explain the particulars of cost and the technical aspects of the book. Please do your part by submitting pictures, particularly school group pictures.

Our yearly rotation of officers and directors will be elected in the upcoming regular June meeting.

We regret to report that Jerry Davenport, one of our long-time directors and supporters, has died. Jerry's work in the Historical

Society will be sorely missed. We extend our condolences to his wife Judy Harris Davenport.

We want to welcome our new editor of *The Pathfinder*, Sharon Goodman. We have seen Sharon's work in the Grundy County Historical Society's website www.gchs.homestead.com, so we know that she is top notch. Welcome, Sharon, we are so glad to have you as our new editor.

Thanks to all of you for all you do to help preserve Grundy County's history and heritage.

Janelle L. Taylor

A Note from the Editor

When I was asked to take over as Editor of *The Pathfinder*, I was stunned that Mona was stepping down. As it turns out, she was stepping down due to health reasons. I hope that Mona is doing well and approves of my work on *The Pathfinder*.

My name is Sharon Nee Goodman, daughter of Larry and Marilyn Nee, and I am originally from Tullahoma, but currently living in Georgetown, TX. I've been married for 28 years to my husband, Mike, and we have two wonderful sons- Michael, 24, and Justin, 18. Justin has just been accepted at MTSU for the fall of 2007, so we plan on several trips to TN to visit with him. We also own a house in Manchester that belonged to Mike's maternal grandparents, Hubert and Carmon Warren. Hubert was a descendant of Cyrus Warren, signer of the petition to form Grundy County and brother to Thomas Warren, whom the Warren Cemetery (aka Red Hill Cemetery) in Pelham is named for. Mike's father, Emmett Goodman, was born in Pelham and is the son of Clifford and Hazel (Shetter) Goodman. It was through Emmett that I became interested in Grundy County and the genealogy of his family. So this is really HIS fault!

In addition to hosting the Grundy County Historical Society's web site, I hosted the websites for the "Heritage of Grundy County" book and the "Heritage of Coffee County" book. Through these websites and working with the wonderful people of Grundy County, I have come to love visiting in Grundy County when I go home to Tennessee. I've been photographing the gravestones at Warren Cemetery and have about 95% of them photographed. I am also working on photographing all the Civil War gravestones I can find in Coffee and Grundy Counties.

I look forward to being the Editor of *The Pathfinder* and I hope that you will continue to send in articles, photos, and genealogies to *The Pathfinder*. I have some very big shoes to fill and I hope that with your help, I will be able to do just that!

Sharon Nee Goodman

Welcome New Members!

David Patton
Tennessee State Library and Archives
Jana Barrett
James Milton Henley, Jr.
Louis H. Anderson
Angie Burnett

In Passing...

Jerry Wayne Davenport (1937-2007)

Jerry Wayne Davenport was born in 1937 in Salem, KY, the son of R.C. and Anna Bell (Jefferson) Davenport. Jerry was the grandson of John C. and Lula (Champion) Davenport. Jerry's great grandparents were John Wilson Davenport and Elizabeth (Bray) Davenport, who moved from Virginia to Grundy County in 1860 to a place near Tracy City. By 1872 the Davenports had moved to Salem, KY, where the family continued to live for a time before moving back to the Grundy County area.

Jerry Wayne and his brother Jimmy Ray Davenport grew up in Monteagle. Jerry attended Monteagle Elementary School, Grundy County High School and Middle Tennessee State College graduating with a triple major in mathematics, industrial arts, and ROTC and with a small plane license. Later while serving in the U.S. Army, he received an MMS degree. Jerry served in the Army for about five years with assignments in Korea, Japan, and Vietnam. Upon discharge, he began working for Sverdrup Technology at Arnold Air Force Base as a computer programmer and eventually became a manager. He spent 36 years with Sverdrup.



Jerry received many awards and honors such as Member of the Year (NMA), Toastmaster of the Year twice, Toastmaster DTM. He sponsored the DARE program at Monteagle and Swiss Elementary Schools for 4 years. Jerry wrote the NMA speech contest rules and guidelines for high school students. He was an active member of the Rotary Club and the Grundy County Historical Society. Jerry helped with the publication of the *Grundy County Heritage Book 1844-2004*. One of his great passions was collecting baseball cards.

Jerry married Tracy City native Judy Harris who survives. Judy is retired from teaching and resides in Monteagle where the Davenports made their home.

Also surviving is Jerry's friend Roscoe P. Coltrain, "Train" for short, a precocious thoroughbred Pekingese for whom he was always gathering toys and blankets.

Jerry's civic work, concern for youth, work in historic preservation, and his stimulating conversation will be missed. Jerry died of cancer April 26, 2007, and was buried in Burns Cemetery near Tracy City with military honors. Rev. Mike Rigsby officiated. Cumberland Funeral Home in Monteagle was in charge of the arrangements.

Thank you, Jerry, for your contributions.

Prepared by members of the Grundy County Historical Society

Queries

#179-2007 Rubley/Ross/Sartain

The family I'm researching is Charles Rubley, SR. and his wife and eight children. They came from Switzerland and by about 1882 were in Grundy Co. working the mines. Charles Sr. lived in Tracy, then Coalmont till he died in 1919. Most of the boys moved to Northern Alabama by abt. 1900. I'm seeking the following:

(1) Need complete obit for Edward (Eddie) Rubley who died in 1916 and was buried in City Cemetery.

(2) Who did Edward marry, possibly a Ross girl.

(3) Info on Elizabeth Rubley, b. 1868, married based on newspaper announcement if possible.

(4) Any details on Lena Rubley's marriage to Frank Sartain in 1906.

Between 1919 and 1920 both Frank and son Charles apparently died. While the above will plug some holes, of primary interest is daughter, Elizabeth, Mother was Elizabeth as well. She married and moved to Arkansas. By 1919 a brother had joined her as well. They were never heard from again.

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#180-2007 Thueler/Thuler

Searching for any information regarding the Thueler/Thuler family who resided in Gruelti, Grundy County, Tennessee between 1883 and 1903. In 1903 the family moved to Chattanooga and I have extensive information after that point. I am searching for any information regarding their life in Gruelti after migrating from Switzerland. The family consisted of Johann Friedrich Thueler 1850-1925 aka Fred/Fritz; wife Elizabeth "Lizzie" Guggisberg-Thueler 1875-1918; children Annie 1873 Switzerland; Rudolph Christian 1878 Switzerland; Fred John 1881 Switzerland; Edward William 1886 Gruelti, Grundy County; Lena 1891 TN; John Albert 1892 TN; Mary Freida 1895 TN; and two unknown siblings bef 1910. Any information on this family's life in Gruelti or Switzerland would be greatly appreciated.

Rodney Pierce

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#181-2007 Tracy City from 1893 to 1910

According to the April 27, 1911 issue of Mrs. Grundy. I. B. Woodward had prepared and was advertising in that issue a pamphlet titled, "Tracy City from 1893 to 1910 - Important events, deaths, marriages, etc. that have occurred here in the past 18 years." Does a copy of this pamphlet exist today?

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#182-2007 Campbell

My great grandmother was born in Tracy city, Tennessee; her name is Nellie Etta Campbell. She was born 25 Feb 1895. Her parents were Patrick Clabourne Campbell (abt Jan 1870) and Sarah (or Mary) Jane Scott. I would like to know more about them. If you have any information please call me at 208-681-7143.

Susan Otterstrom

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#183-2007 Cunningham/Jones Question

I'm looking for the name of Porter Cunningham's fiancée. She would be the person who married Rucker Jones sometime after 1920. They may have started housekeeping in the Tracy City area in a little house across from Jess Hoosier on the street toward Myers Hill from the Methodist Church. Any idea who I might contact to find the name of Rucker's wife? Porter Cunningham was the brother of Earnest J. Cunningham, Supt. of Schools for many years.

Bettye Sherwood

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#184-2007 Long, Pearson, Cash

My ancestors (fathers side) are descended from John Long, Roarks Cove, in Franklin county. On my mother's side I have the Pearson's and Cash's to study. I am interested in data that you may have on J. K. P. Pearson that was in Grundy County. He, wife and some kids are buried near the Tyson plant near Pelham. My grandfather was Felix Marks Pearson. Also any Cash family information that you may have.

I have a lot of family tree information on the John Long family.

You can reach me at this e-mail address and my phone is VOL-458-0426. I am retired and living in Loudon County. My mother and father (aged 90) still live on our farm in Hillsboro.

Bill Long

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#185-22207 Parson(s)

Looking for death date and place of burial for Shepard Lee Parsons (Parson) and his wife Susie (Meeks) Parsons (Parson). If you know someone who can research this, would be glad to pay for their time.

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#186-2007 Ross

I am a Ross by marriage. My husband is Gary Ross, nephew to Cotton Ross of Gruetli, Laager. I am one of the active researchers in this branch of the family and would love to compare notes with anyone interested. I have collected information on related families that include Brown, Massengale, Lockhart, Hunter. My special need is information on the Hunter and Cunningham connection. Holman Lockhart and wife, Nancy Hunter Lockhart are buried at Philadelphia Cemetery. I have been told she and Zora Hunter could be sisters. Nancy's death certificate list her father as Squire Hunter, no mother listed but I am told she was a Cunningham. Any information would be greatly appreciated.

Karen Ross

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#187-2007 Arsenith Roberts

Seeking information on Arsenith Roberts' line. I am the great granddaughter of Arsenith Pearson Roberts on my mother's (Roberts/McGovern) side.

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#188-2007 Meeks/Irvin

I am trying to find out more about this Katharine Meeks, to see if she was the Kate Irvin listed in the 1870 Grundy County Census. I am doing research on the Kirby Smith Irvin family, my Great Grandfather, who was born in Grundy County in 1865. In trying to reconstruct all of his family (brothers and sisters), I ran into a snag between the 1860, 1870, and 1880 Censuses. This Kate is listed only in the 1870 Census, and the Kirby Irvin listed with her family, as well as the age of everyone else is all wrong. His father was William Clark Irving, and there were two William Irvin's listed in the 1870 Census, one age 62 (correct age) and a stone mason, and one with the Kate Irvin family (wrong age) and wrong occupation-farmer.

My thinking is that William Irvin was enumerated twice, once at the family where he was working, and once at his home where someone else gave erroneous info to the census taker. Is there a way to find out if this Kate Meeks had a maiden name of Irvin, and if her mother's maiden name was Jane Payne (Matilda Jane Payne)? I have a copy of Jane Payne Irving (Irvin)'s application for a Confederate widow's pension, dated 1906, but there is no mention of any child named Kate (although some of the names are not really discernable).

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Families of Grundy County, Tennessee

The Bull Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

By Dola S. Tylor

In 1898, George A. Ogle and Company, Chicago, published biographical sketches of "Prominent Old Settlers and Representative citizens of the Cumberland Region of Tennessee". One of those was Edward Everett Bull, born in Tracy City, January 13, 1867, now "the efficient postmaster at Whitwell, where he is a public-spirited citizen who has contributed largely to the material growth and progress of the community".

Edward Everett was the son of James Everett and Susan (**Sherrill**) **Bull**. James Everett was born in Morristown, Grainger County, Tennessee, December 9, 1831 and died March 31, 1896. The parents of James Everett were Elisha and Sarah (**Davis**) **Bull** and his paternal ancestors were from England to the U.S. settling in Baltimore. Elisha served in the War of 1812 and was a famous gun maker and mechanic. From Maryland, Elisha moved to eastern Tennessee, and then to Coffee County in 1858. There he died August 1873, age 86. He had first married Sarah **Davis** and after her death, he married Louisa **Ladd**, still living in Coffee County.

James Everett attended school in Morristown where his father taught him the gunsmith and blacksmith trades. In 1866, the family moved to Tracy City where James Everett worked as a blacksmith for the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company for 25 years. He served in the County Court and was Court Clerk.

James Everett first married Adaline **Inman**. On November 10, 1863, he married Susan **Sherrill**, daughter of Uriah and Eliza (**Brixey**) **Sherrill**, a prominent family of Scotch-Irish descent. He and Adaline had (a) son, John, (who) died young. He and Susan have Emma, Edward E., Louella, Ada, and Rosella.

Edward Everett worked as a blacksmith in Tracy City and in 1887, he moved to Whitwell where he was an expert mechanic. On October 3, 1889 he married Maggie J. **Garrett**, daughter of William W. and Margaret (**Johnson**) **Garrett**. They have a son, John Garrett. They attend the Methodist Episcopal Church and are Republican in politics. Edward Everett "is one of the popular residents of Marion County".

Family histories from other records: In Marion County, 1900 census: E.E. **Bull**, born Jan 1867, 33, married 10 years; Margaret, born Nov 1867, 32; Garrett, son, born Aug 1896, 3; Susan, mother, born 1841, 59, widow; Emma, sister, 34, single; Loula, sister, 25, single. By 1910 census, E.E. and Margaret have added children: Margaret C. and James E.

In Red Hill Cemetery, Marion County: Edward E. **Bull**, 1867-1929; J.E. **Bull**, 12-9-1831/3-31-1896; Margaret G. **Bull**, 1867-1949; John Garrett **Bull**, 8-22-1896/8-5-1900. In Sequachee Valley News, October 8, 1908, Mrs. Susan **Bull**, age 68, died in Whitwell, where she had resided for 17 years. Survivors were E.E. **Bull**, of Dayton; Luella and Emma **Bull**, of Whitwell; Mrs. W.C. **Adams** of Chattanooga.

The Roberts Morgan Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In 1898, George A. Ogle and Company, Publishers, Engravers and Book Manufacturers, Chicago, published MEMORIAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD. It contained a "Compendium of Local Biography, including Biographical Sketches of Prominent Old Settlers and Representative citizen of Part of the Cumberland Region of Tennessee, with a review of their life work; their identity with the Growth and Development of this Region; Reminiscences of Personal History and Pioneer Life; and other Interesting and Valuable Matter which should be Preserved in History".

One of Ogle's biographies is on Dr. Robert **Morgan**, "one of Tracy City's oldest and most efficient physicians, very popular". He was born in Shelbyville, Tennessee, Oct 25, 1832, son of Moses and Elizabeth (**Johnson**) **Morgan**, natives of Cabarrus County, North Carolina. Both moved early, with their parents, to Bedford County, Tennessee, and spent their remaining days there. The father was a carpenter who died in 1846, age 45. After his death, Elizabeth married George **Kimbro** and she died in 1882, age 82. Moses and Elizabeth were parents of seven children: German B., a farmer in Bedford County; Dr. Robert; Sarah, wife of Thomas Cox, a carpenter in Shelbyville, now deceased; Melissa; Cornelia; Annie; George.

Dr. **Morgan** practiced medicine in Bedford County for 25 years before moving to Tracy City where he was very successful. He married Elizabeth **Locke**, of Bedford County, born 1842, daughter of Weakley **Locke**. Dr. and Mrs. **Morgan** had 5 children: George, a blacksmith and farmer in Grundy County; Annie, wife of R.N. Blanton, a carpenter in Decherd; Mary, wife of J.W. **Berry**, of Tracy City; Martha, wife of Rev. J.R. **Reeves**, Hickman County, Tennessee; and Moses, of Tracy City.

Family history from other sources: daughter Mary, called "Mollie", married widower John W. **Berry**, 20 Sept 1894. In the 1900 census, Robert A. **Morgan**, 63, widower; Mary E. **Berry**, daughter, born July 1864, 35, married 4 years, has 2 children; Charles, 3 and Clarence D., 1. In 1910, John and Mollie Berry are in separate households. Mollie is said to be a "widow" and John is "divorced".

Two sons of Robert and Elizabeth **Morgan**, living in Grundy County, in 1900, are George, 41, with wife, Susan, 38, and 3 sons; and Moses, 27, with wife Mary E., 23, and son, George S., 3.

In Tracy City Cemetery, Eleseabith, wife of Dr. R. **Morgan**, Apr 8, 1942/Mar 12, 1900. In selected Newspaper obituaries by Sherrill: Dr. Robert **Morgan**, 65, died in Decherd, Apr 1903, buried Tracy City.

The Eli W. Hamby Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In 1898, George A. Ogle and Company, Chicago, published biographical sketches of "prominent Old Settlers and Representative citizens of the Cumberland Region of Tennessee".

One of those was Eli W. **Hamby**, "one of the representative and prominent agriculturists of Grundy County". He was born in Burras Cove, Aug 8, 1860 son of Eli W. and Rachel Arkansas (**Sartain**) **Hamby**. His paternal grandfather, also called Eli, was born and reared in North Carolina. In 1818, he came to Warren County, Tennessee and lived in Elk River area. Eli W., the father, was born Oct 5, 1826, on Hickory Creek and died 1884. He served in the Civil War and then became a prosperous farmer and stock raiser. His children were: James H. and Jesse R, farmers on Elk River; Eli W.; Clarissa, Mrs. Charles B. **Wamack**, of Pelham; George F., agriculturist. The mother of these children, Rachel, was born in Arkansas, Nov 5, 1839, and died in Coffee County, Aug 2, 1892. After the death of her first husband, she married P.H. **Bost**, of Coffee County.

Eli W., subject of this sketch, went to school at Camp Ground Government School. Then was a successful farmer. On Nov 29, 1885, he married Allie **Hawk**, daughter of Alexander **Hawk**. In 1895, they moved to Tracy City. Their children: Henry A., Cora M., Roy Briggs, Dora Belle.

Family history from other sources: 1900 census of Grundy County, Tracy City area, Eli W. **Hamby**, born Aug 1859, 40; Allie F., born May 1870, 30; Henry A., born Dec 1886, 13; Cora M., born Aug 1889, 10; Roy B., born July 1892, 7; Dora B., born Jan 1896, 4.

In the 1929 census, Elige W., 59; Allie, 49; Dola, 23. Grundy County death certificate no. 311, Allie **Hawk Hamby**, age 55 years, 2 months, 8 days, died July 15, 1925; parents were Alex and Sarah (**Phipps**) **Hawk**; birthplace Decherd. Buried Mt. Garner Cemetery, Franklin County; Allie F. **Hamby**, 1870-1925. Daughter, Dola, married Gus **Bard**, Aug 11, 1925, and they lived in Bardstown, Kentucky.

The mother of Eli W. of this sketch was daughter of James and Isabella **Sartain**. She and Eli **Hamby** were married Aug 21, 1856. She is buried in Winton Cemetery, Grundy County, Tennessee: Rachel Arkansas **Bost**, May 22, 1840/Aug 4 1892.

Buried in Tracy City Cemetery, Eli W. **Hamby**, 1860-1935.

The Abraham Dallas Hargis Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In 1898, George A. Ogle and Company, Chicago, published biographical sketches of "prominent Old Settlers and representative citizens of the Cumberland Region of Tennessee".

One of those was Abraham Dallas **Hargis**, "one of the leading citizens of Tracy City, of English and Dutch descent, whose lineage is traced back to the colonial history of the nation. His ancestors were in the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, and Indian War in Florida. His grandfather, a native of North Carolina, was a pioneer settler of Franklin County, Tennessee and settled near Battle Creek and died in Marion County. He is buried in Oak Grove Cemetery.

The father of Abraham Dallas was Thomas **Hargis**, born in Franklin County, and died in Marion County, Dec 25, 1873. He was a prominent and influential man, a member of the county court and a minister of the Primitive Baptist Church. He married Mary **Gunter**, born 1804 in Warren County, her parents from South Carolina. Her father was Augustus **Gunter**, who now had many descendants in Jackson County, Alabama, or in the West. Mrs. **Hargis** died in Tracy City, May 12, 1895, age 91. She was burned accidentally while lighting her pipe. The children of Thomas and Mary are: William L., minister in Tracy City; John W., farmer near Pelham who served in the Civil War; Thomas M., also of Tracy City, served in the Civil War; Melvina, Mrs. Alfred **Spigles**, Marion County; A.D. youngest child. Deceased children are: Jane K., Mrs. Samuel **Anderson**, died in Marion County; Rebecca, Mrs. Alfred **Spigles**; Mahala C., Mrs. John P. **Henry**, died near Pelham; Tabitha, died young.

Abraham Dallas, born Jan 4, 1844, served in the Confederacy, 1861-1865. After the war, he settled in Tracy City and worked as a digger in the coal mines. In 1897, he was a mine inspector. He married Mary **Travis**, native of Madison County, Alabama, and daughter of Charles **Travis**. Their children are: Martha J., Mrs. T.H. Jackson; Thomas J.: Joseph W., Augustus G.; Ella, Mrs. John Myers; Mahala C.; Rebecca. Abraham D. died young.

Family history from other sources: In census of 1900, Grundy County, Abraham, born Jan 4, 1844, 56; Mary E., born Apr 1848, 52, 9 children/8 living; Rebecca, born Mar 1883, 17; Clarence, grson, 9. In 1910, Abraham, Mary, and Clarence have living with them: John J. **Myers**, s/1, 48, widower, and his children, Harry, Mark and Rebecca. John J. had married Ellen **Hargis**, Nov 11, 1897.

Thomas J. **Hargis**, son of Abraham Dallas, on Jan 16, 1890, married Lula **Street**. In 1900 census, Thomas, born Apr 1867, 33; Lula, born Dec 1874, 25; children are: Garnet, Mollie, Bonnie, Earl. Sister-in-law Eller **Street**, 20 lives with them.

In Pigeon Mountain Cemetery, Marion County: Rev. Thomas **Hargis**, 6-21-1904/12-26-1871; Mary M. **Hargis**, 5-28-1804/5-13-1895.

The Matt Cope Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In 1898, George A. Ogle and Company, Chicago, published biographical sketches of "prominent Old Settlers and Representative citizens of the Cumberland Region of Tennessee". One of those was Matt **Cope**, "a highly respected citizen of Tracy City and one of the most efficient

locomotive engineers of the Nashville & Chattanooga railroad". Matt was born in Grundy County, May 8, 1861, son of W.M. and Piney (**Sanders**) **Cope**. His father, a farmer, died about 5 years ago. His mother is still living in Marion County. They had 10 children: Rosie, resident of Aetna, Tennessee; Rhoda, wife of John **Nunnely**, of Tracy City; Harris, a miner in Whitwell; Lewis, agriculturist of Marion County; Amos, a miner in Tracy City; Vester, of Marion County; and deceased are J.P., a railway fireman, and Jennie, died in childhood.

Matt began work on the railroad as a boy and progressed to fireman, brakeman, and now is an engineer. He married Miss Molly **Berry**, daughter of Green A. and Martha (**Miles**) **Berry**, natives of North Carolina and Tennessee, living in Warren County. Matt and Mollie have daughters, Wilcia and Oma Lee.

Family history from other sources: In Grundy County Deed Book "C", 125, William Cope and wife Piney sold 30 acres in district 7, for \$400, their interest in the property of Thomas **Sanders**, deceased, April 1856.

On June 27, 1875, Mary F. **Berry** married John M. **Hefner** and they had a daughter named Lillie. In 1880 census, Mary F. **Hefner**, 20, daughter, widow, and Lillie **Hefner**, granddaughter, 4, are living with Green A. and Martha **Berry**, in Tracy City. About 1885, Mary F. "Mollie" (**Berry**) **Hefner** married Matt **Cope**. About 1898, Lillie **Hefner** married Samuel **Bobo** and they had son, Raymond, and divorced. We have this family in the 1910 census; Mat **Cope**, 48; Mollie, married 2nd, 50; Willcia, daughter, 24; Oma Lee, daughter, 16, Lillie **Bobo**, daughter, 33, divorced; Raymond **Bobo**, 11.

In Tracy City Cemetery: Lillie **Cope**, "daughter", Sept 25, 1875/Apr 30 1915. Matt **Cope**, Apr 8, 1863/Mar 9, 1917.

Nothing is found on this family in the censuses of 1920 and 1930, Grundy County.

"Tracy City, the Meanest and Dirtiest Little Place on Earth"

Written by Jackie Layne Partin with Quotes from a Diary

Now that I have your attention, please let me explain where the statement in the title originated. It was taken from a diary written by Dennis Priest Curtis beginning on Jan. 01, 1870 in St. Joseph, Michigan and continuing on until his family's wagon pulled atop the mountain at Beersheba Springs, Grundy County, Tennessee on March 2, 1870. He continued making nightly entries in his diary until March 23rd that year.

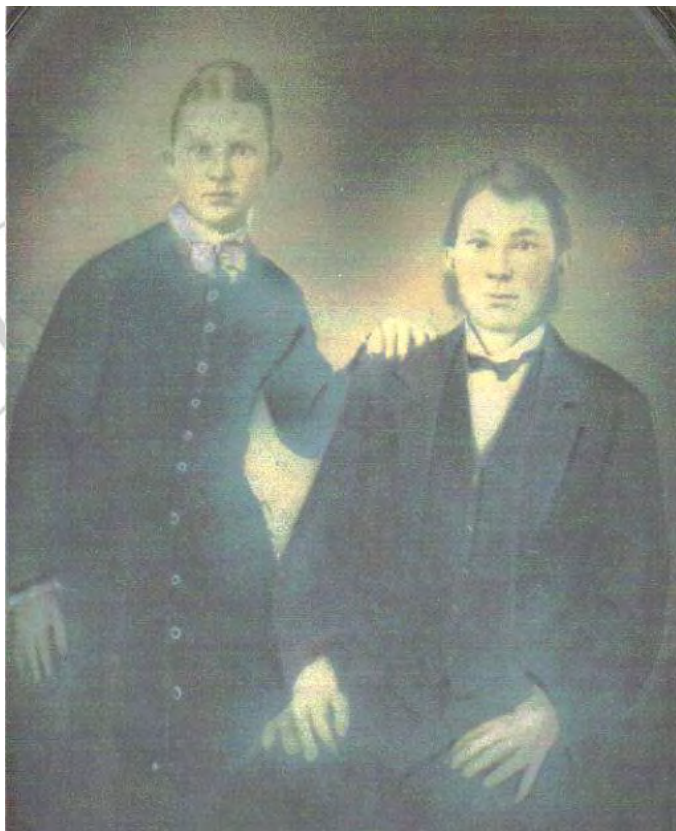
Dennis was the oldest child of James Jairus and Mary Elizabeth Priest Curtis who were born in Massachusetts and Connecticut respectively. Dennis had three siblings, Jane, Edward and Emma. Six-year old Jane had died in Fremont, Indiana in 1855 and was buried in the town's cemetery. Jairus had moved his family from Stockbridge, Massachusetts to Fremont, Indiana; the next move was to St. Joseph, Michigan amongst the great fruit growers of that region. Upon his return from a quick trip to Tennessee to acquire land from J. W. and Elizabeth Caroline Lockhart, Jairus began his preparations to move his wife and three children to Grundy Co., Tennessee. Thankfully, twenty-two year old Dennis kept his diary faithfully giving us incite into a real covered wagon journey which would take the family from Michigan, through Indiana and Kentucky, and into Southern Tennessee.

At 7:00 A. M., Thursday morning, February 3, 1870, the Curtis family left behind friends, relatives, and memories to travel to their one mile square tract of land in Grundy County. The weather was clear, but chilly. They had worked daily preparing their wagon and themselves for the long trip. Some items had been sent ahead by freight to Tracy City, Tennessee. Still in the midst of winter, one would wonder why the trip was not postponed until springtime. Obviously, Jairus and Mary knew that they had to arrive in Tennessee in time to put in crops and build a house before the next long cold winter arrived on the plateau.

A typical day on the road would consist of breakfast either with the persons from whom they acquired lodging or cooked by Mary on a fire along the side of the road. Then for miles and miles of rough traveling over clay roads, muddy paths, turnpikes and over a few quaint little dirt roads along the way, they moved on. A short stop was made for lunch; then the journey continued. Sometimes they walked; sometimes they rode. There are no indications in the diary that they were anything but a happy family with a positive attitude about this move. Evenings found them looking for lodging and food not only for themselves but for the horses. Nights were spent mostly recuperating from the rigors of the previous day. Rest was evasive on some nights, but on a few stopovers, peaceful sleep did visit them. Around nine or ten o'clock each night, Dennis wrote in his diary and practiced on his fiddle. Then the family retired.

In the Burlington Hotel in Indiana, "...some of the boarders come in from meeting and discuss the unsoundness of Universalism." After the discussion Jairus and Dennis "have some fun over the scarcity of feathers" in their pillows. Near Michigan Town, "a one horse affair", the wagon moves "over some of the most abominable road" seen by Dennis. "It was mostly an old worn out plank road, part of which had been torn up." On February 12th they "come on through a pretty nice country over a pike road"; then they "come to a nice little city by the name of Franklin, a very neat, pretty and lively little

city." Three days later they "drive...to a little muddy ferry" where they meet up with two families moving from Ohio. Dennis noticed the nice wagons the families had; "they have springs under their wagons and very nice teams," and the wagons are "nicely covered with oil canvasses."



On February 17th, the family spends the first night in Kentucky on the "plantation of Mr. Garr, a southerner who had once been a slaveholder." In Elizabethtown, Kentucky Jairus puts their "trunks in the care of the Express Agent to be shipped to McMinnville...then buys some bread, butter and little basins." Near the village of Caverna, Kentucky, formerly known as Horse Cave, they "see a flock of quails by the roadside." Jairus killed two of them. The night of the 22nd the family spends the night "in a Negro cabin on a plantation 10 miles north of Bowling Green." Mary Elizabeth boils some pork for their nightly meal. They bed down with their blankets on some hay. On the 24th near Gallatin, Tennessee, Dennis goes to "two houses for milk and molasses" but got none, so the family eats a "bread and butter dinner." Saturday, the 26th finds the family driving through the great cedar groves of Lebanon. Sunday they pass "through the village of Alexander, a rather smutty little place containing four steepled buildings." Then they come to Liberty, Tennessee, "another little dirty village containing three or four drinking saloons."

Tuesday, March 1st the weather was cloudy and cold with some snow around noon. Jairus had stopped in McMinnville to get the trunks that he had sent on ahead in Elizabethtown. That night it was cold and freezing when they stayed at the home of "Widow Dikes" at the foot of the mountain. The next morning everyone but Dennis walked the long climb up the mountain to Beersheba

Springs. Dennis drove the team. He wrote, "We go it again, up hill and down, through mud and over rock until we drive into Altamont, our county seat, a small place." Here they met John W. Lockhart, and after a friendly visit with folks in the small town, they drove out to the land that Jairus had purchased for them and then on to the Lockharts where Mrs. Lockhart prepared a meal.

On their first morning at the Lockharts, they ate a big "breakfast of cornbread, biscuit, venison-boiled and fried, and fried pork." Then Jairus and Dennis took their guns and compass and walked around their land where they saw five deer. The next morning they "hitch up the team...and get aboard and go to Tracy City, **the meanest and dirtiest little place on earth,**" to get their goods only to find that they had not arrived. Jairus bought some sugar and flour; then they made the journey back to the Lockhart home "over a very rough road."

The Sheriff awoke both families on March 5th. He wanted John Lockhart and his carpenter, Henry Schaerer to go with him "and take a Mr. Johnson up the road." They borrowed the Curtis men's guns. The same day Jairus and Dennis went "out of the world" to find food for the horses in the valley. After finding, buying and loading the fodder, they made it back as far as Solomon Meeks' house where they ate supper and bunked down. The next morning Martha Meeks, Solomon's daughter, made them a wonderful "breakfast of hard fried pork, eggs and hot biscuit." Because of the rainy weather and steepness of the "new road", the horses had "a mighty hard pull" to the top of the mountain.

Upon his initial arrival on the mountain, Jairus wasted no time in preparing for the building of his house. He, Dennis and their ancestors knew woodworking. Trip after trip was made to Altamont, McMinnville and Jasper for supplies. Even some visits were made to the newly organized Swiss Colony in Gruetli for certain tools and food items. Ezekiel Smartt split many rails for Jairus to use on his farm. At the same time the family bought seed potatoes from Mr. Smartt for their spring planting. They were an industrious family with no shortage of tasks to be finished before winter. Young Edward Curtis pulled his weight by piling brush around the future homeplace. One day after Dennis had had a long day of cutting and trimming out trees, he started the walk back to the Lockharts. "A red-haired and red faced man comes along and talks awhile in a discouraging way." Dennis walked along with him and found that he was not a talkative person. The man went on his way. Later Mrs. Lockhart told Dennis that the fellow which walked along with him "helped to murder a Negro and that he was one of a sort who did not want northern people to come in here for fear that their hunting would be damaged by" the clearing of land.

By August the house was built and the fields were planted. Jairus, Mary Elizabeth, Dennis, Edward and Emma Eugenia had successfully made the transition from the North to the South. The area they lived in became known as Freemont, maybe named in remembrance of the town where their little daughter Jane was buried. Some of their neighbors were the Dick Sanders family, the Solomon W. Adams family, several Sweeton and Nunley families, and a German named Henry Geissler.

On Christmas Day 1872 Dennis married Olive Sutherland in Logansport, one of the towns the family came through in Indiana. He fathered two children, Clara and George, and in 1887 he passed away in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Mary Elizabeth died in 1893; Jairus died in 1896; Emma Eugenia married Pleas

Rogers, but they had no children, and she died in 1897. Edward L. Curtis married a young lady from the neighborhood, Pheby Ann Adams. Their children were Carrie, Arthur, Bertha and William. Edward died in 1919.

Arthur Curtis married Minnie Lovelace and became a well-known businessman in Coalmont. The names of their ten children are Willie Mae, Margaret, Arthur Roy, Alene, Edwene, Johnny, Billy, Jimmy, Thomas and Betty. Some of these children still live in the Coalmont/Tracy City area. The original diary is now in the care of Thomas Curtis who has been so generous and helpful with information. I would like to dedicate this small article to the memory of Willie Mae Curtis Mullican who worked so diligently to make the link with her past. For those interested in reading the whole diary and other notes left by Dennis, a copy has been placed in the Root Cellar at the Tracy City Library.

Neighbors in Grundy County, Tennessee- 1900

Dola S. Tylor

This is a continuation of the 1900 US Census Records of Grundy County published by Goins & Hobbs. Places of birth are Tennessee unless otherwise noted.

Some of the information on residents of Wesley Chapel area is from the book "Wesley Chapel Church and Cemetery, 2005" by James R. and Bettye Sherwood.

136/136 Henry **COOK**, farmer, born June 1849, 50; Sarah J., born Sept 1850, 49, 6 children/3 living; Emma J., born Aug 1881, 18; Arthur T., born Sept 1884, 15; Tressie **Carden**, grda, born Aug 1894, 5; Roy W. **Carden**, grson, born Apr 1898, 2. (In "Wesley Chapel Church and Cemetery" by the Sherwoods: Josephine (Sain) **Cook**, Sept 30, 1850/Mar 23, 1903, wife of Henry C., married Coffee County, Sept 24, 1868. Also buried there is Cleo, wife of Dr. L.A. **Carden**, Nov 14, 1872/Aug 5, 1899, dau of Henry C. and Josephine (Sain) **Cook**.)

137/137 * Asa **STUBBLEFIELD**, farmer, born Sept 1869, 30; Mary E., born Dec 1871, 28, 4 children/3 living; Hugh T., born Jan 1892, 8; Ruby I., born Apr 1895, 5; Jessie M., born Jan 1898, 2. (In 1910, Asa, 40; Mary, 38; Hue, 18; Ruby, 15; Jessie, 12; Bell, 10; Ora, 6; Fred, 4. By 1930, Ora, 26, is the only child still at home. In Viola Cemetery, Warren County, Jessie (**Stubblefield**) **Brown**, dau of Asa Faulkner and Mary Ellen (**Hicks**) **Stubblefield**, wife of Charles Mabry **Brown**, Jan 31, 1898/Dec 15, 1986. In Garden of Memory Cemetery, Warren County, Ruby **Sain**, Apr 3, 1895/Oct 23, 1989, dau of Asa F. and Mary (**Hix**) **Stubblefield**, wife of Fred W. **Sain**, Sr. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Grundy County, Hugh Thomas **Stubblefield**, Jan 5, 1892/Mar 10, 1979.)

138/138 Jesse **EVANS**, black, farm laborer, born Jan 1875, 25; Martha, black, born Mar 1874, 26, no children.

139/139 Virginia E. **CUNNINGHAM**, Day laborer, born Dec 1859, 40, widow; George L., born July 1886, Ark., 13; Charles, born Oct 1888, Ark, 11; Fanny B., born June 1890, Ark, 10; Byron, born Aug 1896, Ark, 3. (In Wesley Chapel Church and

Cemetery, James B. **Cunningham**, Jan 10, 1854/Aug 27, 1896, son of Langston and Rebecca (**Lusk**) **Cunningham**, 1st wife Rebecca Ann **Byron**, 2nd wife Virginia E. **Price**.)

- 140/140 Joe **DONNEHOO**, born Mar 1878, 22; Mary B., born July 1874, 25, 3 children/2 living; Oweta, born Mar 1897, 3; Forase, born Feb 1899, 1. Black family.
- 141/141 Ann **POINTER**, farmer, born Feb 1854, 46, widow, 5 children/5 living; Maude, born Sept 1883, 16; Willie W., dau, born Sept 1886, 13; Mary L., born Oct 1887, 12; Sarah E., born July 1890, 9; Tom, born Sept 1893, 6; Sam B. **Ramsey**, Inmate, born June 1879, 20, single. (In 1920, Grundy County, Tom **Pointer**, 26; Lucy, 24. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, S.D. **Pointer**, 1849-1895; Ann **Pointer**, dau of Mr. **Terry**, Feb 1854/Jan 15, 1923.)
- 142/142 Thomas E. **MABRY**, born Jan 1828, VA, 72; Julia, born Jan 1843, 57, 9 children/9 living; Mary J., born Apr 1863, 37; single; Myrtle T., born May 1876, 24, single; George G., born June 1882, 18, single; Lemore **Cunningham**, Inmate Apr 1877, Ark., 23, single; (In Gwyn Cemetery, Warren County, Thomas Elliott **Mabry**, Jan 5, 1828/Oct 11, 1911, son of Nathaniel and Martha Elliott **Mabry**, husband of Julia **Gwyn**, married Nov 24, 1859; Julia, Jan 25, 1843/1922; daughter of Ransom and Margaret (**McConnell**) **Davidson Gwyn**.)
- 143/143 James A. **THAXTON**, farm laborer, born Apr 1864, 36; Mary E., born Dec 1869, 30, 2 children/2 living; Earline, born Sept 1897, 2; Ida M., born Jan 1899, 1.
- 144/144 Bur J. **CUNNINGHAM**, born Aug 1858, 41; Fannie, born Jul 1859, 40, no children. (In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Benjamin Jefferson **Cunningham**, 30, Aug 1858/Aug 1, 1904; Fannie **Cunningham**, dau of E.H. and Lucinda W. **Rieves**, married Coffee County, Nov 23, 1880.)
- 145/145 Thomas M. **LAWRENCE**, farmer, born Dec 1843, 56; Mary J., born Dec 1845, 54, 4 children/3 living; Charles J., born Oct 1869, 30, single; (In 1920, Charlie **Lawrence**, 50; Maud, 50, Clarence, 13; Henrietta, 11; Thomas, 9; Paul, 7. In Viola Cemetery, Warren County: T.W. **Lawrence**, Dec 22, 1843/Feb 21, 1912; Mary J., Dec 25, 1845/Dec 17, 1918; Charles J., Oct 22, 1896/Oct 19, 1925.)
- 146/146 Almon R. **GOON**, born Sept 1854, Indiana, 45; Ellen J., born PA, July 1854, 3 children/none living.
- 147/147 Johnathan **WOOTON**, born Nov 1855, 44; Sallie V., born Oct 1863, 36, 1 child/1 living; Enoch H., born Oct 1881, 18. (In Coffee County, Hillsboro Methodist Church Cemetery; Jonathan E. **Wooten**, Nov 5, 1855/Mar 30, 1925; Sallie V., Oct 23, 1963/Dec 26, 1927.)
- 148/148 Sam **MORGAN**, born June 1856, 43; Mary E., born Apr 1857, 43, Freddie L., dau born Oct 1893, 6; Warren **Lane**, Inmate, black, born Sept 1881, 18, single. (In 1920, Sam **Morgan**,

59; Mary E., 60; Freddie, 25. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Sam T. **Morgan**, June 29, 1860/Jan 23, 1941, son of David and Mary (**Scavirs**) **Morgan**; Mary E. **Wooten**, Apr 23, 1857/June 26, 1933, dau of William and Marantha (**Braley**) **Wooten**, married Oct 19, 1889; Freddie Lee, Oct 23, 1893/June 24, 1958, dau of Sam T. and Mary **Wooten Morgan**.)

149/149 James **COOKSON**, born June 1859, 40; Mary E., born Mar 1869, 31, 4 children/4 living; Carrie, born Oct 1891, 8; John F., born Mar 1893, 7; Emley, born Mar 1895, 5; Thomas, born Feb 1898, 2.

150/150 Robert E. **BRAWLEY**, farmer, born Nov 1876, 23; Jeston E., born Feb 1871, 29, 2 children/2 living; Robert R., born Jan 1897, 3; Mack M., born July 1899, 11 months; Lou V., sister, born July 1868, 31, single; Bob, nephew, born Aug 1884, 15. (Robert **Braley** married Jestin **Winton**, June 15, 1894. In 1910, Robert E., 33, Jeston E., 34; Roy M., 13; Mack, 10; Avo, 8. In 1880, Coffee County, Mr. G. **Brawly**, 61, had 6 children including Lou V., 12, and Robert, 3.)

151/151 William W. **KIRBY**, day laborer, born Sept 1843, 56; Mary, born AL, June 1855, 45, 8 children/7 living; Alvey P., born Feb 1884, 14; Charles C., born Nov 1885, AL, 14; Novie J., born May 1888, 12; George H., born Mar 1892. (In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, John W. **Kirby**, son of William W. and Mary Jane **Kirby**, Sept 19, 1872/June 27, 1895.)

152/152 Dock C. **CHRISTIAN**, day laborer, born Dec 1880, 19; Allie P., born May 1878, 22, no children. (Dock married Alice **Wooten**, Nov 20, 1898. In census records of 1910 through 1930, they have no children. In 1930, Lee **Sain**, 18 is living with them. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery records, Doc **Chrisitain**, Dec 11, 1880/Feb 28 1934; Allie (**Wooten**) **Christian**, May 25, 1878/Feb 5, 1940, dau of James B. and Eudora (**Winton**) **Wooten**.)

153/153 Thomas B. **MARTIN**, black, farm laborer, born Apr 1867, 33; Allice, black, born June 1880, no children.

154/154 Nimrod B. **SAIN**, born Feb 1817, NC, 83; Martha W., born May 1822, 78, 10 children/10 living; Margaret J., born Nov 1852, 47, single; Nancy J., born Nov 1854, 45, single. (Grundy County Death Certificate No. 463, Nannie J. **Sain**, 64-4-18, single, buried Wesley Chapel. In 1920, Maggie **Sain**, sister, 65, is living with Johnie and Sallie **Sain**. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, N.B. **Sain**, Feb 22, 1817/Oct 4, 1902, son of Daniel and Mary Martha (**Davis**) **Sain**; Martha, Apr 30, 1822/Apr 24, 1904, married Oct 15, 1844.)

155/155 Thomas J. **ENGLAND**, born Fe? 1829, 71, widower; Mattie **Brawley**, niece, born Nov 1872, 27, single. (In Braley Cemetery, near Viola; Atlanta, wife of T.J. **England**, Jan 8, 1830/July 9, 1899. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Jane **England**, May 16, 1845/June 10, 1934, dau of Henry and Jane (**Eagle**) **McNew**, 2nd husband was Thomas Jefferson **England**.)

- 156/156 William W. **CHRISTIAN**, farmer, born June 1855, 44; Nannie, daughter, born July 1883, 16; Prudence J., daughter, born Dec 1885, 14; Doyle W., born Oct 1891, 8; William J., born Feb 1897, 3; Mattie C., wife, born Aug 1865, 34, 1 child/1 living; Doyle W., 18; Nannie, 26; Dennice, 6. (In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, William Wesley **Christian**, son of Samuel J. and Sabbatha (**Lusk**) **Christian**, June 4, 1855/July 21, 1920; Margaret (**Brawley**) **Christian**, June 10, 1857/Sept 22, 1895; Doyle W. **Christian**, Oct 22, 1891/May 17, 1947.)
- 157/157 William H. **LUSK**, farmer, born Dec 1841, 58; Betty, born May 1863, 37, 4 children/4 living; Odus H., born Apr 1893, 7; Verrion ?, dau, born Aug 1894, 5; Lou V., born Feb 1896, 4; George H., born Oct 1897, 2. (In 1920, Harrison **Lusk**, 78; Bettie, 56; Vera Hazel, 25; Lou Velmer, 23. Son Hubert married Hazel **Lockhart**, Dec 16, 1917 and they lived next door: Hubert, 22; Hazel, 21; Jena Edwin, 1. (In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, W. Harrison **Lusk**, Dec 27, 1841/Sept 6, 1927, son of William and Sarah (**Guest**) **Lusk**, 1st wife, S. Leucania **Warren**, married Oct 19, 1860; 2nd wife, Betty **Rogers**, married May 12, 1892, Coffee County. Betty **Rogers Lusk**, May 29, 1863/June 28, 1936, dau of Elisha and Mary Ann (**Fults**) **Rogers**. George Hubert **Lusk**, Oct 26, 1897/Nov 23, 1977; Hazel (**Lockhart**) **Lusk**, Dec 16, 1898/Sept 7, 1975.)
- 158/158 Joseph **McBEE**, farmer, born Apr 1867, 37; Susie A., born Oct 1862, 37, 4 children/4 living; Robert B., born Dec 1893, 6; Georgia A., born Aug 1895, 4; Joe L., born July 1897, 2; Addie M., born Apr 1899, 1; Sarah **Milloway**, sister-in-law, born June 1860, 30, single.
- 159/159 Clabe **WOOTON**, farmer, born Mar 1875, 25; Maggie, born Jan 1879, 21, 1 child/1 living; Unis E., born Apr 1898, 2. (In 1910 this family: Clabe, 34; Maggie, 34; Unis, 12; Rutha, 5. In 1930, living with Clabe and Mattie are Sallie **Lusk**, sister-in-law, 62, single, and Irene **Wenton**, gr/dau, 13. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Clabe, Mar 1, 1876/May 31, 1949, son of Wm. Jesse and Mary M. (**Stotts**) **Wooton**; Maggie, Dec 17, 1877/Dec 11, 1949, daughter of Bird and Selina Caroline **Lusk**.)
- 160/160 Byrd **LUSK**, farmer, born May 1832, 68; Selina C., born Nov 1840, 59, 7 children/4 living; Sarah E., born Sept 1868, 31, single; Maude A., born May 1880, 20. (In 1910, Caroline **Lusk**, 69, widow, 7 children/4 living, has daughter Sallie, 41, single, living with her. In 1920, Sallie **Lusk**, 51, single, lives alone but is next door to her sister, Maude A. and husband Jim R. **Wooten**. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Bird **Lusk**, May 18, 1832/Nov 8, 1900, son of William and Sarah (Guest) **Lusk**: Caroline, Nov 1, 1840/_____.)
- 161/161 Anderson C. **LUSK**, farmer, born Aug 1834, 65; Lucy A., born Jan 1835, 65, 7 children/7 living; James C., born Sept 1868, 31, single; Lillie A., born Nov 1876, 23, single; John **Scott**, inmate, born May 1861, 39, single. (In 1910,

Anderson and Lucy are each 75 years old and have granddaughter Hudie **Adams**, 16, living with them. In 1900, Hudie, 6, is listed as daughter of William B. and Martha I. **Adams**. In Wesley Chapel, Anderson **Lusk**, Aug 22, 1834/Sept 8, 1912; Lucy A. **Lusk**, Jan 16, 1835/May 25, 1916, daughter of Benjamin W. and Sarah **Cunningham**, married July 19, 1857,)

162/162 Jesse **WINTON**, farmer, born Jan 1869, 31; Margie, born Sept 1880, 19, 2 children/2 living; Ulus, born Mar 1898, 2; George, born Oct 1899, 8 months. (In 1910, Jesse, 39, is a widower and has sons, Ulus, 12, and Fred, 10, living with him. Ulus married Jessie **Rhea**, Dec 27, 1919. In Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Margie (**Cunningham**) **Winton**, Sept 26, 1880/Aug 5, 1904, daughter of John C. and Nancy **Wooton Cunningham**; Ulysess S. **Winton**, Mar 3, 1898/Dec 12, 1972.)

163/163 Sam J. **WINTON**, farmer, born Sept 1859, 40; Jennie, born May 1866, 34, 5 children/5 living; Nancy A., born Feb 1885, 15; Fanny J., born Jan 1887, 13; William R., dau, born Nov 1889, 10; R.C., born Nov 1894, 5; Maggie D., son, born, born Feb 1896, 4. (In 1910, Sam J., 50; Jennie, 43; Jane, 23; Rancie, 19; R.C., 16; Midge, 15; Ralph, 9; Gussie, 6. In Wesley Chapel, Samuel J. **Winton**, unmarked grave, Sept 20, 1859/Mar 20/1940, son of William and Nancy (**Wooton**) **Winton**; Jennie, unmarked grave, location unknown; Midge D. **Winton**, Feb 10, 1896/Jan 13, 1935, son of Samuel J. and Jennie (**Cornelison**) **Winton**, married Offie **McGregor**, daughter of Jesse and Ada (**Bounds**) **McGregor**, Dec 24, 1920.)

164/164 William **CUNNINGHAM**, Day Laborer, born Apr 1850, 50; William, son born Oct 1879, 19, married; George S., born June 1880, 19; Hallie, born Oct 1882, 12; Betty, daughter-in-law, born Jan 1878, 22, married 0 years. (William **Cunningham**, Jr. married Betty **Wooton**, Mar 18, 1900. George **Cunningham** married Daisy **Wooton**, Feb 17, 1901; Hallie **Cunningham** married Dock **Shelton**, May 13, 1908; Della **Cunningham** married James **Revis**, July 6, 1909; Bertie **Cunningham** married Kilby **Reeves**, Dec 20, 1910. In 1930, Will **Cunningham**, 52; Bettie, wife, 50; Steven **Winton**, 72, widower, has daughter, Daisy **Cunningham**, 44, divorced, living with him.)

MURPHY'S LAW OF GENEALOGY- Sometimes you just have to laugh!

1. The public ceremony in which your distinguished ancestor participated and at which the platform collapsed under him turned out to be a hanging.
2. When at last after much hard work you have evolved the mystery that you have been working on for two years, your aunt says, "I could have told you that."
3. You search ten years for your grandmother's maiden name to eventually find it on a letter in a box in the attic.

4. You never asked your father about his family when he was alive because you weren't interested in genealogy then.
5. The will you need is in the safe on board the Titanic.
6. Copies of old newspapers have holes occurring only on the surnames.
7. John, son of Thomas the immigrant whom your relatives claim as the family progenitor, died on board ship at the age of 10.
8. Your great grandfather's newspaper obituary states that he died leaving no issue of record.
9. Another genealogist has just insulted the keeper of the vital records you need.
10. The relative who had all the family photographs gave them all to her daughter who has no interest in genealogy and no inclination to share.
11. The only record you find for your great grandfather is that his property was sold at a sheriff's sale of insolvency.
12. The one document that would supply the missing link in your dead end line has been lost due to fire, flood, or war.
13. The town clerk to whom you wrote for the information sends you a long handwritten letter which is totally illegible.
14. The spelling of your European ancestor's name bears no relationship to its current spelling or pronunciation.
15. None of the pictures in your recently deceased grandmother's photo album have names written on them.
16. No one in your family tree ever did anything noteworthy, owned property, was sued or was named in a will.
17. You learn that your great aunt's executor just sold her life's collection of family genealogical materials to a flea market dealer "Somewhere in New York City."
18. Ink fades and paper deteriorates at a rate inversely proportional to the value of the data recorded.
19. The 37 volume, 16,000 page history of your county of origin isn't indexed.
20. You finally find your great grandparents' wedding record and discover that the bride's father was named John Smith.

Tombstone epitaphs...some take their humor to the grave!

On the grave of Ezekial Aikle in East Dalhousie Cemetery, Nova Scotia:
Here lies Ezekial Aikle

Age 102

The Good Die Young.

In a London, England cemetery:

Ann Mann
Here lies Ann Mann,
Who lived an old maid
But died an old Mann.
Dec. 8, 1767

In a Ribbesford, England, cemetery:

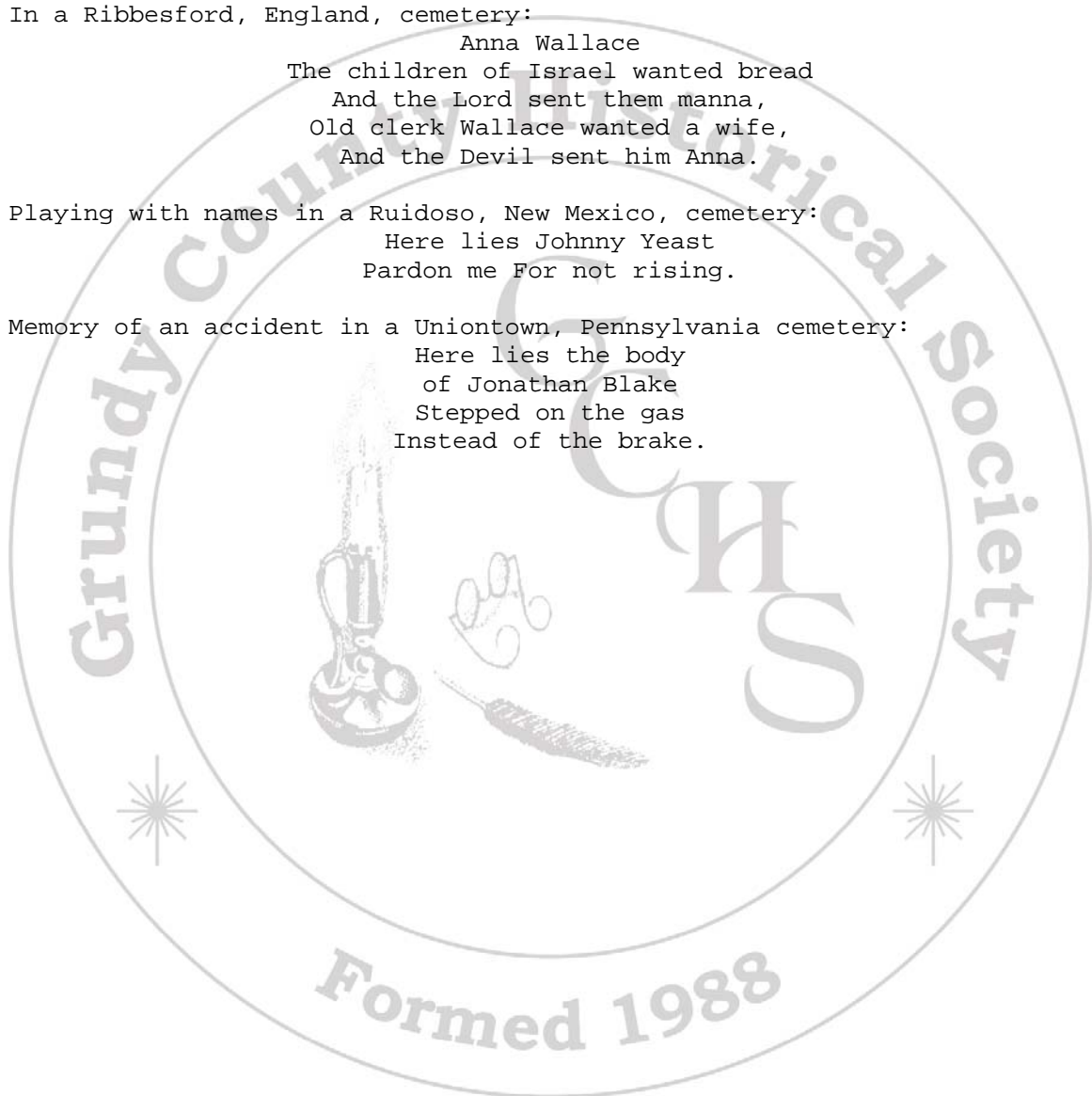
Anna Wallace
The children of Israel wanted bread
And the Lord sent them manna,
Old clerk Wallace wanted a wife,
And the Devil sent him Anna.

Playing with names in a Ruidoso, New Mexico, cemetery:

Here lies Johnny Yeast
Pardon me For not rising.

Memory of an accident in a Uniontown, Pennsylvania cemetery:

Here lies the body
of Jonathan Blake
Stepped on the gas
Instead of the brake.



Grundy County Photos~ Warren Cemetery Photographs

From time to time, I will add in some photographs from around Grundy County. If you have any photographs you'd like to send in, please send them to Sharon N. Goodman at gchswebmaster@hotmail.com. Please include your name, where photograph was taken and date if possible.

Gravestones come in a variety of shapes and sizes; big and small, ornate and plain. Here are just a few of those examples.



Pete Conry



Thomas Warren



David Sweeton



White



Maude Henson



White

Memories of Raymond Hargis

These memories of Grundy County Baseball Teams were sent to David Patton Historian of Palmer, TN January 5, 2007

Dear David,

I've tried to think of some way to organize my Grundy Co. baseball memories but I don't know how. So, I'll just write randomly as events come to mind. This will likely be long and somewhat disjointed but you can use it any way if it suits you.

I'll begin with your question about how I got started in baseball. I was born in Gruetli (Mt. Vernon area) in 1928. In 1929, my dad got a job in Old Hickory (a Nashville suburb) with Du Pont Co. The Co. owned all the houses and rented them to their employees. Du Pont also provided parks and playgrounds and hired directors to oversee them. Also the neighborhoods were close knit with many children who would play together in all kinds of games, including baseball, without much equipment and with makeshift bases, using tennis balls or rubber balls and broomstick bats.

About twice a week the playground directors would gather age groups boys and "chase up" sides for baseball games. The directors furnished baseballs, bats, catching equipment, and umpires. Boys usually had gloves their dads had bought them. There was no league, just kids playing because they liked it. There was no pressure to win---just the joy of playing. (Parents rarely attended, just kids playing ball). Age groups ranged from 7-8 to 13-14.

There was also a community gym where basketball, boxing and other indoor sports were played, much like the playground activities. In the winter of 1942-1943 the director chose a basketball team of 8th graders (not connected to the school) to play similar teams from other communities. I was chosen to play center on this team. Our best player was a boy named **Richard (Cueball) Anderson** who was a small, quick guard who could pass and dribble and was a good shooter, too. One Sunday in the 90's **Morgan Smedley** came to our services at Palmer Church of Christ. (He and **Jack his brother**, occasionally visited.). Morgan knew I had lived in Old Hickory and he had met Cueball in Chattanooga. When Cueball told Morgan he was from Old Hickory Morgan asked him if he remembered me. Cueball said he most certainly did. It is a small world isn't it?

I left the basketball team in Feb of '43 when we moved back to Gruetli. I enrolled in GCHS and **Mr. Anderson** knew the Du Pont principal, **Mr. C. P. Furguson** who was an uncle of "**Sonny**" **Furguson** who was GCHS football coach in the varsity sports were over but I played basketball the next 3 yrs. and football my senior year. We had a losing record in football in '45 but we were undefeated after 3 games and had scored only 2 touchdowns. We tied S Pittsburg 0 - 0, beat Manchester 6 - 2 and Marion Co. 6 - 0.

During the summers of my high school years I remember attending baseball games at Palmer and at Tracy City. We also played pickup games in the pastures and school yards around Gruetli. **Leck and Mathew Coffelt, John Nance's sons, Tom and Horace Moore** and others would gather and play, sometimes on Saturday or Sunday.

Palmer, Tracy City, Sherwood, Whitwell, Jasper, Monteagle, and Pelham all had teams in the 40's and 50's. The skills were at or near semi-pro level. Palmer had rivalries with Tracy City, Sherwood, and Whitwell, in particular, but all the games were very competitive. I don't remember any fights or ill will but Palmer and Sherwood came close a time or two I heard. Little **Lee Doug Ross** who couldn't have been more than 10-11 years old at the time was a big Palmer fan hitched-hiked to games wherever Palmer played.

I graduated from GCHS in the spring of '46 and **Everett Tate** who was managing Palmer at the time asked me to join the team. There was some sort of rift between Big Ev(erret) and **Harvey Brown** and **Jack Long** at the time and Harvey and Jack went to play with Whitwell. Big Ev pitched when we played Whitwell and they won with Harvey getting a big hit off of Ev. We had a good team but not having Harvey and Jack was a big loss.

I enrolled at UT in Knoxville in the fall of '46 but I played some in '47 even though a lot of games had been played by the time I got home for the summer. I will try to list some of the Palmer players of this period later but I'll probably omit some. Maybe someone else can add to the ones I remember.

In the fall of '48 after 2 yrs. at UT, I became a math teacher at CGHS. Long time math teacher, **Rudolph Schild**, had died earlier. I was planning to teach in Grundy Co. and finish my degree on the weekends and summer school. There were several players in the Gruetli area and some around Palmer who were not on Palmer's team that we believed would make up a good Gruetli team. We got together and formed a team that played similar teams from Dunlap and other places. We did well and asked to be a part of a league that included Palmer, Coalmont, Tracy City, Gruetli, Sewanee and Manchester. **George Gipson** (brother to **Joe**) was our manager, but by the time the league opened play in '49 **Claude Scott** became our manager.

The regulars on the team were: **Johnny Dickerson**, pitcher, **"Cotton" Bouldin**, catcher, **Tom Moore**, 1B, **Roy Hooten**, 2b, **Kenneth Yokely**, 3b, **Raymond Hargis**, SS, **Tom Clark**, LF, **Horace Moore**, CF, **Bill Cunningham**, RF. Manager **Claude Scott** was also a catcher **Glen Nunley** as a pitcher would also be a "regular." In fact before league play started, Glenn pitched against Dunlap 4 times and won them all. The Dunlap manager said they would play us till they won, but they never did and they were not in the newly formed league. When the season started we played Palmer the first game and won 5 -s. **Johnny Dickerson** struck out **Harvey Brown** and **Jack Long** which was not easy to do. Johnny probably threw harder than any pitcher in the league or maybe in the whole area. We next played Coalmont and beat them with **Dee Brown** pitching for Coalmont. Dee was one of the best left-handed pitchers around. We played at Tracy City next and they were unbeaten, too. The game was played before the largest crowd I had seen before and afterward. The fairgrounds grandstand was full and fans lined the left and right field foul lines.

Johnny pitched for us and **Paul Street** pitched for Tracy City. They won something like 5 -3 or 6 - 2. I'm not sure about the score but it was a great game before a great crowd. I don't remember how the standings ended but I think Tracy City was probably first.

After league play Palmer was invited to Chattanooga for the "City Series." Each team could pickup 2 players to add to their regular team. Palmer picked **Dee Brown** from Coalmont to pitch and picked me to use as a catcher. We played Trenton, Ga. first and Dee pitched and I was the catcher. As we warmed up before the game Dee told me that if I called for a curve to a left handed batter he would throw it right at the batter and if it curved it would be over the plate and if it didn't curve the batter would have to get out of the way. I laughed because Dee was dead serious. We beat Trenton by a lopsided score. **Craig Cannon** stole 2nd and 3rd more than once and the last time he also stole home. A fan behind the backstop said to the Trenton catcher, "Catcher, you had better watch out or he will steal your mask."

Palmer then played Silverdale with **Joe Scruggs** pitching. Palmer won 2 - 1 and Silverdale's run was a long homerun over the leftfield fence deep into a coal yard behind the fence. As the Silverdale player circled the bases he saw Joe on the mound bent over laughing. The player later said he didn't understand Joe, "he laughs if he strikes you out or if you hit a homerun."

The only other City Series I was involved in was on the Palmer team that played the "Dixie Spinners." **James Ross** pitched and James

had an excellent knuckle ball. I didn't catch that game but I caught James in several games that season and he was really tough to hit against. I played 1B that day and tripled in the 1st inning and came home on a groundout so we led 1 - 0. James was rolling with the knuckle ball but in the 3rd inning it quit dipping and diving. It was coming straight in and the Spinners were pounding it. I don't know how many runs they scored but in the 4th inning with the score 16 - 1 **Johnny Geary** came running in from right field and told the umpire to stop the game. "It's no use" he said. Johnny was way past his prime but had played because he was experienced and a great athlete. He was right to stop the game because we probably would not have got them out in the 4th inning.

I was at Tenn. Tech in summer school when the Korean War broke out on June 25, 1950, but I played with Gruetli on weekends and resumed teaching at GCHS in August. In November, 1950 in my 3rd year at GCHS I entered the Army. Draftees served 2 yrs so I was discharged in 1952. **Doris** and I moved to Chattanooga where I worked at Wheland and later at Chattanooga Post Office where I could work part time and go to school at the University of Chattanooga. I got my B. S. degree in 1955 and was hired as principal at Palmer Elementary in the fall of 1955. (I will write about how great it was to be at Palmer School another time.) During the summers I attended Peabody (now part of Vanderbilt Univ.) and got my M. S. degree in School administration in 1957. In 1958 in my 3rd year at Palmer I was elected County Court Clerk. After school was out at Palmer in May I had until September before becoming County Court Clerk so I played on Palmer's team for my last year as a player in the summer of 1958.

I played 2B on a pretty good Palmer team. **Squat Crisp** from Tracy City pitched for us. We played a very good Bridgeport team, probably as good as any team in the entire Chattanooga area. Squat pitched a great game and we were leading 2 - 1 in the 9th inning. Bridgeport had a runner on 2nd with 2 outs. A nephew of **Harvey Brown** (I think it was **Bill Brown's** son) lined a hit to CF scoring the tying run. The hitter took 2nd on the throw to the plate. That runner scored on another hit and we lost 3 - 2. It was a great game and we were within 1 out of winning.

In a game with Coalmont, "**Eyeballs**" **Rogers** (yes, he later was Road Supt.) was on 2B with a good lead. I broke for 2nd and Squat whirled and threw the ball. I tagged "Eyeballs" out as he slid into 2nd. He looked up at me and said "I won't vote for you anymore." That sort of symbolized what baseball was like in the 40's and 50's. We all played to win but we were all friends and just enjoyed playing. I don't remember any fights and very few arguments, mostly over umpire calls where each side had its say and the game went on.

When I give an opinion on who was good as a player, I am speaking from my own experience at seeing them play - others, before or after, may have been better. Certainly there will be a difference of opinion and I respect the opinions of those who disagree with me. And when I name players I remember I am sure I will omit some. I apologize in advance for those I should have named but didn't. Also, I may name players who played with more than one team as many did.

Charlie Brewer and **Bill Cunningham** may have been the best pure hitters. They almost never struck out and could hit any kind of a pitch. Both were left-handed hitters but Charlie had more power than Bill. **Harvey Brown** was a fine hitter and Jack long had a smooth swing and rarely struck out.

Jack Long was an excellent catcher but his arm was not real strong. He had a quick release which made him hard to steal on. **James Street** was a good catcher (Tracy City) and **Dillon Patterson** (Pelham) had a very strong arm.

Joe Scruggs may have been the most talented pitcher with a good curve and good control. **Johnny Dickerson** (Gruetli) had a blazing fastball. Johnny signed to play professional ball in Class D Kitty League but chronic back trouble forced him to give it up. **Paul Street** (Tracy City) was an excellent pitcher with good control. So was **Tom Patton** (Pelham). **James Ross** had the best knuckle ball and was unbeatable when he could throw it for strikes. **Dee Brown** (Coalmont) was a top left-handed pitcher as was **Morris Walker** (Beersheba). **Donnie Hillis** (Beersheba) was a good curve ball pitcher. I heard that **Malcom Geary** and **Joe Pocus** (Palmer) were good pitchers but I never got to see either of them pitch. **Hugh Minter** (Whitwell) was another good left-handed pitcher as was **L. C. Wynn** (Sewanee).

Fritz Flury (Tracy City) and **Bill Jack Gunn** (Monteagle) were good first basemen. **Speedie Speegle** (Monteagle) was a good second baseman. (Speedie must have played 25 Years - I don't know how they ever got him to quit!!) **Bill Burrows** (Coalmont) and **Robert Creighton** (Coalmont) were excellent shortstops. (They played different years). **Shirley Cunningham** (Palmer) and **Craig Cannon** (Palmer) were good third basemen. **Herb Garner** (Palmer) and **Harvey Brown** (Palmer) were good outfielders as were **Bill Cunningham** (Gruetli) and **Horace Moore** (Gruetli).

There were many good players who could play almost any position. **Squat Crisp** (Tracy City), **Paul Crick** (Tracy City), **Bill Burrows** (Coalmont), **Herbie Caldwell** (Coalmont), **"Shotgun" Cannon** (Coalmont) (Also a great pitcher), **Bobby Roddy** (Tracy City), **Tom Edd Kirk** (Tracy City) are some who come to mind. I am sure there are many others. (I should have listed **Matthew Coffelt** with the left-handed pitchers for he was a very good one.) **Jwell Tate**, brother to **Everett**, played the outfield at Tracy City. **"Bright eyes" Crisp** and **"Monk" Crisp**, brothers of **"Squat"** were Tracy City players, **"Bright eyes"** a pitcher and **"Monk"** a catcher, also **Silas Guyear**, a pitcher.

Other players I recall included **"Dow" Cannon**, **Sherwood Long**, **Carl Geary**, **Mutt Cunningham** (brother to **Shirley** and **Bill**), and later **Jim Dave McBee**, **Willie Dee Meeks**, **Ted Long**, **Doug Grooms**, **Charles Edgar Sanders**, **Alvin "Oats" Geary**, **Echard Brewer**, and **Woodrow Cleek**. This is a partial list, I'm sure.

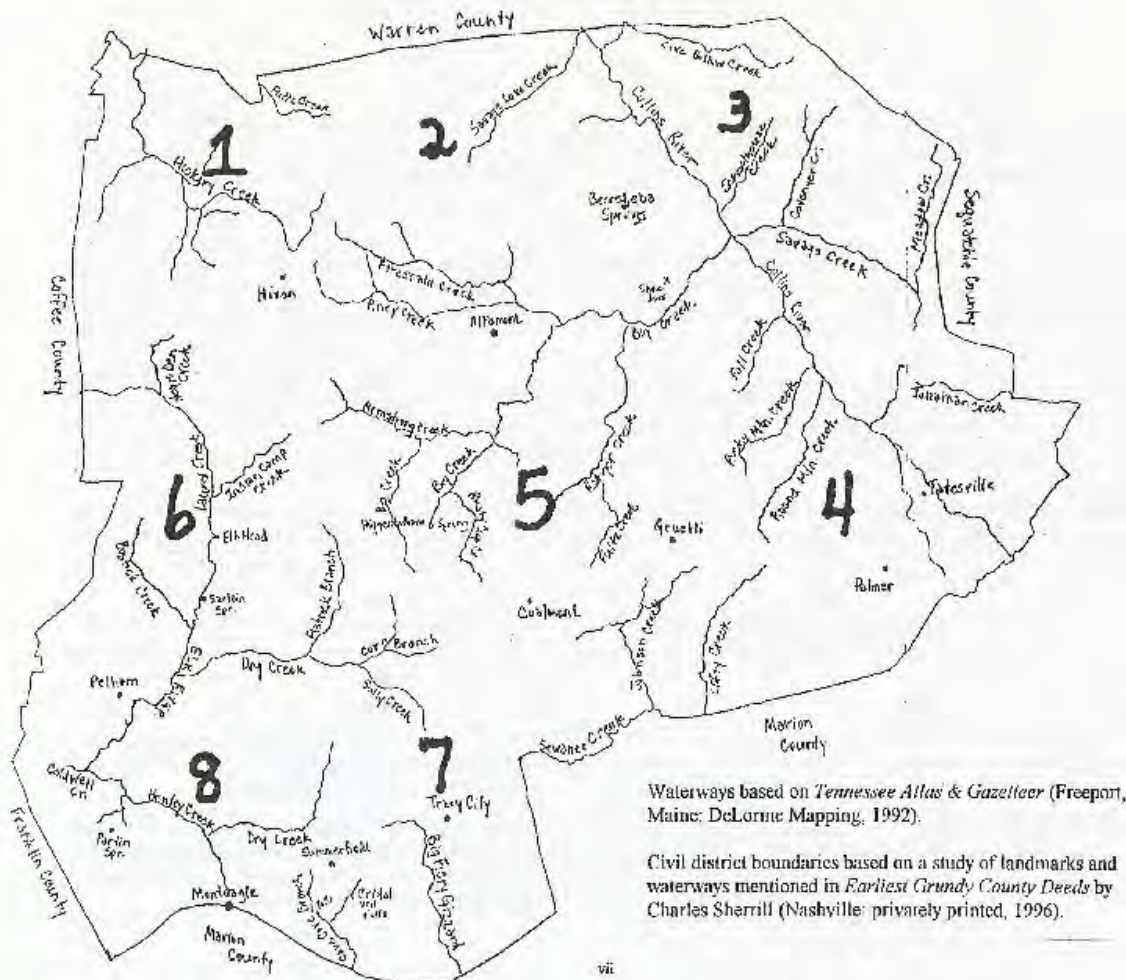
Other players in the area include **Howard Brown** (Coalmont), **J. B. Hill** and **Richard Hill** (Beersheba) and **Bobby Sweeton** and **Dynah Henley** (Gruetli).

(This letter will be concluded in the next issue of *The Pathfinder*.
Sharon N. Goodman, Editor)

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This book gives an incredibly detailed account into the lives of Grundy Countians during the 1850's thru the 1880's. It shows not only the cash value of farm and livestock, but also who owned honey bees and who had a fruit orchard. A very interesting look into the family farm!

**APPROXIMATE CIVIL DISTRICT LOCATIONS
1850 - 1860**



*unless otherwise noted, crops are in bushels.

Mooney, W[illiam] S., improved acres, 250; unimproved acres, 80; cash value of farm, \$2800; horses, 7; asses & mules, 2; milch cows, 9; other cattle, 15; sheep, 11; swine, 75; value of livestock, \$720; wheat, 53; Indian corn, 1500; oats, 200, Irish potatoes, 10; sweet potatoes, 10; value of home manufactures, \$50; value of animals slaughtered, \$50.

Martin, Thomas, improved acres, 50; unimproved acres, 50; cash value of farm, \$875; horses, 1; asses & mules, 3; milch cows, 4; working oxen, 2; other cattle, 5; swine, 35; value of livestock, \$373; Indian corn, 650; oats, 200; wool, 25; Irish potatoes, 25; sweet potatoes, 60; value

of home manufactures, \$100; value of animals slaughtered, \$20?; 50 lbs. of wax/honey.

Martin, Edmund, improved acres, 40; unimproved acres, 11; cash value of farm, \$350; horses, 2; milch cows, other cattle, 5; sheep, 8; swine, 26; value of livestock, \$256; wheat, 20; Indian corn, 400; value of home manufactures, \$50.

Coulson, James, improved acres, 100; unimproved acres, 181; cash value of farm, \$2000; horses, 3; asses & mules, 1; milch cows, 5; working oxen, 2; other cattle, 5; swine, 55; value of livestock, \$330; wheat, 30; Indian corn, 600; Irish potatoes, 4; value of animals slaughtered, \$25?

Coulson, David, improved acres, --; unimproved acres, --; cash value of farm, --; horses, 1; asses & mules, 1; milch cows, 1; other cattle, 1; swine, 19; value of livestock, \$111; Indian corn, 200.

Hoover, Michael, improved acres, 70; unimproved acres, 30; cash value of farm, \$1000; horses, 7; asses & mules, 16; milch cows, 4; working oxen, 2; other cattle, 12; swine, 45; value of livestock, \$1524; wheat, 10; Indian corn, 100; oats, 200; Irish potatoes, 10; sweet potatoes, 40; butter, 100; value of home manufactures, \$20; value of animals slaughtered, \$50; 100 lbs. of flax.

Fletcher, Preston, improved acres, --; unimproved acres, --; cash value of farm, --; horses, 1; milch cows, 2; other cattle, 2; sheep, 2; swine, 27; value of livestock, \$110; wheat, 6; Indian corn, 300; oats, 35; wool, 20; sweet potatoes, 30; butter, 200; value of home manufactures, \$20; value of animals slaughtered, \$40; 300 lbs. cheese.

Braly, Alfred, improved acres, 225; unimproved acres, 181; cash value of farm, \$4550; horses, 11; asses & mules, 16; milch cows, 7; working oxen, 2; other cattle, 18; sheep, 53; swine, 150; value of livestock, \$2086; wheat, 170; Indian corn, 2375; oats, 400; wool, 10; Irish potatoes, 20; sweet potatoes, 40; value of home manufactures, \$30; value of animals slaughtered, \$25.

Braly, John, improved acres, 50; unimproved acres, 102; cash value of farm, \$500; horses, 5; milch cows, 3; working oxen, 2; other cattle, 2; sheep, 15; swine, 25; value of livestock, \$286; wheat, 5; Indian corn, 300; peas & beans, 20; Irish potatoes, 8; sweet potatoes, 8; value of home manufactures, \$10; value of animals slaughtered, \$20.

Braly, A[lfred] F., improved acres, --; unimproved acres, 400; cash value of farm, \$50; horses, 3; milch cows, 5; other cattle, 5; sheep, 7; swine, 13; value of livestock, \$200; wheat, 9; Indian corn, 350; oats, 100; sweet potatoes, 10; value of home manufactures, \$20; value of animals slaughtered, \$25.

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Society Meetings

The Grundy County Historical Society meets quarterly on the 2nd Monday of the month at the Tracy City Library at 1:00 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be held on September 10, 2007. Dues are \$15.00 for Single memberships and \$20.00 for Family memberships each calendar year. Each calendar year begins on January 1st.



Everyone is welcome! Come join us!

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Research Price Schedules (Effective 2004)

An initial search of up to 2 hours is \$25.00 to be paid before any research begins. No part of the initial fee will be returned. If any further work is desired, arrangements will be made with the individual actually doing the research. Upon your request, a search will be made to locate someone willing to work on solving your questions about your Grundy County connections.

Please contact the Grundy County Historical Society, PO Box 1422, Tracy City, TN, 37387. Phone (931) 467-3170 or email jcoats@cafes.net with your question to initiate the process.

NOTICE: Grundy County Historical Society Web Site

You may view many different articles and photos at the Grundy County Historical Society's website. www.gchs.homestead.com/index.html. The GCHS web site changes almost weekly. Be sure to check back often!

GCHS Web Site Stats

STATS AS OF August, 2007.

Website began Sept.18,2004

HAPPY THIRD BIRTHDAY TO THE WEBSITE!

96% of visitors viewed 2-19 pages at the website.

57% of visitors spent 1-15 minutes on the website.

19% of visitors spent 30 minutes-2 hours at website.

Web site averages 14 visitors per day

TOTAL VISITORS: 9165

"Did You Know?"

2 June 1845: This day James **Winton** who was elected constable in the first district of Grundy county, came into open court, with Jesse **Wooten** and William **Guest** his security, and acknowledged their bond conditioned as the law directs and took the oaths prescribed by law for

constables, and was thereupon admitted to exercise the functions of his office.

GCHS' Policy

Members and friends of GCHS are encouraged to submit materials pertaining to Grundy County and surrounding counties for publication and to be archived in the following categories:

1. Genealogical Histories and materials
2. Articles of general interest
3. Photographs
4. Maps

Data should be well documented as to source. Sources for submitted materials can be noted by Footnotes at the bottom of the page or Endnotes at the conclusion of the article. We ask that photographs and illustrations be accompanied by a description of their contents. Family Histories will be limited to no more than 5 pages per issue and will be printed in no more than 2 issues.

Please try to have the document typed. Original documents should be transcribed by the submitter. Include your name, address, phone number and email address on the manuscript when submitted. We prefer to have the materials submitted electronically, diskette, or CDs.

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President's Message

Greetings. The Grundy County Historical Society is busily preparing the groundwork for the upcoming "**Pictures of Our Past**", a pictorial history of Grundy County. We have brochures about the project being circulated throughout the country and are now ready for your picture submissions and for your book orders. The book will have a general Grundy County section at the beginning and will then have sections on all of the following areas: Altamont, Beersheba Springs, Coalmont, Gruetli-Laager, Hubbard's Cove, Monteagle, Palmer, Pelham, Tracy City. Smaller communities, coves, hollows, valleys, etc. that surround these areas will also be included. The book will be fully indexed and will have memorial, tribute and ad pages that can be purchased. (See information on submitting memorials, tribute and ads in this issue.) We are enlisting the help of teachers and students at Grundy County High School in this project as well. This will be Grundy County's first picture book and will surely be an asset to researchers as well as to people who just enjoy reminiscing and being aware of Grundy's past. Please help us with this endeavor by submitting your favorite

pictures for consideration. **EVERYONE** has pictures of interest and value!

Bettye Sherwood, Jana Barrett and other helpers are preparing for our annual **Constitutional Art Contest** that is held in September. Elementary grades are asked to participate in this contest and prizes are awarded by the Historical Society. This project helps to spotlight the importance of our heritage and involves the Society in the education of our children throughout Grundy County. Winning projects will be on display at the Grundy County Courthouse in Altamont.

Our website has had unprecedented use in the past few months. Thanks to all who have contributed information and for the outstanding work done on this site by Sharon Goodman and David Patton as well as to typist Susan Sissom, who is also the Palmer city librarian. Visit the website at www.gchs.homestead.com

As always, thank you for your continued support and interest in the work of the Grundy County Historical Society. We would love to hear from you telling us about your interests, and we'd love to have you submit articles for this publication and/or our monthly article in *The Cumberland View*, a local newspaper.

Sincerely,
Janelle Layne Taylor
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A Note from the Editor

In July, my family vacationed for two weeks in Tennessee and while there, I spent a day wandering around Grundy County. I had a great time trying to finish taking photos of the gravestones in Warren (Red Hill) Cemetery. I have all but just a handful left to photograph, so that project is close to being finished and I plan to finish it in August when I return to Tennessee. Afterwards, I met up with Janelle Taylor and Willene Campbell for a ride around Grundy County. Taking me through Burrow's Cove and other roads up the mountain, we made our way to Palmer (with a couple of cemetery stops in between) and met with David Patton, Palmer's Town Historian. We visited with Susan Sissom at the Palmer Library and Grundy County Miner's Museum and Heritage Center. David took us to some very interesting places and I met some very friendly people! I would like to thank Janelle, Willene, David and Susan for a very enjoyable day in Grundy County. I am including some photos that I took on this trip in this issue and I hope that you enjoy them. If you live in the area and are looking for a beautiful drive up into the mountains, I would like to suggest you visit the Miner's Museum and Heritage Center in Palmer. When you stop by, tell Susan and David hello for me!

Regards,
Sharon Nee Goodman

Welcome New Members!

Angie Burnette	Jim Sartain
Deborah Newsome	C. Dale and Peggy Mabee
Monty Wanamaker	Louis and Elsie Owens
Ralph Thompson	Christy Meeks
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	

Queries**#189-2007**

Looking for someone who may have info on my GGGmother Elender **Choate Sitz** born about 1801 KY(?), married William B **Sitz**. I got an e-mail from a Sitz cousin who said that Elender was actually named Elener Richey Choate **Sitz**, and if so her maiden name may have been **Richey** and married a **Choate**. Boy, she sure has been a BRICK WALL in my research before she married my GGGfather, William B **Sitz**. Also was Elener Cherokee? Which I do believe from looking at Elener's daughter, Mary **Sitz Lankford's** picture. Mary Sitz Lankford is my GGmother, wife of Silas **Lankford**.

Thanks, Roy

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#190-2007

Looking for parents and 1860 - 1870 census for Almeda R. **Meeks** born 1859 in TN and died 1925 Scott, AR. Married John **Sherrill** about 1875 Coffee County, Tennessee. Any help appreciated.

Larry

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191-2007

Searching for **Thompson** ancestry 1800 and back. Tommy **Thompson**, born 1808. Looking for his parents and grandparents.

Charles Lawson

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192-2007

Looking for information on Timmie **Hamby**, daughter of Jesse and Mary **Hamby**. She married Tom **Barrett**. Tom is my great uncle. If you are familiar with this family, please contact me. Thank you.

Chastity Brown

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193-2007

William **Crouch** (1808-1886) and his wife, Sara **Fults Crouch** (1810-1867) are the people I'm looking for. I know they lived in Grundy county and judging from her last name, probably in the Fults' Cove area. His sister married a **Rogers** from the Mt. Zion/Rogers' Hollow area.

Trying to locate where they are buried.

Carolyn

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#194-2007

Looking for some information of my great-grandparents that lived in Tracy City TN, James **London** and Ruby **London** (still working on all the dates). He had a gas station in Tracy City and my great grandmother she was a English teacher at the high school. Any help on getting me the right point of contact in Tracy City like email address or phone numbers would be a great help for me to get started looking my Family Tree up. Thank You for your help.

Jeff London

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#195-2007

Parts of this family lived in Grundy County. I'm doing some research again on my **Thompson** line and was wondering if anyone has any information about this family that appears on the 1860 and 1880 Franklin Co. census records. They were living in/near Hawkerville which I understand is now Alto. I haven't found some of them on the 1870.

1860 household of William **Gilliam**:

William **Gilliam** 35 b. TN
Mary (Banks?) 23 b. TN
James 1 b. TN
Orlena 6/12 b. TN
Elizabeth **Gilliam** 60 b. SC (William's mother/maiden name **Roark**)
Sarah A. 25 b. TN
Jesse (Jessup?) 21 b. TN
Elizabeth 5 b. TN
Mary **Thompson** 17 b. TN

1880 household of J. J. **Gilliam**:

J. J. **Gilliam** 42 b. TN
Mary J. 35 b. TN (believe this is Mary Jane **Thompson**)
Charlotte E. 14 b. TN
Elizabeth 12 b. TN
Samuel 5 b. TN
Lemuel 6/12 b. TN
Charlotte **Thompson** 33 b. TN (says boarder, but I believe this is Mary's sister)

Any help on this family would be greatly appreciated. I believe my **Thompson's** have connections to the **Roarks** for certain and that Mary Jane and Charlotte are sisters to my 3rd-great grandfather.

Donna O'Brien

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Researching in Marion/Grundy/Warren/Franklin - TN: White, Thompson, Harris, Patrick, Slaughter, Lockhart, Walker, Anderson, Bess, Hargis, Murray, Troy, Powell, Floyd, Rawlings, Richmond, Robertson, Smith, Havner

WHAT IS A VETERAN? (Used with permission from Roger Simpson)

A veteran is defined by federal law, moral code and military service as "Any, Any, Any"... A military veteran is **Any** person who served for **Any** length of time in **Any** military service branch.

What is a **War** Veteran? A war veteran is any GI (Government Issue) ordered to foreign soil or waters to participate in direct or support activity against an enemy. The operant condition: Any GI sent in harm's way.

What is a **Combat** Veteran? A combat veteran is any GI who experiences any level of hostility resulting from offensive, defensive or friendly fire military action involving a real or perceived enemy in any active war or pre- or post-designated theater of combat (war) operations.

What is a **Soldier**? A soldier is any person who has successfully completed Basic Training in the Army.

What is an **Airman**? An airman is any person who has successfully completed Basic Training in the Air Force.

What is a **Marine**? A Marine is any person who has successfully completed Basic Training in the Marine Corps.

What is a **sailor**? A sailor is any person who has successfully completed Basic Training in the US. Navy.

What are the **Service Branches**? The four service branches are Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps. (The USMC is a department of the Navy). The Coast Guard (Dept. of Transportation) becomes a military branch during time of declared war.

Is the **Merchant Marines** a military service branch? Never. The MM is a civilian agency that serves under the protection of the Naval (and Naval Armed Guard). Although MM's received civilian pay (much higher than Navy pay) and other civilian privileges, former members of this civilian agency have successfully petitioned congress to be considered "military veterans" and in some cases receive the VA benefits similar to the men and women who served in the military. Other civilian agency personnel who served under the same hazardous risks as the MM have to date been unsuccessful in obtaining military veteran status. These agencies include the Red Cross and United Service Organization (USO).

NOTE:

1. Veteran's benefits are based on Congressional regulations determined by Honorable Discharge or Under Honorable Conditions status.

2. Retirees (either 20+ years service or medical discharge status) are also Veterans. Retirees are usually eligible for supplementary federal benefits, privileges and access on military installations, but not necessarily VA services, as regulated by Congress.

3. Wartime medals define various levels of individual combat involvement, sacrifice and/or valor. References:
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"Becoming Grundy County" from Homecoming '86 History of the Elk River Valley (Pelham Valley) of Grundy County, Tennessee by Janelle Layne Coats Taylor and Arlene Partin Bean (Used with permission)

In the early 1830's some Franklin County residents desired to be cut off and made into another county which was to be named Jones County. It was to be created from Warren & Franklin Counties only and was to include the headwaters of the Elk and its watershed. This county never came to be; however, citizens in the extreme northeastern part of Franklin County (Elk River Valley) petitioned to become a part of Coffee County in October 1837, giving reasons of being remotely situated from Winchester and consequently subject to much inconvenience and expense in attending courts and in transacting ordinary business there. They proposed this territory to be annexed into Coffee County; Beginning at the southeast corner of the said Coffee County near Isaac's Street's on the Winchester & McMinnville Stage Road thence to the foot of Cumberland mountain to the Marion County line- thence with the Marion County line to the Warren County line- thence with the Warren County line to the Coffee County line- thence with the lines of said Coffee County to the Beginning embracing the settlements on the head of the Elk River- for which as in duty bound we will ever pray.

(Original spellings are used)

W.S. Mooney	B.F. Payne	Thomas Wileman
John Wilson	R.L. Singelton	James Wileman
Joh Morrow	Charles Rowland	James Wilkinson
David Willis	Philip Roberts	John Hunter
John B. Graham	D.G. Goodman	Elias Smith
R.T. Roberts	Joseph Crawford	Lovel D. Sartain
Joseph Willis	John King	Wiley Malom
Jesse Cornelison	Bengaman Morow	James Sartain
McClellan McDaniel	Wm. Ward	J.W. Ikard
Moses Phips	Thomas L. Gunn	Harris Gilliam
John Burry	Chastelton Ward	Jas. Thomas
John MdKelvey	Bergis Wals (or z)	David McGown
Richard Person	Daniel Wals (or z)	John W. Morrow
Thomas Sanders	James W. Stamps	Samuel McGown
Eles Person	William Perkins	George Roberts
Jesse Larson	Wm. Dunaway Signor	Larkin Bethel
Henry Jourden	Thomas H. Cowan	Wm. W. Thompson
A.E. Patton	Nickerson Pulley	G.N. Pully
Taswell Spain	John Cate	Roland Davis
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Isaac Meeks	Joseph T. Mileham	W.B. Wilson
Jourden Sanders	Harison Cornelisan	Charles Cooper
David Bowlen	George W. Loveless	William Warran
Elijah McDaniel	Lawson Wileman	Allen Bratcher
William Keith	William McCowan	Jesse Eskinds
Charles Greer	John Harker	Hosey Rinals
David Tate	Allen Mason	(covered by fold)
A.E. Conn	Robertson Nevill	George W. Thompson
Wm. W. Crabtree	Stewart Cowan	(torn) Tucker
S.P. Goodman	Wm. Harris	Elijah Cornelison
Richard Bradshaw	Daniel Ivey	T.P. Stephenson

Sutha Sanders	James Gorden	G.W. Chapman
John W. Bell	Levi Craddock	James R. Harris
John G. Burrus	Arthur Grayham	Isham Womack
Wm. Hicks	Silbourn Jones	Henry Gotcher
Morgan Price	Joseph Jackson	William Stephenson
John Jones	David Cox	Andrew J. Harris
Samuel Paine (?)	Nathan Cox	Thomas McGown
N. Turner	James Mayo	Spencer Glasscock
William W. Sims	David Muckleroy	John Harp
William Harper	Wm. H. Burrows	Wiley Harp
James Harper	Jesse M. Gotcher	Washington Riley
Henry Martin	George W. Payne	William Rankin
James Pety	Ephriam Phillips	Benton C. Stonestreet
John Price	Wm. Spayn	John Rankin
Wm. C. Graham	David Burrows	Andrew Gillum
Anthony Burrows, Jur.	James Roberts	John Cagil
Pleasant Nevill	Benjamin Todd Sen.	William Harp
Daniel Havenor	David Parish	John Forsythe
Isaac Roberts	Benjamin Todd Jun.	Josiah Wilkins
Ely Cleveland	Robt. Lackety, Sr.	John A. Smith
Wm. Person	Wm. Riley	Lever Rowland
James Jackson, Jun.	Wm. Ballard	Cyrus Warren
Thomas Burrows	Samuel Tate	Robt. Lackey, Jr.
Geo. W. Thomas, Jun.	John Cate, Jnr.	Brisan Willis
Samuel Burrows	John M. Caylor (?)	Charles Sawyers (?)
Jesse Spain	Smith Blanton	Isaac M. Wilkinson
Anthony Burrows Sen.	Miles Taylor	George Milliken
James R. Sartain	George Miller	John Hilton
S.P.(?) Cope (?)	Zachariah Burgess	John Wileman
John H.T. Bell	Joseph E. Burroughs	Eliisha Stonestreet
A.S. Goodman	William M. Hopkins	Harrison Wilson
Samuel Austell	Ranker Tate	John Mileham
John Crockett, Sen.	Wilis McEvow (?)	Luther O. Goodman
John G. Bostick, Jun.	Benj. Taylor	Davis J. Pattie
William C. Crockett	James P. Walker	Thomas B. Loveless
John T. Crockett	Andrew McGowen	Bans Tomas
Wiley Harp	James (X his mark)	Peter Vibert
William B. Miles	Elijah Cates	William Thompson
Henry M. Ballard	Jacob D. Stephenson	John B. Webb
Robert Taylor	William Stroud, Jun.	Jonas Webb
Jas. Howard	Thomas Wileman	John Burrows
James M. Sheid	Charles Rowland	Philip Roberts (dup)
James N. (Y.?) Moore		

Coffee County approved the annexation of this area of Franklin County, and an election was held in Pelham on 3 February 1838. A list of voters follows:

John G. Bostick	John Warren	Richard T. King
James D. Pattie	James Jones	Allen Morse
Thomas Saunders	Richard Pierson	Ellis Pearson
Jethro Goodman	Moses Phips	William Pierson
Walter Mileham	Erasmus R. Tucker	James Wilkinson
James Mayo	Isaac M. Wilkinson	John Burrows
William Hicks	David G. Goodman	B.F. Payne
Thomas Burnyne (?)	James H. Cornelison	John Bradshaw
Joseph Willis	Walter Crabtree	John Rankin

Samuel Sullinder	Amos Smith	Henry Kilburn
Thomas Harrison	W.S. Mooney	William B. Clark
John Meeks	John McKelvey	Uriah Sherrell
Samuel Parks	Taswell Spain	Jesse McBride
Sedborn Jones	David T. Willis	William C. Wilkinson
Eli Moore	James I. Summers	Isaac Meeks
Joseph Bradshaw	Thomas Murphy	Middleton McDaniels
William Warren	Jesse Evans	Thomas Myers
Daniel Heifner	John Moore	John W. Ikard
Benjamin A. Burks	Gor. W. Cowan	Allen Mason
Archibald E. Conn	John Turner	Samuel Davidson
William H. Floyd	A.E. Patton	Charles Cooper
David Cox	Nathan Cox	Washington Mullins
John W. Bell	Benjamin Todd, Sen.	John Mullins
James Roberts	Richard T. Roberts	Thompson Evans
John Price	Isaac H. Roberts	David Parrish
William Bostick	Levi Craddock	

Seventy-seven people voted in this election. Seventy-six approved of joining Coffee County, only one dissented. The Elk River Valley joined Coffee County where it remained until Grundy County was formed in 1844.

By 1879, R.J. Only of Moffat (now the area around Monteagle) sought to create a new county made up of portions of Coffee, Franklin, Grundy and Marion Counties. The new county was to be named Lea, and would include the domain of the University of the South and Sewanee. This county, too, died shortly after its conception.

The **only** blot on the page of the census covers your grandmother's birthdate!

Families of Grundy County, Tennessee

The George W. Harris Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In Memorial and Biographical Record, published 1898, by George F. Ogla and Company, Chicago, is this Biographical Sketch of George W. **Harris**, "a leading and substantial businessman of Grundy County, living in Tracy City, a manufacturer of lumber and building materials, and operates two large sawmills".

George W. was son of Martin and Orpha L. (**Wilson**) **Harris**. Martin was born Nov 2, 1826 and died Jan 13, 1888. Orpha was born in Dade County, Georgia, Apr 28, 1828 and died Nov 21, 1895. Martin was son of William **Harris**, pioneer of Knox County, Tennessee. He moved to Dade County, Georgia and then to Marion County, Tennessee and died in Dickson's Cove. William **Harris** died Mar 7, 1878, age 65.

The William **Harris** Family had owned a cotton gin and carding factory on the Little Sequatchie River. Martin **Harris** also was a miller and moved 50 times in his lifetime. He served in the Federal Army. He was living in Tracy City when it was made a part of Grundy County. He and Orpha had 7 sons: George W.; William H., a lawyer in Tacoma, Washington; B.E.W., in Marion County; A.C.J., now in the gold fields of the Klondike; John in Marion County; Marshall, a contractor in Tacoma; Martin Prince, who died age 26.

George W., educated at Altamont, had several saw mills, made building and railroad materials, built public roads. He married Miss Martha **Foster** and they had 11 children, ten living: Martin F., William C., Arthur L., Clara, Etta, Emma, Virgie, Nellie, George, Ernest, and Clarence, deceased.

Family history from other sources: In Sequatchie County, 1900 census is George W. **Harris**, born Feb 1851, 49, married 25 years; wife Martha, born Apr 1858, 42; Charles W., 22; Arthur L., 20; Clara, 18; Etta May, 16; Mattie E., 14; Vergie Lee, 12; Nellie P., 10; George H., 7; Albert E., 3; Roy A., 1. Living with them is Catherine Shrum, aunt, 52, single.

In Grundy County, 1900 census, is oldest child of George W. and Martha: Frank M. **Harris**, born Feb 1876, 24, married 2 years; wife Mary Ann, born Feb 1875, 25; daughter Lillie L., 11 months; Cathern **Schrum**, aunt born Dec 1837, 62, lives with them. In 1920, the children of Frank and Mary Ann are Martin, Howard, Frank, Jonah, Callie, and Charles.

Burial places for the families of George W. and Martha (**Foster**) **Harris** are unknown.

The Haynes Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In Memorial and Biographical Record, published 1898, by George F. Ogle and Company, Chicago, are Biographical Sketches of two of the sons of E.M. and Clercy Eveline (**Wooten**) **Haynes**: John F. and William A. **Haynes**.

Each sketch has a short history on E.M. **Haynes** who was born Sept 16, 1820, and, in his childhood, was brought from North Carolina to Marion County, Tennessee. After the death of his parents, E.M. moved to Tracy City and was employed by Mr. Benjamin **Wooten**. Later, he married Clarissa Eveline **Wooten**, born about 1819 and died in Sept 1895. They had 7 children: William A.; Henry F. and Perry D., miners in Tracy City; John F.; Mary J., wife of Ben Leverton, of Cowan; Sarah, or Mary Elizabeth, wife of Theophilus **Hall**, of Tracy City, deceased; Joseph B., killed in 1878 by revenue officer, James **Davis**.

John F. **Haynes**, a "highly respected and influential citizen", living near Tracy City, was born Jan 22, 1860. He attended school and assisted his father with farm work. Later he worked with his brother in the mercantile business and then went into coalmining. He was county assessor for four terms. He married Mattie **Summers**, daughter of George W. **Summers**, and they had 3 children: Fred Harrison, Harvey Sutton, and Clarence Dunn. Deceased is daughter, Minnie Oliver, died age 2.

Family history from other sources: In the 1880 census of Grundy County, Clercy, wife of E.M. **Haynes**, is 50 and has hepatitis. In Summerfield Cemetery, the dates on her stone are Jan 5, 1825/Sept 12, 1893. In 1900, Ephrine M. **Haynes**, born Sept 1819, 80, widower, lives with son, Henry F. and family. Son Perry and family are next door.

In 1900 census, Grundy County: John F. **Haynes**, born Jan 1861, 39, married 13 years; Mattie, born Nove 1868, 31, 4 children/3 living; Frederick H., born July 1889, 10; Harvey W., born Aug 1891, 8; Clarence D., born July 1893, 6; Ernest Somers, born Jun 1877, 22. Ernest **Somers**

may be the same person as Earnest **Summers**, born 1877, 23, son of Melvina **Summers**. Nothing more is found on the John F. **Haynes** family.

According to Ogle, William A. **Haynes** received schooling at Belmont and after the war, he began coal mining, then into mercantile and commercial businesses, in Tracy City. In 1870, he spent time working in Indiana and Kentucky. On Jan 31, 1872, he married Annie E. **Buzan**, born in Indiana Apr 1849, daughter of Elza **Bezun**. They had 4 sons: Walter Thomas and Oliver Perry, not partners in their father's store; Edward Madison and William Etter died young.

Family history from other sources: In 1900 census, William is 48; Annie is 50, 4 children/2 living; Walter T., 24, has wife, Bulah B., 22; Oliver P. is 22. By 1920 census, Oliver P. and wife, Dorsie (**Sweeton**) have 7 children, ages 16 to 4. On Jun 6, 1930, Dorsie **Haynes**, widow, married Jacob **Berner**, widower.



The Howland Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In 1898, Geo. A. Ogle & Co., Chicago, published biographical sketches of "prominent Old Settlers and Representative citizens of the Cumberland Region of Tennessee". One of those was James K. **Howland**, "Clerk of Grundy County Circuit Court, prominent resident of Altamont, an honorable and highly respected citizen".

James K. was born in Rutherford County, June 6, 1857, son of Lewis H. and Isabel (**Daughtry**) **Howland**. Lewis H., born North Carolina, 1 Feb 1800, moved with his mother to Rutherford County, TN in 1812. He was a farmer and served in the Mexican War and in the Confederate Army. He married first Elizabeth **Jacobs** and they had 11 children: Amanda, now Mrs. W. **Jacobs**, of Crittenden County, KY; Kit, Mrs. W. **Phelps**, died in KY; Mollie, Mrs. Grundy **Sumner**, died in Williamson County, TN; John died in Federal Army; Rebecca, Mrs. Thomas **Brady**, died in Rutherford County; Martha, Mrs. Pinkney **Alexander**, Rutherford County; Ellen, Mrs. J.K.P. **Robinson**, Coffee County, TN; Clinton, Rucker, TN; Fannie, Mrs. Joseph **Parker**, Coffee County, TN.

Lewis and his second wife have six children: James K.; Sarah Doak, now Mrs. T.J. **Robinson**, Manchester, TN; Robert T., deceased; Lydia J., Mrs. Dewey **Gowin**, Fannin County, Texas; William H. and Wilcome H., Kauffman County, Texas.

James K. was educated in Rutherford County, moved to Tracy City, 1881, and worked as store clerk in business of W.B. **Holt**. Then he went to Texas, Louisiana and Alabama and returned to Tracy City to be a guard of prisoners. He was clerk of Circuit Court beginning in 1890. On 27 Nov 1886, he married Flora **Tipton**, daughter of Stephen and Louisa E.

Griswold Tipton. Flora was born in Grundy County, 15 Mar 1864. Their children: William H., died as infant; Vera E.; Alfred Herbert; Louis P.; Ruth.

Family history from other sources: Lewis **Howland** married Izabel **Daugherty**, 2 Oct 1856, Rutherford County. In 1860 census: Louis, 52; Izabel, 24; Rebecca, 17; Martha, 15; Clinton, 12; Elia, 10; Fanny, 6; James, 3; S.J., 1. In Grundy County, 1900 census: James R. **Howland**, born June 1857, 42; Flora, born March 1863, 37; Vera, 11; Herbert A., 8; Lewis P., 7; Ruth, 4; James, 1.

By 1910 census, Flora is called Floisie, keeper of boarding house, 47, and is a widow. Her 5 children are still at home and her mother, Louise **Tipton**, 70 and a widow, lives with them.

No Howlands are found in the 1920 and 1930 census' of Grundy County, TN.

The Thomas E. Mabry Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In 1898, Geo. A. Ogle & Co., Chicago, published biographical sketches of "prominent Old Settlers and Representative citizens of the Cumberland Region of Tennessee". One of those was Thomas E. **Mabry**, "one of the honored and highly respected citizens of Grundy County". Born in Brunswick County, VA, 5 Jan 1828, son of Nathaniel and Martha (**Elliott**) **Mabry**. Nathaniel was a farmer and served as sheriff. He died in VA while Thomas E. was a child. The family moved to Mississippi and then to Montgomery County, TN and, in 1840, to Warren County, TN, where the mother died 2 years later. The five children: Mary, wife of John **Cunningham**, died in Warren County; Hinchia died in Grundy County, 1876, aged 60; John E., a farmer, died near Clarksville, TN, leaving sons, Thomas and John; Harriet, Mrs. William **Cunningham**, died in Grundy County; Thomas E., the youngest.

Thomas E. received most of his education at an academy near Clarksville. At age 18, he began to work as salesman in Christian County, KY, then became a member of the firm until moving to Grundy County, in 1862, where he is a farmer. In Nov 1859, Thomas E. married Julia **Gwyn**, born 25 Jan 1843, daughter of Ransom **Gwyn**. They have 9 children: Margaret, Mrs. S.W. **Talifaro**, of Viola; Mary, at home; William R., a dealer in dynamite and strong powder, Birmingham; R.N., a hardware salesman in Birmingham; Martha, Mrs. A.G. **Brown**, Ladonia, Texas; Hudie, Myrtle and George, at home; Robert, a salesman in Birmingham.

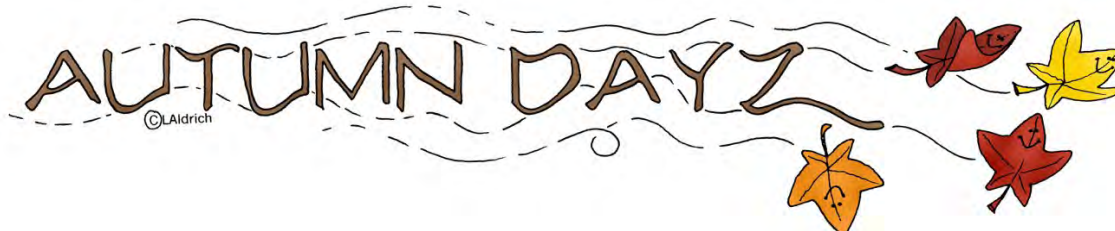
Thomas E. has been Justice of the Peace and Circuit Court Clerk for 6 years and is prominent and active in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Family history from other sources: In 1900 census, Thomas E. **Mabry**, born Jan 1828, 72; Julia, born Jan 1843, 57; 9 children; Mary J., born Apr 1863, 37; Myrtle T., born May 1876, 24; George T., born June 1882, 18; Lenore **Cunningham**, inmate, 23, born Ark. The only **Mabry** in Grundy County, 1910, is George G., 28, just married to Beulah, 27.

Daughter Hurdie married Walter **Smith**, 17 Oct 1899, and daughter Mertle married Sam **Ramsey**, 30 May 1901.

In Cunningham Cemetery, Coffee County: Hinchia **Mabry**, daughter of N.E. & M. **Mabry**, born in Virginia 1817- 12 Aug 1876. Mary A. **Cunningham**, daughter of N. & Martha **Mabry**, wife of John **Cunningham**, born in Brunswick County, Virginia, 17 Nov 1816, died 15 Dec 1861, aged 45 yers, 28 days.

In Gwyn Cemetery, Warren County: Julia **Mabry**, 25 Jan 1843 - 1922; Thomas E. **Mabry**, 5 Jan 1828 - 11 Oct 1911, married 24 Nov 1859.



Pelham Valley Places by Janelle Layne Taylor

Lying at the base of the Cumberland Plateau in Grundy County, TN, is the fertile Pelham Valley made up of various small communities of Providence, Valley Home (also known as Cross Roads or Mt. View), Pelham, Payne's Cove, Layne's Cove, Burrows' Cove, and Bell's Cove. There are many hollows and lesser known coves and communities. These are as follows: Piedmont, located right at the base of the Cumberland Plateau along Highway 41 before it ascends the plateau; Roberts' Cove, part of which is called Hawk Hollow or Brown's Hollow (Another part of the same cove is also called Bonner Hollow.) Trussell Cove, located behind Mary Elizabeth Shelton's home in the larger Bell's Cove; Smith Hollow, located between Valley Home and Payne's Cove where Ronald & Mary Winton now live; Parmley Hollow, located across the ridge and northeast of Smith Hollow, Procter Hollow, located behind the Donald & Donna Givens home; Limekiln and Spring Hollows, north of Roberts' Cemetery in Payne's Cove; Orchard Hollow deeper in the head of Payne's Cove, Sugarcamp Hollow, up from Big Spring and just off the Clouse Hill Road leading up the plateau and even further into Payne's Cove is an offshoot of that cove that leads to an area called Hurricane Cove; Granny Hamby Hollow, along the Elk River south of Alma Woodlee's home; Campbell Hollow, due north of Elkhead Church of Christ, Indian Camp, Billy, Negro Den, Basin, Cane and Graveyard Hollows in the head of Burrows' Cove, Sugar Mill Hollow between the Elk River and Ray Meeks' home in Burrows' Cove and Still House Hollow just off Highway 50 as it ascends the Cumberland Plateau from the valley floor. These communities, hollows, and coves are located on the easternmost edge of the Eastern Highland Rim at 1020 ft. above sea level. The coordinates for the area (intersection of U.S. Highway 41 and Highway 50) are 30 degrees 18 minutes 36 seconds north latitude and 85 degrees 52 minutes 52 seconds West longitude.

The Elk River is the principal stream flowing through the area. It has its beginnings in Burrows' Cove at Elk Head where it flows from beneath the Cumberland Plateau from several springs, the principal one being Blue Spring. The river is also fed at its head by Laurel Creek from the plateau and Jay's Creek, which flows from Campbell Hollow. As the river continues its swift shallow movement downstream, it receives the waters of the Sartain Spring located at the base of Payne Ridge. The ridge which divides Payne's and Burrows' Coves. The Elk receives the waters of Bailey Branch, which flows from Bonner Hollow into Bostick Creek, which flows from Roberts' Cove and crosses Highway 50 near the

Winton Cemetery. Cold and swift, the water's movement continues on downstream until it is joined by the waters of Dry Creek flowing out of Payne's Cove. The name of the creek indicated its usual condition until spring rains come. When there is water in Dry Creek, people say, "the creek's down"! The aforementioned confluence is right at the Cheatum Oliver Bridge that spans Elk River. Prolonged periods of rain cause considerable flooding along the Payne's Cove Road. The Elk courses its way on to Valley Home where U.S. Highway 41 crosses it. Just a little further downstream is Bell's Mill, a favorite swimming hole and baptismal spot, as well as the site of an old mill where grain was ground using the power of the moving water. In the early days, this was also the site of a ford or crossing place for travelers coming to Pelham on what is now called Paul Parks Road. On downstream from Bell's Mill, the Elk is joined by Caldwell Creek, which is fed by Henley Creek and Gilliam Creek, near Providence. The Elk continues on its way and is joined by Patton Creek, flowing from Tarry Cove, where Elsie Brothers now lives, shortly before it finds its way to the Franklin/Grundy County line at the bridge on TN Highway 50 near the Tyson Hatchery. (The hatchery sits just inside the Franklin County line.)

The area on Highway 64 and 50 at the Franklin/Grundy County line was formerly known as Patterson Ford because a large tannery operated by the Pattersons was located there before it was destroyed by Union troops in the Civil War. The Elk continues on to form the Woods Reservoir near Tullahoma. Flowing southward, the Elk continues to Fayetteville, TN, then into Alabama where it shortly joins the Tennessee River on its way to the Ohio River. The Ohio releases its flow to the Mississippi River, which, in turn, flows into the Gulf of Mexico.

The Elk (Chuwalee to the Indians) River's course is 100 miles in length and is navigable as far as Fayetteville at the mouth of Mulberry Creek in Lincoln County, TN.

No lakes are located in Pelham Valley; however, one large marshy area known as Goose Pond is located on the property of Bill Henley in the Valley Home community. In the recent past the Goose Pond has been a popular spot for mud bogging.

Many caves are located in the valley. Probably the best known is located at the base of Cedar Ridge and is called Wonder Cave. It was open to the public for years while R.M. Payne and later the Jonah Raulston family owned and operated it. In recent years under the ownership of Bruce Born, the cave has been closed, and the buildings guarding its entrance, once buzzing with tourists, have fallen into disrepair. Other large caves in Pelham Valley are Trussell Cave, located at the mouth of Trussell Cove, Saltpeter Cave and Big Mouth Cave, both located near the Roberts' Cemetery in Payne's Cove. Neither of these caves has been commercialized. Many smaller caves are located throughout the area. Big Spring in Payne's Cove flows from one such cave. Partin Spring in Bell's Cove is another. Having once been under water, this region is underlain by large quantities of limestone, a sedimentary rock formed by the skeletal remains of tiny marine animals. (David Taylor found a shard of limestone on the ridge behind our former home place, which had the perfect fossil remains of a shark's tooth embedded in it.) Limestone reacts with acid formed in the soil. The

acids eat away the limestone. From that activity, caves and sinkholes are formed.



The fertile soils of Pelham Valley are valuable resources. They are made up mostly of yellow and red clays, which were formed under mixed, deciduous forests. Present day crops include soybeans, wheat, corn, cotton and hay crops. Vegetable gardens are commonplace. The growing season is around 200 days.

Precipitation in this part of Tennessee averages 52"-56" annually. Temperatures rarely go below 0 F.; however, during January of 1985 temperatures dropped to a record -22 F. Summer temperatures in the high 80's and 90's are not uncommon. Occasionally we have unusual weather such as was experienced this year in April when, even tree leaves were frozen as they were coming out in their spring ritual. Weather records indicate that this was the first time such an event as this had taken place since 1910. Everyone wondered if the trees would recover; however, most of them are now putting on new leaves and renewing their glory.

Quarrying of limestone was a viable business in areas near Wonder Cave close to the Edna Parks property and on the Jack & Janice White property along White Ridge Road. Grundy County operated a quarry at the back of Benjie Benjamin's residence back in the 1920's and '30's while the state of Tennessee quarried rocks to build Highway 41 from the area behind the former home of David and Janelle Layne Taylor (now owned by Dean and Betsy Braseel Nunley), next door to Ms. Benjamin's during that same time frame. Other quarries were located on the Bell's Cove Road near Fred Layne's residence, and on the same road at the Grover & Margaret Partin home place, and near the Coffee County line on property now owned by Eddie & Sharon Patton. The most recent quarrying operation in Pelham Valley was on the side of Burrows' Cove Mountain on property owned by the Elmer and Elva Woodlee family. This quarry operated in the late 1950's and early '60's.

Present day Pelham Valley is served by three major highways. These are Interstate 24, an east/west route linking Chattanooga and Nashville, U.S. Highway 41, a north/south route also linking Chattanooga and Nashville, and Tennessee Highway 50 which links Decherd and Altamont.

Pelham Valley Places- Part II

Bell Cemetery is located on the Alice Womack farm in Bell's Cove on the side of Bell's Cove Rd. It was named for Harris Bell.

Bell's Cove is named for the Bell family - James Bell (born in NC 1775-d. Pelham, TN 1859) and wife Margaret Smith and their children Margaret, William, Orville, Julia, Harris, James L., Mary Ann, Elizabeth Allen and Thomas Bell.

Bell's Mill located between Crossroads and Providence was named for Harris Bell who built and operated the mill on Elk River where wheat and corn were ground into flour and meal.

Bethel Cemetery is located on Highway 50 in Burrows' Cove, just north of Bethel Church.

Big Mouth Cave in Payne's Cove is so named because the opening is very large, but narrows as one travels further back in the cave.

Big Spring is a large water source, which flows from beneath the mountain at the intersection of Clouse Hill Road and Payne's Cove Road.

Big Spring Cemetery (also called **Sanders Cemetery**) is located in Payne's Cove on the Payne's Cove Road just before the intersection of Clouse Hill Rd. near Big Spring.

Bluebell Island is located on the border between Franklin and Gundy Counties in Elk River behind Tyson Hatchery. It is named for the bluebell wildflowers that bloom there in the spring. The island is an environmentally protected area.

Bonner Hollow is named for Rufus Bonner and his wife Etta Lenora Elizabeth McCarver who moved there in November of 1920 from Tarlton Valley to farm with Grover Cleveland Hamby and his wife Bessie Meeks Hamby.

Brown's Hollow is one of the names for Roberts' Cove. The name came from Sam and Elizabeth (Douglas) Brown who moved to the cove from Hamilton County, TN, and inhabited the head of the hollow. The Brown family moved away from the area in 1909, but two of their daughters, Hanna and Addie stayed behind since they married local boys. Hanna married Houston Hawk and Addie married Dee Hawk.

Burnett Cemetery has a single memorial stone located in the cemetery listing those who are thought to be buried there. It is on Highway 50 just across I 24 near the intersection of Sherrell Road in Coffee County. The tombstone was placed there by L.H. & Gladys Burnett and other family members to memorialize Burnett ancestors in this area.

Burrows' Cove is named for Anthony Burrows who was originally granted the land. In 1850 there were many Burrows families located in the cove. Anthony, Josiah, Thomas, Elizabeth, David and John Burrows all were heads of families.

Burrows' Ridge separates Burrows' Cove from Roberts' Cove and is also named for the early Burrows families who lived in the area.

Caldwell Cemetery is located in Providence and is named for the Caldwell family. Early graves there include Andrew Caldwell (1791-1818); William Caldwell (1767-1814).

Caldwell Creek was named for the Caldwell family. The earliest Caldwell in that area according to the census was Robert C. Caldwell who was born in TN in 1802. His family in 1850 was Sarah, age 56 and Andrew, 19. Living with his family were Rachel Smith, 25; Orville Bell, 28, a laborer; and Sebron Ikard, 36, who was a constable. Green B. Caldwell, born 1810 also lived as a single man who was a farmer in the area. Caldwells who lived much earlier are buried in the Caldwell Cemetery, which is in Providence.

Caldwell Ridge located in the Providence area, is also named for the early Caldwell families who lived in the area.

Campbell Cemetery is located on Burroughs' Cove Rd. just across the road from Wesley Nunley's home. The oldest marked grave there is that of Malinda Campbell (1855-1885)

Campbell Hollow was named for James Elledge Campbell and wife Senatha Asenath Lamb who moved to Burrows' Cove from NC and their sons Robert Mitchell Campbell and William C. Campbell.

Campground gets its name from the fact that there were many camp meetings held there. One such meeting happened in the 1930's, long after the name Campground was given the area, by Rev. Howard Cook and a host of people from Chattanooga. Rev. Cook preached there in a tent meeting for maybe as many as 2 years. The self-sufficient group brought their food and supplies and even moved in a sawmill and made plans to build a church, but those plans never materialized. Some said that Cook "preached himself out of the electric chair" and that his assistants were former prison inmates. (Source: Ethel Bennett Winton)

Centerville was the name applied to the Pelham area where Highway 50 crosses Interstate 24 .

Clouse Meeks Cemetery was named for a man by the same name and is located in Payne's Cove. There are 3 children buried there. John Meeks died 1930; George Meeks who died in childhood, and Ida Meeks who died in childhood.

Cross Roads is named so because the road leading from Payne's Cove to Providence crossed the main road, now Highway 41.

Dixie Highway is an alternate name for Highway 41. Since each county has been asked to designate a road to honor those who have received a Purple Heart, Highway 41 is also Grundy County's **Purple Heart Trail**.

Elk Head was named for its location at the base of the Cumberland Plateau where the Elk River has its beginnings.

Evans Point was named for a family who owned the land on the side of the mountain near Elsie Brothers' residence. The same area is now called **Old Baldy** because the top is bare of trees.

Evans-Scissom Cemetery is located on White Ridge Road on a rocky slope between the road and where Carl Edwin and Carolyn Bonner built a log cabin. Although there are several graves there, only 2 are known and both are sons of P.M. and Luisa Evans. They are Horace G. who was born in 1896 and lived only 10 days and James P. Evans (1895-1907).

Gilliam Creek and **Gilliam Cave** were named for the Harris Gilliam family. Harris was born in 1806 in South Carolina and was living in Grundy County in 1850 with his wife Nancy and children B.F., Martin, Allen, Mary H., Eliza, Samuel, William, Sarah, and Margaret Gilliam.

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James Edward **Scruggs'** gravestone, along with his three wives', buried in Altamont Cemetery, Altamont, TN. Ralph **Thompson** says that they are buried in position shown on stone, one to right and left and one at the foot. James E. Scruggs and Annie Von Rohr were his grandparents. You can contact Ralph at ralph595@comcast.net.



JAMES EDWARD SCRUGGS AND HIS THREE WIVES

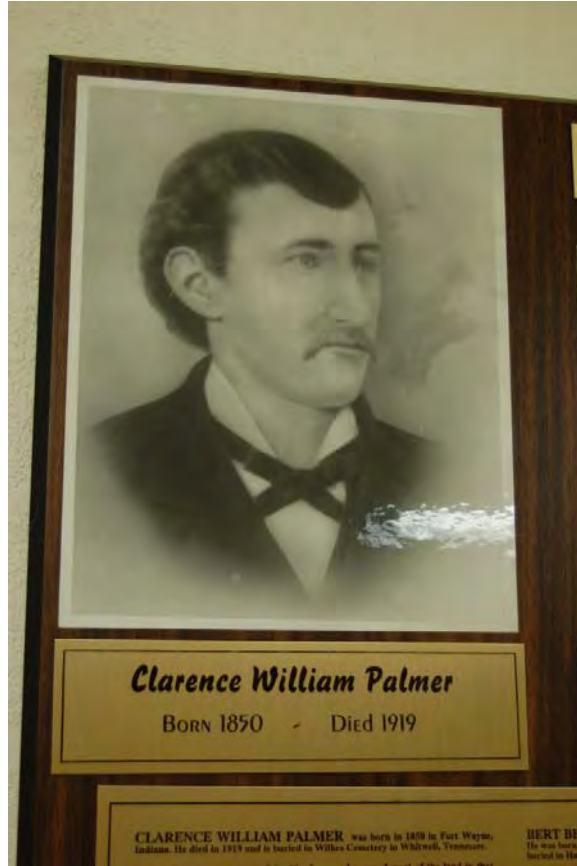
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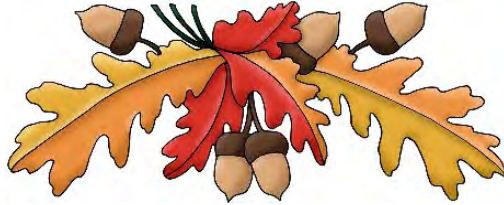
L-R: JANELLE TAYLOR, SUSAN SISSOM, DAVID PATTON, SHARON GOODMAN AND WILLENE CAMPBELL AT THE GRUNDY COUNTY MINER'S MUSEUM IN PALMER



VETERANS WAR MEMORIAL IN PALMER, TENNESSEE



BEAUTIFUL VIEW OFF THE MOUNTAIN OF PELHAM VALLEY



Memories of Raymond Hargis

These memories of Grundy County Baseball Teams were sent to David Patton Historian of Palmer, TN January 5, 2007

Part II (conclusion)

I remember playing in 2 night games, both with Gruetli. We played a night game at Cowan. They had a good team and regularly played at night. It was our first night game and we didn't do to well at hitting or fielding. We quickly fell behind and Cowan position players kept wanting to pitch. They would face 3 or 4 batters and change pitchers. Their 3rd baseman kept begging to pitch and the manager finally let him pitch. I was his first batter and I hit his 1st pitch over the RF fence for a homerun. When I came around to homeplate **Mr. Lonnie Battles**, one of our fans, was at the plate. He took out his billfold and gave me a dollar. (It was the only money I ever got for playing ball.) The Cowan mgr. took the pitcher out. He wouldn't let him face another batter. His teammates kidded him loudly. We lost the game 18-1 as I recall.

The 2nd night game we played was at Scottsboro, Ala. We lost that one too, but not as badly as the one at Cowan. Another thing about the Cowan game was that **George "Red" Gipson**, our manager who was probably 65 yrs old pinch hit in a late inning. George flied out to CF which was quite a feat for one his age. He and his brother **Joe** whom I never saw play had a reputation as good hitters, hard to strike out.

Managers of that time were not considered like pro ball managers or even H. S. managers. Many times they were also players and looked at somewhat as a captain. They set lineups and changed pitchers and substituted players but usually sought consensus. Pitching changes usually found the pitcher going to a position which was vacated by the incoming relief pitcher. Very few teams had several pitchers who only pitched.

Claude Scott was a very unusual manager. He was a good catcher but did not play every game. In his 40's he knew he couldn't play as long or as hard as his younger players. But he thought baseball should be fun and he was always looking for a way to have fun. For example, he showed **"Cotton" Bouldin**, Gruetli's catcher, a potato the size of a baseball and told him if the other team had runners on 1st and 3rd and the 1st base runner tried to steal 2nd, **"Cotton"** was to throw the potato into CF and be waiting with the baseball when the 3rd base runner came home to score. It never happened and if it had it was against the rule of making a travesty of the game. Clyde just thought it would be a fun thing to do.

Another time in a game against Sewanee I had hit the ball hard my first two at bats (2 doubles). When I came up the 3rd time I looked at Claude coaching at 3rd and he gave me the bunt sign. I bunted and got on but I wondered why he had me to bunt since we had no runners on base. I asked Claude after the inning was over and he grinned and said he just wanted to see if I was paying attention to his signs. We both laughed and went on with the game. Claude was fun to be around and the Gruetli team enjoyed playing for him.

There was not a lot of strategy in those days. We just played ball for fun and tried to win but it was mostly just to see how we

could do in competition with others. As I have noted many players played with more than one team over the years.

I supposed TCC paid for Palmer's uniforms but most teamed asked businesses to pay for a uniform and their business was named on the back of the uniform shirt. Teams usually had fund raisers for bats and balls and some equipment like catchers gear. Each player took care of his uniform and turned it in at the end of the season or if he left the team.

Umpires were usually chosen from the fans attending the game especially those who had played and liked to be involved. I remember **Hobe Grooms** at Palmer and other teams usually had someone like Hobe who would agree to umpire. I don't recall if any were ever paid for their work but they usually did a god job. Fans might complain about calls but players would maybe disagree but accept the calls and go on. There was 1 plate and 1 base umpire.

You are right about games being social events. I don't ever remember a game that didn't have a "good" crowd, no matter where you played. At Palmer I recall fans like "**Dottie**" **Dotson**, "**Gap**" **Finch**, "**Little Ug**" **Cleek**. You mentioned **Ewing Hampton** and I wish I could remember some of the stories **Gene Brooks** (another big fan) has told about Ewing who always called **Gene "Brooksie"**. I'm sure other teams had their faithful fans, too, but offhand I can't name any. Family members of players and those who just loved baseball were numerous for all the teams.

The old Ball Field at Palmer was probably my favorite place to play. Gruetli played on Coalmont's field at the elementary school which also was a good field to play on as was the Tracy City's field, the American Legion Field at the fairgrounds. The Coalmont and Tracy City fields were sandy and could absorb a lot of rain before it was too wet to play on. Palmer's field was near a creek and the soil seemed to be a sort of clay that once it became wet, it would be two or three days before it would dry enough. But it was level with a good outfield and plenty of room for fans. All three of these fields were unusually good to play on and were fairly easily maintained. Monteagle and Pelham also had good fields. Gruetli built a field at the old oil well site but it was not very level and had a lot of small rocks all over it. Later **Horace Moore Sr.** allowed some of his land near the Dogtown Rd. to be used for a field but I never played there or even saw a game there.

There were numerous families where 2 or more brothers played and some of these I have already mentioned earlier though I didn't always note that they were brothers. Again, I'll probably fail to mention some of them but maybe someone else will fill in where I have left some of them out.

At Palmer **Mut**, **Shirley**, and **Bill Cunningham** played. Also, **Johnny**, **Carl**, and **Alvin Geary**. **Johnny Vernon** and **James Wayne Tate** (Johnny Vernon was a good outfielder and hustled all the time. I know James Wayne played but I didn't see him play.) **Dow** and **Craig Cannon** (Howard was his real name) were good players. **Doug** and **Harold Grooms** (I didn't see Harold play except grammar school softball) but Doug was a very solid player. Their father **Hobe**, umpired a lot as I have mentioned. **Leck** and **Matthew Coffelt** were both pitchers.

At Coalmont **Dee** and **Howard Brown** played and I believe some of the **Burrows** brothers played but I am not sure. **Gerald Scott**, brother of **Claude** played. **Gene Rogers (Eyeballs)** may have had a brother to play. **J. B.** and **Richard Hill** played at Beersheba. **Tom** and **Horace Moore Jr.** played at Gruetli. "**Cotton**" **Bouldin** and later **Ralph** played for

Gruetli. **Jim Long** played at Gruetli and maybe at Palmer. His brother **Sherwood** played at Palmer as did **Ted**.

At Tracy City, **Paul** and **James Street** were pitcher and catcher, as was **Bright Eyes** and **Monk Crisp** with **Carl (Squat)** playing at several positions. **Jewell Tate** was an outfielder but his brother **Everett** played at Palmer as I mentioned earlier.

I must back up to Palmer again and mention brothers **Charlie** and **Rooster Brewer (Tooter Bill's sons.)** I have said I thought Charlie might have been the best "pure" hitter but he was also an outstanding catcher just as brother Rooster was an outstanding left-handed pitcher. I only saw Rooster pitch once but from that and what others have said I know he is one of the best of area left-handed pitchers.

You mentioned **Jimmy Northcutt** and how **Ralph Sanders** encouraged Jimmy to get a hit. I remember Jimmy was nick named "**Splatter**" but I never saw Jimmy play. I know Ralph was a big fan along with his son, **Alfred "Foxy" Sanders**.

I did not play in the 18 inning game between Palmer and Tracy City but I was there as a fan. I honestly didn't remember who won and I don't remember who pitched for Palmer against **Silas Guyear (Katherine Flury** Said it was 1-0 for Palmer). But I do recall it was a great game and I recall it was getting dark when it ended. My recollection is that the ball was hard to see and that when **James Street** was hit by a pitched ball play was halted before someone was seriously hurt. That suggested the game was not over but I don't know how it was all resolved, but evidently Katherine had a box score from the paper. I don't remember a longer or better game. Not many games went in to extra innings. I never saw a triple play and even double plays were not common. One reason could be that practice was not daily and when there was a practice not everyone could come. You mostly had hitting practice with fielding practice consisting of fielding grounders and fly balls from hitting practice. Pitchers would throw to catchers on the sidelines. Once at Gruetli we had gone to Tullahoma where the Worth Co. made baseballs and bought some bat and balls. We bought some good "game balls" and then some of lesser cost for batting practice. We practiced at Coalmont's field and the first time we used the practice balls someone hit a line drive to RF where "**Sham Sanders** was helping in fielding. When "Sham" picked the ball up he came running in saying "this ball is bent." The practice balls were cheaply made and were useless to use. We didn't save any money using them.

I don't ever remember a pitcher deliberately hitting a batter but not all pitchers had good control so batters had to be alert. There were some players who could manage to get hit by a pitch when it would be most helpful to his team. Several did this from time to time. **Bill Jack Gunn** from Monteagle was probably as good at this strategy as anybody. Base stealing then, as now, was by the faster runners, but many players (**Harvey Brown** was one) would steal by timing his attempt to the way the pitchers made their motions. Players with good speed almost never got thrown out.

Teams had good players and games had outstanding plays—timely hits, bunts, long homeruns, runners thrown out at home, timely strikeouts, long runs to catch outfield flies, all the different plays that make games fun to watch. A very unusual feat was **Leon "Racehorse" Tate's** in a game with Sewanee. Leon was pitching and in one inning he threw nine straight strikes to strikeout the side. He did not throw one ball nor did any batter foul a pitch. Batters either swung and missed or took a called strike. Nine strikes got 3 outs. This may have occurred elsewhere over the years but I have never heard of it.

Gruetli team members and fans have marveled at this over the years, making "**Racehorse**" a legend in his own time.

A funny incident happened at Palmer once when **Joe Scruggs** was pitching and **Harvey Brown** was in CF. The other team had a runner on 2nd with a big lead. Harvey came sneaking in from CF to trap the runner and Joe saw him coming. For some reason Joe went ahead with his pitch to the plate and the batter hit the ball straight to CF where Harvey had left to trap the 2nd base runner. Naturally, the hit scored the runner from 2nd, leaving Harvey standing right behind 2nd base. Harvey was mad as a wet hen and Joe, as usual, was on the mound bent over laughing.

Many fans from Grundy Co. attended Chattanooga Lookout games. I remember seeing **Jim Kaat**, **Jim Lemon**, **Bob Allison** and **Harmon Killebrew**. These were all Major League players with the Washington Senators. Jim Lemon once hit 4 homeruns in a Southern Association All-Star game played at Engle Stadium. I saw **Gus Triandos** who played for Birmingham hit a homerun that hit the top of a light tower in LF. The tower was about 50 ft. higher than the fence, so no telling how long the homer would have been if it hadn't hit the tower. Birmingham was a Yankee farm team and Triandos was a regular catcher for the Yankees later.

Engel Stadium was named after **Joe Engel**, owner of the Lookouts. Engel had a reputation for attracting fans in innovative ways. He once had a drawing to give away a house to the lucky winner. The crowd filled the stadium and fans lined left field and right field lines and along the outfield fence from left field to right field. I don't remember the size of the crowd but it held the record for minor leagues for many years. Engel also once traded a player for a turkey. He was considered the most outstanding showman for as long as he owned the Lookouts. I remember games when paper money was scattered all over the infield and chosen lucky fans could keep all the money they could pick up in a certain length of time.

Doris and I took our grandson, **Jared, Jody's** son, to spring training in 1993 (the year of the 21 inch snow). We had to wait a day or two before leaving so the snow could be removed from the highways in north Georgia. We visited training camps and saw Cincinnati, St. Louis, Toronto, Baltimore and several other teams in the central Florida area. Jared was 12 at the time and really enjoyed seeing the major leaguers but he was glad to get home because that was the longest he had been away from home.

On a trip to St. Louis to see the Braves and the Cardinals play a double-header (**Jared** and **Tallman** and **Harrison**, all three of our grandsons) we got there a day early to see the sights around St. Louis. Jared was and is a big fan of **Ozzie Smith**, the great Cardinal shortstop. As we were driving along a street Jared suddenly saw Ozzie Smith's restaurant and of course we had to stop and eat there. There was a sign there that said Ozzie would be there at a certain time to meet fans and sign autographs. We went back at that time and the boys got to meet Ozzie and get him to sign his name on various items. He talked with Jared for several minutes and was very friendly and easy to talk to. He was gracious to all the fans and was in no great hurry to get through with the session. I was very impressed with Ozzie Smith.

Ron Terrell's father (whose first name I can't readily recall) worked at the Dept. of Human Services in Tracy City but he lived in Sewanee. I never saw him play but he played professional baseball and once played a game in Yankee Stadium. I had one or two brief conversations with him at lunchtime but I have regretted that I didn't learn more about his baseball playing days. He is deceased.

The season usually started in April and ended in September, sometimes with playoffs continuing even into November. I remember playing in a playoff game in Tracy City in November. It was so cold I wore a heavy jacket the whole game as did many others. One year Gruetli did not play Manchester till late August. It rained every time our Manchester game came up. I did not like to play in cold weather. (I don't know many who did.) The bat would sting your hands when you hit the ball and you would never be loose fielding the ball, resulting in many errors. You just could not get comfortable in cold weather, or wet weather either.

I remember 2 players from this area who played Major League baseball. One was **Hillis Layne** from Whitwell. He was an infielder for the Washington Senators. I never saw him play but I know he scouted for Washington for many years. He had a brother named **Meredith Layne** who drove a coal truck on the Palmer-to Pocket haul. I drove a truck on that haul in the summers and I remember Meredith as a quiet, soft spoken, friendly person. I understand Hillis was like that also. The other Major Leaguer was **Phil Douglas**. I think he was from Pikeville or at least the Sequatchie Valley. He was a pitcher for more than one team but I think the Senators was one of the teams.

Phil was banned from baseball by Commissioner K. M. Landis, supposedly for talking about "throwing" games while he was under the influence. Landis was given absolute power as commissioner after the "Black Sox World Series, where games were supposed to have been rigged by **"Shoeless Joe" Jackson** and others. If Landis believed someone did something detrimental to baseball he had the authority to ban them with no hearing or appeal. He was especially sensitive to gambling and would not tolerate players even associating with known gamblers.

Numerous attempts have been made to try to get **Phil Douglas'** name cleared as there seems to have been no evidence other than drunken comments. One attempt in recent years apparently got nowhere. Phil is buried in Tracy City Cemetery with a baseball themed headstone. I have never heard why he was buried in Tracy City.

I will close the disjointed comments by saying that I never ever saw a local player act boastful or act as if he was superior to other players. Playing baseball was enjoyed as a team effort in competition with other teams. You played to win but if you didn't you just tried to do better the next game. Teammates enjoyed their association with each other and also with the other teams. I remember no ill feelings or hostility between teams or team members. I firmly believe all players who played during this period of time enjoyed competing and enjoyed the friendships created over these years.

Maybe these recollections will prompt others to recall their experiences and maybe fill in some blanks in my remarks and add theirs, and I certainly hope that anyone whose athletic experiences or work experiences with others will either write them down or relate them to someone who will because the passing of years will dim the memory so that many details of interest will be lost. I know that I thought I could remember a lot more than I have been able to recall.

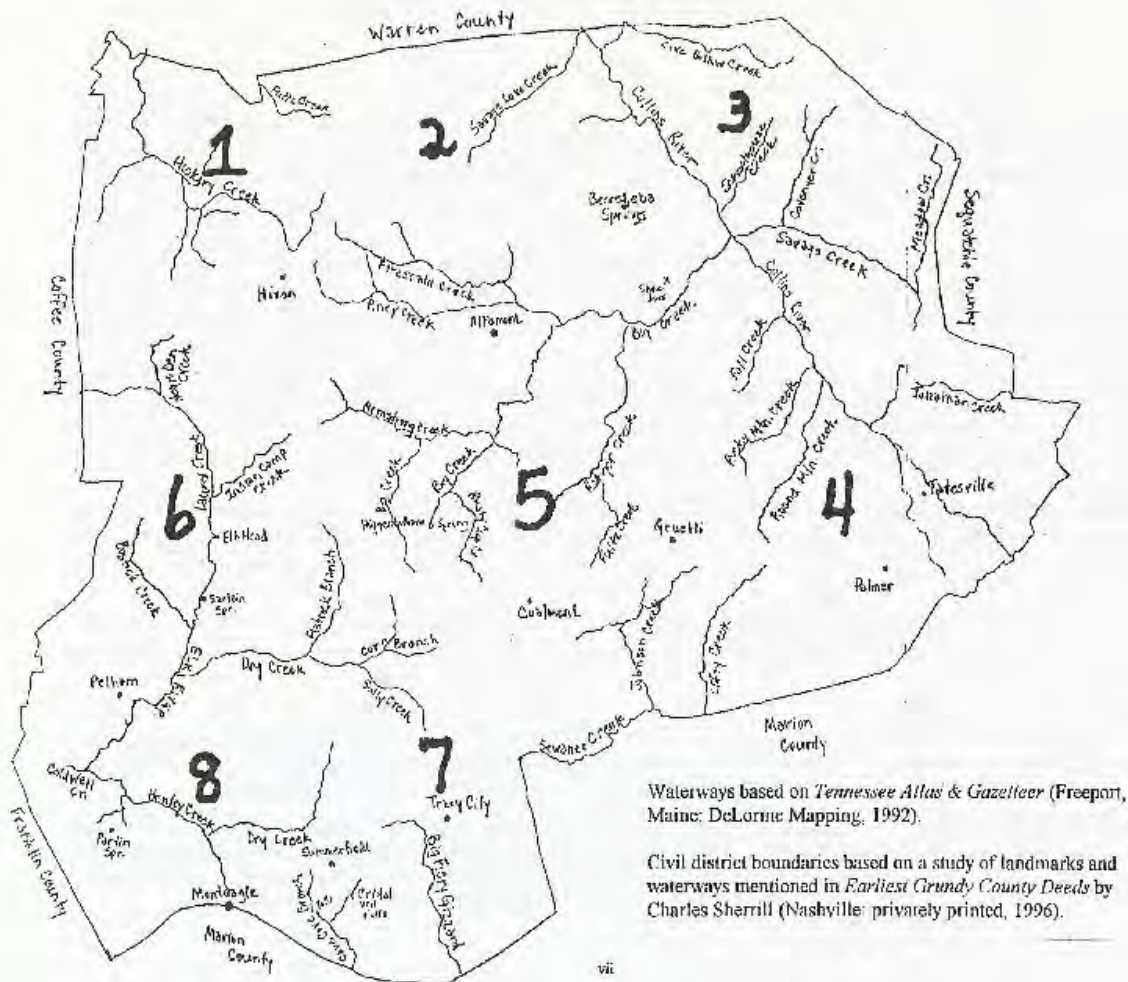
The work of **William Ray Turner, David Patton**, those who worked on the heritage book, and those who worked on the coal miner's museum and the coke oven projects and other projects of public interest deserve the praise and support of all Grundy Countians. Let's all help in any way we can to preserve our history, which is being created everyday.

Respectfully,
Raymond Hargis

Grundy County Tennessee Special Census Records, 1850 - 1880, compiled by Charles A. Sherrill, Nashville, Tennessee, 1996. Used with permission.

This book gives an incredibly detailed account into the lives of Grundy Countians during the 1850's thru the 1880's. It shows not only the cash value of farm and livestock, but also who owned honey bees and who had a fruit orchard. A very interesting look into the family farm!

**APPROXIMATE CIVIL DISTRICT LOCATIONS
1850 - 1860**



*unless otherwise noted, crops mentioned below are in bushels.

Braly, W[alter] T., horses, 2; asses & mules, 1; milch cows, 1; other cattle, 3; sheep, 3; swine, 9; value of livestock, \$110; wheat, 22; Indian corn, 100; oats, 100; Irish potatoes, 10; sweet potatoes, 15; value of home manufactures, \$10; value of animals slaughtered, \$20; tobacco, 100 lbs.

Braly, Samuel, improved acres, 45; unimproved acres, 130; cash value of farm, \$810; horses, 8; asses & mules, 1; milch cows, 6; other cattle, 5; sheep, 4; swine, 40; value of livestock, \$553; wheat, 35; Indian

corn, 750; oats, 60; value of home manufactures, \$10; value of animals slaughtered, \$25; rye, 21; tobacco, 100 lbs.

Braly, Leroy, horses, 3; milch cows, 3; other cattle, 2; swine, 23; value of livestock, \$197; wheat, 10; Indian corn, 250.

Braly, John, improved acres, 30; unimproved acres, 47; cash value of farm, \$200; horses, 2; milch cows, 2; other cattle, 1; sheep, 5; swine, 10; value of livestock, \$82; wheat, 8; Indian corn, 200; rye, 7.

Paxton (?), M[aridoa?], swine, 10; value of livestock, \$8; sweet potatoes, 20; value of home manufactures, \$30; value of animals slaughtered, \$28.

Pursell, Mary, improved acres, 20; unimproved acres, 4080; cash value of farm, \$50; horses, 2; asses & mules, 1; milch cows, 2; other cattle, 2; sheep, 1; swine, 13; value of livestock, \$126; Indian corn, 250; Irish potatoes, 15; value of home manufactures, \$15; value of animals slaughtered, \$18.

Pursell, B[rab], milch cows, 1; other cattle, 1; swine, 15; value of livestock, \$45; Irish potatoes, 15; sweet potatoes, 15; value of home manufactures, \$18; value of animals slaughtered, \$20.

Sain, N[imrod] H., improved acres, 50; unimproved acres, 50; cash value of farm, \$400; horses, 2; milch cows, 4; working oxen, 2; other cattle, 2; sheep, 13; swine, 45; value of livestock, \$161; wheat, 11; Indian corn, 375; oats, 100; Irish potatoes, 15; sweet potatoes, 20; value of home manufactures, \$15; value of animals slaughtered, \$22.

Sain, M., improved acres, 50; unimproved acres, 50; value of home manufactures, \$3; value of animals slaughtered, \$12.

Coulson, W[illiam] H., improved acres, 90; unimproved acres, 280; cash value of farm, \$1600; horses, 5; asses & mules, 9; milch cows, 7; other cattle, 5; sheep, 12; swine, 40; value of livestock, \$850; wheat, 23; Indian corn, 750; oats, 37; wool, 10; Irish potatoes, 45; sweet potatoes, 30; value of home manufactures, \$100; value of animals slaughtered, \$144; rye, 3.

Only a genealogist regards a step backwards
as progress.

Death Notices

Adams, Henry—born 2-17-1908 to Calvin Adams and Florence Nunley, died Aug. 17, 1988 and was buried at Bonny Oaks Cemetery. He was a WWII veteran and a carpenter. He was survived by a daughter Ruth; a son Ralph, a brother Andrew and a sister Minnie.

Borne, Ada Belle—born May 14, 1893 to Russell Nunley and Nancy Ward, died May 9, 1979 at the age of 85 at her home in Gruetli, TN and was buried at the Fall Creek Cemetery. She was survived by 2 brothers, Andy and Charles and 2 sisters, Florence and Lorene. (She married Jesse borne and had 9 children, Rosa, ruby, Louie Austin, Howard, June, Willie Mae, Lonnie, Ted and Letha.)

Brawley, Jentile—died Sept. 1911 at the age of 84. He was born in Morrison, TN, was a farmer, was widowed and died of "old age". (Jentile was a son of Alfred Fauster Braley and Mary Johnson.)

Caldwell, Grover Henry—born Jan. 13, 1913 to Burt Caldwell and Bessie Ross, died Sept. 20, 1985 at the age of 72 in a hospital in Whitwell, TN and buried at Palmer Cemetery. He was survived by his wife, Ruth Sarah Jackson, 2 sons, Kenneth and Ted, a daughter, Mrs. Billy Norton, 3 sisters, Hazel Morrison, Viola Worley and Callie Jackson.

Charles, Benton—born Sept. 9, 1898 to Samuel Henry Charles and Betty Kate Bryan, died Feb. 11, 1982 in a Chattanooga hospital. He was buried in Hamilton Memorial Gardens, Chattanooga, TN. He was survived by his wife, Thelma Vivian Hutson, daughter Maxine and two sisters.

Cleek Jr., John—born Oct. 23, 1903 to Will Cleek and Betty Buchanan, died Oct. 17, 1981 at a hospital in Sewanee, TN at the age of 77 and was buried at White Cemetery. John was a coal miner. (He married Elizabeth "Lizzie" Shrum and had 4 daughters: Evelyn, Fay, Betty and Mary Lou, and 9 sons: Mitchell, Raymond, Howard, James, Leon, Chester, Johnny, Arnold and Cleston.)

Creighton, John Armfield—born Oct. 12, 1900 to John H.M. Creighton and Mary Tate, died at a hospital in Whitwell, TN at the age of 86 and was buried at Brown's Chapel Cemetery. He was a coal miner. He was survived by his wife, Mabel Hobbs, 3 daughters, Betty, Patsy and Martha and 3 sons, Jack, John Jr., and Bobby.

Davis, Florence Ruth—age 81, died Nov. 26, 1980 in Sewanee Hospital, Franklin Co., TN and buried at Palmer Cemetery. She was a widow, a housewife, whose residence was Gruetli, TN. Her father was Tade Fults and her mother was Druscilla Tate. She had 2 daughters, Gladys Henry and Ruby Phillips and 4 sons, Elmer, Alfred, Franklin and Earl Davis.

Dove, Mary Ella—born Oct. 18, 1867 to Tom Headrick and Lizzie Anderson, died Sept. 9, 1955 at the age of 87 in Monteagle. She was buried in Tracy City. (Twice widowed, she was the mother of 10 children, 9 with William David Dove and 1 with Will A. McCoy.)

Dyer, Willie Mae—born July 23, 1911 to Charles Winford Anderson and Mary Ellen King, died Jan. 13, 1983 and was buried at the Coalmont Cemetery. She was survived by her husband, Thomas Dyer; daughter Dollie; son Bobby and sister Gertrude Brown.

Fitch, Sarah—born January 1, 1888 to Jim and Effie Smartt. She died February 22, 1972 at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga, TN and was buried at the Altamont Cemetery. She was the widow of Henry Fitch and was survived by 4 sons, Floyd, Marvin, Lewis and Charlie Fitch.

Gholston, Marlee (Campbell)—born Aug. 6, 1910, a daughter of Pete Campbell, and died Sept. 30, 1971 at the age of 61 and was buried in the Palmer Cemetery. She was married to Ralph Gholston. She is survived by 2 daughters; a brother Louie and a sister, Margie.

Hackworth, Pearl T.—born June 12, 1895 to A. J. and Jane Tate, died Jan. 13, 1981 at Sequatchie County General Hospital in Sequatchie Co., TN at the age of 85 and was buried at Fall Creek Cemetery.

Hargis, Mrs. W. L.—born Aug. 25, 1844 and died Sept. 26, 1925 of "old age" in Palmer. She was buried in Palmer. (Mrs. Hargis, nee Malvina "Nell" Thomas, was the widow of William Lee Hargis, with whom she had 4 children, John W., Dallas, Louisa Jane and David.)

Melton, Maude—born Nov. 20, 1895 to Mose Shrum and Sherilda Jane Simpson, died Jan. 23, 1982 at her home in Tracy City, TN when she was 86 years old and was buried at the Clouse Hill Cemetery. She was the widow of Thomas Melton. She was survived by a son, Charles David, 2 daughters, Christine and Lorene, and 2 brothers, Walden and Joe B., and 2 sisters, Virgie and Veola.

Mitchell, Pascal Marvin—born March 27, 1900, died June 20, 1978 at his home in Palmer, TN and was buried at the White Cemetery. His parents were Henry N. Mitchell and Susan E. Roberts. He is survived by his wife, Mattie; daughter Mary, son James David; sister Ora King and brother Emmett Mitchell.

Nunley, Nina Marie—born Sept. 18, 1919 to Marion Sweeton and Virgie Shrum, died Aug. 17, 1970 of an auto accident, and was buried at Fall Creek Cemetery. She was married to Edgar Larson Nunley and they had 4 children, Carl Edward, Billy Gerald, Teresa Ann and Michael.

Nunley, Sexton Farliss—born July 29, 1913 to D.C. Nunley and Bele Carter, and died Nov. 28, 1887 at a hospital in Whitwell, TN at the age of 74 and was buried at the Palmer Cemetery. He, a truck driver, was married to Agnes F. Rollins.

Roberts Sr., Monroe—born Sept. 3, 1902 to Joe Roberts and Winnie Dove, and died Jan. 30, 1981 at his home in Grundy County at the age of 78 and was buried at the Coalmont Cemetery. A retired coal miner, he was married to Virgie Shrum.

Sanders, Cora Frances—born Feb. 16, 1896 to Joe Lewis and Mary Godsby, died July 21, 1976 at Cumberland Heights Clinic at the age of 80 and buried at the Bonny Oak Cemetery. She was survived by 4 daughters, Beryel, Geraldine, Nancy and Mary Helen, sister Minnie and brother Tom. (Cora was the widow of Crawford "Croff" Sanders.)

Stewart Jr., Harvey—born April 19, 1928 to Harvey Stewart, Sr, and died May 28, 1974 at a hospital in Winchester, TN and was buried at Fall Creek Cemetery. He was a veteran of WWII and a coal miner. He is survived by his wife, Mildred Nunley, 3 children, sister Lois and brother Jay.

Stotts, J.D.—born June 2, 1923 to Berry Stotts and Kate Wooten, died June 19, 1985 at a hospital in Sewanee, TN at the age of 62 and was buried at Fall Creek Cemetery. He was survived by his wife, Ruby Marie Smith, 2 sons, Greg and Steve, a brother, L.D., and a sister, Annabelle.

Tate, Bessie—died Sept. 25, 1970 at the age of 82 in Palmer and was buried at White Cemetery. She was widowed and had a son, Lewis. Her parents were Wesley Brown and Fannie Smith.

Tate, Claire Joseph—born Feb. 10, 1907 to Joe Tate and Flora Layne, and died Oct. 7, 1982 at his home in Grundy County at the age of 75 and was buried at Fall Creek Cemetery. His son Bernice, brother Floyd and sister Iola survive him.

Turner, Marlin H.—born Dec. 31, 1920 a son of Fred Turner and Bessie Kilgore, and died Dec. 13, 1981 at his home in Gruetli, TN at the age of 60 and was buried in the Griffith Creek Cemetery. He was survived by 4 children and sisters Muriel, Eloise, and Daisy.

Wilbourn, Franklin Elmore—born April 6, 1952 and died Dec. 8, 1887 at the age of 29 and was buried at Fall Creek Cemetery. He was the son of Andrew Wilbourn and Louise Burroughs. He was survived by brother, Andrew, sisters Barbara, Lena Mae, Pauline, Mary Joe, Donna, Rebecca and Cora, and half brother Billy Wade Sanders.

Winton, Mary Helen— born May 12, 1901 to James Lewis Anderson and Nancy Emaline Crabtree, died May 10, 1968 in a Chattanooga hospital following surgery, and buried at the Coalmont Cemetery. She was survived by her son William "Bill Pete" Winton and 2 brothers, Robert and Leonard.

*Note: Information in parenthesis denotes separate research.

Additions and Corrections

These are additions and corrections to information that has been already been published in a previous issue of "The Pathfinder".

Betty Stokes of Houston, Texas (betinhou@comcast.com) sent me several emails with loads of information on the Burrows family. In addition to Bob Douglas' research on the Burrows' family, Betty has the following information to add. Betty states that she has much more additional information than could possibly be published in The Pathfinder, so if you would like to contact her, she would love to hear from you. Betty also said that she would like to thank other Burrows' researchers that have helped her over the years in researching this family, especially Bob Meeks. Betty is working on preparing a supplement application for Anthony Burrows for the US Society of Daughters of 1812 based on his service as a Militia Captain in Franklin County, TN.

Betty said she ran all of the descendants of Anthony Burrows on her database including the sources- it came out to 499 pages! She is also seeing some mistakes in Bob Douglas' submission. For instance, the first child listed - A Catherine Burrows married to an Unknown Williams. That was incorrect- her ancestor, Catherine Burrows married Elijah Muckleroy.

The children of Anthony are mixed up. Some are missing and there are extras and they are out of order. Betty sent me a family group sheet showing the correct birth order. She also sent a copy of Elijah and Catherine's Bible records. It is of interest because it gives the birth date of Elijah's father, Isaac Muckleroy, as well as the names and dates for children and parents. The records in Nacogdoches Co., TX are very good, Betty says.

Larger differences are with Joseph Albert Lusk. This appears to be Jo Alma. She was probably named that and called Jo Alma. So she appears to be Female and Luther Nathaniel Anderson appears to be the male. This is not Betty's research, but a conclusion she drew from the information.

Betty continues with the child of John Burrows and Martha Richardson is not correct. They have children, but Elijah Muckleroy Burrows is not one of them. Elijah Muckleroy Burrows is a son of David Burrows (son of

Anthony) and Mary JOANNA "Mollie" Millard. Elijah was the grandfather of her aunt's husband, George Van Burrows. Elijah's house is still standing in Nacogdoches. Mary Joanna Millard's father would not let Elijah marry her until he built her a house. The land where it stood was sold to build a hospital and the house was moved to a historic site with other houses cared for a Millard descendant named Lera Millard Thomas, widow of Albert Thomas (Federal House of Representatives). She is now deceased also, but the houses are still there. David (son of Anthony) Burrows' daughter, Celia Burrows married the brother of Mary Joanna "Mollie" Millard. His name was Joshua John "Josh" Millard.

The Burrows children of Anthony and Elizabeth who came to Texas were Catherine (Betty's ancestor) who married Elijah Muckleroy, her brother, David and her brother, Josiah. Betty has a lot of information and descendants of these three siblings. Elijah and Catherine stopped off in Benton Co., AL (now Calhoun). There were siblings who came with them, Russell and Rachel. Russell died there and Rachel returned to Grundy and lived with her mother, Elizabeth. Elizabeth Burrows left a will.

Betty is working on trying to find out more about Anthony. She has seen that he was in Surry Co., NC, but she has had researchers tell her that was not proven. Betty says she has not worked in Surry County for the Burrows. Her ancestor, William Floyd lived at One Mile Creek and the Burrows family lived at Six Mile Creek in Pendleton District/County, South Carolina. The Tubb, Moore, and Hargis and Box families lived near. She expects there were more who came from there to Franklin County. Betty is working on trying to find where they were before they moved to South Carolina, but have been unable to find them. She knows where the Tubb family was, but not the others. "Not yet!" Betty says!

ANTHONY BURROWS GROUP SHEET:

Family Group Sheet - Betty Stokes betinhou.comcast.com. 222 Big Hollow Ln., Houston, TX 77042 - Corrections, additions and discussion welcome.

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Husband: Anthony BURROWS

Birth: bet 1770-1775	Maybe Surry Co., NC
Census: 1800	Pendleton Co., S. Car.
Property: 1802	852 Ac. 6 Mile Cr., Keowee Riv; Pendleton
Dist., SC	
Property: abt 1810	Burrows Cove, Franklin Co., TN
Military: 1810	He served in the Militia; Franklin Co., TN
Tax List: 1812	He was listed on a tax list; Franklin Co.,
TN	
Census: 1820	Franklin Co., TN
Will: 25 Aug 1822	Franklin Co., TN
Death: Feb 1823	Franklin Co., TN
Marriage: abt 1794	

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Wife: Elizabeth

Birth: abt 1778	S. Carolina
Census: 1850	Grundy Co., TN
Death: bef May 1859	Grundy Co., TN
Probate: abt 1862	Grundy Co., TN

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Children

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1 M Samuel Morse BURROWS
Birth: abt 1795 South Carolina
Child born: abt 1817 JOHN G. BURROWS, nephew of Samuel's brother
John M
Probate: bet 1851-1851 TN
Death: bef 15 Aug 1851 TN
Spouse: wife (abt. 1795-) [some clues, but not proven]
Marriage: bef 1816

2 F Catherine BURROWS
Birth: 17 Jul 1796 S. Carolina
Tax List: 1857 Nacogdoches Co., TX
Census: 1860 Nacogdoches Co., TX
Death: bef 1865 Nacogdoches Co., TX
Burial: Fairview Cem., Nacogdoches, Nacogdoches
Co., TX
Spouse: Elijah MUCKLEROY (1800-1851), son of Isaac & Sarah
Muckleroy
Marriage: 22 Nov 1816 Franklin Co., TN

3 M William BURROWS
Birth: abt 1796-1798 Pendleton Co., SC
Death: bef 1859
Spouse: unknown (abt 1796-1798)

4 M James BURROWS
Birth: abt 1800 Pendleton Co., SC
Death: bef 1859
Spouse: unknown

5 M John BURROWS
Birth: 1802 Pendleton Co., SC
Misc: 1840 Slave traders with brothers Anthony and
Thomas
Misc: 1846 1st Co. Trustee, presided at Co. Ct.,
Grundy Co.
Census: 1850, 1860 Grundy Co., TN
Death: Jan 1875
Spouse: Malinda PAYNE (1806-1880) Daughter of Poindexter and Annie
Payne
Marriage: abt 1825

6 F Rachel BURROWS
Birth: abt 1805 Pendleton Co., SC
Resided: before 1850 Benton Co., AL. Returned to Grundy when
widowed
Census: 1850 Grundy Co., TN
Spouse: Laughlin MCINTOSH (-1841)
Marriage: bef 1837
Spouse: GILBRETH (-)

7 M Thomas T. BURROWS
Birth: 1806 Pendleton Co., SC
Misc: 1840 Slaves traders with brothers Anthony and
John

Misc: 1846 County Court met at his home in Burrows
Cove

Will: 1854
Death: bef 6 Aug 1855 Tennessee
Probate: 20 Oct 1855 Grundy Co., TN
Death: bef 6 Aug 1856 Grundy Co., TN
Probate: 4 Aug 1857 Grundy Co., TN
Spouse: Jane HUBBARD (1805-1864)
Marriage: abt 1835

8 M David BURROWS

Birth: 27 Oct 1810 Grundy Co., TN
Census: 1850 Grundy Co., TN
School Census: 1854, 1857 Nacogdoches, Texas - Nacogdoches County
Census: 1860 Nacogdoches Co., TX
Census: 1870 Nacogdoches Co., TX
Death: 5 Oct 1873 Nacogdoches, Nacogdoches Co., TX
Burial: Old North Church Cem., Nacogdoches Co., TX
Spouse: Elizabeth Beatrice KING (1811-1889)dau Thomas and
Elizabeth King
Marriage: abt 1833 TN

9 F Celia "Cely" BURROWS

Birth: abt 1813 TN
Spouse: Arthur M. GRAHAM (1807-)
Marriage: 1830

10 M Anthony BURROWS

Birth: 1813 Tennessee
Misc: c 1840 Slaves traders with brothers Thomas and
John
Census: 1840 Benton Co., (Calhoun) AL
Census: 1850 Grundy Co., TN
Census: 1860 Grundy Co., TN
Death: abt 1895
Spouse: Jane LARD (-)
Marriage: 14 Jul 1839 Benton Co., (Calhoun) AL
Spouse: Martha DICKERSON (1820-)
Marriage: 18 May 1845 TN

11 M Russell BURROWS

Birth: bet 1814-1818 Franklin Co., TN
Census: 1840 Benton Co., (Calhoun) AL
Property: 18 Sep 1840 bought property Benton Co., AL
Death: bef 8 Nov 1844 Benton Co., (Calhoun) AL
Estate Sale: 18 Jan 1845 Benton <Calhoun> County, Alabama
Spouse: Elizabeth (1820-1852)- Returned to Grundy Co. after
widowed
Marriage: abt 1835

12 M Josiah BURROWS

Birth: 4 Jun 1820 Franklin Co., TN
Census: 1850 Grundy Co., TN
Tax List: 1857 Nacogdoches Co., TX
Census: 1860, 1870 Nacogdoches Co., TX
Census: 1880 Either Rusk or Nacogdoches Co. TX
Census: 1900 Rusk Co., TX [adjoins Nacogdoches]

Death: abt 1901 Rusk Co., TX
Burial: Gatlin Cem., Mt. Enterprise, Rusk Co., TX
Spouse: Mary Ann (1818-)
Marriage: 22 Apr 1847 Grundy Co. TN

Will of Anthony Burrows:
Anthony Burrows Will, pp. 49-50, 25 Aug 1822., 18-8-1876 Pages 49 and 50

State of Tennessee:

In the Name of God Amen: I **Anthony Burrows** of the County of Franklin and State of aforesaid and being of sound mind but weak in body and knowing that all flesh must return to the Dust and the Soul to eternity and that my time is short in this life and must leave all transitory things behind me have thought it proper to make constitute and confirm this my last will and testament. First of all if it is God's pleasure that He will receive my Soul in the mansion above there to dwell in eternal bliss and my body to its Mother Earth to be interred at the discretion of my friends at a convenient time after my death. First of all I leave 162-1/2 acres of land known by the Pear place to my three sons **James Burrows**, **John Burrows** and **Josiah Burrows** to be divided as follows: the East Side of the River to be divided between James and John and share and share alike, James having the lower end next to James Stanly, Josiah having what lies on the West side of said river entire to himself this being their entire share as part of my real estate by their paying 33-1/3 each unto my son **Samuel Burrows** on or before the sale of my personal property. Item 2 /, I leave the land I now live on to my eight children **Catherine**, **William**, **Thomas**, **Rachel**, **David**, **Cely**, **Russell**, **Anthony Burrows** (next word has been interpreted to be survivor, but I think it is probably Junior) to be divided equally between them share and share alike beginning at the lower end of said land running across the river parallel with said survey viz, **David Burrows** to have the first lot, **Anthony Burrows** Junior to have the second lot, **Russell Burrows** to have the third lot, **Thomas** to have the fourth lot, **Catorine** to have the fifth lot, **Rachel** to have the sixth lot, **Cely** to have the seventh lot, **William** to have the eighth lot. Item third: the children now single sons and daughters to have the following property: viz /

James to have one feather bed and furniture, **John** the same as James, **Josiah** to have one horse, and feather bed and furniture, **Thomas** one feather bed and furniture and one horse, **Rachel** to have one horse and feather bed and furniture, **David** to have one bed and furniture, **Cely** to have one horse one bed and furniture, **Russell** to have one horse and one bed and furniture, **Anthony Burrows Junior** to have one bed and, furniture also the nine last above mentioned children each to have one cow apiece when they marry if previous to their Mother's Death also as much Kitchen furniture as those that are now married Item 4th I will that my wife **Elizabeth Burrows** remain in full possession of all my property now on hand both real and personal until her death have a sale to take place and sell all of the personal property not bequeathed and the amount to be equally divided and each child to have the money to be equally divided throughout. **All the children share and share alike.** Item 4 That my executors together with my wife at anytime when it shall appear that the stock is becoming expensive, Shall as much thereof as they think proper and put the money arising therefrom out on interest for the use of my children. I desire that **Samuel Morse is not to have any privileges as a minor** in the land above mentioned and I wish my executors see to that part and last I leave my friend John Jones and my son **James Burrows** my sole executors, to this my last will and testament. Confirmed the twenty fifth day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Two.

Signed Sealed in the presence of
Edward Burrows Jurat
John Wilson Jurat

/s/

Anthony Burrows

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BIRTHS.	BIRTHS.
Isac Muckleroy was born May 26 1771	Sarah Muckleroy was born the year of february 24 1825
Elijah Muckleroy was born May 26 1800	John Muckleroy was born february 20 1827
Catherine Muckleroy was born July 17 1796	Mendason Muckleroy was born March 24 1830
Anthony Muckleroy was born february 25 1819	Carolina Muckleroy was born July 17 1832
James Muckleroy was born february 25 1821	Emmala Muckleroy was born August 8 1835
David Muckleroy was born January the 7 1813	Elisha Muckleroy was born January 27 1838

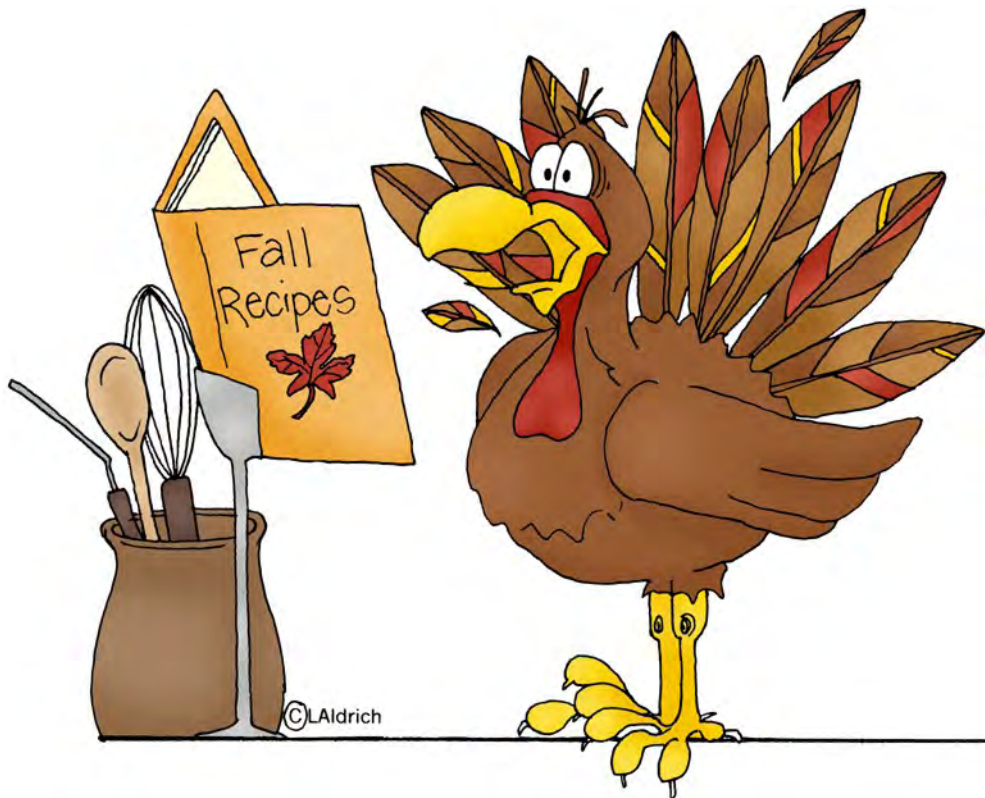
The Bible pages are from Elijah Muckleroy and his wife, Catherine Burrows, daughter of Anthony. The Isaac on here is the Elijah's father, Isaac Muckleroy, who married Sarah Floyd, son of Avington Muckleroy and Sarah Dawson of Oglethorpe County, Georgia.

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MARRIAGES.	MARRIAGES.
<p>Elyah Muehler was Married To Catharine on the 22 Day of November or 1816</p>	<p>Sarah Muehler was Married To G. M. Elliott on the 24 of Dec 1816</p>
<p>James Muehler was Married To Jelline on the 7 Oct 1838</p>	<p>David Muehler was Married To Rebecca on the 2^d Jan 1841</p>
<p>Augustus Muehler was Married To Sarah on the 21 of Jan. 1840</p>	<p>Caroline M. Muehler was Married To Frank Gibson on the 15 of Jan 1851</p>



Happy Halloween
And
Happy Thanksgiving!



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Society Meetings

The Grundy County Historical Society meets quarterly on the 2nd Monday of the month at the Tracy City Library at 1:00 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be held on December 3, 2007. Dues are \$15.00 for Single memberships and \$20.00 for Family memberships each calendar year. Each calendar year begins on January 1st.



Everyone is welcome! Come join us!

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Research Price Schedules (Effective 2004)

An initial search of up to 2 hours is \$25.00 to be paid before any research begins. No part of the initial fee will be returned. If any further work is desired, arrangements will be made with the individual actually doing the research. Upon your request, a search will be made to locate someone willing to work on solving your questions about your Grundy County connections.

Please contact the Grundy County Historical Society, PO Box 1422, Tracy City, TN, 37387. Phone (931) 467-3170 or email jcoats@cafes.net with your question to initiate the process.

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You may view many different articles and photos at the Grundy County Historical Society's website. www.gchs.homestead.com/index.html. The GCHS web site changes almost weekly. Be sure to check back often!

GCHS Web Site Stats

STATS AS OF December 2007.
Website began Sept.18, 2004

69% of visitors viewed 2-19 pages at the website.
39% of visitors spent 1-15 minutes on the website.
18% of visitors spent 30 minutes-2 hours at website.
Web site averages 16 visitors per day
TOTAL VISITORS: 10,857

"Did You Know?"

2 June 1845: Ordered by this court that Ambrose Killian, Michael Hoover, Isaac H. Roberts, William B. Smartt, Daivd Burrows, and William R. Nunley be

appointed commissioners to lay off the county of Grundy into common School districts, and report accordingly--- which is done.

Ordered by the court that the hands allotted to L.D. Tucker, Overseer of the road be also allotted to assist in opening the road from the top of the mountain above Burrows Cove to the County seat, and that the said L.D. Tucker Summons his hands to work and assist in opening said Road when called upon by Thomas Burrows the Overseer of said Road.

Ordered by the court that L.D. Tucker present of the road commence at the foot of the mountain Where the road ascents the same in Burrows Cove, and terminate where the same intersects goodmans Road on this side of Pelham.

Court adjourned until court in course.

A.S. Goodman Chairman
Richard Bradford
Isaac H. Campbell

[NOTE: spelling as is on court records]

GCHS' Policy

Members and friends of GCHS are encouraged to submit materials pertaining to Grundy County and surrounding counties for publication and to be archived in the following categories:

1. Genealogical Histories and materials
2. Articles of general interest
3. Photographs
4. Maps

Data should be well documented as to source. Sources for submitted materials can be noted by Footnotes at the bottom of the page or Endnotes at the conclusion of the article. We ask that photographs and illustrations be accompanied by a description of their contents. Family Histories will be limited to no more than 5 pages per issue and will be printed in no more than 2 issues.

Please try to have the document typed. Original documents should be transcribed by the submitter. Include your name, address, phone number and email address on the manuscript when submitted. We prefer to have the materials submitted electronically, diskette, or CDs.

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President's Message

Merry Christmas and a prosperous and glorious New Year to you all, and as we go into a new year, I'd like to recount some of the things that have happened during 2007.

Once again our year has been one of blessings and advancements. We are accomplishing things in the preservation of Grundy County's history. As you may know, "Pictures of Our Past", the pictorial history is well under way and due to be to the printer by the end of 2008. Our website is attracting large numbers of viewers thanks to Sharon Goodman, our awesome webmaster, who keeps everything informative and up to date. David Patton has been attracting many readers with his monthly web column on Palmer's history and happenings.

Many new records have been uncovered and recorded, because of the work of researchers such as Jackie Layne Partin, Bettye Wooten Sherwood, Sue Scott, Barbara Mooney Myers, Catherine Kilgore Flury, Willene Nunley Campbell and others who are discovering information and writing articles for the *Cumberland View* newspaper and *The Pathfinder*.

Our directors faithfully attend monthly meetings where we plan the work of the Historical Society. We have welcomed two new directors this year: Sue Scott and John Baggenstoss. Many members have devoted their time to scanning pictures at various locations throughout the county for use in the pictorial history. Thank you Jackie Partin, Oliver Jervis, Willene Campbell, Sue Scott, Sharon Bonner, Angie Burnett, Michelle Travis, Ron Crabtree, Barbara Myers, Lucille Scissom, Bonnie & Ralph Rieben, Bettye & Bob Sherwood, Pat Berges, Ralph Thompson and Anna Goforth. We also want to thank those who have provided the pictures to scan.

William Ray Turner has graciously displayed his pictures and has shared a May Justus video with us this year during our Historical Society meetings. Bob Douglas has continued to keep the Root Cellar, our library, in top shape. Many researchers have benefited from his files and organization of materials. Our past treasurer Leslie Coppinger and current treasurer Katie Goforth as well as our correspondence secretary Inez Winton and Society secretary Lucille Scissom have been busy capably keeping track of records, funds, gifts and memberships. Our members have been supportive and responsive.

Of course, we can't forget the accomplishments of the editor of *The Pathfinder* who makes this journal possible. Sharon Goodman does an outstanding job just as our past editor Mona Moreland did. Mona has not completely retired. She still makes the covers for our publication.

Jerry Wayne Davenport, one of our directors, died of cancer this past year. Jerry was a valued member of the Historical Society and is greatly missed.

The Grundy County Mayor Ladue "Boo" Bouldin and Commission have been supportive of our Society, and we want to thank them for that.

Our blessings are really too numerous to count, but I would be remiss to not give credit to our predecessors who came before us and made Grundy County what it is today. We are indebted to them for their work and for their very lives that they lived out here in our great county. This is God's country, and God has blessed us with hearty folk from whom we have descended.

We are looking forward to 2008. Please continue your membership with us and share your information so that 2008 will be an even better year for the Grundy County Historical Society.

Blessings,
Janelle Layne Taylor, President GCHS

A Note from the Editor

As Christmas draws nearer, I get more and more homesick. Although we just spent a week with family at Thanksgiving in Tennessee, we don't normally go home for Christmas (weather being too unpredictable at best!) and the more homesick I get, the more I begin to wax nostalgia on Christmas' past.

The first Christmas I can truly remember without others telling me stories of it is when I was four years old. The first thing I can remember about that Christmas was the incredibly LOOONG time it took my father to drive the ½ mile to my grandmother's house, pick her up and bring her back over to our house in order that we could begin opening our presents! This "time warp", as I came to learn over the years, NEVER changed! My six siblings and I decided this was absolutely the longest half hour of the year. That was also the Christmas I got "Fragile".

Let me explain: I had wanted this particular doll for what seemed like months and months and months to my 4 year old mind, but was in actuality probably only a matter of weeks- since my brother discovered where our mother had hidden the Sears' Wish Book. Each year, we were allowed to pick one thing out of Wish Book that we wanted for Christmas and I picked out a beautiful baby doll. When Christmas morning finally arrived and my grandmother was installed on the couch, I opened a huge box and found that baby doll inside! Time stopped. She was even more beautiful than I remembered! I was in love! The next thing I had to do was name my baby. Even before opening my next present. It was imperative that I find **just the right name** for her! Sitting there on the floor, I looked at the box to see if it had her name printed on it. And there it was- written in big, bold, red letters on the box: FRAGILE. Of course at the time I couldn't read... I was only 4 years old, so I had to ask my mother to tell me what the word said on the box and when she read the word back to me, I thought it was the most beautiful name in the world for a baby doll! Despite the adult laughter, this became her name. I had absolutely no idea at 4 years old what "fragile" even meant, but to this day, whenever I hear or read the word "fragile", I think of my baby doll that kept me company for several more years.

I hope that you have a wonderful and magical Christmas season! Happy New Years!

Sharon Nee Goodman



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM TEXAS, YA'LL!

Welcome New Members!

Katie Goforth is the new Treasurer for the Grundy County Historical Society. She will keep track of all our new members as well as all of our members of long-standing. If you have a change of address, please let her know at ktgoforth@blomand.net. We welcome new members since our September, 2007 GCHS meeting!

Emmett Goodman
Cody Cookston

Queries

#196-2007 Seeking information on the "**Welcome Church**" or the "Welcome Church of Christ" located in the Tarlton Community and lost during the flood of 1928. Especially seeking description. Ralph Thompson <ralph595@comcast.net>

#197-2007 My grandmother was born in Sunnyside, TN, on 11-1-1895. Her name was Nemmie Dona (or Donia) **Cagle**. Her father was Nimrod (Nemrod) **Cagle**. Her mother was Elizabeth **Cagle**. (Elizabeth's) mother was Mary **Dykes**. My grandmother moved as a child from Sunnyside, TN in Sequatchie County to Grundy County in Palmer, TN. The family says my grandmother's grandmother or ggrandmother was 100% Cherokee.
wsbeckham@charter.net

#198-2007 Looking for death date and place of burial for Shepard Lee **Parsons** (**Parson**), his wife Susie (**Meeks**) **Parsons** (**Parson**). Sue H (Sitz) Brown
Shbrown10212@aol.com

#199-2007 I am researching and looking for more information on the **Sitz's**. Starting with myself, my lineage is as follows:

Amy Marie **Smith Hawkins** (b. 13 June 1978) Chattanooga, TN
m. John Robert **Hawkins** (b. 08 Aug 1980) Chattanooga, TN

Mother - Susan Marie **Creighton Smith** (b. 20 May 1948) Chattanooga, TN
m. Garry Randell **Smith** (b. 03 Jan 1951) Soddy Daisy, TN

Grandmother - Betty Ernestine **Ross Creighton** (b. 03 July 1927)
m. Robert Mitchell **Creighton** (b. 07 May 1923 and d. 03 Feb 2003)
Coalmont, TN

Great-Grandmother - True Ernestine **Sitz Ross** (b. 03 Oct 1911 and d. 01 Oct 1991)
m. John William **Ross** (b. 14 Mar 1905 and d. 27 Nov 1978) Palmer, TN

Great-Great Grandfather - Frank Ernest **Sitz** (b. 25 July 1889 and d. 14 June 1954)
m. Mary Magaline (Maggie) **Nunley** (b. 05 Mat 1889 and d. 06 Nov 1945)
Maggie was
adopted by Henry Monroe **Nunley** (b. 09 Nov 1854 and d. 14 Apr 1939) and
Laura Ann **Graham Nunley** (b. 06 May 1870 and d. 07 Apr 1947)

Great-Great-Great Grandfather - William J. **Sitz** (b. 02 Aug 1845 and d. 03 Feb 1918)
m. Elizabeth Ann Frances **Dishroon** (b. 02 July 1847 and d. ????) Murray,
GA

I haven't found anything further back than William J. **Sitz**. According to the 1880 Census, William and his father was born in TN and his mother was born in VA.

If anyone has more info on the **Sitz's** or any of my other relatives, please contact me at AHawkins31205@yahoo.com. I also have a tree on www.Ancestry.com.
Amy Hawkins

#200-2007 Pat Berges was looking at cemeteries recently and reported the following:

Laxson Cemetery in Providence Community has an intriguing tall tombstone among those outside the walled area which reads:

John Elijah Smith
born May 31, 1851
killed July 5, 1894
He lived an upright life
And died for law and order

Does anyone know anything of his story?
Janelle Taylor (jcoats@cafes.net)

Families of Grundy County, Tennessee

The Lockhart Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In 1898, Geo. A. Ogle & Co., Publishers, Engravers and Book Manufacturers, Chicago, published MEMORIAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD. It contained a "Compendium of Local Biography, including Biographical Sketches of Prominent Old Settlers and Representative citizens of Part of the Cumberland Region of Tennessee, with a review of their life work; their Identity with the Growth and Development of this Region; Reminiscences of Personal History and Pioneer Life; and other Interesting and Valuable Matter which should be Preserved in History".

Two of Ogle's biographies are on Andrew Jackson and James Monroe **Lockhart**, half-brothers, sons of John C. **Lockhart**, grandsons of James M. **Lockhart**, who was a son of Andrew, a soldier in the Revolutionary War.

According to son, Andrew Jackson, John C. was born in Buncombe County, NC and brought to Tennessee, in childhood, as his parents settled in Grundy County at the head of Collins River. Later John C. moved to the mountain where he "engaged in agricultural pursuits". He was prominent in his community and a member of the county court. His first wife was Sallie **Walker** and they had 2 children: George W., a physician in Arkansas, and Andrew Jackson. Wife Sallie died in 1840 and John married Cynthia **Bailey**. Their children were James Monroe, Mary (Mrs. Archibald **Dykes**), of Marion County, Thomas B., a Grundy County official for years, now living in Indian Territory, Nancy J., (Mrs. J.W. **Orange**), deceased, Melinda, (Mrs. Lucian **Bain**), deceased. John C. died in 1879, age 65. Widow Cynthia is living in Sequatchie County.

Andrew Jackson received a fair education in Altamont. In May 1861, he "joined the boys in gray", in Co. H 4th Tennessee Cavalry and served until the war ended. He was in many battles and also a prisoner for over 2 years. After the war, he spent 1 year in Kentucky and then came to Sequatchie Valley and was a farmer and manufacturer of brick. Since 1885, he has been a brick

mason for the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad and making his home in Tracy City.

While in Sequatchie County, Andrew J. married Elizabeth **Pankey**, born 29 Feb 1844, daughter of Thomas **Pankey**. Their children: Albert Syndey Johnston, miner in Tracy City, Sallie, (Mrs. John W. **Carrick**), Milton D., Frank Cheatham, William V. died as child.

In marriage and census records: Andrew J. **Lockhart** married Elizabeth **Pankey**, 23 Jan 1890, Sequatchie County. In 1900, Andrew J., born Jan 1837, 63; Elizabeth R., born Feb 1844, 56, 5 children/4 living; Milton D., 20; Frank C., 13; Son Albert J., born Oct 1869, 30 married 8 years; Sallie, wife, born Mar 1869, 31; Arthur S., 7; Andrew J., 3; Blanchie K., 1.

In 1900, son-in-law, John W. **Carrick**, born Sept 1870, 29, married 7 years; Sallie, born Aug 1871, 28; Beulah S., 5; Milton B., 3; Joseph W., 1.

Son Frank married Alice **Van Hooser**, 23 Dec 1906. In 1910, Marion County Frank **Lockhart**, 23; Alice, 20; Florence?, 2; Minnie, 11/12. Nearby is Andrew J., 73; Elisabeth, 66, 5 children/4 living; Dixie, grdau, 8.

According to Ogle, James Monroe, son of John Calhoun and Cynthia **Bailey Lockhart**, said his father, John C., was born in 1815 "in that part of Warren County, now Grundy County, and he was reared in the same County". John C. was a trustee in Sequatchie County and a justice of the peace and chairman of county court in Grundy County. When the Civil War began, John C. went into Federal Service rather than be a prisoner of war. His first wife was Martha **Walker** and they had 2 sons, A.J. and G.W. After her death, John married Cynthia **Bailey** and their children were James Monroe, Mary, Thomas B., Nancy J., and Melinda. John died 1887 on the farm where James Monroe now lives. Cynthia married John **Layne**, Sequatchie County.

James Monroe, reared in Grundy and Sequatchie Counties, was schooled at Langleyford. He lived with his parents until 1887 and had charge of his father's business. Agriculture was his main occupation but he assisted in the political interest of the county and was justice of the peace for 18 years and chairman of the county court and deputy sheriff.

James Monroe married June 30, 1878, Janie **Lockhart**, born Beersheba Springs, Apr 8, 1860, daughter of H. **Lockhart**. The 1900 census shows their children to be: Cynthia, married Brown **Hicks**, 2 Sept 1900; Myrtle, died 1903; Lillie Alice, died 1906; Sarah Willis, married Howell **Cagle**, about 1912; Maud, married R.L. **King**, 21 Nov 1912; Pearlie, married Frank **Brewer**, 20 Aug 1913; Lassie Burton, married Elijah **Cagle**, 7 Nov 1915. In the 1910 census is another daughter, Winnie, married Isaac **Ross**, 8 Apr 1917, and a son, Clayton, born about 1906, whose parentage is unknown. James Monroe **Lockhart** died May 20, 1902, buried Brown's Chapel Cemetery.

The widow, Janie **Lockhart**, married Russell **Brown**, 19 Nov 1907. In the 1910 census: Russell **Brown**, 68, married 3rd; Jamie, 50 married 2nd; Willie **Lockhart**, stepdau, 21; Maudie **Lockhart**, stepdau, 18; Pearlie **Lockhart**, stepdau, 16; Lassie **Lockhart**, stepdau, 12; Winnie **Lockhart**, stepdau, 9; Clayton **Lockhart**, stepson, 4; Paul Henderson, stepgrchild, 14.

Other burials in Brown's Chapel Cemetery: Sarah Jannie **Brown**, 1860-1953; R.L. **Brown**, 1842-1932; Myrtle B. **Lockhart**, 28 Oct 1884 - 3 July 1903; Alice **Lockhart**, 30 Nov 1886 - 11 Jun 1906; Maud, wife of Robt. **King**, Oct 4, 1891-

Oct 30, 1914; Willis **Lockhart Cagle**, 27 1887-14 Mar 1961; Lassie **Lockhart Cagle**, 4 May 1897-_____; Belle **Hicks**, 29 Sept 1881-26 mar 1901.

In Orange Hill Cemetery: Andrew Jackson **Lockhart**, Jan 10, 1837-Dec 1, 1911; Betty **Lockhart**, Feb 29, 1844-Jun 1, 1916; Frank C. **Lockhart**, 1886-1962; Milton D. **Lockhart**, Sept 3, 1879-June 27, 1955; Nancy C., wife of John **Orange**, Sept 27, 1844-Apr 23, 1896; Sallie T. **Carrick**, Aug 11, 1871-Sept 14, 1954.

The John W. Orange Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In 1898, Geo. A. Ogle & Co., Chicago, published biographical sketches of "prominent Old Settlers and Representative citizens of the Cumberland Region of Tennessee". One of those was John W. **Orange**, "prominent, far-seeing, energetic, and successful business man of Tracy City". He was "integrity, activity and energy" to succeed at various business enterprises. Mr. **Orange**, a native of Prussia, Germany, was the only child of John and Annie (**Gerbod**) **Orange**. His father was a farmer and sheep raiser who died in 1853, age 60. His widow, born about 1818, married Frederick **Schneider** and she died about 1879.

John W. **Orange** attended the public school in his native land and, at age 14, began learning the baker's trade. Two years later, he left home as he could not get along with his step-father. He came to America on a sailing ship that took 73 days to cross the stormy Atlantic. He worked for a time in Baltimore, then to Cincinnati, then to Butler County, Ohio, where he farmed and learned to speak English. Then he returned to Cincinnati and eventually to New Orleans. In 1861, he enlisted in the Confederate Army in the 1st Louisiana Infantry. Later into the 8th Confederate Cavalry. In Sparta, Tennessee, he was cut off from his command so he enlisted in the Fourth Tennessee Cavalry. He was in many battles but never wounded. At the end of the war, he resided in several Tennessee counties, but settled in Tracy City. Most of his time is devoted to farming but he has contracts to furnish coal and timber for mining.

On June 23, 1863, John W. married Nancy Jane **Lockhart**, born Sept 23, 1844, died Apr 23, 1893, daughter of John C. **Lockhart**. John and Nancy had children: A.L., a local miner; J.C., a miner at Bon Air, White County; W.S., a miner at Hartshorn, Indian Territory; James S., Bessemer, AL; Mrs. Frank **Hobbs**, of Tracy City; Lilly, Samuel and Barney, at home. Deceased are Mary and Nannie, died in childhood.

Family histories from other sources: None of this family can be identified in the 1900 census of Grundy County. Alice married Will **King**, 27 Feb 1895; Hester married Frank P. **Hobbs**, 1 May 1898. Son Fred married Delilah **Parmley**, 6 Jan 1896 and are in later censuses in Grundy County. By 1920, they have children Maggie, Buford and James.

A monument in Orange Hill Cemetery: "In memory of John W. **Orange** for whom our cemetery is named. Born in Hanover, Germany, Apr 1839, died in Birmingham, AL, Dec 1903". Other stones in this cemetery: John William **Orange**, 1839-1903; Nancy J. **Orange**, 27 Sept 1844/23 Apr 1896; Fred G. **Orange**, 25 May 1873/13 Sept 1934; Delilah M. **Orange**, 25 Jun 1878/29 Aug 1931; Buford S. **Orange**, 15 Mar 1905/13 Dec 1965.

The Levi V. Woodlee Family of Grundy County, Tennessee

In 1898, Geo. A. Ogle & Co., Chicago, published biographical sketches of "prominent Old Settlers and Representative citizens of the Cumberland Region

of Tennessee". One of those was Hon. Levi Vernon **Woodlee**, a prominent lawyer and statesman of Grundy County, one of the most popular citizens of his community, Altamont. He was born in Tarlton, Grundy County, 8 Feb 1861, son of Enoch and Mary (**Reed**) **Woodlee**, who married in Bledsoe County, Apr 1852. The father was born at Irving College, Warren County, Tennessee, 3 Nov 1824, son of Jacob **Woodlee**, also a native of Warren County. The grandfather probably was of Irish descent and his parents came from North Carolina and joined the pioneer settlers of Warren County.

Enoch and Mary had children: Savannah, Mrs. P.M. **Barnes**, a farmer in Tarlton; A.H., ex-state senator and editor of the Tracy City News; James B., farmer on Collins River, died at age 24; L.V.; Victoria, Mrs. James **Cathcart**; M.J.D., living with his mother. Enoch died Apr 1870. Mary is still living.

Levi V. attended local schools and then Chapel Hill and Irving College. He taught school for 2 years and then, in 1886, went to Fayetteville, Lincoln County, to study law under Judge A.B. **Woodard**. On 1 Jan 1887, he was admitted to the bar, locating in Altamont. He held many important positions, as County Attorney, Superintendent of School and Representative in the State Legislature.

On 25 Apr 1889, Levi married Bettie **Willis**, daughter of Hence and Susan (**Van Zant**) **Willis**, of Pelham. Their children are Mary Sue; Ida Blanche; L. Vernon. Levi is a Mason and he and his wife are members of the Missionary Baptist Church.

Family history from other sources: In the 1900 census, Levi V., born Feb 1861; Bettie, born July 1863, 36, 8 children/4 living; Mary S., 7; Ida B., 5; Levi V., 3; Sallie J., 1. In the 1910 census, the children Mary Sue; Blanche; Jean; Gladis; Mildred; Glen Willis.

Levi's sister, Savannah married F.E. **Cathcart**, 28 Dec 1873. In the 1880 census, she is a widow. In the 1900 census, she is wife of Patrick **Barnes** and they have Willie M., 13, and Levi V., 11. Grundy County Death Certificate No. 21, Pad **Barnes**, was born 20 Sept 1830, died 9 Mar 1918, age 62, of senility. Born Warren County, parents John and Susan (**Vickers**) **Barnes**. The 1900 census gives Patrick's birth year as 1853 and his tombstone says 1849.

In Armstrong Cemetery, Warren County: Rev. Enoch **Woodlee**, 3 Nov 1825/16 Apr 1870; Mary, wife of Enoch, 20 Mar 1831/2 Apr 1914; Levi Vernon, 8 Feb 1861/15 Nov 1941; Bettie **Willis**, 25 July 1863/3 Sept 1938.

Pelham Valley Places: Part II by Janelle Layne Taylor

Frogtown was a 3-acre area where the Alec Southern family lived on the Rosco Gunn property. (Rosco was the father of James F. "Hoover", Bill Jack, Hamp and Tom Gunn as well as daughters Nelena Smith & Joann Thursby) Frogtown was located on the western side of Highway 50 in the same area where John & Felicia (Gunn) Savage now live. (information from Jewel Hayworth Reasonover & Tom Gunn)

Goodman Cemetery is located in a field between Dillard Argo Rd. and Payne's Cove Road. It was named for William (1848-1921) and Alice Goodman.

Granny Hamby Hollow was named for the Eli William and Sarah (Lewis) Hamby family who moved from NC to Warren County then to Burrows' Cove. Their son

Eli Washington "Wash" Hamby is buried there near the hollow close to where Alma Woodlee now lives.

Graveyard Hollow in Burrows' Cove is named so for an ancient graveyard located there. The only reported graves there are children of Lewis Sartain and the grave of John, son of Sol Dickerson. There are no inscribed tombstones.

Gravel Spring is located at the head of Spring Hollow in Payne's Cove.

Hargis Cemetery is a family cemetery located in Valley Home Community behind Sharon Bonner's home. The earliest grave there is a Civil War soldier, John W. Hargis of the 44th TN Infantry.

Hargis Ridge is accessed by Goodman Lane and Dave Hollow Road and Rieder Lane. Pelham Pointe, a new housing development, is located on this ridge also. The ridge gets its name from the Hargis family for whom Hargis Cemetery is named. Hargis Cemetery is located across Highway 41 from the base of Hargis Ridge.

Harrison Cemetery is located off Highway 50 behind the Phillips 66 at I 24. There were 3 marked graves that were destroyed during the building of the service station. Those were the graves of James Harrison (born & died 1855), Green Harrison who died in 1896 and an unidentified grave.

Hawk's Hollow is named for John Hawk. He moved to Roberts' Cove with his wife Elizabeth Lusk just after the Civil War from Hubbard's Cove. Their children were Houston, Molly and Jim Hawk. After Elizabeth Lusk Hawk died, John married her sister Sarah Lusk and had two children, Dee Hawk and Ann Hawk.

Henley-Caldwell Cemetery is located on the old Claude Henley farm now owned by Stanley Brown in Providence and contains the graves of Jane Caldwell Henley, mother of Claude Henley, and a child of Sam and Jane Henley.

Henley Creek was named for the Campbell and Malinda Thompson Henley family who lived in the area in 1860.

Hinton-Gwynn (Guinn) Cemetery is located just behind Keith & Angela Nunley's home in Providence. It is said to have the graves of Myrtle Hinton Henley and is behind the old home place of George Davidson Guinn who was a Methodist preacher in Pelham in 1860 and again from 1873-1876, 1881-1882, 1889-1890.

Hollingsworth Cove was the older name for the present-day Layne's Cove. When the Pelham area was a part of Franklin County in 1830, Benjamin Hollingsworth of 40 years and under 50 years and Henry Hollingsworth of 30 years and under 40 years are shown as heads of households. By 1840 there were no Hollingsworth families in the area. Hollingsworth descendants are still in Pelham Valley, however, because Alexander Edgar Patton of Pelham married Selina Bell Zora Hollingsworth (1815-1849).

Honky Tonk Spring is located on the side of U.S. 41 Highway near Rocky Layne's home. The spring gets its name from a series of honky tonks and restaurants that have been located there. Three known establishments on that location have been Tucker's Place prior to 1934, Higdon's and Charles Upton "Chup" Bowden's place which was in operation in there in the 1960's. The

spring has also been known as Tucker's Spring. This spring was just above and across Highway 41 from where the old toll gate house was located. It was at this toll house, R.M. Payne collected a fee for the use of the road he built to allow people from the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly to access Wonder Cave.

Indian Camp Hollow, located in Burrows' Cove, is named for Indian Camp Creek, which flows from the plateau into the valley.

Jay's Creek, in Burrows' Cove, was named for Jay Burrows.

Jenny Tucker Spring is located on the mountainside behind Freedom Nursery located on Hwy. 41 on property owned by Billy Wade Wilson. This spring is known to some as Rose Spring. It is the beginning of the branch that crosses Hwy. 50 near Denny & Kathy Womack's home near the center of Pelham and flows into Elk River. Grundy County Censuses from 1850-1910 show no record of Jenny or Virginia Tucker.

John Bottom was 22 acres area owned and occupied by blacks, who lived in the Pelham area. John Bottom was along Elk River near Long Lake.

Laxson Cemetery is in Providence just across the Bell's Mill Rd. from Caldwell Cemetery. It is named for J.F. Laxson (1834-1904) and his wife Emily R. Laxson (1837-1913)

Layne's Cove was originally Hollingsworth Cove, but the name Layne's Cove became widely used after John Layne and Esther Kilgore moved from Marion Co., TN, into the area bringing an influx of the Layne surname. This area has also been called Bucksnot because of the abundant deer population.

Long Lake was an area located at the end of Tom Gunn Road, near Elk River. Water from the river has now been diverted from the lake, and what used to be a hotbed for fishing activity is no longer a lake.

Meeks Cemetery is a family cemetery located in Payne's Cove across Dry Creek and was named for J.B. (1878-1936) and Mattie (Woodlee) Meeks.

Mt. View was a name given to Cross Roads or Valley Home. The idea was to attract tourists. This name was rarely used by locals, but was posted on a sign erected by the state of TN in the community.

Negro Den Hollow, located on the mountainside in Burrows' Cove, was a place where slaves were hidden away.

Nickajack Trail was a road leading from Old Stone Fort in Manchester through Pelham, through Layne's Cove, up across the Cumberland Plateau just southeast of Monteagle to Nickajack Cave in Marion County. John P. Brown in *Old Frontiers...Journal of Southern History, Vol. 5, No. 1 pp. 107-108* states that "Nickajack" is a corruption of the Cherokee "Ani-Kusati-yi" which he says means Coosa Town. Others say it is more likely to mean Koasati Town. Another less probably origin according to *Wikipedia* is that a town was named after Jack Civil, a free black man who led a renegade band of white and black fugitives and Cherokee and Creek warriors. The group, calling themselves Chickamaugas settled in "Five Lower Town" on the Tennessee River south of Chattanooga. One of the towns was called "Nick-a-Jack" after Jack Civil.

This group was routed by Major James Ore's Nickajack Expedition of 1794, sent by orders from General James Robertson. Nickajack Cave was a source of bat guano, which was mined by Confederate forces during the Civil War, and the cave became one of the leading sources of saltpeter for the Confederate Powderworks at Augusta, GA. The road used to transport the material became known as the Nickajack Trail. <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nickajack> The Nickajack Trail basically follows an older Indian trail, which has been called the Cisca Trail. This trail originated at Old Stone Fort, crossed the plateau, followed Battle Creek, crossed the Tennessee River and ultimately led to St. Augustine, Florida.

Old Baptist Schoolhouse Graveyard is located behind Eddie & Sharon Patton's home on Tom Patton Road and was named for Greenwood School that was destroyed by Union troops during the Civil War. It has been cleaned recently and is being maintained by Martin Davidson and Richard Bonner. (They need help with this project. If you can help, please contact them in Pelham.)

Oliver Cemetery is located in Payne's Cove and was named for the Robert B. & Myrtle (Meeks) Oliver family.

Ooley Cemetery is located behind the home of Mary Francis Gallagher and her daughter Mary Jo. The cemetery was named for W.R. & Catherine Ooley (1842-1898). This family had connections with the Howard, Lusk, Brashear and Magouirk families.

Parmley Hollow was possibly named for the S.R. and H.G. Parmley families who were living in Grundy County in 1870. Census records show no previous Parmely families before 1870.

Patterson-Smith Cemetery is located on a knoll in the field behind Troy and Rhonda Smith's home in Providence. The only inscribed stones that have been found are for (R?)eed Y. Patterson d. 1852 and G.W. Tucker.

Pelham Church of Christ Cemetery is located next to Pelham Elementary School next to the Pelham Church of Christ for which it is named.

Pelham was the name of the post office in 1832, but there are no real records that tell how the name came about. One story maintains that an early settler surnamed Pelham was well liked in the community and worked to improve things in general. The name Centerville appears in early records of the area. Centerville was located around the present location of Stuckey's on I 24. Margaret Pelham is listed in the Franklin Co. TN Census in 1830. (Grundy was not a county until 1844 and was in Franklin Co. at that time.) She was, apparently, a widow with 5 male children ranging in age from 1 to 19 and 3 female children ranging in age from 1-19. Margaret was between the ages of 20 and 30. By 1840, there were several Pelham families in Franklin Co., multiple David Pelhams, Jesse Pelham and William Pelham along with Margaret. Some have contended that Pelham was named for John Pelham, who served in the Civil War, but it was called Pelham long before the Civil War, so that story is not credible.

Partin Spring was named for the Columbus Partin family. It was passed down to Bryan & Emma Partin, who were the parents of Barbara, Sybil and Quentin Partin and the grandparents of Mike, Susie and Cindy Partin. According to Taylor Partin's records, the original Partin house near the spring was built in 1831.

Patterson Ford Bridge was located where Highway 50 crosses Elk River at the Franklin County line. The Daniel & Mary (Floyd) Patterson family operated a tannery there adjacent to the river during the Civil War. The tannery was destroyed by Union troops during the war.

Patton Cemetery is located near the home of Billy Sam Taylor. It was named for landowner and Civil War General Alexander Edgar Patton who is buried there. The old Patton plantation house was located where Kenny Gallagher now lives.

Patton Creek was named for wealthy planter and land baron Alexander Edgar Patton who was the wealthiest man in Grundy County during the Civil War era. A.E. Patton was an ancestor of Tom Patton and Eddie Patton as well as many other Patton descendants in Pelham Valley.

Payne Ridge is named for William Elson "Bud" Payne and his wife Mary Angeline Meeks who lived there and raised their family there. Their red headed twin daughters who died shortly after birth are buried there. The area is also known as the Bud Payne Ridge. This ridge divides Payne's and Burrows' Coves.

Payne's Cove was named for Poindexter Payne and his wife Annie Bell Hill Payne who moved to what was then Franklin Co. TN, from Franklin County GA. They located at the base of Spring Hollow.

Proctor Hollow - Rondal "Ron" Givens tells me he was the last child born in the hollow and that he was always told that Proctor Hollow got its name from an early family who lived there. There are no Proctors in the Grundy County censuses, but an early Proctor resident of Warren County was Ransom Burell Proctor who was born 12 March 1824, in McMinnville and died 7 Dec. 1867, in Polk Co., MO. He was the son of James Proctor and Catherine Swadley Proctor. Proctor Hollow is an arm off Burrows' Cove and many families who settled in the cove were originally from Warren County.

The only records of the Proctor name in Grundy County are as follows:
Deed Book B, p. 420. 15 Nov. 1856. Agreement between Samuel B. Barrell of Boston and Samuel Tracy, President of Sewanee Mining Company. Company has bought various tracts of land and has built a railroad from the tunnel of the Nashville & Chattanooga railroad up the mountain nine miles to a point known as Porter & Logan's coalmines. Company plans to continue said road 11 miles further to the Wooten tract. Barrell has instituted a suit claiming ownership of some of the Company's lands. Barrell agrees that if he is found to be owner of any of the lands the railroad crosses, he will sell said land to the company for \$1.50 per acre. Wit: S.D. Ward. [Deed is followed by a segment from minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of Sewanee Mining Company at the company's office on at 26 1/2 Broadway, New York City.] Minutes indicate that the suits were decided in favor of Barrell by the U.S. District Court in Nashville. Minutes included text of deed from Samuel Barrell, Catherine Barrell and Massey Hill on behalf of the heirs of Edmund Monroe conveying 6153 a in Marion & Grundy counties to the Company. Property descriptions include references to: Benjamin Wooten and his home place; S.W. and P. Gilliam; county line; Higginbotham Pike; 5000 a tract of Mitchell, Cunningham and Anderson; Hollinsworth's Cove; Baz Summers; Parmley claim; coal banks. Lists the following owners of tracts not included in this deed: Jesse Hill (100 a); Grigg (555 a); Haynes (162 a); White (300 a); Wid[ow] Thompson (80 a); Moses Thompson (50 a); Hoffman (45 a); J. Young (54 a); Higgins (30 a); Wm. Reed (112 a); Wm. Worley (109 a); Tom Harvel (16 a); Belmont (50 a); Kilgore (50 a). Signed by: Charles, Mary. E.S., Louisa

& George Monroe; Moses & Sophia Coffee; H.S. & Susan D. Smith; George & Anna Eastman; Catherine M. Barrell. Wit: C.A. Procter, P.C. Isbell. Proved in Davidson Co. Tenn. 18 Apr. 1867.

Deed Book B, p. 429. 18 Jan. 1866. Agreement between Charles A. Proctor (on behalf of John Cryder and John Dale) of the first part and A.S. Colyar (on behalf of himself and others named on p. 424) of the second part. Proctor agrees that all the property of the S[e]wanee Mining Co. including real estate, turning tables, houses, offices, mines, rolling stock and railroad shall be put into a new company now to be formed. Colyar agrees that all the interest of his parties is also to be transferred to the new company. Colyar also agrees that the debts of B.F. McGehee, John V. Gould, Best Ryan & Co., Nashville & Chattanooga Railroad Co., Jesse Rogers, Isaac Hynes, Michael Gallahar and H.M. Turney shall be liquidated and shall not accrue to the new company. Reference is made to the Richardson, McGehee and Gould sales. The parties will organize under a charter granted by the Legislature on 24 Mar. 1860 to the Tenn. Coal and Rail Road Company. Proctor's side is to invest value of \$225,000 in the new company and will own 18/24 of the stock. Colyar's side to invest \$75,000 and own 6/24 of the stock. "On the matter of title to the Coal Mines, whether the parties will insist upon and claim under the contract made between Sam B. Barrell and the Sewanee Mining Co. or under the contract made by John G. Gould shall be a matter of further settlement." Settlement will also be made with J. Howard & Co, the current lessee. Organization of the Board of Directors and other matters are outlined in the agreement. Contract filed in Franklin Co. Tenn. 13 Apr. 1867. (Deed research - Courtesy of Charles Sherrill)

Providence Community came about after the Civil War when a church was erected where the Providence Cemetery is now located and was named Providence to commemorate God's care of humankind. Land for that church was donated by Joseph Bradshaw and A.C. Smith.

Pull Tight is located on the mountainside above Tarry Cove. It was an old saw milling community. The unusual name is said to have been decided upon when the two prominent families wanted to name the community for themselves. The Morgans favored Morgantown. The Grooms family wanted the name to be Groomsville. As it was being publicly discussed one night, an old fellow in the crowd desiring to settle the argument called out, "Just call it Pull Tight! It's the tightest damn pull I've ever pulled in my life." So, the now defunct community was called Pull Tight. It boasted both a church and a school.

Rainbow Spring is located deep in the head of Layne's Cove and is so named because the spray from the falling water causes a rainbow to appear over the waterfall.

Roberts' Cemetery in Payne's Cove was named for descendents of the Phillip and Arsenith Pearson Roberts family. Phillip came to what is now Grundy County in 1812. His children were Isaac, Alexander Patton, Riley B., Susan, Annie, William P., Betty, and Phillip H. Roberts.

Roberts' Cove, which is an arm off the larger Burrows' Cove is believed to have been named for the Phillip and Arsenith Pearson Roberts family. Phillip was the first sheriff of Grundy County.

Saltpeter Cave is located in Payne's Cove across the road from Roberts' Cemetery. It is so named because it was a source of saltpeter (potassium nitrate), a component of gunpowder.

Sanders Cemetery - See Big Spring Cemetery

Sartain Cemetery is located behind Bethel Church in Burrows' Cove and is named for the James & Rebecca Isabel Sartain family.

Sartain Spring is named for the Sartain family, which was started in Grundy County by the James Sartain (1816-1919) family. They moved to Grundy County from Missouri where he practiced veterinary medicine. He purchased land here in 1846 and in 1849.

Smith Hollow, located between Crossroads and Payne's Cove was named for Billy Smith, commonly known as "Wild Bill".

Still House Hollow on the mountainside in Burrows' Cove was named so for the legal still operated there by Marion Kilgore. There is an area nearby called the Liz Kilgore place named for Marion's first wife.

Tarry Cove (called Tyree Cove on TVA topographic maps) was named so because an early family who lived in the cove came home in their buggy one evening and saw an unknown man covered with tar. They were so frightened by the sight, they quickly turned around and stayed with relatives for the night. After that, the cove was called Tarry Cove.

Trussell's Cove is named for Jim Trussell who came from Summerfield and bought the area plus a 40-acre strip of land where Mary Elizabeth Shelton's house now stands.

Valley Home got its name from a school named by Violet Blair who moved there from Murfreesboro. The Blairs lived where Anna White Henley Roper's homeplace is located.

Warren (Red Hill) Cemetery was named for Thomas Warren who gave the land and is buried there.

White Ridge (also the Tom White Ridge) is named for Thomas White. The ridge is edged by the road is called White Ridge Rd. This road exits Hwy. 50 beside the TOYO plant and intersects Bonner Hollow Road at the old Hamby's Store near where Jewell Hamby Goodman lives.

Willis Cemetery is located on Hwy. 41, right at the Coffee/ Grundy County line in a copse. It gets its name from Joseph Willis (1790-1843) and Betsey A. Willis (1797-1888). However, the Wm. (1761-1836) & Nancy Ann Bostick (1759-1843) graves are older. Betsey Willis Creek is located just down 41 Highway in Coffee County.

Winton Cemetery is located on Highway 50 near Hawk's Hollow Road exit. It is named for the James "Juber" Winton family who lived in the area. The ancestral Winton home was a log "dog trot" house located just across Bostick Creek at the present day location of Earl & Donna Northcutt's home. John Winton (1863-1946) and Anderson Winton (1880-1906), Juber's sons, are buried there.

Life in Pelham Valley in the 1950's

In the early 1950's I was a teenager yet had met a guy from Pelham, TN. I knew that I would marry him in time, and on May 30, 1952, we were married and moved to Pelham, TN to live where all Burnice **Myers'** family was from. His grandparents, Lonnie and Alice **Myers** and his father Floyd lived in between Pelham, Payne's Cove, and Burrows' Cove. There were cousins, aunts & uncles all over the Valley. His mother Elloise **Myers Murphy** and his stepfather, Ernie **Murphy** lived in Hillsboro, where he was a farmer.

There were little crooks and crannies everywhere in the Valley and a little home or farm tucked in here and there. The first place we lived was Smith Hollow or as a lot of folks called it, Rattle Snake Hollow. In warm weather, it was covered with rattlesnakes. Some coiled up on the rocks getting the sunshine. Others stretched out on the sand roads that went out to the main road. I'd keep a close watch for snakes when I was outside. I wasn't very fond of those creatures! I'd go so far as to say I was AFRAID of them. Our home was a little four-roomed house hidden next to the mountains and on one side by the barn was a large cave. We got all our drinking water from it. We had a wooden box to keep our butter and milk in. It sat chained to a large rock right near the opening of the cave. We had a lot of walking space here and room to tend land.

Burnice farmed the empty fields to grow crops of corn and soybeans, and we made a fine garden in the spring. I'd can up ever jar I could afford to buy or get from someone who was not using all theirs. I'd can pickles, tomatoes, squash, okra, beans, crowder peas, kraut, hot peppers, chow-chow, corn, jams and jellies. I picked blackberries in the outer fields near by as well as peaches and apples if I had a chance to get them someplace. The Hollow was a lonesome place to be when the cold winters came. I spent a lot of time there indoors where I cooked, sewed, and kept house. Burnice sometimes worked at sawmills or at logging, or occasionally at a service station in the winter since he couldn't farm. He and his dad, Floyd, would go to the mountains up from us to hunt. Lots of times, they'd come home with a tow sack full of squirrels or rabbits. They'd skin them, and I'd wash and cut them up for a hot meal. Then I'd fry them along with some potatoes and make gravy and biscuits. Everybody ate it all up because it was a high honor to have such a meal once in a while. Often we'd have squirrel or rabbit mulligan for the men since it was a favorite of theirs.

I didn't always know how to cook. Burnice and Aunt Alice showed me how to make a mulligan. The first biscuits I made Burnice fed them to our dog, Old Ben, for they were hard and tough. The dog buried them in the field. After this embarrassment I learned to make good biscuits. Burnice kissed me many times over my biscuits. Each time he'd say they get better every time you cook. He'd always say, "takes a little practice to do things right, don't it Barbara?"

We'd go out and visit his folks if we got a chance for it was a pleasure to be with Granny Alice & Papa **Myers**, Aunt Sula and Uncle Will **Edwards**, and all the others we'd see. The men would get out their musical instruments. Grandpa Lonnie played a fiddle, Floyd, a harmonica, and Burnice a guitar. We'd all gather around singing and listening to them as they played. All the **Myerses** were musical. It was always a joyful time for us. I'd dread going home to a lonesome old place. Yet, it was our home, and I grew to love it. We had our first daughter almost 2 years later. We named her Peggy. Burnice and Floyd were crazy over her, spoiling her by holding her all the time. Burnice would sing to her at night, and she would fall asleep on his knee.

The third year of our marriage, we moved out of Smith Hollow to G.H. **Clay's** old home place near the present Cheatum Oliver Bridge. At that time we called it the upper end of Elk River. Burnice farmed G.H. and Uncle Garnett **Clay's** land. There was farmland on all sides except the side that faced the coves bordered by Elk River. We had 30 cows G.H. bought to milk for local dairies. Burnice and his dad, Floyd, milked the cows mornings and nights. A local driver picked up the cans of milk to deliver them to the dairy. Burnice tended this land where he raised corn and cotton, soybeans and some tobacco. He worked from early morning until suppertime or later- until the fields were all planted. We raised chickens, some turkeys and hogs. We even had game hens and roosters. We sold eggs and vegetables in summer, eggs and pecans in the fall to Hutchinson's Rolling Store that came around once a week. I'd trade all this for dried beans, flour, meal, coffee, salt, pepper, spices used to bake, lard, and a few other things. If I had the money every week, I'd get us a Coca Cola and put it in the icebox for a while. In the Hollow we had no electricity, but at this place we did, and we had water on the back porch.

We were thankful for the meals we sat down to eat for they would melt in your mouth. In the fall we'd kill hogs at Burnice's stepfather, Ernie **Murphy's**. His mother and I would cook a good meal for the men who had been working. We cured and salted the meat and got it ready for the winter. Elloise, Burnice's mother, would pet the kids and load our car up with extras. Our second daughter, Sue, loved to go to her grandma's house because she often got toys and candy.

After the hog killing, we'd go home and start grinding meat for fresh sausage and cutting up the tenderloin. I'd cook and can all this in half-gallon jars I had put back. We'd store the sugar cured and salted means in our meat room on the back porch. We ate good meals.

We stayed at home except for Saturday evenings when we visited his folks on both sides of the family. Often we'd drive to Tracy City if we had gas money to see my sister and her family. My mom, Josephine **Mooney**, stayed with us a lot. She helped me can and iron clothes. Lots of times though, when she'd leave we wouldn't see her for weeks, sometimes a month. James **William**, my dad and my brothers, Louis & Mansel **Mooney** lived in Chattanooga, TN at the time. My brother Joe lived in Ohio.

In summertime we'd go to the river and fish near our house. When we were lucky enough to catch fish, we'd have a cookout on the riverbank. Burnice would play his guitar and we would have a joyful evening at home. Sometimes Floyd and G.H. and his then girlfriend, Shirley, would join us for a good meal of fresh fish. Shirley **Anderson** was a second cousin of mine.

Many winters after 1956 my husband would go up north to Cleveland, Ohio, and work. When spring would come, we would usually come back to Pelham. That year we moved to Payne's Cove up at Mr. Cheatum **Oliver's** where Burnice worked for him at the sawmill. Cheatum had sons Marvin Earl, Jim, & Melvin and daughters Geneva & Joann. The boys worked right alongside their dad at the mill. By then, times were harder for us because food wasn't nearby as it had been earlier. It was gone, and many times we sat down to a pot of pinto beans, fried taters, a big onion, and cornbread for supper. We'd sold all our chickens, turkeys, cows, and had only a few game chickens around the house, very few eggs, not like we had before. We had more gravy for breakfast than we had ever had before. We let the children have the eggs in

the mornings if they didn't choose to eat oatmeal. We ate a lot of oatmeal since it was cheap and good for you. Burnice wasn't fond of it, but he did love his gravy. When he'd kill a rabbit, we'd have it for breakfast. We sometimes went to the creek and giggered a few frogs. We would eat the legs. They were very tasty. My father-in-law caught me the first batch of frogs I ever cooked. They were so good fried up crispy with potatoes and gravy.

When we had the money, we'd buy a bushel of Irish or sweet potatoes if we didn't raise any. If I came across an apple tree or plum tree in a field, I'd load up and bring them home to can or to make fried pies for Burnice. He loved them. With the plums, I'd make jelly. I loved plum jelly with that tangy taste it had.

When we lived at Cheatum **Oliver's** old home place, we would eat supper, sit out on the porch and listen to Burnice play his guitar and sing Hank Williams' songs. Sometimes we would sing religious songs and I would sew. I made our bed quilts to use in the winters. The girls were growing up, and they'd dance around the yard while their daddy played the music. He could out do any country music singer in the town of Nashville. Anyway, in my heart he knew how to play and sing. Often Mr. Cheatum and his boys would come over and sit on the porch, listen to Burnice, and pat their feet. His music was our only enjoyment, for we had no video or record players to listen to. On warm days I'd pick wild greens or turnip greens if a neighbor had them. They'd sure perk up the appetite for a change. Mrs. Irene **Oliver** sent over greens sometimes. She was a wonderful neighbor and a hard worker. The **Oliver** family was a fine bunch of people to live near in those days. In fact, we had many good neighbors, the **Argos, Clays, Wintons**, and of course, all the **Myers** families as well as many others who lived nearby. We spent a lot of time just sitting around talking during the cold wintertime. On Christmas, I would raid the nearby creek banks or the woods for a Christmas tree, holly and spruce for bouquets for my tables. There was only hand made decorations for the tree. No lights, but still a pretty tree. I made a wreath for the front door and sometimes for the windows.

Money was scarce sometimes, but we'd spend time with Burnice's mom and sometimes his grandparents. Just being together and spending time was rewarding for us. Gifts were sometimes costly, yet love for our families was priceless, and meant far more. When we moved back to G.H. **Clay's** for the second time where Burnice could farm the land, I missed the old **Oliver** home place for there was no creek nearby. When it rained the creek would rise and we'd cross over on a two-log bridge with arm rails. The girls and I would trail the creeks when they'd dry up or even wade them hunting for pretty rocks and fossils along the banks. I'd raid the open nearby fields for wild flowers. They were so beautiful. I loved flowers and the outdoor life, parading through the woods, searching for herbs. I did it as a child and it was still in me as an adult. God created this world to his likeness and it pleased me to see the beautiful things he'd put here to see.

My mother also loved the woods and wild flowers. She'd sit on a rock gazing through the open spaces just hoping she's see the Lady Slippers in bloom in the early spring. Many times we'd go home carrying an arm full of good kindling to start the fire in the cook stove. Seems there was always a need for everything out there if we just knew how to find the use.

After we spent time in Cleveland, OH, getting back home was first choice on my list. I enjoyed taking the girls and going to the open fields where Burnice tilled and planted crops. Often I'd carry him his lunch if he was

close by. I'd take him fried taters and biscuits and some tenderloin if we had it to spare. Sometimes I'd take an egg or two from the gallon that I had pickled and a jar of water with a chunk of ice. We'd visit the cemeteries in between. Those were the **Goodman** Cemetery in back of Aunt Hilda & Uncle Garnet **Clay**'s and the Solomon **Sanders** Cemetery there on the main Payne's Cove road. Sometimes we'd all get on the tractor with Burnice and go to **Payne**'s Cove Cemetery or to **Burrows**' Cove to the **Sartain** Cemetery or the **Winton** Cemetery on over in the field by a group of large oak trees. Only a few graves were there. Burnice's uncle Edgar **Myers** and his wife Nell Ruth lived in Payne's Cove.

Hilda **Clay** was my husband's aunt. She was a sister to Burnice's mother Elloise **Campbell Murphy**. They also had sisters, Ava, Nina, Lola, and a brother, Taft **Campbell**.

In the late fall, we'd gather walnuts & hickory nuts to use for baking. Often the kids would love cracking and eating them. We'd load our nail kegs with pecans to put back for the wintertime and for Christmas. From time to time Burnice would find a few chestnuts at one old home place near where we lived. We'd roast them on the fireplace. Sometimes we'd pop popcorn we had raised or roast peanuts if we had planted them. Elloise always raised peanuts, so we had some for roasting and for making chocolate fudge. It was always a treat to have plenty of nuts stored away. Eating was always better.

Pelham was a place for fine gardens, raising crops and cattle. The fields were full of fine milk cows and young calves for families to kill for beef. If we had meat, we usually had a good meal on the table. More often we had fried chicken, especially on Sunday. We had chicken for breakfast too if we had time to get them ready. It was a long process for we killed and dressed them then cut them up before we even got ready to do any cooking.

When crops came in, we were all happy to have the fresh vegetables to eat. The girls loved their corn on the cob. We all ate a lot of corn in those days. Corn was a cheap crop to raise. I'd can it in reused gallon jugs that once contained vinegar. In winter it sure tasted good on a cold day. There are so many times I remember - like my oldest daughter Peggy would beg her dad to let her ride on the tractor as he turned the soil. Many times she'd fall asleep as he finished his plowing. He'd carry her indoors to her bed for the night. The girls loved the Valley. They had a tire swing that their grandpa Floyd made them that hung in the pecan tree in our front yard. Although they are adults today, they've never forgotten Pelham and the days when we lived there.

Burnice went back up north to Cleveland, OH, in 1962 and on March 15, 1963, he was killed in a car wreck on his way home from work. Our son was only 2 years old at the time. Since those days I have lived in Tracy City, Chattanooga, then back to Tracy City where I now make my home. I miss a lot of those old times we had. Things change over the years, but memories are still inside buried deeply just as my tracks where I once treaded in Pelham Valley. They can't be seen today, but they were there many years ago. My memories of these times we shared in the Valley with all the family and friends there remain even though many of them have passed on. Some I loved deeply - Burnice, Aunt Georgia Lee **Clay**, Aunt Sula **Edwards**, and Elloise. Still today when I travel through Pelham, I gaze at the old places where newer homes have now been built. I think about the changes, but my mind wanders back to the days when we lived there.

Gladys Cox Williams Talks with Jackie Partain

"By the time the school bus got to the mountain, it was so full that I just sat on my boyfriend's lap all the way to Tracy..." Gladys Cox Williams

Ninety-six years ago on April 2, 1911, Gladys Mae **Cox** was born at the family home near College Street in Monteagle, Tennessee. Her parents were William Houston **Cox** and Venner Cordelia **Farris Cox**. She was the second child of six born to the couple. Her siblings were Charles Howard, Francis Marion or "Gudge" as he was known by most people, Ford Wilson, Annie Laura, and Venner Cordelia. Her grandparents were Francis Marion and Barbara Ellen **Layne Cox** of Valley Home fame, and Dock and Bettie **King Farris** of Franklin County, TN. Bettie **Farris** died young, but Dock married again and was employed by the Sewanee Military Academy for many years. On several occasions I sat down with Gladys and picked away at her memories. She never once tired while relating what she recalled of Monteagle, Summerfield and points beyond.

During the big flu pandemic of 1917/18/19, Gladys remembered when several in her own family became ill. The William **Bennett** family, or as she called them the "Squire" **Bennett** family, who were neighbors, brought food to their house and put it in the window so as not to spread the flu virus. Millions all over the world died in that pandemic, so the **Bennetts** had acted wisely. Gladys remembered when her parents and she went down the Nick-a-Jack Trail to the Monroe **Layne** place to carry food. What a wonderful custom of carrying food to the sick or to a mourning family when there was a death. Many times it was the "have nots" who did the carrying to other "have nots"; what great spirit those hard-working people had! The **Layne** house was down under Forrest Point on the first flat of Laynes Cove, and she spoke of the house as being a long house with a long front porch. I was so interested in her description of the homeplace; then she said, "As a child, I thought it was a better house than the one we lived in on top." I know my **Layne** ancestors had a hard life, but that little bit of information made me smile. I knew that most all the **Layne** men in the Cove had wonderful carpentry and masonry skills. Once in the house Gladys spoke of several older people standing around the table where the food was placed. Monroe was my great-grandfather and had died in 1911 the year Gladys was born, but my great-grandmother Rebecca Jane was still alive around that time. When Gladys described the scene at the house, I invisioned a death gathering. Rebecca and her youngest child Buford Paskel **Layne** died around the time of that flu season. Some of Gladys' fondest memories include the yearly fourth of July trip down to the old Monroe **Layne** place with her father to pick berries. That old home site always seemed to have plenty of raspberry plants; I'd like to think that my grandfather Alex **Layne** planted them there when he was a boy since he also had some in his garden on King Street when he lived on top of the plateau.

William Houston **Cox** and Rebecca Jane **Cox Layne** were cousins. Their **Cox** grandfathers, Nathan and David **Cox** respectively, were brothers from Georgia who moved into the area that became Grundy County, Tennessee. Their descendants spread out over the Pelham Valley area. This may have been the reason that William was drawn to the old Monroe **Layne** place. Rebecca had lost her husband, all four of her daughters, one son and her mother-in-law, Elender Tennessee **Layne**, in just a few short years. Hopefully, William and Venner **Cox** felt her burdens and were there to lend consolation and encouragement.

Venner **Cox's** mother Bettie **King Farris** had given birth to a son Reese and then her daughter. After Bettie's death the **King** side of the family took

Venner to rear in the Midway community. Gladys recalls her mother's story of boarding the train in Midway for trips to Tracy City for piano lessons. When Venner married and had a family, she made certain that her children were exposed to music by acquiring an organ for her home. In the first years of their marriage, William pleaded with Venner to move to the Valley which was home to him, and they did. After a couple of years, she told him that she was going back to the mountain; as Gladys stated smilingly, "Of course, they moved back to Monteagle." William told his family that before he and their mother married that he went to Texas and taught school there for a while. Gladys said at one time he was a constable or something to do with the law, and he carried a pistol. He farmed and sold produce on the Monteagle Assembly Grounds where he also delivered ice.

In the midst of the terrible flu outbreak, Gladys began her schooling at the Monteagle School on King Street. When asked if she walked to school or her dad took her in a wagon, her response was, "I walked every step of the way!" Then I asked, "Even if there was a big snow?" "Yes, we walked to school in the rain and deep snow. The janitor (*probably a Mr. S. Adams*) had the school all warm for us." Like me when I attended school on the Marion County side between 1948 and 1956, Gladys walked the railroad tracks. She probably had the same adventures as I did. We had to wait until the train went on through before we could hop on the rails. We saw our share of beheaded dogs on the tracks, fell down a good number of times while balancing on the rails, and made the great decision as to what entrance/exit path we would take—the one in front of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church or the one in front of King Street. She and the other students made little cone-shaped cups from a sheet of paper for drinking water, but later each child had his own metal cup. My uncle, Alex Benson "Dude" **Layne**, noted that sometimes they were sent to the well at Charlie and Ella **Mankin's** house (*now the Johnny Brannan home*) to get water for the students. Lunches were wrapped, as Gladys recalls, and consisted of "whatever was left from breakfast...a biscuit, sausage or whatever." Three teachers who came to mind were "George **Partin**, John **Goforth** and Macy **Francis**, Jim **Francis's** wife." Her eighth grade teacher during the 1924/25th school year was Mr. Ray **Ingman**. Her certificate was signed by J. L. **Rollings** who was the County Superintendent of Schools at the time. Mr. **Rollings** was married to Gladys' aunt, Pearl **Cox**. An interesting thing that I had never heard before, and admittedly she was cloudy on this point, was that the house across the street was at one time used as a kitchen where the girls were taught to cook. I assumed that she spoke of the one which later became the Wilburn **Sampley** house.

On 4 Nov. 1923 at home in Monteagle, Gladys' mother died after being sick for nine days following the birth of her daughter Venner, who was later called "Veda". Her death certificate states the cause of death as "Intestinal...related to childbirth". As a child, Gladys remembers that her mother died of acute indigestion, and that E. C. **Norvell** was the undertaker. At home her mother was laid out in the casket a few hours before her funeral; burial was in the Summerfield Cemetery. Sadly, this left William alone to rear six children. Gladys was only twelve and had to step into the role of a mother until someone could be found to help. Baby Venner needed the immediate care of a mother, so a couple named John and Minnie **Yates** took care of her while she was a baby. Minnie was a sister to Venner Cordelia's stepmother Annie. Not long after they took the child, Minnie **Yates** died, and John took the baby to Birmingham, Alabama to live. When William found this out, he went to Birmingham, but came back without the baby. A few weeks later, John **Yates** brought the baby back to her family in Monteagle. The family was so happy to have its daughter and sister back home. Emotions ran

high where Mr. **Yates** was concerned, but in the end there were no hard feelings about the situation; William even took John **Yates** into his home for a couple of years. It may have been that Mr. **Yates** was so attached to the baby, and after the sudden death of his wife, he clung to the child out of love. An older lady named Mrs. **Brown** came to live with the **Cox** family to help care for the children. Gladys said that her father could have walked off and left his children, but he didn't. Fondly, she remembers that at night he helped them all with their homework and preparation for school the next day. As in any family, she said there were problems from time to time, but they all stayed together as a family.

Upon completion of elementary school, Gladys attended school at Shook School in Tracy City for two years. At first she had to pay for her ride to school. On the same side of the street as the **Merriman** family house, very near the DuBose Center in Monteagle, there was a station house for the railroad, and this is where she caught the train for the ride to Tracy City. Because of the Great Depression of those years, it was a privilege to attend high school. After two years at Shook, she went to the newly built Grundy County High School. A school bus was furnished, but by the time the Valley students were gathered, and the bus got to Monteagle, there wasn't enough room for everyone. Gladys said happily, "I just sat on my boyfriend's lap all the way to Tracy... until word got out that some of us were doing this." Suffice to say that Gladys thought the young man was mighty handsome, but not someone she would have married. The decision was made to have a Mr. **Jones** (*could have been William or Cedrick Jones*) from Tracy City drive down to gather the leftover students along the roadside in Monteagle and Summerfield in one of his vehicles. Then he unloaded at the High School. Needless to say, some of her favorite classmates were three first cousins who were all in the same grade with Gladys. These four grandchildren of Francis Marion and Barbara **Layne Cox** were Gladys, Zelma, and Tressie **Cox**, and Florence **Rollings**. Zelma was a daughter of James "Jim" **Cox**; Tressie's father was Robert **Cox**, and Florence's mother was Pearl **Cox Rollings**. In 1930 the four cousins graduated from high school together. Their pictures are recorded in the third volume of the Mountain Laurel, their high school annual.

Of particular interest are Gladys' memories of her **Cox** grandparents; she told of one visit to their home in the Valley around 1916 for a big birthday reunion for her grandfather, Francis Marion **Cox**. She said there were lots of people at the party. Her grandparents were well-known citizens of the Valley Home community where they lived in **Cox's** Hollow near what is the Butch **Goodman** homeplace now. Barbara Ellen **Cox** was a mid-wife for the area and a strong, hard working lady with deep family ties. According to her great-grandson Jimmy **Rogers**, when Barbara heard that her husband Frank was gravely injured in the Civil War at Murfreesboro, she arranged care for her children and took off on foot to find and care for him. When she found him, he had not been injured, but he was caring for an injured brother. Another memory from Gladys was when her brother Francis Marion/Gudge was born, her grandmother Barbara Ellen came up from the Valley to help Venner with the new baby. Gladys has vivid memories of the long dresses Barbara wore. Barbara died in 1923, and her husband died in 1925.

And then there was the time when Gladys and one of her brothers climbed into the wagon and rode up to Tracy City to a KKK meeting. When she told this, her niece's mouth and mine fell open in dismay, and she quickly responded, "Well, it was an advertised public meeting!" I felt certain that her mother must have been dead by that time because she probably would have never allowed her daughter to go to such a meeting. Gladys confirmed that it was

after the death of her mother. When asked if the Klansmen's identities were truly kept secret, she said that she didn't know who was under the robes. A vivid memory for her was eating her first ice cream that day. She said it caused her to have a terrible headache, so much so, that she never ate it again until recent years.

According to Gladys, Claramont Castle, as we used to call it, was built originally as the home of Dr. Oliver D. **Mabee** with mountain stones from Laynes Cove. It is still standing and is now called High Point. I asked Gladys to start at DuBose School and walk me down College Street pass the buildings on the way to the Assembly entrance. As she recalled the house on the corner was the **Lautzenheiser** home, and "Mr. **Lautzenheiser** worked as the plumber/janitor for the Dubose School." Next came the **Lowe** residence, a vacant lot, another house, the **Mankin** home, the **Blackwood** home, another house, the **Hassler** home (later the **Clyde Bennett** home), the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, the Frank **Lautzenheiser** house (which may have become the **Richmond** house) and Dr. David **Bryan's** home (she thinks this house may have had **Holcombs** in it at one time.) It became the Methodist Parsonage at some point. Then came a barn (maybe part of a livery stable owned by the **Mankin** family), a small house which set back and belonged to Sim and Josephine **Cook Layne**, and two houses—one the Wallace home which she thought may have been Tubby **Wallace's** parents home and the other a large house with a balcony. Then crossing Central Avenue, there were the Monteagle Hotel, Jim **Francis's** grocery, then the New York Store/Pharmacy operated by the **Hassler** family with the Post Office at the back of the same building, another house, then the George **Partin** family home, the Assembly entrance and finally the train depot.

I told her of a large, abandon, two-storied house that I used to wander through as a child; all the neighborhood kids thought it was haunted. It stood on or near the spot where the new Monteagle City Hall is now. My uncle told me of a kindergarten which stood in that area years ago, and I wandered if that house may have been the same one. Gladys said that was a possibility because there were two ladies who operated a house called "The King's Daughter" in that area. She remembered a specific case where the children were being abused, and the authorities were taken to the two ladies who cared for them.

When asked who her closest friends were in her youth, she said, "Tressie **McFarland (Aylor)** and Lucy **Marlow** who married a **Lautzenheiser**, I think. Tressie had a sister named Nora who worked in a private home." I responded by saying, "Nora **McFarland Custer** was one of the kindest Christian ladies that I have ever known." Gladys quickly agreed. At some point in time, Ruth **Bennett**, Clyde's wife, had a car, but couldn't drive it, so Gladys, who herself knew little about cars, would drive the car for her. It sounded as if they had plenty of fun.

I have always wondered how many different addresses one could call for mail throughout the years of Moffat Station, Moffat, Mont Eagle or Monteagle. Gladys said that the post office was at the back of the New York Store when she was a child, and Harriett **Lappin** was the postmaster; it was on the east side of Ward **Lacy's** Drugstore (the New York Store) when I was a child, and Charlie **Fults** was the postmaster. Later it was moved to the west of Greeters and then at its present place across from the May Justus Library in Marion County. According to another historian, the first Post Office was in the vicinity of where the Foutch Hotel was some years ago. The second was in the Post House owned by Dr. **Porter** and later by the George **Partin** family.

The **Cox** family attended church at the Methodist Church over in Summerfield. It stood on the acreage with the cemetery. According to the book John Gamp pp. 123/24, one might get the feeling that the little meeting house itself was called "Old Summerfield". Gladys' father taught Sunday School there at the time his wife died. She recalled her father and brother Howard got logs and stripped them for repairs or additions on the old building. Probably, the area where the Summerfield Cemetery, the Summerfield School, Highlander Folk School and points beyond were located, was at one time known as the old "Bazille" Summers' field. Hence **Layne** was the preacher when Gladys was young. She believes that Mr. **Summers** donated the land for the church and the cemetery for the people of that area so that they could bury their loved ones together without cost. I remember a story told where one parent had been buried at Summerfield in the family plot, and when the other parent died, the gate was locked so that the family member could not be buried until a certain sum of money was paid. Since the burial plot had several bodies from years past and had a distinct handmade boundary, the local people felt that the plot had always belonged to the family and should be opened for this final burial. The lock on the gate was cut, the grave was dug in the night and the burial took place the next day without incident.

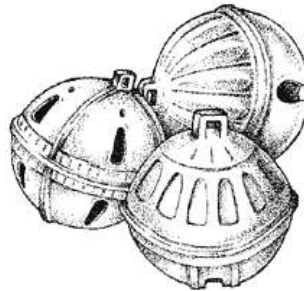
Some of the oldest unmarked graves in the cemetery are my **Layne** ancestors; some of them married into the **Cox** lineages. The **Laynes** who are buried there were descendants of John and Esther **Kilgore Layne** who, I believe, are buried there also. It just seemed appropriate to come up out of the cove below and bury their loved ones on high ground. During the talk of the old church near the cemetery, Gladys just spit out the name of Dr. Lillian **Johnson** who lived in a big house across the road near the cemetery. When asked who she was and what she was doing in that area, she responded with, "I don't know, but she 'ruled the roost'." For those who may not know, it was Dr. Lillian **Johnson** who gave the land for the Highlander Folk School which came into Summerfield later. She probably was also instrumental in bringing Claudia **Lewis** down to the area around 1945 to study and then compare New York kindergarten children to the same age children on the plateau in Summerfield. Ms. **Lewis** wrote a book, Children of the Cumberland, about her experiences here. It, like the book, John Gamp, is still even today being discussed with mixed feelings. I guess the reader's prospective on either book was determined by which side of the fence he or she lived.

Gladys' first job was working for Harriet **Brush** on the Assembly for \$5.00 a week. After graduation she went to Chattanooga, and she along with two girlfriends went to Miami to work as waitresses. Not long after, she received a telegram to come back to Chattanooga to a good waitress position. This is how she met her future husband George Wesley **Williams**. The couple married and eventually opened their own restaurant in Chattanooga. It was called the Williams Restaurant. Gladys and George had no children, but they helped many children along the way. One interesting story she told was about the young newspaper boys who had to rise so early each morning to make their deliveries. The **Williams** would let the boys, when they finished their routes, come into their restaurant and sleep on the benches until time to go to school. The restaurant became Gladys and George's life until their retirement.

George passed on several years ago, and Gladys says she has out lived most of her friends, all of her classmates and many of her family. Gladys comes through Monteagle from time to time. Relatives drive her around town so that she can recall memories that have been tucked away for years. Monteagle is different; for some it is for the better; for others, the quaint little town

of yesteryears is no more. They call it progress. Only time will tell. One thing is certain, Gladys **Cox Williams** and I still hold this little town close to our hearts.

If anyone has corrections or additions to Gladys' story, please feel free to email them to me at < jackiepartin@blomand.net >. Jackie Partin



Constitution Day Art Contest

On September 17, 1787, the delegates to the Constitutional Convention held their final meeting. There was only one item on the agenda, and that was to sign the Constitution of the United States of America. This year Grundy County Schools celebrated Constitution Day on September 17th. As a part of that celebration the Grundy County Historical Society sponsored a Constitution Day Art Contest for the students in grades one through eight. Bettye Sherwood and Jana Barret coordinated the contest.

For the contest students were divided into three grade categories: 1-3, 4-6, and 7-8. Unfortunately there were no entries from the 7th and 8th grades. The entries were collected and given to the Grundy County Arts Council. Their members judged the entries and chose 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. First place winners received \$50, Second place \$30, and Third place \$20. The prize money was donated by Citizen Tri County Bank in Altamont, Citizen Tri County Bank in Tracy City, and Citizen State Bank in Monteagle. Winners were announced and prizes were awarded on November 15, 2007, at the meeting of the Grundy County School Board. All winning entries were displayed at the Grundy County Courthouse in Altamont.

Winners in grades 1-3 were as follows:

- 1st place Alexa Fults, 3rd grade student from North Elementary
- 2nd place Jathan Campbell, 3rd grade student from North Elementary
- 3rd place Sydney Jones, 3rd grade student from Swiss Memorial School

Winners in grades 4-6 were as follows:

- 1st place Shelly Campbell, 6th grade student from Coalmont School and
- 1st place Megan King, 5th grade student from Coalmont School
- 2nd place Heather Caldwell, 5th grade Student from Coalmont School and
- 2nd place Logan Meeks, 5th grade student Coalmont School
- 3rd place Dylan Mooney, 6th grade student Coalmont School and
- 3rd place Taylor McBee, 6th grade student Coalmont School

Christmas Memories: GCHS Members

I remember the Christmas of 1969 because it was a "white Christmas".

My ten-day leave from the U.S. Army at Fort Hood, TX, ended the day after Christmas, and I remember tromping through the snow on Christmas afternoon to get in the car and go to Chattanooga to catch a plane on Sunday morning back to Fort Hood.

That was my only leave, and when I was discharged, I was paid for 50 days of untaken leave time.

David Patton; Palmer, TN

I always remember the year that my younger brother and I asked for bicycles. Keith and I had aggravated our mother, Edna **Layne**, for weeks about getting new bikes for Christmas. Being she was a single mom raising three children, (I have an older brother, Nelson), we knew there was a possibility that she would not be able to afford such costly gifts for us.

When Christmas morning arrived, Keith and I ran to the Christmas tree hoping to find the one gift we had been wanting so badly. However, the bikes were not there. I'll never forget the incredible disappointment that I felt. And that disappointment was mirrored in my brother's face. But we knew that our mother had done the best she could and had provided us with several presents that were lovingly placed under the Christmas tree.

After opening our gifts, Mama told us it was time for breakfast. Little did we know that a wonderful surprise awaited us in the kitchen. There, standing in the middle of the room were two beautiful, brand new bicycles.

Every time I remember this special Christmas, my heart fills with immense love for my sweet Mama who loved and made so many sacrifices for me and my two precious brothers.

Leslie Layne **Coppinger**; Tracy City, TN

Often I catch myself yearning to take the trails again of my younger years, especially those of our earlier Christmases together. Mom would send us children off in search for that special rounded cedar tree. We'd search the nearby woods or head to the old **Byars** Field where cedar trees grew as if they were planted there, and I'm sure they were planted by the Master himself. We'd find that special tree, trim it all up and fill our bags with holly, spruce and pine branches for decorating the windows indoors and outdoors. That smell of greenery filled the house! We'd gather around the kitchen table making hanging lanterns and long chains from decorative paper pasted together with flour paste mama fixed for us to use. She gave us the center lid of her jar rims she took from her Mason jars and we'd paste pretty design on both the outer and inner sides of the lids. Mom made a little hole at the top of the lids and ran a string or ribbon through it for hanging. We'd string popcorn, berries, and often pine cones Mom had painted for the Christmas tree.

After we finished making the decorations, we'd start decorating the tree. It would be full of all our hand made items. At the top, we'd hang a star Mom made from cardboard covered with aluminum foil. We'd finish it up with cotton balls and icicles we'd saved year after year. We'd all stand back and idolize the tree, doing our bragging of how pretty it was. We never had a

lot of gifts around the tree like a lot of us do now, for gifts were not among our possessions. Money was hard to get. If we got a gift, we were on cloud nine and were very grateful. We'd often hang our stockings and inside them would be an apple, orange, nuts and a candy cane. Often Mom put a pair of anklets or gloves or maybe a scarf in mine. The boys would get socks or a pair of mittens and maybe a small toy of some sort.

Christmas dinner was fit for a king. Mom would always make several cakes and pies, boil a big ham and then bake it with dressing. Green beans, turnip greens, potatoes (both Irish and sweet) would fill out the menu. There'd be bowl after bowl of delicious food before us to eat.

Every Christmas our home was blessed with a gathering of the families all talking and filling their tummies with delicious food. Gifts didn't come to a lot of our minds for we weren't used too getting much. Being together, eating and sharing our time was the most important issue for most families. Dad always said getting is not the meaning of Christmas; it's our giving that counts, if it's nothing but our love for each other, Christmas' meaning is love, God's love that he gave us the life of his son Jesus, who was born on Christmas Day.

Barbara **Mooney Myers**; Tracy City, TN

Daddy & Mama indulged me every year by taking me to spots all over Grundy County to find spruce, holly with red berries and mistletoe. We'd fill the trunk of our car with our treasures and bring them back to Pelham where we'd fashion wreathes to tie with red bows and place on our windows. Now that I think of it, it wasn't the decorations themselves that gave me such good memories. It was the time we spent together as a family tramping through the damp woods and bringing the greenery and the tree back home to display. Daddy would nail two pieces of plank in a cross then nail that to the bottom of our cedar tree to make it stand upright. He would then place a string around the middle of the trunk of the tree and attach the string to the wall to make sure the tree didn't fall over. That kept the tree next to the wall and out of the way in our small house.

All my Christmases have been good, but I especially remember one from my childhood when I got a dollhouse. It was all metal, stamped with the wallpaper, bookshelves, decorations and carpets as well as the windows and shingles. There were a few pieces of furniture and a couple of miniature people to put in it. It was beautiful! I'm sure that it took my parents, Elbert & Elsie **Layne**, hours to put it together. I loved it so much I was well into my teens before I could pass it on to my younger cousins Barbara and Linda **Morris**.

Janelle **Layne Taylor**; Pelham, TN

SCHOOL OFFICERS AND TEACHERS
Grundy County, Tennessee in 1897

The following is a list of the School Officers and Teachers of Grundy County for the year of 1897. This was donated to the Grundy County Historical Society by Miss Anna Mary **Parker** and transcribed by Bob **Douglas**.

District 1 Wesley's Chapel
Directors: T. E. Mabry, B. J. Cunningham, Jim Sain

Teacher: W. K. Dickens
Scholastic Population 52 Number enrolled 54

District 2 Marvin's Chapel
Directors: H. H. Lusk, Jno. Adams, Tom Griswold
Teacher: E. L. Newman
Scholastic Population 85 Number enrolled 53

District 3 Chestnut Grove
Directors: Norman Nunley, L. W. Nunley W. S. Fults
Teacher: Mrs. Sallie Northcut
Scholastic Population 27 Number enrolled 20

District 4 Beech Grove
Directors: R. Smartt, A. Northcut, Bud Woodlee
Teacher: J. D. Fults
Scholastic Population 64 Number enrolled 45

District 5 Philadelphia
Directors: N. B. Barnes, W. C. Wimberly
Teacher: Miss Eva King
Scholastic Population 90 Number enrolled 40

District 6 New Union
Directors: J. B. Nunley, R. D. Tate, Jno Creighton
Teacher: Miss Lou Hunter
Scholastic Population 59 Number enrolled 43

District 7 Tatesville
Directors: R. J. White, Henry Layne, Gilliam Barker
Teacher: E. W. Mc Carry
Scholastic Population 76 Number enrolled 47

District 8 Mt. Vernon
Directors: Jno. Scholler, J. B. Lutchinger, Fenton Overturf
Teacher: Miss Catherine Tate
Scholastic Population 44 Number enrolled 18

District 9 Gruetli Chapel
Directors: Jacob Wichser, Emil Segrist, Peter Schiesser
Teacher: Alexander Campbell
Scholastic Population 51 Number enrolled 25

District 10 Beersheba Springs
Directors: W. A. Brown, J. K. P. Brown, C. T. Cagle
Teacher: Miss Minnie Morris
Scholastic Population 101 Number enrolled 29

District 11 Pond Springs
Directors: R. F. Hobbs, Starling Savage, J. M. Hobbs
Teacher: Miss Martha Hobbs
Scholastic Population 14 Number enrolled 15

District 12 Altamont
Directors: J. P. K. Givine, Fred Greeter, William Lockhart
Teacher: F. M. Smartt
Scholastic Population 52 Number enrolled 43

District 13 obsolete: joined to other districts

District 14 Parson's School House

Directors: R. B. Sweeton, Frank Sweeton, W. B. Ray

No school Scholastic Population 21

District 15 Sanders' School House

Directors: Smartt Hampton, Carroll Nunley, D. Patarick

Teacher: J. G. Dunn

Scholastic Population 13 Number enrolled 15

District 16 James K. Shook School

Board of Education: J. D. Wiley, M. Nearn, W. E. Tillet, S. F. Dorris, H. B. Thompson

Teachers: W. G. Dillon, Principal, G. C. Partin, Miss Coker

Parker, Nettie Sartain, Pattie Shook, Mattie Mc

Curdy, Hester London, Clara Johnson, Mattie Boyd

Scholastic Population 570 Number enrolled 475

Colored School Miss Lucy Slater, teacher

District 17 Monteagle Seminary

Directors: G. M. King, Jno. Lowrie, W. D. Bennett

Teachers: P. A. Pearson- principal, Miss Allie King- assistant

Scholastic Population 108 Number enrolled 95

District 18 Payne's Cove

Directors: E. J. Henson, W. H. Meeks, Haston Sanders

Teacher: R. J. Carden

Scholastic Population 81 Number enrolled 62

District 19 Valley Home

Directors: J. C. Henley, G. W. Morgan, Thomas Moran

Teacher: J. D. Northcut -principal, Miss Viola Parks -assistant

Scholastic Population 103 Number enrolled 75

District 20 Burrough's Cove

Directors: Tom Myres, A. A. Campbell, H. H. Campbell

Teacher: Louzo Campbell

Scholastic Population 54 Number enrolled 35

District 21 Camp Ground School

Directors: Jno. Phipps, Sam Brown, George Winton

Teacher: R. H. White

Scholastic Population 115 Number enrolled 69

District 22 Pelham High School

Directors: L. A. Carden, J. H. Gunn, C. E. Green

Teachers: J. W. Calhoun -principal, Jon. Gallagher -assistant

Pelham Colored School

Teacher: J. M. Kenerly

Scholastic Population 121 Number enrolled in white school 70

Number enrolled in colored school 36

District 23 Providence

Directors: J. F. Laxon, Jno. Partin, Jno. Patterson

Teacher: X. H. Levan

Scholastic Population 87 Number enrolled 44

District 24 Savage School House

Directors: I. W. Morton, V. B. Tate, David Coppinger

Teacher: Jno. S. Coppinger.

Scholastic Population 36 Number enrolled 21

District 25 Henly School House

Directors: A. D. Reider, J. S. Burnett, J. R. Sanders

Teacher: W. R. Campbell

Scholastic Population 31 Number enrolled 20

District 26 Obsolete, Joined to other districts

District 27 Mt. Carme.

Directors: Floyd Campbell, George Fults

Teacher: Fred Smith

Scholastic Population 40 Number enrolled 23

District 28 Mt. Pleasant

Directors: F. M. Nunley, Kelley Summers, Pete McGovern

Teachers: C. W. Hembree -principal, B. F. Gilbert, Miss Della Nunley - assistants

Scholastic Population 193 Number enrolled 68

District 29 Orange School House]

Directors: H. G. Parmley, Jno. Hatfield, A. J. Lockhart

Teacher: J. A. Goforth

Scholastic Population 72 Number enrolled 44

District 30 Summerfield

Directors: G. W. Summers, S. J. Smith, A. J. Thompson

Teacher: Miss Allie King

Scholastic Population 122 Number enrolled 35

District 31 Scottsboro

Directors: Abe Haskins, Jim Anderson, Albert Nunley

Teacher: Miss Mary Roberts

Scholastic Population 55 Number enrolled -

District 32 Colyar School House

Directors: Joseph Sigler, Wm. Petty, P. D. Haynes

Teacher: J. L. Coppinger

Scholastic Population 134 Number enrolled 54

District 33 Grosses' Cove School

Directors: J. W. Gross, Jim Mc Carver, Brock Savage

No School

Scholastic Population 27

Additions and Corrections

Vol.12, No. 3 issue- In the "Additions and Corrections" article on the Burrows' family, the email address for Betty Stokes was given as betinhou@comcast.com. Betty's correct email address is: betinhou@comcast.net.

Death Notices

Akins, Allen Stewart—born July 5, 1904 to Robert Akins and Nancy **Woods**, died July 25, 1975 at the age of 71 at Cumberland Heights Clinic in Grundy Co. He was buried at the Palmer Cemetery. Survivors included his wife, Lorene **Holt Akins**, 3 daughters Margaret, Shelia and Deanna; a son Ronny, 2 sisters and a brother.

Anderson, William Riley—born July 11, 1907 to Jacob Anderson and Mary Elizabeth **Anderson**, died July 25, 1986 at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga and was buried at the Brown Chapel Cemetery. (He married Keenith **Kilgore** and they had 11 children, Billie Faye, Everett Ray, Alvin Thomas, James Louis, John Henry, Hal Edward, William Riley, Jr., Judith Alene, Hubert Earl, Robert Franklin, and Douglas Farris.) Survivors include a brother, William.

Barnes, Frederick Joseph—born March 28, 1906 to Elmer and Mary **Barnes**, died Nov. 1, 1986 at a hospital in Sewanee and was buried at the Fall Creek Cemetery. He was a WWII veteran and worked as a painter. He was married to Hallie **Curtis**.

Birdwell, Claude Leonard—born April 3, 1916 to David Leonard **Birdwell** and Sally Parthenia **Davis**, died July 23, 1987 at a hospital in Chattanooga, and was buried at the Fall Creek Cemetery. (He married Dola Willette **Brewer** and they had 9 children, Lendil Nils, Clarence Thomas, Teddy Donald, Walter David, Patricia Ann, Larry Justen, Claude Douglas, Roger Dale, and Pamela Olene. Claude was survived by 2 sisters, Sue and Margaret; and 6 brothers, George, Mose, Gilbert, Nelson, Tom, and Lee.

Borne, Jesse Arthur—born Dec. 21, 1892 to Adam Borne and Letha **Parsons**, died Jan. 6, 1983 at the Cumberland Heights Clinic and was buried at Fall Creek Cemetery. He was a coal miner. (He married Ada Belle **Nunley** and they had 9 children, Rosa, Ruby, Louie Austin, Howard, June, Willie Mae, Lonnie, Ted and Letha.) There were 2 brothers to survive Jesse, George and Ed.

Carpenter, Nancy Edna—born Sept. 21, 1880 to Henry **Overturf** and Nancy **Scruggs**, died Oct. 14, 1971 at her home in Palmer and was buried at the Fall Creek Cemetery. (She married Edward J. **Carpenter** and had 2 children, Ida Helen and Edward Eston **Carpenter**.)

Carrick, Marie Hoosier—born April 10, 1910 to Jess Hoosier, died Feb. 26, 1982 and was buried in the Orange Hill Cemetery in Tracy City. Surviving was her husband, Johnny **Carrick**.

Childers, Fannie—born Oct. 6, 1901 to Albert **Nunley** and Oda **Nunley**, died Dec. 24, 1983 at the age of 82 in a hospital in Sewanee, and was buried at the Fall Creek Cemetery. Two sons, Charlie and Bobby, survived her.

Church, Dosa Meeks—born July 1, 1909 to Alf and Laura Ellen **Meeks**, died Aug. 21, 1982 at a hospital in Sewanee and was buried in the Plainview Cemetery. Her husband, John K. **Church** preceded her in death. Survivors were a daughter, Laura Sue, 2 sons, John Kenneth and Glenn E. **Church**, brother Cam **Meeks** and sister Clara **Lawson**.

Coffelt, John Wesley—born Nov. 26, 1889 to John H. **Coffelt** and Margaret Kate **Anderson**, died Aug. 31, 1980 at his home in Laager and was buried at the Palmer Cemetery. (He married Martha Low "Mattie" **Roberts** and they had 13

children, Rosa Lou, Abbie, Mollie, Frankie, Amos, Mabel, John Ervin, Dan, Marvin Lee, Luke, Margaret, Matthew, and Bessie Ann.)

Dishroom, Lester—born April 7, 1915 to Sebe Dishroom and Pearl **Haynes**, died May 8, 1985 at Parkridge Hospital in Chattanooga and was buried at the Palmer Cemetery. Survivors included his wife, Jodie **Burnett**; 2 sons, Larry and Joel; three sisters and 4 brothers, Ernest, Hershel, Bill and Sebe, Jr.

Fisher, Adalphas Henry "Gray Eagle"—born May 10, 1910 to Robert Taylor **Fisher** and Cora **Smith**, died May 30, 1985 at Parkridge Hospital in Chattanooga and was buried at Palmer Cemetery. Survivors included his wife, Ophelia W. **Weaver**; a daughter Mrs. Ray **Doss**; a son Chester **Fisher**; and 2 brothers, Fred and Gene **Fisher**.

Fults, Hassie M. Clay—Sept. 23, 1899 to George Clay and Maggie **Conry**, died Sept. 16, 1978 at a hospital in Manchester. Survivors include her husband, Horace **Fults**, a son Clay **Fults**, and two brothers, Wiley and Ellis **Clay**.

Fults, Henry Burton—born Nov. 23, 1892 to Smith Jackson **Fults** and Luticia **Sweeton**, died Aug. 1, 1976 at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga and was buried at Sardis Cemetery in Marion County. (He had been married to Lillie Mae **Duncan**, who preceded him in death.) Survivors included his daughter Anna; son Clarence Bryan **Fults** and sister Alice **Hampton**.

Garner, Hobert—born Feb. 9, 1900 to Thomas Garner and Rosie **O'Dear**, died Sept. 6, 1981 at his home in Palmer and was buried at the Palmer Cemetery. Survivors included his wife Myrtle **Sissom**.

Green, Rachel Katherine—born Dec. 22, 1911 to Frank Parks **Nunley** and Jennie Mae **Bess**, died Oct. 24, 1981 at a hospital in Chattanooga and was buried at the Coalmont Cemetery. Survivors included her husband, Lee **Green**; daughters Wanda and Dortha Jean; a brother Carl David **Nunley** and 5 sisters, Ida Elizabeth **Geary**, Jennie Arlene **Brown**, Margie Sue **Sanders**, Jewell Yvonne **Kilgore**, Lillian Naydean **Parsons**.

Hammers, Pearl May--born May 25, 1905 to Frank Ervin and May **Caraway**, died Dec. 21, 1983 at a hospital in Sewanee and was buried at the Palmer Cemetery. Preceded in death by her husband, Lee **Hammers**, she was survived by a daughter Cora Lee and 2 sons, Hubert and Lee, Jr.

Hargis, Mary Elizabeth—April 20, 1848 to Charles Travis and Anna **Willis**, died March 2, 1933 in Tracy City of "old age". (She was the widow of Abraham Dallas **Hargis** and the mother of 9 children, Mary Jane, Thomas **Jackson**, Joseph Wheeler, Augustus, Charles, Ella, Mahaly, Rebecca and Abraham **Dallas** Jr.)

Hart, Dewey F.--born Aug. 6, 1899 to John **Hart** and Ula **Cook**, died March 10, 1984 in Grundy County, and was buried in the Fall Creek Cemetery. Survivors included 3 daughters, Alice, Katherine and Clara; 3 sons, J.B., Harvy and Herby; and a brother, Walter.

Johnson, Beulah Sidney—born June 11, 1894 to John **Carrick** and Sally **Lockhart**, died June 29, 1981 at her home in Gruetli and was buried at the Orange Hill Cemetery in Tracy City. Preceded in death by her husband, Morgan **Johnson**, she was survived by 3 daughters; Mary, Josephine and Ruby; 5 sons Elbert, Wes, Jack, Bill and Barney; 1 brother Robert **Carrick**; and 3 sisters Betty **Carrick**, Winnie **Geary** and Rachel **Parmley**.

Kilgore, Spence—born Sept. 23, 1919 to Bill **Kilgore** and Martha **Long**, died Feb. 1, 1986 and was buried at the Griffith Creek Cemetery in Marion County. Spence was a veteran of WWII and a coal miner. Survivors include his wife Daisy **Nunley**, 3 daughters Joyce Mildred and Irene; 4 sons, Hershel, Thomas, John and Jimmy; and 4 sisters Eileen, Lora, Haley and Agnes.

King, William Carol—born Nov. 7, 1889 to Henry Benjamin and Rhoda **King**, died Nov. 7, 1980 at a hospital in Winchester, and was buried at Fall Creek Cemetery. Survivors included 5 daughters, Rhoda **Rankin**, Katherine **Christian**, Viola **Walker**, Ruth **Curtis** and Davene **Griffith** and 2 sons, Louis and Elzie **King**.

Leitsinger, Herman Peter—born July 22, 1904 to Gabriel **Leitsinger** and Margaret **Smith**, died Sept. 9, 1982 at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga and was buried at the Fall Creek Cemetery. (He married Margie Velma **Lehr** and they had 9 children, James Cecil, Annie Ruth, David Lee, Dorothea Louise, Alene, Helen Lee, Ralph, Paul, and Peter Jr.)

Meeks, Alice H.—born Sept. 20, 1886 to Ben E.W. Harris and Mary Jane **Foster**, died Oct. 12, 1982 at the age of 96 in a Grundy County hospital and was buried at Fall Creek Cemetery. Widowed by Dee **Meeks**, she was survived by 4 daughters, 2 sons and a brother, Will **Harris**.

Nolan, Jessie E.—born Jan. 25, 1903 to Abraham **Layne** and Martha Katherine **Shrum**, died Dec. 5, 1975 at Memorial Hospital in Chattanooga and was buried at the Oak Grove Cemetery in Marion County. Survivors include her husband David **Nolan**; sons Charles E. and Carl David **Nolan**; 5 sisters, Birdie, Ada, Clara, Fannie Bell, and Cora.

Woodlee, Arrie—born Feb. 2, 1899, died Nov. 3, 1987 and was buried at the Coalmont Cemetery. Widowed by Douglas **Woodlee**, she was survived by a son Hershel **Woodlee**, 4 daughters, Clercie **Burnett**, Evie **Racker**, Earline **Turner** and Corrine **Henley**. There were 2 other children, William P. **Woodlee** and Lillian **Hobbs**, who died prior to 1987.

Wooten, Hester Hines—born March 12, 1910 to John C. **Henley** and Sallie **London**, died Oct. 28, 1962 at Coffee County Hospital in Manchester, and was buried at Wesley's Chapel Cemetery. Hester taught in Grundy County schools for 29 years. Survivors included her husband Lois **Wooten**; a daughter, Marie; four sisters and three brothers.

*Parenthesis () denotes further research.

Humorous Genealogy Definitions

BABY = A new acorn on the family tree.

CEMETERY: (n) A marble orchard not to be taken for granite.

CUSSIN: what genealogists do when they can't find one.

FLOOR: (n) The place for storing your priceless genealogy records.

GENEALOGISTS: Time unravelers.

GENEALOGY: People collecting people!

GENEALOGY: Collecting dead relatives and sometimes a live cousin!

GENEALOGY: Tracing descent from someone who didn't.

DOCUMENTATION: the worst part of genealogy.

FAMILY HISTORY: a quilt work of lives.

KINSHIP: it's all relative!

RELATIVES: people who come to dinner who aren't friends.

RESEARCH: What I'm doing, when I don't know what I'm doing.

Grundy County Tennessee Special Census Records, 1850 - 1880, compiled by Charles A. Sherrill, Nashville, Tennessee, 1996. Used with permission.

This book gives an incredibly detailed account into the lives of Grundy Countians during the 1850's thru the 1880's. It shows not only the cash value of farm and livestock, but also who owned honey bees and who had a fruit orchard. A very interesting look into the family farm!

*unless otherwise noted, crops mentioned below are in bushels.

1850 Special Census (continued)

Parks, James- 114 improved acres; 141 unimproved acres; cash value of the farm, \$2000; horses, 4; asses & mules, 2; milch cows, 7; other cattle, 10; sheep, 24; swine, 100; value of livestock, \$750; wheat, 60; Indian corn, 1750; Irish potatoes, 37; value of home manufactures, \$10; value of animals slaughtered, \$15; rye, 25.

Parks, W[ashington]- improved acres, 60; unimproved acres, 60; cash value of farm, \$800; milch cows, 2; swine, 40; value of livestock, \$17; Indian corn, 200.

Braly, Leroy- improved acres, 60; unimproved acres, 73; cash value of farm, \$600; horses, 5; milch cows, 3; other cattle, 3; sheep, 11; swine, 45; value of livestock, \$346; wheat, 20; Indian corn, 500.

Braly, Joseph- horses, 1; milch cows, 1; swine, 15; value of livestock, \$70; Indian corn, 125; oats, 50; wool, 25.

Martin, Mary- improved acres, 22; horses, 1; milch cows, 2; other cattle, 2; swine, 16; value of livestock, \$78; wheat, 5; Indian corn, 400; wool, 25; peas & beans, 5; Irish potatoes, 20; sweet potatoes, 40; butter, 40; value of home manufactures, \$50; value of animals slaughtered, \$131; hay, 1 ton; grass seed, 5; wax/honey, 62 lbs.

Winton, James- improved acres, 200; unimproved acres, 4164; cash value of farm, \$3500; horses, 11; milch cows, 6; working oxen, 2; other cattle, 30; sheep, 40; swine, 200; value of livestock, \$1041; wheat, 20; Indian corn, 2500; oats, 100; peas & beans, 10; Irish potatoes, 10; value of home manufactures, \$15?; value of animals slaughtered, \$20.

Wooton, Jesse- improved acres, 180; unimproved acres, 90; cash value of farm, \$2330; horses, 7; milch cows, 10; working oxen, 2; other cattle, 26; sheep, 27; swine, 200; value of livestock, \$1045; wheat, 33; Indian corn, 2250; oats, 100; peas & beans, 5; Irish potatoes, 40; sweet potatoes, 50; butter, 50; value of home manufactures, \$28; value of animals slaughtered, \$45; cheese, 100 lbs.

Meadows, Hall C.- improved acres, 60; unimproved acres, 50; cash value of farm, \$500; horses, 3; milch cows, 5; working oxen, 2; other cattle, 11; sheep, 6; swine, 60; value of livestock, \$341; wheat, 45; Indian corn, 1000; Irish potatoes, 25; value of home manufactures, \$15; value of animals slaughtered, \$15; rye, 12; rice, 12 lbs.

Cunningham, B[enj.] B.-improved acres, 12; unimproved acres, 38; cash value of farm, \$25; horses, 1; milch cows, 3; other cattle, 1; sheep, 7; swine, 70; value of livestock, 150; Indian corn, 250; oats, 35; Irish potatoes, 25; sweet potatoes, 10; value of home manufactures, \$25; value of animals slaughtered, \$50.

Guesst, William- improved acres, 50; unimproved acres, 260; cash value of farm, \$600; horses, 3; asses & mules, 2; milch cows, 3; other cattle, 3; sheep, 18; swine, 96; value of livestock, \$364; wheat, 40; Indian corn, 750; oats, 30; wool, 6; Irish potatoes, 20; value of home manufactures, \$50; value of animals slaughtered, \$19. [NOTE: spelling of "Guesst" is from the book].

