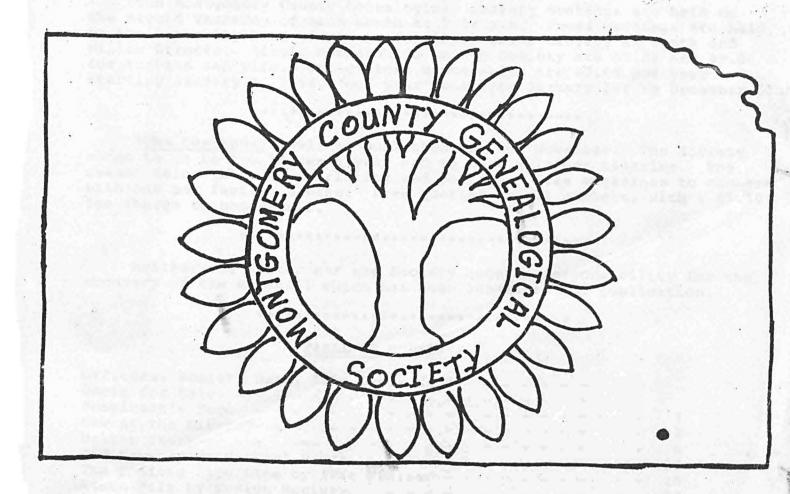
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NEWS FROM PRESIDENTS DESK

With this issue we begin publication of our <u>Descender</u> on a new schedule and in a new form. Due to a certain financial situation, we were forced to make some decisions; decisions that were not easy to make. We are now publishing twice a year (May and November) instead of four times a year. We also are printing a 40 page issue where before it was 30 pages. We appreciate <u>your</u> <u>patience</u> and <u>understanding</u> with us and this new schedule.

We'd like to ask our readers to send us their suggestions as to research topics as to what you'd like to see in print in our <u>Descender</u>. Also may I suggest that if some of you have some special report paper(s) of our area you could share with us that might be of interest to others we'd appreciate it very much!

One more special project is our card fild in our library. If you have roots here in Montgomery County we'd like you to send us a family ancestor chart so we can prepare cards for each family member. Many researchers check these when they come into our library and then contact the person doing the research. You might be surprised if you'd send us your ancestor chart.

Another item is a coming genealogy seminar here in Coffeyville on June 16. Check page 14 of this issue for details. And if you live within driving distance you'd enjoy coming to this seminar!

Our mailing address is:

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Herman Guy, President

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AN OLD NAMING PATTERN

The first son was named after the father's father. The second son after the mother's father. The third son after the father. The fourth son after the father's eldest brother.

The first daughter after the mother's mother. The second daughter after the father's mother. The third daughter after the mother. The fourth daughter after the mother's eldest sister.

The above naming system was usually called the "Dutch" system. The German system used a middle name as their 'everyday' name. Example: If father's name is John you could have sons by the names of John George and John Henry. Thus, they used the father's name as their first name and went by their middle name. Same went for the mother's: Anna Mary or Anna Helen (mother's name was Anna). Always try to identify initials and nicknames. Another point is that John the second did not always mean the son of John, but merely that the second might be a younger brother, cousin, uncle or nephew.

THE STUDY OF HISTORY WILL NEVER BECOME OBSOLETE, AND THE KNOWLEDGE OF ONE'S GRANDFATHERS IS AN EXCELLENT INTRODUCTION TO HISTORY. Maurice Samuel

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DALTON GENEALOGY

Since there has been considerable interest as well as confusion surrounding the "Dalton Gang" and the other members of the DALTON family, it was decided to include this DALTON article for those who are researching this line.

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THE DALTON GANG AND FAMILY

By

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1. The Gang

A lot has been written about the Dalton Gang, and much of what has been written is nonsense or purefiction. Early writers invented 'facts', and many of these 'facts' have been copied and repeated by later writers. The best book to date about the Daltons is - <u>Dalton Gang Days</u> by Frank F Latta (Bear State Books, Santa Cruz, California, 1976). Mr Latta repeatedly interviewed Emmett Dalton, the brother who survived the Coffeyville, Kansas, bank robbery attempt, Littleton Dalton, an older brother of the outlaws, and numerous lawmen who were involved in attempting to bring the Daltons to justice.

The Dalton Gang consisted of Robert, Gratton and Emmett Dalton, and various other men that rode with them when they robbed banks and trains. The entire outlaw career of the Gang lasted just a little over a year. The first robbery attempt was in Alila, California, in February 1891, and the Gang's activities ceased in October 1892 when they attempted to hold up two banks at the same time in Coffeyville, Kansas, Robert, Gratton and other gang members were killed in the Coffeyville raid. Emmett was badly injured; he received twenty bullet wounds. He was sentenced to life in prison.

Robert, Gratton, Emmett and an older brother, Frank, had all served as US Deputy Marshals out of Fort Smith, Arkansas. Frank was killed while trying to arrest whiskey runners. The other three turned to cattle and horse theft after Frank's death. When things got too hot in the mid-west over their cattle deals, they joined older brothers in California and then turned to more serious outlaw activities.

'Bill' Mason Dalton was the fourth of the Daltons to turn outlaw. After the Coffeyville raid he joined the Bill Doolin Gang. 'Bill' was killed 8 June 1894 when he tried to break out of a ring of US Marshals who had surrounded the cabin where he was staying near Ardmore, Indian Territory (Oklahoma).

There are several train and bank robberies that were clearly the work of the Dalton and Doolin Gangs. However, they were frequently accused of other crimes they obviously did not commit. Some authors have also connected the Daltons with the James and Younger Gang. The Daltons and the Youngers were cousins, but there was no relationship between the Daltons and the James boys. The James - Young band started their outlaw activities afterward. The Daltons were all too young to serve during the war and did not begin their activities until after the James - Younger Gang had all been killed, captured or surrendered. The Youngers were captured in September 1876 during an attempt to rob a bank in Northfield, Minnesota. Jesse James was killed 3 April 1882 by Bob Ford, a member of the Gang. Frank James surrendered to the Governor of Missouri shortly after Jesse's death. Frank was tried for crimes in two states but was acquitted. To further confuse the Dalton -James connections, a J Frank Dalton, age about 97, turned up in Lawton, Oklahoma, in 1948 claiming he was the real Jesse James, He claimed another outlaw, Charlie Bigelow, had been killed and passed off as Jesse. Dalton convinced many people of his claim and went on the lecture circuit. He died in Granbury, Texas, in 1951 and was buried as Jesse James.

2. The family of the Dalton Gang

The parents of <u>The Daltons</u> were James Lewis Dalton and Adeline Lee Younger. James Lewis Dalton was born in Montgomery County, Kentucky, in 1824 or 1826 and died in Montgomery County, Kansas, in 1890. He served in the Mexican War as a Fifer in Company I, 2nd Kentucky Infantry. He joined the army at Mount Sterling, Kentucky, 25 May 1846 and mustered out in New Orleans, Louisiana, 9 June 1847. He was fond of horses, horse trading and racing; he travelled all over the western United States and kept his family very poor with his racing activities. He married Adeline Lee Younger 12 March 1851 in Jackson County, Missouri. She was born there in 1836 and died in Kingfisher, Oklahoma, at age 92. Her parents were Charles and Sarah Younger. She was a sister (possible a half sister) to Henry Washington Younger, father of the Younger brothers who were part of the Jesse James Gang.

3. Children of Lewis and Adeline Dalton

<u>Charles Benjamin Dalton</u>, He was probably named from both grandfathers, Benjamin Dalton (more about this family later) and Charles Younger. He was born in Cass County, Missouri, 24 February 1853 and died Supply, Woodward County, Oklahoma, 16 March 1936. He owned and farmed land in Kingfisher County, Oklahoma. He never married.

(2) Louis Kossuth Dalton. He was named from a famous Austrian patriot. He died at the age of six or seven.

(3) <u>Henry Coleman Dalton</u>. He was named from brothers of both his mother and father (Coleman Younger and a brother of his father who died in Kentucky). He died in Kansas as the result of ulcers and heavy drinking. He never married. (4) Littleton Dalton. He was named from an uncle, Littleton Younger, who moved to Oregon. He lived in California and worked on ranches most of his life. He was born in Cass County, Missouri, in 1858 and died in 1942 in California. He never married.

(5) Franklin Dalton. He was born in Cass County, Missouri in 1859. He was commissioned Deputy US Marshal at Fort Smith in 1887 while trying to arrest whiskey runners. He married Naomi _____. He had no children.

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(6) <u>Mason Frakes 'Bill' Dalton</u> (some sources give the name as William Marion). He was named from an old southern farmer his father stayed with for a while in Missouri. 'Bill' was a nickname. He was born in Cass County, Missouri, in 1865 and died 8 June 1894 in Elk, Indian Territory, while resisting arrest. He was a well respected farmer and Politician in California. He served as the Democratic Central Committee Chairman in Merced County, California, and on a political committee near Estrella. He was not a member of the state legislature and he never ran for Governor of California as some authors have claimed. He was well known for his ability to tell almost any tale and make people believe it.

'Bill' married Jan Bliven in California and had two children, perhaps more. There were reports of another wife and son too, but these do not appear to have any validity. His children were Charles Coleman 'Chub', who reportedly married and had several children, and Gracie, who was somewhat crippled from an injury suffered in a fall. After 'Bill's' death his family returned to Merced, California. His widow married a man named Adams.

(7) Gratton Hanley Dalton. He was named from old Kentucky neighbours who were also probably relatives. He was born in Cass County, Missouri, in 1861 and died at Coffeyville, Kansas, 5 October 1892. He never married.

(8) <u>Robert Renwick 'Bob' Dalton</u>. He was named from a chaplain with General Jo Shelby of Civil War fame. He was born in Cass County, Missouri, in 1869 and died 5 October 1892 at Coffeyville. He never married. There are various tales about a girlfriend of Bob's who tapped telegraph lines to obtain information about trains with gold shipments. She supposedly died of cancer just before the Coffeyville raid. This story appears to be largely an invention of Emmett's, but it has been repeated widely.

(9) Emmett Dalton. He was named from an Irish orator, Robert Emmett. This has been cited as evidence of Irish ancestry by some authors, but there is no proof of any Irish connections. He was born in Cass County, Missouri, 3 May 1871 and died in California in 1936. He was sentenced to life imprisonment, but he was pardoned after serving almost 15 years. He married Julia Johnson Lewis of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, 1 September 1908. He moved to California and became a successful building contractor. He wrote two books about his outlaw days - Beyond the Law and When the Daltons Rode. Neither book is factual, and the two books reportedly do not agree with each other. He had no children.

(10) Eva May Dalton. She was born in Cass County, Missouri,

25 January 1867 and died at Kingfisher, Oklahoma, 27 January 1939. She married J R Whipples of Kingfisher. It is not known whether there were children of this marriage.

(11) <u>Leona Randolph Dalton</u>. She was born in Missouri in July 1875 and died at Kingfisher, Oklahoma, 18 April 1964. She never married. She worked as a dressmaker and seamstress.

(12) <u>Nancy 'Nannie' 'Nansie' Dalton</u>. She was born in Missouri 11 March 1876. She married _____ Clute. Nothing more is known about her.

(13) and (14) Simon Noel Dalton and twin sister. They were born in Missouri in 1879. The girl died at birth or shortly after. Several sources say Simon died young. However, Littleton said Simon served in the Phillipines in the Spanish American War, was discharged in California and returned to Kingfisher, Oklahoma.

Military records show Simon did serve in the Phillipines in the Hospital Corps for 3 years. In 1925 he was refused a disability pension because he had only minor medical problems. He was an oil field worker in 1925.

(15) <u>Unidentified</u>. Littleton says his mother bore 15 children and 10 were boys. The remaining child must have been a girl who died in infancy.

4. Grandparents and other relatives

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There has been considerable confusion about the parents of Lewis Dalton, father of the Dalton Gang. He frequently has been referred to as Lewis or James Lewis Jr, and this has led to the belief that his father was also Lewis. This idea probably stems, at least in part, from Charles Younger's will, which bequeaths 'to Adeline L. Dalton, wife of Lewis Dalton Jr. the tract of land, containing two hundred and ten acres on which said Dalton and wife now live in Cass Co. near Harrisonville.' The Jr was probably used to distinguish the younger Lewis from his Uncle Lewis Dalton who also lived in the vicinity.

Various records indicate that Lewis and Benjamin Dalton married sisters, Matilda and Nancy Rabourn, daughters of Henry Rabourn in Montgomery County, Kentucky. Henry Rabourn's will, probate of which was granted in May 1883, names daughters Nancy Dalton and Matilda Dalton and grandson Henry Milton Dalton. Lewis and Matilda Rabourn were married on 20 February 1821 in Montgomery County, Kentucky. Marriage records for Ben and Nancy have not been located, but her widow's pension application, filed in Belton, Missouri, 3 May 1879, states she is the widow of Benjamin Dalton and that they were married in Kentucky 16 April 1815. Benjamin died 15 January 1835 in Decatur County, Indiana. Lewis Dalton, age 79, and Henry M Dalton, age 57, appeared with Nancy to file her pension claim. Benjamin served in Captain Silvanus Massie's Company of Infantry, 2nd Regiment Kentucky Militia, during the War of 1812. Littleton Dalton stated his grandmother Dalton's name was Nancy, Lewis Jr had a sister named Nancy Emaline and Lewis and Adeline named one daughter Nancy also. Littleton stated that his grandmother, Nancy, often stayed with them and assisted his mother in caring for the large family while his father, Lewis, was gone racing and betting on his horses.

Further, Bible records of Henry Milton Dalton indicate he was the son of Lewis and Matilda Dalton and that he came to Missouri in 1841 with his parents, two sisters and two brothers. The Bible shows Henry is the oldest child. Sisters are Nancy and Ormilda, brothers Lewis and Gillom. The 1850 and 1860 censuses for Jackson County, Missouri, show this family, giving Armilda, James (probably James Lewis), and David G (David Gillom). The 1850 census shows a Nancy age 22 and James Helms age 30 in the Lewis Dalton household.

The census and Bible records make it clear Lewis and Matilda were not the parents of the Lewis Dalton that married Adeline Younger.

In 1860 a Nancy Dalton, age 47, born in Kentucky is shown as living with the family of William Chism in Jackson County, Missouri. This may be the grandmother of the Dalton Gang. If so, the age is recorded wrongly. She would have been about 67 at the time as she was 86 in 1879 when she filed for a pension.

Various sources indicate the birth place of Benjamin and Lewis Dalton was Virginia. The 1810 census for Pittsylvania County, Virginia, shows Ben Sr, Ben Jr and Lewis Dalton. By 1820, one Ben and Lewis have disappeared from census records in that county. Ben is shown on Estill County, Kentucky, tax list for the first time in 1812. By 1816 he is in Montgomery County, Kentucky. Lewis first appears on Montgomery County, Kentucky, tax list in 1821.

Littleton Dalton mentions two of his father's sisters and indicates that his father had other brothers and sisters. The sisters he named were Tillie Louis, probably, living in Missouri when the Daltons were, and Nancy Emaline who married Robert Noel. The Noels married in Kentucky and went to California in the 1859's. Both lived until past 80 years of age and both are buried at Lincoln, California. Littleton also said his brother Henry Coleman Dalton was named from brothers of both his mother and father, Coleman Younger and a brother of his father who died in Kentucky. This uncle must have been named Henry.

Notes to add to article.

1. Emmett Dalton's book BEYOND THE LAW, published in 1918 list as follows, "Our family, besides our parents, consisted of Ben, now a farmer in Oklahoma; Cole, now living in New Mexico; Louis, who is dead; Littleton, still a ranchman in California; Lelia, who is dead; Frank, who was killed while serving as a United States marshal; Grattan, who was killed in the Coffeyville, Kansas raid; William, a stock raiser in California, now deadEva, alive, Robert, who was also killed in Coffeyville; myself; Leona, also alive; Nammie (this is probably a Typo, probably should be Nannie) dead, and finally the twins Simon and Adeline, of whom Simon is still alive.

2.Military records at the National Archives show that Simon Dalton enlisted in the U.S. Army on 14 Nov. 1999 and served for three years in the Hospital Corps in the Phillipines. He was discharged in Dec 1902 at Camp Angel Island, Calif. In Sept, 1925 he filed for a disability pension. Pension claim was rejected because he had only minor medical problems. His residence at the time of the pension application was Lincoln, Co. Ok. His profession; oilfield worker.

Another researcher says Simon died in 1927 when his car collided with a train at a R. R. crossing.

3. Nannie married Chales Clute and died Dec. 27, 1901 complications of a smallpox vaccination. She had one son Roy Clute.

4. Information recently received from another researcher identifies the children of Ben and Nancy Rabourn Dalton as follows: a. Jesse W. Dalton m. Nancy Smith. (I have other information on this couple and their children. Both Jesse and Nancy were born in Tenn and I do not think he is one of Ben's children as Littleton Dalton (DALTON GANG DAYS) said all were born in Montgomery Co. Ky.

b. James Lewis Dalton m. Adaline Younger c. Sarah

d. Matilda "Aunt Tilley" m. Lewis (Louis)

e. Nancy Emeline m. Noel

f. Agnes m. William Chis (Nancy Dalton in this household in 1860 census.

g. Henry.

Our thanks to Nancy B. Samuelson for her permission for the use of the above article. Anyone with additional information concerning this DALTON line, may contact Ms. Samuelson, whose address can be found at the beginning of this article, or may correspond with either this Society or the Coffeyville Historical Society, P.O. Box 656, Coffeyville, KS 67337, which maintains the Dalton Defenders Museum.

Researching Old Newspapers

by Carl Rauch

Among the articles included in our review of local newspapers should include an obituary. This particular one concerns the death -- and life -- of one of the most respected persons in early day Coffeyville. The treatment and care given to this obituary by the editor of The Coffeyville Daily Journal on 2 June 1925 may be read as follows:

REV.SPEAR PASSES INTO GREAT BEYOND

COFFEYVILLE'S GRAND OLD MAN SUCCUMBED EARLY LAST NIGHT

Veteran Minister Had Been Resident of Vicinity Forty-four Years and Had Ministered to Thousands of People.

Rev. Harvey Veech Spear, Coffeyville's grand old man, is dead. The veteran minister, known to thousands here as "Father" Spear, passed away at his home, 205 West Seventh street, at 9:15 o'clock last night following a critical illness of six weeks.

At the bedside when he passed away were his wife and daughter, Mrs. Lurena Griffith of Tulsa, Okla., the only child, and intimate friends who had known that the end was not far distant.

The funeral services will be conducted under the auspices of the Ministerial Alliance in the First Methodist

Episcopal church at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Dr. W. W. Smith, former pastor of the local First Presbyterian church, at present in charge of the financial interests in Presbyterian educational work, with headquarters in Chicago, who was a close personal friend of the deceased, will deliver the principal eulogy, and the five pastormembers of the Alliance will speak briefly of their departed co-laborer in the work of the Kingdom. They are:

Rev. H. O. Holter, pastor of the First Methodist ichurch; Rev. Earl Riney, pastor of the First Baptist church; Rev. Lin D. Cartwright, pastor of the First Christian church; Rev. Arthur B. Miller, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and Rev. Elzie P. Freeman, pastor of the First United Brethren church.

The remains will be removed from the Cash-Jarvis funeral home to the family home at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning and will lie in state until a short time before the hour of the funeral service.

Members of the Alliance stressed today the hope that owners of motor cars would place their cars at the disposal of the great number of persons who will wish to accompany the remains to their final resting place in Elmwood cemetery.

Failing for Months

A telegram received late today announced the coming .tomorrow of F. H. Conroy of Easton, Ill., the only brother of Mrs. Spear. He is due to arrive here at 2:15.0'clock tomorrow afternoon.

"Father" Spear had been in feeble health for five years. The disabilities of advanced age developed to a

marked degree some seven months ago and since that time he was affected by serious attacks from which it was feared he would not recover.

His fatal illness had its inception the latter part of last April and since April 25, when he made his last trip downtown, he had been confined to his home and most of the time to his bed.

But despite the infirmities of age the veteran minister continued to break the bread of life and be of service to his fellowmen as long as he was physically able to respond to the many calls for his service. From August, 1923, to August 1924, he conducted twenty-six funeral services, at most of which he was forced to officiate while sitting in a chair, and conducted many similar services and a number of marriages since that time.

Rev. Spear was born at Alton, Ill., April 28, 1845, the son of Louis Perry Spear and Lurene Stowe Spear, the second oldest of a family of six boys and one girl. Surviving of this family are two brothers, C. E. Spear, an attorney of the St. Petersburg, Florida, bar, and J. S. Spear, long connected with the Indian service, of Wagoner, S. Dakota, who has visited here several times, and the sister, Mrs. Catherine Spear Hadfield of Milwaukee, Wis.

Teacher and Preacher

He attended the common schools at Alton and finished his schooling in the Alton Academy, from which he was graduated and awarded a license to teach school at the age of 17. About the same time he was licensed to preach the gospel in the Methodist Episcopal church.

For a number of years he served the people of his home community in his dual capacity as minister of the gospel and a teacher in the rural schools, increasing his efficiency in both callings and laying the foundation of a useful life that later reached its full fruition in this community.

It was while teaching a country school near Mason City, Illinois, that he met her who was to be his companion and helpmate through all the changing years.

Married Fifty Years Miss Kate A. Conroy, an orphan girl, was living at home of her uncle, A. Thompson, a director of the school, with whom the teacher borarded. For two years she attended the school and was one of Rev. Spear's pupils. Their companion ship ripened into love and they were married during a school term, when she was 16 and he 29, at Mason City, on December 24, 1874.

On the day before last Christmas they celebrated in a quiet way in their home here their golden wedding anniversary, marking the close of their fiftieth years of married life.

It was in the capacity of teacher that Rev. Spear began his service in this community. This was in 1881, soon after his arrival from Illinois, when he became principal of the old Butler school, situated near what is now the Morton church, six miles northeast of Coffeyville.

Was a Circuit Rider

During his principalship of this school he began to preach in the neighboring churches and school buildings of the community, and continued to combine the two callings for several years.

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His first regular assignment as a minister here was on the Coffeyville circuit of the Methodist denomination. For several years he made the periodical trips of a circuit rider, preaching regularly at the Snow Hill, Parker, Richland, Emmons, James, East Brown and Butler churches. His last regular appointment was shortly over fifteen years ago.

Sensing the need of a spiritual center on the growing east side of this city, Rev. Spear established a mission at 902 East Eighth street, which he conducted as an adjunct of the Methodist Protestant church for about eight years, in which service occurred many incidents that formed the pleasing recollections of his declining years.

This church building, once the scene of great spiritual demonstrations in the Master's kingdom, later passed into other hands and a few months ago was converted into a residence and is now a private home.

Married and Buried Thousands During his forty-four years in this community,

Rev. Spear came to occupy a very near and dear place in the hearts of those with whom he came in contact. He presided at their birth, joined their hands in holy wedlock, brought words of solace and comfort in the hours of bereavement, and lived before them the white, clean, virtuous life of a Godly man.

Estimates are that he performed a thousand wedding ceremonies and officiated at as many funerals in this community during his service here. The men and women and children that he led to the ways of righteousness

would form an innumerable host. Many men converted under his ministry are now occupying pulpits and perpetuating the work of evangelizing the world, while others are toiling in the Master's vinyard in foreign missionary fields. Not a few men who learned the "three Rs" under his tutelage in the schoolroom now occupy commanding positions in the business world.

For nearly fifteen years Rev. Spear conducted a soap agency here, and when not confined to his home by the disabilities of advancing age or performing some service for a friend, he could usually be found in his "office," as he called it, in front of or in the stairway adjoining the Belt Brothers store. Many halted there to buy his wares and to converse with the kindly old man whose day was approaching the sunset.

Frequently he would occupy the pulpits of the local churches, whose pastors would invite him to take their places before their congregations. The last such sermon was to a large congregation in the First Baptist church, at the request of Rev. Earl Riney, four months ago.

Honored by Special Day

Rev. Spear was a member of the local Ministerial Alliance, although because of failing health he had been unable to attend any of the meetings for months. While his leanings were always toward the Methodist faith, he was charitable in his views of the faith of others, and he enjoyed the love and confidence of fellow pastors of all faiths.

Their appreciation of the aged minister was so pronounced that nine years ago the members of the alliance authorized the observance of "Father Spear day," which has been observed by all the churches each year, usually on October 10, since.

When able to do so, the aged minister would occupy the pulpit of one of the churches on "Father Spear day," and always the attendance would reflect the high esteem in which he was held. On this day donations were made at all of the churches for the superannuated minister.

"Father" Spear also enjoyed conducting an "Old Folks' day" service annually, these services of recent having been held in the First United Brethren church. In these services the old order was carried out, there being no musical instrument and the hymns being "lined." The attendance always was large, the aged and infirm being transported to and from the church.

> REV.SPEAR FUNERAL 3 June 1925 BEING HELD TODAY

Funeral Services for Venerable Minister Began at 3 o'Clock, Rev. Smith Preaching.

Funeral services for Rev. Harvey Veech (Father) Spear, who died at his home here late Wednesday, began in the First Methodist Episcopal church at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Dr. W. W. Smith of Chicago, former pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and a lifelong friend of the deceased, was delivering the principal eulogy at press

time, and was assisted in the services by the pastor members of the local Ministerial Alliance.

Long before the hour set for the service great numbers of friends of the deceased began to arrive and when the service started the auditorium and balcony of the church were packed.

F. H. Conroy, brother of Mrs. Spear, arrived from Easton, Ill., for the services at 2:15 this afternoon. Here for the service from Tulsa were Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Griffith, Mrs. R. R. Griffith and Mrs. G. A. Griffith

Heritage Quest Road Show

<u>Coffeyville, KS</u> - On <u>Thursday, June 16, 1988</u>, the <u>Montgomery County</u> <u>Genealogical Society will present Leland K. Meitzler and Bill Dollarhide</u>. Mr. Meitzler is the Managing Editor of *Heritage Quest Magazine*, and co-founder of Heritage Quest, The International Genealogy Forum. A colorful, gregarious genealogist, Mr. Meitzler speaks about many little-known genealogical research sources and techniques. Mr. Dollarhide is the author of *Map Guides to the U.S. Federal Census*, the *Dollarhide System* and *Family Research Manager* computer software. He is also a contributing editor of *Heritage Quest Magazine*. Meitzler and Dollarhide lecture about using the Federal and State censuses, organizing family data, little-used genealogical resources, numbering systems and computer use in genealogy.

> Location: <u>Cofferville Public Library - Meeting Rm.</u> 311 W. 10th (10th & Spruce), <u>Cofferville, KS</u>

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Fcc: NONE

THE PRAIRIE PIPE LINE COMPANY (Continue from November 1987 issue) By Ivan Pfalser

DUTTON, Thomas C. Born June 22nd, 1885, at Ellicottville, New York. Had irregular service with The Prairie Oil & Gas Company and Ohio Oil Company from September 1st, 1906, to November 1st, 1914, in various capacities. Entered service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company November 1st, 1914, as Engineer. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company, in same capacity. June 1st, 1916, promoted to Gauger and ahs acted in that capacity to present time in F.D. No. 5. Continuous service date November 1st, 1914.

DYER, Ephraim F. Born April 15th, 1883, at Huntington, West Virginia. Entered service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company in 1905 and continued until 1907 when he left the service of his own accord. Entered service of The Prairie Pipe Line Company June 15th, 1916, as Laborer on Northern Division and has since acted in the capacity of Assistant Foreman on Northern Division. Continuous service date June 15th, 1916.

EDDY, John T. Born February 22nd, 1874, at Negaunce, Michigan. Entered service of the Company May 26th, 1918, as Telegrapher in General Office at Independence, Kansas, and has been in service up to present time. Continuous service date May 26th, 1918.

EIHENBARY, Van Allen Born October 1st, 1893, at Climax Springs, Missouri. Entered service of the Company February 1st, 1918, as Telegrapher in General Office at Independence, Kansas, and has been in service up to present time. Continuous service date February 1st, 1918.

EHEY, Otis T. Born November 20th, 1873, at Masterton, Ohio. Entered service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company August 12th, 1912, as Laborer in F.D. No. 6. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company, in the same capacity. May 1st, 1918, promoted to Assistant Gauger. August 15th, 1918, promoted to Gauger in F.D. No. 6 and at present is acting in that capacity. Continuous service date August 12, 1912

ELDER, Thomas E. Born March 14th, 1883, at Cumberland, Ohio. Had service with The Prairie Oil & Gas Company; Indiana Pipe Line Company; Ohio Oil Company; Southern Pipe Line Company; National Transit Company and Eureka Pipe Line Company from June 1st, 1904, to November 15th, 1911, when he entered the service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company as Laborer. July 16th, 1912, promoted to Gauger. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company, in the same capacity. May 1st, 1918, promoted to Connection Foreman on Texas Division. September 1st, 1919, promoted to District Foreman of F.D. No. 27. Continuous service date June 1st, 1904.

The Prairie Pipe Line (Continue)

ELLINWOOD, William D. Born November 5th, 1889, at Lyon, Kansas. Entered service of teh Company February 1st, 1918, as Laborer in F.D. No. 2. April 1st, 1918, promoted to Truck Driver. May 22nd, 1918, to July 1st, 1919, had service in the United States Army. Reentered service of the Company July 1st, 1919, as Truck Driver and at present is acting in that capacity in F.D. No. 2. Continuous service date February 1st, 1918.

ELLIOTT, George R. Born January 11th, 1883, at St. Charles, Missouri. Entered service of the Company November 17th, 1917, as Laborer in F.D. No. 3, and is acting in that capacity at present time. Continuous service date November 17th, 1917.

ELLIS, Anderson Born March 6th, 1860, at Lingo, Missouri. Entered service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company February 26th, 1905, as Laborer on Northern Division. June 24th, 1905, promoted to Tour Engineer. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company, in the same capacity, and has been in service to present time. Continuous service date February 26th, 1905.

ENGLISH, Jesse T. Born September 20th, 1884, at Isabel, Illinois. Entered service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company October 1st, 1908, as Civil Engineer at Independence, Kansas. October 1st, 1914, transferred to Kansas City Office, in the same capacity. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company as Division Engineer at Kansas City Office. September 1st, 1926, promoted to Superintendent of Maintenance on Northern Division and is acting in that capacity at present time. Continuous service date October 1st, 1908.

ERICKSEN, Chris Jr., Born October 9th, 1890, in Denmark. Entered service of the Company January 1st, 1916, as Engineer and has been in continuous service since that time, at present acting in that capacity in F.D. No. 3. Continuous service date January 1st, 1916.

ERICKSON, Chris, Sr. Born May 31st, 1865, in Denmark. Had broken service with National Transit Company and Penn-Mex Fuel Company from August 3rd, 1894, to December 1st, 1914, when he severed his connection with the latter company, of his own accord. Entered the service of The Prairie Pipe Line Company May 1st, 1915, as Machinist on Southern Division and continued in that capacity until January 1st, 1925, when he was retired from active service and placed on the Annuity Pay Roll of this Company. Continuous service date May 1st, 1915.

ERICKSEN, William T. Born February 2nd, 1894, at Warren, Pennsylvania. Entered service of the Company December 1st, 1916, as Machinist on Southern Division and has continued in that capacity up to present time. Continuous service date December 1st, 1916.

The Prairie Pipe Line (Continue)

ERWIN, Edward L. Born May 10th, 1884, at Las Animas, Colorado. Entered service of the Prairie Oil & Gas Company September 12th, 1912, as Laborer. December 1st, 1914, promoted to Assistant Tour Engineer on Northern Division. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company, in the same capacity. June 1st, 1916, promoted to Tour Engineer and has acted in that capacity to present time. Continuous service date September 12th, 1912.

EVANS, William F. Born August 19th, 1884, at Lafayette, Indiana. Entered service of the Company May 1st, 1917, and has since been employed as Laborer, Gauger and at present is Truck Driver in F.D. No. 3. Continuous service date May 1st, 1917.

FAHSHOLTZ, Walter S. Born April 27th, 1885, at Seneca, Kansas. Entered service of Cherokee Oil & Gas Company September 1st, 1904, as Steam Engineer and continued with that Company until December 15th, 1906. Entered Service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company January 1st, 1907, as Laborer. July 1st, 1907, promoted to Fireman. December 16th, 1907, promoted to Assistant Gauger. September 11th, 1911, promoted to Gauger. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company, in the same capacity, and has been inservice up to present time in F.D. No. 5. Continuous service date January 1st, 1907.

FALCONER, Ralph E. Born November 2nd, 1897, at Springfield, Missouri. Entered service of the Company June 9th, 1917, as Laborer. August 1st, 1917, to October 1st, 1919, had service with United States Army. Reentered service of the Company October 1st, 1919, as Machinist on Southern Division and is acting in that capacity at present time. Continuous service date June 9th, 1917.

FANNON, Martin E. Born August 31st, 1886, at Warrensburg, Missouri. Entered service of the Company March 20th, 1917, as Clerk in General Office at Independence, Kansas. January 23rd, 1918, promoted to Division Superintendent's Clerk, Ardmore, Oklahoma. October 1st, 1919, appointed Chief Clerk at Tulsa, Office and Assistant to General Superintendent, in which capacity he is acting at the present time. Continuous service date March 20, 1917.

FEHSENFELD, Fred C. Born April 18th, 1892, at St. Louis, Missouri. Entered service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company March 1st, 1913, as Laborer on Northern Division. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company as Pipe Machine Operator. Since February 1st, 1919, has been employed as Engineer-Operator, Assistant Engineer and at present is Engineer in F.D. No. 9. Continuous service date March 1st, 1913. FERGUSON, Charles A. Born December 25th, 1897, at Watertown, Ohio. Entered service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company February 21st, 1914, as Laborer. December 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company as Timekeeper. Since January 1st, 1920, has been employed as Gauger, Laborer and Timekeeper in various districts, at present time being Timekeeper in F.D. No. 31. Continuous service date February 21st, 1914.

FERGUSON, Edward F. Born September 21st, 1866, at Watertown, Ohio. Entered service of The Prairie Oil & Gas Company March 3rd, 1911, as Laborer. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company as Fireman. September 18th, 1917, promoted to Engineer. Since August 14th, 1920, has been employed as Laborer, Fireman, Assistant Engineer, Engineer and at present is Laborer in F.D. No. 22. Continuous service date March 3rd, 1911.

Missouri. Entered service of the Company March 6th, 1917, as Operator. january 1st, 1918, transferred to The Prairie Oil & Gas Company as Stock Gauger. February 1st, 1921, reentered service of The Prairie Pipe Line Company as Laborer. April 21st, 1912, promoted to Operator and has continued in that capacity to date, at present time being located in F.D. No. 3. Continuous service date March 6th, 1917.

FILKINS, Leland E. Born October 16th, 1899, at Independence, Kansas. Entered service of The Prairie Oil & Cas Company July 16th, 1913, as Clerk in General Office, Independence, Kansas, and February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company in the same capacity, continuing until August 31st, 1915, when he resigned of his own accord. Reentered service of the Company August 4th, 1916, as Clerk in General Office and at present time is acting in that capacity. Continuous service date August 4th, 1916.

FISHER, Ira S. Born April 19th, 1880, in Accomac County, Virginia. Entered service of the Company July 11th, 1918, as Operator on Northern Division and has continued in that capacity up to present time. Continuous service date July 11th, 1918.

FITZPATRICH, William V. Born July 9th,1888, at Bradford, Pennsylvania. Entered service of Indiana Pipe Line Company March 1st, 1905, as Linewalker. Entered service of the Prairie Oil & Gas Company July 3rd, 1906, as Engineer. March 11th, 1907, to December 13th, 1911, classed as Operator. December 13th, 1911, promoted to Gauger. February 1st, 1915, transferred to The Prairie Pipe Line Company, in the same capacity. May 1st, 1920, promoted to Foreman of Gaugers at Chanute, Kansas, and has been in service up to present time. Continuous service date March 1st, 1905. Marriages from early Coffeyville newspapers from Carl Rauch file at the Library

by Evelyn Henisey

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Howard Ross	4 Sept 1895
Fitzsimmons Ral	ph 16 Oct 1895
Coffey Reno	22 Jan 1876
Nickle John D	4 Feb 1882
Andrews Ellen	15 Feb 1879
Jesson Wm	3 Sept 1881
Jesson Mary J	2 Sept 1876
Keller Margaret	S 20 Nov 1880
McElmore Ida	16 Sept 1896
Smith Cora	12 Nov 1894
Graybeal D S	29 Mar 1895
Donahue Albert	14 Feb 1895 ·
Driskill Sadie H	E 6 Jan 1883
Bump Henry C	9 Sept 1882
Hoobler Jacob	6 Dec 1879
Geyer Isaac	10 Feb 1883
Ridil Artmellia	30 Mar 1878
Cole Fred	3 Aug 1896
Bernard Joseph	25 Sept 1894
Grisham R C	3 Jan 1896
Wilson Melinda	29 April 1876
Shaw John	11 Feb 1895
Gaston Thomas	23 Oct 1896
Gilliland David	
Dungan Lue A	30 Jan 1894
Prager Williard	
Eshbach Charles	
Roberts Jacob	15 Nov 1894
Newcomb Mary	6 Oct 1883
Opdyke Mattie	9 Oct 1895
Elliott Mr	15 Feb 1879
Nairn Dr	6 Oct 1883
Lewis Anna	24 Sept 1881
Holliday R	3 Nov 1877
Cook Ellen	24 May 1879

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Nickle John Nippers Barbara Noble Nora Noblett Frances Noblett Maggie Norman Wiley Norris John W O'Byrne Carrie Oedder D S Ogden Nora Oakes Cary Olinger Charles Oliver Walter Olney Nellie Opdyke Mattie Orb Luella Otis WM Overfield Agnes Overholt Rosey Overly Mary A Owens Margaret Padon William Page Daisy Page Elizabeth Parker Benjamin Parker James Parker Wm Parks Ollie Parks James Patterson Frank Paul Bell Paxton Clair Pearson Henry Pearson Lucy Pedrie Kate Peffer Nellie Peffer Winnie A Peffer Chas

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COUNTRY SCHOOLS By Carol Duvall

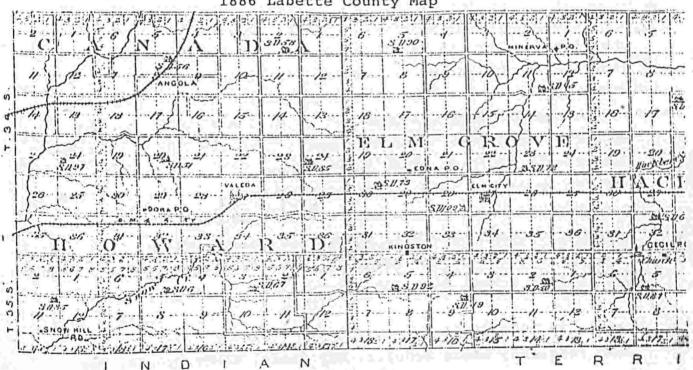
I have chosen this time to record some information on two schools and other tidbits in Labette Coutny. Many of the families in Labette County came on into Montgomery County, as well as others doing business in Parker and later on in Coffeyville.

KINGSTON---1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of Edna, became a stage stop on the early stage line.

RIPTON----2 miles east and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of Edna was also on that route from Baxter Springs.

Ripon Inn, was the stage couch stopping place for many years.

- DORA-----7 miles west and 1 south, near Montgomery Co. line was a post office.
- SNOW HILL--Located in S.W. corner of Labette County, was a Post Office location.



1886 Labette County Map

I hereby vertify that I have examined the above Map of Labette County and the towns connected therewith, prepared for Everts & Co.'s State Atlas, and find them carefully and correctly compiled.

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SNOW HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT #35 copied from Education as we knew it by Mrs. Onas McKee

Located 8 miles west and $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles south of Edna, this district was organized July 9th, 1869, (and embraced a tract of land in the southwest corner of Osage Township,) part of district lying in Montgomery County. The first election was held at the house of A.W. Cook, and the petition sent to the Labette County Commissioners.

Due to part of the district being enclosed in the boundaries of Montgomery County, the petition for a school district was disallowed. Since there were not enough children in the area of the district remaining in Labette County to warrant a school order, the matter was dropped. In 1878 a new district was formed in the southwest corner of Howard Township and given the same name and number. The first officers of the new district were: William Mabrey--Director, W.S. Getzandaner--Clerk, and W.B. Roberts, Treasurer. Mr. Mabrey was a director of this district for 14 years.

A storehouse was purchased at Parker, Kansas and moved out to the district for its first school house. Nothing further is shown in the histories concerning District #35, until 1885, when there must have been a reorganization of the first term in the new building being taught by Miss Ada Warren in the winter of 1885-1886. School records from the County Courthouse show that a Mr. D.A. Shobe taught Snow Hill from October 17, 1881 to March 3rd 1882 at \$30.00 per month. W.E. Rammel and E.T. Rutherford taught in this school. Perhaps the last teacher to teach Snow Hill School was Luzema Coleman 1960-1961, at which time the Snow Hill District #35 was consolidated with Valeda School District #51.

Puplis in 1903-1904:

John Ferguson, Lenna Schultz, May Sands, Elmer Speece, May Ferguson, Ella Tipton, <u>Girl</u>? Shultz, <u>Boy</u>? Shultz, Claude Childress, Ed Sands, Frank Ferguson, Laura Tipton, Pearl Speece, Cladys Walton, Lena Stewart, and Mabel Harrington, Teacher.

MC KENNON SCHOOL DISTRICT #97

from

Education as we knew it by Mrs. Onas McKee

McKennon School District #97 was located 8 miles west and 2/3 miles north of Edna, in teh northwestern part of Howard Township, and was formed March 11, 1873.

The first meeting was held April 10, 1873 but not until 1880 was a school organized and a log cabin built on the northeast corner of what is known as the Jas. McIntyre farm, on the bluff just across Little Deer Creek.

Twelve years later, when they built a new frame building. the location was chaged to make the school closer to the center of teh district.

Mr. Milligan, owner of the farm on which the new school building was located, donated an acre of land in the northwest corner of his farm for the building.

Some of the early day teachers were Hattie H. Smith, Maggie Newcomb, Mrs. Ellen Martin and many others. The last teachaer to hold classes at McKennon School was Vesta Jo Morre, 1951-1952. McKennon School District #97 became a part of Valeda School District #51 in 1953.

Students attending in 1917-1918:

Thelma Roberts, Fern Beair, Libby Roberts, Lloyd Beair, Elmer McIntyre, Earl Beair, Troy Robbins, Clifford Clark, Cecil Robbins, Vella Polk, Rosia Robbins, Opal McIntyre, Olive McIntyre, Esther Polk. Teacher: Orville Dungan.

W. S. Rentfro Story Submitted by Lola Stout

Farmer, P O Oak Valley, was born in Menard County, Illinois, where he lived until 1849, when he migrated to Iowa, locating in Keokuk County. Enlisted inJune 1861, in the First Iowa Cavalry, serving three years. In 1866, he imigrated to Kansas, locating in Cherokee County, and took a claim. Was among the very first of the settlers in that county, and was 160 miles from Kansas City, the nearest railroad point at that time. In 1870 he located near Elk City, in Montgomery County, taking a claim before this county was organized, and teh Indians collected a tax of \$2 to \$3 per annum of each of the settlers. After improving his place and living there five years, he sold out and bought a farm in Longton Township, Elk County, on Section 27, Town 31 Range 13. Has his place improved, has one of the best orchards in the county and raises a large amount of fryers and raises stock. His farm is well watered by Elk River with timber for shelter. Was commissioner of the township. He settled in Montgomery County and has held the office of Justice of the Peace for several terms. Was married, in 1858 at Martinsburg, Iowa to Mary E. William. They have one son C.A.



HELPFUL HINT

HOW TO DETERMINE MAIDEN NAMES

It is usually easier to trace the male lines than the female. This is because of the laws and traditions which reduce a woman to that of almost a possession of her husband. And while there are often various records which may help us to determine a maiden name, there is one document which is by far the most important in this regard. It is the deed or property record.

As an average, a couple usually bought land six times in their life time. Then there should be six deeds or records of this conveying of land ownership. Typically, there are four signatures on each deed which represent the witness to thiw event or legal instrument. Tradition says that the signature of the first two witnesses will probably be from the husband's side of the family and that the last two signatures will be from the wife's side of the family.

Hence, if the researcher will make note of all the individuals who sign on the deeds, he will usually find a clue to the wife's maiden name. While this is not positive proof, it is nevertheless a good tool. And with this information, a researcher can often search supportive records, such as probates, plat maps, etc., and determine if in fact this is the maiden name of the wife.

This principal works about ninety percent of the time in the colonial period and the early federal period. It begins to become less effective after the Civil War with the advent of the railroad and the moving of people rapidly across the country, often away from their families.

However, in the earlier pre-railroad days, most families usually traveled together to find new land. This is also true of entire church groups and towns.

If we don't know where an individual comes from, we may find out where in the first sentence of the 1st deed in the new locality.

Taken from "The Compendium of Historical Facts" by Ronald A. Bremer.

NO BIBLES WERE PRINTED IN THE COLONIES PRIOR TO REVOLUTIONARY WAR:

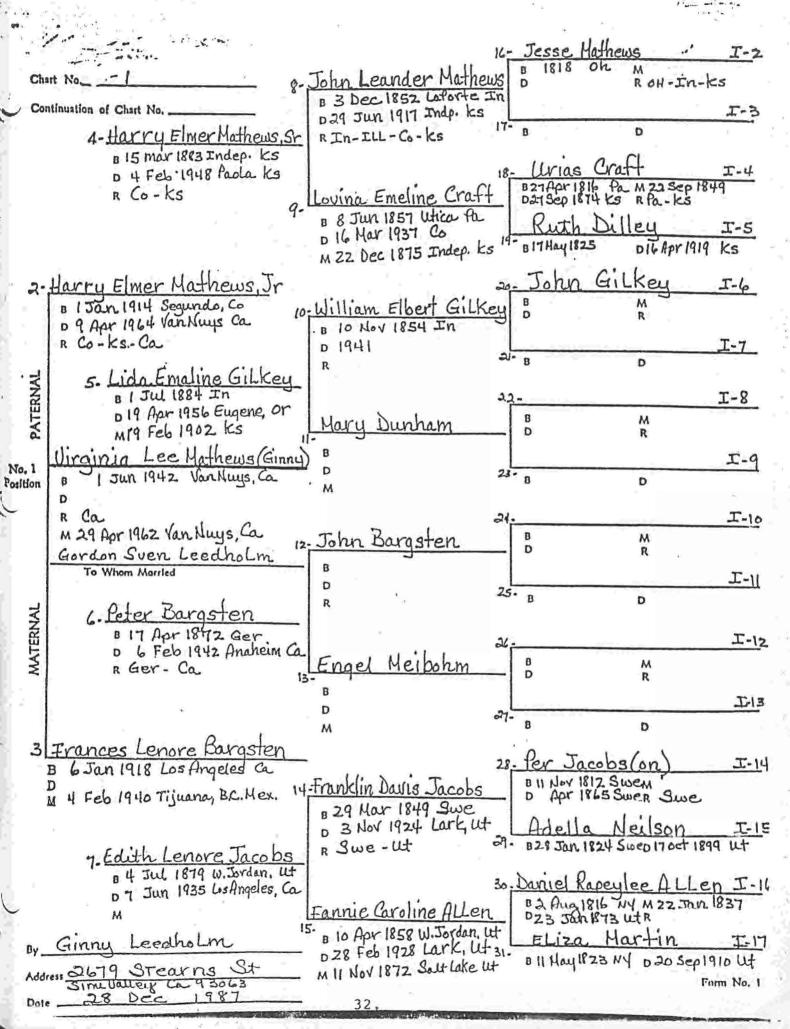
Reading in the "Annals of Augusta County (Virginia 1726-1871) By JOSEPH A. WADDELL, a member of the Virginia Historical Society.

In the year of 1783-1784 a large party of Augusta people removed to KENTUCKY. All rode horses and upon other horses were placed the farming and cooking utensils, beds and bedding, wearing apparel, provisions and last but not least the libraries consisting of two Bibles (according to one ladies account of the trip) a half dozen Testaments, the cathechism, the confession of Faith of the Presbyterian Church and Psalm of David. Each man carried his rifle and ammunition and each woman her pistol for their journey was mostly through wilderness and infested by savages.

Bibles were costly in those days. During colonial times the printing of the English version (of Bibles) was prohibited (in the 13 colonies by English government) and a heavy duty was laid on copies of the Bible imported. The only copies of the scriptures that were printed in the colonies were Eliots Indian and Luther's German Bibles.

A recent writer remarked that Congress today would be rather surprised at a proposition that it should print an edition of the Bible. Yet such a proposition was made in a memorial by Dr. Francis Allison of Philadelphia, Presbyterian minister on which a special congressional committee made a report in The report was adverse chiefly on the grounds of 1777. expense. The decision was reached after a conference with printers that instead of printing in the Colonies (not yet the USA) of advancing money to import type and printing this Bible that the committee on commerce should order 20,000 Bibles from Holland or Scotland or elsewhere. In 1782 Congress was asked to approve of an American Edition of the Bible. William White and George Duffield, Chaplains of Congress made a reporting of the work of the committee.

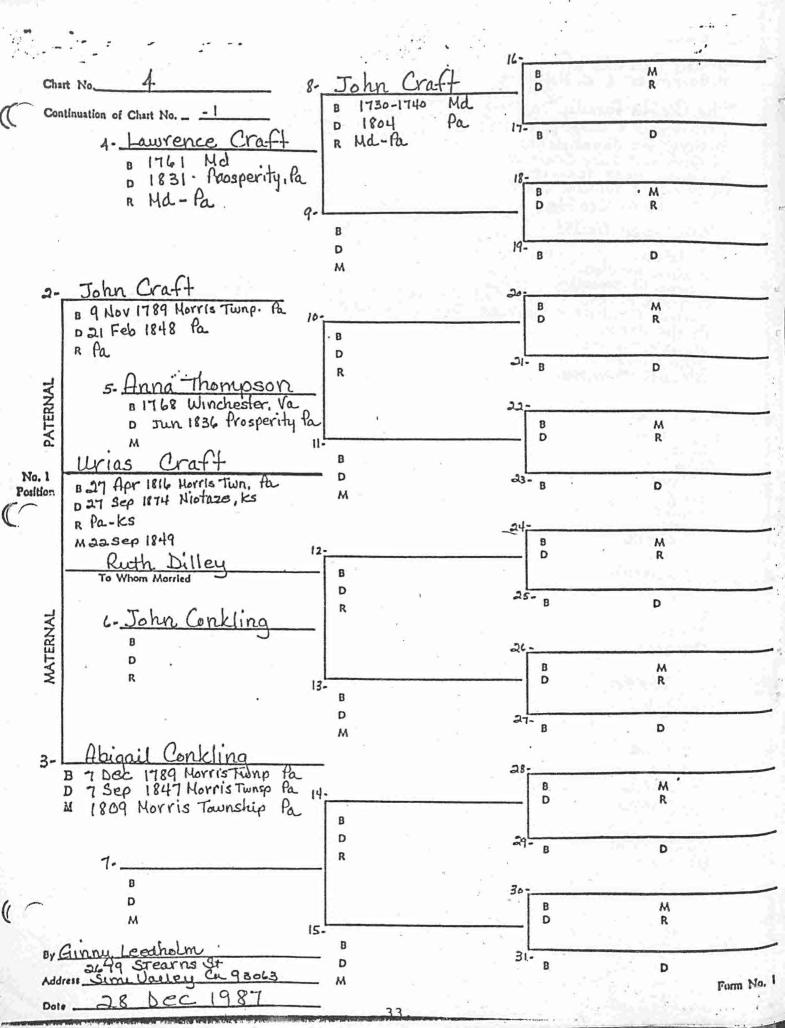
So because of the above reasons few of our ancestors in the early Colonial days owned Bibles and should you have an ancestor who did own a Bible during that time, it was probably printed in England, Holland or Scotland.

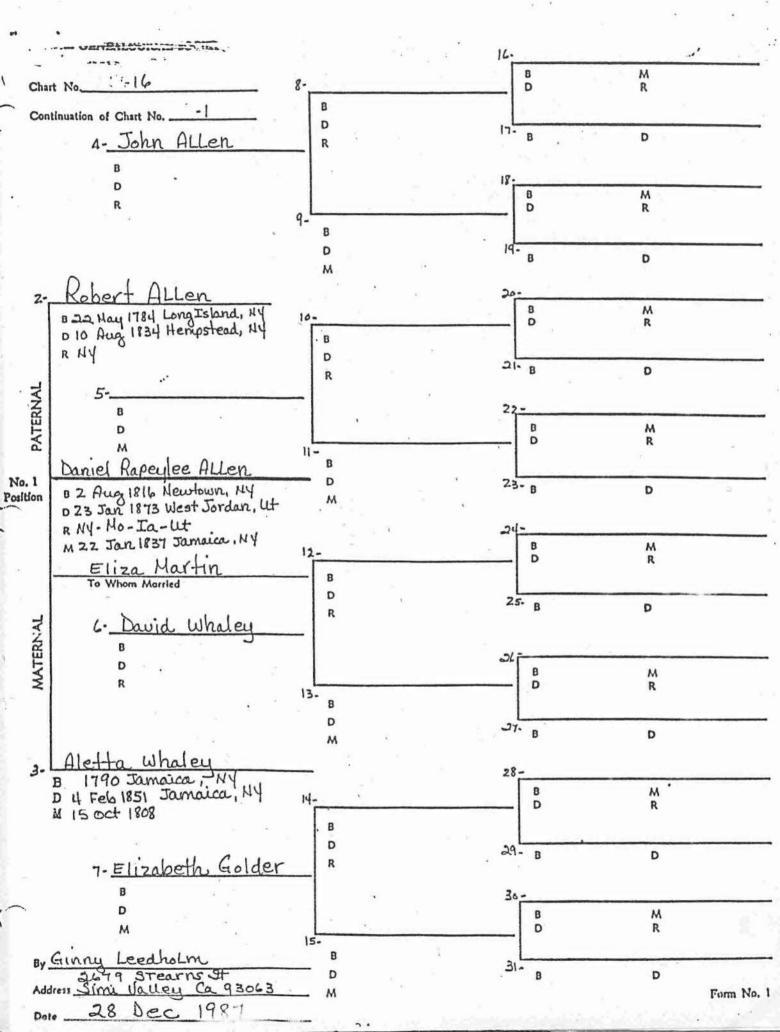


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When Gordon was born he was named Sven. ake Guron Weinberg! The family left Sweden for Canada arriving in Vancouver British Columbia in 1951. After living there for about 5 yrs, they moved to Los Angeles Calif. he has 2 susters? In 1964 Gordon became a us Citizen and 3 brothers. The family had decided, that when they became citizens they would change their last name back to a more Scandinavian sounding name. The chose LEED for the town they come from Lidings and the Holm for Stock holms. Gordon's grandtather was a very important business man in Sweden with a very common name "Johnson" he felt he needed a name that was different and because he did alot of his Dusiness in Germany in he chose for his new name. "Weinberg" about 1880. Gordon's parents were the first to receive their citizenship and did not change their name telt they were to old. Gordon was next and changed his to Gordon Suen Leedholm the rest of his brothers & sisters have not become citizens to our knowledge. His father has a copy of the name change papers from his grand tather.

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Anderson Robert and wife Martha lived in Independence and Liberty Ks 1880-1905. Children Wm, Isabella Truex, Rosalie, Clara Elliott Major, Cora Logan, Jack or Jessie, Charles, John, Otto married Edna Sheets. Any information appreciated Grace Anderson, 2951 E Portland, Springfield Mo 65804

Looking for Nelson Hanson who is my gr grandfather. Any information on Chris or Peter Hanson will be welcome Dr Claude Hanson 3417 Kelly Way, Boise Idaho 83704

Looking for Charlie Holler he was in Pittsburg, Ks 1893 Jim Holler 2307 S Estelle, Wichita, Ks 67211

Trying to locate death date and whereabouts of Florella Irby Hayden and her husband Thomas Hayden in 1920'&-1930's. Children were Paul, Luther, Anita, Evert, Almira and Maxine Eldon Irby 290 Carleton Dr, Dresden, OH 43821

Information on Smethers/Smithers living in Caney area son Jesse born 1889 in Caney his parents Ed and May. Believe Ed died there before 1900.

Ann Miller, Sandpoint, Idaho, Box 1195 83864

Please check 1880 census for Davis Thornton or Other Davis with Ohio Maryland information Lois Eller 219 E Elm St, Woodward, OK 73801 Need any information Jessee MATHEWS (MATHIS), farmer, constable born circa 1818 Ohio. Lived Ohio where, when. Married 1/ where? when? Elizabeth? born 1822 Ohio where? when? Married 2/ where? when? Mary ? born circa 1827 Pa. where? when? Lived LaPorte, Indiana circa 1844-1863 Lived Illinois where? circa 1863-1870. Died Harrisonville, Kansas when? Six known children, Marrietta, Amelia, George W., John L, Carrie, and William.

Seeking info Urias CRAFT and his descendants born 27 Apr 1816, Pa died Sep 1874 Niotaze, Kansas, married 22 Sep 1849 Ruth Dilley born 17 May 1825 where? died 16 Apr 1919 Niotaze, Kansas. Eight known children Isaac Newton, George Washington, Cerinda Ellen, Lobina Emeline, Phoebe Jane, William Thomas, John Oliver, Stewart Thompson. When did they arrive Kansas? Have much info on Urias CRAFT interested in their children and his wife Ruth Dilley an her parents.

Seeking info William Elbert GILKEY born, 10 Nov 1857 probably Indiana, married 1/ where? when? Mary Dunham born ? married 2/ Julia? where, when died 1941 possibly Kansas (Independence area) Seven known children May, Maude, Emily, Lydia, Bill Nell and Nancy Ginny MATHEW Leedholm, 2679 Stearns St., Simi Valley, Ca 93063

Seek information Benjamin and Sarah HODGES, listed in 1870 census Sycamore tnp, Montgomery Co., Kansas-living in household of Dan RINGLE aged 25 years. Ben aged 70 and Sarah aged 72. Not on 1875 Montgomery County state census. Benjamin HODGES living Wilson Co, Kansas 1873 but no furthur trace of him or wife Sarah. Are they perhaps buried in Sycamore township? I descend from their daughter, Elizabeth Jane (HODGES) Owen of Macomb, Mcdonough Co., Illinois

Janet Pease, 10310 West 62nd Place, Apartment 202 Arvada, CO 800004

Would like information on the Jacob BRADFORD family, lived in Montgomery County between 1870-1888. Also the McHughs, Corle and Aspaugh families. Trying to locate descendants of Otis MCHUGH, if there were any.

Mary Legg, Route 2 Box 3470, Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003.-333-1797

My great grandfather-Antione (Tony) Martin, owned the Star Bakery in the late 1870"s. I wonder if there is a picture in existence of this Bakery. This same building was known as W.V.Cox and Company, billards when it was destroyed in the big fire in July, 1885, when the whole block between 8th and 9th streets and Union and Walnut burned. The property was still owned by Mrs Martin at the time of the fire. Anyone having a picture of this building (or whole block showing the different businesses) before the fire is asked to contact Robert K Smith, 711 E Albany, Ponca City, OK 74601

I wish to find the date of death for John William MILLESON and for his wife, Maggie A (MASDEN) I write because he and his family were on the 1910 census in Coffeyville. In 1910 he was 51 years of age and wondering if he remained there throughout his life. Request death records be consulted. His children included William R, Mary M , Dean and Neva. He is brother of my great grandmother, Sara Lessenger.

Waunita Gibbons, 3415 Rolling Green Lane, Missouri City, Tex 77459

Any information on George Albert GREGER, born 22 March 1876-Somewhere in Germany. His fathers name was Jacob, Mothers name unknown. He was married 27 September 1905 by a probate judge in Independence, Kansas, to Maude L JACKSON of Cherryvale, Ks. She was the daughter of Mary Eleanor (ROUNDTREE) born May 1857, Ill and Jasper Jackson born 3 May 1856 in Illinois. Maude and George Greger had 2 daughter-Thelma, born 1908, and Helen born 1910. Both of the girls were born in Cherryvale, Montgomery Co Kansas, but were moved to Los Angelel Sept 1910, Maude died 1913 and they moved to Chowchilla CA 1917? George died 21 June 1946 Madera Co. CA. Thelma, died 1972, Redding CA Interested in death date and cemetery location of Mary Elenor JACKSON born May 1857 Ill. who lived in Cherryvale, Ks 1885-1900 She was in 1900 census, but not 1910. Jasper her husband was W.R.Shane, 558 Hartnell PL, Sacramento, CA 95825

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KINMAN Would like to correspond and exchange information with any descendants of Martha (Mattie) KINMAN born 1884 died 1957 married 1902 William LOWE. Nettie Kinman born 1887 died 1967 married 1906 Chancy Ordellas JOHNSON. Mary KINMAN born 1892 died 1946? married 1. Frank Butts 2 William Silvers. Ernestine KINMAN born 1893 died? married name -----Lackey Timothy Kinman born 1897 died 1965 married Velma Huff. Sylvia (Cecil) Kinman Farthing born 1899 died 1986 married Emil Roseky. These are all children of George and Sarah Frost KINMAN.

Mrs Rhonda Wilhite, 809 East Lexington, Independence, MO 64050

KINMAN-JESSON: In funeral home records of Coffeyville, Montgomery County Kansas, it states that my great grandmother Sarah Kinman age 45 years ordered for burial by _____JESSON died 4 December 1904 burial at Kings Station. Does anyone know of a family connection of Sarah Kinman and the Jesson family? Mrs Rhonda Wilhite, 809 East Lexington, Independence, MO 64050

I am working on the Swearingen family and found an obituary on James Swearingen who died 15 June 1931 died near Jefferson. I am trying to find also his brothers who may have lived in your area. I am trying to locate his sister Mrs Mert or Mort Purcell: Margie E Howell, 6915 Springdale Dr, Evansville, IN 47712

I am trying to find TYSONS who lived in your area, would you please send me a listing from your telephone directory. George Colvin, R 2 Bphemian Road, Corning, Ohio 43730

Looking for TYSON'S living in Montgomery County. George W Colvin, Route 2 Bohemian Rd, Corning, OH 43730

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Would like obituaries John W MASON died 1942 is buried at Oswego cemetery, Margaret Mason d 1912, Another John W M Mason died 1924. Both buried in Elm Grove Township Edna. John Stout died 1937

Carol Turnbough 222 North Brown Vinita, OK 74301

Searching for Arthur O'Leary born in Coffeyville Dec 12, 1872 or 1870. Please check county history Arthur O'Leary 7 Norwich Drive Greenville, S C 29609

Searching for Simon David DENNIS and Mary Caroline Daugherty. They lived in Cherryvale Township 1871-1895. His obituary says he held office in Kansas. Trying to trace Wm H Jones brother on census record.

Marian Dennis 1819 Myrtle Ave San Diego, CA 92103

Doing research on my gr grandparents as well as grandparents who lived in Larimer, Kansas. Joseph E and Mary Ann Harden, Elwood T and Eudora Ross. Patricia Smith 6019 Rock Ridge Blvd Oakland CA 94618

I am researching our family and found that James A Coffey who founded Coffeyville was related. May be related through James L Coffey of Russell Co Kentucky. Warren Davis, 518 Whitewood Crescent, Saskatoon, Sasketchewan Canada S7J4 Li

Marriage record for Ried Winfield and Record Rebecca married 3-17-1875 Sherry Reid Zoeller, 3232S Clifon #512, Wichita, Ks 67216

Looking for information on John Schierholt died 1899 his wife Nancy. They are believed to be buried in Caney cemetery. May have been Nancy Fuller death after 1904. Mary Schierholt, 203 E Portland Springfield Mo 65807

Information on Leonard Sutton and Alice died 1899 at Independence Ks. Parents were Leonar Sutton Sr and Sarah Varnum Irene Frelen, 7914 E Pipeline, Tacoma WA 98443

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