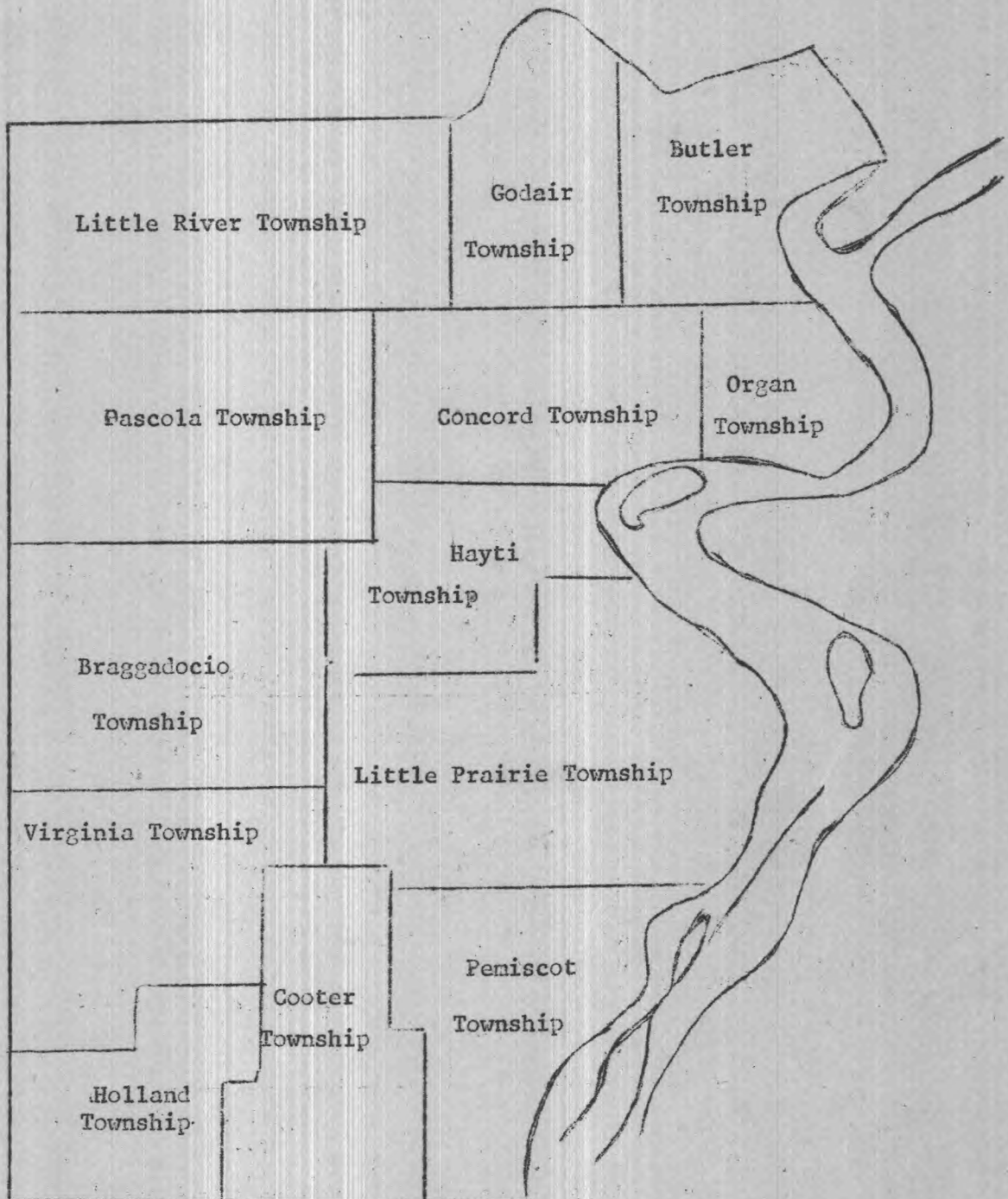


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A free book review will be given anyone who wants a book advertised. They must supply the Society with a free copy of the book to be placed in the Archives Room in the Presbyterian Church Building which the Society maintains.

Historical Societies and Genealogical Societies are invited to swap quarterlies with us. Their publications will also be placed in the Archives Room.

The Quarterly this year will continue with the same format: namely of publishing for preservation the essays submitted to the Society by residents of Pemiscot County. These will be supplemented by official records. Each issue will contain a countywide article of interest, plus items about places, people and things scattered throughout the entire county. The continuing articles for this year will be marriage records from Book Number Four at the courthouse, and excerpts from PEMISCOT (County) PIONEERS.

The numbering of pages in Volume V -- Continues where Volume IV left off. Be sure to save your copies so you can bind them later on.

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CARRIE (FRANKLIN) SPEER

(This is a life-story of the recipient of the Historical Society's first Pioneer Award, which was held in April, 1978. To receive this Award the person was born in Pemiscot County and presently living here, and based on contributions to community life. Written by: Willie K. (Norton) Gill.

Just a little over 83 years ago, August 13, 1894 Carrie was born to Stella (Proffer) and J.A. (CHIP) Franklin on Aunt Bonnie Long's farm in Braggadocio. She was the oldest of ten children, three who survive (John R. who now lives across the road from Carrie and a sister, Doll who resides in Arkansas.)

Her grandmother, Missouri Ellen Franklin, was instrumental in securing signers for a petition to secure a postoffice at Braggadocio, Mo., in 1841, serving as Acting and finally Postmaster.

Chip, her father was a farmer and for several years served as county sheriff. After his death, Stella, her mother continued actively engaged in the farm operation.

Carrie married Everton Caleb Speer, April 10, 1915 at her family's home at Micola and to this union Janice Saline was born February 21, 1916. Janice is Professor of Art, Longwood College, Farmville, Virginia, this being her 33rd year teaching there.

Janice has one daughter, Nancy Carolyn (Lemen) Olmstead who lives at Santa Monica, California, and is a librarian at Arthur Anderson's. Her husband is a Professor of Psychology at U.C.L.A. Carrie and Everton had Nancy with them from age 2 to 17. Janice and Nancy both attended the Speer and Braggadocio Schools.

Carrie attended schools at Braggadocio, Caruthersville and Micola. In 1915 when she married Everton they moved to his family's farm in the Speer Community, southwest of Hayti and near Speer School. His mother, Mrs. W.W. Speer lived with them and was most helpful to Carrie when she began as substitute teacher and attending college.

When a substitute teacher was needed to fill a contract, Charles G. Ross, County Superintendent of Schools, persuaded her to teach. By taking a test she secured teaching certificates until she attended Cape Normal College. During this time she taught on a regular certificate for about four years until she obtained her State certificate. She completed high school and started on her degree at Cape Normal, completing with an English Major and minors in Social Studies and Stage Craft in 1952, from Jonesboro State College, Arkansas. Thus receiving her degree was a long process--due to having to teach during school terms, save money and go to college during vacation.

In 1935, the Speer School was consolidated with the Braggadocio Public School System, having grown over the years from a one room school to a two room school with library, and over the years she has seen the children come to school in many ways--walking, horseback, picked up by a wagon, car and bus.

Carrie has taught all eight grades, and the first to the fourth grades for several years and later the 4th to the 8th grades. The Speer School was discontinued in the early 1950's and she became the English teacher for eleven years at Braggadocio, and during this time she directed the Senior Plays, had charge of library work, high school class sponsor and what she was called on to do for the benefit of the school.

Her 63 years of living and many years of teaching in the Speer Community have been uppermost in her life--the school was the center of not only the education of the children, but for many community activities--Extension Clubs, 4-H Clubs, Thrift Clubs, box and pie suppers, the suppers were held to raise money for school equipment. Holidays, closing of school picnics were celebrated as a community and for several years Sunday School was held in the afternoon during the summer months. Another way the children and teachers raised money for equipment was doing the janitorial work. One of these highlights was the purchase of a radio after the school got electricity in 1939.

She has touched many lives in her over 83 years and 42½ years of teaching 30 years regular school and 3½ years migratory children. Not only those in the communities she taught but in contact with their families and others in the community. Many former students come back to see her and say, "You don't remember me, it has been so long", but she does and even tells them their name.

In these many years teaching, and being active in the Speer Community, wife, mother and grandmother, has only been a part of her life. An early part of her life before teaching she also served on the Speer School Board as Clerk, and preparing the free text books for use of the students. She has many hobbies: knitting, reading, needlepoint, house plants and beautiful yard and small vegetable garden. She has knitted many afghans and other knitted items for clubs to use for moneyraising. She is always ready and willing to respond to any county or community effort and many times initiates the action, for others to respond.

She is an active member of the Braggadocio Baptist Church since 1917. Taught women's class for many years and still active in W.M.U. This part of her life is the one of the most important, as she goes about her regular activities and hobbies.

She is presently a member:

Order of the Eastern Star, Caruthersville, received her 50 year pin in 1973--served as Worthy Matron, Hayti before combined with Caruthersville,

Over ten years in the Hayti Garden Club and while serving as President, in 1974-75 the club received first prize in S.E. District and State for their collage on Mo. later selling for \$30.00 for benefit of the club.

Caruthersville Woman's Club for six years. Has served as Art Chairman and presently Education Chairman, this latter committee selects a Caruthersville High School Senior for a scholarship.

Southwest Hayti Extension Club for many years and been officer and chairman many times, presently club and county Health Chairman.

Been with the Auxiliary to the Pemiscot Memorial Medical Center since early organization and served as Director, First Vice President and presently Information Chairman the latter in charge of visitor control at the hospital.

Member of the Pemiscot County Historical Society and this year Historian.

Her involvement of the years has been varied and her contacts with many persons, not only her community.

A broken hip May 13, 1976--curtailed some of her activities, but with her indomitable spirit and her many friends she is still a leader in her community, church, clubs and county, and as Carrie says, "So you can see I have really lived and I am sure that I will be taken when the Lord is ready for me." (January 1978)

PEMISCOT COUNTY, MISSOURI CEMETERY INSCRIPTIONS, VOLUME II, Compiled and Published by Pemiscot County Historical Society. (1972) (cont'd from April 1979)

DOWD CEMETERY T19N R12E S35, east of Hayti on the farm of Whitener, close to Levee Road back in the field. Copied March 16, 1971 by Glenna LaForge, Herbert Douglas and Al Barrie.

Albert b. Camo, April 24, 1906 - July 18, 1906

Linner Linder, Aug 24, 1915 - July 12, 1917

Luther W. Malady, Aug. 1, 1890 - Oct. 19, 1918--Modern Woodsman of the World

James A. Meek, Feb. 27, 1911 - July 19, 1912

William Patrick, Feb. 7, 1873 - June 9, 1916

Nellie M. Portwood, Dec. 8, 1906 - Aug. 10, 1907

Sallie A. Waldrop, w.o. Ches, died Apr. 15, 1912, age 60 yrs

Myrtle L. Meek, Oct. 22, 1913 - Nov. 5, 1913

SAMFORD CEMETERY T16N R10E S1 in Channell Area. Had to go through a plowed field to get to it. Copied Apr 3, 1971 by Glenna LaForge and Lois McReynolds.

Mary, w.o. B.E. Bledsoe, Aug. 22, 1852 - Oct. 23, 1914

William North, 1841 - (broken), father

Clarence, s.o. G.N. & L.W. Northern, Feb. 11, 1895-Oct. 4, 1900

Lucy E. Samford, 1867 - 1908

Robert Samford, 1859 - 1936

Willard, s.o. W.R. & B. Samford, Oct. 15, 1916-Oct. 3, 1921

Jimmie, s.o. R.F. & Ginnie L. Sample, B & D July 20, 1910

Mathilda Jane, w.o. W.F. Tuberville, June 14, 1872-Oct. 10, 1918

Sithap J., w.o. A. Tuberville, (stonebroken)

Julia Wife of (?????) Nov. 28, 1856 - May 25, 1873

Ambrose T. Hogan, April 16, 1870 - May 7, 1880, son of Tillford & Sarah.

This stone on a small mound N.E. of Wardell on gravel road to Boekerton, Mo.

Feb. 18, 1971. Other graves there with no stones.

BETHEL CHURCH CEMETERY T18N R10E S35/36, colored cem. east of Gobler, copied

Apr 4, 1971 by Lois McReynolds and Glenna LaForge.

Julus Clark, born in Tenn. Oct. 20, 1891 - Jan. 20, 1969

Eddie Hightower, Aug. 12, 1894 - Mar. 11, 1965

MISSISSIPPI PVT QMC, WORLD WARD PH

Rev. Gus Howell, May 26, 1873 - June 15, 1965, Dad

William Reed, died May 13, 1970, age 65 yr 11mo 15da, FHM

Baby Denice Ross, died Dec. 9, 1970 FHM

Eleza J. Williams, 1894 - 1969 FHM

BUSH CEMETERY T19N R13E S17, on Black Island, copied April 15, 1971 by Lois McReynolds, Glenna Henderson LaForge and Verlaine Darnell. This cemetery in bad condition.

Alexander Barnes, died Sept 11, 1869, age 65yr 3mo 27da

Jessie (Bivins) Bush, died 1914, age 30 years

Lula (Bivins) Bush, died 1906

Melinda C., w.o. Zoorad Bush, 1859 - (broken)

Nancy, d.o. W.C. & E. Bush, died Oct. 9, 1873, age 31 years

Louise J., wife of A.J. Bush (broken)

William McKinley Darnell, buried behind Levee. Has no stone. His wife, Sis Darnell, buried at Dry Bayou. William McKinley Darnell, Jr. also buried there. Buck Darnell, son of Wm. M. Also buried there.

Jane -Erahart Samuelaa, July 18, 1835 - Dec. 2, 1858

Jessie, s.o. W.P. & Sally Neal, died Feb. 10, 1895, age 2 mos

Footstone N.B.C.

Julia., d.o. C.P. & E.L. Trainer, Nov. 3, 1861 - Aug. 11, 1870

WARREN CEMETERY on Route 1, northeast of Wardell on old highway to Portageville, on left of road.

(name unreadable) Dec. 25, 1870 - July 3, 1917

Elizabeth Ayers, born unknown, died age 78 years

Brick Pomeroy Harvey, s.o J.W. & Lillian Harvey, age 4yr 3mo 3das;
July 3, 1865 -Oct. 6, 1871

Elizabeth Warren, w.o. R.C. born 1840, died Mch 24, 1902

R.C. Warren, Sept. 4, 1848 - Jan. 5, 1903

William H. Warren, Feb. 23, 1878 - July 25, 1881) sons of R.C.
William A. Warren, Jan. 14, 1884 - Feb. 4, 1884) & E.

Ruth Williams, d.o. M. & Annie, Sept. 26, 1896 - March 4, 1908

SAMFORD CHURCH OF CHRIST CEMETERYT17N R10E S36, copied April 4, 1971 by Lois McReynolds, Glenna LaForge and Glenna Marie Romero.

Mrs. Burke, Pastors wife, no stone

Margarte Danley, May 18, 1926 - Feb. 23, 1929 (homenade stone)

Lizzie Fife, Dec. 16, 1870 - Oct 1936 (homemade stone)

Ransoms Hicks, June 16, 1833 - Oct. 30, 1923

Julia A., w.o. Ransom Hicks, July 4, 1855 - July 28, 1923

Dettie Williford, w.o. J.D. April 22, 1867 - May 6, 1929

Blangr----(stone broken)

BRASWELL CEMETERY T20N R13E S11, north of Stewart, Mo. Copied Apr 15, 1971
by Lois McReynolds, Glenna (Henderson) LaForge and Verlane Darnell.

Goah Blanton, s.o. Mr. & Mrs. Fredrick Braswell, Jan. 13, 1901 - Oct. 17, 1983

Large stone next to this one was broken

Elijah F. Braswell, Oct. 15, 1857 - Aug. 14, 1906

Edward Braswell, July 8, 1897 - Aug. 2, 1917, father

Mattie Braswell, Feb. 7, 1859 - Jan. 3, 1947

Fredrick Braswell, Dec. 11, 1913 - Dec. 12, 1914

Willie Poe, May 2, 1882 - Aug 30, 1952

Footmarker, S.B.H.

MOUND CEMETERY T19 R13 S6, East of highway 61 on farm of E. Bailey, north
of Concord, Mo. Copied March 16, 1971 by Lois McReynolds and Glenna LaForge

I.J. Crockett, Co. H. 9 Tennessee INF. C.S.A.

Theodore Hedges, Oct. 19, 1874 - (or 1894), June 19, 1913

Zachary T. Hopkins, CO B 111 ILL INF (he was always known as Doctor Hopkins)

DARNELL CEMETERY about two miles east of Braggadocio, Mo. on south side of
blacktop road. Copied by Lois McReynolds.

Mary P. Darnell, 1883 - 1934

George W, Darnell, 1883 - 1913

Carrie Darnell, 1903 - 1965

This cemetery is located 9/10 mile south of Highway 34 on Blacktop C. There are no tombstones. In the 1930's when Road C was built, the construction crew unearthed caskets. The man living in the house at the site went to Caruthersville and got a "Stop Order Injunction". This resulted in a delay in building the road while they agreed that there would be no deep ditch directly in front of the house. This high spot sits along the old Little River Run. How many are buried there we do not know; neither the names of any of them. Section 6 Range 10E Twp. 18. Woodrow McNutt says there was some tombstones back there at one time, but that they were done away with. Lots of people from the flu epidemic are buried there, and it is estimated that approximately 100 people could be there.

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PEMISCOT ARGUS, March 6, 1919

SCHOOLS OF PEMISCOT COUNTY AND TEACHERS EMPLOYED DURING PRESENT SCHOOL YEAR -NUMBER AND NAMES OF DISTRICTS 1918-1919 (cont'd from April 1919 Quarterly)

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>DISTRICT NAME</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
18	Caruthersville (cont'd)	Miss Rose Bingenheimer	Caruthersville
		Miss Helen Larky	"
		Mrs. Sylvia Sides	"
		Miss Ada Ellis	"
		Miss Mabel Williams	"
		Miss Eula Borer	"
		Miss Holly Green	"
		Miss Christine Rogers	"
		Miss Virginia Hurt	"
		William Brooks (col)	"
		Majenta Brooks (col)	"
19	Chute Sixteen	Miss Lavina Wilks	"
20	Kinfolks Ridge	Miss Cecil Cassidy	"

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>DISTRICT NAME</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
21	Mounds	Mi Zola Haire	Caruthersville
22	Chapel	Miss Lottie Orton	"
24	Braggadocio	Miss Linnie Borer	Braggadocio
		L.E. Bingenheimer	"
		Miss Henrietta Martin	"
25	Vicksburg	Mrs. Rose Bryant	"
26	Micola	Mrs. Minnie Thompson	Micola
		Mrs. Bereneice Helm	"
27	Canady	Miss Lala Duncan	Canady
		Miss Gladys Nichols	"
28	Pull Tight	C.E. Johnston	Cooter
		Lucinda Perkins (col)	Caruthersville
29	McCarty	Miss Edith Haire	"
30	Cottonwood Point	Miss Gladys Thompson	"
		Miss Grace M. Hitt	"
31	Lake	L.C. Spencer	Cooter
32	Steele	Supt. J.B. Cotner	Steele
		Miss Ruth Pollock	"
		Miss Rhoda Hudson	"
		Miss Eunice Fehringer	"
		Miss Lela Proffer	"
33	Gibson	Miss Bessie Punch	"
		Miss Connie Michie	"
34	Denton	Andrew Smith	"
		Beckham Lence	"
35	New Survey	Mrs. Ella D. Sharp	"
		Miss Olivia Bishop	"

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>DISTRICT NAME</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
38	Cooter	S.L. Robinson	Cooter
		Miss Mary Moore	"
		Miss Flora Hart	"
39	Douglas	Miss Marie Harnish	Douglas
40	Cassidy	Mrs. C.F. Womack	"
41	Tyler	Miss Marie Harnish	Tyler
		Miss Tennie Hopper	"
		Miss Lizzie Williamson	Huffman, Ark.
43	Bragg City	K.V. Propst	Bragg City
		Mrs. Fred Miller	"
44	S. Braggadocio	Mrs. Emma Hamis	Braggadocio
45	Deering	W.E. Bess	Deering
		Miss Virginia Orton	"
		Irene Stewart (col)	"
46	N. Braggadocio	Mrs. Minnie S. Boone	Caruthersville
47	Swifton	Mrs. Frances Davis	Swifton
48	Hunter	Miss Rena Cassidy	Caruthersville
49	Netherlands	Miss Cora Warden	Netherlands
		Maud Cunninghams	"
50	(Not Named)	Miss Inez Underwood	Holcomb
	Consolidated No. 1 Holland	Supt. A.C. Elliff	Holland
		Mrs. Mary Daughtery	"
		Miss Maggie Harbor	"
		Miss Pearl Stoneking	"
		Miss Bertha Redman	"
		Miss Cordelya Tatum	"

DISTRICT	DISTRICT NAME	TEACHER	ADDRESS
Consolidated No. 1	Holland	Mrs. Georgia E. Tatum	Holland
		Miss Rae Thompson	"

Charles G. Ross, County Superintendent, Caruthersville, Mo.
 (Copied from the March 6, 1919 issue of the Pemiscot Argus)

THE WARD COPPAGE MERCANTILE COMPANY

(Copied from the Southeast Missouri Drummers Association Souvenir, 1908)

The Ward-Coppage Mercantile Company, incorporated in 1907, with Mr. R.F. Coppage as President, Mr. J.M. Ward as Vice-President, Mr. J.M. McGinnis as Secretary, and W.H. Johnson as Treasurer, was up to that time known as Ward and Coppage. The original concern was established in February 1901.

The Ward-Coppage Mercantile Company is a department store which includes the Globe Clothing and Shoe Store, a spot cash Grocery, and a department which carries a fine line of buggies, wagons and other vehicles, and farming implements of every description. This firm also operates a large and improved style double-system cotton gin, whose capacity is easily fifty bales per day. It buys cotton in seed and in the bale, and cheerfully does the customer's ginning. It operates three stores, each twenty-five by eighty feet, and constantly employs a force of ten assistants.

Mr. J.M. Ward, who is the Vice-President of the Ward-Coppage Mercantile Company is also the President of Wilson-Ward Cotton Company, an important and successful business located in Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr. R.F. Coppage, the genial and alert President of the Caruthersville enterprise, was born on November 8, 1875 at Trenton, Tennessee; and is, therefore, considering the responsible position which he occupies, a very young man.

He resided in his native town until about fifteen years of age, when he thought it time to be making a living for himself. After leaving home, he went to Kentucky, locating at Sabra Springs; where he worked in the drug business for about five years. Deciding then to make a change, he moved to Humboldt, Tennessee; and there remained for about two years, working as a clerk and salesman in one of the leading clothing and furnishing houses of that city. From this point, he traveled as a hosiery salesman for one year, when he took a position as salesman in Mr. Ward's Arkansas establishment. From this place he came to Caruthersville in 1897, again working as a salesman for Mr. Ward. Four years later he entered into partnership with his former employer, and is now president of the new mercantile company into which the original concern was lately transformed. Mr. Coppage is a 32nd Degree Mason, Scottish Rite; and Elk, Dyersbury Lodge 712; and a Knight of Pythias of Caruthersville.

In July, 1901, he became the happy husband of Miss Jessie Huffman, the

charming and accomplished daughter of Mr. W.H. Huffman, a public spirited and progressive citizen, who, in all probability, had done more for the advancement and well-being of Pemiscot County than any other man who resides within its confines.

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Page 85, B.M. Bracken, Hayti, Mo., ov 21 to Bertha Skinner, Hayti, Mo., un 18 verbal assent of W.R. Skinner, father of Bertha Skinner, perf. by G.M. Brooks, at Will Skinner's, 10 March 1903.

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Page 86, Gilmore McFarlin, Stanley, Mo. ov 21 to Myrtle Gargus, Stanley, ov 18 perf. by F. Klingensmith, at residence, 20 March 1903.

Page 86, John D. Johnson, Steele, Mo. ov 21 to Dollie Talkington, Steele, Mo., ov 18, perf. by O.S. Bailey, J.P., Steele, Mo., 3 March 1903.

Page 87, Iverson Michie, Cooter, Mo., ov 21 to Nora E. Treece, Cooter, Mo., ov 18, perf. by W.J.F. Allen, Minister of the Gospel, at Game, 10 Apr 1903.

Page 87, Walter B. Garrett, Caruthersville, Mo., ov 21 to Myrtle C. Gustin, Salem, Mo., ov 18 perf. by Charles Lewis Holterman, at Salem, Mo., 5 April 1903.

Page 88, Willie A. Northern, Sanford, Mo., ov 21 to Hattie Utley, Sanford, Mo., ov 18 perf. by Wyley L. Davis, J.P. at Sanford, Mo. 12 Apr 1903.

Page 88, Thomas Morrison, Pascola, Mo., ov 21 to Ida Simmons, Pascola, Mo. ov 18, perf. by A. Russell, J.P., Pascola, Mo., 12 Apr 1903.

Page 89, Dave Mustain, Micola, Mo., ov 21 to Defie Wilson, Micola, Mo., ov 18 perf. by R.C. Hill, J.P., Caruthersville, Mo. 18 Apr 1903.

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Page 90, John S. Fisher, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 21 to May Sherrell, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 18 perf. by Joseph B. Dodson, minister, at Caruthersville, Mo., 21 Apr 1903.

Page 90, James J. Long, Braggadocio, Mo. ov 21 to Myrtle Stephens, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 18 perf. by Joseph B. Dodson, Minister, at Caruthersville, Mo. 16 Apr 1903.

Page 91, S.T. Noble, Game, Mo., ov 21 to Mary Wright, Game, Mo. un 18, father of Mary Wright gave verbal assent perf. by C.M. H. Rogers, minister at 2 p.m., 12 Apr 1903.

Page 91, Alfred Lett, Pascola, Mo., ov 21 to Lillie Kelley, Pascola, Mo. un 18, written assent of W.L. Kelley, father of Lillie Kelley, perf. by A. Russell, J.P., Pascola, Mo. April 1903.

Page 92, Samuel McIntire, Stanely, Mo., ov 21 to C.M. Kerr, Stanley, Mo., ov 18 perf. by F. Klingensmith, J.P., at Stanley, Mo., 21 Apr 1903.

Page 92, Sherman Graham, Peniscot County, Mo., ov 21 to Liddie Bird, Peniscot County, Mo. ov 18 perf. by Wyley L. Davis, J.P. at Sanford, Mo. 30 April 1903.

Page 93, Aleck Davis, Peniscot County, Mo., ov 21 to Sarah J. Mosely, Peniscot County, Mo. perf. by Elder J.J. Wilson, Minister of Gospel, at Sarah J. Mosely's 26 Apr 1903.

Page 93, Joseph Hearn, Game, Mo. ov 21 to Maggie Ray, Game, Mo., ov 21 perf. by Cn. H. Rogers, Minister, at one-half past p.m., 3 May 1903.

Page 94, Frank Huggins, Pascola, Mo., ov 21 to Drusilla A. Lingo, Pascola, Mo. ov 18 perf. by A. Russell, J.P. at Pascola, Mo., 27 Apr 1903.

Page 94, John Tidwell, Peniscot Co., Mo., ov 21 to Laura Howard, Peniscot Co., Mo., perf. by A.F. Parker, J.P. at (none listed) 5 Apr 1903.

Page 95, R.A. King, Peniscot Co., Mo., ov 21 to M.R.R. Hendricks, Peniscot Co., Mo., perf. by A.F. Parker, J.P., 22 March 1903.

Page 95, Robert Fisher, Hayward, Mo., ov 21 to Cecelia Lamb, Hayward, Mo., un 18, written assent of Pat Lamb, father of Cecelia Lamb perf. by J.M. Lee at J.M. Lee 5 May 1903.

Page 96, Thomas S. Smith, Stewart, Mo., un 21 to Maudie Jarvis, Stewart, Mo., un 18 written assent of J.B., father of T.S. Smith, written assent of Andy Lafferty, guardian of Maudie Jarvis, perf. by J.M. Lee, J.P., at his house, 3 May 1903.

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Page 97, Lee Spevey, Pascola, Mo., ov 21 to Frankie Matlock, Pascola, Mo. ov 18 perf. by A. Russell, J.P., at Pascola, Mo., 10 May 1903.

Page 97, W.F. Ward, Stewart, Mo. ov 21 to Vinie Chopman, Stewart, Mo. un 18 written assent of A. Chopman, father of Vinie Chopman perf. by B.C. Grymer, J.P. at W.F. Ward's 10 May 1903.

Page 98, James A. Alexander, Steele, Mo. ov 21 to Jennie Bradford, Steele, Mo. ov 18 perf. by Rev. W.M. Holland, a preacher of the Gospel, at the home of the bride, 10 May 1903.

Page 98, M.H. Neal, Braggadocio, Mo. un 21 to Sallie Callis, Braggadocio, Mo. un 18, written assent of Mrs. J. Knight, mother of M.H. Neal, written assent of Josie Callis, mother of Sallie Callis, perf. by P.M. Weaver, minister, at Don's Chappel, 8 May 1903.

Page 99, J.O. Oakley, Pemiscot County, Mo., ov 21 to Lola Raspberry, Pemiscot Co., Mo., perf. by Jonathan Abbott, Minister, at Caruthersville, Mo. 16 May 1903.

Page 102, Andrew Pruitt, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 21 to Jenina Neal, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 18 perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P. at Caruthersville, Mo. 27 April 1903.

Page 103, Charles D. Heachlemon, Pascola, Mo. ov 21 to Nellie West, Caruthersville, written assent of R.B. West, father of Nellie West, perf. by I.H. Steele, J.P. at bride's residence, 26 May 1903.

Page 104, Andrew Pitts, Gayoso, Mo. un 21 written assent of W.H. Pitts, father of Andrew Pitts to Mary Mitchell, Gayoso, ov 18 at F. Klingensmith's perf. by J.N. Sanders, J.P. 27 May 1903.

Page 104, John Burress, Stanley, Mo. ov 21 to Glater Lomas, Stanley, Mo., ov 18 perf. by Lee B. Hawkins, Judge of Probate at Caruthersville, 1 June 1903.

Page 105, Calvin C. Ellis, Cooter, Mo. ov 21 to Tirese Brown, Cooter, Mo. ov 18 perf. by William M. Holland, preacher at the home of the bride, 30 May 1903.

Page 105, W.J. Harden, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 21 to Ruby Raspberry, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 18 perf. by Rev. J. Abbott at bride's residence, 7 June 1903.

Page 106, John Butts, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 21 to Leona Wilson, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 18 perf. by I.H. Steele, J.P. at my office, 8 June 1903.

Page 106, R.G. Stewart, Game, Mo. ov 21 to Anna J. Newsom, Game, Mo. ov 18 perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P., Caruthersville, 7 June 1903.

Page 107, Edward Fleck, Caruthersville, Mo. ov 21 to May Martin, Caruthersville, Mo. 10 18 perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P., at Caruthersville, Mo. 11 June 1903.

Page 107, John W. Brown, Cottonwood, Mo. ov 21 to Alice McNary, Cottonwood, Mo. un 18 verbal assent of F.P. McNary, father of Alice McNary perf. by I.H. Steele, J.P. at the courthouse 13 June 1903.

Page 108, John E. Archer, Pemiscot Co., Mo. ov 21 to Myrtle Seltle, Pemiscot County, Mo., un 18 verbal assent of Myrtle Seltle's stepfather perf. by Eld. J.J. Wilson, M.G. at the bride's home 14 June 1903.

Page 110, A.J. Overturf, ov 21 Steele, Mo. to Gussie M. Wallace, un 18, Caruthersville, Mo, written assent of J.W. Wallace, father of Gussie perf. by W.J.F. Allen , minister at Caruthersville, Mo. 11 June 1903.

Page 110, C.C. Rodgers, ov 21, Pascola, Mo. to Sallie Spencer, ov 18, Portageville, Mo. perf. by R.C. Hill, J.P. at A.B. Sutton's 7 June 1903.

Page 111, W.J.F. Parrett, ov 21, Hayti, Mo. to Lilly May Pelts, un 18, Hayti, Mo. written assent of W.X. Belts-Reney Pelts, parents of the said Lilly May Pelts, perf. by F. Klingensmith at bride's residence 25 June 1903.

Page 111, George McGhee, un 21, Stewart, Mo. written assent of Cora McGhee, mother of George McGhee to Janie Bush, un 18, Stewart, Mo. written assent of B.Y. Bush, father of Janie Bush perf. by F. Klingensmith, J.P. at his residence 21 June 1903.

Page 112, J.R. Stewart, ov 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to R. Tenpest LeDuke, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo, perf. by Rev. G.M. Brooks, at Hayti, Mo. 7 June 1903.

Page 112, M.R. Bailey, ov 21, Holland, Mo. to Clara Talley, ov 18, Holland Mo. perf. by Rev. W.M. Nunnery, at N. Denton, 20 June 1903.

Page 113, W.W. Eastwood, ov 21, Peniscot Co., Mo. to Lottie Richard, ov 18, Peniscot Co., Mo., perf. by Eld. C. Downing, minister, at Hayward, Mo. 20 June 1903.

Page 113, William Robinson, ov 21 Tyler, Mo. to Flera Jones, ov 18, Tyler, Mo. perf. by James A. Jones, J.P., at Cooter, Mo. 27 May 1903.

Page 114, Roy Avery, ov 21, Pascola, Mo. to Annie Moore, ov 18, Pascola, Mo. perf. by Lee B. Hawkins, Caruthersville, Mo. 4 July 1903.

Page 114, J.D. Downing, ov 21, Portageville, Mo. to Sophia Lee Edwards, Hayti, Mo. perf. by H. Patterson at S.P. Wilans, 1 July 1903.

Page 115, Mark Orton, ov 21, Gane, Mo. to Mauda Allens, ov 18, Gane, perf. by C.M.H. Rogers, Minister at 3 p.m. 13 June 1903.

Page 115, Tom Sheckell, ov 21 Gayoso, Mo. to Rebecca Atwood, ov 18, Gayosa, Mo. perf. by S.H. Steele, J.P. at ny office, 5 July 1903

Page 116, W.M. Pluner, ov 21, Peniscot Co., Mo. to Mevie Moore, un 18, Peniscot Co., Mo. written assent of G.M. Moore, father of said Mevie Moore perf. by W.M. Duncan, minister, at Cooter, 14 June 1903.

Page 116, David F. McClanahan, ov 21, Covington, Mo. to Martha Barnes, un 18, Covington, Mo. written assent of W.F. Martin, guardian of Martha Barnes, perf. by W.S. McDonald, County Judge, at R.L. Dunavant 29 April 1903.

Page 117, Clarence Meek, un 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Maud Watkins, ov 18 Caruthersville, Mo. written assent of M.T. Eastwood, mother of Clarence Meeks, perf. by W.J.F. Allen, minister, Caruthersville, Mo. 12 July 1903.

Page 117, George Barnes, ov 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Lucy Boatwright, un 18 written assent of Jennie Simmons, mother of the said Lucy Boatwright, perf. by Jonathan Abbott, minister, Caruthersville, Mo. 11 July 1903.

Page 118, James King ov 21, Hayti, Mo. to Laura Ragsdale, Hayti, Mo. perf. by G.M. Brooks, minister, 6 July 1903.

Page 118, Ben March, Caruthersville, Mo. to Chloe Mayes, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by I.H. Steele, J.P., at my office, 6 July 1903.

Page 119, John D. Rudder, un 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Flora Brooks un 18 Caruthersville, Mo., written assent of P.L. Rudder, father of John Rudder verbal assent of J.F. Brooks, father of Flora Brooks perf. by W.J.F. Allen, minister at Caruthersville, Mo. 14 July 1903.

Page 119, Elmer Hazel, ov 21 Caruthersville, Mo. to Susie Hazel, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by William A. Schulte, a priest of the Catholic Church, Caruthersville, Mo. 1 June 1903.

Page 120, Sam Beard, ov 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Ida Spencer, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by Rev. S. Piggles, ordained preacher of the Gospel, Caruthersville, Mo. 15 July 1903.

Page 120, Luther Botts, ov 21 Peniscot Co. Mo., to Lizzie Fisher, ov 18, Peniscot Co., Mo. perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P., Caruthersville, Mo. 4 July 1903.

Page 121, J.L. Daniels, Jr. ov 21, Memphis, Tenn., to Marietta Ferguson, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by William A. Schulte, a priest of the Catholic Church, at Caruthersville, Mo. 20 May 1903.

Page 121, Frank Abbott, ov 21, Pascola, Mo. to Susie Smith, ov 18, Pascola, Mo. perf. by A. Russell, J.P., Pascola, Mo., 12 July 1903.

Page 122, C.J. Edwards, ov 21, Hayti, Mo. to Hattie Cammerson, ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by Rev. G.M. Brooks, Hayti, Mo. 12 July 1903.

Page 122, J.L. Dawson, ov 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Allie L. Freer, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by Joseph B. Dodson, minister, Caruthersville, 11 July 1903.

Page 123, J.H. Pratt, ov 21, Stanley, Mo. to Mollie Harris, ov 18, Stanley, Mo. perf. by F. Klingensmith, J.P., Stanley, 19 July 1903.

Page 123, C.E. Paine, ov 21 to Caruthersville, Mo. to Sophia B. Adams, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo., perf. by S.H. Steele, J.P., my residence, 17 July 1903.

JAMES S. WAHL BURIED SUNDAY

(Taken from Thursday, February 22, 1940 issue of The Republican, Caruthersville, Mo.)

Pneumonia fatal to J.S. Wahl, 75, Pioneer Citizen and well known local businessman.

James Sharon Wahl, pioneer resident and business man of Caruthersville passed away at his home on West Third Street Saturday morning following six days illness from lobar pneumonia. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o' clock from the family residence with the Rev. Wayne W. Gray, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, conducting the services. Internment was in Little Prairie cemetery in a special vault prepared several years ago and which contained the remains of his first wife.

Mr. Wahl came to this city about fifty years ago and engaged in the ice business. His business career reads much like a Horatio Alger story. He first began selling ice in a wheelbarrow, going from door to door. This wheelbarrow, reposed in cellar of his home along with some of the other mementos of his early business days. When he passed away he owned controlling interest in ice plants at Hayti and Chaffee, Missouri, and Marianna, Arkansas, and owned considerable business and residential rental property in this city.

He has been connected with the ice and beverage distribution business nearly every since his business career began in this city. He built his own bottling plant in 1897, a small frame combination office-plant at 205 Carleton. His business grew until he was one of the wealthiest and most influential men in this city.

He operated the first Coca-cola plant, the first in this section, for years, disposing of it to Martin Schmidt about 20 years ago and turned all of this interests to the ice and cold storage business.

He was greatly interested in civic affairs as they pertained to improvements of the town and he was one of the leaders in bringing the shoe factory to this city, as well as getting out like other members of the fund soliciting committee in the solicitation of funds for securing the property.

He was active in Masonic circles particularly in the Shrine work. He was a thirty-second degree Mason, a Shriner and a member of the Knights Templar and had been a member of the Masonic fraternity for 45 years. His most active work and interest was in the Shrine Hospital in St. Louis

which specializes in Crippled Children's work, and he was instrumental in securing medical aid for many children in this section who would not have been able to have had such benefit had it not been for Mr. Wahl. He was also a member of the New Era Lodge of the I.O.O.F. of Hayti. He was a member of the Espiscopalian Church at Marianna, Ark., although he had attended the Presbyterian Church in this city and had contributed to the financial support of this church.

Masonic services were conducted at the grave and the Odd Fellows attended in a body. Pall bearers were: John Janes, John Scott, J.W. Davis, W.D. Byrd, J.H. McFarland, all of Caruthersville, John Dunnegan of Steele, and Ernest Lafferty of Tennessee.

Mr. Wahl was born near Owensboro, Ky., August 21, 1864, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wahl. He moved to Milan, Tenn., with his parents when a small lad. He came to Missouri at the age of 21 and before coming to Caruthersville lived at Bernie and Kennett.

Mr. Wahl was united in marriage to Miss Conchie Douglas at Milan, Tenn., in 1891, but no children were born to this union. She died on Sept. 29, 1928. On December 25, 1929, he was married to Mrs. Anna Vashti Warden, who survives him.

In addition to his widow, Mrs. Anna Wahl, he is survived by one brother Edgar H. Wahl, of Milan, Tenn., and several nephews and nieces.

Information from "PEMISCOT PIONEERS" (County, Missouri), Transcribed and Compiled by Mrs. Jeff Wade, Jr., 1973 (cont'd from April 1979 Quarterly)

RECEIVER'S BOOK PEMISCOT COUNTY, MISSOURI

FRANKLIN CUNNINGHAM - Milburn Co. Ky. - 1856 T20 80a; T20 80a; T18 40a; T18 160 a; T20 80a; T17 80a; T17 80a; T16 80a; T16 80a; T19 80; T20 160a; T18 T60a; T18 80a; T21 22a; 1857 T16 320; T17 320a; T18 140a; T18 120a; T18 120a; T18 80a; T18 160a; T17 160a; 1858 T17 160a; T18 160a; T18 40a; T18 160a; T17 160a; T17 80a; T16 164a; T17 80a; T17 120a; T18 320a; T17 160a; T17 80; T17 160a; T18 320a; T16 160a; T18 80a; T18 80a; T17 40a; T18 160a; T16 40a; T18 120a; T18 160a; T18 320; T17 80a; T18 34a; T17 30a; T17 53a; T17 3a; T17 152a; T17 40a; T16 160a; T17 160a; 1859 T17 80a; T18 40a; T18 40a; T17 80a; T18 120a; T17 80a; T16 320a; T19 107a; T18 30a; T18 80a; T18 40a; T18 160a; T17 80a; T16 120a; 1860 T17 164a; T18 40a; T18 120a; T16 80a;

T16 160a; T16 80a; T16 200a; T17 40a; T17 120a; T17 40a; T17 40a; T17 40a;
T17 160a; T18 80a; T18 40a; T18 80a; 1865 T17 160a; T20 160a; T20 160a; T20
160a; T20 480a; T19 256a; T19 160a; T19 320a; T19 282a; T19 160a; T20 309a;
T19 40a; T17 632a; T17 241a; T18 560a; T16 280a; T16 120a; T18 120a; T18
40a; T19 640a; T19 640a; T19 640a; T19 640a; T20 80a; T20 306a; T20 460a;
T17 280a; T19 40a; T19 400a; T19 40a; T19 420a; T19 160a; T19 320a; T19 560a;
1863 T18 65a; T18 15a; 1874 T17 240a; T17 320a; T17 400a; T17 160a; T17 80a;
T17 240a; 1875 T16 640a; T16 640a; 1875 T16 160a; T16 160a; T16 320a; 1880
T18 40a; 1881 T20 320a; T20 40a; T20 79a; T19 80a; T19 124a; T19 40a; T18
80a; T16 160a; T16 76a; T17 160a; T17 120a; T16 120a; T1832 T18 25a; 1883
T18 80a T18 96a; T18 240a; 1884 T19 320a; T19 120a; T19 600a; T16 20a; T16
44a; T18 80a; T18 160a; T19 160a; T19 160a; T20 320a; T20 320a; T19 40a;
T19 160a; T19 320a; T19 160a; T19 280a; T19 40a; T19 240a; (his residence
later was listed as Peniscot Co.

SAMUEL CUNNINGHAM - Peniscot Co. - 1860 T18 240a.

GEORGE CURTIS - Peniscot Co. - 1860 T17 40 acres

W.W. CURTIS - Washington, D.C. - T20 640a; T19 640a.

JOHN B. DARNALL - Peniscot Co. - 1860 T18 80a; T18 80acres

JOSEPH DARNALL - Peniscot Co. - 1857 T18 80a; 1858 T18 80a; 1859 T18 40ac

WILLIAM M. DARNELL - Peniscot Co. - 1855 T18 40a; T18 40a; 1857 T18 120a;
1862 ????

JAMES DAUGHERTY - Peniscot Co. - 1855 T19 80a; 1856 T17 80acres

GEORGE M. DAVID - Peniscot Co. 1856 T17 80 acres

HENRY DAVID - Peniscot co. -1855 T17 160a; 1857 T17 80a; T17 40acres

A.M. DAVIDSON - Peniscot Co. 1855 T17 160a

ALBERT H. DAVIDSON - Peniscot Co. - 1860 T18 480 acres

FOX H. DAVIDSON - Peniscot Co., - 1856 T18 40a; T18 80 acres

JOHN N. DELESHMUTT - Peniscot Co. - 1869 T19 160 acres

ABSOLEM DENTON - Peniscot Co. - 1856 T17 160 a.

ABEL DOCKERY - Peniscot Co. - 1854 T18 40a; 1855 T18 40a; T17 320 acres.

Extracted from issues of "The Gayoso Democrat" published at Gayoso from Nov. 6, 1891 to Dec. 25, 1891:

Friday, Nov. 13, 1891 - NOTICE, persons applying to me to note the location of lands in the regard to land titles in this county must come prepared to pay a fee. I will not give away my knowledge nor loose my time for nothing. People should not ask it of me. Gayoso, Mo. Oct. 3, 1890--
George W. Carleton.

Friday, Nov. 13, 1891 - STRAY NOTICE, taken up by the undersigned, posted before David H. Culp, J.P. in Braggadocio Twp. of Pen. Co. Mo., on the 26 Aug 1891 the following described property: One bay Texas mare pony, 7 years old, branded with the letter RH on left hind leg, mexican brand on shoulder, appraised at \$20.00. Lee Sprayberry, the taker upper.

Friday, Nov. 13, 1891 - Miss Katie Kopp of New Madrid came down on the steamer Cherokee last Monday and assisted the Catholic ladies of Caruthersville with their fair.

Friday, Nov. 13, 1891 - Miss Frances LeSieur of Point Pleasant came down on the steamer, Lady Lee, last Saturday, Miss Frances was a guest of Mrs. Ida Hargis while in Gayoso.

Friday, Nov. 13, 1891 - Mr. J.T. Tiserand, the popular young merchant of Braggadocio was married to Miss Mary E. Clinton of Cooter last Wednesday. The Democrat extends congratulations.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 - Mr. James DeLisle accompanied Miss Frances Lesieur and went to Point Pleasant last Sunday.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 - Professor J.R. Greer went to Coutre (sp) at Cottonwood Point this week on business.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 - Mrs. Emma Madden has sold all her household & kitchen furniture (and will go hence without delay).

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 - The funeral of the late John N. Warden will be preached at the church in Gayoso next Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 - Miss Georgia Garrett was on a visit to Gayoso last Friday and Saturday. She was the guest of Mrs. Georgia A. Carlton.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 - We understand that Mr. John W. Green of Virginia Township contemplates moving to Gayoso and making his home here after the first of January.

BOOTHELL ANTIQUE CAR CLUB

(continued from April 1979 Quarterly)

OFFICERS OF BOOTHELL ANTIQUE CAR CLUB

1961

Benny Jack Hall	President	Hayti, Missouri
Marvin Collins	V. President	Caruthersville
Johnney Mitchum	Secretary	Caruthersville
Floyd Smith	Treasurer	Caruthersville

1962

Benny Jack Hall	President	Hayti
Marvin Collins	V. President	Caruthersville
Johnney Mitchum	Secretary	Caruthersville
Floyd Smith	Treasurer	Caruthersville

1963

Marvin Collins	President	Caruthersville
Paul Hill	V. President	Caruthersville
Herbert Ames	Secretary	Hayti
Jim Hardesty	Treasurer	Caruthersville
Paul Hill	MOTAA Representative	Caruthersville

1964

Paul Hill	President	Caruthersville
A.C. Bridgewater	V. President	Dyersburg, Tenn.
Glenn O. Petersen	Secretary	Wardell, Mo.
Jim Hardesty	Treasurer	Caruthersville
Marvin Collins	MOTAA Rep.	Caruthersville

1965

Paul Hill	President	Caruthersville
Floyd Smith	V. President	Caruthersville
Glenn O. Petersen	Secretary	Wardell
Jim Hardesty	Treasurer	Caruthersville
Charlie Tinsley	MOTAA Rep.	Charleston, Mo.

1966

Floyd Smith	President	Caruthersville
Charlie Tinsley	V. President	Charleston, Mo.
Glenn O. Petersen	Secretary	Wardell
Jim Hardesty	Treasurer	Caruthersville
Dallas Latimer	MOTAA Rep.	Caruthersville

OFFICERS OF BOOTHEEL ANTIQUE CAR KLUB (cont'd)

1967

Charlie Tinsley	President	Charleston, Mo.
Cletis Barlow	V. President	Blytheville, Ark.
Cyril Owens	Secretary	Kennett, Mo.
Jim Hardesty	Treasurer	Caruthersville
Cletis Barlow	MOTAA Rep.	Blytheville, Ark.

1968

Cletis Barlow	President	Blytheville, Ark.
J.R. Wright	V. President	Kennett
Danny Thomas	Secretary	Caruthersville
Jim Hardesty	Treasurer	Caruthersville
Glenn O. Petersen	MOTAA Rep.	Wardell

1969

Glenn O. Petersen	President	Wardell
J.R. Wright	V. President	Kennett
Danny Thomas	Secretary	Caruthersville
Jim Hardesty	Treasurer	Caruthersville
Glenn O. Petersen	MOTAA Rep.	Wardell

1970

Dallas Latimer	President	Caruthersville
C.R. Peck	V. President	Kennett
Danny Thomas	Secretary	Caruthersville
Jim Hardesty	Treasurer	Caruthersville
Otto Bean	MOTAA Rep.	Peach Orchard, Mo.

1971

Raymond Miller	President	Blytheville, Ark.
Dallas Russon	V. President	Holcomb, Mo.
Don Quarles	Secretary	Blytheville, Ark.
Jim Hardesty	Treasurer	Caruthersville
Glenn O. Petersen	MOTAA Rep.	Caruthersville

No Date in Bible

Present Owner - Lela Gibbs, Deering, Mo.

Copied by - Denise Crockett on August 11, 1971

Page 1: Scott Carey's Bible-he was borne Feb. 27, 1884 near Mount Vernon, Ind. (1928 coldest winter for years)

Page 2: Scott Carey, bornd Feb. 27, 1884, died July 12, 1964.
Lela Gibbs, bornd July 22, 1901

BIOGRAPHY: EMMA BRANTLEY

(Written for the Pioneer Heritage Award Program for the Peniscot County Historical Society April 1978)

I was born in 1898 to Thomas and Mary Evans. I was reared in and around Tiptonville. My father farmed for the wealthy Judge Harris who owned the land where Reelfoot Lake was on. He wanted to drain the Lake for farm land and the people who hunted and fished for a living on the lake objected. So they formed a clan called the Night Riders. They did lots of damage including killing some, and one old man who was a hunch back made some remarks about the Night Riders and was taken out and stretched over a log in front of his house and badly beaten. They made his two sons watch as they beat him. I was eight years old, my father ran a meat market. We were all so afraid they would come into town and hurt someone. Mr. Harris was reported to have dynamite around his house. We always went on the other side of the street.

I was married between Tiptonville and the Lake setting in a buggy in 1912 to Will Brantley, by Esquire Dillard. I wore an all over embroidered white dress with white shoes and carried a white embroidered parasol. We were accompanied by my two sisters, Alic and Mattie and my brother, Henry in another buggy.

In September of 1913 we came to Caruthersville on a Lee Line Steam Boat called the "Stacker Lee". They had a bar, dancing and card playing on the boat. We were in our state room and as we landed at the bank the boat struck something and I was almost thrown down. Later we learned that they had snagged a hole in the boat and had to tie up in Caruthersville for repairs. We also had our meals on the boat. We got off at the Lee Line Ware House and had to walk a long plank walk to the ground. The levy was nothing like as high as it is now, as it has been rebuilt.

Mr. Arl Dilman had a saw mill and houses in Dilmantown. We rented a two room house and my husband worked at the saw mill.

After we got married we bought a bedroom suite with a high headboard and a big roll on the footboard. It had a dresser and a washstand for a bowl and pitcher, a rod in back for a towel. We bought an old time apron stove for cooking. My husband built a dining table. We bought six cane bottom chairs. We found an old timey safe.

We were very happy and contented. The seep water came out most every year, and we had to make high plank walks to the outhouses and chicken house. The chickens walked around on the planks.

There was a saloon on most every corner in Caruthersville. Lots of fighting. One night we went uptown and someone said a man had been killed in a saloon.

About 1914 or 1915 a man was hung on a scaffold which they had built next to the old jail. They said he gave a good talk to young people to stay out of bad company. That was why he was in trouble. I think he had

killed a sheriff.

One time we went to the river to see a big fish on a barge. It was supposed to be 140 feet long. It had spots and could have well swallowed Jonah.

My father was in bad health so they moved out in the country at Walter Knott's farm so my brother could work on the farm. My father wanted to go by train to see my brother, Charlie who live at Gosnell, Ark. He died while he was down there (this was 1915). They called and told Dillman's Office. We didn't have anyway getting the word to my Mother out in the country at Walter Knott's Farm so my husband borrowed a mule and rode out and told the family. He had expressed a desire to be carried back to Crockett Chapel near Reelfoot Lake where my grandmother was buried. They had to put him on a motor boat and go to Tennamo, Tenn. on a wagon to the railroad then to Tiptonville. He was a Woodman of the World so they gave him a beautiful monument made like a log, which we see every time we go over there.

My husband, was engineer at the light plant for several years. One time a man was up on the line fixing the wires when he touched a live wire they called in and told my husband to pull the switch and they said the man fell back in his safety belt unconscious. They got him down. He lived but we heard he got killed somewhere else later on.

Also, two young boys were playing on a store building. One got a live wire and got killed, he pulled the switch but the boy was dead. When my oldest son, Carl was about 1½ years old I made him a pair of little overalls and an engineer cap. My brother, Green (who is now a Dr. in El Paso, Texas) took him up to see his Dad. He was proud of him.

When my husband built this house in 1919, we only had one child, our oldest daughter, Loyce was four years old. Carl was born in 1920. Gene three years later. Afer ten years we had Jerry., then Shirley and Martha. I was so proud of the two little girls I called them my two jewels. We had no hospital close so all of my children but the oldest was born here. Also, one of my granddaughters, Judy Nolen. I am very proud of my children, 18 grandchildren and I have 14 great grandchildren.

There has been many things happened around this house, before we bought the lot a circus come to town and rented around here. They said a lion got unruly and they had to kill it and it is buried around here.

When my first son was a little baby two bands of Indians camped across the road. The children were barefoot in the snow. They had a fire in the middle of the tents, the smoke went out the top. My husband had some poles of wood. One of the women came over and ask for some wood. My sister-in-law told her we had to keep the wood as we had a little baby. She said a little papoose, can I see it. When Carl was eight years old he pulled up a cottonwood sprout and I set it out for him. It has grown and sheltered many a weary traveler who has stopped to rest and cool under its branches.

We also had an old tiney pump where they could pump then a cool drink. When they were building the present levy they measured the tree as a land mark. I told them my son was in service. They said the tree would go down in history as the Carl Brantley tree.

In the big 1937 water the river was up halfway the levy gap. I could see the hulls of the boats. They sandbagged the gap but, it leaked through several times but they had lots of men who kept putting on sandbags. I was home with two small children. If it had broke I could not have escaped. We found out later that they had two steanboats standing by in case the levy broke.

My mother, Mary E. Gallian owned four acres of land, we bought our lot from her in 1918. Every one knew her and loved her. She had a persimmon tree in her backyard. When Jerry was about nine years old, he climbed her persimmon tree. She said, "Get down from there Jerry, you are the meanest kid I ever saw." I said, "Mana don't tell him he is mean I don't want him to know it." She loved all the children but, she was particular about her pretty yard. She lived to be eighty five.

When we first moved here, when the river was high, lots of times we could hear the river bank caving off in big chunks into the river. There was a scope of woods which caved into the river. Finally they put pilings below here and stopped the caving.

When the children were small we went to Black Island and several places fishing often. Also, we had the Powell Ferry that we went across often to Reelfoot Lake, or to visit relatives.

The Powell Ferry is now gone, but we have a beautiful bridge finished on which we can go to and from Tennessee anytime for which we are very proud. I have seen many people go and come since I have been here. Lots of my friends and loved ones are gone. The Lord has been very good to me, but He shall call for me sometime, and I will be ready. (Written by Emma Brantley)

ROTARIANS HEAR PROGRAM ON THE HISTORY OF CLUB

(Taken from the Democrat Argus, March 1, 1940)

Members of the Rotary Club in this city heard a rather complete summary of the organization and subsequent activities of the club, especially enlightening to many of the newer members, at the luncheon of that body Tuesday evening in keeping with National Rotary Observance Week, prepared under direction of Floyd Barnhart, one of the four charter members yet active in the club.

The Caruthersville Rotary Club was founded in October of 1923 and therefore is probably the senior continuous body of its sort in this city. It was organized through activity of the Blytheville Club and was the 562nd club to be formed in Rotary (now numbering more than 6,000). Twenty members were included at the beginning, it was brought out, as follows:

Frank Dillman, Fred Wheeler, Clyde O. Gill, Joe E. Melton, Chris Mehrle, Floyd Barnhart, W.J. Peck, J. Ralph Pinion, Lee Wolf, Arl J. Dillman, Carl F. Bloker, Kos Little, John L. Van Ausdall, Henry P. Thweat, Chas E. Watson, Chas. G. Shepard, John D. Strohm, Sam J. Blakemore, Claud C. Nelson, and Chas. F. Wood. Of the original members only four have remained continuously in the club--Mehrle, Barnhart, Bloker and Watson. Three of these were present at the meeting Tuesday, Mr. Bloker being on vacation in Florida.

Clyde Gill served as first president, and according to the best research possible succeeding presidents have been as follows: C.G. Shepard, C.F. Bloker, C.E. Watson, J.B. Lutten, Chas. Adkison, Harold Jones, Roscoe Pierce, O.W. Chilton, Floyd Barnhart, Wyman Dillman, Wayne Gray, Lloyd Hitt, John Pettet, Chas G. Ross, James M. Reeves and G.W. Lincoln.

It is interesting to note that of the original members only three are at this time deceased--Kos Little, S.J. Blakemore, and Chas. F. Wood, and so far as could be determined by the records only one other Rotarian in this club since that time has died--Jas. J. Long. With the exception of three who have removed elsewhere all other charter members still are residents of this city, the three being Joe Melton, J.D. Strohm and C.O. Gill.

Two citizens were elected to honorary membership for a period of one year in the Rotary Club because of outstanding citizenship and accomplishments these being S.P. Reynolds in 1934 and J. Harvey McFarland in 1937. Mr. Reynolds at one time, several years previous, had held regular membership. Mr. Barnhart pointed out various activities of the group during the past years here, in connection with educational affairs, Boy Scout work, in relation to the Crippled Children's cause and similar charitable undertakings, holiday decoration of homes, etc. For purpose of review he divided the history of the club roughly into three classifications--from organization through normal years to the depression period, through a local depression era which nearly saw the body have to surrender its charter, and a recovery period since then when its membership has grown to considerably double its original number. Its latest and perhaps greatest undertaking has been sponsorship of a series of lectures here, termed an "Institute of International Understanding", which is now in progress.

For this meeting heads of other groups were invited to be present and

these included Mrs. L.H. Schult of the Caruthersville Woman's Club, Miss Judith Mayes of the Seno Club, Miss Dolly Robinson of the Business and Professional Women, Kennett Dillman of the Chamber of Commerce (himself a former Rotarian and W.B. Bernard of the Kiwanis, the clubs newest service group, T.A. Haggard and Zeb Reno of the Steele Rotary Club and Allen Mercer of the Wardell also were visitors.

BIBLE RECORDS

Date of Bible: July 1, 1886

Name and address of present owner: C.A. Joliff, Deering, Mo.

Copied by: Denise Crockett on October 12, 1971

Page 1: This certifies that Henry V. Griggs of Olive Branch, Ills. and Luella Lessar of Olive Branch, Ills. were joined together by me in the bonds of Holy Matrimony at Hodges Park on the 14th day of June in the year of our Lord 1896.

Page 2: Marriages Pearl Griggs, Dec. 23, 1911; Jerry Cleveland Griggs Dec. 19, 1910; Edna Griggs, Aug. 28, 1919.

Page 3: Births H.V. Griggs born Aug. 29, 1864 age 50; Luella Griggs born Oct. 23, 1882; Pearlie Gurtride Griggs born June 19, 1897; Elsie Leotah Griggs Sept. 2, 1899; Edna Leola Griggs B. Dec. 17, 1901; Johnie Edgar Griggs, born Oct. 7, 1904; Bee A. Griggs, born Sept. 20, 1908; Virgil Clayburn Jolliff born May 30, 1920; J.C. Joliff, born 15 day of Aug. 1922.

Page 4: Deaths of little Elsie Griggs, June 14, 1900; of little Edgar Griggs, June 3, 1907; of Eunia Lue Ella Griggs, March 20, 1909; of Bee A. Griggs, Sept. 2, 1909; Irine Sullivan, Feb. 18, 1921; R.V. Griggs, Jan. 31, 1925.

PIONEER CITIZEN OF THE COUNTY DIES

(TWICE-A-WEEK DEMOCRAT, CARUTHERSVILLE, MO. FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 1917)

Luke Cassidy, aged and respected citizen, dies on Wednesday, Jan. 17.

Mr. Luke Cassidy, one of the pioneer citizens of this county, passed

away at his home at Ninth and Beckwith Wednesday afternoon about five o' clock, after an illness of several days of a heart affection and pneumonia, which developed a few days before his death. His extreme age was doubtless contributing cause, for he was nearing his seventy-fifth year.

Mr. Cassidy came to this county in 1873, from Derby, Ind. being at a time when it appeared there could be little future for the section in which he decided to cast his lot. He settled at a point a few miles below Cooter in the south part of the county, opening up a farm which he tilled until seven years ago. He then sold his place and removed to this city, purchasing residence property and spending his declining years in the ease which his long years of hard labor had so richly earned him.

The changes which he saw brought about in the county of his adoption have been little short of miraculous. When he arrived here the land consisted of swamps and canebrakes with the former in great proportion. A few settlements had been formed and some sawmilling interest had been established working up the wealth of timber then growing in profusion. Many kinds of wild animals--bear, deer, panthers, catamounts, and others more or less a menace to the few people who ventured among them--roamed the brakes and a man's gun was his truest friend. All traffic then was by steamboat and the roads led only to river landings, of which Cottonwood Point was one of the most prominent. Toward the inland the trails were mere pathways and were scarcely traversible with the ox carts which were the common carriers of the few citizens. It is all changed now.

Mr. Cassidy was one of the few to brave the hardships and survive the ordeals, not the least of which was the unhealthfulness of the country, and make his way in the virgin wilderness. He reared a large family, of whom four sons and at least one daughter is still living.

He was of the Catholic faith and funeral services were held by Father Schulte at the church yesterday afternoon, interment following shortly afterward at Little Prairie Cemetery, attended by a large number of friends and the relatives he left behind.

Thus closes the career of one of the pillars upon whom rested the development of one of the greatest sections of the country anywhere. He died as he had lived--secure in the faith of his fathers and conscious of a busy and useful existence, a good man and a worthy citizen. What more could be said of anyone in whatever walk of life?

BIBLE RECORD

Date Bible was printed - 1946

Name and address of present owner - Mrs. Glynn Lester, Deering, Mo.

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Page 1: William Troy Lester of Holland, Mo. and Glynn Michie Riddick of Holland, Mo were married on the 9th day of July, 1952.

Page 2: William Louis Lester died Dec. 19, 1911, born in Kentucky;
Mary Ellen Caplinger died July 15, 1915, born in Marion, Ill.

Page 3: Hugh Michie, born Aug. 25, 1886 died April 13, 1936, born in Tyler;
Willie Lee Barnett, born June 14, 1887-Tyler died Feb. 4, 1953.

Page 4: William T. Lester

Billy Frank Lester - Nov. 26, 1930

Jimmy Leon Lester - May 17, 1934

John Edwin Lester - Sept. 17, 1938

William T. Lester died March 14, 1971

Glynn Michie Riddick Lester

Sandra Lee Riddick, Mar. 7, 1939

Sherry Ann Riddick, Jan 23, 1941

Walther Hugh Riddick, July 1, 1945

Lana Ruth Riddick, Oct. 21, 1946

JOHN W. ADAMS, CARUTHERSVILLE, MO.

(Copied from : "Southeast Missouri Drummers Association Souvenir" Published by Mississippi Valley Publishing Company, St. Louis, Mo. 1908.)

Mr. John W. Adams, who conducts the popular and successful barber shop on the principal business thoroughfare of Caruthersville, was born in Belleville, Illinois, on May 25th, 1868.

Shortly after this time, he moved with his parents to Vienna, in this same State, and there remained about six years. After passing through public schools of Evansville, Ind., where he was next located, and there learning the barber business, he came to this district, first locating in Tiptonville, Tenn., where he remained for six years and then taking up his residence in Caruthersville about twelve years ago. Continuing in the barber business, he moved into his present location about two and one-half years ago, and the success which was previously his has followed him here. The property in which he does business belongs to Mr. Adams, as does also the fine residence in which he resides with his wife and family.

(Continued in October 1979 Quarterly).

The authors of all these essays have described to the fullest their knowledge concerning the subject about which they have written. But from time to time, there are others who can add to the information that has been published. Please feel free to send this to the editor, as the Society wishes to collect and preserve information.

QUERY

Need parents of the following: John MURPHY b. 15 April 1869
d. 1 Aug 1903

and his wife Rebecca Priscilla STONE

b. 12 Jan. 1861
d. 2 Aug. 1938

Charlotte (?) ANDERSON Edsall

b. 1828 Mo.
Living in 1880
m. 1st-George C. ANDERSON
m. 2nd-James R. Edsall

Susan Caroline ALLEN ANDERSON

b. 14 Feb. 1855 Mo.
d. 28 July 1932
m. Green Ferdinand

ANDERSON
22 Oct. 1876,
son of Charlotte
(see above)

All deaths were in Pemisocot County

Seeking this information: Mrs. Leo Merryman ("Blossom" Murphy)
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