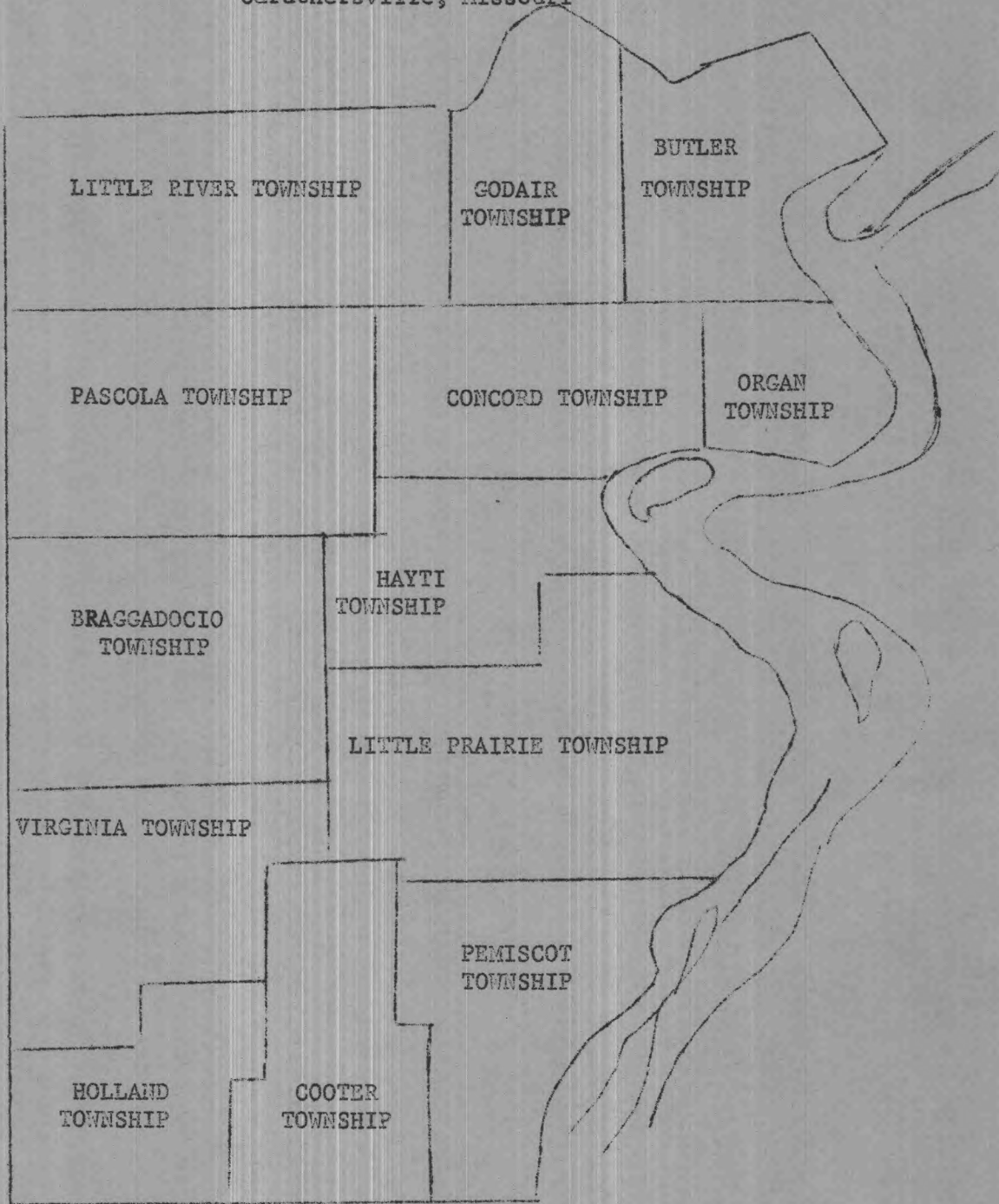


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Historical Societies and Genealogical Societies are invited to swap quarterlies with us. Their publications will also be placed in the Archives Room.

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, excerpts from Peniscot (County) Pioneers, and Peniscot County Cemetery Inscriptions, Volume II.

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.

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.

1979-80 DUES ARE NOW PAYABLE - The Peniscot County Historical Society is now completing nine years of existence, having been organized in April, 1970. Dues are still \$5.00 per person per year, and you may send your check to Carolyn Newton, 110 East 7th Street, Caruthersville, Mo. 63830.

As a member of the Society you receive each issue of the quarterly.

CEMETERY BOOKS FOR SALE - Volumes I, III, IV & V Cemetery Books available send \$5.00 for each book needed to: Carolyn Newton, Treasurer, address above article.

MEMORIES

by Mrs. Anna E. Cone, Caruthersville,

I remember, vividly, that hot July day in 1900, when with my parents, Dr. and Mrs. B.F. Jones, I came to Caruthersville. At Kennett we had changed to a train on a Railroad that ran from Kennett to Caruthersville. This was the Railroad that had been promoted and built by Louis B. Houck of Cape Girardeau. Not only was this a hot day but the dense forest along each side of the track was afire, and the discomfort from smoke and heat is something I've not forgotten. Another vivid impression, water alongside the track gave one the feeling of traveling by boat instead of by train. The Railroad station in Caruthersville was on East Third Street at that time.

I also, remember, one Spring time, seeing wagons loaded with huge logs and drawn by oxen, on Ward Avenue, mired in mud.

We are familiar with our own clean up, paint up campaign. It was true of that era. May I read a little report or two from the Civic League Notes, from 1912-1916. "The harvest is great and our campaign as outlined is a very active one. We need your cooperation and help. Following items will show you we mean to do or die in the effort.

First and most important we are assured that in the near future we will be able to oil the streets thus disposing of the terrible dust storms to which we have been subjected under the old regime of water sprinkling.

Second: Our County Court has promised to remove the stables from the rear of the jail, thus leaving a nice plot of ground that may be made into a beauty spot by planting flowers and shrubs. The ladies of the Presbyterian Church were responsible for this move, as they built a neat fence on this property at their expense.

Third: Earl Long has proven that his heart is right, as he has planted trees around his half-block; now, if he will plant zinnias, marigolds and bachelor buttons around the outer edge of the plot, he will win our gratitude and be materially benefited by the brightness their blossoms will

afford also attract attention for all passersby.

Fourth: Last, but not least, the following ladies have been appointed to look after the cleaning and general improving of their respective wards. Much is expected of them and they are not the type of ladies who disappoint you in your expectations. First Ward-Mrs. Tom Hunter, Captain; Mrs. W.H. Johnson, Lieutenant; Second Ward-Mrs. Ben Tinsley, Captain; Mrs. J.C. Malloure, Lieutenant; Third Ward-Mrs. Frank Shepard, Captain; Mrs. E.H. Musgrave, Lieutenant; Fourth Ward-Mrs. H.V. Litzelfelner, Captain; Mrs. A.L. Oliver, Lieutenant."

"Note the improvement made lately in our courthouse grounds, also the removal of part of the trash from the vacant lot across from the Cunningham Store. Last and best of all, the marked improvement in our streets preparatory to putting on the oil, which has been ordered".

The year that I was sixteen, I traveled by way of the Stearboat, City of Pittsburg of the White Collar Line, that still plied between Cincinnati, Ohio and New Orleans, La. However, my boat ride was from the Lee Line Warehouse, here in Caruthersville to Louisville, Ky. In those years, the Lee Line Warehouse was a busy terminal for shipping cotton and all kinds of freight by boat. Young folk knew the sound of the whistles on the different boats, the "Rees Lee", the "Georgia Lee", and others. They also knew which of them carried the best orchestra or some other means of music for dancing and you can be sure it didn't take long to get to the river and aboard for dancing, which they were privileged to do, during the time it took the "roustabouts" to unload and load the cargo. How lonesome the whistle sounded as the boat backed out on the river and on its way!

Another nice place for dancing or special occasions, was the Wilson Hotel, later the Majestic and later still Chaffin's Motor Hotel. There was also the Optimus Club, and now and then the Missouri National Guard, 140th Inf., "Co. B." gave a Military Ball. Who can say things didn't happen in Caruthersville?

I mentioned the dense forest between Kennett and Hayti. The timber was a bonanza for hardwood lumber dealers and the land was cheap, so the

Deering Harvester Co., bought into the area and that was the beginning of Deering, Mo. Mr. Henry Pringle was Superintendent in 1902. There were hazards in the logging and milling industry so a physician was needed to be available. As I recall my father, Benjamin F. Jones was their first Doctor under contract and made a daily trip, riding a railroad bicycle from Pascola to Deering. This was in 1902. Later the Deering Harvester Company's holding became Wisconsin Lumber Company and now Deering, Mo.

Those are memories of my very early years in Pemiscot County. There are others, of course, however, I hope these are of some interest.

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

BARNARD CEMETERY, T17, R11E, located $\frac{1}{2}$ mile east of Denton, Mo. on the southside of Blacktop Road. Only 12 stones, marking 14 graves were there. It looks as if there could be as many as 35-50 people buried there. Copied Sept. 3, 1970 by Bobbie Richardson and Ophelia Wade.

Willard A. Barnard, 1915-1960, father

Roy Barnard, born & died Feb. 11, 1924

Ruth Barnard, born & died Feb. 11, 1924

W.A. Barnard, Sept. 10, 1872 - Apr. 2, 1924

Lena B. Barnard, Jan. 25, 1879 - Aug. 17, 1943

Bennie C. Barnard, Oct. 10, 1931 - Mar. 28, 1933

Martha Michie, Nov. 7, 1858 - May 31, 1939, age 82 yrs, mother

Jadie Michie, MISSOURI, PVT 26 BN U.S. GUARDS, Aug 29, 1940

George F. Martin, Oct. 11, 1880 - May 13, 1965

Vinnia M. Martin, Sept., 8, 1878 - June 13, 1968

Steven Mack Morton, Nov 26, 1954 - Dec 27, 1954
son of Billy & Kathryn

J.C. Morton, Feb. 7, 1932 - Nov. 19, 1945

Roy Lee Morton, Feb. 7, 1933 - Feb. 7, 1933

Bertha Thayer, Mar. 10, 1887 - Mar. 8, 1934, aged 47 yrs.

DENTON CEMETERY, near Denton, west of Steele, Mo., on a farm all fenced in with markers and concreted over graves. T17N R11 Sec 20. Copied March 19 1971 by Lois McReynolds, Glenna LaForge, Roberta Pollock, and Mildred James.

A.B. DENTON FAMILY:

Albert Burton Denton, Sr. 12-12-1876 / 8-27-1934

Daughter, Hazel Jean Daton, 11-23-1932 / 6/7-1933

Mother, Dona Lee Daton, 12-16-1894 / 8-3-1934

Son, Harold Carlton Denton, 3-3-1917 / 2-2-1936

NUMBER EIGHT CEMETERY, located south of Cooter, Mo. Copied Sept. 3, 1970 by George and Lois McReynolds, Mildred James, Bobbie Richardson and Ophelia Wade.

Gus A. Allard, Feb 22, 1889 - Dec. 20, 1962, father
Ella E. Allard, Aug 23, 1894 - _____, mother

Leonard A. Allard, Feb. 2, 1921 - May 30, 1970
MISSOURI TEC 5 63 SIGNAL AW DET WORLD WAR II

Donnie Anderson, Feb. 16, 1875-Oct. 22, 1948, wife of A.F. Evans

Ruth Mildred Ash, d.o. Gus & Iris Ash, Sept. 30, 1909-Nov. 7, 1911

Reva K. Ashcraft, born 1930, died July 21, 1932

Arthur T. Ashcraft, Apr. 13, 1900 - Dec. 9, 1961

Ayers, U.S. Army

Marion Green Ayers, May 12, 1862 - June 3, 1905

Eliza Jane Ayers, May 29, 1867 - Nov. 15, 1914

Jack Barnes, Dec. 16, 1877 - Dec. 13, 1957

Josie Barnes, Jan. 3, 1886 - Aug 2, 1964

William Madison Barnes, July 3, 1894 - Oct. 4, 1966

Minnie LaRue Barnes, Aug 19, 1894 - _____

John R. Barrow, July 8, 1867 - July 7, 1939
Francis A. Barrow, Nov. 11, 1877 - Feb. 27, 1942

F.M. Barger, 1874 - 1925

Tipton V. Black, Feb. 14, 1867 - July 25, 1899

Kennith, s.o. S.W. & Myrtle Blankinship, Sept. 10, 1921 - July 10, 1930

Clide O. Booker, July 28, 1905 - Sept 21, 1906

Ethel M. Booker, May 24, 1910 - Mar. 4, 1911

(This stone was broken into six pieces)

G.J. Brown, s.o. W. & M. Brown, Oct. 13, 1876-Mar. 5, 1895

Elvis A. Burton, Nov. 16, 1919 - Mar. 31, 1950

MISSOURI SGT 271 ENGR COMBAT B.N. WORLD WAR II

Baby Burton, 3

Murel L. Buys, B & D Aug 1, 1910

Jerry Lee Buys, Feb. 28, 1876 - March 23, 1947

Mary Eda Buys, Dec. 2, 1876 - Jan. 23, 1957

Joyce C. Buys, Dec. 31, 1927 - Jan. 17, 1931

Edgar M. Buys, Feb. 14, 1902 - Feb. 8, 1960

Artie E. Byrn, Aug. 10, 1895 - April 30, 1915

Shirley H., s.o. A. & E. Byrn, June 6, 1891-Nov. 11, 1910

Charlie E. Byrn, April 27, 1916 - Dec. 8, 1916

Ada Francis Caldwell, Dec. 11, 1888 - Feb. 2, 1967, mother

Boy, Bil Cahoon (just a concrete block)

George Presley Caldwell, Aug. 10, 1872- Jan. 3, 1952, father

Henry Caldwell, 1878 - 1948

Sorilda Caldwell, 1882-1927

Thomas Leonard Cassidy, Jan. 26, 1868 - June 1, 1943

Eva Ballard Cassidy, May 22, 1877 - Sept 21, 1948

Reginald Leon Cassidy, 1898-1951, bur. in Owensville, Mo.

Rena Cassidy Miller, 1896 - 1944

Patrica Lenette Cassidy, Nov. 27, 1935 children of Lenard & Mildred

John Overturf Cassidy, Sept 30, 1938

James Luke Cassidy, 1901 - 1958

Clara Cecil Cassidy, 1895 - 1965

Vivian Leon Cassidy, Nov. 5, 1922 - July 28, 1924, d.o. J.L. & Bertha

Myria Annie Cassing, Jan. 24, 1897 - May 17, 1897 (d.o. John P. & Annie May
 Fessie May Cassing, Aug. 11, 1898 - Aug. 14, 1900 (" " " " " "

Alex Edward, s.o. John P. & Annie May Cassing, Apr. 1, 1905 - July 18, 1906

Felix Canady, 4

Clyde D. Castman, Oct. 18, 1915 - Sept. 30, 1916

Otis Lavance Clark, Jan. 6, 1913 - Oct 4, 1939

Tina Cox, died 3-31-1965, age 76 years

Clarence C. Copeland. Nov. 23, 1896 - Feb. 28, 1962
 MISSOURI PVT CO F 3 BN RTC WORLD WAR I

(A stone that can't be read. It has CRANK, CRAIN, FORD)

Martha A. Cooper, 1884 - 1936

Lillie Cotner, Mar 30, 1908 -- Age 83 years

Annie May Cowen, died May 25, 1965, age 33 yrs 5 mos 19 das.

Paul Lee Curtis, Aug 20, 1910 - Jan. 7, (1924?)
 Georgie Lee Curtis, Jan. 3, 1924 - Sept. 9, 1926

T.L. Dillon, Aug 28, 1878 - Nov. 27, 1915
 Henry Grady, s.o. T.J. & Sarah Ellen Dillion, Mar. 4, 1890-June 1, 1915

John W. Dillon, May 28, 1875
 Florence Stespeson, his wife, Sept. 7, 1875 - April 16, 1941

Robert Lee, s.o. W.A. & L.E. Dillion , Nov. 27, 1907-June 10, 1910

Isaac O. Durhan, Nov. 2, 1898 - Feb. 2, 1966, husband

William Henry Edington, 1865 - 1936
 Alice Rebecca Edington, 1866-- 1955

Harvey R. Edington, Jan. 4, 1909 - Dec. 31, 1964 nd. July
 Margaret M. Edington, June 13, 1913 - 20, 1929

Parents of Joyce, Betty & Janice.

Edington, D - 1; B - 2 (can't make out)

C.J. Edwards, 1872 - 1931, father

Mary Edwards, 1879 - 1955, mother

Ernest Elwood, Oct. 14, 1885 - Dec. 21, 1964, father)nd. May
Grace Hardesty Elwood, Sept. 29, 1889 - _____, mother)31, 1910

Zurva V. d.o. Ettie B. & J.F. Ellison, Aug. 7, 1916-????, 1918

Christopher S. Ennis, 1860 - 1932

Susan Alice Ennis, 1874 - 1942

Geraldine Evans, Feb. 11, 1912 - Mar 23, 1930

William J. Evans, Aug 26, 1886 - June 22, 1943

Leonard, s.o. Ernest, Jan. 14, 1903 - July 2, 1904

Aaron D. s.o. Sam & Maggie Franks, Dec. 12, 1917 - Feb. 3, 1918

Oscar Fowler, 1887 - 1936, father

Nora E. Fowler, 1887 - 1969, mother

Suda P. Fowler, w.o. W.D. Fowler, Jan. 30, 1870 - July 22, 1913

Audra d.o. W.D. & S.P. Fowler, Sept. 14, 1902-Jan. 19, 1904

William David Fowler, Oct. 18, 1863 - Mar. 28, 1941

Ivan Fowler, Oct. 1, 1888 - Oct. 18, 1929

William Austin, s.o. Oscar & Nora Fowler, Jan. 6, 1917-Jan. 28, 1917

(Another Fowler stone broken to bad to read)

Bernard Edgar Frazer, Sept. 19, 1904 - Jan. 24, 1966, father

Willie York Frazer, Sept. 3, 1903 - _____, mother

Mary J. Fuller, July 27, 1865 - Dec. 14, 1934

Paul Funderburk, Nov. 25, 1915 - July 5, 1917

Cora R. Garrett, Sept 3, 1885 - Aug 15, 1964

George N. Gorres, died Dec. 1964, age 78 yrs 6 mos 5 das

(F.H.M. from Howard Funeral Home in Blytheville, Ark.)

Catharine, d.o. J.T. & E.G. Gilland, July 11, 1884-July 2, 1884

Peter Gilland, Jan. 9, 1896-Sept. 10, 1896) Children of J.T.

Dolly Gilland, Nov. 2, 1880-Dec. 3, 1890) & E.N. Gilland

John Thomas Gilliland, Dec. 9, 1855 - Apr 15, 1935
 Ida Binds, Gilliland, Jan. 14, 1858 - Nov. 27, 1944

John Aloysius, so. (can't read) Feb. 20, 1893

William Mancel Graham, 1879 - 1935

W.R. Gray, March 19, 1893 - April 14, 1920, Cooter Camp 344

Griner, April (can't read)

Clares A. Gilliland, Jan. 9, 1897 - Sept 17, 1963
 MISSOURI PVT U.S. ARMY, WORLD WAR I

Elizabeth, w.o. John T. Gilliland, Dec. 8, 1850 - Jan. 2, 1888
 Charles F. s.o. J.T. & E.C. Gilliland, May 13, 1878 - (can't read)
 Franklin (can't read)
 Stella (can't read)

Mrs. L.A. Hamelton, Apr 16, 1871 - Sept 28, 1916

Edward Edgar Hamlett, July 13, 1882 - June 5, 1968
 Jozetta Ayers Hamlett, July 9, 1887 - Oct 4, 1954

Bonita Ann Hamlett, Sept. 1, 1931 d.o. Floyd & Louise

Mable Caroline Hamlett, Jan. 20, 1941 - June 9, 1944
 W.A. Hargett, 1864 - 1946

Charlie Harris, Jan. 26, 1866 - Mar. 9, 1927
 Emma Harris, Jan. 2, 1873 - July 25, 1966

Charles Hicks, Aug. 1923 - June 1925

Levenia Harris Hicks, Oct 1904 - April 1930

Woodrow W. S.O. B.E. & J. Hamlett, May 9, 1912-Aug. 21, 1913

Alta Hicks

George M. Hicks, July 19, 1873 - Nov. 6, 1933, father
 Mollie A. Hicks, June 23, 1874 - Mar. 19, 1953, mother

Lorene, w.o. Malcon Hicks, June 12, 1910 - Sept. 1, 1938, mother

J.L. Higdon, Frb. 8, 1861 - Feb. 9, 1919

W. Hinds, June 22, 1829 - June 26, 1923
 Catherine E. Hinds, July 17, 1829 - June 24, 1901

(cont'd in Jan. 1980 Quarterly)

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This is to certify that: Alonzo Parker Kersey and Bertha Lillian Quillen were united in marriage at Caruthersville on 16th of July in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eight--in the presence of witnesses: Muriel O' Bryant, Pauline O' Bryant--Signed Sterling McCarty.

Family History:

Husband's grandparents: Mike Kersey

Wife's grandparents: John Gower, Becky Gower

Husband's Parents: M. Alonzo Kersey, Sally

Wife's Parents:

Eliza and George Quillen

Children:

<u>Names</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Married</u> <u>When</u>	<u>To Whom</u>
Lorene	1910	C'ville	1931	Robert Mehrle
Alonzo	1914	C'ville	1936 1946	Ora Kelley Eleanor Kellernan

<u>NAMES</u>	<u>NATIONALITY</u>	<u>WHERE EDUCATED</u>	<u>OCCUPATION/PROFESSION</u>
Lorene	American	Mo. University	Teacher-wife
Alonzo	American	Mo. University	Farmer-Bookkeeper
A.P. Kersey	American	Missouri	Teacher
Lillian Kersey	American	Missouri	Wife

<u>NAMES</u>	<u>RELIGIOUS PERSUASION</u>	<u>CONVERTED or</u>		<u>DAPTIZED</u>	
		<u>CONFIRMED</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>When-By Whom</u>
A.P. Kersey	Baptist		1909	C'ville	1909 Reid
Lillian Kersey	Baptist		1909	C'ville	1909 Reid
Lorene Kersey	Baptist		1921	C'ville	1921 Setzer
Alonzo Kersey	Baptist		1925	C'ville	1925 Setzer

Grandparents

Wife's

Marcus Alonzo Keirsey

George W. Quillen

Eliza Gower Q.

Husband's

Jacob Mehrle

Francesca

Morris Zimmerman

Maggie

Military Service

Parker C. Mehrle, Army Air Force, Jan. 1953-Jan. 1957

Julian Boyd, Army, Jan. 1951-Dec. 1952

Robert K. Mehrle, Nov. 1969, Army Reserve

Family Records

Wife's Family - Parents

Alonzo Parker Kersey-Braggadocio, on Dec. 6, 1882

Bertha Lillian Quillen, Tennessee-on Aug. 20, 1891

Husband's Family-Parents

Christian Mehrle-born Mar. 6, 1878, died, Jan. 3, 1963 buried Caruthersville

Mary Viola Zimmerman, Dixon, Tenn., born Feb. 16, 1879, died Dec. 1960
buried Caruthersville

Wife's Brother-Alonzo P. Kersey, Jr.

Husband's brothers and sisters:

Frances M. Edgerton, Paul Martin Mehrle, Mary M. Hendricks

Taken from Holy Bible Authorized (King James) Version

Family Record This is to certify that Robert Christian Mehrle, born at Caruthersville, Mo. on Dec. 21, 1906 and Georgia Lorene Kersey, born at Caruthersville, Mo. on Jan. 13, 1910 were joined together in hands of Holy Matrimony at home of bride on the 26th day of November in the year of our Lord 1931 in the presence of Paul Mehrle and Garnet Hall. Rev. D.K. Foster, clergyman--Math. 19:6

Births

1. Parker Christian Mehrle—born August 12, 1933 at S.E. Mo. Hospital married to Betty Gray Thompson on Aug. 3, 1958 at Baptist Church
2. Marilyn, born Jan. 9, 1936 at S.E. Mo. Hospital married to Julian Boyd on March 20, 1955 in Presbyterian Church
3. Robert Kersey Mehrle born June 8, 1945 in S.E. Mo. Hospital married to Mary Elizabeth Anderson on April 13, 1968 Baptist Church, Lambert, Miss.

J. Harvey McFarland, County Court Head, Dies Friday at His home Here Financial Genius Noted For Work on County's Bench. (Copied from February 12, 1934 edition of the Democrat Argus.)

After an illness of some three or four weeks J. Harvey McFarland, 75, died at his home at Seventh and Highland in this city last Friday afternoon about 4:30 o' clock. He was presiding judge of the county court at the time of his death and was one of the county's best known and highly respected citizens.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 3:30 from the Methodist Church in this city, with the Rev. Elmer Peal assisted by the Methodist minister, the Rev. Francis M. Love, in charge. Scores of friends from all points in the county and many from much more distant points were in attendance. Interment was in Little Prairie Cemetery.

Mr. McFarland was one of the county's oldest native-born citizens. He was born July 4, 1867, on a farm at or near Gayosa, his parents being James Harvey and Belle McFarland, Virginians who had come to this county not long before that date. He was the only child and his parents died while he was a child, so that he was reared principally by an aunt, known among residents of that day as Aunt Bettie McFarland. The only living blood relative whom he leaves is Mrs. H. T. (Letitia) Simpson of this city, a cousin.

In or about the year 1900 Mr. McFarland was married to a Mrs. Ella Warren, a young widow, who had come to this vicinity from Three Oaks, Michigan, not long prior with her parents, who were engaged in the timber industry. She had a child, a daughter Pauline, the present Mrs. Warren Driver, but her (Mrs. McFarland's) death occurred some eight or

ten years later and the rearing and education of the stepdaughter was left in Mr. McFarland's hands.

Educated in the common schools of the county and at the Cape Girardeau State College, (then known as the State Normal School) Mr. McFarland entered the teaching profession, first at Gayosa and later teaching for several years at Hayti. County politics seemed to interest him and he made a successful race for the office of sheriff, later serving, according to best information available, as collector of the county for two terms, all before the turn of the century. For a good many years he was connected with the Tyler Land and Timber Company, a corporation devoted to the clearing of land and manufacturing timber products in the south part of the county, which concern built the first small railroad ever to operate in the county. The knowledge of the county, its land and resources, which he gained during his official experience and with this company was invaluable to him in later life.

After the company virtually ceased operations Mr. McFarland entered the banking business in Caruthersville and served as president of the Bank of Caruthersville for many years. Realizing the years were piling up, he resigned this position and retired from active business about the year 1926; however, he soon accepted the appointment from M.E. Singleton, president of the Missouri State Life Insurance Company, as appraiser of this company's large land holdings, which work took him as far south in some instances as points in Texas.

Completing this work, Mr. McFarland again became interested in politics and it is recalled by members of his party that in 1928 he took over the task of making a pool of qualified voters in this county--a job which he did thoroughly and well, simply because of his interest in the welfare of the party. Then, in 1930, he was persuaded to accept the nomination on the Democratic ticket for presiding judge of the county court. Without turning a hand, asking for a vote or making a single public appearance he was elected by a fine majority in an otherwise close election.

This process was repeated up to the fourth term. "Mr. Harvey" always refusing to make an appeal to any one for votes and consistently being returned to office, most often without opposition even by the

Republican organization. He was beginning the first year of his fourth term when death overtook him.

His work on the bench has been widely heralded as nothing less than brilliant. Taking over at the worst of the depression period, with a debt of approximately \$100,000 against the county, in a remarkably few years his financial sagacity and his ironclad policy of spending money only for the most essential purposes and then only when cash was available, proved the solution to the huge problem. Beholden to no one, politically or in a business way, he had the faculty of saying no to any appeal for public funds when it was necessary and it was not many years until the outstanding debt was cleared up and the county warrants were payable at par. Today there is a comfortable cash balance, the county owes nothing to anybody and ample funds for all running expenses are in sight.

His excellent work has been recognized by public men over the state and metropolitan newspapers have sought and published interviews with him, commenting editorially upon his excellent record and held up Judge McFarland and his work as a shining example to county officials everywhere. It is said of him that he had a mental picture of every acre of farm land, every ditch, road and bridge in the county and could tell any citizen from any point in the county whether his taxes were current or delinquent, so closely did he study and apply himself to his "job" and it is notable that during all the twelve years of this service he never accepted one dollar of the small pay which he earned.

Perhaps the greatest trials encountered by him were those instances when worthy distressed persons appealed to the court for aid, when the funds simply were not available for this purpose. It is related he would tell them plainly but kindly, of the situation, firmly refusing help or any encouragement in this respect--and quietly slip off the bench a little later, hunt up the applicant in the courthouse and give him or her whatever he deemed advisable from his own pocket.

His love for children and flowers were a predominant characteristic and often on the streets he would be found leading some underprivileged child by the hand, talking with her or him and always giving nickel, dime or quarter; often, also providing them with shoes and clothing to enable

then to attend school or to be more comfortable. His well-kept flowers at the rear of his premises produced gorgeously each season and it was a favorite custom with him to bring fine bouquets to his friends in the banks or other places of business or give them out to be taken to his friends' homes. He lived alone for many years and he found recreation and enjoyment in cultivating his flowers and vegetable garden.

Thus it was not strange in the minds of those who knew him best to learn that his will provided for the gift of his entire estate to the Children's Home Society of Missouri, located in St. Louis, whose support from the county itself he could not always tender in the amounts he doubtless would have liked.

Active pall bearers at the funeral Sunday comprised Messrs. M.R. Rowland, Jesse Gwin, Jas. T. Ahern, R.C. Mulliniks, Jas. M. Reeves, W.E. Smith, Luther Curtner and A.P. Campbell. The body lay in state at the church from 1:30 until the hour of the funeral service.

Honorary pallbearers included: Messrs. F.L. Ogilvie, Jno. W. Green, E.S. Huffman, L.H. Schult, E.A. Iong, T.E. Broderick, M.D. Amburgey, R.W. Hawkins, W.A. Thomas, Obye Coker, Jas. D. Sisk, Wayne Goodman, Everett Reeves, Frank L. Long, John L. Van Ausdall, Sid Henry, S.P. Reynolds, Chas. G. Ross, C.F. Bloker, G.W. Phipps, Chas. L. Reed, Jr., J.A. Bishop Harold S. Jones, J.W. Davis, C.L. Whitener of Fredericktown and Chas. H. Jones of Piedmont.

MARRIAGE BOOK NO. FOUR--(cont'd)

Page 124, Elbert Dills, ov 21, Braggadocio, Mo., to Parish Skelton, un 18 Braggadocio, Mo. written assent of A.M. Skelton, father of Parish Skelton per. by J.D. Dills, J.P., Braggadocio, Mo. 19 July 1903.

Page 124, W.M. Barker, ov 21, Cooter, Mo. to Bessie Lipscomb, ov 18, Cooter, Mo., perf. by James A. Jones, J.P., Cooter, Mo. 12 July 1903.

Page 125, W.G. Cunningham, ov 21, Hayti, Mo. to Rosie Moore, Ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by C.P. Williams, J.P., Hayti, Mo., 21 July 1903.

Page 125, John Barnett, ov 21, Holland, Mo. to Mary Foster, un 18, Holland, Mo. written assent of A.J. Foster, father of Mary Foster, perf. by Wyley L. Davis, J.P., Holland, Mo., 19 July 1903.

Page 126, John Stoddard, ov 21, Stewart, Mo. to Minnie Vaughn, ov 18 Stewart, Mo., perf. by B.C. Grymes, J.P., Home, 21 July 1903.

Page 126, D.B. Priest, ov 21, Hayti, Mo. to M.L. Faulkner, ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by Rev. G.M. Brooks, Hayti, Mo. 23 July 1903.

Page 127, J.A. Vaughn, ov 21, Braggadocio, Mo. to Lee Callis un 21, Braggadocio, Mo. written assent of Josey Callis, mother of Lee Callis, perf. by Rev. N.M. Nunnery, at Miss Callis 12 July 1903.

Page 127, Thomas Pitts, ov 21, Concord, Mo. to Lily M. Ballard, un 21 Concord, Mo. written assent of J.F. Ballard, father of Lily Ballard, perf. by J.F. Bishop, P.C. minister of Gospel at Mr. Ballard's, 26 July 1903.

Page 128, James Meley, ov 21, Pascola, Mo. to Ellen Adams, ov 18, Pascola, Mo. perf. by A. Russel, J.P., Pascola, Mo. 26 July 1903.

Page 129, Howard Aldrich, ov 21, Hayti, Mo. to Lydia Sanders, ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by Rev. G.M. Brooks, Minister at Hayti, Mo. 28 July 1903.

Page 129, Wm. A. Agnew, ov 21, Cottonwood Point, Mo. to Belle Whitworth, 18, Cottonwood Point, Mo., perf. by Lee B. Hawkins, Judge of Probate, Caruthersville, Mo. 22 July 1903.

Page 130, Leo A. Aquino, ov 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Thursa I. Shoptaugh, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by Lee B. Hawkins, Caruthersville, Mo. 2 August 1903.

Page 130, W.T. Richards. pv 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Janie Butte, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P., Caruthersville, 2 Aug 1903.

Page 131, George Gibson, ov 21 Pascola, Mo. to Lozzia Mifflen, ov 18, Pascola, Mo. perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P., Caruthersville, 19 July 1903.

Page 131, Chas. W. Reed, ov 21 Hayti, Mo. to Nora Muller, ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P., Caruthersville, Mo. 4 Aug 1903.

Page 132, L.E. Correll, ov 21 Caruthersville, Mo. to Mrs. Mary, Morgan, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P., Caruthersville, Mo. 1 Aug 1903

Page 133, John Sturdevant, ov 21, Holland, Mo. to Mattie Overton, ov 18 Holland, Mo. perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P., Caruthersville, Mo. 8 Aug 1903.

Page 133, Claud Hudspeth, ov 21 to Glays Ruck, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by J.F. Scott, J.P., Caruthersville, Mo. 7 Aug 1903.

Page 134, C.W. Herrell, ov 21 to Jennie Gleaves, ov 18, Game, Mo. perf. by Rev. J. Abbott, at Bigham-Huffman Furniture Store, 5 Aug 1903.

Page 134, James Wilson, ov 21, Braggadocio, Mo. to Ella Jones, ov 18, Braggadocio, Mo. perf. by J.D. Dills, J.P., Braggadocio, Mo. 9 Aug 1903.

Page 135, W.F. Hampton, ov 21, Wardell, Mo. to Mattie Thompson, ov 18, Wardell, Mo. perf. by P.C. Hall, J.P., his residence, 7 Aug 1903.

Page 135, A.L.S. Crews, ov 21, Cooter, Mo. to A.C. Craven, ov 18, Cooter, Mo. perf. by James A. Jones, J.P., Steele, 17 Aug 1903.

Page 136, Tom L. Hatley, ov 21, Braggadocio, Mo. to Veda B. Woodside, ov 18, Braggadocio, Mo. perf. by J.D. Dills, J.P., Braggadocio, 16 Aug 1903.

Page 136, Thomas Hall, Ov 21 Caruthersville, Mo. to Myrtle Stiles, ov 18 Perf. by Joseph B. Dodson, Minister of the Gospel, Caruthersville, Mo. 16 Aug 1903.

Page 137, L.F. Beckles, ov 21, Hayti, Mo. to Jane Trenner, ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by C.P. Williams, J.P., 20 Aug 1903.

Page 137, D.L. Iberville, ov 21 to Ella B. Gorgasa, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by Rev. A.F. Cunningham, ordained minister, at Caruthersville, 23 Aug 1903.

Page 138, Rueben Miller, ov 21, Wardell, Mo. to Stella Conoy, un 18, Sikes-ton, Mo. written consent of Wm. Conoy, father of Stella Conoy, perf. by L.Y. Negon, bride's home, 11 Aug 1903.

Page 138, Sam Booker, ov 21 Samford, Mo. to Mollie Skelton, ov 18, Samford, Mo. perf. by Wyley L. Davis, J.P., Samford, Mo. 19 Aug 1903.

Page 139, Emerson Himmelback, ov 21, Braggadocio, Mo. to Lillie London, un 18, Covington, Mo. written assent of the mother of Lillie London perf. by L.P. Thomason, J.P., Covington, Mo. 23 Aug 1903.

Page 139, Jno H. Woods, ov 21 Braggadocio, Mo. to Susie Jordon, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf by J.D. Dills, J.P., Braggadocio, Mo. 23 Aug 1903.

Page 140, A.W. Graham, ov 21 Manila, Ark. to Almeda Neal, ov 18, Manila, Ark. perf. by S.H. Steele, J.P., my office, 31 Aug 1903.

Page 140, William, Morgan, ov 21, Game, Mo. to Effie Meredith, ov 18, Game, Mo. perf. by S.H. Scott, J.P., Courthouse, 1 Sept 1903.

Page 141, Fred Morgan, ov 21 Hayti, Mo. to Ruth Keyser, ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by G.M. Brooks, Minister, Hayti, Mo. 2 Sept 1903.

Page 141, John I. Sturn, ov 21, Hayti, Mo. to Jettie Oates, ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by G.M. Brooks, Minister, Hayti, 2 Sept 1903.

Page 142, S.T. Leppard, ov 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Lula B. Hall, ov 18 Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by T.J. Duvall, Caruthersville. Mo. 2 Sept 1903.

Page 142, Hollis Hartzell ov 21 Peniscot Co. Mo. to Paralee Miller, ov 18, Peniscot Co., Mo. perf. by L.P. Thomason, J.P., Covington, 1 Sept 1903.

Page 143, G.W. Ryon, ov 18, Dyer, Tenn. to Eliza Stone, un 18, Dyer, Tenn, verbal assent of J.L. Stone father of said Eliza Stone., perf. by Lee B. Hawkins, Judge Probate, 4 Sept 1903.

Page 143, E.D. Wright, ov 21, Holland, Mo. to Annie Churchill, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by Lee B. Hawkins, Judge Probate, Caruthersville, Mo. 8 Sept 1903.

Page 144, Will Teror, ov 21 Hayti, Mo. to Clatie, Jackson, ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by W.E. Judy, Minister of Gospel, Hayti, Mo. 6 Aug 1903.

Page 144, Arthur Pool, ov 21, Stanley, Mo. to Lula Hedges, ov 18, Stanley, Mo. perf. by Eld. J.J. Wilson, Minister, at W.W. Ellis, 23 Aug 1903.

Page 145, J.B. Clements, Portageville, Mo. ov 21, to Laura Hainey, ov 18, Hyward, Mo. perf. by J.J. Wilson, Minister, at J.W. Lee, 30 Aug 1903.

Page 145, John Simmons, ov 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Gertrude Hood, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by S.H. Steele, J.P., my office, 19 Sept 1903.

Page 146, Perry Golightly, ov 21, Stanley, Mo. to Minerva Vance, Stanley, Mo. perf. by Eld. J.J. Wilson, Minister, at bride's home, 20 Sept. 1903.

Page 146, Wm. H. Walker, ov 21, Hayti, Mo. to Eva Reason, ov 18, Hayti, Mo. perf. by CM H Rogers, Minister, Hayti, Mo. 9 Sept 1903.

Page 147, Charles E. Allison, ov 21, Holland, Mo. to Lura Slaydon, ov 18, Holland, Mo. perf. by Wyley L. Davis, .J.P., Sanford, 20 Sept 1903.

Page 147, C.E. Murphy, ov 21 Caruthersville, Mo. to Ananda Knott, ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by Preacher, A. Sans, my home, 25 Sept 1903.

Page 148, A.J. Leary, ov 21, Caruthersville, Mo. to Rosa Newson. ov 18, Caruthersville, Mo. perf. by Preacher A. Sans, my hone, 22 Sept 1903.

Page 148, J.H. Siler, ov 21, Stewart, Mo. to M.L. Estes, ov 18, Stewart, Mo. perf. by B.C. Gryne, J.P., "Home", 29 Sept 1903.

Page 149, Willian A. Faris, ov 21, Portageville, Mo. to Sallie Polley, ov 18, Stanley, Mo. perf. by Eld. J.J. Wilson, M.G. at John Baynes, 30 Sept 1903.

Page 149, Wells Woody, ov 21, Stanley, Mo. to Malinda Nix, Stanley, Mo. ov 18, perf. by J. Klingensmith, J.P., bride's residence, 28 Sept 1903.

MRS. MORRELL DEREIGN
(Lucile DeReign)

by Mary Lucille Cook, daughter

Situated on the high bluffs above the Missouri River, 200 miles upstream from St. Louis, is the historic small town of Arrow Rock, Missouri, the native town of Mrs. Morrell DeReign, nee Lucile Shepard. Her father was Frank Otis Shepard, whose parents came from Ohio to Missouri in 1866. Her mother was Mina Ferguson Shepard, whose forebears came from Virginia in the early 1800's and lived near Sedalia, Missouri. She had an older brother, Lynn, who died in a plane crash in 1936.

At age sixteen, she entered Missouri University of Columbia, Missouri, her father's Alma Mater, was initiated into a sorority, and met, among other students, Morrell DeReign, of Benton, Missouri, who was a junior in Law School. In 1912 he graduated with honors and entered the practice of law while she remained in school. They were married in November, 1914, and resided in Benton ten months.

In September, 1915, they came to Caruthersville. Mr. C.F. Bloker, had persuaded Mr. DeReign to assume management of the Pemiscot County Abstract Company, and had found and reserved a house at 170 Ward Avenue suitable for rent until a house could be built.

Mrs. DeReign had never seen cotton fields and harvests. She said, "I was fascinated by the high wagons and the magnificent mules which made a parade down the street to the gins; by the steady put-put-put of gin engines. The streets were torn up while building sewers, and rains made deep mud, but that did not daunt me. I liked the place--I had never met such pleasant people."

The DeReigns bought 65 feet fronting Beckwith Avenue (#706) from the Paul Horners, who lived at 704 Beckwith. The new home was erected in the Spring of 1916 and with some remodeling it is still the residence.

In October, 1916, a daughter, Mary Lucile, was born. Mrs. DeReign's mother came before Mary arrived, remaining two weeks, during which time Mr. DeReign's father came. Grandfather DeReign had an older sister whom he remembered so fondly that he was delighted to greet a little girl. He believed a little brother would arrive later. He did, in November, 1919,

Morrell DeReign, Jr. was born.

In October, 1918, sorrow came. Mrs. Shepard died suddenly. It was the year of the "Spanish Flu". All in the family were ill: in January, 1919, Mr. DeReign with a light case, then Mrs. DeReign, with pneumonia, and the two-year-old girl barely survived.

After the death of their spouses, Mr. Shepard and Mrs. Alice DeReign became a part of their children's household for most of each year. The complications when three generations occupy the same home were solved with love and tact. (Mrs. Alice DeReign died in 1929; Mr. Shepard in 1946).

Mrs. DeReign liked people and soon became involved as a volunteer in the organizations for civic betterment, for education, and for better health, as well as in the women's work of her church, helping to organize some, notably, the Peniscot County Tuberculosis Association, now the American Lung Association. Because of her interest, responsible attention to her assigned duties, and her creative ideas, she was elected or appointed to many offices. Limited space requires I list only the positions with an occasional comment.

Church (Presbyterian, U.S.) 1915--Local President, District President, Synodical (State) President; General Assenbly's Chairman (National), Board of Woman's Work, Appointed delegate representing women at the international celebration of the centennial of the Presbyterian Church of Brazil in Sao Paul, Brazil, 1959. Taught Stewardship in summer conferences in Missouri, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas and North Carolina.

Federated Women's Clubs, 1919-1946. Local President, District Board, State Board, State President, General Federation (International) Board. Obtained Booknobles in Missouri for counties with no public library. Invited to attend first session of United Nations. Appointed by Governor of Missouri to attend Midcentury Conference on Children and Youth, 1950, in Washington, D.C. Invited by President Kennedy to a Conference in the East Room of the White House to confer with him concerning legislation.

Parent-Teacher Association: 1925-1936. Local President, District President. Set up first school lunch room with cooperation of School Board and teachers, grocers and Light Company, free lunches where needed.

Tuberculosis Association (now American Lung Association) 1921-1960. Organized clinics, provided transportation for patients to hospital for treatment and check-up, education to prevent tuberculosis. Local President, State Executive Committee, State President, National Board, Executive Committee member, first woman elected Secretary of the Board. Invited to six foreign countries and quoted in The Netherlands official TB publication.

Appointed by Governor of Missouri to be Defense Chairman of Pemiscot County in World War II. Set up local defense and first Ration Board as directed by Federal Agency.

The prestigious Marquis Who's Who in America listed Lucile DeReign in its 1955 edition and in the first edition of Who's Who of American Women, 1953-1959. Notified upon retirement listing would continue in non-current editions indefinitely.

HISTORY OF STEELE, MISSOURI

Compiled by Mr. O.V. Wells

The locality of Steele was named after Mr. L.L. Steele as was the post office--in 1896. At that time the town consisted of a blacksmith shop, operated by W.L. Coburn, one two-story building occupied by a general store, owned and operated by Sanford and Treece. The Sanford family lived in upper story. There was one saloon owned and operated by R.A. Laden, one boarding house belonging to Mary A. Campbell. The residences were occupied by Dr. Ferguson, R.A. Laden, George W. Curry, W.G. Coburn, and George W. Treece. One room of the Curry Home housed the post office.

Mail to Steele was carried from the Mississippi River at Cottonwood Point by horse back. It came to Cottonwood by steanboat. In 1901 the town was incorporated. On the ninth day of December a petition was presented to the County Court, signed by F.T. Jackson, R.E. Mangrum, Tom Brooks, T.A. Bostic, Mary A. Campbell, George W. Treece, G.W. Dillender, James R. Davis, W.J. Corbin, V.T. Mahan, J.L. Williams, and J.W. McClanahan. The board of trustees elected were H.E. Doerner, Chairman; George W. Treece, R.A. Laden, C.P. Howard, G.T. Beeding, J.W. Johnson was the first

City Clerk and he served several years.

The Frisco Railroad was started from Caruthersville to Blytheville, Arkansas in 1900 as a log train. In 1901 the St. Louis-San Francisco Railroad from St. Louis to Memphis, took over as a branch line. The first depot agent was Hans Doerner.

In 1903 J.E. Franklin of St. Louis came to Tyler, Mo., and signed an agreement with Dolphin Land Company to build a railroad from Tyler to Dolphin. The settlement of Dolphin was about eight miles west of Steele. This train transported logs to stave mill at Tyler and to the river for shipment to mills in St. Louis.

The railroad was named the Mississippi Valley Railroad Company. It was completed in 1905, and discontinued in 1914 or 15. Tillman Snow was section foreman from Steele to western part.

The first rural mail carrier out of Steele was Jessie Thomas. He was followed by Charlie Lipscomb, Jess Weaver, Clarence Funderburk, Marvin Wells, J.R. Stayley, and Mr. Ealy. Routes 1 and 2 were started in 1920 and Atlas Wallace was the carrier. Route three was begun in 1950 and David Whitfield was the carrier.

The first school was held in a church (probably the Mt. Zion church). About 1900, a two-room school was built near the site of the present grade school. Mr. Link Sisk was the first teacher. A high school was built in 1926. Mr. Harry Zimmerman was the first superintendent and Clay Aslin was one of the first basbetball coaches.

The cenetery, often referred to as Upper Cooter, was named by Mr. McArthur. First burial was in 1856.

The first cotton gin was built about 1900, and was known as the East St. Louis Cotton Oil Company.

The large drainage ditch through Steele was dug in 1910.

JOHN W. ADAMS, CARUTHERSVILLE, MO.

(cont'd from July Quarterly)

In 1893, he married Miss Clara Mooney, of Tiptonville, Tenn. He is the father of four children, two boys, Charlie W. and Wm. Edward,

fourteen and twelve years respectively; and of Cora Allie and Ethel Marie Adams, eight and six years of age. He is a member of B.P.O.E. Lodge 639, Cape Girardeau.

No Date in Bible

Present Owner: Mrs. Mary Williams, Deering, Mo.

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Page 1: Burl F. Williams and Mary Ellen Putnan, Married Dec. 31, 1918

Page 2: Burl F. Williams, born June 15, 1892,
Mary Ellen Putnan Williams, born July 31, 1900
Glendol Leon, born November 7, 1919
Mary Margaret born November 25, 1920
Vernon Weldon March 29, 1923
Carmen Ruth November 13, 1925
Carmen Gwynn Hastings, Sept. 15, 1941
Harold Keith, Feb. 23, 1943
Judith Allice Wells, Oct. 11, 1947
Pamela Ellice Wells, June 30, 1950
Joanne Ollivia Wells, March 31, 1954
Leigh Anne Bradley, November 21, 1962
Clay Owen Bradley, June 2, 1967

Page 3: Harold Ogwynne Hastings and Mary Margaret Williams, August 3, 1940 married at Kennett by Reverend E.L. Nance
Herschel James Wells and Carmen Ruth Williams, August 5, 1946 at Hernando, Mississippi
Jerry Owen Bradley and Carmen Gwynn Hastings married Feb. 23, 1962 at Presbyterian Church in Nashville.

Page 4: Glendol Leon, Feb. 5, 1920 at 7:05 a.m.
Vernon Weldon, Feb. 23, 1924
Burl F. Williams, Sept. 29, 1959
Harold Ogwynn Hastings, Dec. 16, 1964

INFORMATION FROM "PEMISCOT PIONEERS" (County, Missouri), Transcribed and Compiled by Mrs. Jeff Wade, Jr., 1973 (cont'd from July Quarterly)

RECEIVER'S BOOK, PEMISCOT COUNTY, MISSOURI

JOHN A. DOHERTY - Benton Co. Tenn. - 1859 T16 80 a; T16 160 acres

JOHN M. DOLITSCH - Peniscot Co. - 1860 T20 200 a; T20 160 acres

A.L. DONIVANT - Peniscot Co. - 1857 T17 160 a.

JOSEPHINE DOOLIN - Peniscot Co. - 1854 T19 40 a.

WILLIAM T. DOOLIN - Peniscot Co. - 1854 T19 40 a.

GEORGE W, DOWNING - Peniscot Co. - 1855 T20 40a; T20 80a; T18 40a; T20
40 a; 1857 T20 40 a; 1860 T20 40 acres

SAMUEL DUNNAY - Peniscot Co. - 1857 T20 80 acres

LEE M. DUVALL - Peniscot Co. - 1859 T16 40 a; T16 80 acres

J.W. DUVALL, JR. - Peniscot Co. - 1861 T16 15 a; T16 40 acres

JAMES EASTWOOD - Peniscot Co. - 1854 T18 40 a; T18 160 a; T18 160 a; T20 40
a; T18 30 a; ????; ?????; 1855 T18 160 a; 1856 T18 40 a; T18 30 a; T18 80
a; T16 40 a; T? 160 a; T17 80 a; T17 80 a; 1857 T18 40 a; T18 80 a; T18
80 a; T18 120a; T18 120a; T18 80 a; 1858 T18 80 a; T18 80 a; T18
160 a; T18 40 a; T18 30 a; T18 30 a; T18 40 a; T18 40 a; 1859 T18 158 a;
T20 40 a; T18 80 a; T18 80 a; T20 40 a; 1859 T18 160 a; T18 160 a; T18
79 a; T18 40 a; T18 110 a; T18 110 a; 1860 T18 80 a; T18 40 a; T20 40 a;
T18 40 a; T18 40 a; T18 40 a; T18 40 a; 1861 T18 .40 a; T18 80 a; T18
80 Acres

ROBERT E. EASTWOOD, - Peniscot Co. - 1855 T18 160a;

JAMES B/R EASALL - Peniscot co. - 1855 18 40 acres

HENRY EASALL - Peniscot Co. - 1855 T18 40 acres

WILLIAM G. EASLEY - Peniscot Co. - 1857 T16 80 ac; T16 160 a; T16 40 a;
T16 80 a; 1858 T17 80 a; T17 658 a; T16 160 a; T17 640 acres

HENRY EDSALE - Peniscot Co. - 1855 T18 120 acres

JAMES B/R EDSALL/EDSALL/EDSDALE - Peniscot cCo. - 1855 T18 40 ac; T18 80 a;
1857 T18 40 acres

JAMES EDWARDS - Peniscot Co. - 1855 T19 80 a; T20 17 acres

JOHN ELLIOTT - Peniscot Co. - 1855 T20 40 acres

MARION ESSELL - Peniscot Co. - 1858 T19 40 a; T19 40 acres

GEORGE W. FAUGHN - Peniscot Co. - 1858 T17 80 a.

MARY ELLEN FAGAN - Peniscot Co. - 1880 T20 120 a.

JAMES W. FELTS - Peniscot Co. - 1856 T20 80 acres

CHARLES FISHER - Peniscot Co. - 1855 T16 160 a; 1857 T16 80 acres

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

Friday, November 20, 1891 --- Mrs. Sala Alvey & Lora Mitchell of Caruthersville have been the guest of Mrs. H.C. Schult for the past few days.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 --- Mr. John Tipton of Cottonwood Point was in town yesterday. Mr. Tipton is looking for a location for his sawmill.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 --- We learn from the TIPTONVILLE HEADLIGHT that the people of that place are petitioning five postoffice officials for a daily mail from New Madrid to the river at Point Pleasant.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 --- Miss Katie Kopp left Wed. night for her home in New Madrid. Miss Katie had been visiting in Caruthersville and Gayoso. While in Gayoso she was the guest of Mrs. H.C. Schult.

Nov. 20, 1891 --- Mrs. Ida Hargis went up on the steamer, Ferd Harold, last Wed. night. Mrs. Hargis destination was Chaufauqua, Kansas. She intends to make Kansas her home with her sister, Mrs. Anna Oliver.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 --- Mr. Jonah DeLisle went up on the steamer, Ferd Harold, last Wed. night. Jonah will no longer take shelter under a gourd vine. He puts himself under the tutorage of the alma mater of the classic halls of the Cape Girardeau Normal.

Friday, Nov. 20, 1891 --- The mansion house on the farm of Mrs. Emma Stancil in Butler Twp. at which Mr. Wilson Thompson resided was destroyed by fire last Monday about noon. But very little that was in the home was saved. The loss was hard on Mrs. Stancil and Mr. Thompson. The building was a new two-story residence erected by Dr. John P. Stancil about the year 1873.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- AD: H.T. Byars, physician and surgeon, Caruthersville. Will respond promptly to calls day or night.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- AD: John A. Hodge and G.W. Tate, known as Hodges and Tate, physicians and surgeon respectively(can't read the rest of it).

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Professor Greer went to Hayward yesterday on business.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Mr. Hy C. Schult went to New Madrid last Tuesday on the Rowena Lee.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Mr. J.N. Miller of Cottonwood Point was visiting in our town this week.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Mr. H.P. Cardwell/Caldwell/Cawthon went to Virginia Township, laying in winter supplies.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Mrs. Warren Dorris of Harrisburg, Ill. was visiting friends and relatives in our town this past week.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Our genial friend, Mr. James Conran of New Madrid was by our streets last Wednesday and yesterday.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Mrs. Emma Madden has sold her furniture and left for the upper country on the Cherokee yesterday morning.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- The box supper at Mr. H.W. Dowd's residence last Wednesday night was a very pleasant affair. There was lots of young people present as well as a good scrapping of olkr ones. There was lots of fun. It is amusing to see the misfits in some of the boxes. Everybody enjoyed it.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Mr. Bono Meatt of Portageville is after the coon and mink furs with a sharp stick and a pocketful of rocks. Bono will get 'em.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Capt. Dan and Al Karshner left on the Cherokee yesterday. Capt. Dan Karshner will return in a few weeks with a barge for his lumber.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Col. John T. Averill went down to Coutre last Wednesday carrying with him a suspicious looking black book. John is after revenue.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Mr. J.B/E Millett of Henderson, Kentucky arrived in our town last night. Mr. Millett is looking after land interest in our county.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Mr. R.T. Dudley left Gayoso yesterday morning on the Cherokee on a visit to his old home in (Pomroy)? Ohio which he left 15 years ago.

Friday, Nov. 27, 1891 --- Mr. Los Davidson went up on the Cherokee yesterday morning. Mrs. Davidson went up several days ago. They intend making their home elsewhere. (cont'd in Jan. quarterly)

FORMER RESIDENT HERE DIES IN CALIFORNIA

(copied from the June 11, 1943 edition of
the Democrat-Argus)

Mrs. Sarah Bushey Nanson Waite, native of Caruthersville but a resident of California for the past 46 years, died at her home in Los Angeles on May 27, 1943, at the age of 88. She was the mother of H. Glen Nanson, well known resident of Caruthersville and former business man here, who for several years past has made his home in Los Angeles with his mother.

Mrs. Waite was born Dec. 12, 1854, on the old family farm south of Caruthersville, the daughter of the Rev. George Bushey and Mary Walker Bushey. She was the granddaughter of John Hardiman Walker, one of the early pioneers of this region and the man who is said to have been responsible for the retention of Pemiscot and Dunklin Counties as a part of Missouri when the state was organized, through the information of Missouri's "bootheel", instead of their being included in the State of Arkansas.

In early womanhood Mrs. Waite married H. Glen Nanson in this city and only one child was born to them, H. Glen Nanson, above referred to. Later she was married to Mr. Waite, but information available does not give the date or place of this marriage.

She is survived only one son and his five children and their families, these being Jos. S. Nanson of Dallas, Texas, Lt. H.C. Nanson, Jr. San Antonio, Texas, J.C. Nanson, Columbia, Mo., Hardiman W. Nanson, Kansas City, Mo., and one daughter, Mary Alice.

Funeral services were held May 28 at the Utter-McKinley Downtown Chapel in Los Angeles, conducted by Rev. H.O. Simons, and interment was in Inglewood Park Cemetery in that city.

Pioneer origin of the deceased is indicated by the fact that certain streets as originally laid out in this city have been named for families--Walker and Bushey Avenues.

PEMISCOT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S-----PIONEER HERITAGE AWARDS

PIONEER HERITAGE AWARDS will be featured at the May 23, 1980 Society Meeting, based on current biographies (life histories) of county residents who are 75 years of age or older, and who give their consent.

The Society asks that the biography be written by a family member or acquaintance and not to exceed a thousand words (preferably typed and double spaced).

Persons whose biographies are submitted should have contributed in some way, often behind the scenes, to community and social betterment.

Biographies will be accepted at anytime between now and the deadline of February 28, and will be the property of the Historical Society.

Each person whose biography is submitted will receive a Certificate of Honor from the Peniscot County Historical Society, and also is invited to attend the Awards Program at the meeting of the Society May 23rd.

One recipient will receive the Pioneer Heritage Award based on the decision of the current judging committee.

Biographies may be submitted to any of the following by February 28:

Teresa Gallaher, President

Rachel Dawson, Vice President

Katherine K. Hill, Secretary

Carolyn Newton, Treasurer

Roberta Pollock, Archives Room Librarian

PEMISCOT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Une 1979-1980

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- JULY
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- "Touring the East by Automobile in 1923"
- AUGUST
24 - (Klemp)
"Dei" and "Sie" and other Fine Points of Living in Germany"
(presented by Mary Tipton Rhodes Grunwold)
- SEPTEMBER
28 - (Historical Society Officers)
"Tour of New Madrid and the Historical Society Museum"
- OCTOBER
26 - (Newton)
"Morocco"
- NOVEMBER
16 - (Hill)
"Aunt Arie" (color film)
- DECEMBER
- (No Meeting)
- JANUARY
25 - (Dawson)
"Old Homes of Caruthersville"
(Mary Ellen Horner)
- FEBRUARY
22 - (James)
- "History of the Pemiscot County Farm Bureau"
- MARCH
28 - (Hamlett)
"Holly Grove Baptist Church"
- APRIL
25 - (Bigham)
"Story of the Past and Present"
- MAY
23 - "Incoming and Outgoing Officers"
"Pioneer Heritage Award"

Substitute Programs will be provided when necessary