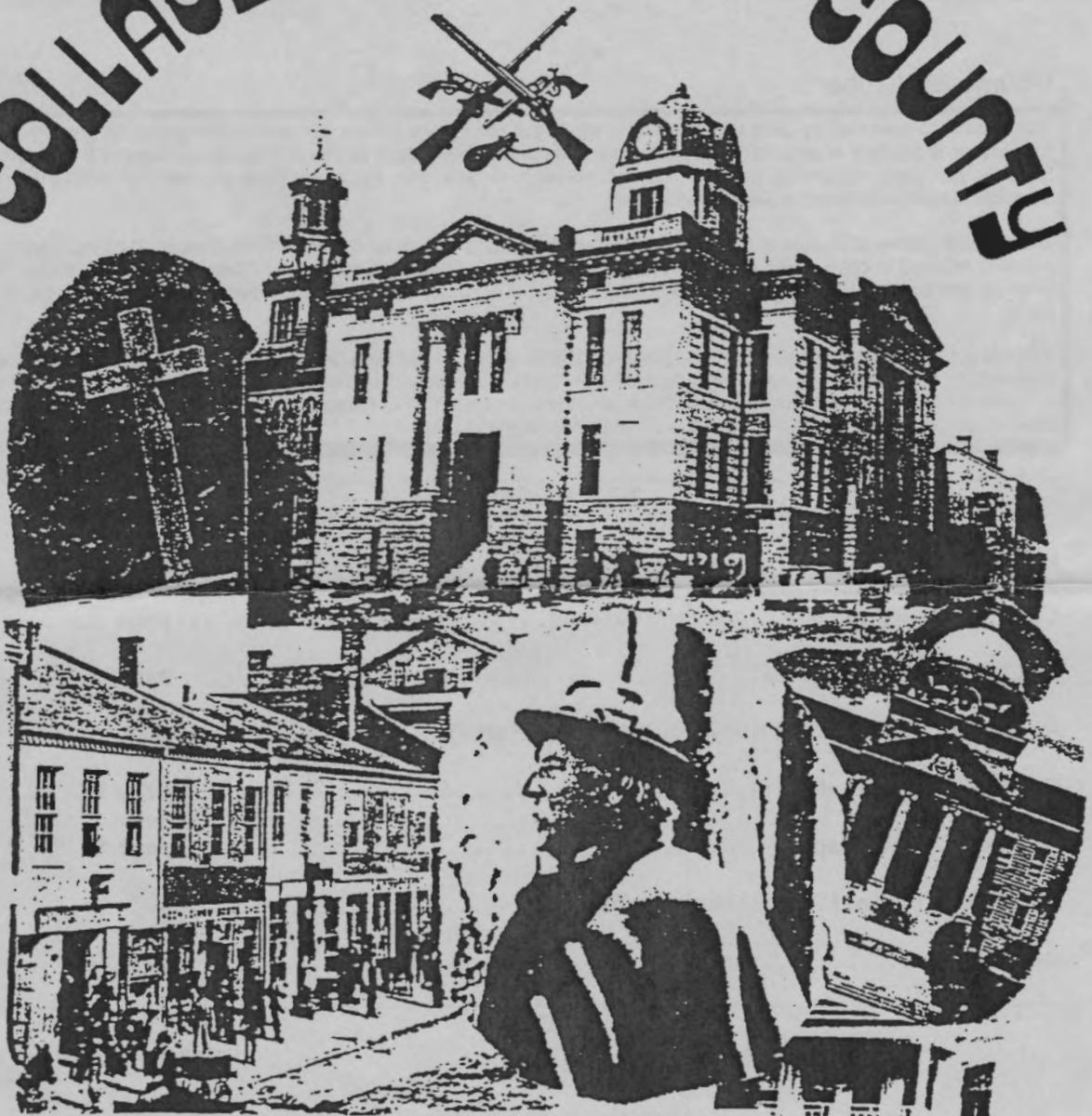


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# COLLAGE OF CAPE COUNTY



## CAPE GIRARDEAU EXPORTS 1874

Item	Amount	Price	Value
flour	120,000 bbls	\$ 6.00	\$720,000
lime	38,000 bbls	1.15	43,000
bacon	300,000 lbs	.07	21,000
lard	50,000 lbs	.07	3,500
hogs, dressed	150,000 lbs	.05	7,500





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The CGCGS Library is located in the Research Room at the Cape Girardeau County Archive Center, 112 East Washington, Jackson, MO and is open during regular Archive Center hours. Our meetings are held at Riverside Regional Library, 204 S. Union in Jackson, MO, bi-monthly in January, March, May, July, September, and November on the fourth Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

CGCGS publishes this quarterly, *THE COLLAGE OF CAPE COUNTY*, in March, June, September, and December, sent free to members. All members are encouraged to submit articles for publication. Submissions on disk (Word Perfect 5.1, MS Word 6.0, or text files) or by email (text or rich text format) are encouraged, but not essential. Mail to Bill Eddleman, 1831 Ricardo Drive Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 (email: [eddllemanw@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eddllemanw@sbcglobal.net)).

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*Cape Girardeau, Mo. April 24 1881*  
*Mr Alex Miller Guardian of Bow Miller*



**CHR. GRUBE,**

MANUFACTURER OF

**BOOTS AND SHOES,**

1881 TERMS CASH.

Harmony St., bet. Main & Spanish.

## From the President

Dear Cape Girardeau County Genealogical Society Members,

Some years ago, after I received the genealogical files of my late uncle and began adding to his research. At the time I lived in Rhode Island, but planned a trip to Cape Girardeau to visit my parents and conduct additional research. My dad suggested I call the wife of one of his former co-workers, who he knew to be very interested in local genealogy. That woman was Jean Adams. I phoned, and a pleasant voice answered. Jean encouraged me in my research, and gave me some valuable pointers on several of the families I was researching. I learned we shared some common ancestry, and we often discussed the Link and Fulbright families. Later, I was to move back to Cape, and attend the Society's meetings. Jean was in one of several terms as President of the Society at the time, and made me and many others feel welcome to the group. In fact, Jean helped and encouraged dozens (if not hundreds) of people in their local research. If this encouragement was not in person, then certainly it was in her 20+ books of local record abstracts for Cape Girardeau and Bollinger counties, some of which she self-published, and others that she produced for the Society. Jean served the Society in a number of capacities, most recently as Historian, and was honored several years ago with an honorary life membership.

On March 10, Jean Adams succumbed to her battle with cancer. We will miss her greatly, but her spirit lives on in the sound foundation she and many others gave to our group. We offer our deep condolences to her husband and family, and thank them for "loaning" us Jean for the last 30+ years.

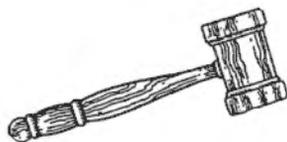
The following obituary appeared in the March 13, 2008 issue of the *Southeast Missourian*:

*Beloved wife and mother, Ellen Jean Adams, went to heaven March 10, 2008. She was born Oct. 4, 1932, in Gravel Hill, Mo., daughter of Lyman E. Proffer and Etta C. Jones Proffer. She married Donald C. Adams in 1948. They resided in Cape Girardeau more than 60 years. Together they had five children, three sons, Gary C. Adams of Lawndale, Calif., Jerry W. Adams of Youngtown, Ariz., Danny R. Adams of Fenton, Mo.; two daughters, Cynthia L. Adams Plouffe Rainwater of Cape Girardeau, Donna D. Adams Whittaker of Maumelle, Ark.; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Ellen Jean was preceded in death by a sister, Lucille M. Proffer Loos; a brother, Clent W. Proffer; and a grandson. She was a member of Bethel Assembly of God Church in Cape Girardeau. She worked at the former International Shoe Co., the former Davis Electric, the former Florsheim Shoe Co., all in Cape Girardeau, and the city of Cape Girardeau.*

*Ellen Jean loved doing genealogy and was a past president, and life-time member of Cape Girardeau County Genealogical Society, as well as teaching genealogy at Southeast Missouri State University for a brief period of time. She was a tireless volunteer, and belonged to the Order of the Eastern Star St. Mark's 167 and was worthy matron in 1995. She also belonged to the White Shrine of Jerusalem and was a past member of Daughters of the American Revolution. Ellen Jean was the bond that held the family together, and will be greatly missed by all her family and friends.*

Sincerely,

*Bill Eddleman*



## Society and Center for Regional History Purchase *Cape Girardeau Weekly Argus*

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo., May 16, 2008 – A once hidden gem has found its way back home thanks to an Illinois man and a donation from the Cape Girardeau County Genealogical Society and the Southeast Missouri State University Center for Regional History. The Society and the Center have recently given original copies of the *Cape Girardeau Weekly Argus* dating from June 1863 to June 1871 to Southeast Missouri State University's Kent Library, where they are now housed in Special Collections and Archives, said Dr. Lisa Speer, associate professor, Special Collections and Archives. David Westenfeld of Quincy, Ill., recently sold the collection to the Cape Girardeau County Genealogical Society and the University's Center for Regional History. The collection belonged to Westenfeld's late parents, who had kept them in the attic of their home for many years. The Cape Girardeau County Genealogical Society and the University's Center for Regional History, in turn, donated them to Kent Library. Speer said Westenfeld sold the collection to the Society and the Center for much less than its value in an effort to return it to the community from which it was published because of its historical significance.

"We're very excited about it," Speer said. "There's nothing to compare it to in our collection. We're very appreciative of Mr. Westenfeld for being so historically minded. Obviously, he had many other offers for disposing of it, so we are very thankful."

The collection comprises 1,609 pages. Only seven issues of the broadsheet-style newspaper are missing from the collection, which Speer says is in excellent condition. Just a few pages of the newspapers are torn, she said.

"It's valuable," she said, because the library has no Cape Girardeau newspaper from this time period. "We didn't have anything like it. This one fills a gap."

According to the newspaper's masthead, the *Cape Girardeau Weekly Argus* was published "over Cluley and Stephenson's Cabinet Shop, on Main Street, three doors beyond the St. Charles Hotel." The St. Charles Hotel was razed in 1967. The hotel was located at the southwest corner of Main and Themis streets in downtown Cape Girardeau. Other newspapers published in Cape Girardeau over the years include the *Cape Girardeau Democrat* (c. 1876-1909), *The Cape Girardeau Eagle* (1857-1861), *The Community* (1923-1927) and the *Southeast Missourian* (1925-present). The Archives has paper copies of *The Community* and microfilm copies of *The Cape Girardeau Eagle* according to Dr. Speer. Kent Library's Periodicals department has microfilm copies of the *Cape Girardeau Democrat* and the *Southeast Missourian*. The archives and the periodicals department also have other Southeast Missouri newspaper holdings, she said.

"It's going to be a real plus for Civil War historians," said Dr. Bill Eddleman, chair of the Southeast Department of Biology and president of the Cape Girardeau County Genealogical Society.

Kent Library hopes the Missouri State Library, via a state grant, will have the collection digitized and then made available online through the Missouri Digital Heritage Initiative, Speer said. The Missouri Digital Heritage Initiative is a collaborative effort that expands the amount of information available online about Missouri's past. In 2007, Secretary of State Robin Carnahan proposed the initiative to further Missourians' access to information about the history of the state and local communities. Digitizing the collection has the dual benefit of facilitating research by making the newspaper more widely available through the Web sites of Kent Library and the Missouri Digital Heritage, and also enhances Kent Library's preservation efforts by reducing the handling of the original copies, Speer said. Since the collection has been donated, three researchers, including two graduate students from the University of Missouri, have used the newspapers, she said. The collection is available for public viewing, Speer said.

---Press Release from Southeast Missouri State University



## McGuire Family Sketches

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### Col. William McGuire 1799-1857

William McGuire, son of Col. John McGuire and his first wife, was born on April 29, 1799, in Clark County, Kentucky. The year his father died, 1806, William married Susan Ann Daniel in Clark County, Kentucky. He inherited land from his father as well as buying land from his brother, Willis. This land was located on the Indian Old Field on Lulbegrub.

During the War of 1812 William served as a lieutenant in a Kentucky company. He was taken prisoner at River Raisin. The battle of River Raisin, fought on January 22, 1813, was one of the largest engagements of the War of 1812. Of 934 Americans who fought, only 33 escaped death or capture. The massacre of wounded soldiers the following day shocked and enraged Americans throughout the Old Northwest Territory.

Following his release William returned to Clark County, Kentucky, where he was elected to the Kentucky Legislature. In 1818 William and Susan sold their property to Thomas Goff and went to Missouri where they settled in Jackson, Cape Girardeau County. William's brother, Edward, also went to Missouri. It is possible they were given land in the area for their services in the war.<sup>1</sup>

William was considered to be an intelligent, popular gentleman and a man of knowledge as he had an extensive library. In Jackson William operated a tanyard. He also had a law firm in partnership with his son, John W. McGuire, *McGuire and Son*. William served one term in the Missouri Legislature.

William and Susan had a family of four sons and seven daughters. One daughter, Elizabeth, married Greer W. Davis. They were the parents of Greer Lowndes Henry Davis.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>The following an extraction from the deed book # 21 , page 431 Interest in 285 acres (Quit claim). "This indenture made the 24th day of June in the year 1826 between Willis McGuire of the County Hinds and State of Mississippi of the one part and William McGuire of the County of Cape Floriades and State of Missouri of the other part witnesseth that the said Willis McGuire for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said William McGuire at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt where of is bereby acknowledged hath given granted bargained and sold & by these presents doth give grant bargain sell alien & confirm unto the said William McGuire to have and to hold to him his heirs and assigns forever all the right title interest and Estate of him the said Willis McGuire of in and to a certain tadt or l parcel of Land situate lying and being in the said County of Clarke and State of Kentucky in the Indian Old Field on Lulbegrub it being the same land that said William McGuire and Susan his wife conveyed to Thomas Goff by Deed of bargain and Sale bearing date the 15th day of January 1818 and which is of Record in the clerks Office of the Clark County Court and bounded as followeth to wit... Be....."

<sup>2</sup> Lowndes Henry Davis was a graduated from Yale College in 1860 and from the Louisville University Law School in 1863. He was admitted to the bar and commenced practice in Jackson, Missouri. During the years of 1868-1872 he served as State attorney for the tenth judicial district of Missouri. In 1875 he

Three daughters of William and Susan, **Sarah Ann**, and **Susan**, and **Lucretia**, married physicians.

Sarah Ann married George W. Ferguson. In 1858 George built what became known as the *Oliver House Museum*. Their son, Bernard Ferguson, helped to lay the first long distance telephone line between Jackson and Cape Girardeau.

Another daughter of Col. William and Susan McGuire, Mary M. McGuire, is mentioned in his will. She never married and is buried next to her parents in the Jackson City Cemetery. She was born on March 12, 1821, and died on December 29, 1902, at the age of eighty-one years. She resided with her sister, Amanda McGuire-McFarland, after her father died. Col. William McGuire died on the "eve" of the Civil War, July 20, 1857. Following her husband's death Susan resided with her daughter, Elizabeth McGuire-Davis. Susan died on August 25, 1863.

Although William McGuire died before the outbreak of the Civil War his family did not escape the sufferings of that war. The family was one of many divided by the war. William's sons were opposed to the secession of the states but their sons sympathized with the South and joined the Confederate Army. According to Col. William McGuire's will he had four, perhaps, five slaves. William's cousin, Dr. Hunter Holmes McGuire, also served in the Confederate Army as surgeon to Stonewall Jackson.

*At the breaking out of the Civil War the four MCGUIRE brothers--JOHN WILLIS, JAMES MADISON, WILLIAM E. and BERNARD S.--were opposed to secession, while those of their sons who were old enough sympathized with the South and joined her armies. WILLIAM E. MCGUIRE expressed his disapproval of the South's course by taking an ax and publicly chopping down in the presence of a town full of rebel volunteers the first Confederate flag-pole they raised. But when what was known as the Iron Clad Oath was proposed to him he refused to take it, and rather than go to prison he decided to follow the fortunes of the South, and went with his two sons, G. W. and J. W., to the Southern army. He died in 1863 from harsh treatment received in Northern prisons. (Alton, Illinois) His son, JOHN W., was killed at the age of twenty-one, in a fight at Glasgow, Mo., while with Price on his raid into the State in 1863. JOHN WILLIS and BERNARD S. MCGUIRE died shortly after the war, and JAMES M. at his home in Jackson, Mo., in 1888.<sup>3</sup>*

For more of William E. "Button" McGuire, see: Ross, Kirby. 2003. The fight at Jackson Fairgrounds: Confederate victory against the odds. Civil War in St. Louis. Accessed May 30, 2008 at: <http://www.civilwarstlouis.com/JacksonFairgrounds/>

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1. Cape Girardeau County, MO, Marriage Records, 1805-1886.

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was a member of the State constitutional convention in 1875 and was a member of the State house of representatives 1876-1878; He was elected as a Democrat to the Forty-sixth, Forty-seventh, and Forty-eighth Congresses (March 4, 1879-March 3, 1885) and served as chairman, Committee on Expenditures in the Department of the Treasury (Forty-eighth Congress).

<sup>3</sup> History of Southeast Missouri, (page 780, Goodspeed,

## Lucretia McGuire

1824

Lucretia McGuire, one of eleven children of Susan Ann (Daniel) and William McGuire, was born in 1824 in Jackson, Cape Girardeau Co., MO.

Edward McGuire, Lucretia's paternal grandfather, was born at Maguires Bridge, co. Fermanagh, Ireland. He came to America in 1746, landing in Philadelphia and then went by way of Alexandria, VA, to the Shenandoah Valley. Records show that a number of grants to Edward McGuire totaled more than 6,000 acres before 1760. He gave the ground, as well as contributing largely to the first Catholic Church in Winchester, VA. Edward McGuire married first Susannah Wheller/Wheeler of Prince George's Co., MD. Their son, John McGuire, went to Clark Co., KY, where he was among the early settlers. His land was located on the Indian Old Field on Lulbegrub.

John McGuire was in Grayson's regiment and was taken prisoner in Quebec. He was wounded later, resigned from service and after his service was promoted to Major and then Lt. Colonel and was known as Colonel John McGuire. John was one of Gen. George Rogers Clark and may have fought with him at the battle of Vincennes. Col John McGuire married a woman by the name of Elizabeth, Her last name is not known. They had five children.

Col McGuire's 2<sup>nd</sup> wife was Frances Calloway. When Frances was a young girl, she and her sister, Betsey, and sister-in-law, Jemima Boone, (daughter of Daniel Boone) were captured in an Indian raid on what is now Boonesborough, KY, on July 7, 1776.

Lucretia's father, William McGuire was the son of Col. John and his first wife. He served in the War of 1812, holding the rank of Lt. in a Kentucky company. William was taken prisoner at the Battle of River Raisin and was one of the few to survive.<sup>4</sup>

After William returned home from the war he was elected to the Kentucky Legislature. About 1820 William and Susan and their family went to Jackson, MO, where Lucretia was born. William conducted a tanyard. He also served one term in the Missouri Legislature.

On February 24, 1842, Lucretia married William Shelton West, a physician from Shawneetown, Ill, where they lived until they moved to Chariton Co., MO, where, William established the town of Westville in 1857. Westville was one of the oldest trading points in the county, situated off the railroad. William was the area's first physician.

Lucretia died about 1855 at the age of 31, leaving behind five children.

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### Abstracts from the *Jackson Cash-Book, 1921*

(Continued from *Collage of Cape County*, Vol. 27, No. 4, Mar. 2008)

- 28 Apr      Mrs. REBECCA RICHARDS died Wed. at her niece's Mrs. D.M. FRIESE, age 75. Left 2 nieces, Mrs. FRIESE, and Mrs. STATLER. Buried at Statler Cemetery.
- 5 May      Mother PLACIDE KEATING (Miss ELLA KEATING), Mother Superior of St. Vincent's Young Ladies' Academy for nearly 35 years until her retirement last July, died at the Academy this morning. She was born in Louisville, Ken. 27

<sup>4</sup> His cousins may have been, John and Jesse McGuire, fought at the *Battle of Blue Licks*. Their names are on the monument honoring those who died at the battle.

May 1843. She graduated from St. Benedict's Cedar Grove Academy of Louisville in 1858, and transferred from Loretta Academy in Loretta, Ken., to Cape Girardeau in Dec 1881.

40 YEARS AGO: Died at the residence of Rev. J. T. FORD near Millersville, on 15 Apr, 1881, CLAUDE, 3-year-old son of JOHN T. and SARAH FORD. Mrs. MARGARET HITT w/o SAMUEL JR. died 16 Apr 1881 five miles southeast of Jackson, at age 28, and leaves 3 small children.

12 May LEVI NEWTON TORRENCE died at Blythesville, Ark. of smoke suffocation from a house fire at age 85. He moved from Jackson about 15 years ago. He was buried in the City Cemetery in Jackson. He was a son of L. N. and MARGARET B. TORRENCE of N. Car., who came to Mo. in 1826. The father died in 1835, the year L. N. was born on 5 Nov. He married 21 Nov 1856 MARGARET JANE BROWN. They had 9 children, of whom 5 survive: CAMELIA (Mrs. J. C. LITZFELNER) of Neely's Landing, Mrs. HEWITT COLEMAN of Hot Springs, Ark., ROBERT NEWTON of New York City, JOHN ALBERT of Canal Zone, Panama, and L. BURETT of Chester, Ill. His second wife [not named] also survives.

19 May Mrs. MARGARET HERSINGER, of Fruitland, died 25 May, and was buried in Hersinger Cemetery.

40 YEARS AGO: Mrs. ELIZABETH DEVORE, age 80, died near Snider Mill on 10 May 1881. JULIA DAVENPORT, wife of JOSEPH, died on 14 May 1881 near Pocahtontas, leaving six children. Died near Dutchtown, 28 Apr 1881, Mrs. REBECCA HEATLEY, age about 50. Marriages: THOMAS JACOBS and MARY FULBRIGHT; JAMES COBBLE and SOPHIA ESTES, DAVID F. CLINGINGSMITH and MARY A. GROSS.

26 May MARTHA JANE GROVES died at Allenville. She was a daughter of A. J. RENFROE, and she leaves her husband, 4 sons, and 3 daughters.

HENRY VOLKERDING, age 74, died at Gordonville. He was born in Born, Germany 11 Jul 1846, came to the USA when 2 years old, and married in 1872 to CAROLINE MENNECKE. He leaves four living children, and was buried at the Lutheran Church in Gordonville.

Mr. SAM KING died at his home near Leemon Tuesday at age 73. He leaves a widow and several children. Burial at Fairview Cemetery.

40 YEARS AGO: Mrs. C. G. THOMPSON died at age 20 on 5 May 1881.

2 Jun EDWARD HELY, age 60, of Cape Girardeau, died 30 May. He was married twice, and leaves one child, NORMAN L. HELY, and 3 sisters, one of whom is Mother Superior of Scared Heart Convent in Ill. He was buried in St Louis beside his wife.

2 Jun JIM WADE [African-American], age about 85, died at his home west of Jackson, leaving an invalid widow, 2 sons, ANDREW JACKSON WADE of Jackson and ERASTUS WADE of St. Louis; and 3 daughters, AGNES BELLE

at home, LOUISE and CONNIE, both of St. Louis. He was born in slavery on the Walker Farm west of Jackson.

- 9 Jun CLARENCE ALTHENTHAL, son of HENRY, who was killed in France, is buried in the City Cemetery.
- 9 Jun Mrs. LOUISA KINDER died Monday at her home 4 miles south of Gordonville at age 67. She leaves her husband, W. A.; 3 sons, LEE ROY, JOHN L., and WILLA; and 1 daughter, Mrs. JOHN QUADE of Burfordville; and a sister Mrs. NORMAN of St. Louis. Buried at Thompson Cemetery.
- 16 Jun ALLEN B. RANDOL, son of W. W., married EULA MAY DAVENPORT of Oriole last Saturday.
- Mrs. WILHELMINA BORGFELD, nee AUFDENBERG, daughter of HENRY, died Sunday at age 37. She married HENRY G. at Perryville 29 Jul 1917, and he survives. Other survivors include 2 children, her father, 3 brothers, and 2 sisters. She was buried at Russell Heights Cemetery.
- GEORGE DAVIDSON of western Oregon, died 4 Jun at age 80. He left this county about 25 years ago, and had a brother JOHN. His wife died last fall.
- 23 Jun Dr. THOS. BENTON TURNBAUGH, nearly age 81, died on the 9<sup>th</sup> in Bloomfield, Mo. of a paralytic stroke. He was born in Pittsfield, Pike Co, Ill., and came to Mo. at age 10 and settled in Jackson. He married MINNIE OWEN, who survives along with 2 sons: JOHN O. and T. BEN of Caruthersville. He was buried at Doniphan.
- OHMER STEARNS, age 32, son of CHARLES died near Millersville Tuesday of typhoid fever. He is survived by his wife and 3 children, ages 3 and 7, his mother, 2 brothers: J. C. and ORA, and 3 sisters: Mrs. H. A. RIEMAN of Cape, Mrs. R. M. MILLER of Millersville, and Mrs. HARVEY ALLEN of Jackson.
- 30 Jun J. L. MORTON, storekeeper of Neely's Landing, age 70, died Tuesday of heart trouble. He was born 13 Oct 1850 near Pocahontas, so of PINK. He married MARTHA HATCHER 11 Dec 1873. He leaves sons RUSSELL and MONROE; brothers Dr. DAVE of Perryville, C. A. of Jackson, and WILL of Birmingham, Ala.; and sisters Mrs. MAGGIE TARLTON of Jackson, Mrs. O. B. KINDER of Jackson, and Mrs. W. W. ALEXANDER of Pocahontas.
- ANTON SCHRADER, age 73, died last night. He was born in Werferlingen, Germany, son of ANTON, on Christmas day 1848, and came to the U. S. at age 1. He leaves 7 sons: WM. C., HERMAN, ARTHUR, ARNOLD, ALFRED, HENRY, and BENJAMIN all of Cape; 4 daughters: Mrs. C. F. KRAMP of Forest Park, Ill., Mrs. F. B. COUCHMAN of St. Louis, Mrs. A.C. LORIMIER of St Louis, Mrs. GUSTAV VOGEL; 3 sisters: Mrs. CHARLES MOEHLBACH, Mrs. WILHELMINA HUNZE, and Miss AMANDA SCHRADER, all of Cape; and a brother, HENRY of St. Louis. He was buried in Lorimier Cemetery.
- MARY E. ENGLISH, nee FERGUSON, wife of OLIVER C., died in Glendale, Ariz. 24 Jun 1921 at age 61. She was born in New Madrid Co. 6 Mar 1860, a

daughter of HENRY FENIMORE and SARAH J. SHEPPARD. She was married to Mr. ENGLISH 19 Apr 1888. Survivors include her husband, son THOMAS ENGLISH, step-mother Mrs. C. C. FENIMORE of Jackson, two brothers, J. W. FENIMORE of near Allenville, and CHARLEY FENIMORE of Bertrand, and a sister Mrs. NANNIE RENFROE of St. Louis. Half siblings are IRE FENIMORE of Poplar Bluff, OMER FENIMORE of New Port, Ark., GEORGE and ROBERT FENIMORE of Bertrand, and Mrs. GUY ARMSTRONG of Cape Girardeau. She had lived most of her life in this county, moving to Ariz. in 1914. Buried in City Cemetery beside an infant daughter who died in 1889.

OMA PRINCE, twin daughter of ROYCE PRINCE and wife, both of whom are dead, died last Friday at the age of about 24, and was buried in Russell Heights Cemetery.

7 Jul WILLIAM ABNER BIHOP [BISHOP?] of Stoddard Co. died at the Stoddard Co. Home last Monday. He was born in Tenn., and was 115 years old. He found in the Confederate army during the Civil War and was in a battle at Bloomfield.

Miss RUTH E. GREGORY, age 19, died at Morley of blood poisoning, daughter of O. L. The body was sent to Oran.

14 Jul MARTIN RUFUS ISENBERG, age 6, son of Mrs. LOUISE, died at the home near Oak Ridge Monday, of typhoid-malaria. Two sisters also survive, ALMA and LYDIA.

21 Jul W. B. SEIBERT, age 68 died, born 29 Dec 1852 in Perry Co. He is survived by a wife and two sons: Dr. D. G. of Jackson, and WILSON of St. Louis; 1 brother MONROW of St. Louis; and a sister LILLIE WILSON of Jackson. He was buried at Russell Heights Cemetery.

Mrs. SCHAEFER, age 52, of Whitewater died, leaving a husband and several children.

WILLIAM (Uncle Billy) GREEN, one of the oldest and most respected negro citizens of this city, died Sunday, age about 83.

28 Jul HENRY KISTNER, father of AMOS, near Runnels Ford, committed suicide, hanged himself at age 76. He was a widower, leaving 9 sons and 1 daughter, and a brother JOHN. He was buried in Parish Cemetery.

Rev. ALBERT REIHN, pastor of several Baptist churches, died 3 miles west of Chaffee, leaving a wife SHEBA JOSEPHINE NISWONGER, whom he married 5 Feb 1905, and 3 children: HAROLD DAYTON, MABEL, and ALVIN. He was born near Kurreville. Burial was in Old Salem Cemetery.

Mrs. VERENA ISBEL SMITH, wife of J. A., age 57, dies at her home near Snider Mill. She leaves a husband and 7 children. She was buried in McGuire Cemetery.

BETTIE DAVIS, age 73, died at Fruitland, widow of MONROE, who died last winter, leaves several children.

TOM DRUM of Oak Ridge is hurt when his truck was hit by a train near the cement plant. He is married and has 2 children.

RICHARD, infant son of Mr. & Mrs. BARNEY HEISERER, of 4 miles south of Jackson, died last Friday.

40 YEARS AGO: ISABELLE JOHNSON, age about 24, died 26 Jul 1881 at Pocahontas. KATE JONES, daughter of H. L. and N. E. died at age 10 months on 21 Jul 1881. HENRY MADGES, age 2, died in Jackson on 18 July 1881.

4 Aug The little son of HERMAN UMBECK died last Thursday from spinal meningitis, and was buried in Russell Heights Cemetery.

40 YEARS AGO: Died at his residence in Liberty Township, on 26 Jul 1881, JOSEPH BARKS, age 71. FRANKLIN BEDFORD, aged about 21, died at his residence in Randol Township on 25 Jul 1881.

11 Aug Mrs. WILHELMINE ELBRECHT, nee SEWING, wife of CHARLES, died at age 86 at the home of HENRY LUEDERS. She had 6 children: Mrs. ANNA WELTEKE of Jackson, Mrs. LOUIS LUEDERS of Frohna, Mrs. MATILDA BENGENHEIMER of Longtown, Mrs. ROSETTA OCHS of Perryville, and WM. ELBRECHT. Her husband died 10 years ago.

JOHN H. FRIESE, son of ALBERT FRIESE, died at age 1 year, and was buried at Sargents Chapel.

18 Aug Mrs. OLGA MEYER, nee BETHE, age 27, wife of FREDERICK A., died last Wednesday of typhoid fever, a few miles southeast of Jackson. She is survived by her husband and one son, her parents Mr. and Mrs. HENRY BETHE, and several brothers and sisters. Buried at Russell Heights Cemetery.

25 Aug [No items.]

1 Sep CHARLES C. NEUMEYER, age 89, of Gordonville, died the 24<sup>th</sup>, six days after his wife. They both had typhoid. He was born in Germany, and married in 1861, having 11 children. Nine are living: Mrs. ALBERT FUHRMAN, Mrs. JOHN AHRENS, Mrs. AUGUST MEYER, Miss LYDIA and HERMAN, all of Tilsit; JOHN of Jackson; Rev. FRANK of Camargo, Ill., and Rev C. A. of Cape. He was buried at Zion Methodist Church in Gordonville.

LETA A. HUTSON, daughter of former Sheriff J. N., married LINUS MOUSER, son of G. W., who lives in Oran, bridesmaid is META HUTSON, best man is ELLIS TRICKEY.

C. C. Clodfelter, age 81, died 29 August, survived by wife and 1 daughter, Miss MOLLIE, and three sons, T. B of near Oak Ridge, WADE of Cape, and JOSEPH of Jackson. He was buried at Russell Heights Cemetery.

40 YEARS AGO: JAMES RICHARDS died at his home three miles west of Jackson last Wednesday.



# The Penick Letters



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**Pennick Letter 4c**

1882-Sept-27

September the 27 1882

Clarks ville, Baker Co, Oregon

My Dear daughter

May come to in dew time an find you and Elley both well and doing well I have not wrote to you in a long time. End of page 1

The last letter I wrote I got no anser and I wood have wrote to you agane Before now but I have

So I will quit for this time from Margaret Penick to her Daughter Susan Peanick.

*[continued on the same page]*

Well **my Dear Daughter** you do not no how sorry I am for you I am willing to do with out things my self and let you xx help me and the old man is not able to do mutch now and the old man

Docter bill

is sixty dollars this summer and money is hard to git I wood be glad to see you I wrote you a letter a few days before & got yours and to worth to reed. I wrote the hit

**William Peaneck.**

**Pennick Letter 5**

1882-Sept-30

*[Evidently two writers From DR Dikson (Dickson ?) to his sister Susan Peannick and William Pennick to his daughter Susan Peannick Grandpa Vincent said that Jacob P's 2<sup>nd</sup> wife had a son Daniel Dickson]*

September the 30 1882

Clarks ville, Baker Co, Oregon

Well **my Dear Sister** I this morning take my pen in hand to anser your kind an most truly welcome letter that I reevd yesterday I had not herd of you in a long time I was very sory to here that you was sick

*[new page – last page of this letter]*

I no you need hit and I am sory I cann not help you if if I can git enny money I will tryo to help you. Ino you need help so no mome at this time only I remain yours truly until death from **D R Dikon to Susan Peanick write soon**

**Pennick Letter 6**

1888-Oct-4

**Jacob Penick to his brother William Penick.**

Vale, Malheur Co, Oregon  
Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 1888

Dear Brother I received your letter a few days ago and was truly glad to hear from you this xxx all well and hope it may find you the same Brother. I am sorrow that you could not find out anything in regard to the estate I havv a lawyer that will take it in hand but have to give him about twenty per cent of it to get it I have wrote to Scotland have no answer as yet.

But if you we have any assureance the Lawyer will go to see about it I will send you a receipt that will suit your case in this letter Times is dull here at present your druggist can fill the receipt Brother tell Ella if she knows anything of Roxy Ann and her post office is I want to hear from her verry bad

We have had verry dry summer here but we have verry good crops this year we are having verry hot days at present

And no frost we don't look for any for some time yet.

Please excuse the old woman this time

This is all at present

Please write soon

So goodbye brother

Brother yours til Death

**Jacob Penick to William Penick.**

**Pennick Letter 7**

1888-Nov-5

**Jacob & Margaret Penick to William (*Jacob's brother*) & Susan Penick.**

Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1888

Vale, Malheur County  
Vale, Malheur, Oregon

**Dear Brother and Sister & family.** I with grate pleasure take my pen in hand to anser your kind & most truly welcome letter that I recived yesterday was truly glad to here from you & to here you was all well these few lines leves us all well as common I am never well I am a faling mity fast<sup>5</sup>

Well brother you wanted to no wat I scent that resept for Sizd wrote to me that you had the Brits & that is good for the kidneys & the back that is what I took hit for & it helped me & I thot it mite helpe youy well brother you wanted to no what I had done about that Estate We have wrote & got no answer when we git a answer I will let you no & if if we find out that we can git enny thing my Lawyer said he will go to Scotland and find out what is a coming

I have to give him 20 pearsente of what he gits & if he gits nothing I give him nothing that was the best I could do well brother times is mity harde here now. Horses & Cattle both has come down & tha have quit working on the Relerode & money is harde to git We have had a mity dry summer here this summer we have had no rand all summer we have rades purty good croupes by Arigating that is a grate dele of work & trouble so no more only we reman yours truly until deth

from **Jacob & Margaret Penick to William & Susan Pennick.**

<sup>5</sup> Jacob's obituary (date) makes it sound like he had been ill for some time.

Well **Ella** if you have not wrote to **Roksan** I want you to write to her & tel her my Po address & tel her to write to me & I want you to write to me & if you have her PO address I want you to send hit to me

**Jacob Pennick**

Well **Ella** I wood be so glad to see you I want you to write to me & give my love & respect to your grand father & mother & keep a part yourself

**Margaret Pennick**

**Pennick Letter 8**

1889-Jan-11

**To Wm. Penick & Family from Jacob Pennick**

Vale, Malheur Co., Oregon

Jan 11<sup>th</sup> 1889

William Penick & Family

Dear Brother & sister. Your welcome letter of Dec 30<sup>th</sup> '88 came to hand a few days ago. Glad to hear from you and to learn that you are all well .... Are tolerably well. I hope this will find you well as well. As far as irrigating we like it first rate from the fact that we always raise good crops ... we wet the ground when it is wanted to be wet but in a Raney Country you have to wait for the rain and if it don't come a the right time you don't raise a good crop. Then we are not bothered with rain and it is healthier in a dry country than it is in a wet country Why I tell you there is places in this country where they have to kill somebody to start a graveyard. In one county in Oregon there has been but 2 deaths since that county was settled and they were still .... You had better not go to Oklahoma until it is settled. I would like to see you but it is not advisable for me at my age to venture as far from home. The 13<sup>th</sup> day of next June I will be 77 years old. [So he - Jacob Pennick - b 13 June 1812. John Eugene Vincent said he was 80 years old when he visited in 1888. Do we have the right Jacob?] I will give you Queen Ann's address. It is this **Queen Ann Vinson**, American Flat, Union Co, Ore. She is doing well has 4 children<sup>6</sup>, 3 boys and 1 girl. She lives about 175 miles from me. I have not an answer from Scotland yet about that estate<sup>7</sup>. I want you to go and see Smith and note down the particulars about the records and let me

<sup>6</sup> Agrees with other info: Joseph Riley, John Eugene, Jacob Grover, Georgia Iris. Robert Ray was b after this letter.

<sup>7</sup> Several of these letters refer to an estate, and a lawyer, and Scotland. Was this a scam, similar to the Sir Francis Drake Swindle ?

know I am beginning to think that there is something rong. Tell me all you can find about it.

Tell Ella to write to us. Hoping to hear from you soon. I will close,

Yours truly, Jacob Penick

PS How about your back. Did the receipt I sent you help you? Let me know. J. P.

**Pennick Letter 9**  
**1879-Aug-14**  
**From Ellen Faubion to her sister, Susan Worthington Penick.**

I will tell you about Jake<sup>8</sup> and Sereny parting. Some think that they will go back together again. I do not know whether they will or not. He took both the children away from her. She is going to try to get the baby again. She said he got to be so mean to her that she could not stand him any longer. She is at her mother's now ...

Aunt June got a letter from mother last week. They was all well. She said that Dan (Dixon) had bought fourty head of cattle. Dan sold his mules for three hundred and fifty dollars in gold.

**Pennick Letter 10**  
**1900-July-27**  
**From Ellen Faubion Walker to the mother of Mrs. Bertie Ladnek.**

...

Ella, your grandfather was William [Pennick]. I don't know whether Margaret [Pennick] is alive or not. She was about a year ago at least. Dan, her son, wrote to the man that tends to the place and [Dan? or the man that tends the place] said that she was very feeble.

**Pennick Letter 11**  
**Date ?**  
**From Ellen Faubion Walker to her sister, Susan Worthington Penick.**

<sup>8</sup> Dad (Joseph Eugene Vincent) noted on his transcript: "This could not be Jacob Penick, as he had gone West before this time and his first wife had died and he was married to Margaret in 1900. Could this be the Serena Catherine Pennick who married a George Smith?"

...

You wanted to know mother's post office address. It is Clarks Creek, Baker Co., Oregon.

**Pennick Letter 12**  
**1900 July 27**  
**From "Aunty J. P." [Jennie Pennick]**

North Topeka, Kansas  
Route No. 3  
July 27<sup>th</sup> 1900...

... no news comes yet. I waited until the moon changed to see if I wouldn't have some news to write you but there isn't. Green went and saw your lawyer a Monday and he said that he has not received any answer from Oregon yet. He has a acquaintance in a town clost to where Dan and his Mother live, that is a real estate agent and he rote for him to go and see if he could buy it and by that way find out by Dan what he asked for it and how much rent he was gitting from the place so he would know something of what it rally was the the back rent would be for you. I guess your lawyer is samart but you must have patience. It may take some time to get it but rest assured you will get it all right and a good deal more than you ever dreamed of .....

Kiss the babies for me and Grandma ... your aunty, J. P. [Jennie Pennick]

**Pennick Letter 43**  
**No heading, undated**  
**From "Aunty J. P." [Jennie Pennick]**

...

Dear Grand daughter and grand son and dear little ones.

Well Ella I was glad you got your money and just put it to such good use. Hope and pray you will live to enjoy it. Who did buy your land? Did Daniel Dichson buy it of you, or did someone else ...

[No signature, but Dad - Joseph E. Vincent - wrote "[Susan Pennick]" on his transcript.]



## DAVID ORR – PIONEER BAPTIST MINISTER

Submitted by Sue Godwin Paris

[The first portion of this article is an oral history given to Herbert Godwin by his grandmother, Elizabeth Ann Orr Godwin, the daughter of David Orr. The handwritten pages are from a composition book – written by Herbert Godwin. In the same book, often on opposite pages, was the cut and pasted (literally!) pages from Baptist publications (“Baptist Advanced” and “Baptist and Com.....s”) dated 1929 and 1930. Following the copies [note from Sue Paris– this was written when I gave copies to our children.], I have attempted to “transcribe,” if you will, the writings. I have attempted to do it as closely as possible to the originals written by Herbert Godwin – I think it retains a richness of the history shared with us by and about our relatives. Herbert Godwin’s “a’s” and “o’s” look very similar, so . . . many times I wasn’t sure if it was “come” or “came”, etc. It is fun to follow the travels of the Orrs on the Arkansas (and Missouri) maps. I have listed here what may have been some of the towns mentioned in Herbert’s writings (as they are spelled differently in his writings.)

Van Buren, Arkansas

Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Fulton County, Arkansas

Minturn, Arkansas (as there is a White River very close, and a ferry is mentioned)

Of course, the obvious: Ask Flat, Lawrence County, now Sharp County, Arkansas]

On the cover of the composition book: “Notes on the Life of David Orr and, Early History of Bapbtist Church History of Arkansas.”

(Page 1) “Notes on the life of David Orr and early Baptist church history of Ark.

“In the Spring of 1823 William, Peter, and David Orr left Cincinnati Ohio and come down the Ohio river in a flat Bottom Boat to the intercession of the Mississippi river and William Orr who was the oldest and had a family of several children, and Peter Orr who was the youngest of the children (or of the three Brothers on Board the Boat which they had built them-selves) and was single went up the Mississippi River and went and settled in Illinois. David Orr who was married and possibly had one child, a boy, settled near where Cape Gerardeau??? now is and lived there till 1829 when he left there and come to Reeds Creek, then in Lawerance Co. Ark, now in Sharp Co. Ark.

“While living in Mo. David Orr preached locally and also did some missionary work for the Home Mission Board of New York City (Page 2) which work led him in to Lawrence Co. Ark. As early as 1828 when he organised three churches in 1828 and in the Spring of 1829 found him moving to Reeds Creek Arkansas where he stayed till about 1844 or 1845 leaving there he went to Fulton Co. Arkansas and stayed there till his death in 1847.

“Peter Orr was killed in Illinois after David Orr come to Ark. And David Orr went back there to see if he could find out why he had been killed, but was not able to ??? out anything, only found out that he was Found dead in the road and that he had met Death by being shot, while there David Orr found a young lady that was engaged to Mary (*marry*) Peter Orr and, she went on horseback with him (David Orr) to preach on Sunday while there. It seems that several of his brothers went and settled in Illinois and that one of them Joe Orr, lived in Arkansas near Reeds Creek and practised Medicine for (Page 3) Some three or four years and that while he was living near David Orr that he (David Orr) Studied medicine under his Bro Joe Orr and a few years later we find him practi medicine in Fultin Co. Ark where he died.

“Dr. Watson?? D.D. tells us that when he come to Reeds Creek in 1842 or 3 that David Orr was in New Orleans La. and after Talking with his daughter Aunt Kitty Orr Billinsley of near Ash Flat, Sharp Co. I found that he had went with his Bro. Joe Orr to New Orleans with a boat load of cattle that they had raised and bought up to Yathes and had Stoufed them (or as we would now say Fattened them). As he (Joe Orr) was selling out every thing and getting ready to go back to Illinois to

make his home, not much more of those Orrs that went in Ill is known only that two of them (There was Five of the Orr men in Ill) came back after the Civil War, about 1867 and stayed a few days with David Orr's widow and children and was not heard of any more by them.

(Page 4) "An incident that I think worthy of mention that happened at Reeds Creek in 1842 was told to me by Aunt Kitty: "While David Orr was preaching at Reeds Creek Church and as they was getting ready to have the Lords supper at the eleven o clock services one Sam Smity that was not of the same belief as the Babtist got happy and comensed to shout and howolowed Glory, Honor, and Salvation to Thunder and ran around over the house, and as was David Orrs custom when any one got happy while he was preaching he would stop preaching and stand still till they would quit shouting, but the Mr. Smity was determined to prevent them from having the lords supper he passed by the little table where they had the wine and bread and gave the table a kick, which scattered wine and bread all over the house and broke the table all to pieces and then David Orr who was a very large man (He stood (Page 5) 6 feet and 6 inches in bare ft) and strong with it caught him with one hand by the back of the neck and with the other hand by the seat of his pants and caried him to the door and threw him head first out in-to the yard and walked back to the pulpit and went ahead as tho nothing had hapened.

"Grandma Godwin of near Ask Flat, Sharp Ark. one of David Orr's daughters says that he would very often be gone frome home on trips when he would be off preaching for 2 and three months at a time, She tells us that he mad some trips to Greasy Vally, near Van Beuren Ark in 1830 and that she has heard him talk of getting lost on one of these trips when we was coming home and crossed white river in oil Trough Bottom at a Ferry with a cimetary name of the Minter?? Fery and that on one of these trips he got lost and while in Oil Trough Bottom before he came to the river he missed his way in the dark and found that he could not get out till (Page 6) day light that he picked an old cypress tre that had been blown down and that the but of the tre was hollow he tied his horse to the roots of the tree and cralled inside the log and only had his large hunting knife for protection and there spend the rest of the night amid the howling of wolves and the screaming of panthers, but mind you he did not sleep any that night. Next morning at day light he went to the Fery and had about one hours Job getting the Ferry Man who was on the oppisite side of the rived to hear him.

"Grandma Godwin and Aunt Kitty both remembered Rev. Andy Walker and Rev. Carr coming to their Fathers house while they lived on Reed's Creek and they would go to the Association and one time David Orr and Andy Walker was of preaching and bother had stoped at the same place for the night as every body wore buck skin close and shoes. David Orr had broken (Page 7) his shoe strings till there was not much left of them So the next morning they engaged in a friendly scuffle and David Orr held Andy Walker and cut him a pair of shoe strings frome the tail of his buck skin shirt and all hands had a good laugh and no body was mad, only a prank.

"Aunt Kitty tells me that on the first trip that her father went to Van Beauran to preach that in 1830 as he was going out there he did not find places to stop at as he would have liked to. (as he always went Horse back) that one evening he rode up to a house and he had spent the night before and all that day with out thing to eat that he hollowers and that a lady came to the door and he told her he wanted to feed his horse and get some supper and stay all night, that the lady told him to feed his horse and that her husband and sons was making rails back in the woods that he could go and see them, so feeding his horse he went and found the men and on learning his (Page 8) mission they caoe to the house and he said that while the Lady was getting supper he noticed that she was coocking (every one them coocked by the Fire place) that she was only cooking fat Bear meat and Bread, and that he knew that he could never eat fat meat he knew that his supper would be slim, but when it was ready he went in and said that he never ate such good mee in all his life.

**[Continued in the next Collage of Cape County]**

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- HENDERSON DEANE** I am looking for information on George HENDERSON (Judge) who m. Lucy McCARTY and had several children. I am related to their daughter Emily who m. Henry DEANE. I don't know the names of George and Lucy's other children or where they are buried. Also with Emily and Henry where they are buried or more information. Interested in any information or correspondence regarding these families. **Robin Petersen**, 3338 Todd Road SW, Prior Lake, MN 55372 (612) 599-4836. **Email:** [robinsdale2000@yahoo.com](mailto:robinsdale2000@yahoo.com)
- ERVIN, SIMMONS** Looking for information on Rachel SIMMONS, living next to her father Hezekiah ERVIN in the 1850 census of Cape Girardeau Co. Also interested in any information on ERVIN, 1832-1900, and SIMMONS, 1832-1838. **Gregory A. Simmons**, 56 Colin Kelley Drive, Dayton, OH 45431-1340, Phone: (937) 781-0464 (H), (937) 781-0464 (B). **E-mail:** [gas5812@yahoo.com](mailto:gas5812@yahoo.com)
- KINDER, CRITES** Henry KINDER, son of Conrad KINDER, b. ca. 1760, m. Barbara CRITES ca. 1790. Moved from NC with 10 children and settled near Marble Hill, MO. One of the children of Peter KINDER is my gr-grandfather who m. (1) Barbara ? and (2) Mary Ann ALLARD in Bollinger Co. 1800s (?). **Carole Kinder Watkins**. **E-mail:** [vcwgeni@sbcglobal.net](mailto:vcwgeni@sbcglobal.net)
- OLD SOLDIERS' HOME** I recently was loaned some of my father's grandmother's photo albums. In this was a photo of her husband's father (postcard) of him and some other men in front of a "Old Soldier's Home in Cape Girardeau". The year is unreadable. His name was Capt. John Henry GWIN. Can you give me any information on this home, etc that I may notify someone to get more information about Capt. GWIN? **Betty Forsee**. **E-mail:** [4cbunch@centurytel.net](mailto:4cbunch@centurytel.net)



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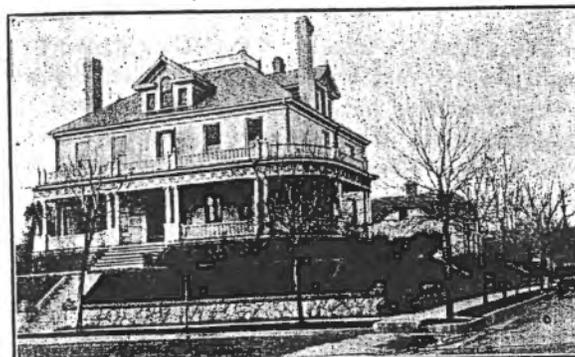
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## National Archives and FamilySearch Team Up to Digitize and Index Mountains of Historic Documents

SALT LAKE CITY-The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) of the United States and FamilySearch have announced an agreement that will lead to the digitization of millions of historical documents over time. The bulk of the digital images and related indices will be freely accessible through <http://www.familysearch.org/>, 4500 family history centers worldwide, or at the National Archives and its Regional Centers. The agreement is the result of several years of discussions between the two organizations and NARA's new long-term strategy for digitizing and making available major segments of its vast collection online to the public. Ultimately, the records digitized by FamilySearch will consist of court, military, land, and other government records that include information of genealogical significance for family historians. The records date as early as 1754 to as late as the 1990s.

Almost all of the records in the National Archives currently are not readily accessible to patrons who visit the National Archives or one of its regional facilities. The newly digitized and indexed records produced under the agreement will be available online-greatly increasing patron access.

"For a number of years, we have had a very productive relationship with FamilySearch," said Professor Allen Weinstein, archivist of the United States. "This agreement expands our relationship to enable online access to some of the most popular and voluminous records in our holdings. It is an exciting step forward for our institutions and for the American people," he added.

Under the new agreement, FamilySearch will be operating highly specialized digital cameras 5 days a week at the National Archives in Washington, D.C. FamilySearch intends to extend the digitization services to select regional facilities at a later date. That means there will be a continuous flow of new data for genealogy buffs to explore for years to come. It also means FamilySearch will be able to digitize the thousands of microfilms it has already created from NARA's holdings-providing access to millions of images for genealogists to search from the convenience of their home computers with internet access.

The first fruit of this effort is a portion of a very large collection of Civil War records, already underway. In this pilot project, FamilySearch will digitize the first 3,150 Civil War widow pension application files (approximately 500,000 pages). After digitization, these historical documents will be indexed and posted online by Footnote.com with the indices also available for free on [www.FamilySearch.org](http://www.FamilySearch.org). FamilySearch intends to do all 1,280,000 of these files over the coming years.

James Hastings, director of Access Programs at the National Archives, said, "For decades the National Archives has helped thousands of researchers gain access to this rich trove of records in Washington. Thanks to this agreement with FamilySearch, this valuable information will now be available to millions of users around the world in a far more accessible format." Wayne Metcalfe, director of FamilySearch Record Services, said, "No single group can preserve, organize, and make available all the information contained in the world's important genealogical documents-like those found in the National Archives of the United States. Such immense undertakings require the cooperation of record custodians, researchers, and specialized services. FamilySearch is committed to being an integral partner in this global effort."

The National Archives and Records Administration, an independent federal agency, is the nation's record keeper. Founded in 1934, its mission is unique-to serve American democracy by safeguarding and preserving the records of our Government, ensuring that the people can discover, use, and learn from this documentary heritage. The National Archives ensures continuing access to the essential documentation of the rights of American citizens and the actions of their government. It supports democracy, promotes civic education, and facilitates historical understanding of our national experience. The National Archives meets a wide range of information needs, among them helping people to trace their families' history, making it possible for veterans to prove their entitlement to medical and other benefits, and preserving original White House records. The National Archives carries out its mission through a nationwide network of archives, records centers, and Presidential Libraries, and on the Internet at [www.archives.gov](http://www.archives.gov).

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