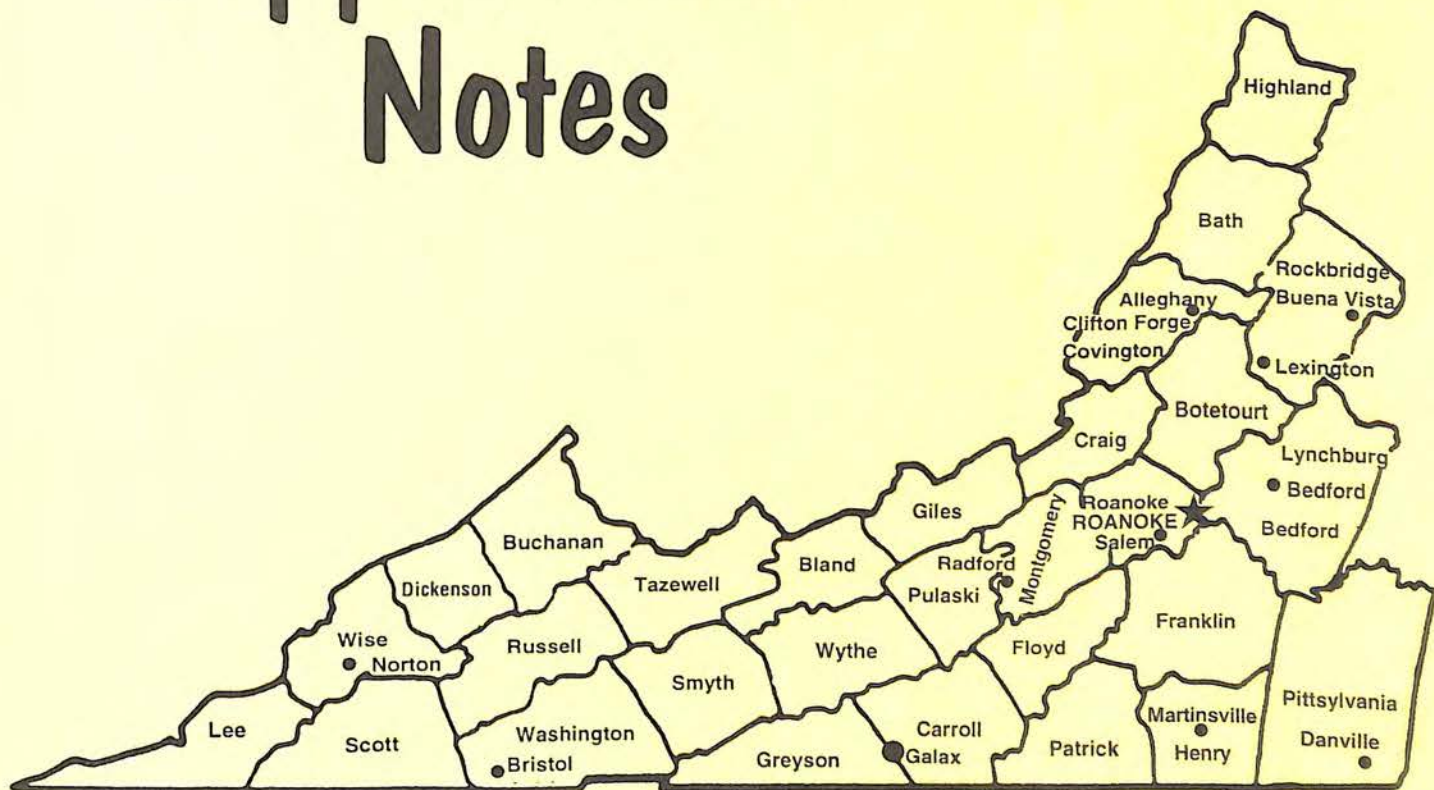


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TWO APOLOGIES

My first apology goes to Billie Redding Lewis who submitted the article "A Renfro/Rentfro Timeline" published in the May issue for may failure to give proper credit to her. I do appreciate Ms. Lewis' work and will continue to publish her articles.

The second apology goes to all readers of the VAN. Emergency roof repairs in my home (the only access to the roof is through the dormer where my computer sits) delayed the publication of this issue.

The Editor

VIRGINIA APPALACHIAN NOTES

SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, INC

August 1997

Dear Fellow Genealogists:

This past Fourth of July the Roanoke Times featured an article about the Virginia Room and the librarians who make it a very fine research facility. This society was also recognized for the donations it has made.

A Volunteer program to assist the librarians has been developed, with several of our members presently serving. If you would like to help in this endeavor, contact Carol Tuckwiller or Brenda Finley. Help is needed for assisting patrons and for special projects.

The executive board is considering a number of projects to be undertaken. When a decision is made, the board will need help in accomplishing the goal. There will be more information and discussion on this in the fall.

The relaxed atmosphere of summer may be a good time to discover how we would prefer to contribute our talents for improving SVGS. Suggestions and helping hands are welcome and encouraged.

Sincerely yours,

Gene Swartzell,
President

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MEMBERS WHOSE PASSING WE MOURN

Dr. Charles Linard Ayers

7 Nov 1930 - 2 May 1997

He will be sadly missed

VIRGINIA APPALACHIAN NOTES

SURNAME INDEX

Betty Powers Crislip, 4405 W. Platt St., Tampa, FL 33609-2610

WOODYARD, Ephram B.	Giles Co., VA	b. 2 Nov 1823
POWERS, Hickman	VA	b. Oct 1816
POWERS, John "Pike"	VA	b. 22 Aug 1814
NICEWA(O)NDER, Jacob S., Sr.	Wythe Co., VA	d. 11 Jun 1805
HILTON, James T.	VA	b. ca 1836
HILTON, Clayton A.	VA	b. ca 1840
JONES, Jeremiah	Franklin Co., VA	m. 2 Oct 1800
McPHERSON, Jacob	Montgomery Co, VA	m. Feb 1803

W. Edward Pfeil, 1222 Commerce Street #1802, Dallas, TX 75202-4316

HOUSTON (HUSTON), Elizabeth	Augusta Co., VA	m. 5 Oct 1795
BOYD, Thomas		
BERRY, Nancy	Rockbridge Co., VA	m. 6 Jul 1782
McCAMPBELL, Solomon		
BOYD, Jane	prob Botetourt Co., VA	b. 18 Nov 1803
McCAMPBELL, James	Knox Co., TN	m. 27 Mar 1823
JETER, Sovereign	Bedford Co., VA	b.
VAUGHAN, Matilda		m. ca 1806
DAVIS, John	Wales	b. prob
MILAM, Elizabeth	Botetourt Co., VA	m. ca 1778

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CORRECTIONS TO INSIDE FRONT COVER

2nd Vice-President	Patricia Long	989-4531
Computer/Labeler	Don Vaughan	989-8645

New inside cover will be made for next issue.

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HERALD of the VALLEY
29 July 1820, Fincastle, Va

"Suffer little Children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

DEPARTED this life on Wednesday last, Ann Eliza, daughter of William and Mary Woltz, of this placce, aged 14 months and 14 days.

ROBERT AND VIALETA LINUS HILL
Early Franklin County Settlers

Submitted by: Jane Bernard Williams (Mrs. Jon R.), 95 Mystic Lane,
Social Circle, GA 30279-5145*

Robert and Vialeta Linus Hill were my ggggg-grandparents. Their daughter, Ruth Hill, married Walter Bernard, who was my Revolutionary War grandfather.

I have been researching the Hill-Bernard-McNeil families of Franklin County, Virginia for approximately 10 years and really do not like to have mysteries develop in my research. It also does not help to live in Social Circle, Georgia, and have everything you are working on in Franklin County, Virginia. Or so we thought.

Having already entered Daughters of the American Revolution with Walter Bernard as my Patriot, I really wanted to become part of the local Colonial Dames chapter. This meant that I must prove an ancestor who was here in the 17th Century (1600's). This became an obsession!

Having no luck in Franklin county with Robert Hill or Walter Bernard, we approached my son's history professor at Erskine College, Due West, SC, who suggested that we take the Bernard name north into Pennsylvania and Maryland. This search still has not located the Bernard family in question, but did connect us with the Hills.

Robert Hill and Vialeta Linus were married on 9th month 12 1741 at the New Garden Quaker Meeting house in Chester County, Pennsylvania.¹

It was a requirement of the Quaker Meetings at this time that the bride and the groom state their intent to the monthly meeting and then a committee was appointed to interview each party regarding the request for marriage. This was done and is recorded in the Monthly Meeting Minutes for New Garden Meeting. 7th month 26, 1741 was when they first asked for permission to marry. Their second intentions were requested on 8th month 31 1741 and they were given the liberty to marry. By 9th month 28 1741 it was reported in the monthly meeting minutes for New Garden Meeting House that they were married.²

The only other reference to Robert Hill came on 11th month 30 1747/48 when the meeting learned he was in legal trouble with his creditors. For this he was disowned from the Society of Friends on 1st month 26 1748. The latter reference was very poorly microfilmed and it was hard to read.³

* Mrs. Williams is a native of Franklin County, Virginia, and recently won one of the 1996 Essay categories in the United Daughters of the Confederacy Historian General's Essay Contest. She wrote about Linus Hill Bernard, her g-grandfather and how the Union Invasion affected her family. The current family project: locate the Williams connections in Montgomery and Charlotte Counties in Virginia

There is no clear information on who were the parents of Robert Hill. Parents of the bride and groom always sign in the right hand corner of the marriage certificate under the name of the bride and groom at a Quaker marriage ceremony. In this case no one signed in that position. However, Ann Hill did sign the certificate with other friends who attended.⁴ She was the wife of Samuel Hill, and they were received at New Garden on 8th month 25, 1735 from a meeting in Limerick, Ireland; Ann appearing before the Women's Meeting, Samuel before the Monthly meeting.⁵ It is possible these were Robert's parents. Ann later asked the Monthly Meeting to grant her and her children (not named) permission to move to a Monthly Meeting on the "Frontier".⁶

Robert and Vialete do not appear in the New Garden Monthly Minutes again after he is disowned. Perhaps they have already left the area or that this is when they began the journey to Virginia. This would fit into the time frame in the area that became Franklin County. Maps which show the travel routes into areas of Virginia would indicate that perhaps they travelled the Pennsylvania Wagon Road into what is now Franklin County, Virginia.

The marriage certificate shows that Vialeta Linus lived in the county of Chester in "ye Province of Pensilvenia" and that she was the daughter of Thomas Linus of "Newprovidence in ye County of Philada. & rpovince aforesd."⁷

Several references to Thomas Linus were found at the West Chester Historical Society in West Chester, Pennsylvania. Item #4399 in the computer system there showed a list of returned letters to the Post Office in Philadelphia. The list is dated January 15, 1741 and shows that a letter was returned to Philadelphia for a "Linus" at New Garden. Of course, the letter has long been destroyed, but William Penn did keep good records.

Reference was also made to a notice published in the Pennsylvania Gazette dated June 12, 1746, WHEREAS Jane, the Wife of Thomas Linus, of New Providence Township, in Philadelphia County, hath lately made frequent Practices of eloping from her said Husband, and running him in Debt; these are therefore to forwarn all Persons trusting her on his Account, for he will pay no Debts by her contracted, after the Date hereof. Thomas Linus.⁸

This information is submitted in hopes that other family connections will become interested in completing the "rest of the story." My husband and I have made two trips to Chester County, Pennsylvania. We have walked on the grounds of the New Garden Meeting House, founded in 1714, at New Garden, and also at London Grove Meeting House, Chester County. These meeting houses remain in much the same style as when Robert and Vialeta Linus Hill walked on their grounds.

NOTES

1. New Garden Monthly Meeting Minutes 1718-1746: On microfilm at Friends Historical Library, Swathmore College, Swathmore, Pennsylvania. Also recorded in Bjorkman, Gwen Boyer, Quaker Marriage Certificates, New Garden Monthly Meeting, Chester County, Pennsylvania, 1704-1799, Heritage Books, Inc., 1990.
2. Minutes of New Garden Meeting 1718-1746.
3. Minutes of New Garden Meeting 1746-1768: Haverford College Special Collections (The Quaker Collection), Haverford, Pennsylvania. Also, Friends Historical Collection, Swathmore College, Swathmore, Pennsylvania.
4. Bjorkman, Quaker Marriage Certificates.
5. Minutes of New Garden Meeting, 1718-1746.
6. Minutes of New Garden Meeting 1718-1746.
7. Bjorkman, p.97.
8. Pennsylvania Gazette, June 12, 1746 on computer at West Chester Historical Society Library, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

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- Minutes of New Garden Meeting 1747-1768: Haverford College Special Collections (The Quaker Collection), Haverford, Pennsylvania.
- New Garden Monthly Meeting Minutes 1718-1746: Friends Historical Library, Swathmore College, Swathmore, Pennsylvania.
- New Garden Women's Meeting Minutes 1718-1746: Friends Historical Library, Swathmore College, Swathmore, Pennsylvania.
- Pennsylvania Gazette, June 12, 1746. On computer at West Chester Historical Society Library, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

THE GRUBB FAMILY BIBLE

Submitted by: Judy Gordon Blackwell, Rt. 4, Box 76, Floyd, VA 24091

The following family records were copied from the Bible of Henry Grubb and Mary Ann Woolford Grubb and given to me by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fowler of Wythe County, VA. Mrs. Fowler and I are descendants of this couple through James Letcher Grubb (son of Jacob Grubb and Sarah McCoy Davidson) and Mary Ann Grubb.

Marriages:

Jacob Grubb and Nancy C. Cooper was married 14 January 1845
 John R. Grubb and Jane Leonard was married 14 October 1847
 Samuel F. Grubb and Margaret Huddle was married 20 January
 1850
 Henry Grubb and Ann Newman was married 9 July 1850
 William Kegley and Sophia M. Grubb was married 21 August 1851
 James L. Grubb and Mary Ann Grubb was married 18 January 1855
 Andrew J. Grubb and Elizabeth Fry was married 1 December 1861
 John W. Louthian and Nancy Grubb was married 13 March 1862

Births:

Henry Grubb was born 16 July 1797
 Mary Woolford was born 28 November 1803
 Jacob Grubb was born 12 May 1822
 John R. Grubb was born 26 February 1824
 Samuel F. Grubb was born 28 August 1826
 Henry Grubb was born 3 January 1830
 James E. Grubb was born 3 April 1832
 Sophia M. Grubb was born 17 September 1834
 Mary A. Grubb was born 10 December 1836
 Andrew J. Grubb was born 4 January 1839
 Lura A. Grubb was born 2 July 1841
 Charles Grubb was born 17 January 1844
 Nancy E. Grubb was born 7 March 1845

Deaths:

Two babies born dead 1821 (Note: This was right under the
 deaths.)
 Charles Grubb died 23 February 1844
 Lura A. Grubb died 8 September 1846
 James E. Grubb died 17 February 1852
 Henry Grubb died 17 September 1862
 Sophia M. Kegley died 17 September 1862
 Mary A. Grubb died 24 October 1865
 Henry Grubb Consort of Mary Grubb Departed this life on the
 6th of November 1870. May he live long in the memory of
 his children.
 Mary A. Grubb wife of Henry Grubb died 18 December 1879, age
 76 years.
 Andrew J. Grubb died 2 January 1915
 Elizabeth Jane Fry (Grubb) died 23 July 1901

LISTING OF KNOWN CEMETERIES IN THE CITY OF ROANOKE

Submitted by: Nelson Harris, 2813 Edgewood St., Roanoke, VA 24015

The City of Roanoke did an inventory of the cemeteries in Roanoke City and Mr. Nelson felt it might be of interest to readers of the VAN.

NAME	LOCATION	GENERAL CONDITION/COMMENTS
1. Evergreen	Off Brighton Rd, SW	Well maintained
2. McClanahan Heirs	Behind Advance Auto Store on 24th St., NW	Not maintained
3. St. Andrews	Salem Turnpke, NW	Well maintained
4. Fairview	Between Salem Turnpke & Melrose Ave., NW	Well maintained
5. First Baptist Church Trustees	Orange Ave. at I-581	Part in fair condition & part in poor condition
6. City of Roanoke	Tazewell Ave	Well maintained
7. Campbell Heirs	Behind 4134 Welcome Valley Rd	Well maintained - Confederate Soldier grave
8. Hylton Heirs	Glen Heather Rd., SW	Fair condition
9. Logan Heirs	Glen Heather Rd., SW	Not maintained
10. Trevey	GreenRidge Road, NW at Salem City Limits	Well maintained
11. Church of the Brethren	Cove Rd., NW	Well maintained
12. Cedar Lawn	Cove Rd., NW	Well maintained
13. Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens	Airport Rd.	Well maintained
14. Temple Emanuel	Orange Ave, East	Well maintained
15. Beth Israel	Orange Ave, East	Well maintained
16. Mt. Moriah	Orange Ave, East	Fair condition, a g i n g congregation would like help in maintenance
17. Persinger Heirs	Memorial Ave, SW	Well maintained, Confederate Soldier
18. Moorman Heirs	800 blk Hanover Ave, NW	Mowed lot, could not distinguish graves
19. Samara (Springwood)	Liberty & Hunt Ave, NW	Grown over, sunken graves
20. Grubb	Adj to 3622 Kegy Rd	Fair condition

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| 21. | Belford (Lewis & Elenore Shepherd) | Adj to 4306 Belford Ave, SW | Fair Condition (vegetation cut, head stones knocked over) |
| 22. | Fleming/Read | Monterey Golf Course (may be one or two adj cemeteries) | Fleming grave site in good condition. Horizontal slate tablets over numerous Read grave sites are deteriorating |
| 23. | Kefauver | Mt. Pleasant Blvd. just past Rutrough Rd. | Grown over, not maintained |
| 24. | Dillon, Anderson, Day | Dead end of Carrington, SW | Fair condition |
| 25. | Coon & Barnhardt | Dead end of Mt. Holland, SW | Grown over, not maintained |
| 26. | Gravesite of Elizabeth Guerrant | Prop. of Roland Macher Huntington Court | Fair condition, not fenced in |
| 27. | Williams Memorial Park | Westside Blvd. & Tyler Ave, NW | Excellent |

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WM. L. BURTON

Having located himself at Captain F. Pate's near the Big Lick, where his professional service to the inhabitants of Botetourt County, and its environs. PHYSICIAN and SURGEON. By uniformity and regularity of conduct, assiduity, and attention to those calls, which may be made upon him, he hopes to render himself worthy of the confidence, and part of the patronage of that county. A due regard to circumstances, and the pressure of the times.

BALDWIN L. SISSON

Attorney at Law,

Will in future attend the Superior and inferior Courts of Botetourt, Franklin and Alleghany counties.

from "Herald of the Valley", September 7, 1822.

QUERIES

97-63: Need par/o Joseph BOYD, b abt 1769, Franklin Co VA; d Russell Co VA aft 1850; m Nancy AARON(?) abt 1800. Ch: Jonathan, Elizabeth, Nancy, Patience, Robert, & Rosina ("Ziney"). Carl Boyd, P.O.Box 795, McBride, B.C. V0J 2E0 Canada (US postage 46c

97-64: John J. WATSON, w Oney, ch: Mary, Nancy, William, & unnamed infant 1st appear in Tazewell Co census in 1860 (HH# 877). Who were their par and where did they come from? This is some indication they came from Carroll Co, but this may be an error. Where was William born? Will reimburse copying & postage. Carl Boyd, see 97-63

97-65: Looking for info from 1850 thru 1912 on Otey F. KINSEY, Floyd Co VA; Jacob Otey KINSEY, Montgomery Co VA; William Marshall KINSEY, Montgomery Co VA. Descendents of Christian KUNTZY from Switzerland. These KINSEY families lived around Riner or Christiansburg VA. Prob owned KINSEY-CROMER Company around 1855 in Christiansburg VA. Robert A Kinsey, 609 Pollard Hill Rd., Johnson City, NY 13790 PH: (607)682-9798

97-66: Seek info and/or desc of Michael NICAR. Surname also spelled NIGER, NEGER, NEGOR, NEGAR. Michael b ca 1765-1770 in Germany & m Sarah MORGAN in MD in 1793. After 1800 family moved to Campbell Co VA. Michael d 1843, Sarah d bet 1840-1842. Ch incl Hugh M., John, Robert and Catherine, who m Hargrove MITCHUM. Mary Lucado, 2245 Fairview St., Christiansburg, VA 24073 e-mail: gen.research@VT.edu

97-67: Seek par & info on Michael REED & wife Ann Katherine of Rockbridge Co VA. Michael b ca 1750-1760, d 1832. Katherine b ca 1770, d 1852. Ch incl: Sarah who m Andrew C. TROUT, Elizabeth who m Peter WISEMAN, Benjamin, & a g-dau Mary Magdelin REED. Michael desc from the Pennsylvania German REEDs, but which one? Mary Lucado, see 97-66

97-68: Seek par/o Jesse HOLT of Charlotte Co m Sarah FOSTER in 1815, d ca 1843. Dau Elizabeth F. (b 1822) m James H. HAILEY in 1841. Elizabeth & her ch moved to Roanoke Co during Civil War, where dau Luvenia Ann HAILEY m John L. GOODWIN in 1868. Info on any of the above would be appreciated. Mary Lucado, see 97-66

97-69: Seek info & desc of William HICKMAN, b 1810 & his par William & Mary (ELLIOTT) HICKMAN, m 20 Jun 1799, Bath Co VA. Margie Post, 410 N. Steuben Ave., Chanute, KS 66720-1641

97-70: Seek info on desc of William & Mary (SHIELDS) NICHOLSON early settlers of the Colony of VA. One son John NICHOLSON had dau Margaret Victoria NICHOLSON, b 1848, m 1876 William Garvin MANLY in GA. Margie Post, see 97-69

97-71: Seek info on John SCOTT native of VA who with Jane CAMPBELL of VA went to East TN, married & raised 10 ch. Family Bible said Cork Co. Their 3rd child was George Henderson SCOTT b 9-10-1806. When George was 12, they moved to Fleming Co KY & farmed near Locust Creek or locust creek area. George m Sara Rice LAWSON 1829 in Flemingsburg; by 1832 they were in Portland Mills IN. James L. Horney, 501 Pecan St, Weatherford OK 73096-4235

97-72: Would like to corres w/anyone having info on Fullen LESTER of Tazewell Co VA. Par Thomas A. LESTER & Margaret DRAKE. Need bd & pl. He m Angeline LESTER on 14 dec 1860, Tazewell Co & lived near Paint Lick. Angeline dau of James LESTER & Jerushia ASBURY, b mar 1837, Paint Lick. They had 10 ch, one of which was Augustus Spiller LESTER, b 7 Aug 1867. M. Pat Young, 1398 Beckey Gibson Rd., Greer, SC 29651

97-73: Would like to corres w/anyone having info on Harvey Herbert YOUNG b 1845 or 1847 Rockingham NC m Nancy Jane THOMAS 1 Jun 1882, Tazewell VA. Do not know par names. Nancy dau of Johnny & Loucinda (?) THOMAS of Pounding Mill VA. They had 4 ch that I know of, one of which was Henry Chapman YOUNG. M. Pat Young, see 97-72

97-74: Would like to corres w/anyone having info on George W. YOST, b 1 Jan 1841, Tazewell Co VA, s/o John YOST & Elizabeth STUMP. He m Harriet BOURNE 6 Dec 1858, Ashe Co NC. Harriet b in England, dau/o James BOURNE & Martha GILLET. M. Pat Young, see 97-72

97-75: Seek par/o Joseph E. HIX/HICKS b 27 Jan 1823, Lee Co VA, m Margaret HARDWAY, moved to Clark Co IL where they had Eliz., Fanny, Melroy, Mary, Alice, Joseph R., Allen, Charles, & Frank. Alice "Susan" came back to VA & m William Henry SHINAUT. Mary Barton Bailey, 5750 W. 69th St., Overland Park, KS 66204-1509, e-mail: TINNETTE@aol.com

97-76: Would like to corres w/anyone researching SHINAUT/SHINAULT in VA. Also various different spellings: CHENAULT, CHINAUT, SHINALL, SHENAULT. Mary Barton Bailey, see 97-75

97-77: Would like to corres w/anyone research BARTON family in VA, esp in Henry/Patrick Cos. Mary Barton Bailey, see 97-75

97-78: I am researching: John SMITHSON & son Sylvanus SMITHSON; Samuel KNIGHT & wife Sarah SMITHSON of Lunenburg Co VA & TN; James HARRISON wife Hixie ROBERTSON/ROBINSON Brunswick Co VA, Warren Co NC TN; Bartholomew TAYLOR VA GA; John WHITTEN (sic) & wife Elizabeth HINSON VA GA; Alecy ORR VA GA. Will trade info; am working on a book. Helen Pate Ross, 1801 Esic Dr, Edwardsville, IL 62025

97-79: Campbell Co TN 1850 census lists Mayshack BRUCE being b in VA in 1802. Wife Sarah also b in VA. He poss had 2 bro named Shadrack & Abendigo. I hope to indentify first immigrant & name of place in Scotland from which they came. Joanna Bruce Zobel, 615 Ottawa Dr, Troy, MI 48098-1665

97-80: Seek info on par, sib, b/pl of Thomas SHERRITT b abt 1755, d 1832 Botetourt Co VA. He bought land 19 mi NE of Fincastle in 1794, m Rebecca WILSON, dau of Robert WILSON abt 1782 in Augusta Co, VA. They had 5 sons: Robert Wilson (m Jane HOLDEN), John, Thomas, James (m Mary M. BAUMGARTNER) & Waterson SHERRITT; 2 dau Nancy SHERRITT MASTERSON & Mary SHERRITT BAUMGARTNER. John settled in IN, & Thomas & Waterson in KY. Ann Sherritt Costello, Rt. 1, Box 527, Las Vegas, NM 87701

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DID YOUR QUERY NOT GET PUBLISHED? Here are a few reasons why a query may not get published:

1. Query is too long. The rules state 60 word limit (I sometimes allow a little more if space permits).
2. Query that is not readable. Mostly this is because of punctuation rather than handwriting. Try to keep sentence fairly simple.
3. No query is made. The editor cannot tell what information you are seeking.
4. Too many queries are submitted. The limit is 3 per issue. If you send more, some will have to wait until the next issue. If you send more for the next issue, some will get left out.
5. No address on the query itself. Many times envelopes get separated from the body of the query and we do not know the address.
6. You are not a member and you did not send payment with your query. Queries for non-members are five cents per word (do not count your name and address. We do not bill for queries).
7. There may not be room. Rather than put only one or two queries at the top of a page, they may be carried over to the following issue.

QUARTERLY EXCHANGE NEWS

NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY (NGS) QUARTERLY. This is an excellent publication. The articles are all well written. they give you an insight on how a researcher can solve problem cases, the correct way for citations, etc. the Editors Corner is always worth reading as the editor, Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FNGS, FASC and her coeditor, Gary B. Mills, CG, Ph.D, point out what can be learned from the articles in the issue. Be sure and check out the Book Review feature also.

NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY (NGS) NEWSLETTER. In each issue of the NGS Newsletter, is the NGS/CIG Digest. For those using a computer for genealogy, there are interesting articles on what is new, views on genealogy software, tools and techniques. In the NGS NEWSLETTER, you can see what is going on, not only with NGS, but from other organizations across the country, the latest NGS Library acquisitions and a query column.

MIDWEST HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY (MHGS) REGISTER (Wichita, KS). Vol. XXXI No. 4 has a Topical Index for MHGS Register volumes XXI (1986) through XXXI (1996). For an index to volumes I (1966) through XIV (1979), see MHGS Register Vol XV No. 2 (1980). For an index to volumes XV (1980) through XX (1985) see MHGS Register Vol XXI No. 2 (1986).

Watauga Association of Genealogy, Upper East Tennessee BULLETIN. Washington Co., TN Court Records - A Users Guide, submitted by Ned Irwin, Archives and Special Collections, Sherrod Library, East Tennessee State University. This article has a good description of the Washington Co., TN court records and what each record group consists of. It gives a historical background on the creation, function and development of the various courts in Washington Co. Page 29, Vol. 26 No. 1.

Faded Writing: If the writing is too faded to read, use a 75-watt black light bulb in any lamp that casts light directly on the written message. The writing will appear miraculously. From the Iowa Genealogical Society via Watauga Association of Genealogy Bulletin.

GENEALOGY BULLETIN, Number 39, May/June 1997. Maps, Names, and Places by William Dollarhide is an excellent article on topographic maps, geographic names index, DeLorme Atlases and Gazetteers. The article discusses by the genealogist needs maps, how to obtain topographic maps from the United States Geological Survey (USGS), list of catalogs that can be ordered from USGS for free, discusses USGS plans to produce "National Gazetteer of the United States", what is available on CD-ROM, and map software for your computer.

VIRGINIA APPALACHIAN NOTES

NEW BOOKS IN THE VIRGINIA ROOM

MARCH 1997 (Continued):

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CALDWELL CEMETERY
Craig County, Virginia
John's Creek

Across Rt. 632 from "Craig Healing Springs Christian Church" past a big field.
 The cemetery is in a wooded area on a hill.

Copied by Charles W. and Ruth G. Hale
 September 25, 1987

†	Dudding	Charles W.	June 6, 1913 - Jan. 5, 1962
		Virginia AS USNR W.W.II	
	Ferrell	John Wesley	Jan. 13, 1912 - May 30, 1961
	Spangler	Drema Ann	Sept. 16, 1956 - Sept. 17, 1956
	Clark	Dr. John Alexander	June 22, 1857 - July 17, 1932
	Wygall	Mary Ferrell	Aug. 15, 1866 - Apr. 11, 1949
	Wygall	Floyd E.	Died Nov. 21, 1942
	Mills	William E.	Born 1872 Died 1943
	Givens	Gordon W.	Sept. 15, 1875 - Aug. 5, 1946
	"	Laura	Oct. 28, 1875 - Oct. 9, 1963
	Jackson	Clarence Edward	1876 - 1948
	4 graves marked with Fieldstones		
	1 grave marked with Funeral home marker, no name left		
	Black	Charles E.	Apr. 14, 1861 - Aug. 26, 1919
	Black	Elsie M.	Jan. 28, 1871 - Jan. 19, 1938
	Ould	Mary Ferrell	June 15, 1910 - Dec. 8, 1980
		(Add. Boitnott Marker)	
	Ferrell	Mila C.	June 8, 1884 - Dec. 9, 1967
	Ferrell	J. Watt	June 8, 1888 - May 25, 1959
	Ferrell	Annie Maude	Mar. 1, 1918 - June 5, 1919
		dau of J. W. & M.M.	
	2 graves marked with fieldstone		
†	Smith	George W.	Co.K 46 Va. Inf. CSA (Iron Cross)
	Caldwell	Elmer P.	Sept. 28, 1882 - Feb. 17, 1901
		son of M.G. & A.A.	
Mother	Caldwell	Nannie	June 29, 1884 - Aug. 19, 1943
	Caldwell	E.F.	June 8, 1878 - Sept. 5, 1907
		son of M.G. & A.A.	
	Caldwell	W. Roscoe	B. Aug. 22, 1905 - Killed Jan. 27, 1917
		s. of E.F. & N.C.,	
Father	Caldwell	Marion Gilbert	May 22, 1850 - Sept. 28, 1933
Mother	"	Arminty Ann	Sept. 28, 1850 - Apr. 14, 1931
†	Way	Harold Dee	May 9, 1902 - June 2, 1968
		Louisiana CMI US Navy W.W.II	
	Crawford	William T.	1897 - 1956 }
	"	Mattie L.	1900 - 1972 } married Sept. 24, 1942
	Grave marked by fieldstones		
	Dudding	Charlie G.	Sept. 9, 1876 - Dec. 10, 1954
	"	Lillian L.	Nov. 1, 1887 - Mar. 27, 1960
	Looney	Joseph B.	Nov. 1844 - May 15, 1906
	Looney	Annie Jones	June 14, 1849 - Nov. 19, 1926

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 Craig County, Virginia - John's Creek

	Ferrell	W. Codie	1888 - 1971
	"	Minta A.	1890 - 1976
Father	Elmore	Jacob C.	1884 - 1943
Mother	"	Ada Looney	1883 - April 1959 (bur. 16, April.)
	Crawford	A. Oscar	1859 - 1913
	"	Melvina	1867 - 1937
	2 graves, fieldstones		
	Caldwell	Paul Burton	Sept. 29, 1912 - Dec. 1919
	"	Inf. son of B.C. & M.E.	1919
	Caldwell	Jasper J.	July 26, 1910 - Apr. 2, 1934
Father	Caldwell	Bert C.	1888 - 1976
Mother	"	Mary E.	1885 - 1962
†	Davis	Birt	Co. G. 17th U.S. Inf. Spanish American War
	Lamb	Agatha Lee	1901 - 1918
	Lamb	James W.	1875 - 1938
	"	Elizabeth L.	1870 - 1937
	Hughes	RCH	Scratched on fieldstone.

Additional Information on Caldwell Cemetery

Ferrell, Mila, d/o George Caldwell & Eliza Jane Ruble
 Ferrell, John Wesley, s/o John Watson Ferrell & Mila Caldwell
 Dudding, Lillian Letha, d/o Joseph & Vina Looney
 Givens, Laura Grove, d/o Marion G. Caldwell & Arminta Smith
 Caldwell, Mary Etta, d/o Oscar Crawford & Mary Looney, died Nov. 27, 1962
 Caldwell, Walter R., died Jan. 27, 1917 was "struck by a horse"
 Wygall, Mary Ferrell, d/o Jacob & Arbelia Fisher 2nd wife John A. Ferrell

HUFFMAN CEMETERY
Captain, Craig County, Virginia

On Rt. 632
 Near the Giles County, Virginia Line
 Recorded by Ruth G. Hale
 February 21, 1992
 I had quite a remarkable guide, Mrs. Willie Mills

1		Huffman	Bittle Webster	Jan. 2, 1912 - Dec. 24, 1981 (Boitnott Fu. Marker)
2		Huffman	Giles H.	Oct. 15, 1900 - Sept. 23, 1950 s/o Frank H. & Sophronia A.O "Teacher, Electrician, Farmer & Pipefitter"
3		Huffman	Frank H.	Jan. 21, 1868 - Jan. 28, 1938 "Teacher, Supt of School, Carpenter, Certified Land Surveyor & Farmer"
4		Huffman	Sophronia A. Sublett	June 22, 1875 - June 22, 1961
5		Huffman	Inf. child of F.H. & S.A	Born & Died Aug. 31, 1898
6	†	Ferrell	Matthew Co. K. 46 Va. Inf. Regt. CSA "Iron Cross"	
7			Marked by rocks	
8			Marked by rocks	
9		Huffman	Rufus Chapman	1860 - 1907
10		"	Martha L. (Caldwell)	1854 - 1940
11	Brother	Huffman	Rexford W.	Apr. 13, 1913 - Dec. 12, 1916
12	Brother	"	Dillard C.	Dec. 4, 1909 - Nov. 10, 1918
13		"	Annie Bell	1887 - 1968 (Buried at Cedar Lawn)
14		"	Bertie S.	Oct. 16, 1883 - Feb. 22, 1929
15		Collins	Ruddell	Rest of stone underground
16		Huffman	W. Craig	1884 - 1937
17	†	Huffman	Ira Gibson	June 29, 1894- Oct. 14, 1956 Va. Pvt. Co. D. 317 Inf. W.W.I
18		Collins	Lottie H.	Jan. 2, 1887 - Aug. 15, 1961
19		"	W. Mason	Sept. 7, 1890 - Sept. 15, 1966
20	Father	Huffman	F. Gilbert	1889 - 1968
21	Mother	"	Effie E.	1903 - 1947
22		Huffman	D. Spencer	1945 - 1945
23		Huffman	Emaline	1936 - 1936
24	†	Collins	Jerry Lee	Dec. 24, 1946 - May 17, 1966 Va. Pvt. U.S. Marine Corps
25		Collins	Victoria Blankenship.	1915 - 1974 (Funeral Home Marker)
26		Collins	Herbert C.	Dec. 9, 1912 - July 13, 1967
Update:				
27		Ferrell	Lilian Inez Collins	Feb. 20, 1935 - Apr. 16, 1995

CRAWFORD MEMORIAL CEMETERY
Red Brush
Craig County, Virginia

At Paxton Chapel, Route 605
 Recorded by Ruth G. Hale
 February 4, 1992

	Crawford	Joshua D.	July 22, 1882 - Nov. 23, 1978	
	"	Rena G.	Jan. 8, 1887 - Oct. 3, 1966	
	Wolfe	Perrian A.	Dec. 10, 1864 - Apr. 15, 1955	
	"	Virginia Bell (Tucker)	Oct. 14, 1866- June 22, 1962	
†	Crawford	Delbert Day	Dec. 18, 1913 - Sept. 19, 1983	
		SSgt. US Army W.W.II, 9AAF Base Unit, 2242 Q.M. Truck Co.		
	Crawford	Thelma Elmore	June 2, 1917 -	
	Helms	Otha Paul	Mar. 27, 1906 - Oct. 9, 1989	
	"	Dessie Crawford	Apr. 5, 1911 - Oct. 9, 1979	
†	Paxton	Geoffrey A.	Aug. 29, 1894 - Dec. 27, 1966	
		Va. Cpl. Co.F, 317 Inf. 80 Div. W.W.I. P.H.		
	Paxton	Annie H.	Feb. 27, 1899 - Feb. 6, 1984	
	Hannah	Clarence	1920-} Married 10 Aug. 1945	
	"	Verena M.	1926-}	
	Harless	Billy, Jr.	1972 - 1976 (Boitnott Marker)	
	Owens	Luther	1922 - 1983 (Boitnott Marker)	
	Owens	Danny Allen	1951 - 1971	
	Owens	Gary W.	1959 - 1986 (Boitnott Marker)	
	Williams	Byron D.	May 4, 1929 - Sept. 19, 1986	
	Williams	Betty Jo T.	Jan. 8, 1931 -	
	Obenchain	Percy McCorkle, Sr.	Oct. 11, 1905 - June 17, 1973	
†	All	John R., Jr.	May 26, 1936 - Aug. 8, 1973	
		Pfc. US Army		
	All	John R.	Apr. 15, 1912 - Nov. 15, 1981	
†	All	Everett Wilson	Jan. 31, 1915 - Oct. 12, 1975	
		Cpl. Army Air Forces W.W. II		
	Bryant	Ward Lawrence	Nov. 27, 1887 - Nov. 1, 1976}	
	"	Virgia Paxton	June 15, 1898 - Jan. 12, 1982 }	Married 14 Aug. 1922
	Hurst	William Beverly	Aug. 21, 1913 - Jan. 9, 1979}	
	"	Lucy Bryant	May 17, 1923 -	Married 25 Nov. 1968
	Duncan	Lillie Paxton	1901 - 1972	
	Ladd	Mary Etta	Sept. 13, 1892 - Jan. 6, 1981	
	Scott	Thurman A.	1912 - 1972	
	"	Elsie B.	1919 -	
	Williams	Pernie Piner	March 27, 1906 - Jan. 6, 1990	
	Williams	Ernest T.	Feb. 13, 1900 - July 12, 1977	
†	Baker	Traynham	Sept. 15, 1924 - March 13, 1985	
		Pfc. US Army, W.W.II		
	Grave ? unmarked			

CRAWFORD MEMORIAL CEMETERY
Red Brush, Craig County, Virginia

†	Paxton	Arthur W.	Dec. 16, 1896 - Nov. 14, 1974	
		AS US Navy (2 stones)		
	Paxton	Beulah C.	1903 - 1984 (Rader Fu. Marker)	
	Crowder	Cleve S.	May 17, 1901 - Sept. 13, 1984	} Married 29 Dec. 1932
	"	Adena C.	July 10, 1905 - Apr. 9, 1988	
†	Pruitt	Carl Raymond	March 12, 1930 - Oct. 8, 1972	
		Virginia BT 3 US Navy, Korea		
	Huffman	Walter Watson	Nov. 25, 1914 - June 16, 1979	
	Welch	Leunetta E.	1906 - 1990 (Boitnott Marker)	
	Cantrell	Grover Lee	1917 - 1984 (add. Boitnott Marker)	
Dad †	Helms	Melvin Parker	March 10, 1916 - Feb. 14, 1986	
		Pfc. US Army, W.W.II		
Brother	Davis	Ernest C.	1935 - 1975 (add. Boitnott Marker)	

New Graves:

Crawford	Ashby Lee	1915 - 1991 (Boitnott Marker)
Harless	Robert L.	1940 - 1992 (Boitnott Marker)

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TO TRAVELLERS

Mrs. Abercrombie, having taken possession of the house lately purchased by G. Hancock from Mr. Charles Green, in the East end of Salem, Va. known as the "SALEM HOTEL"

Respectfully informs travellers that she intends keeping a Public House, and from her experience in the business, she flatters herself that she will share a portion of the public patronage. 'An attentive' Ostler is provided, and the bar well supplied with Liquors, and she hopes her Table will be inferior to none.

from "Herald of the Valley", 24 May 1823, Fincastle, Va

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HERALD OF THE VALLEY

16 October 1820, Fincastle, Va.

MARRIED---On Thursday the 12th instant, by the Rev Robert Logan, Mr Henry Bowyer Jr to the accomplished Miss Matilda, daughter of General James Brecken-ridge, all of this County.

"God prosper long the married state,

"And grant it every bliss.

"And may we kiss the maid we please,

"And please the maid we kiss."

On the same evening, by the Rev John Helms, Mr Peter F Mace, to Miss Mary L Nofzinger---Also---On the same, by the same, Mr John Beckner, to Miss Elizabeth Cook, all of this County.

On Thursday the 5th instant by the Rev Joseph Logan, Mr Edmund White, to Sarah, second daughter of Col Elijah McClanahan, all of this County.

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3. The publisher of the source
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If you have kept good notes for yourself so that you know where you found information, then you should have no problem documenting your work. Even if you did not write down all the information, you should be able to go back to the source to complete it.

Beware of family traditions. If you have a piece of information that you have known all your life, but you don't know exactly where the information came from originally, it is "family tradition." That does not mean that it isn't true or that you can't use that information in your article. It simply means that you must label it as family tradition unless you have done the research to substantiate your family tradition, in which case you show the sources that proved the family tradition to be correct. In another situation, you can remember when you were a very young child your Great-uncle George telling you the story of three brothers with your last name who came from Europe during the 18th Century to settle in America and that two of them became heads of famous families, but you are descended from the third brother who disappeared without a trace. . .etc. When you put this information in your article, you must state that George told you the story. This does two things; it informs us that the story is "family tradition" and it let's you off the hook as saying that it is completely true until such time as you can prove it. 99

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Remember, we at the VAN do want you to submit your articles of original research, we do want to know what you are doing on your own family history. Just remember that when you make a statement, you should also answer the question: "How do you know that?"

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MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT

Mr George Lindginhogar this morning in felling a tree; lodged it against another, and in prizing it off the stump to get it down, had the misfortune to have his leg caught between the butt of the tree, and the grub of a sapling that stood near. The bones of his leg were fractured in two places, about three inches assunder, and the intermediate portion was shattered to pieces.

TO COOPERS

A man who has a small family, who can come well recommended, can find employment for A Year or Two with the Subscriber in Montgomery, who will furnish him a house &c. Apply to John C. Griffin, Fincastle, or to GEORGE HANCOCK: Montgomery cty, April 23, 1821

NOTICE

The public are cautioned from trading for the following Notes Viz: One on Mary & Susannah Carlton for Forty-eight Dollars---One on Susannah Carlton for One Hundred Dollars; which Notes were executed to Wm. Pauley, in the year 1816, and by Pauley traded to me.--Alas, One Note on N. Burwell, for Ten Dollars; due 1823---which Notes I have lost. WM PENNOCK
from Herald of the Valley, April 23, 1821

Last Will and Testament of Caspar Reed

*Berks Co., Pennsylvania
proved 5 October 1789*

In the name of God Amen. The fourteenth day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty eight. I Caspar Read of the Township of Tulpehoccon in the County of Berks in the State of Pennsylvania Yeoman, being weak of body but of sound mind and memory, Thanks be to God for the same. And calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed for all Men to Die, do this fourteenth day of January aforesaid make ordain and publish this my Last Will and Testament, in manner following. That is to say...

Imprimis And first of all I recommend my soul into the Mighty Hand of God that gave it, and my body to the Earth to be buried in it. Christian like manner at the discretion of my executors herein after named and appointed.

Item I do order all my just debts and funeral charges to be honestly paid and adjusted.

Item I give and bequeath unto my six beloved children or to their proper representatives and to their heirs and assigns forever all my estate wherein it hath pleased God to bless me with in this world to be equally divided amongst them share and share alike. That is to say, To my Eldest Son John George Read one sixth equal share, To my Son Michael Read one sixth equal share, To my Daughter Elizabeth Catharine intermarried with John George Gall, one sixth equal share, To my Son Philip Read one sixth equal share, To my Son Frederick Read one sixth equal share, and To my Daughter Mary Margaret intermarried with George Gebhard one sixth equal share, which will be six equal parts and shares. To hold the same to them or their proper representatives and to their heirs and assigns forever. Allowing unto my Son John George Read the sum of ten pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania over and above his equal share with the others the same to be for his first birth right.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Caspar Read and to heirs and assigns forever the full sum of one hundred pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania which I have already paid him which is and shall be in full satisfaction for his hereditary share and portion out of my estate and estates.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son in law Adam Emrich and to his heirs and assigns forever, the full sum of two hundred pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania which shall be in full satisfaction for the hereditary shares and portions of my daughters Mary Barbara and Christena out of my estate and estates. And whereas I have already paid the said Adam Emrich the sum of one hundred pounds in part of my two daughters shares and hereditary portion to whom the said Adam Emrich was intermarried. So that he hath yet to receive the sum of one hundred pounds which he the said Adam Emrich shall receive of

my Son Frederick Read of the State of Virginia and fetch the same at his own expense and charges and that in four years after my decease and no sooner. And whereas my daughter Elizabeth Catherine hath issue four children with her first husband Hermanus Baddorff deceased, to with Michael, David, Philip, and Casper, all sons of the said Hermanus Baddorff aforesaid. It is therefore my will and I do hereby order that the one equal half sixth part of my daughter Elizabeth Catharine hereditary portion be equally divided amongst the said Michael, David, Philip, and Casper share and share alike and the other half part to be for the use of my daughter Elizabeth Catharine. It is further my will that my executors deduct out of my son Philip's share the sum of twelve pounds which sum I have advanced to him towards paying his saw mill. And in order that my executors may be the better inabled to make my children's shares aforesaid proper they are to have due regard and reference to certain papers and receipts given by my children for money advanced unto them by me. And Lastly I do hereby ordain nominate and appoint my trusty and beloved sons John George Read and Michael Read (the said Michael Read to have the same commissions as my Son John George Read and no more) my whole and sole executors of this my Last Will and Testament and to see this my Last Will and Testament justly and honestly fulfilled according to the true intent and meaning thereof and I do hereby revoke disallow and make void all other wills or legacies whatsoever by me heretofore made whether in words or writing allowing this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament.

Casper Read, signed by a mark

Signed sealed published and pronounced by the said Casper Read as his last will and Testament in the presence of Us....Jacob Lebo , John Ludwig

submitted by Mary Lucado

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Elijah and James McClanahan, executors of Wm McClanahan, decd. AGAINST John Goodson, Administrator of the estate of Samuel Eason deceased, and John G Eason and all the other heirs and representatives of Samuel Eason decd. In the Wythe Chancery Superior Court. The defendants not being inhabitants of this commanwealth, are hereby notified that on the 7th day of March next, at the tavern occupied by William Wade at Montgomery Court House, we shall proceed to take the depositions of Garnet Peyton and others, and on the 9th day of the same month, at the tavern called the White House in the county of Montgomery, on the main western road, above the last crossing of Roanoke, we shall proceed to take the depositions of Andrew Lewis and others, also on the 14th day of said month, at the tavern of George Bachus, in Botetourt county, in the town of Fincastle we shall proceed to take the depositions of James Breckenridge and others, ___ll which depositions are intended to be read as evidence in the suit we have against you. When and where you may attend. Elijah McClanahan, James McClanahan Wythe cty, Jan 15, 1821 from "Herald of the Valley", 15 January 1821, Fincastle, Va

"Hannah Family Reunion"

Birthday of Mr. and Mrs. George Hannah

Also their marriage anniversary and the ninetieth birthday of Mrs. Elizabeth Hannah
January 25, 1898

An intensely interesting event was enjoyed at the old homestead of the DeVaults, at Austin's Springs, Washington county, Tenn., Jan. 25, 1898. The ninetieth birthday of Mrs. Elizabeth Hannah (more familiarly known as "Grandma Hannah") was the occasion of a large assemblage of her friends and relatives, and all the living children were present--and her children's children unto the third and fourth generation were there.

As Mrs. Hannah and her family are all well known by many, an account of this event will not be uninteresting.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stover was married to Mr. George Hannah on their birthday, Jan. 25, 1826, at the stone residence of her parents in Roanoke county, the garden spot of Virginia. Her father's farm is now the site of Roanoke City. Hr. Hannah was a citizen of the same county.

When their family had multiplied to the Scriptural number, seven, they concluded to emigrate to East Tennessee (which was then a new country) where their children would have better opportunities.

In December, 1841, they commenced their journey in wagons, hacks, etc., etc. It was before the days of railroads. They crossed the Blue Ridge Mountain, following what is now the valley route of the railroad, until they came to Watauga River. They found this beautiful stream past fording from recent rains. They pitched their tents and went into camp on her bank until they could cross and make their way on down to the rich valleys below.

Mr. Valentine DeVault, Sr., the landlord of the bank on which they were camping, came down to see who the movers were. The acquaintance proved to be agreeable on both sides, so much that Mr. DeVault invited Mr. Hannah to take his family to the house and be entertained there--which hospitality was accepted. A mutual friendship sprang up, the ties of which have grown stronger through all the intervening years since, and which was the foundation for the ninetieth birthday celebration of the only living head of these two families. Mr. DeVault persuaded Mr. Hannah to occupy a house on his land, a mile up the river, until he would have time to seek a satisfactory location. There were two houses in the same yard; one was empty, and one stored with grains, fruits and vegetables. Mr. Hannah moved his family into the empty one. Mr. DeVault told Mr. and Mrs. Hannah to use all they needed of the stores there, and that it was unnecessary to keep any accounts.

Mrs. Hannah was an expert with her needle and, as it was before the days of sewing machines, it was a valuable accomplishment. With much nice neat work she tried to return the many favors received. The two eldest children were girls, Mary Elizabeth and Edna. They were experts, for their age, being only fourteen and eleven years, with knitting needles, which was also a valuable accomplishment in those days.

Hose and gloves grew like magic, and were given by Mrs. Hannah to Mrs. DeVault for herself and family.

Mr. Hannah bought a farm of 300 acres one mile south of what is now Bluff City, seven miles from Mr. DeVault's. In two years Mr. and Mrs. DeVault sickened and died within two days of each other, leaving their lands to their three young sons, Isaac, Jacob and Valentine, who were at that time in their young manhood. A large brick house was in course of erection. It was finished by them. The contractor, Mr. Jordan, was a courtly young man for whom they formed a high regard. Soon after the house was finished Mr. Jordan married. They gave him a grand reception, to which the Misses Hannah were invited, who had grown to be beautiful, winsome young ladies. Mary Elizabeth was a blonde, small, with bright intellect and modest deportment. Edna was a brunette, tall, amiable and modest. They made their debut at this reception. Isaac, Jacob and Valentine were in the full development of young manhood--were well-proportioned, erect--six feet high and over--handsome, gallant and courtly, and were considered the best opportunities for husbands in all the country. Cupid put in his arrows on that "in-fair" occasion and from that time the gallant Isaac went wooing the fair Mary Elizabeth. Her parents were highly elated. After a few months he asked for her hand in marriage. Their consent and blessings were graciously given.

Then came a wedding and reception at the old homestead. They went to housekeeping in the house she had occupied with her father at first, until a new palatial brick residence on the same ground was built. Jacob married the accomplished Miss Elizabeth Clark, of Nolachucky. They located immediately across the river, and built one of the pretties houses in the county.

The union of Isaac and Mary Elizabeth threw Edna and Valentine much together. Soon it was known. Cupid has successfully used his arrows again. After a time Edna's hand was asked by the greatly favored Valentine--again, as the first couple, with the hearty consent of the parents. Again nuptial ties were celebrated; and the kind Edna, with dark brown eyes and hair as black as a raven's wing, became the mistress of the grand old homestead, where Mrs. Hannah has made her home in these later years. Had all men been like Valentine and all women like "Grandma Hannah" there never would have been the sarcasm written about mothers-in-law that has been.

Twelve children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hannah, first three girls, then three boy; then three girls, and three boys: Mary E., Edna, Sarah J., John W., E. Mark, James S., Lucy C., N. Francis, Charlotte So., George M., Andrew J. and Farel Bratcher. Two--Sarah J. and James S.-- died in their childhood. Mary E. died, leaving a family of five children; N. Fanny, who married Dr. James Stewart, died; leaving a family of three children. The eight living were present at the reception: Mrs. Edna DeVault, John W., of Tusculum, Mark, of Austin's Springs, Mrs. Lucy C. Jarnagin, of Morristown, Mrs. Charlotte McFerrin, of Bristol, George M., of Austin's Sp'gs, Dr. Andrew J. and Dr. F.B. of Umatilla, Fla. The two youngest, A.J. and F.B., are the Joseph and Benjamin in the old lady's affection. They brought tropical fruits and vegetables with them from Florida, which added much luxury to the already luxuriantly prepared dinner.

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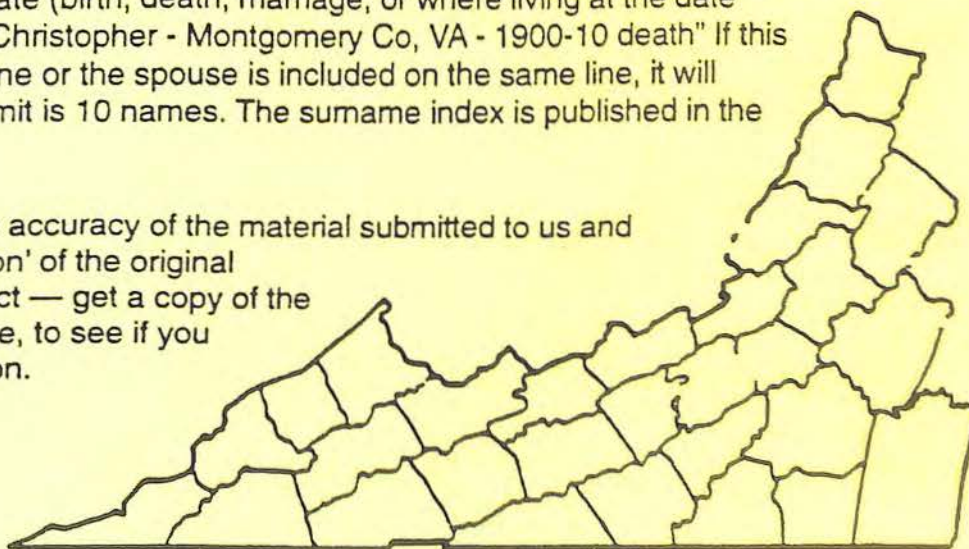
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