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The purpose of ***Friends of Genealogy, Inc.*** is to foster an interest in and to promote and encourage the development of genealogy. Our objectives are:

1. To share and assist any individual or organization with a common interest in genealogy and history
2. To promote and encourage the preservation of genealogical and historical materials
3. To teach the principles of correct documentation

Membership is open to all individuals and organizations interested in accepting our purpose and objectives. Annual membership dues are:

Individual	\$15.00	Family	\$20.00	Sustaining	\$25.00
Life Memberships:		Individual	\$125.00	Family	\$175.00

Our monthly meetings are normally held the first Saturday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room at Shreve Memorial Library, Broadmoor Branch, 1212 Captain Shreve Drive, Shreveport, Louisiana. Program topics and other meeting information are published in local newspapers. Following many of our meetings, we have informal round-table discussions for the purpose of assisting individuals with their research.

Our quarterly publication, ***The Journal***, welcomes unpublished material pertaining to genealogy and history, particularly in North Louisiana. Other information includes pedigree charts, family group sheets, and reviews of books, publications, and other genealogical material donated to our organization. Queries are free of charge; they will be edited and published as space is available. Friends of Genealogy, Inc. is not responsible for the accuracy of contributed material.

We welcome exchanges of quarterlies and other publications. We also accept donations of books, publications, and other genealogical materials for review in ***The Journal***. All materials are deposited in the Genealogy Collection of the Shreve Memorial Library in Shreveport, Louisiana.

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***If you have not yet paid your 2001 dues, please do it today!
Membership form is on page 200.***

The President's Page

Dear Friends,

As my tenure as your President draws to a close I am grateful to each of you. Truly the person that benefited most from the past four years was myself. I have grown as a person, learned much as a genealogist, and have each of you to thank as my teachers. I know you will support our new President with the same love and generosity you have given me.

We have traditionally produced excellent programs and seminars and I think you will enjoy some of the ones we have already scheduled for next year, including Hugh Rutherford's "Using the Internet for Genealogy," Charlotte Coldwell's "Who Gets Grandma's Pie Plate?," and Susan Hardtner's "Greenwood Garden Cemetery." Also, Desmond Walls Allen has agreed to be the featured speaker at our Annual Seminar and Book Fair in May; watch for more details on this. We depend on all of our members to help with program ideas, topics, and speakers. Please contact me with any ideas you may have.

We plan to establish our very own Web Page early next year, so be sure to include your renewal sheet with your dues and indicate your surnames and areas of interest so we can include that information on our web page.

We have had a wealth of qualified and dedicated officers over the years and it is now time to install a new slate of officers for the upcoming term at our annual Christmas meeting. This year's meeting will be a Christmas Tea and will be held on Saturday, December 2, 2000 at 1 p.m. at the home of one of our former presidents, LaJuana Butler Goldsby, 3320 Armstead Drive, Shreveport, LA 71118. Armstead Drive is located just off Dean Road, south of Bert-Kouns Industrial Loop in southwest Shreveport. If you need directions, call me or any Board Member.

Thank you for being a Friend of Genealogy, but most of all for being my friend.

Laura Hair Duffy

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Meeting dates tentatively scheduled for 2001 by Friends of Genealogy, Inc.:

January 6, 2001	February 3, 2001	March 3, 2001
April 7, 2001	May 5, 2001	June 2, 2001
July 7, 2001	August 4, 2001	September 1, 2001
October 6, 2001	November 3, 2001	December 1, 2001

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room, Shreve Memorial Library, Broadmoor Branch, 1212 Captain Shreve Drive, Shreveport, LA on the first Saturday of each month. However, times, locations, and topics are subject to change. Check local newspapers prior to each meeting, or call Laura Duffy 318-424-7648 for up-to-date program information. (E-Mail: <lhduffy1@msn.com>)

Monthly Board Meetings are generally held the Monday evening prior to the regular Saturday meeting. Our Board Meetings are open and all members are encouraged to attend at least one meeting during the year. Remember, this is your organization; please present your thoughts and ideas. Contact any Board Member for the time and location of any meeting you wish to attend.

John Sellers is scheduled to be the speaker for The Cass County Genealogical Society's annual seminar to be held March 17, 2001. Contact Charles Steger at 813 Caver Street, Atlanta. TX 75551-2747.

From Your Editor

Thank you, all of you, for allowing me this wonderful opportunity to be your editor of *The Journal* for the last four years. Each issue has been, at times, difficult, frustrating, and exhausting, but always in the end, I have received a feeling of satisfaction of a job, I hope, well done and worthy of the members of this organization.

Thanks to our many members who have made this publication what it is, without whose help I would still be working on the first issue: Jimmie Jean Bowman, Linda Yoblonsky, Darlene Hofer, Rachael Mangum, Barbara Rewis, Sherry Gritzbaugh, Jane Newberry, just to name a few, there are so many others; for the countless hours you have spent extracting information from microfilm (and getting eyestrain along with it), writing articles, doing book reviews, providing material for articles and columns, typing, and providing much needed encouragement. Without you, all of our members, there would be no *Journal*.

A special thanks goes to Danielle Neal, who provided her help and support when I thought I could do no more and will, as your new editor, continue to make *The Journal* a publication we are all proud of.

Thank you for being a Friend of Genealogy,

Janine Johnson Dunlap

ASK

Miss Ima G* Bugg

* Genealogy



Miss Ima G* Bugg, our own unique, lighthearted research associate, has agreed to try to answer our questions and give us some research clues. If you are confused and in need of help, drop her a line. If she can't help you, maybe some of our readers can. Send your questions/comments to: Miss Ima G* Bugg, Friends of Genealogy, Inc., P. O. Box 17835, Shreveport, LA 71138-0835.

Dear Miss Ima: Well, the new Genealogical Department at the Broadmoor Branch of Shreve Memorial is very nice, **but** they did not move out all the resources we need to have in our Genealogical Department—namely, the collection of Shreveport City Directories and the microfilm of the *Shreveport Times* and *Shreveport Journal*.

Dear Resourceless: Oh, those Shreveport City Directories are there . . . on microfilm . . . so that we may research them 7 days a week and not contribute to their deterioration at all. You may need to get one of the assistants to help you locate the film, but thereafter your access to it is uninhibited. The microfilm of the *Shreveport Times* and the *Shreveport Journal*, alas, did remain at the Downtown location and is now moved to the third floor where the Census microfilm used to be. Another source for this microfilm of the newspapers is the Noel Library at LSUS. To assist you in finding items at LSUS, the Archive personnel have indexed the *Shreveport Times* from the earliest issues forward to 1900, and this index at Noel library may prove to be an excellent research tool for you.



Dear Miss Ima: I know they have a battle reenactment each year in Mansfield, LA, but I do not know how to find out about it. What time of year is this usually held? I would like to see this some day. Can you point me in the direction of some information?

Dear Pointer: I sure can. The Battle of Mansfield was fought on April 8, 1864 and the activities you speak of are held in the month of April. Last year two events were scheduled at the Mansfield State Historic Site: an encampment was held on April 8, 2000 and the Guns of Mansfield were fired April 29, 2000. These living history events are an excellent way to become more knowledgeable regarding our ancestors and their way of life. The web sites do not have April 2001 dates posted yet, but here is how you contact them: www.cwcl.lsu.edu/cwc/events.htm or phone 1-888-677-6267 or e-mail at mansfield@crt.state.la.us [encampment](http://mansfield@crt.state.la.us/encampment).



Dear Miss Ima: I think I have ancestors in Texas in 1830, but the librarian tells me there are no Census records until 1850. Why in the world did the Census takers ignore Texas in 1830 and 1840?

Dear Ignored: Remember American History? All those worrisome dates the teacher wanted you to memorize? Well you could use a few right now, dear. The Census of 1830 as well as the Census of 1840 was conducted only within the United States of America and Texas was part of Mexico in 1830 and an independent republic in 1840. So, your question should have been: Where can I go for records on Texas residents before Texas became part of the United States? One source is *1830 Citizens of Texas: A Genealogy of Anglo-Americans and Mexican Citizens Taken From Census and Other Records* by Gifford E. White. Multiple sources were researched to create this substitute for the 1830 Census in Texas. And go back and study Texas history a little bit.



Dear Miss Ima: Of what possible use for genealogy research are tax lists? No family relationships are given. I see no point in researching them.

Dear Pointless: Well, if you refuse to research tax lists, nobody is going to stop you! I find a number of good things when I research tax lists: these tax lists were taken every year which will help you determine when a family moved into (or out of) a county or parish . . . if you are dealing with residents in the first half of the 19th Century, you can fairly well pinpoint when a fellow reaches age 21 since all men of voting age paid a poll tax . . . generally, the land description is given, which helps you identify the location of their property. . . often residents are designated by the watercourse they live on [great for distinguishing between several John Smiths in a county] . . . and although women are listed less frequently since they were not voters, if a man of property died, his widow and/or his heirs, both male and female are listed owing taxes on that property. But, you wouldn't be interested in any of that, now would you?



Dear Miss Ima: My great-great grandfather was born in England, according to the Louisiana 1850 Census. I have found that Ellis Island was not even in business when he must have come to this country. I have spent hours and hours looking at the "ship arrival" resources, but he just is not there. Is there any hope of finding out when he came over and what city was his port of arrival?

Dear Spent: I would suggest looking at a southern arrival for this gentleman. He very probably could have arrived at Mobile or New Orleans. Naturalizations during the 19th Century were done at the county court level. The Shreve Memorial Library has microfilm in the Genealogy Department of an index of naturalizations of Louisiana citizens. This film is in one of the "miscellaneous" drawers. It is a reproduction of a card file, in alphabetical order, giving the name, country of birth, country of allegiance, date of naturalization, county or parish court in which the naturalization was processed and names the witnesses. Take your magnifying glass as the image is teeny tiny.



The Open Shelf -- Shreve Memorial Library

This column provides you with up-to-date information concerning the Genealogy Collection at the Shreve Memorial Library in Shreveport, Louisiana. The following books are “must see” for those doing research.

PENNSYLVANIA GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

By George K. Schweitzer, PhD, ScD

974.8 SCH

These 201 pages contain 1,309 sources, along with detailed instructions for locating that elusive ancestor. Schweitzer’s familiar chapter outlines are followed by a listing of available records. The 67 counties are summarized, giving records available both inside and outside the county. County development maps begin with the three original counties of Bucks, Chester, and Philadelphia. Early (ethnic) settlement pattern, Indian land purchases, and geography map with location key are among the visual aids. Schweitzer cautions to always secure a copy of the original document to prove the accuracy of a source.

THE ORPHAN TRAINS – PLACING OUT IN AMERICA

By Marilyn Irvin Holt

362.73 HOL

From 1850 to 1930, America witnessed the emigration and resettlement of at least 200,000 children and several thousand adults, primarily from the East Coast, to the West. This system to find homes for the urban poor, best known by the “Orphan Trains” that carried the children, was initially instituted by the New York Children’s Aid Society in 1853. Holt tracks its imitators as well as the reasons for its creation and demise, and captures the children’s perspective with the use of oral histories, institutional records, and newspaper accounts. Illustration of a newspaper announcement details requirements of applicants wishing to provide homes for the children. This period covers the years 1870-1900, when census records were affected by the aftermath of war, enumeration requirements for the soundex system, records lost by fire, and surname identities lost of adoption procedures.

SEARCH – A HANDBOOK FOR ADOPTEES AND BIRTHPARENTS

By Jayne Askin and Molly Davis (Second Edition)

362.734 ASK

Adoptees and birthparents often reach a time in their lives when sealed records and secrecy conflict with a medical, genetic, genealogical, or personal need to know. **SEARCH** is a reference book for all those searching, considering a search, or wishing to know more about the plight of adoptees or birthparents. Provided are listings and information that cover a wide range of topics and issues relating to adoption search. Chapters include beginning to search, moral support, cost, rights, reference resources, state-by-state listings, sample letters and forms, and applicable state laws. This second edition is completely updated; all state information is current. Every search group listed has been contacted and the information verified. It offers anyone who has decided to try to find a birthparent or relinquished child the information he or she needs to effectively conduct the search and maximize the chances of success.

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*Please take a few minutes to complete the Genealogy Patron Survey form on the next page and drop it off to Faedra Wills, our Genealogy Librarian at the Broadmoor Branch of Shreve Memorial Library. She welcomes your suggestions to help make our library into one of the best research facilities available.*

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Broadmoor Branch  
Genealogy Department  
Shreveport, Louisiana 71105



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Genealogy Office (318) 219-3468  
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E-Mail: fwills@smlnet.sml.lib.la.us

## GENEALOGY PATRON SURVEY

Please complete and return to the Genealogy Department

1. Please mark any of the Internet classes below that you would be interested in attending:
  - a. ☐ General overview of the Internet for genealogist
  - b. ☐ Ancestry.com
  - c. ☐ Cyndi's List
  - d. ☐ FamilySearch (Mormon genealogy web site)
  - e. ☐ Rootsweb
  - f. ☐ Various Search Engines specifically for genealogist
  - g. ☐ Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Please mark any of the items below that you would be interested in attending a workshop on:
  - a. ☐ How to use the Family Tree Maker CD's and other miscellaneous CDs
  - b. ☐ How to search on DOLLI (the library's card catalog)
  - c. ☐ How to search using Web Pac (the internet version of the library's card catalog)
  - d. ☐ How to use the microfilm machines including a discussion on the microfilm we own
  - e. ☐ How to use the census records
  - f. ☐ Beginning genealogy
  - g. ☐ 2 Hours one-on-one self-help
3. Discuss what you enjoy most about the new Genealogy department: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Discuss what you like least about the new Genealogy department or would like to see different: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Discuss what you would like the Genealogy department to purchase, *if possible* (ex. books, microfilm, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

All the above-mentioned workshops would be held at the Broadmoor Branch unless a large group requested otherwise. All workshops would be about 2 hours in length.



## WEBSTER PARISH, LA TAX ASSESSMENT ROLL, 1889

This is an index of the 1889 tax assessment roll; the records on the microfilm contain a complete property description by each landowner's entry, the cash value of land, the cash value of town lot and improvements thereon, the cash value of livestock and animals, the cash value of wagons, carriages, and other vehicles, the cash value of all merchandise or stock on hand, and money loaned or in possession. This year begins on Roll #52.252 labeled "Webster 1894" and continues on Roll #52.253. An \* behind the name indicates only poll tax. The microfilm is located in the Genealogy Collection at the Shreve Memorial Library in Shreveport, LA. (Roll began Vol. XI, No. 3)

| <u>Name</u>           | <u>Ward</u> | <u>Acres</u> | <u>Name</u>           | <u>Ward</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Rayburn, Hardy*       | 5           |              | Robinson, James*      | 3           |              |
| Ray, Sam*             | 3           |              | Rochell, Ike*         | 4           |              |
| Rayburn, Hardy*       | 3           |              | Robinson, Eli         | 3           |              |
| Rains, Mrs. M. A.     | 3           | 520          | Robinson, R. A.       | 5           | 160          |
| Rains, John C.        | 3           |              | Robinson, Prince      | 5           | 40           |
| Ray, F. M.            | 5           | 160          | Robins, S. D.         | 2           |              |
| Ray, G. S.            | 5           | 440          | Rodgers, W. L.        | 2           |              |
| Rawlston, G. C.       | 3           | 40           | Robinson, Alec        | 4           |              |
| Rawlston, Louis       | 3           | 318          | Rochester, Marshall   | 5           | 81           |
| Roseberry, James      | 1           | 200          | Roan, George          | 1           | 40           |
| Railey, James         | 1           | 200          | Roan, Frank           | 1           | 120          |
| Randall, Mrs. T. W.   | 4           |              | Roberts, E. E.        | 4           | 421          |
| Reagan, William       | 4           | 490          | Robertson, Jesse H.   | 5           |              |
| Rent, Mose            | 5           |              | Robinson, Mrs. Chaney | 4           |              |
| Reams, W. J.          | 4           |              | Roe, Anthony          | 1           | 240          |
| Reeves, W. J.         | 5           | 40           | Roby, Est. Mrs. J. A. | 2           | 600          |
| Reed, Alford T.       | 5           | 2            | Roby, J. A. G.        | 2           | 716          |
| Reeves, A. A.         | 2           | 332          | Ruben, John           | 4           |              |
| Reasons, G. W.        | 2           |              | Rance, Mose*          | 3           |              |
| Rhodes, Dan Sr.       | 4           | 70           | Rawlston, M. L. C.    | 3           | 40           |
| Rhodes, Dan Jr.       | 3           | 120          | Ravens, R. A.         | 4           |              |
| Rhodes, Andrew        | 4           |              | Ravens, C. M.         | 4           |              |
| Richardson, T. M.     | 3           | 200          | Ravens, R. S.         | 4           |              |
| Rickerson, D. L.      | 4           | 80           | Rabb, John            | 1           | 160          |
| Rickerson, J. M.      | 3           |              | Rabb, Sam*            | 1           |              |
| Richardson, Henry     | 3           | 40           | Reagen, J. W.         | 4           | 320          |
| Richardson, Saunders  | 3           | 190          | Rudd, Thomas          | 4           |              |
| Roan, Roy             | 4           |              | Reamer, John S.*      | 5           |              |
| Robinson, S. J.       | 1           | 200          | Rhodes, Mrs. Rachel   | 1           |              |
| Rodgers, J. B.        | 1           | 118          | Rhodes, William       | 3           | 50           |
| Roberts, Lazareth     | 1           | 80           | Rhodes, John          | 4           | 70           |
| Rochester, Sam        | 4           | 680          | Roberts, Miles*       | 3           |              |
| Rochester, Est. James | 5           | 320          | Roberts, James        | 1           |              |
| Roper, J. D.*         | 4           |              | Robinson, Isaiah      | 3           |              |
| Roper, Benj.          | 1           |              | Robinson, Sampson     | 2           |              |
| Robinson, James*      | 5           |              | Robinson, Joe         | 3           |              |
| Robinson, James*      | 3           |              | Robinson, George*     | 3           |              |
| Robinson, William     | 5           |              | Robinson, J. S.       | 2           | 160          |
| Rodgers, Lee          | 3           |              | Robinson, Peter*      | 3           |              |
| Robinson, Sam         | 3           |              | Robinson, Dave        | 5           |              |

WEBSTER PARISH, LA TAX ASSESSMENT ROLL, 1889 (Continued):

| <u>Name</u>               | <u>Ward</u> | <u>Acres</u> | <u>Name</u>          | <u>Ward</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Robinson, Willis*         | 5           |              | Sampson, Gilford     | 3           | 160          |
| Robinson, G. W.           | 1           | 120          | Saulton, Mrs. Eliza  | 3           | 40           |
| Robinson, Henry*          | 2           |              | Sanders, Sam         | 3           | 40           |
| Roland, Jack*             | 3           |              | Sandlin, J. A.       | 2           | 77           |
| Rosier, Alford*           | 2           |              | Sapp, Mingo*         | 2           |              |
| Ross, George*             | 3           |              | Sexton, J. W.        | 4           | 80           |
| Rochell, Marshall         | 2           |              | Stewart, Ausburn     | 4           |              |
| Richardson, Burrell*      | 4           |              | Stricklin, G. W.     | 2           |              |
| Reamer, Alford*           | 4           |              | Stovall, Allen       | 1           | 159          |
| Robinson, Sol*            | 4           |              | Steel, Amos          | 3           |              |
| Roper, F. V.*             | 4           |              | Stanley, Jerry       | 1           |              |
| Rankin, Nelson            | 2           |              | Spencer, Wren*       | 4           |              |
| Rubin, George*            | 3           |              | Snider, Charles*     | 4           |              |
| Richardson, Peter         | 3           | 160          | Shelton, William*    | 4           |              |
| Rice, Owen                | 4           |              | Simmons, Charles*    | 4           |              |
| Robinson, Fred*           | 2           |              | Sanders, R. W.*      | 3           |              |
| Roser, Thornton*          | 2           |              | Sandlin, E. H.       | 3           | 121          |
| Robinson, Joe Sr.*        | 3           |              | Sandlin, S. B.       | 3           | 80           |
| Robinson, Joe Jr.*        | 3           |              | Scott, Ford          | 5           |              |
| Roberts, Sam              | 3           |              | Scott, David         | 4           |              |
| Rowell, Est. J. H.        | 2           | 280          | Shelton, Abe         |             |              |
| Roberts, Prince           | 5           |              | Smith, Abe*          | 3           |              |
| Rathburn, Mrs. Henrietta  | 3           | 80           | Smith, Richard       | 5           |              |
| Rhodes, Charlie           |             |              | Smith, Nellie        |             | 40           |
| Roper, Ben Jr.*           | 4           |              | Sterling, Sam        | 4           |              |
| Roberts, Mrs. Cornelius   | 4           |              | Stanley, Silas       | 5           |              |
| Roberts, S. A.            |             |              | Stanley, Alec        | 4           |              |
| Robinson, Ben             | 1           | 160          | Sullivan, Will       | 1           |              |
| Roginson, G. W.           | 1           |              | Sullivan, Mrs. N. J. | 5           | 120          |
| Rollins, Sampson*         |             |              | Sanders, Mrs. Annie  | 4           |              |
| Rockett, R. S.*           | 4           |              | Sexton, M. J.        | 4           |              |
| Rushing, Henry            | 3           |              | Sanders, Edmond*     |             |              |
| Reeder, Lee               |             |              | Smith, Vinson*       | 5           |              |
| Rambo, James*             | 3           |              | Stewart, S.*         | 3           |              |
| Richardson, Mrs. Caroline |             |              | Stroman, Alec*       | 4           |              |
| Roberts, Mose*            |             |              | Stricklin, J. S.     | 3           |              |
| Sandlin, J. T.            | 4           | 240          | Stewart, Mims        | 4           | 280          |
| Sandlin, D. M.            | 4           | 240          | Sands, Sam*          |             |              |
| Sanders, Est. John        | 4           | 160          | Sales, John          | 1           |              |
| Sanders, George Sr.       | 3           | 120          | Scott, Washington    | 5           | 260          |
| Sandlin, T. A.            | 1           | 200          | Scobles, Cate        | 2           |              |
| Sandlin, N. J.            | 3           |              | Sheppard, Lee*       | 1           |              |
| Sandefer, R. W.           | 3           |              | Slack, Mrs. Francis  | 1           | 370          |
| Sandefer, Mrs. Mary       | 3           | 215          | Sanders, Carroll*    |             |              |
| Sanders, W. J.            | 2           | 240          | Sanders, Ed*         | 3           |              |
| Scott, Mack               | 5           |              | Solomond, Ferd*      | 4           |              |
| Scriber, J. P.            | 4           |              | Scott, Samuel*       | 1           |              |
| Sanders, George Jr.       | 3           |              | Shaw, Lindsey*       |             |              |
| Sanders, Alec             | 4           | 40           | Sikes, Ruben         | 1           |              |

WEBSTER PARISH, LA TAX ASSESSMENT ROLL, 1889 (Continued):

| <u>Name</u>          | <u>Ward</u> | <u>Acres</u> | <u>Name</u>                       | <u>Ward</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|----------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Sims, James M.*      | 1           |              | Tabor, Dr. T. J.                  | 3           | 520          |
| Slack, R. J.         | 1           |              | Taylor, Abe*                      | 1           |              |
| Sparks, Henry*       | 1           |              | Taylor, J. F.                     | 4           |              |
| Sprawls, Jasper*     | 2           |              | Taylor, James L.                  | 4           | 200          |
| Sparks, Adam*        | 2           |              | Thompson, N. B.*                  | 3           |              |
| Stafford, Lee*       | 4           |              | Thompson, B. F.                   | 3           |              |
| Stewart, Napoleon*   | 4           |              | Thompson, Louis                   | 5           | 140          |
| Strong, Nathan*      | 1           |              | Theus, H. P.                      | 4           | 80           |
| Still, Henry*        | 5           |              | Thorp, Mrs. S. E.                 | 5           |              |
| Stricklin, W. B.     | 4           |              | Thorp, Mrs. Nancy                 | 4           |              |
| Summers, Ben*        | 1           |              | Thorp, J. R.                      | 4           | 120          |
| Scott, John*         | 5           |              | Thorp, G. W.                      | 4           |              |
| Shortridge*          |             |              | Thomas, Sam*                      | 5           |              |
| Smith, Zeb*          | 2           |              | Thomas, Sol*                      | 5           |              |
| Sims, W. B.          | 1           | 120          | Thomas, Sam and Sol               | 5           | 100          |
| Starks, Mrs. M.      | 4           | 116          | Thornton, Richard                 | 3           | 80           |
| Strong, William *    | 1           |              | Theus, Sims                       | 5           |              |
| Smith, Cross*        | 2           |              | Thomas, Allen                     | 5           | 40           |
| Solomon, Henry*      | 4           |              | Thomas, Wyley                     | 2           | 80           |
| Starks, William      | 4           |              | Thomas, Seborn                    | 3           |              |
| Spencer, Charlie*    |             |              | Thomas, W. A.                     | 3           | 153          |
| Sands, George*       | 3           |              | Thornton, B. H.                   | 1           |              |
| Sturman, Henry*      | 4           |              | Thornton, Est. N. A.              | 1           | 120          |
| Simms, Wiloughby     | 4           | 2            | Thomas, William                   | 1           | 280          |
| Stewart, William*    | 4           |              | Thomas, Shelton*                  | 4           |              |
| Taylor, William      | 4           | 220          | Terrell, Robert                   | 4           |              |
| Talton, W. W.        | 4           | 200          | Terrell, Jack                     | 4           | 134          |
| Tabor, N. T.         | 3           | 80           | Timon, Charlie                    | 5           |              |
| Tabor, N. B.*        | 3           |              | Tillman, Charleston               | 5           |              |
| Talton, C. C.        | 5           | 540          | Tillman, Isaac                    | 5           | 320          |
| Talton & Adams       | 5           |              | Tillman, Mose                     | 5           | 220          |
| Talton, Est. Irvin   | 5           | 260          | Tillman, J. H.                    | 4           | 120          |
| Talton, Mrs. Mary L. | 4           | 66           | Tillman, J. H.                    |             | 41           |
| Talton, Thomas L.*   | 4           |              | Tilly, A. C.                      | 4           |              |
| Taylor, J. B.        | 4           |              | Tolly, M*                         | 4           |              |
| Taylor, John         | 4           |              | Thompkins, W. A.                  | 4           | 471          |
| Taylor, John H.      | 4           | 240          | Thompkins, Mrs. M. F.             | 4           |              |
| Talton, P. I.        | 5           | 280          | Tooley, T. F.                     | 3           | 160          |
| Taylor, Marion       | 2           |              | Turner, Robert*                   | 4           |              |
| Tarver, Anderson     | 5           |              | Turner, Sidney*                   | 4           |              |
| Taylor, N. B.        | 2           | 240          | Townsley, E. C. & Mrs. M. B. Webb | 4           |              |
| Taylor, J. C.        | 2           | 80           | Turner, C. M.                     | 4           | 90           |
| Talton, W. J.        | 5           | 120          | Turner, B. S.                     | 4           | 300          |
| Talton, J. D.        | 5           | 82           | Turner, W. A.                     | 4           | 560          |
| Talton, V. S.        | 5           | 42           | Turner, F. M. T.                  | 2           |              |
| Taylor, Jasper D.    | 4           |              | Turner, J. T.                     | 4           | 360          |
| Taylor, Curtis       | 3           |              | Taylor, Robert                    | 3           |              |
| Taylor, George       | 2           | 280          | Taylor, William                   | 3           |              |
| Taylor, W. F.        | 4           |              | Taylor, Hugh*                     | 5           |              |



WEBSTER PARISH, LA TAX ASSESSMENT ROLL, 1889 (Continued):

| <u>Name</u>          | <u>Ward</u> | <u>Acres</u> | <u>Name</u>                | <u>Ward</u> | <u>Acres</u> |
|----------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Taylor, T. G.        | 2           |              | Tomlinson, William*        | 5           |              |
| Taylor, Monroe*      | 3           |              | Thornton, William*         | 1           |              |
| Taylor, G. S.        | 4           | 140          | Thomas, Mose               |             |              |
| Tate, Mrs. Charlotte | 4           |              | Talton, J. H.*             | 5           |              |
| Terrell, Bailey      | 4           |              | Thompson, George W.        | 4           |              |
| Thomas, Alford*      |             |              | Thompson, Ed*              | 1           |              |
| Thomas, James        |             |              | Thomas, Wilson*            | 3           |              |
| Thomas, Isaac*       | 5           |              | Thomas, W. W.*             |             |              |
| Thomas, tom*         | 5           |              | Tisdale, Henry*            | 2           |              |
| Thomas, Louis*       | 5           |              | Talton, D. C.*             | 5           |              |
| Thomas, M. L.        | 1           | 290          | Tinsley, Josh*             |             |              |
| Thomas, Tom          | 1           |              | Thomas, Harrison           |             |              |
| Thornton, Seborn     | 3           |              | Thomas, Mrs. Harriett      |             |              |
| Thompson, Henry      | 4           |              | Taylor, Charles            | 4           |              |
| Thompson, C. P.      | 3           |              | Turk, Adolphus*            | 4           |              |
| Thompson, J. H.      | 5           | 40           | Thompson, Charles*         | 4           |              |
| Theus, James*        | 5           |              | Umphries, Mose             | 2           | 70           |
| Tharp, Phillip       | 4           | 320          | Umphries, Jack             | 2           |              |
| Tiner, James         | 2           |              | U#####ter, James           | 4           |              |
| Torbart, F. J.       | 1           |              | Vance, T. J.               | 4           |              |
| Tomlin, Jack         | 3           |              | Valley, John               | 2           |              |
| Turk, Robert         | 4           |              | Van Kiper, T.              | 4           | 57           |
| Turk, Jack*          | 4           |              | Van Alsdale, Vincent       | 3           |              |
| Turner, N. T.        | 4           | 380          | Van Alsdale, Mrs. Harriett | 3           |              |
| Tiler, Henry*        | 5           |              | Van Alsdale, Gatson        | 3           |              |
| Tate, Simon          | 3           |              | Ventriss, Powers*          | 4           |              |
| Terrell, Jeff B.*    | 4           |              | Ventriss, Shelly           | 4           | 160          |
| Terrell, Jeff B.*    | 4           |              | Van Alsdale, Evander*      | 3           |              |
| Thomas, George       |             |              | Vaughn, T. M.              | 1           | 120          |
| Turner, Mrs. Carrie  | 4           | 160          | Vance, Earnest*            | 3           |              |
| Turner, T. M.        | 4           | 645          | Vandexter, J. C.           | 1           | 40           |
| Talton, George M.    | 4           | 326          | Vecsey, R. W.              | 1           | 100          |
| Thomas, Wash*        | 3           |              | Vick, Howell*              | 5           |              |
| Thomas, Peter        | 5           |              | V. S. & P. R.R. Co.        |             |              |
| Thompson, R. B.      | 1           | 110          | Wallace, Heirs of M. D.    | 1           | 40           |
| Thompson, John       | 4           |              | Ward, Columbus             | 4           | 80           |
| Thomas, Warren       | 3           |              | Walker, D. M.              | 5           | 723          |
| Tison, John*         | 4           |              | Warren, G. W.              | 4           | 2,358        |
| Thompkins, Frank H.* | 4           |              | Warren, R. G.              | 4           | 320          |
| Tomlinson, J. C.     | 3           | 100          | Watkins, J. T.             | 4           | 135          |
| Terrell, Dan*        | 3           |              | Watson, Henry              | 4           | 160          |
| Turk, Simon          | 4           |              | Walker, A. N.              | 5           | 683          |
| Tutsch, R. H.        | 1           |              | Walker, Mack N.            | 5           | 85           |
| Tutsch, J. C.        | 1           |              | Walker, J. K.              | 5           | 200          |
| Tutsch, Mrs. M. C.   | 1           | 160          | Waggoner, J. M.            | 1           | 240          |

*To be continued .....*

*The only man who has not anything to toast of but his illustrious ancestors is like a potato --  
the only good belonging to him is underground. (Sir Thomas Overbury)*

## ***CENSUS TIPS AND TRICKS***

Scrawling quickly, the census takers of long ago left a written legacy for modern day family tree climbers. Generally one of the first resources consulted by the genealogist, census reports offer a veritable gold mine of information. Census researchers can depend on the accuracy of the location of the census report, but other information such as children's names and information verified only by memory should be considered suspect.

The location of the census report is generally thought to be correct because obviously a census taker knew what township/county he was in. If great grandpappy Hubert is found in the 1850 census reports listed as: Lancaster Co., PA; enumeration dist. #85, York Township, then it can be assumed that indeed the patriarch of the family lived in York Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania during the 1850s.

Children listed in the report are also probably correct; however, be wary of spelling and omitted information. Quite often a child's name was changed during the first year or so of life until one was decided upon. To make it even more difficult to track down a correct name, sometimes nicknames or shortened names were also used in the census reports.

That is, of course, if a name can even be located in the census, because children's names were sometimes omitted inadvertently. During the 1800s it was not uncommon to find 10 to 18 children under one roof, and when the time came to make a list, occasionally one or two children would accidentally be left out.

The genealogist should always beware of information contained in a census report that was reported by individuals. The recorder had to rely on the info given to him concerning age/place of birth, etc. and sometimes people did not remember correctly where or when they were born. Check succeeding census reports to verify birth years. A good rule of thumb is the closer the census year's report to the birth date of the individual, the more reliable is the age information contained in the report.

Finally, remember when digging for buried ancestors in the census reports that the place of report is most likely correct, but that some items which are left to the memory of an individual may perhaps be wrong. Because of the inconsistencies in the census reports, they should be used as a starting point for research. Other archival records such as birth/death certificates, obituaries, etc. should be consulted.

Whenever consulting census reports for information, always consider how accurate the information on the report is. If a given name cannot be located through census indexes in the supposed area of residence, then: Check alternate surname spellings – even bizarre spellings. Check in a different area – perhaps the family has moved, or perhaps the original information was incorrect. Check all listings for that surname in the state, starting with the most obvious.

Check siblings / cousins / aunts / uncles census records. Many times a sibling check may yield the parents name, origin of birth, etc. Check preceding / succeeding census records to get a clue as to where the person actually lived.

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**John and Thomas Morris**  
**Early Shreveport Druggists**  
By Danielle H. Neal

John W. Morris and Thomas H. Morris were born in Pembrokeshire, Wales. A *Shreveport Times* centennial article states that the elder, John W. Morris, emigrated in 1840 at age 20 with his younger brother, Thomas H. Morris, following in 1848 at age 18. Both brothers were druggists and began the Morris Drug Company which is today the Morris-Dickson Drug Co.

John W. Morris, b December 1, 1820 Wales, married first Myra Amelia Eppes, daughter of Ballard F. Eppes and his wife, Mary, on September 5, 1844. Myra Eppes was the young widow of George L. Woodward and they had one son, also named George L. Woodward. Tragically, Myra Eppes died in March 1847. Myra Eppes and John W. Morris had one son, James E. Morris, who became a doctor and resided in Texas. John W. Morris married second Catherine M. Cates, b August 22, 1832 MS. They are found in Shreveport in the 1850 Census, Caddo Parish page 340, with his two sons, James E. Morris, age 5 and John W. Morris, Jr., age 1.

In 1851 John W. Morris brought New Orleans resident, R. H. Lindsay, to Shreveport to work with him in the Morris Drug Store. Then in 1852 three members of the Morris family died: in March, Thomas Walter Morris, 1 year and 10 months, died; in August Mary Amelia Morris, age 13 months, died; and in September John W. Morris, Sr., age 33, died of yellow fever. Each of them is buried in Oakland Cemetery. In the 1860 Census, page 39, Myra Eppes' mother, Mrs. Mary Eppes, age 50, is raising three children: George L. Woodward, age 17; James Morris, age 15; and John Morris, age 13. It would appear that John Morris is her grandson, but absent a definite birthdate for John Morris, this is only conjecture.

The widow, Catherine M. Cates Morris remarried February 12, 1857 to Dr. Thomas J. Allen, and they are found in the 1860 Census, page 80, 564/570, living next door to the Thomas H. Morris family. Their eldest son, John Walton Allen, also became a physician and these doctors operated an infirmary in Shreveport at 226-228 Travis Street. In the 1880 Caddo Parish census ED21, sheet 10 this infirmary has 10 patients.

In the 1850 Census, Caddo Parish, page 331 in Shreveport, the younger brother, Thomas H. Morris, age 20, is shown as a druggist, page 331. He is a single man sharing his residence with R. P. Cates, age 14, who also gives his occupation as druggist. R. P. Cates studied law and was admitted to the bar in Shreveport in March 1860. At the June 1862 session of Caddo Parish Court, the death of Lt. R. P. Cates, killed during the Battle of Sharpesburg, was memorialized.

Thomas H. Morris carried on the drug store and about 1853 married Mary White Sibley of Rapides Parish, daughter of R. H. Sibley and his wife, Mary M. Thomas H. and Mary W. Morris are found in the 1860 Census, Caddo Parish, in Shreveport, page 80, with

three children, Mary S., age 5; Sallie C., age 3; and Thomas H. Jr., age 1. Also in their household is a servant, Ann Ward, age 28, born in Dublin, Ireland.

When the Civil War broke out, a home guard unit, the Shreveport Sentinels, was organized February 1861, and Thomas H. Morris was a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. for the unit. Some professions were considered too essential to the community for their practitioners to leave for active duty. Such was the case for Shreveport druggist, Thomas W. Morris. One other role he filled during the Civil War was that of removing a considerable amount of books from Shreveport's YMCA, hiding them in a secure place, and returning them intact following the conclusion of the war.

Meanwhile, he and Mary W. Morris opened their home at the corner of Fannin and Edwards to wounded Confederate soldiers, who Mary cared for with tenderness and faithful service. A fourth child, John Morris, was born in 1862 and a fifth child, Allen D. Morris, was born in 1866.

Thomas H. and Mary W. Morris were active in founding the Presbyterian Church in Shreveport and Thomas H. Morris was made trustee and elder in 1855 and served as superintendent of the Sunday school for almost 40 years.

In the 1875 Shreveport City Directory the Morris Drug store is located at 28 Texas Street and remained in that location for at least 10 years. In 1880 their daughter, Sarah C., married Robert L. Iler. In the 1884-85 City Directory the drugstore is listed as Iler & Morris Wholesale Druggists, still at 28 Texas Street. Robert L. Iler, T. H. Morris Jr. and Mrs. M. R. Iler are principals of the business. By December 1887 the eldest son, Thomas Henry Morris, Jr., was gravely ill of tuberculosis and he traveled with his parents to Los Angeles, California, in the hope that a milder climate would restore him. That was not the case and Thomas Jr. died December 22, 1887. In 1888 Thomas H. Morris, Sr. and Mary W. purchased the Howell home at the corner of Lake and Spring Streets.

In the 1894 City Directory, the partnership with Samuel A. Dickson has begun Morris-Dickson Drug Co. and the druggists, carrying choicest perfumes, are located at 212 Texas Street. Allen D. Morris and Samuel A. Dickson are principals of the business. In the 1897 City Directory, Robert L. Iler has opened his own business, Iler's Pharmacy, at 29 Texas Street.

Thomas H. Morris, immigrant from Wales, died September 9, 1894 of traumatic pneumonia following a fall in which he broke three ribs, one of them puncturing a lung. His death certificate was signed by Dr. R. A. Gray. At his large funeral at First Presbyterian Church pall bearers were Col. R. H. Lindsay, Col. J. S. Young, Mr. A. J. Reynolds, Dr. A. A. Lyon, Capt. J. M. Foster, Mr. S. B. McCutchen, Capt. S. Levy and Mr. W. C. Perrin. As a mark of respect, businesses in Shreveport closed during the service.

Allen Dunlap Morris continued in partnership with Samuel A. Dickson. He married Florence Gray of Winston-Salem, NC and they had four children: Henry Morris, Allen

D. Morris, Jr., Eugene Morris and Mattie Gray Morris who married David T. Land, Jr. August 14, 1917. In 1899 Allen D. Morris sold his interest in Morris & Dickson Drug Store to Dr. S. A. Dickson. Allen D. Morris died April 13, 1921. Miss Mary S. Morris died August 3, 1914, at age 59. The First Presbyterian Church record indicates she taught Sunday School for 44 years.

Allen D. Morris, Jr. married Eugenia Baker, daughter of Lamar Baker. In the 1919 Shreveport City Directory, he and Eugenia make their home with the Bakers at 457 Herndon Avenue and Allen is Secretary in the firm of J. C. Baker Co. Later Allen obtained a Buick dealership and for many years operated Morris Buick on the corner of Milam and Spring Streets in the building that now is the Ark-La-Tex Antique Car Museum.

In the 1920 Census, Caddo Parish, ED 48, Page 4, Line 53, the extended family lives with Mary W. Morris, age 87, at 687 Jordan Street. The household consists of Mary's son, Allen D. Morris; his wife, Florence; a grandson, Allen D. Morris, Jr.; his wife, Eugenia; their children (Mary's great-grandchildren) Mary Gray Morris and Florence E. Morris; and other grandchildren of Mary's: Eugene Morris, age 22 and Mattie Gray Land, age 28; and Mattie Gray Gibson, age 25. The 1918 Shreveport City Directory indicates Eugene Morris is a member of the U. S. Army. Mattie Gray Land lost her husband in World War I, and apparently the other young lady in their 1920 household did also. By the 1917 Shreveport City Directory Mattie Gray Gibson is listed as the widow of Abram B. Gibson. Caddo Parish marriage records on microfilm end with 1910 so I did not find any record of the Abram B. Gibson/Mattie Gray marriage and can only speculate that she is related in some way to the Morris family.

When Mary W. Morris died June 5, 1928 at age 95, the First Presbyterian record indicates she was the eldest member of that church. Descendants of Thomas H. Morris and Mary W. Sibley Morris still live in Shreveport and have a heritage to be proud of.

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- United States Census Records as referenced.

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The Texas 1850 Federal Census Schedule, Volume 3, written by H. Swaringen, Asst. Marshall, 23 October 1850, contains this note written by the census taker: "I certify these to be sixty-four pages and a piece of the inhabitants and done as near in accordance with my oath as I could do it. The people was hard to get along with."

OSBORNE FUNERAL HOME RECORDS - INDEX

Book X -- January 2, 1932 to March 18, 1934 (Part 1)

This is an index of the burial records of the Osborne Funeral Home in Shreveport, LA. The information is taken from microfilmed copies of the individual record sheets; these sheets contain a wealth of information including name, date of death, residence, occupation, age, physician, funeral data, cemetery, clergyman, cause of death, parents, marital status, etc. These records were filmed by members of Friends of Genealogy, Inc. and copies of the microfilm are located in the Shreve Memorial Library Genealogy Collection, Shreveport, LA the Allen County Library, Fort Wayne, IN, the Central Branch Library in Conroe, TX, the Dallas Public Library in Dallas, TX, and the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT. (Series began in Vol. VII, No 3, 1995)

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Archer, Clyde J.	42	4	Hazel, Joseph DeWitt	38	33
Averne, Mrs. Chas. W.	59	5	Stock, Joseph Earl	49	34
Johnson, Mrs. Mary E.	75	6	Leach, Mrs. Blanche Jefferies	38	35
Ritzman, C. J.		7	Neal, Samuel J.	63	36
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Alexander, Wima Lou	14	9	Hawkes, Mrs. Maggie	77	38
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Sinclair, Mrs. Elisa Blattman	50	13	Quigles, Murray T.	73	42
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Dees, Mrs. Annie A.	48	65	Hinkie, Mrs. Minnie Brown	65	108
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Tucker, Mrs. Norman G.	66	68	Wall, Mrs. Mary Frances	66	111
Bobbitt, William Ellis	65	69	Berry, Claude Anderson	54	112
Leary, Mrs. Annie Dean	82	70	Richardson, Mrs. Eva McClanahan	75	113
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My Grandfather, Benjamin Franklin Cox

By Elsie Dell Cox Mead

President Abraham Lincoln had not yet issued "The Emancipation Proclamation." The cause and effect of The War of the Rebellion was felt in every home throughout the North and South with reverberations heard across our entire nation.

It was late afternoon on a cold and rainy day, 18 January 1862. The rain storm had passed, leaving billowy white clouds drifting over a small farm cabin near the town of Chatham, Jackson Parish, Louisiana. The pungent smell of dripping pine needles hung heavy on the air. From the south meadow came the intriguing calls of bobwhite quail. In the doorway of the cabin a heavy-hearted mother and her small son waved goodbye to the husband and father, dressed in the uniform of the Confederate Army, as he paused at the garden gate, looked back and lifted his hand in salute. He then walked down the lane and disappeared in the deep shadows of the piney woods.

The young lad, my grandfather, Benjamin Franklin Cox (then six years of age) never saw his father again. He was reported wounded and died in an army hospital in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in 1863.

As the father was lost to the cause of freedom for the slaves, so was his given name lost to the first through the fifth generations since that time. The mother then married a Mr. James Coleman and when he died she went to live with her son Benjamin Franklin and was called "Grandma Coleman." Hence, her given name also was lost, even to her own grandchildren.

One of the younger granddaughters, Annabel Cox Hearne Stewart recalls: "I was very small, but I remember Grandma Coleman very well. She was bedridden and smoked a pipe. I know, because I would carry live coals to her from our big fireplace to light her pipe."

In the meantime, while the given names of Benjamin Franklin Cox's parents remain to be researched, this biographical sketch concerns their son, my grandfather, Benjamin Franklin Cox. He was called B. F. Cox or Frank Cox. I knew and loved him until his death, 7 February 1941.

Benjamin Franklin Cox was born about five miles south of Chatham, Louisiana 19 January 1856. He grew up there and married Sarah Frances Smart 2 December 1875. He was a small man, about five feet four inches tall and had light brown hair and blue eyes. He acquired land in the area near where he was born and he and Sarah built a simple frame house with a living room featuring a huge fireplace, three bedrooms, a kitchen and dining room with a second fireplace. A wide breezeway separated the two sections and a front porch completed the architectural design.

There was no glass or screens on the windows against the omnipresent swamp mosquito, only hand-hewn clapboard shutters for protection against winter rain, wind and snow. Much of the lumber was unfinished plank boards. The house was unsealed, except for some kind of

clay and straw mixture used to caulk the larger cracks. There was no paint. Materials were left to weather, and they lasted well.

My parents lived on a farm within walking distance of grandfather's house and I spent almost as much time with my grandparents and their younger children as I did at home. We always loved to play in the breezeway.

One day when I was there, Grandfather called to me: "Come, 'Minky'." (That was the nickname he bequeathed me at a very early age, I'm told.) "Come, with me," he said, "I want to show you something." He led me across the breezeway, where the weather and thirty-five years had taken their toll in decaying a portion of some of the large support timbers, and pointing to some large exposed nail heads, he said, "Look, Minky, these are some of the big square nails we used to build this house. They are different from these shiny new ones we're using to build the new cow barn now." He pulled a few long round nails from his pocket to show me. I looked where the wood had aged away, and the big nails were indeed square. How did he pound them in? I wondered.

Grandfather's house, built with nails, was elevated four or five feet off the ground and left open below the floor as was the custom in Northern Louisiana at the turn of the century. I was told later this was to prevent moisture rot.

The yard surrounding the house was enclosed with picket stakes. There were no grass lawns. I remember helping sweep the yard clean as a floor with homemade straw brooms. The straw grew wild in the fence rows, was trimmed and tied with string at one end to form the handle. I loved sweeping the yard with my father's young sisters, Annabel, Jennie and Selma, even though the broom was almost as big as I was tall. Every leaf and stray weed under the crepe myrtle trees and around the rose and cape jasmine bushes had to be swept clean on Saturday to be ready for possible visitors on Sunday.

My father often spoke of helping split the rails that fenced his father's farm. "As a boy, my older brothers, Tom and 'Tite' and I would go with Pa into the woods and saw down the small trees with a cross-cut saw, split them with an axe, an iron wedge or chisel, load them on the wagon, and haul them in to replace old sections of fence or to build new enclosures," he said.

The rail fences around the farm were used to keep out cattle and hogs that were free to roam and forage the open woods and swamps. Rail fences have always fascinated me. I remember what fun it was to walk the fence rows around Grandfather's farm and pick the wildflowers in springtime, especially the deep purple swamp violets that grew along the fence down by the creek. If we were lucky, we might find a mourning dove's nest with young fledglings.

Grandfather raised most of the food for his large and ever-growing family. There were cattle and hogs for meat, chickens for meat and eggs, lots of milk, and a huge garden that yielded fresh vegetables the year round.

Many times as a child I watched wild-eyed as Grandfather, with another person's help, lifted large hogs from the black iron scalding kettle, tied them to a rack, scraped them clean of hair and proceeded to process the meat. It wasn't the nicest thing to watch, but some of the processing methods were most interesting.

Grandfather always insisted on preparing the hams and bacon slabs himself. "Because," he said, "it has to be done right or it won't keep." He left the sausage making and stuffing to Sarah, along with cleaning other parts of the animal used as food, such as the liver, brains, tongue, pickled pigs feet, and hogshead cheese. Some cuts of beef and pork were preserved in salt brine, since there was no refrigeration. Milk was cooled in nearby springs where there was an abundance of clear cool water.

Sometimes, Grandfather would say to the family, "I'm getting up very early in the morning and going hunting. The rest of you will have to look after the animals, feed and milk the cows while I'm gone." He hunted birds and squirrels – the large gray fox squirrel they considered a delicacy. These I found hard to ingest, probably because of the beauty of the live animal.

Fishing was a favorite pastime with Sarah and the children. Fish were plentiful in the larger streams and bayous and the catch served as an alternate food.

Yellow corn was shelled, taken to a grist mill, and ground to make corn meal. Corn bread was on the daily menu and often eaten for breakfast with homemade butter, syrup, and jellies.

Some foods which Grandfather could not grow or raise, he had to buy. I remember well the flour, sugar, and cracker barrels that stood in one corner of his kitchen. These barrels had to be securely closed against prowling rodents skimming the open rafters at night.

Syrup-making time on the Cox farm was a busy time for the entire family. I can still see Grandfather at the syrup mill in a clearing near the little creek, cleaning the large vats or pans that were used to cook the sugar cane juice over stone ovens fired by wood, and kept at a specified temperature. He also prepared the big rollers for squeezing the juice.

This was a procedure in which the children could get involved, and what fun we had riding the sugar cane wagon into the field and helping load the cut stalks onto the wagon. We all climbed aboard the wagon and road atop the heap of sugar cane to the syrup-making area. If you've never tasted a section of ripe sugar cane, you've missed a real treat. It has to be peeled and sliced like sticks of candy and chewed.

Sugar cane is a grass of the family of *saccharum officinarum*. It grows five to fifteen feet high and requires very rich moist soil such as Grandfather had. The syrup, if cooked long enough, would turn to brown sugar chunks, and that was candy to us.

The cane juice was extracted in those days by a dual roller contraption run by mule power. The animal was hitched to a pole and walked around in circles to activate the rollers and crush the juice from the cane stalks being fed into them. The juice drained into pails and was

poured into the open vats to boil and eventually to simmer. It had to be skimmed frequently to remove water and scum. This required constant watching and there wasn't much resting time for the family during syrup-making season. But, how delicious the sugar cane syrup tasted on homemade biscuits or corn bread at any time of the day.

Benjamin Franklin had five sons and seven girls. The third child, a son, David Marshall Cox, born 14 October 1881, was my father. All were taught to help make the living and maintain the upkeep and comfort of the home. For the boys there was always stove wood to cut and stack into cord-sized rows. Fireplace wood was also sawed and neatly stacked for the winter months, which were sometimes very cold, and it took lots of wood to heat an unsealed house against inclement weather.

Our gentle patriarch saw to it that the girls all learned to cook, milk the cows, churn the butter in old-fashioned dasher-operated crockery churns, feed the chickens, gather the eggs, and, yes, sweep the yard on Saturdays among other womanly chores such as sewing their own clothes.

Geese and ducks were raised on the Cox farm and their feathers plucked now and then to make pillows and feather beds. This was another duty assigned to the women of the household. Have you ever tried to "fluff" or make up a feather bed or sleep on one in the summer time?

Benjamin Franklin's family was a community unto itself, almost self-sufficient. However, he was never a wealthy man. His farm was small. If he raised two or maybe three bales of cotton and sold for market value at that time, enough vegetables the year around, and corn enough for the animals, that was considered good. While they all worked hard making a living, Grandfather saw to it that Sunday was a day of rest for everyone – after the animals were cared for.

Social life in the community centered around a white one-room church building situated on a wooded knoll about two and one-half miles from Grandfather's place. It was and still is known as Concord Methodist Church. To reach it in those days one walked, rode a horse, or drove a team and wagon to transport the family. Paved roads were unheard of, and rural roads, if they could be called roads at the turn of the century in Northern Louisiana, were narrow, dusty, often flooded, boggy, and always rough.

Road conditions, however, were never a deterrent to my wonderful grandfather, and he saw to it that his ever-growing family got to church on Sunday and to any other meetings held there. He was not a religious tyrant by any means, but a kind and gentle man with the welfare of his family and fellowman at heart.

One experience that especially influenced my life was riding to Sunday School and Church many times in Grandfather's big blue wagon with Annabel, Jennie, and Selma (still children themselves) and maybe a cousin or two. He assigned places for each child to sit in the back of the wagon – the choice and preferred spot was on the tailgate with our feet dangling.

Sometimes, amid squeals of laughter, our feet would plow through the water as we crossed several creeks along the way.

Concord Church is still a going institution. I've worshiped there several times in recent years. The original structure has been replaced by another small white frame building in the same spot next to the churchyard cemetery where many Cox family members are buried.

I was born and lived near my grandfather until I was five, and again from nine 'till twelve years of age, and have many happy memories of him. One morning he had some plowing to do down in a small hollow, and asked, "Would you like to go along with me, Minky? I won't be long. There's some freshly shocked 'goobers' (peanuts) nearby and you might enjoy tasting a few right off the vine. They're very good. But you'd better bring a small jar of water along. You might get thirsty."

No invitation was ever more warmly accepted. I'll never forget pulling a bunch of peanuts with the leaves still on the bush from the tall shock, shelling and eating them. It was a taste unlike any fresh peanuts we buy in stores today, truly hard to experience unless you live in the South where they are grown.

I walked behind my grandfather and his plow, row after row, making deep footprints in the loamy furrows. I shall never forget the earthy, almost intoxicating, smell of fresh-turned sod in that small hollow of land, nor can I forget that clarion call from nature – the almost human call of *Bobwhite! Bobwhite!* coming from quail perched along the fence rows.

It was almost dark when we reached the barn and put the mule and plow to rest. When we reached the house steps, I started to sit down I was so tired. Grandfather put his arms around me and said, "That was fun, wasn't it, Minky? Come on, let's get some supper." And he led me onto the porch. Suddenly, there were myriads of fireflies afield, setting their lamps aglow. From the dark woods came the full-throated cry of the hoot owl – almost overpowering the haunting whippoorwill song.

When I was five, my father learned of "greener pastures" in far away California and moved his family to a post office area called Dixieland west of El Centro, in Imperial Valley. After four years of working on farms and in grocery stores in Imperial and Brawley, we returned to our first home near my grandfather's farm at Chatham, Louisiana. While there I renewed happy memories with Grandfather, Grandmother, and the others whom I also loved. There were many happy experiences during this brief period, too numerous to mention in this sketch. Two years passed. Once more we bid Benjamin Franklin and the family goodbye and were on our way to California again.

Years that numbered one score plus two passed before I again found myself in the forested hills of Jackson Parish; this time with my husband, Elbert Lyman Mead – destination: my grandfather's farm home. He was alone then, Grandmother having died 27 January 1927, a few months before our visit.

All twelve children were married, most with families of their own. Several stayed on in the community. They came to see us, bringing pot-luck food, and what a spread! Everyone stayed through the afternoon and enjoyed Benjamin Franklin's mammoth-striped watermelons, some weighing thirty pounds and more.

We stayed a week with Grandfather. He was seventy-one years old and still farming – on a smaller scale of course. While we were there, he hitched the mule, old Ben, to the plow and tilled his garden, still as fruitful as ever with all kinds of fresh vegetables.

“Don't let me disturb you in the morning,” he said. “I'll be up early and have breakfast ready when you get up.” I tried to dissuade him, then offered to help, but to no avail. He was up long before daybreak. When we got up we were amazed to find he had killed a chicken, fried it, made gravy, and was serving it with homemade biscuits, jam, and honey from his own beehives. For breakfast each day, he alternated the chicken and gravy with biscuits with sausage, eggs, and biscuits. It was almost unbelievable!

We visited Grandfather again two years later, renewing our love and appreciation for this grand old man – a farmer by choice, never an affluent man, but sharing generously and lovingly with anyone the food from his table. It was said that Benjamin Franklin Cox probably fed more people in Jackson Parish than any other person. The door to his simple dwelling was never locked – the latch string was always out.

He sold the farm eventually, and was living with his youngest child, a daughter, Selma Dell (Cox) Hearne, when the years had been fulfilled and he passed away 7 January 1941; leaving to all who knew and loved him a legacy of labor, perseverance, faith, honesty, and love.

He is buried beside his beloved Sarah Frances in Concord Church Cemetery, Chatham, Louisiana.

Editor's Note: This was written in July, 1977; the author was then living in Pomona, California. The author is my grandmother's first cousin; their fathers were both sons of Benjamin Franklin Cox. I obtained a copy of this article only recently from a cousin in Nebraska and it brought tears to my eyes when I read it – these are the very same stories my grandmother told me many years ago. Like most of us, I did not take the time to record these stories and had Cousin Elsie Dell not written this, they would have been lost.

Dear Readers, please take the time to record your precious family stories before they are gone forever. Buy a small tape recorder if you don't have one and record your memories and conversations with other family members, then transcribe the tapes so you will have both a taped and written account of your family's history. Don't wait until it is too late.

If you have any information you would like to share about this family, please contact Janine Johnson Dunlap, P. O. Box 17887, Shreveport, LA 71138-0887.

What is remembered dies, what is written lives.

Genealogical Insurance – Are you ready for disaster?

By Betty Jo Stockton

Florida has recently had hurricanes, tornadoes, & wildfires; the Midwest had floods; the West coast is always expecting earthquakes – the potential for disaster is there no matter where you live. Think – just how safe are your genealogical and family records? Listening to the news reports of evacuation with little notice made me think “What would I take?” if I had to leave with only what I would fit in the car and with little advance notice. After grabbing the insurance and other important papers, the laptop computer with my genealogy files, financial records and home inventory – what else would I take? And before anything does happen – what can I do to safeguard my genealogical records?

***Make backups and store them safely.**

Photocopy, scan, or photograph all your “one of a kind” records and store the copies in your safety deposit box, a relative’s home, with a genealogical friend, or in a water/fireproof box on a high shelf in your home. These include family Bibles, priceless photographs, birth, death, and marriage certificates, family letters, diaries, and scrapbooks. A copy is never as good as the original but it certainly beats nothing. A color photocopy of old photographs turns out well; the Kodak © PictureMaker found in many discount, drug, and office supply stores gives a near-perfect copy (but both may shorten the life of your original). A digital camera will make a good copy, too. Save the digital files to a floppy or Zip disk or recordable CD and store it away from your computer. Make extras of the paper copies to share. Consider submitting your Bible records, diaries, and scrapbooks to the DAR for their collection.

Make more than one backup copy of your genealogical computer files – and store at least one far from your computer.

Be sure that someone else (preferably in a different location) has copies of your Family Group Sheets and supporting documents.

Share your research – write letters to friends and relatives about what you’ve found, send copies of your research to interested family and researchers, submit your data to the Ancestral File, World Family Tree, Ancestry’s World Tree, RootsWeb World Connect project, Family Search, or other databases.

***Publish your research.**

If you’re ready (or even close), write that book on your family and get it published. Several of our members have done this with beautiful results. Send a copy to the Family History Library, our library, and the local library where your ancestors lived.

Compile your information and publish it yourself. Many of the genealogy programs will produce a “book” from your data. Make a few copies of this to have printed and bound

to give to interested folks and the local library. Local print shops will print it fairly cheaply; Kinkos can add a Velobinding for \$2.95, which gives a nice finish. My latest project (since I still have large “holes” in each of my family lines) is self-publishing a 12 to 30 page booklet on each of my family lines. These contain the family history and genealogy, sources, and scanned photos; they are distributed throughout the family. While far from professional, the insure that the information won’t be lost.

Organize your Family Group Sheets and supporting documentation and bind them in a folder or looseleaf notebook. Give a copy to the Family History Library and to the local library.

***Plan ahead** as to what you would protect first in your home or take if evacuated. If you’ve planned, you’ll know which notebooks, files, etc. to grab.

***Decide what will happen** to your materials when you no longer need them – too many records are lost when family members do not know what to do with papers after a death and simply throw them out. Arrange with a genealogical friend or instruct your family as to who is to get your work. If you do not have a specific person in mind, check with the local library, the Family History Library, or local history/genealogy society as to what they would like, and in what form.

****Whatever you do – insure that your family records and hard work are not lost forever when disaster strikes.***

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### **William Jennings, Revolutionary War Soldier**

William Jennings (1761 – 1840) was born 26 Feb 1761 and died 17 Aug 1840 in Shelby County, Alabama. He is buried in Harpersville Cemetery in Shelby County, Alabama.

He enlisted as a Private in the Virginia Troops and was present at the surrender of Cornwallis. On 7 June 1832 he applied for a pension, number W-27-144. In January of 1840 he indicated that he had resided in Shelby County, Alabama for four years and had previously resided in Tennessee.

On 18 Jan 1787 he married Polly Kidd, born 4 November 1771. She was a sister to John White Kidd. Polly Jennings had lived in Claiborne Parish, Louisiana for three years prior to the last payment of her widow’s pension. They had twelve children.

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# *Bits & Bytes*

Have you been out to the USGenWeb site lately? If not, go there by selecting <[www.usgenweb.org](http://www.usgenweb.org)>. The site's home page is your "jump-off" point to a wealth of research sites, including State Projects, Project Archives, and Other Projects. Also on the home page are links to information about the USGenWeb Project, the Project By-Laws, Help for Researchers, Information for Volunteers, and other information.

The USGenWeb Project State web sites are your starting points for finding genealogical and historical information. Each state site features state information and also provides you with links to each county web site within the state. There are three ways to access the State Project pages: a graphical map, a table of states, and a table of states in text-only format. By selecting a state using any one of these methods, you will go to that state's home page. You will find links there to each parish (or county), which in turn will provide links to Biographies, Cemeteries, Census Records, Family Histories, Land Records, Marriage Records, Military Records, Obituaries, Parish (or County) History, School Records, and more. Other helpful information on the State home page includes research tools and information as well as links to other helpful sites.

The USGenWeb Project Archives offers actual transcriptions of public domain records, such as census records, marriage bonds, wills, and other public documents, all arranged by state. On the Louisiana site, you can select African-American files, Bible Records, Census Images, Family Group Sheets, Military Files (including a complete transcription of Andrew Booth's Records of Louisiana Confederate Soldiers), Tombstone Registry, and other sites. Also, each parish has a home page with links to transcriptions of various records pertaining to that parish.

The USGenWeb Census Images are free, on-line census images for all researchers to use. These images are made possible through generous donations of people just like us and the permission of various census image publishers to display their work. This is an on-going project and anyone can participate. One publisher, S-K Publications, upon receiving orders from a specified number of people, will scan a county (parish) on CD and donate a copy to USGenWeb to be placed on the internet. As the CD's generally cost about \$20 each, this is an excellent way to participate in getting more information available to researchers. Go to <[www.skpub.com/genie](http://www.skpub.com/genie)> for more information. To view census images already available, select *Online Census Images* on the USGenWeb Project Archives page.

There are several other ongoing USGenWeb Projects: Tombstone (Cemetery Transcriptions), Digital Map Library, Pensions, Kidz Project, Lineages, Special Collections, and others. See the home page for more information on these projects.

How do they get all that information? From volunteers, just like you and me. How many times have you spend hours reading through old records, wishing someone would just take the time to index the information? Well, do it yourself and make it available for all to see. If you're not a "computer person," work with someone who is. Is there a better way to thank those who have gone before us to index many of the records we now use on a regular basis?

*A generation that ignores history has neither past nor future.*



## SHREVEPORT DAILY TIMES OBITUARIES

June 20, 1893 -- December 20, 1893

Obituaries in the early newspapers were limited and placed in various locations in the copy. Therefore, it is most difficult to locate this data. Furthermore, very seldom were family members mentioned. Frequently, much more emphasis was placed on obituaries from out of the city than local residents. The following obituaries are in a series of 1880s and 1890s obituaries which have been extracted from the *Shreveport Daily Times*, Shreveport, Louisiana. [Note that if the date of death is listed as *about* - date of newspaper is given.] The microfilm is located at the Shreve Memorial Library, Downtown Location, Shreveport, Louisiana. This series began in Vol. IX, No. 2 (Second Q, 1997).

**John J. Gannon** Died 19 Jun 1893, age 31 years, 18 days. He born in New Orleans; he died of congestion of the kidneys in Shreveport, which was his residence.  
[Times 20 June 1893]

**William P. Fetzer** Died 18 Jun 1893 in Shreveport, age 21 years, 6 months, 15 days. He was born 3 Dec 1871, the son of Peter Fetzer who was born in Geiselburg, Bavaria and Elizabeth Auer Fetzer who was born in Switzerland. William was a graduate of Thatcher Institute.  
[Times 22 June 1893]

**Susie Gatewood Booth** Died 21 Jun 1893 in Shreveport, age 14 years, 2 months, 10 days. She was born 11 Apr 1879, the daughter of Dr. Augustine Rue Booth and Mattie C. Booth. Funeral services were held at the family residence on Crockett St. on 22 Jun. at 5 p.m. Burial was in Oakland Cemetery.  
[Times 22 June 1893]

**Thomas T. Land** Died 27 Jun 1893 in Shreveport. He was born in Rutherford Co, VA 7 Dec 1815 and was a Supreme Court Judge of Shreveport. He resided in Shreveport where the funeral services were held 28 Jun. at 6 p.m. with Dr. U. D. Dalzell conducting the services. Burial took place in Oakland Cemetery. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife Mary E. Dillingham Land {1822 – 1901}.  
[Times 28 June 1893]

**Ed Bourqoin** Died in Shreveport at age 45 years from a typhoid malarial fever. He was a resident of Shreveport.  
[Times 28 June 1893]

**Mrs. Elizabeth Fetzer** Died 4 Jul 1893, age 61 years, 3 months, 18 days. She was born in Ober Hallon Canton, Schaffausen, Switzerland on 16 Mar 1832; she came to the United States in 1857. She was a Presbyterian and her funeral services were held in the Presbyterian Church in Shreveport on 5 July at 11 a.m.  
[Times 5 July 1893]

**David Greig** Died 17 Jul 1893 in Shreveport. He was born in Dundee, Scotland and was a resident of Shreveport for the last 3 years; he was a member of the Shreveport Typographical Union #155. His was buried on 18 July.  
[Times 18 July 1893]

**Gussie Gray** Died 8 Jul 1893 in Colfax, LA, age 21 years. 6 months, 25 days. She was the daughter of Mr. John R. Gray and his wife Diana Gray. [Times 20 July 1893]

SHREVEPORT DAILY TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**Selma Holland** Died 21 Jul 1893, age 16 months. She was the only child of Mr. Isidore Holland and his wife Tillie Holland. Funeral services were held at the family residence on 23 July at 6 p.m. [Times 23 July 1893]

**Eola Kelly** Died 28 Jul 1893 in Plain Dealing, LA, age 16 months. She was the only child of Mr. & Mrs. H. D. Kelly after 13 years died after an illness of three weeks. The family resided in Plain Dealing. [Times 29 July 1893]

**Lida Lucille Buckelew** Died 31 Jul 1893, age 10 months, 1 day. She was the daughter of Mr. N. W. Buckelew and his wife Sidney Buckelew of Shreveport. [Times 1 Aug 1893]

**George Maas** Died 30 Jul 1893 in Algiers, LA, age 52 years. He was a cooper by trade and was a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, Red Men & W.O.W. Funeral services were held at the family residence on 1 Aug. at 4:30 p.m. He leaves sons to mourn his passing. [Times 1 Aug 1893]

**James T. Cane** Died 31 Jul 1893 in Houston, TX, age 28 years. He was formerly of Shreveport and was a member of the Damon Lodge. [Times 1 Aug 1893]

**Cal Daughtry** Died 1 Aug 1893, age 6 years. He was the son of Mr. & Mrs. F. A. Daughtry of Bossier Parish, LA. [Times 2 Aug 1893]

**Claude Allen** Died 5 Aug 1893 of congestion in Haughton, LA, age 24 years. He was the son of H. J. Allen and was employed with Allen Bros. & U. Adley of Haughton. He was buried in Texarkana. He leaves a brother J. K. Allen and a sister Louise Allen. [Times 8 Aug 1893]

**Infant Gilmer** Died 10 Aug 1893 in Vanceville, LA, age 9 months. Burial was in Plain Dealing, LA. [Times 11 Aug 1893]

**Albert Bizart** Died 13 Aug 1893, age 24 years. He died at the residence of the late Mrs. Fanney Pahn 12 midnight from internal hemorrhage. He worked in dry goods for Bizart Bros. He is survived by his brother, Lamon Bizart. [Times 13 Aug 1893]

**P. M. O'Hara** Died 12 Aug 1893 in Shreveport, age 48 years. Born in Ireland. Funeral services were held at the family residence on 18 Aug. [Times 13 Aug 1893]

**Infant son Croom** The infant son of Capt. W. E. Croom and his wife of Haughton, LA died at the age of 1 year and 3 months. [Times 13 Aug 1893]

**Martin Canfield** Mr. Canfield of Mt. Lebanon, LA died at the age of 78 years in Bienville Parish. He leaves to mourn his passing a son in Canfield, Arkansas and a daughter Mrs. Gill of Gibsland, LA. [Times 15 Aug 1893]

SHREVEPORT DAILY TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**Rev. A. D. McVoy, Jr.** Died 15 Aug 1893 in Mansfield, age 25 years. He was the son of Dr. A. A. McVoy, Sr. who was the president of Mansfield Female College. He married Miss Carter in 1892 and was a teacher by profession. [Times 16 Aug 1893]

**Maggie Ridd** Miss Ridd died in Hope, Arkansas. Funeral services were held at the Methodist Church and burial was in Aberdeen, Arkansas. She was a former teacher at the Kate Nelson Seminary. [Times 18 Aug 1893]

**Sparke Stewart** Died 24 Aug 1893 in Atlanta, GA. He was the eldest son of Mr. Miller Stewart and his wife Anna Sparke Stewart. His mother passed away on the same day. [Times 26 Aug 1893]

**Anna Sparke Stewart** Died 24 Aug 1893. A resident of Covington, KY, she was the daughter of Capt. W. H. Sparke of Shreveport. She leaves to mourn her passing her spouse Miller Stewart and a sister Julia Sparke Rule. [Times 26 Aug 1893]

**Arthur Newton Byland** Died 25 Aug 1893, age 1 year, 11 months. He was the son of Mr. W. T. Byland and R. T. Byland of Shreveport. Funeral services were held at the family residence on 26 Aug. at 11 a.m. [Times 26 Aug 1893]

**Edgar Cole** Died 24 Aug 1893 in Eureka Springs, AR, age 21 years. He was a resident of DeSoto Parish and was related to Frank Stephenson of Shreveport and Mrs. W. H. Foster of Keachie, LA. [Times 26 Aug 1893]

**Charley Deming** Died on 15 Sep 1893 in Shreveport, age 25 years, 10 months. He was a resident of Shreveport. Funeral services were held at the residence 308 Commerce St. on 16 Sept. at 4 p.m. [Times 16 Sep 1893]

**E. G. Randolph** Died 16 Sep 1893, age 65 years. He was born in South Carolina and was a resident of Grant Parish, LA. He was Mexican War Veteran. His burial was in Pineville Cemetery. [Times 17 Sep 1893]

**W. P. Culberson** Died 21 Sep 1893, age 72 years, resident of Gilmer, TX. Funeral services were held 22 Sept. and burial was in Gilmer, TX. He is survived by daughters Mrs. W. B. Ogilvie of Shreveport and Mrs. A. Looney of Shreveport. [Times 23 Sep 1893]

**Clarence T. McGoldrick** Died 28 Sep 1893, age 8 months, 1 day. He was the son of Mr. S. R. McGoldrick and his wife W. H. McGoldrick. Funeral services were held at the residence of J. B. White on 29 Sept. at 4 p.m. [Times 29 Sep 1893]

**Mrs. Mary P. Schumpert** Died 29 Sep 1893. She was born in Tennessee; her parents were Mr. Thomas Halt and Rosannah Hebert who were also born in Tennessee. She was a resident of Greenwood, LA for over 30 years. Survivors include her spouse Dr. John I. Schumpert (they married in 1859) and son Dr. Theo Edgar Schumpert. [Times 30 Sep 1893]

SHREVEPORT DAILY TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**S. Sorkin** Died 2 Oct 1893, age 60 years. He was a merchant who worked in Rush Point. Survivors include three sons and two daughters. [Times 4 Oct 1893]

**Mary Angeline Hamilton** Died 4 Oct 1893, age 65 years. Funeral services were in the Presbyterian Church on 5 Oct. at 4 p.m. Survived by her sister, Mrs. M. M. Templeman. [Times 5 Oct 1893]

**Rudolph Thomonn** Died 6 Oct 1893 in Shreveport, age 8 years, 9 months. Mr. C. A. Thomomm and his wife Augusta Voelicker Thomonn grieve the loss of their second child to die this year. Funeral services were held at 823 Lake St. on 7 Oct. at 5 p.m. [Times 7 Oct 1893]

**Joseph H. Kile** Died 8 Oct 1893, age 28 years. He was born in Natchitoches Parish, LA. He was a City Tax Collector. Survived by his wife, his mother, and a large family. [Times 10 Oct 1893]

**Ed Washburn** Died at the age of 25 years. His funeral services took place in Gibsland, LA. He was the son of W. M. Washburn and also a graduate of Washington & Lee University. He is survived by his brother David Washburn and his sister Lena Washburn, both of Shreveport. [Times 10 Oct 1893]

**Frank L. Summers** Died 19 Oct 1893 at the Charity Hospital, age 32 years. He was a resident of Shreveport and was born in New Orleans, LA. Survived by his mother and sisters who live in Galveston, TX. [Times 20 Oct 1893]

**Joe McDonald** Died 4 Nov 1893, age 61. He was a mechanic. Funeral services were held at the Catholic Church on 5 Nov. at 1 p.m. Survived by two brothers. [Times 5 Nov 1893]

**Mrs. Nancy Polk Hendricks** Died at age of 76 years, she was born in Kentucky and has been a resident of Bossier Parish, LA since 1838. Rev. P. H. Hensley, Presbyterian, conducted the services. Burial was in the Cottage Grove Cemetery in Bossier Parish, LA. Survived by one daughter Mrs. LaRosen. [Times 23 Nov 1893]

**John McDonald** Died 27 Nov 1893, age 58 years. He died at the residence of his niece. He is survived by his niece, Mrs. L. C. Dickson. [Times 29 Nov 1893]

**Mrs. Adeline C. Luckett** Died 27 Nov 1893. She was the daughter of Col. Robert Crain and a resident of Rapides Parish, LA. Survived by her son, Dr. R. L. Luckett. [Times 30 Nov 1893]

**Mrs. Eliza Withers Perrin Sparke** Died 7 Dec 1893, age 66 years. She was born in Grant County, KY. She was a resident of Shreveport for the last 23 years. Burial was in Oakland Cemetery. Survived by her spouse Col. W. H. Sparke and her daughter Mrs. Julia Rule. [Times 8 Dec. 1893]

SHREVEPORT DAILY TIMES OBITUARIES (continued):

**Mrs. Louise B. Izard** Died 9 Dec 1893 in Shreveport, age 25 years. Funeral services were held in the Catholic Church at 3 p.m. [Times 10 Dec 1893]

**Mrs. Emily Monroe** Died 17 Dec 1893, age 48 years. Funeral services were held in the First Methodist Church on 18 Dec. at 1 p.m. Her spouse Mr. Dan Monroe preceded her in death. [Times 19 Dec 1893]

**Mrs. Elizabeth Connell** Died 17 Dec 1893, age 60 years. She was a resident of Knox Plant, Caddo Parish, LA. Survived by a daughter, Mrs. J. W. Crowder. [Times 19 Dec 1893]

**Mrs. Mary Dowd** Died 18 Dec 1893, age 63 years. She was a resident of Shreveport for the last 63 years. Survived by sons and daughters in New Orleans. [Times 20 Dec 1893]

**Mrs. E. Boazman** Died 19 Dec 1893, age 85 years. She was a resident of Shreveport for the last 50 years. Funeral services were held at her son's residence on Mansfield Road two miles below the city at 11 a.m. She leaves to mourn her passing her son William Boazman. [Times 20 Dec 1893]

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Rules for Good Writing and Grammar

1. Don't use no double negatives.
2. Make each pronoun agree with their antecedent.
3. Join clauses good, like a conjunction should.
4. About them sentence fragments.
5. When dangling watch your participles.
6. Verbs has to agree with their subjects.
7. Just between you and I, case is important too.
8. Don't write run-on sentences they are hard to read.
9. Don't use commas, which aren't necessary.
10. Try not to oversplit infinitives.
11. It is important to use your apostrophe's correctly.
12. Proofread your writing to if any words out.
13. Correct spelling is esential.
14. Just say "No, No, No!" to repetition.

*He that has no fools, knaves, or beggars in his family
was begot by a flash of lightning.*



Book Reviews

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