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Flight Lt. Elvet Baxter McCutcheon
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Elvie McCutcheon, War Hero

(Cover Story)

All across the continent a traveler will find the family name attached to a variety of geographical sites. To name a few, there is a town named McCutchenville in Ohio, also a McCutchanville in Indiana, and a McCutchan Road near Evansville, In Lafayette, Indiana, there is a McCutcheon High School, and in St. Louis, Missouri, a McCutcheon Avenue. In Tennessee there was a pioneer roadway surveyed by three McCutchen Brothers, which is known as the McCutchen Trace. It is from this that our family organization takes its name.

In Canada, off the coast of British Columbia near Prince Rupert, there is a McCutcheon Channel, and on Sea Island a McCutcheon Road.

The two latter have been named in honor of one of our family's most distinguished war heroes, Flight Lieutenant Elvet Baxter McCutcheon of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

"Elvie", as he was affectionately known, was born in Assiniboia, Saskatchewan, on May 30th, 1914, the son of William Herbert and Martha Baxter McCutcheon. In his early years he was a sports writer for the Richmond Review. When World War II came on he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force and became a Flight Commander in the Snowy Owl Squadron based in England.

In all, he made 25 flights over enemy territory. On one occasion, when the squadron took off from England in the dark of night his plane was involved in a collision with another aircraft and severely damaged. However, Lt. McCutcheon continued his mission in his crippled plane and dumped his load of bombs on the target, which in this instance was Wilhemshaven, Germany. Then he managed to return safely to England. For this display of courage and skill he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross by a

proclamation from His Majesty The King dated January 15, 1945.

On a mission the very next day, January 16th, Lt. McCutcheon's plane went down over enemy territory and he and his crew were all reported missing in action. Some months later this report was issued by the Royal Canadian Air Force Headquarters:

"Our Overseas Headquarters have forwarded these Headquarters statements made by Flying Officer D. W. Ritchie, Flying Officer D. O. MacKay, Pilot Officer J. G. Skidmore and Pilot Officer G. A. Haacke, members of the crew—

" 'The aircraft exploded in the air near Hanover, Germany. Pilot Officer Haacke states that he was blown out of the plane and heard Elvie speak just before the explosion, to bale out. Flying Officer Ritchie, Flying Officer MacKay, and Pilot Officer Skidmore state that Elvie was still at the controls when they abandoned the aircraft and believe he lost his life when the plane struck the ground.' "

The above named officers were all taken prisoners of war but were liberated a few months later when the conflict was brought to a close.

On the first of November, 1946, Lt. McCutcheon was posthumously awarded the Operational Wings of the Royal Canadian Air Force in recognition of gallant service in action against the enemy. . . . this from the Royal Canadian Air Force Headquarters in Ottawa.

Subsequently, to honor this young man, the McCutcheon Channel off British Columbia and the McCutcheon Road on Sea Island were named in his memory—another member of our clan who has brilliantly distinguished himself.

Friday Rites Set For Mrs. McCutcheon

Chicago Tribune—November 23, 1977

Mrs. Evelyn Shaw McCutcheon, 83, widow of the late Tribune cartoonist John T. McCutcheon and mother of John T. McCutcheon Jr., Tribune editorial page editor, died November 22, 1977 in Lake Forest Hospital, Lake Forest.

A memorial service will be held at 2 P.M. Friday in the First Presbyterian Church in Lake Forest, Deerpath and Sheridan roads.

Mrs. McCutcheon, of 1272 Green Bay Rd., Lake Forest, was the daughter of Howard Van Doren Shaw, noted Chicago architect.

She was active in many cultural institutions, including the Chicago Historical Society, the Field Museum, the Art Institute, and the Chicago Zoological Society which operates Brookfield Zoo.

Mr. and Mrs. McCutcheon were married in 1917 in the Fourth Presbyterian Church, the interior of which was designed by her father. The couple traveled widely and later collaborated on McCutcheon's autobiography, "Drawn From Memory."

In 1925 they crossed the Gobi Desert from Peking to Urga, (now Ulan Bator, Mongolia), and in 1929 she was the first woman to fly across the Andes, making the trip in a single-engine airplane.

In 1957 she presented Purdue University with a collection of 1,000 original cartoons drawn by her husband during his career with the old Chicago Record-Herald prior to 1901 and with the Tribune. Her husband was a graduate of Purdue.

Mrs. McCutcheon is survived by three sons, John T. Jr., Shaw, a cartoonist for the Spokane (Wash.) Spokesman-Review, and Barr, a teacher at Francis Parker School and former 43d Ward alderman; two sisters, Mrs. Sylvia Shaw Haskins, a sculptress, of Kennett Square, Pa., and Mrs. Theodora Shaw King, Belvedere, Cal.; 10 grandchildren; and two great grandsons.

Her husband, who retired from the Tribune in 1946, died in 1949.

Since his death she lived in the home they built on the Shaw property at Lake Forest. She donated some of the land there to the Nature Conservancy, an organization dedicated to preserving land in its natural condition.

Church Leader, Mrs. Bush, Dies In Auburn

Park City Daily News, Feb 20, 1978

Mrs. Benjamin J. Bush, 88, of Auburn died at the Auburn Nursing Center Thursday, Feb. 16, at 7:30 a.m. She had been a resident of the nursing center since 1974.

Mrs. Bush was the former Mary Elizabeth Coke, a daughter of the late James Guthrie and Carrie McCutchen Coke. She was educated at the Auburn Seminary, Ward-Belmont College, Nashville, and Western Kentucky Teachers College.

She became active in welfare and church work for several years before going to the mountains of Southeastern Kentucky for 14 years of missionary service under the Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A. She was an ordained elder of the Presbyterian Church at Auburn and a member of that church at the time of her death.

She was married in 1921 to the Rev. Harvey S. Murdoch, founder and director of the Presbyterian mission and school at Buckhorn, until his death in 1935.

She served for six years as a member of the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. until her marriage in 1942 to the Rev. Dr. Benjamin J. Bush, minister of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Detroit, Mich., before Dr. Bush was sent to Geneva, Switzerland, to represent the Presbyterian Church in the World Council of Churches in 1945.

Mrs. Bush spent four years in the Ecumenical Service of

Geneva, Switzerland, at the invitation of the Moderator of the Czech Brethern Church of Czechoslovakia. She visited the four larger cities in Czechoslovakia, speaking in behalf of the organization of Czech Church Women, which was organized at the conclusion of her visit and is now an influence of significance in that country. The "sacrificial meal" offering of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. which for several years raised large sums for war relief was the brainchild of Mrs. Bush. This was later merged into the international One Great Hour of Sharing.

She organized the first Red Cross chapter in Logan County during World War I and she gave the funds to make possible the McCutchen-Coke Park in Auburn.

Funeral services for Mrs. Bush were conducted by the Rev. Boyd Jordan Saturday, Feb. 18, at 2 p.m. at the Auburn Presbyterian Church with burial in the family cemetery at McCutchen Meadows.

Survivors include a niece, Dr. Esther Coke of Verona, N.J.; two nephews, Dr. James G. Coke of Kent, Ohio, and William G. Coke of Nashville; two stepsons, the Rev. Dr. J. L. Bush of California and Dr. Robert P. Bush of St. Paul, Minn.

Young Funeral Home of Auburn was in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family asked that expressions of sympathy take the form of donations to Kosair Crippled Children's Hospital, Louisville, or Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, N.C.

7416 Panola St.
New Orleans, La. 70118
January 2, 1978

Jennie L. McCutcheon
716 C Avenue
Lawton, Oklahoma

Dear Jennie:

I received my first copy of the McCutcheon Trace paper just before Christmas, and have enjoyed reading through it. Since the McCutchan name is scarce, it is pleasant to see it in print over and over again!

I have a particular interest concerning the family, which boils down to a sort of wondering curiosity. Since I am a musician, I would like to know how many others are or have been musicians, either amateur or professional. I am of course aware of Robert McCutchan's accomplishments, and have heard a few tales attesting to the LACK of talent among some of my aunts and uncles (several have said that "a McCutchan can't carry a tune in a basket"). I would appreciate it if anyone who knows of musical McCutchans, past or present, would let me know of them. I would be glad to write some sort of article, especially if I receive interesting anecdotes. If you will be kind enough to print a small plea for what I need in the next issue, I may be able to gather some good material.

Many thanks for your help!

Sincerely
Ann Marden McCutchan

Editor's Note:

If anyone can help Ann on the musical McCutchans, please send information to her.

Letter From Your Editor

This is the month that we set aside one special day to pay tribute to the memory of those whom we loved and are now gone. A day set aside to pay tribute to the memory of our honored war dead.

This edition of our paper is our Memorial issue dedicated to their memory. Whenever we pause and reflect on the beauty of their lives, the heritage which they gave to us, their valor and courage in the preservation of this heritage, the accomplishments in building our Nation and the freedom which we now enjoy, their untiring efforts in erecting churches for each to worship in our own individual beliefs, their labor in erecting schools for the education of their children and each generation always repeating the same words, "I want my children to have a better life than my own."

I also want to pay a special tribute to the memory of Hildegard Smith who by her untiring efforts and labor of love brought our McCutchen Trace Association into being so that hundreds of us throughout the U.S. are now forming family ties which had not previously existed.

On the memorial date, let us pause and thank God for each of their lives, memories and the legacy which each of us have been privileged to share.

I thank each of you who have contributed so generously of your time and talent in assisting your editor in getting our paper to you. I always look forward to receiving news material.

Your Editor
Jennie L. McCutcheon

A Letter From Old Ireland

The following letter of 1824 was addressed to Charles McCutchan-Johnstone (later known as Charles McJohnston), who was the first settler at McCutchanville, Indiana, in 1819. It was written to him by his sister-in-law, Amelia Fox McCutchan-Johnstone, from the Foxbrook estate in County Meath, and dated March 29, 1824.

My very dear and much beloved brother—

I embrace the opportunity of one of our workmen going out to America to write to you. I received your letter a few days ago. It was a welcome letter indeed. It brought us the pleasing news of you and your family being in good health and that poor, still dear, tho unfortunate, Robert is alive. 'Twas reported in this country he was dead. 'Tis almost a year and half since his last letter to me. I wrote several to both you and to him and sent them to Dublin to a person I thought would have got them sent either to England or America, but I believe they were never sent. I have lived the last year at Foxbrook with my family. I have been greatly tossed by the lease of Goshen dropping. There was so much rent due at the time. I moved my furniture. Thot I might try to get a valuation for the timber for which (except the young ones) there was no registry. His Lordship has agreed to allow me a valuation for them when I am leaving. This which I have taken at 30 per acre (as tenant at will, for he gives no lease to anyone), and I am to pay the arrears at 20 pounds half yearly until all is paid. Not knowing what to do or where to get a place cheaper. Indeed I tried, and as bad as Goshen is I could get no place that would answer me so well—for living so far from Corboy was a ruinous thing. Many a time this year I have sighed and wished I was living near you. To describe all my mind and body has suffered since I saw you would be to much for me. I feel a hope that when my boys have their professions that we will go and settle in your country. My son Matthew is in his second year in the college, and Robert is studying surgery. I have no doubt but he will be one of the most leading men in his profession. They are both very sensible well minded gentlemanly stout fellows and well looking. Matthew is six feet four inches—Robert beyond six feet, very clever and reckoned very handsome—but he is better than handsome—he is most proper in his conduct as they all are thank God. Andrew is still the same industrious laborious fellow and has little for it. He is a good brother and obedient son. He would gladly go to America if he could, but I could not grant him leave until his brothers are ready. Their professions will support them as gentlemen anywhere. I am told America is a good place for their professions.

My girls are almost quite grown up and improved. I doubt not they could keep a boarding school in some of the cities of America, for to do country work they would not like. I should like the country. I am fond of industry, and I think they would do anything to serve themselves. I am sorry to find you have not the advantages of religious society, which from your letter I would suppose. Could you not have the Methodist preachers to visit you? I could not be anywhere I could not have the people of God to visit me and associate with. I think if I was near you I would strive in the name of God to have the neighborhood flaming with the glory of God. Oh my dear brother, betake yourself to prayer. Resist

in the name of your redeemer all temptation. 'Tis only He can keep you from sin. You cannot keep yourself. Cry mightly to him and he will save you from the tempter, and become a preacher in your family—both by example and precept. By and by you will be called on to give an account of your stewardship. May you by divine grace be enabled to be a faithful one—Giving God all the glory. I wish you had a religious wife—one about your own age that would be satisfied to give up all her time and interest herself for the spiritual as well as the temporal advantages of you and your children. Such an one is not easy found. I have been looking all round me every where I could think of and say I know no one I could recommend and that would be satisfied to go to America. One has just struck my mind this moment. 'Tis likely you may not approve of her. You know her I believe. She is not handsome and rather old—but she is an industrious person rather gentlewoman like and that might be an advantage to your daughters. She has been among the Methodists. I don't know whether she is now. She is Jack Bickerstaff's sister and always lives with him—but has a daughter of a very amiable character only I fear you would not get her to go to America, and she might bring a young family that would clash with the interests of the other children. Therefore it is my duty on that hand to be silent—but if you could come over we would try to get you one to your mind for it is not good for man to be alone. My very dear Charles I have your interest much at heart and should be glad to see you happily settled both for time and eternity—the woman I mention is both agreeable and notable. I think she must be beyond 40. You must have seen Ally Bickerstaff. I only mention her as she struck my mind since I began to write and never before. If you would not like the idea laugh at it. Write soon and tell me candidly. Your children as they are of a large breed must be by this time pretty well grown. I fear the want of female society must be a great loss to them—both male and female should be refined, but when females are not it is a sad thing. Give my love to them. Let them have useful improving books to read if you can. Give my love also to Mrs. Hilliard. You did not mention in your last how she is doing. Tell her from me to prepare for eternity. I hope you have family worship with your family night and morn.

My brother Wm. has a prospect of getting out of his difficulties. He has six sons and two daughters and will soon have the addition of another child. Matilda has six children. She and Creighton are beginning to do better. I have not seen her since her trip to America. Wm. Goslin is now agent to Lord Froman, he was Colonel Barrey, and as Creighton lives on the estate he has been friendly to him and got him—
—(a portion of the letter here is missing).

Amelia McCutchan-Johnstone
March 1824

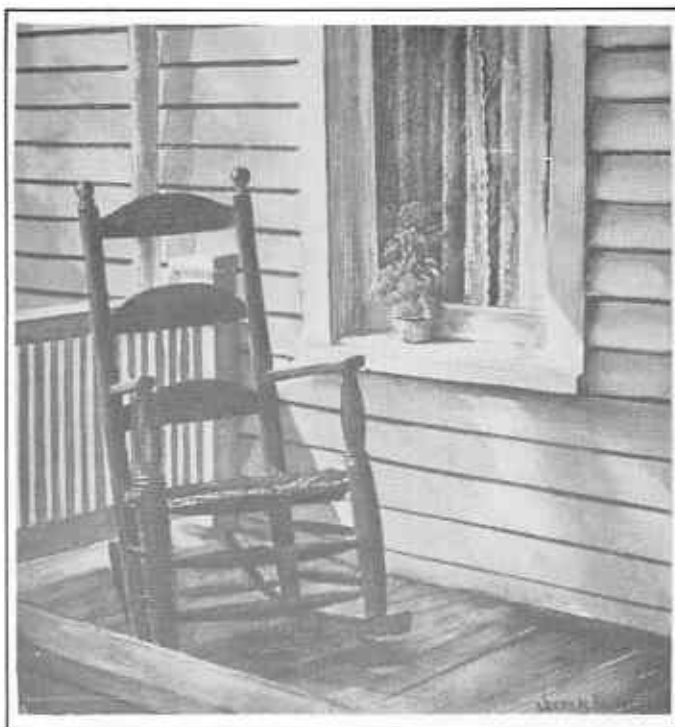
(P.S.)—I will write soon again if I get an opportunity. The Douglasses are preparing to go. There are numbers going from this neighborhood this year. All that can go are determined to go. Billy Kennedy would gladly go and take out his family, but is not quite able. He hopes he may at a future period. Tom Gardner intends going in June. So will Wm. Gardner if he can accomplish it. If I were to set out I

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An Old Rocking Chair

Samuel was the eldest of a whole posse of McCutchan brothers who came from Sullivan County, New York, to settle at McCutchanville, Indiana in the early 1800's. Sam bought several hundred acres of land from the United States Government and was primarily a farmer. But he had other talents. He was the settlement's first postmaster, and served for many years as Justice of The Peace, performing marriages and meeting out justice and punishment to minor offenders as his conscience dictated. Also among his skills was that of wood working. He made wagons, and whenever there was a call for them, coffins for his deceased neighbors. He also made some of the furniture for his own log cabin. One fine example of his art is a slat back rocking chair fashioned from cherry wood cut off his farm. This chair, made in the 1830's, has survived to the present day, and although in years past it went through a period of being relegated to the barn loft, it now holds an honored place in the den of Kenneth McCutchan, our association's president. Sam was Kenneth's great-grandfather.

The chair, as pictured here, is the subject of a watercolor painting by the nationally known artist, Jerry N. Baum. In this painting titled "A Place In The Sun", the chair is sitting on Kenneth's side porch on the farm that is a part of Samuel's original land grant. This Baum painting has also been issued as a limited edition print.



Lee R. McCutchen Studies In Scotland

Lee R. McCutchen of New Orleans was not able to attend our reunion last summer because he was at that very time in the midst of an interesting trip up the coast of Norway. Before returning to the states he stopped off in Scotland and attended three weeks of classes at St. Andrews University.

In a recent letter he writes:

"Regret to advise that on my three trips to Scotland I have not done any research on our ancestors. I have long ago decided that research is something that should be left to professionals. If I had a good line on just when my great-great-grandfather Samuel McCutchen sailed from Scotland and from what port I'd have one of the genealogical services check this out. It can be done for only about 50 pounds, but the only thing I have to give them is that Samuel and brother William arrived in what is now Maryland sometime during the 1740's. If there is any firm information that anyone in the McC. Assoc. can give me with which to start I'd gladly get it going.

"There are some 22 McCutchens listed in the Edinburgh 'phone directory and several columns of them listed in the Glasgow directory. Where do you start in a long list like that?

"Last year's trip was really great, and I'm going back again this summer, the good Lord willing. The trip up the coast of Norway, with sea, snow fjords, and such was most awesome, and it gave me some idea of the tough Vikings who sailed from there and took over everything in their path in Britain and elsewhere.

"My class at the University of St. Andrews was on early Scot-tish History and archaeology, and we made several trips (even on Sunday) to remote and unusual places that very few tourists would ever find unless they'd done a lot of research."

All the best to everyone.

Lee R. McCutchen
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A Letter From Old Ireland

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think there would be a great many would wish to come with me. Write to know is Robt. indeed alive or why he does not write to his family—and let me know. My family are still at Foxbrook until May. Only Andrew is here with me. He desires his love to you and yours. Your brother James is doing very well in Longford. He says you lost your—()—by going to America. So you will see how people differ in their opinion. The fellow who carries this is a hard working well behaved fellow. His name is James Taylor. I desire him to put this in the post at New York.

NOTE: Charles McCutchan-Johnstone had married Maria Fox of Foxbrook, a sister to Amelia, the writer of the above letter, but Maria died shortly before Charles set out for America, so at the time he received this letter at McCutchanville he was a widower. "Still dear though unfortunate" Robert (who was not known to be dead or alive) was Amelia's husband, a brother to Charles. Robert McCutchan-Johnstone came to America but disappeared and it is believed that he died in Philadelphia. Amelia and her son, Robert, eventually came to America and settled in Cleveland, Ohio, where Robert set up a medical practice using the name, Dr. Robert Johnstone. The Mrs. Hilliard mentioned was Charles's sister, the former Elizabeth McCutchan, who had come from Granard in County Longford, Ireland, in 1819 and settled north of McCutchanville.

McCutchanville Church In Needlepoint

The McCutchanville United Methodist Church, where the 1977 Reunion Memorial Service was held, is the subject of an internationally acclaimed needlepoint picture.

When Caroline Lukens O'Connor was a child the Lukens family lived just down the lane behind the church. Caroline enjoyed the Sunday School activities and the opportunity to play in the church yard. It was a very happy time in her life. She returned after graduation from college to be married in the church.

Several years ago Caroline asked her mother, Mrs. Norman (Margaret) Lukens to do a needlepoint picture of the church for her. Margaret Lukens is an award winning needlepoint artist, a member of the American Guild of Needlepointers and the International Guild.

In 1974 the International Guild held its annual competition in Monaco. Margaret entered a picture of Salisbury Cathedral, three pictures of horses, and her picture of the McCutchanville Church. Princess Grace was the judge and admired all of Mrs. Lukens' work. With a kiss on both cheeks the Princess awarded Margaret "Best of Show" for one of her horse pictures, but the people of McCutchanville are very proud of the fact that their church was exhibited and admired in Monaco.

The following year, 1975, the church picture was entered in the American Needlepoint Guild competition in San Francisco, and this time it received the blue ribbon.

Another McCutchanville subject Mrs. Lukens has used for needlepoint is the residence of Grace McCutchan. This house, built in 1852 by John Whitehead and his wife Sarah McCutchan, served Margaret well, for when she entered this picture in the 1977 American Guild competition in Boston it received 80 out of the possible 80 points used the judging and received the "Award of Excellence".

We wish that Mrs. Lukens could find a McCutchan in her ancestry so that we could claim her in our family, but is well known and well loved by the people of McCutchanville, and she has given us some wonderful ideas for making family heirlooms.



Gaston Coke

Park City Daily News—1/8/78

The death of Gaston Coke of McCutchen Meadows near Auburn on Dec. 30 marked the death of the descendant of this land-grant farm. The grants had been made to the McCutchen family after the Revolutionary War when Kentucky was opened for settlement. The grants were made to Elizabeth McCutchen and to William McCutchen in the 1700's and the early 1800's by Gov. Garrard and by Gov. Isaac Shelby.

These printed grants are framed and hang on the wall of the living room on the right of the large and beautiful brick home built in the early 1800's, and so for nearly 200 years the land has been in possession of the same family.

The late Mr. Coke was the son of the Honorable J. Guthrie Coke and Mrs. Carrie McCutchen Coke. The family have been leading citizens of Logan County in political, social, educational and church activities. He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church in Auburn, a member of the Rotary Club, a member of the College Heights Foundation of Western Kentucky University, a member of the XV Literary Club of Bowling Green and active in the Democratic Party of Logan County.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Esther Underwood Coke; three children, Dr. James Guthrie Coke II, a professor at Kent State University, Dr. Esther Coke of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. in New Jersey, and William Gaston Coke, a wholesale grocer in Nashville. Mr. Coke's sister, Mrs. Mary Coke Bush, resides in the Auburn Nursing Home.

He will be greatly missed in this area.

Margie Helm
1133 Chestnut St.

Treasurer's Report

Old balance transferred from previous	
Treasurer, Betty Bliss, of California	\$ 366.91
Balance transferred from the Special	
1977 Reunion Account	114.36
Received from dues and the sale of back	
issues of the Magazine	992.14
Received from bank interest	13.37
Total Deposits	\$1486.787

Expenditures

Printing November 1977 Magazine	
and Postage	420.44
Balance on hand April 1, 1978	\$1066.34
Submitted by Bill McCutchan, Treasurer.	

Historic Family Homestead

The house owned and occupied today by Miss Grace McCutchan is one of the oldest homes in McCutchanville, Indiana; and it is considered a landmark in the community.

On March 31, 1847, John Whitehead married Sarah McCutchan, daughter of Samuel and Nancy McCutchan, thus uniting two of the area's pioneer families. Soon after their first child, John E., was born, Mr. Whitehead purchased one hundred and more acres of farm land and began construction of the house. It is a two-story frame Federal style house, which was completed in 1852. At first there were only four rooms, two below and two upstairs, with a stair hall and porches on the front and the south side. These rooms have stood unaltered, except for necessary repair, to the present time. As the family grew the house was enlarged to meet the demand for additional space. A total of twelve children were born to them and the house was finally expanded to nine rooms. It has always been a house with open doors and a warm welcome to all who came to call.

In reminiscing about the old house Mrs. Whitehead once related an incident that happened during the Civil War. Occasionally rebel raiders would cross the Ohio River on scavenger missions. One time, seeing a group of strange men approaching, she bolted the doors and ran with the children to hide in an upstairs bedroom. Then, peeping from behind the curtains, she watched as the raiders stole the horses from the barn.

In 1877 Mr. Whitehead was elected to the Indiana state legislature. On his various trips to the state capital, as well as on subsequent trips to Washington, D.C., he purchased some of the more valuable pieces of furniture and the sitting room rugs.

As the years passed the children grew up and moved away. After Mr. Whitehead died, Grandma Whitehead (as she came to be called by everyone) continued to live on in the quaint old house. Her companions in later years were her maiden sister, Miss Jane McCutchan, and her bachelor son, Albert, who tended the farm. One of her main interests was her garden. At one time it held what was perhaps the largest collection of rare plants and shrubs in the area. Many of her friends, knowing of her interest in flowers, sent her gift plants and seeds when they visited distant places. There was once a fig tree there that produced edible figs. This, of course, took careful nursing through the cold Indiana winters. The start of the pink honeysuckle which may still be seen there today came originally from the home of General Andrew Jackson. There was a Kentucky coffee tree that Mrs. Whitehead planted in 1869 to celebrate the 21st birthday of her eldest son. When a neighbor boy joined the Union Army and went away to fight in the Civil War she planted a walnut tree in his honor. He never returned, but the walnut thrived and grew into a huge tree that survived until only a few years ago.

Grandma Whitehead continued to occupy her old house until 1926. By this time she was 97 years old, and her advanced age made it necessary to give up housekeeping and move to the home of a daughter, Mrs. John Sterne, in Evansville. There she lived the rest of her years until she passed away after reaching her 101st birthday.

It was in 1926 that the house was purchased by the Henry McCutchan family, second cousins of Mrs. Whitehead.

Many of the furnishings stayed with the house, and today one may still see the priceless heirlooms that have survived for more than a century. The McCutchan family has maintained the house in its original state, except for adding the modern conveniences of electricity, running water and central heating. Not only did they maintain the physical state of the house, but also the charm of gracious living, the warm welcome for all comers, the long table in the old dining room heaped with excellent food, and the lovely garden that for many years supplied the church altar with fresh flowers on Sunday mornings. Now, that family has dispersed or passed on, and Miss Grace remains.

Annie Fellows Johnston, in her book "The Land of The Little Colonel" tells of a Halloween party she attended in that house when she was a little girl. She wrote:

"One Halloween I was invited to merry-making at a neighbor's. I was one of the youngest guests, and I am sure that if my mother had known the kind of frolic it was to be I would not have been allowed to go. No boys were invited, we were told.

"It was a warm witchy sort of night, lit by a pallid moon with clouds scurrying across it. We bobbed for apples, roasted chestnuts and tried the usual fortune-telling stunts.

"Then our hostess proposed that we have a stolen supper. First we set the table, pulled out to its full length in the dining room. Each girl set two plates, one for herself and one for whomsoever fate might send. Then we were paired off and given our instructions. Each couple was dispatched to a different neighbor's with orders to walk in without knocking, without a word go directly to the pantry, choose something to eat and carry it off, all in dead silence. Not a word must be said or the spell would be broken.

"My partner and I were sent to the cabin of a little old Irish woman who always wore a white cap with a great frill around it. It seems that she was the one who had suggested the prank to our hostess and she was evidently expecting us. There was nothing in larder but eggs and potatoes, but she smiled and courtesied and motioned us toward them with generous gestures.

"We each took an egg and started back. The cabin was in the midst of a corn field, and we went along a narrow path that led through it. It was a lonely sort of place. The ragged blades fluttered in the wind, and the moon was overcast now and then. Suddenly we saw a man coming toward us, staggering slightly.

"He's a drunkard," whispered Ella. Now I had never seen an intoxicated man and Ella's epithet seemed terrifying. We started to run, leaving the path and threading our way through the corn as best we could. For two little girls to be out at night alone in a cornfield was bad enough, but to be chased by a creature called a drunkard was terrible. Even if he isn't chasing you, it is quite as bad if you think he is.

"It was with a feeling of intense relief that we reached a hole in the fence and scrambled through to the familiar road with the lights of the house twinkling near by.

"In a few minutes silent couples found their way back to the dining room, one bearing a pie, one a cake, another some rolls, whatever they were able to find. Solemnly they

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Searching The Past

By WILLIAM M. McCUTCHAN

Genealogy, or the tracing of one's ancestors, is currently experiencing an increase in popularity. With 20% of the nation's population moving every year, Americans find themselves to a certain extent becoming rootless. I think that this lack of permanence in lifestyle has led many people to reaffirm their ties with the past when life was much simpler and less complicated. This desire has manifested itself through increased interest in antiques, nostalgia, and family history. In this brief article, I would like to try to remove the major stumbling blocks encountered by many who would like to learn more about their heritage. Basically, the problem is one of where to begin and how to go about gathering the information.

To quote a popular phrase, "Begin At The Beginning". By this, I mean start your search at home. Visit cemeteries, gather any information to be found in the family Bible, papers, or diaries. Also, talk to the older relatives. This is a source of information that can be lost forever at death and should be recorded for posterity while it can still be had for the asking. In this manner, a basic framework of names, relationships, and dates can be built from which to launch your search into public records.

Locally, records of death and birth can be obtained at 'The Department of Health'. Records in Evansville, Ind. do not pre-date 1882 but this varies from city to city. Often older records of these dates can be found at your family church. There is a nominal fee (Usually \$1.00) for copies of these certificates. Marriage records are kept in the office of 'County Clerk'. These records were recorded about 25-30 years before birth and death records. They give an exact date of marriage and list who performed the ceremony. This information is sometimes recorded in the church records. The recorder's office is the place to go if one wants to find a plot of ground once owned by an ancestor. These records are usually recorded in large leather-bound books with the records for several years contained in each volume. Some books contain an index to names while others do not. Of course, the degree of accuracy in record keeping varies from county to county and state to state. Usually an entry will give a date of sale or purchase, a price, and the location of the land. A surveyor's map will be needed to actually locate the ground. A description of a plot of ground owned by my great great grandfather in Vanderburgh County, Ind., read as follows: "South half of the northwest quarter of section number twenty-five in Township number four south of range number town west". It is often interesting to locate the land of long dead ancestors and learn its present day use.

In searching local records, many people tend to overlook the 'Probate Court'. This is the repository of records of wills and estates. Often the most valuable genealogical data of all can be found here. A will can give a personal insight into the lifestyle of an ancestor that no other document can provide. They can be so specific as to list titles of books, household articles, livestock, cooking utensils, land, money, etc. owned by the deceased. Sometimes an ancestor will have died intestate, meaning he had no will. In this case, there will be a record of the naming of an executor and the distribution of the estate. Most of these older records are beautifully written in longhand and reproduce quite nicely by copying machine.

A trip to the library is in order to properly complete your search of local records. City directories often date back 100 years and list an individual's full name, address, and occupation. Thus you can follow an ancestor from year to year. You may be surprised at how often they changed residences. Also, micro-films of old newspapers are invaluable. Many times an obituary will provide a short biography of the deceased and list important dates not to be found elsewhere.

I have saved mentioning the records stored on micro-film at 'The National Archives' until last due to their specialized nature. The staff at the archives will copy these records for a fee (usually 10-15¢ a page) and mail them to your home. They have micro-films of most federal census lists starting in 1790 and then every ten years until 1890. These lists are categorized by state, then county, and finally township. They usually indicate head of household, number in family, occupation, and ages, and number of slaves. The newer census lists have much more information. If an ancestor was a veteran, information can be gleaned from his military record and pension file. Pension files can be quite voluminous, more than fifty pages in length. Often a completely unexpected bit of information will crop up in a file. My great grandfather's Civil War pension record describes how he was struck by lightning while on picket duty outside of Columbus, Tenn. and because of the injury later filed for a disability pension. Sales of government land to early settlers are recorded at 'The National Archives' as well as copies of ships' passengers lists from certain major eastern ports during the 1800's. It is wise to first obtain a pamphlet, 'Genealogical Records in the The National Archives' before starting your search. It lists available records and tells how to obtain them. It can be ordered as follows: The National Archives, General Services Administration, Washington, D.C. 20408.

I hope I have given you enough of a guideline to at least start your search. You will learn much along the way and you will also pursue many dead ends, but I believe that tracing the history of one's family is a worthwhile pursuit. A knowledge and appreciation of the past often helps us to more realistically face the future.

George McCutchan

Services for George McCutchan, 70, of 601 Washington Ave., Columbia, Missouri, were at 11 a.m., April 24, 1978, at Memorial Funeral Home. Mr. McCutchan died Saturday, April 22, 1978, at the Truman Veterans Hospital after an extended illness.

Mr. McCutchan was born in Indiana May, 8, 1907, to John and Edith Pulliam McCutchan. He married the former Ressie Imogene Hall on Aug. 19, 1945.

Mr. McCutchan was an employee of the University until ill health forced him to retire. He served in the Air Force during World War II.

He is survived by his wife; four brothers, Floyd McCutchan, Angola, Ind., James McCutchan, Crawfordsville, Ind., and John Junior McCutchan and David McCutchan, both of Indianapolis; and two sisters, Mrs. Bruce Dixon, Indianapolis, and Bessie McCutchan, Franklin, Ind.

The Rev. Roger Barnard of Calvary Baptist Church conducted the service. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Historic Family Homestead

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placed it in front of their plates, then sat down with their backs to the table, waiting for fate to send someone to fill the vacant chair beside each one.

"The lights were turned down very low and we sat in silence a long time. Then the door was pushed softly open and a procession of ghosts filed into the room. They were wrapped in sheets and wore masks. We smaller girls were frightened. They circled round and round the table without a word, taking the vacant chairs. They were the boys who had not been invited, but had heard of our party and planned this affair of their own. The fun grew boisterous after that. At first I was agast at what fate had sent me, but consoled myself by remembering that Ella and I had broken the spell by talking when we saw the drunken man. Another thing made it seem improbable that the boy who sat down beside me was my fortune: we had not waited until midnight to try the spell. But for some time I was vaguely uneasy about it."—from "The Land Of The Little Colonel" by Annie Fellows Johnston, published by L.C. Page & Co.

Annie was about twelve years old when this party took place in the mid-1870's. Her friend, Ella, was Ella McCutchan, daughter of Samuel B. and Isabella Brown McCutchan. The little old Irish lady was probably Mrs. Mary Carn. And so there has been a lot of living in this old house in McCutchanville.



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The President's Letter

Dear Cousins:

Almost a year has passed since our last reunion. Time flies. Most of our nation suffered some of the worst weather in memory last winter, so I hope you have all survived in good health and spirits. This has been a good year for the McCutchen Trace Association. We have received many new members, including several from Canada, which makes us truly an international organization. We heartily welcome all of you into the family fellowship. At this time only 16 states are not represented on our membership rolls. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could boast of at least one member from every state in the union? This will be possible only if we all spread the word that our organization exists. Some may not yet have heard of it.

One of our greatest assets is the McCutchen Magazine. Again I want to commend Jennie in Lawton, Oklahoma, for the fine work she has done, and continuing to do, in assembling this fine organ twice a year. The next issue will come out in the fall. I hope each of you will be a news reporter and send items to Jennie from your area, or your particular branch of the family. It will be most helpful in preparing the next issue, and sincerely appreciated.

Blanche Koll, our secretary in California, has been busy collecting genealogical data sheets and corresponding with various members across the continent. It is she who may be thanked for getting a number of our new members enrolled this past year.

Bill, in Evansville, Indiana, is doing a fine job as treasurer. Our organization is financially sound. A full treasurer's report appears elsewhere in this issue.

There is a matter of membership dues. At our last

reunion it was voted to set our dues at \$5.00 per year in order to cover the ever rising costs of printing and postage. Some people paid \$10.00 to cover their dues until the next reunion in 1979. Others paid only five dollars. Bill has tried to keep these various accounts straight. Come mid-summer we will institute a system of mailing out invoices for renewal dues. I think we will all appreciate this reminder, because in the age of pressures it is easy to forget. This is a system used widely by museums, foundations, etc., and I believe it is only proper that our organization adopt it at this time.

Sometime before this summer is over I plan to go to Paris Landing, Tennessee, to meet with Bill, our vice-president, and lay the groundwork for our up-coming reunion in 1979. I hope you are all beginning to make tentative plans to attend. If any of you have any suggestion for the program there I will be most happy to hear from you. What kinds of activities would you like planned? What can we do to make our next gathering more meaningful and enjoyable? Do let us hear from you through a personal letter to your president, or an open letter to the magazine.

Ours is unique—one of only a few families in the nation that can boast of such a large and well organized family association. Let's all work together to make it even better.

During the past year we have lost some of our dear relatives by death and we cherish their memories. Meanwhile new generations of McCutcheons are being born, and the family increases and marches forward.

At this time I want to send my personal greetings and best wishes to each and every one of you. May God richly bless us all.

Sincerely,
Kenneth P. McCutchan
President
McCutchen Trace Assoc.

Jennie L. McCutcheon
716 C Avenue
Lawton, Oklahoma 73501

Dear Jennie,

Thank you very much for the great job that you and all of the active members of the association are doing. I think that you are doing a great service to the family in promoting the association and tightening up the ties that bind us together. They tend to become very loose in this time that we live in.

I was very proud to be the first paid up member of the association or so Hildegard Smith told me. I have neglected to keep in touch after Hildegard passed away. That was a very great shock to me. She had written to me many times and was able to tie my family in with hers way back to John McCutcheon. The one that died on the tree. She was descended from his son, William, I believe and I am descended from his son, Robert. I really owe a lot to Hildegard for this information. I also owe a lot to Vada McCutcheon of Mt. Lookout, West Virginia for some more information that confirms what Hildegard told me. I have not actually done a lot of research myself.

I intend to send my dues to our treasurer soon. I want to take time to fill out the information sheet first.

William T. McCutcheon Jr.
207 South Murray Hill Road
Columbus, Ohio 43228

Hildegard Smith

Born to John Taylor Smith and Mrs. Elizabeth McCutchen Smith on December 23, 1892 at North Little Rock, Arkansas was a baby girl, Hildegard Webb Smith. As she grew up she enjoyed her mother telling of the McCutchen History. Although Hildegard loved music and was a brilliant performer having been educated at Columbia University and the American Conservatory in Chicago she made music her career and received many honors in the field of music.

However, during this time she made many trips to the old homesteads and visited the McCutchen families. She thoroughly enjoyed trips to Scotland, Ireland, England and Russia always researching family history.

In 1973 she worked toward a national gathering of the Clan and this effort culminated in the McCutchen Family reunion at Franklin, Tenn. There the McCutchen Trace Association was formed. Those attending the gathering of the Clan in Franklin are printed in this issue of the paper. Hildegard did not long survive after the formation of the Association, but her work still lives on. She had written two volumes of McCutchen history, those books are in most libraries of the United States and in the archives in Washington D.C. Also copies may be secured by writing to her sisters at 7008 Briarwood Drive, Little Rock, Ark. 72205.

At the age of 81 Hildegard departed this life at Little Rock, Ark. May 29, 1974 and was interred at Roselawn Memorial Park in Little Rock.

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Letter From Your Editor

This will be the last edition of the newsletter before our gathering in Evansville for our McCutchen family reunion. At that time, new officers and editor will assume their duties in carrying on our organization.

As you will notice all previous issues of our newsletter have been dedicated to the memory of Hildegard Smith, who, if she were here today, I am sure would rejoice at the growth, interest, and close kinship which we all feel for and toward each other. It was she, who by her untiring efforts, with the aid of a few McCutchen family members, literally formed the McCutchen Trace Association in Franklin, Tennessee, in 1973. The acorn seed of family togetherness which she planted there is now beginning to grow into a strong Family Tree with many branches extending into all parts of the United States. Let us never forget this dear cousin, and may we forever perpetuate her memory. Whatever place you may occupy in the family, whether it be a large branch, limb, a stem or maybe even just a leaf, you are part of the trunk of the family tree nourished and brought to life by Hildegard Smith and fed by the roots of our McCutchen ancestry.

To those of you who have enjoyed the newsletter, would you please express your appreciation to the McCutchens for the very fine articles which they have contributed. Much research and time-consuming hours have gone into the writing of their articles and I'm sure they are due a great big compliment for their efforts. They made my work easy for I was merely their channel to the printer.

I want to thank the membership for giving me the privilege of being your editor. It has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. Your cards, letters and contributions were greatly appreciated. Whomever you may select as your next editor, I promise my most loyal support and cooperation.

The Officers which you elected to serve for the past two years is worthy of your praise, I have never worked with a more cooperative group of people and I say to them, "You have done your work well." To Milton, Henrilee, Kenneth, and Betty, "Thank You". I am looking forward with great anticipation to seeing all of our McCutchen cousins at the reunion on Saturday, June 25, 1977, in McCutchanville, (Evansville), Indiana.

Your Editor,

Jennie L. McCutchen

MEMORIAL SERVICE June 26th

A Sunday morning worship service at the McCutchanville United Methodist Church is being planned for the reunion. A special feature will be a brief Memorial Service in memory of those members of our family who have passed away since the last reunion. Everyone is urged to help us gather the information we need for this service. If you have a relative who has died within the last two years please send the **name, age, date and place of death, and place of burial** to Grace McCutchan, 8401 Petersburg Road, Evansville, Indiana 47711.

The McCutchanville Church was established in 1840 by a Circuit Rider named Thomas G. Beharrell. Regular meetings were held in the old log school house until a small frame church building was erected in 1847-48 with money left for that purpose in the will of Charles McCutchan-Johnstone. Land upon which the church was erected was given by Samuel and Nancy McCutchan (deed recorded February 11, 1847). A bible from that first church will be seen on the altar of the present sanctuary. It is inscribed "Presented by Nancy McCutchan to be dedicated with this house, March 2, 1848".

The present McCutchanville Church is a charming little red brick building of country gothic style, surrounded by the village graveyard. It stands on exactly the same site as the first frame building — and like the first church, was built by the hands of the men of the community. The timbers were cut from the surrounding forests and the bricks were burned on the site. This building is now 97 years old, having been dedicated November 28, 1880.

On Sunday morning, June 26th, the pastor, Rev. Jerry Stitt, will conduct his regular morning worship service from 10:15 to 11:15 A.M. At 11:30 A.M. a second service will be held for the McCutchen Trace Association. Following this service guests will take a pleasant short walk of about a block down a country road to a new modern church education building where luncheon will be served.

Dr. Robert Guy McCutchan, Hymnologist

At the Reunion Memorial Service at McCutchanville Methodist Church June 26th, a hymn written by Robert Guy McCutchan will be sung.

Robert Guy McCutchan was born at Mt. Ayr, Iowa, September 13, 1877. He was a descendant of "Elder Billy" of the Samuel and Elizabeth Fulton McCutchan line. He received his first degree in music in 1904 from Simpson College in Iowa. He then went to Europe and studied in both Paris and Berlin. In 1927 he received a Doctorate in Music from Simpson College, and in 1935 a Doctor of Sacred Music from Southern Methodist University in Texas.

His first teaching job was at Baker University in Kansas, where in 1906 he organized its Conservatory of Music, and served as its Director until 1910. Then followed another year of study abroad.

In 1911 he accepted the position of Dean of Music at DePauw University at Greencastle, Indiana, and remained there until his retirement in September, 1937.

He became widely known as a choir and chorus director, and lectured extensively throughout the United States at colleges and universities and at religious assemblies and conferences.

In collaboration with others he wrote the book "Better Music In Our Churches" which was published in 1925. "Music In Worship" followed in 1927. He was editor of the 1935 edition of THE METHODIST HYMNAL. In 1937 he wrote and published "Our Hymnody", a book which gives the background and history of every hymn in The Methodist Hymnal.

During this career he wrote numerous musical compositions for choirs and choruses, and two of his hymns are included in the current edition of the Methodist Hymnal — No. 10, "Let All The World In Every Corner Sing" and No. 111, "Come Let Us Who In Christ Believe".

Following his retirement from DePauw University in 1937, Dr. McCutchan moved to Claremont, California. In 1955 his book "Hymn Tune Names, Their Source And Significance" was published. On May 15, 1958, at 80 years of age he died at his home in Claremont. Burial was at Forest Hills, California.

Message From The President

To The McCutchen Trace Association:

The ground work has been laid by two previous Reunion Meetings.

One at Franklin Tennessee in 1973 in which seventy-two signed the Register Sheet that I received after I was elected President. In this reunion thirteen states were represented.

In 1975, the Reunion was at Staunton, Virginia, where 121 signed the Guest Register Book with sixteen states represented.

Thirty-four paid dues at Staunton, Virginia. Thirty-one have sent dues since the Reunion from thirteen states, which makes a total of Sixty-Five paid members from sixteen states.

From our mailing list 230 invitations were sent out from Lawton, Oklahoma, with twenty-six states represented. So you can see we are growing. I feel it has only just begun for more and more people are becoming interested in their, "Roots" and preserving their records and heritage.

It will take our faithful cooperation and contributions as well as dedicated members and officers to make our Association prosper.

Since the Reunion in 1975 there have been two Bulletins sent out, and the third is about ready to go to press at this writing. We have received a lot of compliments on the two issues that have gone out, and here I want to say a big thank you to Jennie McCutcheon of Lawton, Oklahoma, for her great effort in this endeavor.

We have made mistakes, which we are sorry for. We shall keep striving to make each endeavor better, for we all learn from our mistakes.

Through correspondence we have been in touch with several new members and some that are interested in the Association, who are looking forward to meeting us in McCutchanville, near Evansville, Indiana, 25-26 June, 1977.

We should all be thinking seriously about our next Officers which will be elected at the Reunion at McCutchanville.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of the Officers who have worked with me this past two years. For their splendid cooperation and support. Also for each of you as individuals who have cooperated so well in returning data sheets, sending news items or whatever way in which you have helped. For without each of you there would be no Association.

We regret that Dallis Smith was unable to serve her term as Secretary-Treasurer, due to ill health. However we are thankful she is able to be up and about and sincerely hope she will be able to be with us at McCutchanville.

I would like to thank Betty Bliss for continuing to serve the past two years as Secretary-Treasurer for the Association.

May we continue to grow and be of service to each of the Communities in which we live. Hope to see all of you in McCutchanville, Indiana, in June.

Sincerely,

Milton McCutcheon, President
McCutchen Trace Association
2941 Charlemagne Ave.
Long Beach, California 90815

QUERY

I would like to have information on Joseph McCutchen, married 1785 to Jane Searight. This information is taken from "Marriages of Some Virginia Families", Page 212, Vol. 1, Series 1, Rockridge Co. Page 506 by Morton.

Signed: Jennie McCutcheon
716 C. Avenue
Lawton, Oklahoma 73501

2 December, 1976

Query for next issue of McCutchen Newsletter:

Need dates of birth, marriage and death of Capt. Samuel McCutcheon who married Rebecca Butler. Justice of Peace in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, in 1811. Lived at Ormonde Plantation, Destrehan, Louisiana, from 1820 to death in 1840. Reportedly born Philadelphia and a captain in the merchant marine.

Frances K. Leahy
6629 West 87th St.
Los Angeles, CA 90045

One of our new members: Mrs. Vincent (June) Bartlen
1964 S. 97 Street
West Allis, Wis. 53227

would like some information. I thought perhaps if there is room in this issue of the paper you might run a query for her as I have no information on this family in Oklahoma.

Alexander McCutcheon b ca 1821 Pa. m ca 1844 d after 1859 wife Letitia Thompson d/o Robert & Nancy (Gravatt) Thompson b ca 1821 Pa. d Aug. 30, 1901 place unknown. ch: Mary E. b ca 1845 Pa. d Oct. 13, 1876 place unknown. m Seabolt and had ch.

Lora Smith b ca 1872 lived at 32 in Mlps, Minn. 6/7/04; Viola b ca 1876 lvd St. Jo MO. 5/21/04 age 28.

Wm Mc b ca 1848 Pa. was living in El Reno Okla. (Canadian Co.) 5/10/04.

Nancy J. Mc. b ca 1852 Pa lvd age 52 at Petersburg, Ind. (Pike Co.) 5/3/04

Ella Mc. b ca 1859 lvd age 45 in Davenport, Okla. (Lincoln Co.) m Garland Hugo.

Love,

Henrilee
Henrilee

1977 Reunion At McCutchanville, Indiana

McCutchanville, Indiana, will be the site of the 1977 biennial **McCUTCHEN TRACE ASSOCIATION** reunion on June 25th and 26th. This little community was founded in 1819 by a Scotch-Irishman named Charles McCutchan-Johnstone of County Longford, Ireland, who arrived a widower with eight young children. His family's name was eventually shortened to McJohnston. Also arriving in 1819 were Mr. McCutchan-Johnstone's widowed half-sister, Elizabeth McCutchan Hillyard, and her three grown Hillyard sons. The Hillyards established themselves about three miles to the north in an area known today as Blue Grass. Between 1828 and 1835 the family of another half-brother, William McCutchan, began to arrive in Southern Indiana. William had eight sons and one daughter, Sarah, who married a man named Samuel McCutcheon. They all settled here. William and his family had arrived in America in 1806 and established themselves first in Sullivan County, New York. Upon their arrival in Southern Indiana the community of McCutchanville began to evolve.

Together, the three families (McJohnston, Hillyard, and McCutchan) purchased a total of around 3,500 acres of mostly contiguous land from the United States Government. The McJohnstons and Hillyards established the McCutchanville and Blue Grass Methodist Churches respectively. William McCutchan's son, Alexander, opened the first log-cabin school in 1833. Other sons, Samuel and George, became Justices of The Peace. Samuel established the McCutchanville Post Office which operated

from 1850 to 1906.

McCutchanville has never had any industrial or commercial significance. Until World War II it remained a quiet rural farm community of mostly related families whose life centered around the church and the school. After World War II many affluent citizens of Evansville were attracted by the picturesque wooded hills of the McCutchanville area and came out and purchased land to build expensive estates. Today the area is one of the most exclusive residential suburbs of Evansville. The Methodist church is still thriving, but the school has been closed by consolidation. The old school building is now occupied by the studios of Public Television Channel 9. What was once the village grocery store is now an exclusive dress shop. The community maintains an efficient Volunteer Fire Department and a Recreational Park. Also located here is Oak Meadow, a prestigious Country Club which boasts one of the finest golf courses in mid-America.

Through the years the community has produced numerous people who have distinguished themselves in various fields. Perhaps one of the most universally known was Annie Fellows Johnston, the author of the famous **LITTLE COLONEL** books for children.

Today McCutchanville is more a way of life than a town. It is quiet and picturesque, and those numerous descendants who still live here today are waiting eagerly to welcome their many kinsmen from all over the United States.

Other Things To Do

Persons who would like to stay longer in the Evansville area than the two days of the family reunion will find many interesting things to see and do.

THE MESKER ZOO is among the best in the country with natural outdoor settings for displaying many of the animals.

THE EVANSVILLE MUSEUM has a fine collection interestingly displayed. In June they will be featuring a display of sculpture from the 15th century to the present.

WESSELMAN NATURE CENTER offers one of the few virgin forests within a city limits. There are displays and conducted nature hikes through the forest.

THE OLD VANDERBURGH COUNTY COURT HOUSE is one of the finest examples of 19th Century Baroque architecture in the midwest. It is being restored by the Conrad Baker Foundation and is listed on the National Register of Historic Buildings. Here you will find many interesting art, craft, and gift shops and galleries, the little theater, and beautifully restored public meeting rooms.

ANGEL MOUNDS is a State-owned archaeological site of 435 acres that was occupied by Indians of the Mississippi Culture between 1300 A.D. and 1500 A.D. There is an **INTERPRETATION CENTER** at the site and walks will take you to several large earth mounds, the largest of which is 44 feet high, covering four acres.

NEW HARMONY, 25 miles west of Evansville on U.S. Highway 460 is the town of New Harmony, Indiana, on the Wabash River. New Harmony is the site of two experiments in communal living. The first were the Rappites (1814-1824), a religious sect from Wurttenburg, Germany. The second was a cultural experiment led by

Robert Owen (1824-1826). Today the town is undergoing extensive restoration. There you will find the nationally famous Roofless Church designed by Philip Johnson, with sculpture by Jacques Lipchitz. The quaint Red Geranium Restaurant is one of the area's finest. There are also shops and art galleries, and an Inn for overnight guests. New Harmony is a fascinating town and worth a whole day.

AUDUBON MUSEUM directly across the Ohio River from Evansville in Henderson, Kentucky. In this town John James Audubon, the painter and naturalist, at one time owned and operated a saw mill. Today one finds here the Kentucky State Audubon Park with a fine museum containing many of Audubon's drawings and paintings, along with other memorabilia.

LINCOLN LAND, 35 miles northeast of Evansville is Lincoln City, where Abraham Lincoln lived from age 7 to 21. This is now a National Shrine with restored cabins, a Memorial Building, and the grave of Lincoln's mother, Nancy Hanks, who died in 1818 of the milk sickness.

These are but a few of the interesting places to visit in the area. The Reunion Committee will be glad to assist you in making plans for any of these side trips. If enough people express interest in going at a given time chartered bus tours can be arranged for a nominal fee.

Also during the week of June 26 to July 4, Evansville will be in the midst of its **Freedom Festival**. All sorts of events are scheduled including boat races, concerts, and of course the grand fireworks over the river on the night of July 4th. We hope you will come and spend several days with us.

Reunion Program Announced

Saturday
June 25th, 1977

- 9:00 A.M. - Registration at Hospitality Room, Ramada Inn.
- 1:00 P.M. - Genealogical Seminar. Hopefully this will be helpful to those who need assistance in tracing their family line.
- 2:00 P.M. - Conducted bus tours to the McCutchanville and Blue Grass Cemeteries. More than 160 McCutchan graves are found in these two cemeteries, some dating back into the 1830's. This tour is open to all, but will be especially interesting to the descendants of William and Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan.
- 6:00 P.M. - Picnic at Arrowhead Farm. Out-of-town guests will be transported by bus. This is the beautiful estate of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Clutter. Mr. Clutter is vice-president of Eli Lilly Co. His mother is the former Emily McCutchan.
- 9:30 P.M. - Night Owl Program at the Ramada Inn. After returning from the picnic, those who are still wide awake and ready for more are invited to the hospitality room to a showing of colored slides of Ireland. Many of the former McCutchan properties will be shown, including the ruins of some of the old houses in which they lived. Also you will see the little Episcopal Church at Streete in County Westmeath where we find the beautiful stained glass window with the boar's head crest - a memorial to the McCutchan family installed in the 1870's. This program will be conducted by Lt. Clay McCutchan of Ft. Walton Beach, Florida.

Sunday
June 26th, 1977

- 9:30 A.M. - Buses will leave the Ramada Inn for the home of Mr. & Mrs. H.O. McCutchan and family where we will have our second cup of coffee around their pool.
- 11:30 A.M. - McCutchanville United Methodist Church. This will be a specially arranged service with a brief memorial for those members of the family who have died since the last reunion.
- 1:00 P.M. - Bus tour of the McCutchanville area, pointing out historic sites. Also a turn through the grounds of Oak Meadow Country Club.
- 3:30 P.M. - Open house at the home of the Association's Vice-President, Kenneth McCutchan. The bus tour will stop at this farm which has been owned without interruption by the direct descendants of Samuel McCutchan, who purchased it from the U.S. government in November, 1835. In the house you will see a number of pieces of antique family furniture and land grants signed by President Martin Van Buren. Refreshments on the lawn.
- 7:30 P.M. - Final dinner party at the Ramada Inn. Guest speaker. Election of officers for the next two years and other matters of business.

The committee in charge of planning the above program consists of Kenneth McCutchan, chairman; Grace McCutchan, Mrs. H.O. McCutchan, Raymond Clutter, William McCutchan, Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Kinney, Mr. & Mrs. Arad McCutchan, Mrs. Larry Aiken, Ellen McCutchan, Mrs. Walter Foster, and Ross McCutchan. This committee is composed of representatives from five branches of the William & Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan tree.

Ramada Inn To Be Headquarters For Reunion

Evansville's new Ramada Inn Spa has been selected as the headquarters for the 1977 **McCUTCHEN TRACE ASSOCIATION REUNION** to be held June 25 and 26. This hostelry is quite advantageously located on U.S. Highway 41 north of the city, about equal distance from McCutchanville and downtown Evansville — approximately three miles each way. It is also only one mile from the airport and the motel cars furnish free transportation for guests to and from the terminal.

The Reunion will open officially at 9:00 A.M., Saturday morning, June 25th, in a specially reserved hospitality room at the motel. This room will serve as our official gathering place throughout the week-end.

On Sunday evening our final banquet will be held at the Ramada Inn in the beautiful surroundings of their Tropical Pavillion, a poolside solarium. Persons who plan to attend the reunion are urged to make their room reservations as early as possible. Rates are: Queen size

bed - \$18.50 for one person - \$23.50 for two persons. Two double beds in the room - \$18.50 for one person - \$25.50 for two persons. \$4.00 is charged for each additional person. Cribs are available at no extra charge. Poolside rooms on the first floor are available at an additional charge of \$2.00, and on the second floor for \$1.00 extra. Call collect for arrangements (812) 424-6400.

Persons seeking strictly economy accommodations may find them at the Regal 8 Inn. This is within walking distance of the Ramada Inn, and the rates at the Regal 8 are: One bed - One person \$11.42 - two persons \$14.57. Two beds - two to four people \$17.72. For reservations at the Regal 8 Inn call (812) 424-6431, or write them at 4201 Highway 41 North, Evansville, Indiana 47711.

We urge you to make your room reservations as early as possible. There are conventions and other activities in Evansville at this time and space may be difficult to find, or even not available, at the last minute.

My McCutchan Cousins Of Northeast Missouri

This sketch is presented in order to up-date Hildegard's account of the McCutchan branch to which I belong; and in particular, the ones I remember from childhood. They lived near Canton and Monticello in Lewis County, Missouri, where my father and grandfather were born. During my pre-teen years we lived 30 miles south of Canton and 12 miles west of Hannibal and it was a great event when we visited our Travis and McCutchan relatives in the summertime.

First, we should flash back to Samuel and Agnes (Dunlap) McCutchan (p. 250, "McCutchan Trace"). They were my great, great, grandparents. Samuel was a grandson of Robert and Margaret (Callison) McCutchan and, as many of you know, Robert was descended from "Tree" John. This shows where I fit in. We have always used the "an" spelling.

Samuel and Agnes had six children. Their second child, Elizabeth Hodge McCutchan married my great grandfather, Adam Travis and lived in Augusta County, Virginia, until 1836 when they migrated to Missouri. Their youngest, William Montgomery McCutchan married Margaret Culton Walker, and it is their three children whose families I present here.

Their first child, Mary Agnes, married J. Luther Morrison and had eight children. The oldest was William McCutchan Morrison, D.D., well known missionary to the Belgian Congo. Their second child, John Samuel, married Mattie Davidge Smith and had only two children. Daughter Mary Margaret married Lewis C. ("Kite") Buford and their descendants are numerous. Son John Rice McCutchan married Mary Fredrica Wilkinson and they had only one child, Margaret **Elizabeth**, who never married, and now lives in Canton. (the name by which they were usually called is in bold type.)

The third child of William Montgomery McCutchan was William Thomas McCutchan who married Mary Young Trimble, better known as "Manie". They lived on a big farm near my grandparents, and it is their four children whom I remember best.

Their first child was James **Trimble** McCutchan, who was a Presbyterian minister for many years in Warm Springs, Virginia. He married Mary E. Wilson and had only one child, John **Wilson**, who was the only grandchild of William and "Manie". I had the pleasure of visiting them one week-end in 1927, when I was teaching in the high school at Marlinton, West Virginia. It was just over a mountain or two away and I was riding a new motorcycle. Wilson was six years younger than I.

At that time I did not realize that I was living and travelling about in some of the hallowed territory of my ancestors. Lately I have discovered that two of my favorite students, Elizabeth and Mary Warwich Dunlap, were actually distant cousins; and I think there may have been others, whose names are the same as some of my Virginia ancestors — Callison, Gay, Lockridge, etc.

Now back to the other three children of William and "Manie". Mada Isabel went to China as a missionary with

Trimble and his wife, Mary, in 1908. Because of ill health, Mary could not stay in China. Hence she and Trimble had to come home in 1909 and the younger brother, **Hugh** Walker McCutchan went out to take the place of Trimble.

Hugh and Mada remained in China until 1941, when the communists took over. They were not man and wife as stated in McCutchan Trace, but continued to work together in the Home Mission field of Appalachia until retirement in 1960. It was Hugh who kept the family records in order. He corresponded frequently with Hildegard and with the Rev. James A.M. Hanna, author of the House of Dunlap, which includes our line from Samuel and Agnes (Dunlap) McCutchan right down to me.

The younger sister, Mary **Culton** is the one we knew best. She never married, but spent her young life on the farm caring for her parents and later worked as housekeeper and companion for many elderly people. She visited our family many times. Two years ago my wife, Eloise, and I stopped in Canton to see several cousins. Culton and her cousin, Elizabeth (above) were living together, and at age 84 she prepared a delicious dinner for us. Within a year, she died suddenly.

Thus you see that the McCutchan name has run out in these three main families. Wilson, the only male McCutchan of his generation, had two daughters. Marjorie Ann married Edward Dale Clark and has at least three children, now living in Richmond, Virginia. Mary Caroline was on the faculty at Swarthmore College several years, but her latest address was Northfield, Minnesota, and I am waiting for an answer from her now.

When I recently requested her address from Elizabeth in Canton, I was surprised to learn that Mary Caroline's grandmother (widow of Trimble McCutchan) is now living in Davidson, North Carolina, and I hastened to write to her. She answered promptly. She remembers my parents well but has forgotten my motorcycle visit to their home in Warm Springs, Virginia, 50 years ago. She could be "getting old", but her handwriting is very neat and steady.

By: B.W. Travis, M.D.
122 N. Jackson Street
Bluffton, Ohio 45817

Dear Cousins;

Just to let you know our Lee McCutchen passed away on October 1, 1976.

She contributed quite a lot to the "Trace" and I, especially, will miss her very much.

Thought you would like to know.

Sincerely,

Sara McCutchen Wadley

City of Evansville Honors ARAD McCUTCHAN

By a special proclamation, Mayor Russel G. Lloyd designated last January 8th as **ARAD McCUTCHAN DAY** in Evansville, Indiana, to honor the man who has coached the University of Evansville basketball team to more than 500 victories. McCutchan is one of only four college coaches in the nation to achieve this goal. Arad McCutchan, who is himself an alumnus of the school and was a star player during his undergraduate years, began his career as head coach at the university when he was discharged from the Navy in 1946. Since then he has piled up an enviable list of awards and honors. He has been named Coach Of The Year 12 times by the Indiana Collegiate Conference. He was named NCAA College Division Coach Of The Year twice in 1964 and again in 1965. He coached one of the United States teams in Olympic competition in 1960 and 1968. He was selected to help coach the United States entry in the 1971 Pan American Games. He was assistant coach for the World Games in 1974. He received the National Association of Basketball Coaches "Award of the Year" in 1976. Teams coached by McCutchan have won national championships in the NCAA College Division five times - 1959, 1960, 1964, 1965 and 1971. He was elected to the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame in 1973. During his career as coach, ten of his players have been named to All-American teams.

Following the University of Evansville's 67-61 victory over Valparaiso University on the night of January 8, 1977, thousand of loyal fans attended a giant reception for McCutchan, at which he was presented with more than \$15,000 worth of gifts, including a new 1977 Chevrolet, and electric golf cart, a set of golf clubs, a life membership in the Oak Meadow Country Club, a color television set, 500 silver dollars, and numerous smaller gifts. He also received letters of congratulation from President Gerald Ford and Governor Otis Bowen of Indiana.

At the close of the reception, McCutchan, flanked by his wife, Virginia, his son, Allen, and his daughters, Marilyn and Jeanne, announced his retirement at the end of this academic year. He will celebrate his 65th birthday on July 4th. His parents were J. Allen and Margaret Ruston McCutchan. He is a great-great grandson of William and Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan who, with their family, settled McCutchanville, Indiana, in the early 1830's.

TO ALL McCUTCHEONS:

As just about the last known "an" McCutchan left on my side of the Atlantic, I am delighted to send all McCutcheons of whatever spelling greetings from those remaining in Scotland, Ireland and England. From all the few of us, to all the many of you our cousins, very best heartfelt wishes for the success of the clan gathering, and my regrets that I can't be there with you.

Whether or not there is a clan wacry, I don't know; but if there is, then I am sure it will be carrying across the seas to you from Donegal and Longford, Perth, Dumfries, and the Mull of Galloway, Fort William and Loch Fyne, Loch Tay and the Breadalbane Country, Dublin, Galway and Connemara, or wherever else in the old country your particular branch of the family came from. God bless you all.

Philip D. McCutchan
Worthing, Sussex
England

H. O. McCutchan Reappointed To Indiana State Highway Commission

Harold Ogden McCutchan has been reappointed to the Indiana State Highway Commission by Governor Otis Bowen. McCutchan, who served on the commission for nine years under three governors, had planned to retire from the post on April 15th, but was asked by Governor Bowen to retain his seat for four more years because his experience is needed to solve some of the problems currently facing the highway department.

McCutchan is quoted as saying, "I did not want to serve any longer. I'm 74 and I thought it was time for a change, but if the governor wants me to serve, I'll stay on as long as my health is good."

One of the important tasks facing the State Highway Commission in the coming year is the fate of a proposed Inter-State Highway 164 in southern Indiana.

McCutchan, a retired Chairman of the Board of the Mead Johnson Pharmaceutical Company in Evansville, lives in McCutchanville, the community founded by his ancestors. He has three daughters and a son, William M. McCutchan.

Persons attending the reunion from out-of-town will be guests at his home on Sunday morning for coffee before church.

AND THE YEARS ROLL BY By Floyd McCutcheon

Sitting in front of a fireplace at night
Watching the flickering fire light
The flame so bright, so red, so sheer
Makes you remember another year
A year when everything was happy and gay
Such a long time ago another day
A day when you lived each moment for itself
Ah! now that was the time
Back when you were in your prime
Back when you didn't think of money
Only about some good-looking honey
You didn't have a care at all
Life was just a great big ball
Ah! but those were really the years
No pitfalls, heartache, or tears
When back in your youth you had fun
Constantly and forever on the run
Hardly ever experiencing sorrow
Never thinking about tomorrow
But then the realization comes back to you
Those old wonderful days are through
You wonder why you let those days pass by
And then you hear an old man sigh
And that's when you realize
Why those old days have passed you by
That old man is You.

DESCENDANTS

John Tinney and George Barr McCutcheon

John McCutchen was born in Scotland in 1767 and emigrated to America in 1768. Reportedly he settled in Virginia, but there is no information regarding his parents. John McCutchen married Susanna Caldwell probably in the early 1790's and probably either in Virginia or in Kentucky. She was born in 1770 or 1791, calculating from her age at death as given on her gravestone. John and Susanna McCutchen were the parents of several children.

Susannah, was born on October 2, 1794, in Kentucky. Married Henry May in Chillicothe on May 26, 1814.

James, was born in 1795 or 1796, probably in Kentucky.

Joseph, was born on February 2, 1798, in Harrison County, Kentucky. Married (1) Sarah Watt of Ross County, Ohio, in 1823, and (2) Letitia Britton of Chillicothe, Ohio, in 1826.

John Tinney, was born "near Lexington, Kentucky", in 1802. Married Kezia Ritchey about 1823.

Mrs. Hannah Kinnear, born in 1808 or 1809, died on Sept. 10, 1828 and wife of Samuel Kinnear may have been the daughter of John and Susanna McCutchen.

Eliza Ross Rockwell, (the youngest child of John and Susanna McCutchen) was born June 5, 1812, probably in Chillicothe, Ohio, and died on April 11, 1832.

John McCutchen, is listed as a taxpayer in Harrison County, Kentucky, in 1880, but was not listed in the First Census of Kentucky in 1790. He moved with his family to Ross County, Ohio, between 1802 and 1809, (about 1808). In Pickaway and Ross Counties, Ohio there are Land Deeds for John and Susanna McCutchen and some of their sons. In 1822, John McCutchen died somewhere along the Mississippi River on a return trip from New Orleans. Susanna McCutchen, John's widow, operated a tavern in Kinston, where stage coaches frequently stopped. She was hostess to many notables, including President James Monroe, who stopped to have dinner at the tavern in 1817. Joseph McCutchen is also recorded as a hotel keeper in Chillicothe. James McCutchen opened the second store in Kingston in 1818. He died soon after, on January 6, 1820. Apparently Susanna McCutchen operated her tavern in Kinston through the 1820's. In 1831, the barn of her tavern was destroyed by fire and several stage horses were burned to death. She died on November 19, 1843, and was buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, near Kingston.

REF. Court House Records

The May Family Book

Hon. Joseph McCutchen, born Harrison Co., Kent., February 2, 1798, son of John and Susanna McCutchen, came to what is now Wyandot County in 1827, settling first in Tymochtee, but afterwards moving to what, through his enterprise, became the village of McCutchenville. He laid out the town of McCutchenville, which still bears his name, twelve miles north of Upper Sundusky, erected and managed there the first hotel of importance in that part of Ohio. He was one of the most prominent and worthy pioneers of Wyandot. He pursued his occupation of hotel-keeping with the same zeal that distinguished all his career. His desire for public improvements was so great that he frequently sacrificed his own means in the endeavor to do public good. He was a model landlord in every respect, but the one that brings pecuniary success. When catering to the wants of the public as a landlord, the matter of profit and loss was never taken into consideration. If he had hurt one guest, that guest must feast like a king for

John And Suzanna

the price then asked for a dinner. He was generous to a fault, assisting others at the risk of his own personal welfare.

Col. McCutchen, was a principal mover in securing the new County of Wyandot, and after the organization removed to Upper Sundusky in 1845 and engaged in mercantile business. He had the same dash and vigor that marked his course in former years at McCutchenville. Although he did an immense business, but for a man so full of sympathy and consideration for others, he was not calculated to make a successful merchant. Col. McCutchen was a Representative in the Legislature and also a State Senator. About 1853 he was elected County Auditor. During his term as Auditor he planted the shade trees on the Court House Square.

During the Civil War, he enlisted in the cause of the Union, and served as Captain of a company. His ambition was to lead, never follow.

He was a liberal supporter of the Presbyterian Church, the church of his fathers, although not a member of any religious body. His decease occurred March 13, 1869, at the age of seventy-two years.

REF: History of Wyandot Co. Ohio

John Tenny McCutchen, born 1802 Harrison County Kentucky, son of John and Susanna McCutchen, married Kezia Ritchey about 1827, probably in Ross County, Ohio. In the U.S. Census of 1830, John McCutchen is recorded in Pickaway Township, Pickaway County, Ohio, and had two children under five years of age, a son and a daughter.

John Tenney and Kezia McCutchen were the parents of several children as follows:

John Barr McCutchen, the first born on August 26, 1828, in Ross County, Ohio.

Eliza McCutchen, born about 1832 in Ohio.

Martha McCutchen, born about 1835 in Ohio or Indiana.

Joseph McCutchen, born about 1837 in Indiana.

George McCutchen, born about 1840 in Indiana.

The McCutchen family moved from Ohio by team to Tippecanoe County, Indiana, one source says, 1833 and another says, 1836. Also one source lists a daughter, Margaret. John Tenny McCutchen died 1872.

John Barr McCutchen, born August 26, 1828, in Ross County, Ohio, son of John Tenny and Kezia McCutchen, married in 1865, Clarissa (Clara) Glick, born 1841 in Lancaster, Ohio, daughter of Benjamin Glick who came west from Pennsylvania and founded Lancaster, Ohio.

John Barr and Clarissa McCutchen were the parents of four children as follows:

George Barr McCutcheon, born July 26, 1866, near South Route, Tippecanoe County, Indiana.

John Tenny McCutcheon, born May 6, 1870, near South Route, Tippecanoe County, Indiana.

Benjamin Frederick McCutcheon, born May 31, 1875, Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana.

Jessie McCutcheon, born 1879.

John Barr McCutcheon was a drover. He took his cattle through Pennsylvania over the mountains. He was a captain from the Civil War having entered in 1861 from Tippecanoe County, Indiana. He fought in the battles of Shiloh, Inka Springs, Perryville, and Stone River. He was invalided home from Murfreesboro, Tennessee, about 1864.

Caldwell McCutchan

Captain Barr McCutcheon, usually called Cap'n Barr became Sheriff of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, and City Treasurer of Lafayette, Indiana. He died July 22, 1888, in Tippecanoe, Indiana, and his wife, Clara, died in 1916. Buried, Mintonye burying ground, near Lafayette, Indiana.

George Barr McCutcheon, (July 26, 1866 - October 23, 1928) Novelist, and eldest of three sons of John Barr and Clara (Glick) McCutcheon, was born in Tippecanoe County, near Lafayette, Indiana. Married Marie Van Anwerp Fay September 26, 1904. George's childhood was spent at farm chores and study at a country school. He taught himself to draw and then taught his brother, John, who became a cartoonist. At the age of eight, he wrote his first tale of adventure, "Panther Jim", which was never finished.

When the McCutcheon family moved into Lafayette, the boys had a better school and continued their writing and drawing in secret, often by candlelight in the cellar. They were also athletes and played football and lacrosse.

In 1882-83 George was a student at Purdue University at Lafayette, where his chums were his brothers, John and George Ade. He reported Purdue news for the Lafayette Journal and before long left College and took a regular reporter's post on the paper at six dollars a week. In 1893 he went to the Lafayette Daily Courier as City Editor and remained until 1901. George Barr McCutcheon's first published short story was "The Ante-Mortem Condition of George Ramor", which appeared in the National Magazine, October, 1896. His letters in dialect, "Waddlegon Mail", had previously had newspaper publication. In spare moments at the editorial office, he wrote a romance, "Plato's Gods", which at first sold poorly, but later under the new title, "Nedra" 1905, became a season's success.

"Graustark" (1901) written in the same way brought him his first fame. His next romances were "Castle Craneycrow" (1902), "Brewsters' Millions" (1902), and "The Sherrods" (1903). His other romances, many of them Graustark tales, include: "The Day of the Day" (1904), "Beverly of Graustark" (1904), "Jane Cable" (1906), "The Daughter of Anderson Crow" (1907), "Mary Midthorne" (1911), a realistic Indian story and his own favorite work, "The Hollow of Her Hand" (1912), "A Fool and His Money" (1913), "The Prince of Graustark" (1914). "Sherry" (1919), "Anderson Crow, Detective" (1920), "Westwind Drifts" (1920), "East of the Setting Sun" (1924), "The Inn of the Hawk and Raven" (1927), and "The Merivale", (1929).

He wrote with zest and lived for the time in his own romances. Though his success was in the realm of romances, he much preferred realism. He wrote almost two books a year. He and his wife made their home in New York City. He died suddenly at a luncheon of the Dutch Treat Club at the Hotel Martinique, and his ashes were buried in Lafayette, Indiana.

REF.: Dictionary of American Biography, Who Was Who In America

John Tinney McCutcheon, Cartoonist; born May 6, 1870, near South Route, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, second son of John Barr and Clara (Click) McCutcheon. He married Miss Evelyn Shaw of Chicago, January 20, 1917.

He lived on a farm until the family moved to Lafayette, Indiana, in 1876.

1889 - B.S. Purdue

1926 - D.H.L.

1931 - L.L.D. Notre Dame University

1943 - D.H.L. Northwestern University

1889-1901 - With Chicago Record

1901-1903 - Chicago Record-Hereld

1903-1943 - Chicago Tribune

1896 - His first political cartoon work was in the campaign of 1896

1898 - Started on trip around the world on dispatch boat McCulloch.

1898 - Was on board the vessel (McCulloch) during war against Spain, and in battle of Manila Bay.

1899 - Made tour of special service in Indian Burma, Siam, and Cochinchina; also tour on special service to Northern China, Korea and Japan, returning to Philippines in November for fall campaign. Attended the military expeditions of occupation until the following April, when he was sent to the Trunsvaal; joined the Boers in interest of his paper.

1900 - Furnished political cartoons for Chicago Record during 1900 campaign.

1909-1910 - Five months trip to Caucasus, Persia, Turkistan; on trip to Africa hunting big game with Carl A. Keley, part of the time with Theodore Roosevelt.

1908, 1912, and 1913 - Cruises in West Indies visiting pirate strongholds.

1914 - Contributed articles and cartoons for Chicago Sunday Tribune at Vera Cruz and other parts of Mexico.

1914 - With Belgian and German Armies.

1915-1916 - In France, Salonika and The Balkans.

1918-1919 - Paris for Peace Conference.

1925 - Around the world, crossing Gobe Dessert in Mongolia.

1929 - Across Andes in Peru by air and down the Amazon by riverboat.

1935 - Around South America by plane and across the Atlantic on the Graf Zeppelin.

John T. McCutcheon won the Pulitzer Prize in 1932 for his cartoons. The Chicago Tribune has reprinted his "Injun Summer" (1907) Cartoon annually since 1912. Books of his cartoons include: "Bird Center Cartoons" (1904), "Entertaining Prince Henry Cartoons" (1904), and "An Heir At Large" (1922). He died June 10, 1949, Lake Forest, Illinois.

REF.: The World Book Encyclopedia, Who Was Who In America

Ben Frederick McCutcheon, Author, born May 31, 1875, Lafayette, Indiana. Third son of John Barr and Clara (Click) McCutcheon and brother of John Tinney and George Barr McCutcheon. Also brother of Mrs. Jessie McCutcheon Nelson of New York. He attended Purdue. Married, Anna Barnes, June 5, 1900. He was commercial editor Chicago Tribune, 1905. Author of "Sunrise Acres", (1905) and "The Seventh Person", (1906). His home was in Chicago, Illinois. He died August 27, 1934.

The children of John T. and Evelyn Shaw McCutcheon are as follows:

John T. McCutcheon, Jr. - Editorial page editor, Chicago Tribune.

Shaw McCutcheon - Cartoonist for Spokesman Review in Spokane, Washington.

Barr McCutcheon - Head of Math Department, Francis Parker School, Chicago, Illinois.

Information on John T., Shaw, and Barr McCutcheon was furnished by their mother, Evelyn Shaw McCutcheon of Lake Forest, Illinois.



McCutchanville
United Methodist Church
 ERECTED 1880

McCutchans Buried In McCutchanville Cemetery, Vanderburgh County, Ind.

CRISP, Ruth McCutchan B. Nov. 20, 1839 - D. ?
 Wife of John Crisp
 Daughter of John & Hester A. McCutchan

COOTS, Emma McCutchan B. Sept. 24, 1859 - D. Feb. 4, 1944
 Wife of Alexander Coots
 Daughter of Samuel V. & Ellen Horan McCutchan

EGOLF, Emily McCutchan B. Oct. 4, 1875 - D. Sept. 15, 1964
 Divorced
 Daughter of Chas. A. & Martha Pack McCutchan

FRNACE, Ella McCutchan 1867 - 1946
 Wife of Bailey France
 Daughter of James A. & Elizabeth McCutchan

FISHER, Agnes McCutchan B. Dec. 27, 1853 - D. Apr. 15, 1938
 Wife of Richard H. Fisher
 Daughter of William & Sarah Whitehead McCutchan

HITCH, Mary A. McCutchan Apr. 4, 1830 - Oct. 23, 1894
 Wife of Peter Hitch
 Daughter of Samuel B. & Sarah B. McCutchan

HARTIG, Margaret (Maggie) McCutchan 1865-1945
 Wife of August H. Hartig
 Daughter of William & Sarah Whitehead McCutchan

HORNBY, Emily Anna McCutchan 1851-1943
 Wife of Sydenham K. Hornby
 Daughter of William & Sarah Whitehead McCutchan

HENRY, Sarah E. McCutchan 1857-1937
 Wife of Robert R. Henry
 Daughter of Samuel & Isabella Brown McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Aaron 1861-1869
 Son of William & Sarah Whitehead McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Addison 1859-1922
 Son of Samuel & Isabella Brown McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Alonzo 1850-1939
 Son of William & Sarah Whitehead McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Altos 1858-1955
 Son of William & Sarah Whitehead McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Amelia Voight 1848-1882
 Wife of Marcus McCutchan
 Daughter of Gus & Julia Cotton Voight

McCUTCHAN, Anna Deisinger 1866-1955
 Wife of Altos McCutchan.
 Daughter of John & Barbara Deisinger

McCUTCHAN, Annie Jones Dec. 21, 1860-Sept. 13, 1927
 Wife of Alonzo McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Charles R. 1844-1922
 Vet. Civil War - Co. F, 4th Indiana Cavalry
 Son of Samuel & Nancy McCrabbie McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Clarence 1857-1933
 Son of Samuel V. & Ellen Horan McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, E. (no dates)

McCUTCHAN, Elizabeth Whittenbush May 28, 1847 -
 March 19, 1906
 Wife of James A. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Ella 1861-1932
 Daughter of Samuel & Isabella Brown McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Ella Jones 1858-1930
 Wife of Addison McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Ellan Horan 1837-1908
 Wife of Samuel Vickerstaff McCutchan
 Daughter of Hugh & Hannah Horan

McCUTCHAN, Elmer 1870-1942
 Son of Marcus & Amelia Voight McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Ethel Cooksey 1891-1915
 Wife of Clarence McCutchan
 Daughter of Samuel H. & Lilly Peck Cooksey

McCUTCHAN, Frances Died Sept. 2, 1864 - Age 1 Yr, 6 mos.
 Daughter of Samuel & Isabella Brown McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Fred 1872-1954
 Son of James A. & Elizabeth Whittenbush McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Harry 1875-1925
 Son of Samuel & Isabella Brown McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Hester Benjamin 1804-1881
 Wife of John McCutchan
 (Hester is believed to have been a descendant of John & Sarah Matthews Benjamin, both veterans of the Revolutionary War)

McCUTCHAN, Horatio 1879-1882
 Son of Marcus & Amelia Voight McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Hugh 1869-1958
 Son of Charles R. & Mary E. Horan McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Isabella Brown 1834-1905
 Wife of Samuel B. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, James A. June 13, 1837 - Aug. 24, 1911
 Vet. Civil War - Co. H. 65th Ind. Vols.
 Son of Samuel B. & Sarah B. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Joel 1850-1858
 Son of Samuel & Nancy McCrabbie McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, John Born County Longford, Ireland
 July 16, 1800
 Son of William & Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Lenora Peva Aug. 6, 1878 - Mar. 17, 1964
 Wife of Thomas W. McCutchan
 Daughter of Capt. George & Susan McDowell Peva

McCUTCHAN, Mabel 1888-1888
 Daughter of Alto & Anna McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Marcus C. 1845-1891
Vet of Civil War on both sides: 27th Tenn. Infantry (deserted and re-enlisted) with Co. H. 17th Ind. Infantry
Son of Alexander & Mary Atcheson McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Margaret 1890-1958
Daughter of Alto & Anna Deisinger McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Mary E. Horan 1845-1930
Wife of Charles R. McCutchan
Daughter of Hugh & Hannah Horan

McCUTCHAN, Nancy (Agnes) McCrabbie Born Leath, Scotland, May 29, 1805 Died Sept. 19, 1880
Wife of Samuel McCutchan
Daughter of Robert McCrabbie

McCUTCHAN, Nellie Hornby 1869-1953
Wife of Hugh McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Nila Hunt Died July 11, 1975, age 74
Wife of William C. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, O. (no dates)

McCUTCHAN, Phillip S. 1867-1934
Son of Samuel & Isabella Brown McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Raymond 1885-1959
Son of James A. & Elizabeth Whittenbush McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Retta Shelton 1877-1969
Wife of Fred McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Robert 1831-1832
Son of Samuel & Nancy McCrabbie McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Rose Ogden 1883-1961
Wife of Elmer McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Ruth 1883-1959
Daughter of James A. & Elizabeth Whittenbush McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Samuel Born County Longford, Ireland Oct. 16, 1797, Died Nov. 26, 1880
First Postmaster of McCutchanville
Son of William & Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Samuel Benjamin 1828-1881
Son of John & Hester Benjamin McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Samuel Vickerstaff 1835-1924
Son of Samuel & Nancy McCrabbie McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Sarah J. Died Aug. 14, 1864-age 8 yrs, 10 mo
Daughter of William & Sarah Whitehead McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Sarah Whitehead 1831-1910
Wife of William McCutchan
Daughter of John & Ann Charity Whitehead

McCUTCHAN, Thomas 1846-1927
Son of Samuel & Nancy McCrabbie McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Thomas W. 1877-1938
Son of Marcus & Amelia Voight McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, William Died Dec. 3, 1865 Age 39 yrs.
Son of Samuel & Nancy McCrabbie McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, William A. 1881-1954
Son of Marcus & Amelia Voight McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, William Joseph 1830-1885
Vet. Civil War - Co. A. 42nd Ind. Inf.
Son of John & Hester Benjamin McCutchan

McJOHNSTON, Mary Anne McCutchan Born Co. Westmeath, Ireland 1816, Died July 25, 1845
Wife of Kinlock McJohnston
Daughter of Robert & Elizabeth McCutchan of Ireland

MOFFETT, Clara McCutchan 1871-1944
Wife of James B. Moffett
Daughter of Samuel V. & Ellen Horan McCutchan

RICKETTS, Sadie McCutchan May 9, 1882 - Feb. 26, 1912
Daughter of Alonzo & Annie McCutchan

RUSTON, Mary F. (Mayme) McCutchan 1863-1943
Wife of Charles Allen Ruston
Daughter of Samuel V. & Ellen Horan McCutchan

SIMPSON, Ida McCutchan 1865-1921
Wife of Arthur H. Simpson
Daughter of Samuel V. & Ellen Horan McCutchan

SKEELS, Elsie McCutchan (no dates)
Wife of Thomas Skeels
Daughter of Samuel B. & Sarah B. McCutchan

STRANGE, Anna McCutchan 1870-1942

WHITEHEAD, Elizabeth McCutchan 1833-1917
Wife of Charles Whitehead
Daughter of Samuel & Nancy McCrabbie McCutchan

McCutchans Buried In The Blue Grass Cemetery, Vanderburgh County, Ind.

McCUTCHAN, A. Jason 1865-1865
Son of Arad & Edith Hillyard McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Albert 1866-1946
Son of Arthur & Sarah McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Alexander 1868-1869
Son of Arad & Jane Hillyard McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Allie Hixon Sept. 10, 1900-July 25, 1936
Wife of Marion R. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Amelia Jan., 1871 - Feb. 12, 1905
Daughter of Arthur & Sarah McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Amelia L. Yerkes Born Oct. 10, 1816 in Penn. Died Dec. 13, 1893
Wife of George Bond McCutchan
Daughter of J.P. & Huldah L. Yerkes

McCUTCHAN, Amelia S. March, 1838 - May 6, 1871
Daughter of Thos. & Sarah Trimble McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Andrew apparently twins, no information

McCUTCHAN, Jackson

McCUTCHAN, Anna Neumaster 1887-1938
Wife of Martin McCutchan
Daughter of Charles & Cora Rough Neumaster

McCUTCHAN, Arad 1834-1920
Son of George B. & Amelia Yerkes McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Arphaxed B. Dec. 25, 1835 - ca. 1859
Son of George B. & Amelia Yerkes McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Belle Wallis Aug. 24, 1874 - Aug 28, 1903
Wife of Norman McCutchan
Daughter of Henry & Sarah Wallis

McCUTCHAN, Bernice Aug. 2, 1899 - May 4, 1958
Daughter of John Allen & Margaret Ann McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Carlton (Carl) Died May 30, 1976, Age 75
Son of Norman Belle Wallis McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Charlie May 4, 1901 - May 27, 1901
Son of Morton & Minnie Hornby McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Claude B. Aug. 13, 1910 - Aug. 24, 1958
Son of Harper & Sarah Louise Randal McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Clyde Allen Dec. 23, 1923 - July 25, 1936
Son of Marion & Allie Hixon McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Cora G. 1875-1958
Wife of U. Grant McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, David A. 1934-1934
Son of Morton & Jessie Huebner McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Earl Jan 3, 1898 - Sept. 13, 1900
Son of Norman & E.B. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Edith Hillyard 1837-1866
1st wife of Arad McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Essie P. Hudson 1885-1961
Wife of Thomas H. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Estaleen 1904-1922
Daughter of Morton & Minnie Hornby McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Esther No dates (a child's stone)
Daughter of T. & S. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Fannie 1859-1862
Daughter of Reuben P. & Amanda C. Johnston McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, George Nov. 2, 1974 - Age 67
Son of Morton & Minnie Hornby McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, George Bond Born in Sullivan Co., N.Y.
Feb. 3, 1812, Died Jan. 2, 1884
Son of William & Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, George W. 1847-1914
Son of Thomas & Sarah Trimble McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Harper R. 1860-1932
Son of Robert & Catherine McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Harrison 1878-March 12, 1969
Son of Arad & Jane Hillyard McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Harvey 1867-1886
Son of Robert & Catherin McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Helen Bond Died Nov. 6, 1974, Age 57
Wife of George McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Henry A. 1859-1940
Son of Arad & Edith Hillyard McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, James Apr. 5, 1818 - July 29, 1885
Son of William & Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Jane Hillyard 1840-1927
2nd wife of Arad McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Jessie Huebner 1891-Feb. 22, 1973
3rd wife of Morton McCutchan
Daughter of David & Hannah Huebner

McCUTCHAN, John Allen Apr. 26, 1870-Nov. 16, 1949
Son of Arad & Jane Hillyard McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, John T. 1838-1926
Vet. Civil War - Co. F. 4th Ind. Cav.
Son of Thomas & Sarah Trimble McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Joseph W. July 9, 1842 - Oct. 8, 1851
Son of George B. & Amelia Yerkes McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Karl Stephen Died Feb 23, 1977 - Age 29
Son of Arthur McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Leo G. 1904-1919
Son of U. Grant & Cora G. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Lydia 1844-1855

McCUTCHAN, Mabel Hooker Aug. 14, 1874 - Oct. 22, 1896
1st wife of Morton McCutchan
Daughter of Dr. Henry Hooker & Mary Headen

McCUTCHAN, Margaret (Maggie) Hooker 1872-1962
Wife of Henry A. McCutchan
Daughter of Dr. Henry H. & Mary Headen Hooker

McCUTCHAN, Margaret Ann July 16, 1846 - Jan. 27, 1862
Daughter of George B. & Amelia Yerkes McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Margaret Ann Ruston Feb. 10, 1869 -
Nov. 26, 1954
Wife of John Allen McCutchan
Daughter of John & Ann Park Ruston

McCUTCHAN, Marion R. Died Dec. 21, 1971, Age 73
Son of John Allen & Margaret Ann Ruston McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Martha no dates, child's stone
Daughter of T. & S. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Martin 1879-1961
Son of John T. & Nancy Covey McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Mary Ann B. Dec. 14, 1822-D. Feb. 20, 1839

McCUTCHAN, Mary Ann Vickerstaff Born in County Meathe,
Ireland Sept. 16, 1777, died Sept 16, 1858
Wife of William McCutchan, Sr.

McCUTCHAN, Mary Edna 1891-1963
Daughter of Henry A. & Maggie Hooker McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Minnie Hornby 1873-1925
2nd wife of Morton McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Mary Jane (Mollie) Ruston 1879 - Oct 17, 1969
Wife of Harrison McCutchan
Daughter of James & Jane Park Ruston

McCUTCHAN, Morton 1874-1962
Son of Arad & Jane Hillyard McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Nancy M. Covey 1839-1923
Wife of John T. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Norman W. 1868-1935
Son of John T. & Nancy Covey McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Robert Feb., 1816 - March, 1863
Born in Sullivan County, N.Y.
Son of William & Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Ruble 1861-1862
Daughter of Reuben P. & Amanda Johnston McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Sallie 1873-1952
Daughter of John T. & Nancy Covey McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Samuel B. Nov. 25, 1786-Dec. 17, 1866
(name thought to have been originally McCutcheon)
Vet. War of 1812

McCUTCHAN, Sarah Taylor Died Dec. 18, 1890, Age 51
Wife of Arthur McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Sarah B. March 20, 1807-June 10, 1889
Born Sullivan Co., N.Y.
Wife of Samuel B. McCutchan
Daughter of William & Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Sarah Ellen 1861-1862
Daughter of George B. & Amelia Yerkes McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Sarah L. Randal 1871-1936
Wife of Harper McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Sarah Trimble June, 1808 - May 2, 1865
Wife of Thomas McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Thomas May 4, 1803-Apr. 1, 1886
Born County Longford, Ireland
Son of William & Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Thomas H. 1882-1967
Son of John T. & Nancy Covey McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Thomas J. Died July 6, 1851, Age 2
Son of T. & S. McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, U. Grant 1869-1946
Son of Arthur & Sarah Taylor McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Walter Owen June 5, 1926-July 25, 1936
Son of Marion & Allie Hixon McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Wilbur Born 1875 (no other dates)
Son of James A. & Elizabeth McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, Will T. Oct. 3, 1861-Aug. 6, 1896
Son of Arthur & Sarah Taylor McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, William Born County Westmeathe, Ireland,
August 1, 1775, died Oct. 22, 1836

McCUTCHAN, William Died Apr. 5, 1842, age 3 years
Son of William, Jr. & Deziere McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, William, Jr. Died Dec. 14, 1843, age 43
Born in County Longford, Ireland
Son of William & Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan

McCUTCHAN, William A. 1899-1964
Son of Henry A. & Maggie Hooker McCutchan

McCUTCHEON, Catharine (dates unreadable)
Wife of Robert McCutcheon

McCUTCHEON, Cordelia 1855-1856
Daughter of Robert & Catharine McCutcheon

McCUTCHEON, Robert May 8, 1826 - Nov. 20, 1884
Son of Samuel B. & Sarah B. McCutchan

McCUTCHEON, Rufus 1876-1876
Son of Robert & Catharine McCutcheon

COLTON, Mary Harlett (Hattie) McCutchan Died Oct 6, 1881
Age 37,
Wife of John Colton
Daughter of George B. & Amelia Yerkes McCutchan

ERK, Emma J. McCutcheon 1879-1962
Wife of Oscar Erk
Daughter of Robert & Catharine McCutcheon

ELLIOTT, Annie M. McCutchan 1838-1916
Wife of William Elliott
Daughter of Thomas & Sarah Trimble McCutchan

PARK, Catharine McCutchan Born Ireland, Feb. 25, 1821,
Died March 5, 1900
Wife of Matthew Park
Daughter of Robert & Elizabeth McCutchan of Castletown
Ireland

RIGGS, Edith McCutchan Apr. 19, 1872 - Jan. 24, 1951
Wife of Simeon Riggs
Daughter of Arad & Jane Hillyard McCutchan

WHEELER, Roxanna McCutchan Dec. 8, 1861-Mar. 10, 1949
Wife of John F. Wheeler
Daughter of Arad & Edith Hillyard McCutchan

HILLYARD, Charlotte McCutchan Dec. 2, 1850-Nov. 23, 1908
Wife of William Hillyard
Daughter of George B. & Amelia Yerkes McCutchan

HILLYARD, Elizabeth McCutchan Died 1846, born Ireland
ca 1760

BENTON, Anna McCutchan 1875-1965
Wife of William J. Benton
Daughter of Arthur & Sarah Taylor McCutchan

FITZGERALD, Della McCutcheon 1862-1943
Wife of Arch Fitzgerald
Daughter of Robert & Catharine McCutcheon

JACKSON, Susannah H. McCutchan Feb. 11, 1840-
May 18, 1906
Wife of Richard Jackson
Daughter of Sarah B. & Samuel B. McCutchan

Kenneth P. McCutchan was appointed in January to the Editorial Advisory Committee for the **INDIANA MAGAZINE OF HISTORY**. The magazine is published quarterly in Bloomington, Indiana, by the History Department of Indiana University in cooperation with the Indiana Historical Society.

The McCutchans In Fiction

A BOOK REVIEW

THE RAIDER by Jesse Hill Ford. Little Brown & Co.
Hardbound and paperback, pps 466

Jesse Hill Ford of Nashville has written a sprawling epic of western Tennessee from 1830 through the Civil War, filled with furious action and colorful people. His main character is a fictional Elias McCutcheon who moved into a pocket of virgin frontier in western Tennessee, all alone except for his rifle, his horse, and his dog. With the help of friendly Chickasaws and his own strength and resourcefulness, Elias carves out of the wilderness an estate for himself and his family and becomes a leader in the community. By the time the Civil War breaks out he has built a large plantation house and owns many acres and slaves. Although in his heart he was loyal to the Union and opposed secession, he was forced by public opinion in his community to take up arms with the South. After the bitter struggle was finally over he returned home to find his wife dead, one son killed in the war, and the big house burned to the ground. This is indeed a powerful American historical novel.

In an author's note, Mr. Ford says, "THE RAIDER is a story passed down to me through my father, my mother, and my grandparents; it is the story of my people and of the land as it was in the Old Southwest, that territory what we know today as the South; but it was the Old Southwest back then, long ago, a hundred years and more, when whites and blacks and Indians all worked at the same thing, at building a nation where nothing but wilderness was before."

When questioned if he had McCutcheon family connections, Mr. Ford replied, "The name McCutcheon is one that has always appealed to my imagination. I do not know, precisely, where the name entered my consciousness, but it is not a family name of mine, but a name rather, which which I associate the highest attributes of spirit and character, determination and industry. To me the name implies the highest virtues of human understanding and endeavor."

We of the McCutchen Trace Association might well wish that Mr. Jesse Hill Ford was a member of our clan, and that Elias McCutcheon had been a real person, I can heartily recommend this novel to you as a fascinating read.

— reviewed by Kenneth P. McCutchan

Novels By George Barr McCutcheon

McCutcheon, George Barr, 1866-1928.

The Alternative, by George Barr McCutcheon; with illustrations by Harrison Fisher and decorations by Theodore B. Hapgood. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1909.

Anderson Crow, Detective, by George Barr McCutcheon, illustrated by John T. McCutcheon. New York, Dodd, Mead and Company, 1920.

Beverly of Graustark, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . illustrated with scenes from the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer photoplay starring Marion Davies. New York, Grosset & Dunlap, 1926.

Black Is White, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by A. I. Keller. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1914.

Blades, by George Barr McCutcheon. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1928.

Books Once Were Men, an essay for booklovers, by George Barr McCutcheon; with an introduction by William Dana Orcutt; decorations by Doris Flather, New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1931.

Brewster's Millions, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . New York, Grosset & Dunlap, 1902.

Brood House, a play in four acts, by George Barr McCutcheon. New York, Priv. print, 1910.

The Butterfly Man, by George Barr McCutcheon; with illustrations by Harrison Fisher and decorations by Theodore B. Hapgood. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1910.

Castle Cranecrow, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . Chicago, H. S. Stone & Company, 1902.

The City Of Masks, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by May Wilson Preston. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1918.

Cowardice Court, by George Barr McCutcheon; with illustrations by Harrison Fisher and decorations by Theodore B. Hapgood. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1906.

The Daughter Of Anderson Crow, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by B. Martin Justice. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1907.

The Day Of The Dog, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by Harrison Fisher and decorations by Margaret & Helen Maitland Armstrong. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1904.

East Of The Setting Sun, a story of Graustark, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1924.

The Flyers, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by Harrison Fisher and decorations by Theodore B. Hapgood. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1907.

A Fool And His Money, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by A. I. Keller. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1913.

From The Housetops, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by F. Graham Cootes. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1916.

Granstark, the story of a love behind a throne. Chicago, H. S. Stone & Company, 1901.

Green Fancy, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with frontispiece by C. Allan Gilbert. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1917.

Her Weight In Gold, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . illustrated by H. Devitt Welsh. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1912.

The Hollow Of Her Hand, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by A. I. Keller. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1912.

The Husbands Of Edith, by George Barr McCutcheon; with illustrations by Harrison Fisher and decorations by Theodore B. Hapgood. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1908.

The Inn Of The Hawk And Raven; a tale of old Graustark, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1927.

Jane Cable, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . illustrations in color by Harrison Fisher. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1906.

Kindling And Ashes; or, The Heart Of Barbara Wayne, by George Barr McCutcheon. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1926.

Kindling And Ashes; or, The Heart Of Barbara Wayne, by George Barr McCutcheon. . . New York, A. L. Burt Company, 1928.

The Light That Lies, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by F. Graham Cootes. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1916.

The Man From Brodney's, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by Harrison Fisher. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1908.

Mary Midthorne, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . illustrations by Martin Justice. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1911.

The Merivales, by George Barr McCutcheon. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1929.

Mr. Bingle, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by James Montgomery Flagg. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1915.

Nedra, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . illustrations by Harrison Fisher. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1905.

Oliver October, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1923.

One Score and Ten; a comedy in four acts; by George Barr McCutcheon . . . New York, 1919.

The Prince of Graustark, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by A. I. Keller. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1914.

The Purple Parasol, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by Harrison Fisher and decorations by Chas. B. Falls. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1905.

Quill's Window, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . frontispiece by C. Allan Gilbert. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1921.

Romeo In Moon Village, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1925.

The Rose In The Ring, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . illustrations by A. I. Keller. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1910.

The Sherrods, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by C. D. Williams. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1903.

Sherry, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . frontispiece by C. Allan Gilbert. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1919.

Shot With Crimson, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by F. R. Gruger. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1918.

Truxton King; a story of Graustark, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by Harrison Fisher. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1909.

Viola Gwyn, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . frontispiece by E. C. Caswell. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1922.

West Wind Drift, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1920.

What's His Name, by George Barr McCutcheon; with illustrations by Harrison Fisher. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1911.

Yollop, by George Barr McCutcheon . . . frontispiece by Edward C. Caswell. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1922.

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Bird Center Cartoons, a chronicle of social happenings at Bird Center, Illinois; pictures and text by John T. McCutcheon. Chicago, A. C. McClurg & Co., 1904.

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Congressman Pumphrey, The People's Friend, by John T. McCutcheon; with cartoons by the author. Indianapolis, The Bobbs-Merrill Company, 1907.

Dawson '11, Fortune Hunter, by John T. McCutcheon; picture by the author. New York, Dodd, Mead & Company, 1912.

An Heir At Large, by John T. McCutcheon . . . with illustrations by the author. Indianapolis, The Bobbs-Merrill Company, 1923.

History Of Indiana, by John T. McCutcheon. Illustrations by the author. Indianapolis, The Bobbs-Merrill Co., 1912.

In Africa: Hunting Adventures In The Big Game Country, by John T. McCutcheon . . . illustrated with photographs and cartoons by the author. Indianapolis, The Bobbs-Merrill Company, 1910.

The Mysterious Stranger And Other Cartoons, By John T. McCutcheon . . . New York, McClure, Phillips & Co., 1905.

The Restless Age, by John T. McCutcheon. Chicago, A. C. McClurg & Co., 1910.

T. R. In Cartoons, by John T. McCutcheon. Chicago, A. C. McClurg & Co., 1910.

Additional information contributed by:

Mrs. John T. McCutcheon

John T. McCutcheon, Jr., 281 W. Laurel Ave., Lake Forest, Illinois 60045, married Susan Dart of New Orleans

Children: **Anne McC. Lewis** (Mrs. Ronald L.) Washington, D.C.

1 son - **Matthew**, 18 months

Mary Mc - unmarried - getting her P.H.D. in archaeology in Tucson, Arizona

John T., III - studying architecture, has 2 more years

Howard Shaw McCutcheon, 2011 S. Helena Street, Spokane, cartoonist (like his father) for the Spokane Spokesman Review, married Nancy Wells

Children: **Shaw McC, Jr.** - working on a newspaper in Memphis, Tennessee

Laurie McC - finishing her P.H.D. thesis on Demography at Browns Univ. in Providence, spent a year in Java

Caren McC - junior at S. Cal. Un., San Diego, California.

George Barr McCutcheon, II - 2236 Lincoln Park West, Chicago, Ill. 60614, married Paula Wilms.

children: **George Barr McC, III** - just graduated and married to Patricia Martin - no job yet

Paul Quentin McC - spending his junior year at St. Andrews Univ. in Scotland

Corwen McC - sophomore at ? in Calif.

Ian McC - 10th grade (second year high school) at Milton Academy, near Boston

My sons: **John T., Jr.** - Editorial Page Editor, Chicago Tribune

Shaw McC - cartoonist for Spokesman Review in Spokane

Barr - head of Math Dep't at Francis Parker School, Chicago

John T., Jr., was in the Navy from 1941 to 1946

Shaw was in the Air Corps, weather officer in England - 1945 - 1949

Barr was in the Merchant Marine, delivered horses to some general in Trieste.

John T. McCutcheon's father, Barr McCutcheon, served in the Civil War and then was Sheriff of Tippecanoe County. He married Clara Glick.

Besides George Barr, there was a sister Jessie, her son, Bill Nelson, lives in England.

Corresponding Secretary's Report

BY HENRILEE EASTHAM

It has indeed been a great pleasure to me to have served as your corresponding secretary since October, 1975.

I have received many nice letters from many of our members and those interested in the Association. About 200 letters have come across my desk and I have mailed out about 300.

There have been thirty-five data sheets returned from sixteen states, which will be turned over to the new corresponding secretary or genealogist at Evansville in June.

According to the By-Laws the corresponding secretary was to put out a Newsletter

twice a year. I ask Jennie McCutcheon of Lawton, Oklahoma, if she would put out the Newsletter, never dreaming of anything as nice as she has given us, and she accepted the job. It is not only through all her work and efforts that you have received your Newsletter, "The McCutchen" but she paid for the printing of the March, 1976, Issue. So you see we owe Jennie a **Big Thank You** for all her efforts.

"Now that we have such a nice paper it is up to us to keep it going."

My expenses for postage and what printing and other expense I have had these

past two years I am donating to the Association. For I feel I have received much more than what I have been out. I also feel very strongly that we need, "The McCutchen". This is your paper and we need worthy news items and articles to keep all members abreast of what is going on in every area of the Association. The editor cannot put out a paper for you unless you send information or at least some of it.

I want to say here since I have been working on our Family Tree since the birth of our eldest son in 1939, with very little help on some of the lines until the

past few years. I treasure every sprig of information which has crossed my desk the past two years. For it is by sharing our information that we help each other and that is what this Association is all about.

I want to say thanks to Kenneth and all the McCutchen's in and around Evansville, Indiana, who are putting this Reunion together for all of us. We have had interesting letters from some in this area recently who are sending in their dues and requesting the paper.

I am looking forward to our meeting in Evansville with all you McCutchen's.

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18. James and Elizabeth McCutchen, Botetourt & Montgomery County, Va.
19. Robert through Samuel
20. Robert Lee-Samuel
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24. Samuel Bell
25. Samuel and Elizabeth through Elder Billy
26. Samuel
- 27.
28. Samuel
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34. Samuel and Elizabeth Fulton
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Lost And Found

Remember the Holiday Inn at Staunton, Virginia, where our 1975 reunion was held. Early this year that establishment was sold. In closing out their records Mrs. Gail Brown, the sales representative, found a packet of photographs that had been left behind by someone who attended our reunion there in 1975. Among them is an old group photo (probably circa 1918) which includes Samuel McCutcheon and wife Lillie and Cyrus Bell and Anna McCutcheon. This was in a folder from the Vogt Photographer of Reedley, California. Also there was an old snapshot of Cyrus Bell McCutcheon and nephew, Lou Long. Also included were some recent Polaroid shots including one of a plaque at the McCutchen-Coke Memorial Park. Whoever is the owner of these may get them back by contacting the McCutchen Trace Association president, Kenneth P. McCutchan.

Long Lost Cousin Found

Just a couple of weeks ago an interesting thing happened. A man named Robert Bird who lives in Hawaii wrote to the Presbyterian Church here in Evansville to see if they had any record of the marriage of Margaret McCutchan and Thomas McAlpin in 1838. The church did not have the record so they referred the letter to me. The lady in question turns out to be my grandfather's oldest sister, Margaret, who went to California in the gold rush. She is a legend in our family, but we had lost all contact with her descendants—so this established contact with more long-lost cousins. I am in a rapid-fire correspondence with this Robert Bird now. He is an avid genealogist and is thrilled to find that he has so many relatives he didn't know he had in Indiana. I am going to try to learn if maybe he can give us an interesting story on Margaret's trek to California in the Gold Rush. I have heard that she was also a survivor of the San Francisco earthquake, but lost much property in it.

(Excerpt from letter written by our President, Kenneth McCutchan)

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WHAT A DRIVER WHO STILL LIVES HAS TO SAY

The article below is courtesy of the Carey Progressor Times Newspaper, Carey, Ohio, which was published on Dec. 9, 1965, by the Carey Times.

This portion of the article printed here is about an early 19th Century stagecoach driver and his stops at the Inns in Wyandot County during the 1840's. The article was given to the Carey Times by Mr. Edward Beard of the Wyandot County Historical Society when the task of restoring the Overland Inn was nearing completion.

A letter from Gershom Jones, who resides near Tonica, Lasalle County, Ill. sends us his father's recollections of the old Stagecoach route from Marion to Tiffin, over which he presided as one of the "whips" or stage drivers in 1843, '4 and '5.

He was led to send this from an account he read in an old copy of The Union, which contained a description of George Retteur's experience. He was at that time about the same age of Mr. Reutter, and Uncle George, who is still alive and a healthy, prosperous resident of our neighboring county of Marion. He knew George well and frequently changed "boxes" with him, driving each others routes to relieve the monotony. Mr. Jones continues as follows.

From Marion to Tiffin, including the starting points, there were eleven public inns, where food could be obtained for man and beast, and where lodgers, if not too many, could find a bed. Most of these inns were small, and one that could furnish three spare beds, all at one time, was considered prominent.

Little Sandusky, however, was the point most noted, as Rappe fresh from Canton, Ohio, enjoyed a frame shanty and knew how to tickle the appetites and humor of passengers. He also knew how to "coach" the "whip", and every driver was a runner for Rappe House.

Between Little Sandusky and Upper Sandusky there were two hotels, the "Ohio House", and the "Armstrong Inn". Then Upper Sandusky with two log hotels on the brow of the hill, or Fort Harrison as we called it then. One of these Inns was kept by George Garrett.

After leaving Upper Sandusky there was a stretch of 8 or 9 miles to Tymochter, with two more taverns. The largest and most popular was kept by Samuel Kenann. I forgot the name of the man who ran the other. We always tried to have the coach break down near Tymochter on certain winter nights, as Kenan's hotel was the great dancing resort for miles around, and it was the fun that no driver wished to miss, and indeed the passengers never swore much at the casualty, as they too enjoyed the dance, the good cheer, good victuals, and three cent whiskey of a better brand than usual as it was made some where near the village by a man named Chaffe. There was a fine blacksmith at Tymoch, John Freet, I think, and it was no trick at all for him to doctor up a stagecoach.

At a little place called Punchville, a couple miles north of Tymochte, there was a place where passengers could get the usual drink, gingerbread and dogleg, but no lodging, as there was only one room in the house.

McCutchenville was the next point, and it was quite a metropolitan in its hotels for the times. Col. McCutchen, then a man perhaps thirty-five, was a hustler, and even in Tiffin



THE McCUTCHEN OVERLAND INN

The Overland Inn, built in 1829, one of the many Stage Coach stops on the old Harrison Trail, has been purchased by the Historical Society. Restoration has been completed. The old spring well, ancient fire places and many of the furnishings of the era of the stage coach days are on display. This is one of the older Inns in northwestern Ohio, and is located in the south edge of the village of McCutchenville, Route 53, Ohio.

you could not get a meal to equal his table. The Colonel has a bar, or rather a bottle or jug under his desk, like all other inns, but it was free to his patrons. In short, the Colonel himself rarely took the customary three cents when he handed over the bottle. It was "never mind drink hearty." The other hotel was kept part of the time, I think by a widow named Barton.

While Colonel McCutchen was one of the cleverest men I ever knew, and spared no pains nor expense to please and feed our passengers, he was of violent temper and would let fly anything in reach, if aroused or insulted.

On one of our runs we brought a rather lively passenger from Marion, who has sampled all the whiskey from that point to McCutchenville, and consequently felt like a big politician who has a sure thing on the primary. Mack was sitting at his desk, which faced the door. The unguarded passenger stepped up to Mack and said you ornary son of a half breed I'll give you just two seconds to hand over that liquor. He had mistaken his man. Quick as a flash McCutchen struck the fellow with a jug of whiskey, knocking him senseless, and was only prevented from stomping the life out of him by myself and another passenger. When I explained to Mack that the fellow was tipsy and meant everything in good humor, the colonel spent the next two hours patching the fellow up with ornica and hot toddies. They parted the best of friends.

Three of four miles north of McCutchenville was an Inn kept by Bill Grady. Grady was a devil may care fellow without an ugly point about him. He kept hotel for the pleasure it afforded him of meeting passengers, never dreaming there was a future where dollars would be a convenience at old age. His wife was a model woman, and the meal and welcome you got at Grady's are still the most pleasing of my recollections.

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About twenty years ago, I had the pleasure of meeting his son, G. G., who was running a circus, and what was a greater surprise, his father was with him—the same old William, which the years or the havoc of time could not tarnish, so far as his lively disposition was concerned.

After leaving Grady's, there were two other Inns before reaching Tiffin, and when I was on the stage, Tiffin was the most uninteresting of all our stops. It was lifeless in comparison with all the lively places along the way.

The stage driver was a kind of a favorite. He knew every man, woman, child and dog along the way, and there was always a nod of welcome for him. There was always plenty of good looking girls and they always smiled upon the stage driver. As each inn had one or two of these girls there was always a cake or pie put away for the driver.

The following information is taken word for word from the 1884 history of Wyandot County, Ohio by Leggett & Conaway & Co., Chicago.

Hon. Joseph McCutchen, one of the most prominent and worthy pioneers of Wyandot, and one who in his day and generation did much to give the infant county that impetus to which it is so greatly indebted for its present status among its sister counties, was born in Harrison County, Ky., Feb. 2, 1798, and came to what is now Wyandot County in 1827, settling first in Tymochter, but afterwards moving to what, through his enterprise, became the village of McCutchenville, thus perpetuating the name of its worthy founder. Years before the Wyandots left for their new homes in the far west, Mr. McCutchen was a pioneer in the then almost unbroken wilderness.

Of an ardent and enterprising turn of mind, our subject was soon by the force of his genius, looked up to by the pioneers, and was successively selected to be their representative in the Legislature, and also as State Senator.

He was also elected County Auditor. His occupation, which he pursued with the same zeal that distinguished all his career, was that of hotel-keeping. So great was his desire for public improvement that he frequently sacrificed his own means in the endeavor to do public good. In the spring of 1845, he removed to Upper Sandusky, where, with the exception of one year in California, he passed the remainder of his days. Although not a member of any religious body, he was a liberal supporter of the Presbyterian Church, the church of his fathers. During the late Civil War he enlisted in the cause of the union, and served as Captain of a Company. He was first married, in 1823, Sarah Watt, of Ross County, Ohio; next, in 1826, to Letitia Britton, of Chillicothe, Ohio; and lastly, to Mrs. Keys, of Upper Sandusky.

His decease occurred March 13, 1869, at the ripe old age of seventy-one years. Thus passed away, full of days and full of honors, beloved by all who knew him, Joseph McCutchen, the worthy pioneer of old. Few of the early settlers has more prominence than Colonel McCutchen. He took an active, and aggressive position on all questions of local and general interest. His ambition was to lead, never to follow, and in all the movements of early times around and about this locality, he was a central figure.



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ornament the court house square. These beautiful shade trees attest his enterprise and are tributes to his memory. After leaving the Auditors office, at the end of a two-year term, he purchased the Bate's house in his place, that stood where now stands the Hudson House. He managed this hotel for several years, with the same enterprise that marked his course in McCutchenville, and while his house became very popular, and was the delight of the traveling public, it was not a source of profit. It could not be, with Mac's lavish expenditures in the interests of his guests. Shortly after retiring from the hotel, he entered the army, and was in active service. He was truly a remarkable man, of rare and pleasing conversational powers, in which he never failed to exhibit a nature that was all fiber, and was intense on everything he undertook. He was the very man to develop a new county, as his energy and irresistible force spread their influence over all. He carried with him to the last the admiration of our people, and his somewhat sudden and lamentable death threw a cloud of gloom over our people. He was a grand man, who spread benefits over all who came within his presence, even at a personal sacrifice. No name is more feelingly referred to in the history of Wyandot County than that of Col. McCutchen.

Mr. McCutchen was prominent in Masonic Circles being a charter member of Warpole Lodge No. 176, F. and A.M. and was the first master regularly elected by that body of the Masons, and later when a chapter of Royal Arch Masons was instituted, that body was named McCutchen Chapter, No. 96, R.A.M., in his honor. He served his country well, was a public benefactor, and passed from his earthly career, honored and respected by all who knew him.

The above article taken from the book "Pictorial Memories of Wyandot County." By Ray D. Gottfried, printed in 1976.

Colonel McCutchen was a Captain with the 9th O.V. Cav. Enlisted 1863, discharged Sept. 1864, the company to which he belonged or month of enlistment is not given. This is from the Atlas of Wyandot Co. Published by Harrison & Hare, Philadelphia, 1879.

I am quite sure that Colonel McCutchen is buried at the Indian Mission Cemetery at Upper Sandusky, County seat of Wyandot County.

I could probably verify this at a later date if you wish. There is probably other information and I know a photo available of Mr. McCutchen which I could not get at this time but probably could later if you are interested. Since starting to write this information I have learned there is a Dean McCutchen in Upper Sandusky, that may be related to Col. McCutchen.

There was a George McCutchen in this area at the time of Colonel McCutchen. There doesn't seem to be much information available about him but I believe I read somewhere that he was a brother to Colonel McCutchen.

If there is anything you wish to know, write me and I will try and furnish it to you.

I suppose you are wondering who I am! My wife is a parttime Curator at the Overland Inn.

Respectfully

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Kenneth P. McCutchan is a descendant of one of the founders of McCutchanville, a Scotch-Irish settlement which was Saundersville's neighbor community to the southeast. He is the author of FROM THEN TIL NOW, a History of McCutchanville, published by the Indiana Historical Society in 1969, and ADVENTURES OF ISAAC KNIGHT, INDIAN CAPTIVE, an historical novel for young and old Americans. He is a member of the Editorial Advisory Committee of the INDIANA MAGAZINE OF HISTORY, and of the INDIANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY.

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Cousins:

Another summer has come and gone and 1978 draws rapidly to a close, which brings us nearer to our next big reunion. Late in August Bill McCutchan, our treasurer, and I drove to Paris, Tenn. to visit with our vice-president, Bill McCutcheon. The two Bills and I then drove to Paris Landing to inspect the facilities there. It is a beautiful spot with a lodge right on the shore of Kentucky Lake. The old part of the lodge is closed and marked for demolition, so the part that is now in use is all new. To date forty new guest rooms have been completed, so we have reserved the entire facility for the second week-end in June, 1979. The inn has a nice lobby beautiful dining rooms, and several large meeting rooms. The lay-out seems ideal. Bill, who is a past president of the Lion's Club in Paris, Tenn., has had plenty of experience in planning conventions and is personally acquainted with the management at Paris Landing, so I think we are indeed fortunate in having him to plan and make the arrangements for our next big get-together. I hope you are all marking your calendars now and will start making plans to attend. Full information will come to you in our next magazine due out in the spring.

During the past summer we have made a special effort to bring our membership list up to date. There are some whom we have not been able to reach because they have moved and did not send us a new address. A list of these is printed elsewhere in this issue. Then there were some who just did not reply to direct mail, and who have never paid any membership dues. We regret that our organization has not held their interest, but the association will be only as strong as its active, interested members. We have therefore put the names of those from we have heard nothing in an inactive file and discontinued their subscription to our magazine. We hope they may see fit to rejoin and become active at sometime in the future.

Anyone having information on Henry Harrison McCutcheon, born Va. 1813, married Ursula Smithborn 1829, Tenn. Son James Wesley, born 1856 Uniontown, Ky. Married 1884, Bettie Ann Alvey, died 1897 at Waco, Texas, daughter Willie Mae, born 1895, married Otis Walter Copeland.

Betty Robert, 2020 Pigion Lane, Fountain Valley, CA. 92708. Would be very grateful for any assistance in her search for this particular line of descent.

Of interest to Stout and McCutcheon which is in your editor's line of descent.

A query from Rear Admiral (retired) Herald F. Stout, an ardent genealogist living at 5183 Roxbury Road, San Diego, Calif. 92116, who edits a quarterly devoted to "The Stauden Blatter-Finley-Stout-Tong Family Association." (That includes Finlays and Findleys.)

She says Admiral Stout has marriage records of 14 Stout men and women in Canadian County from 1907 to 1933, and welcomes letters from anyone anywhere in Oklahoma who can help update his Stout records.

On the bright side, we are constantly getting new members. At present we have 154 paid-up members (some have sent dues for two, three, and even five years in advance). Since many of the memberships represent couples, and in some cases whole families, the head count is probably near 300. We have members in 26 states, Canada, and England.

Our organization is gaining national recognition in genealogical circles. Jennie has received numerous requests from libraries and historical and genealogical societies for our magazine. It is being acclaimed as one of the finest family magazines in the nation. Again I want to urge each of you to be a reporter of family related news stories from your area, and by all means keep us informed of the vital statistics such as births, deaths, marriages, etc. When possible give the genealogical line of the persons featured in the story. This information will be of very special help to genealogical researchers in the future.

Another interesting area to explore is to try to make a list of all geographical locations that bear the family name—towns, roads, streets, schools, churches, parks, public buildings, etc. If there are any of these in your area, or if you run across any in your travels, please let us know. The publication of all of this kind of information makes our magazine all the more valuable and interesting. Also please come forward with any suggestions you may have to improve our magazine or the organization.

Since I cannot send each of you a personal greeting, I want to take this opportunity to wish that Christmas will bring dear friends to your fireside and peace to your pathway, and that the New Year will hold for you twelve months of good fortune, good health, and an untroubled mind. More I cannot wish you.

Sincerely,
Kenneth P. McCutchan

Assistance is also asked by Carrol Fredrickson, 12140-44th Avenue, Kenosha. WI. 53142, in her research for the parents of Catherine McCutchen, born 1789 in Pa. She was married to John Barnes born 1781 in Pa. Three known children are John, born June 15, 1821, married Elizabeth Harger, March 23, 1847, West Point, Lee Co, Iowa. Alexander born 1823, David born 1829.

Corresponding Secretary's Report

By Blanche McCutchen Koll

Many thanks to all of you who have taken the time to fill in the data sheets and returned them. Also to those who have written.

Many letters have been received from McCutchens throughout the States and Canada with many becoming members and others expressing interest in the Association and glad to know that a McCutchen Association exists. Thanks again to all of you.

BIG BILL AND THE DONNER ORDEAL

WILLIAM McCUTCHEN . . . Perhaps, through the centuries, literally hundreds have borne this most popular of all first names for males of our clan. However, the William of this story was destined to play a role in one of the most dramatic and tragic episodes in the history of the opening of our great West. He was to become a member of the ill-fated Donner Party.

This particular William was a great-great grandson of one John McCutchen who had come from Ireland and settled in Augusta County, Virginia, prior to 1783. In 1755 John was killed by a falling tree, hence he has been identified as "Tree" John.

One of Tree John's sons was James, who married a lady named Grisal Campbell. They lived on the Beverly Manor in Augusta County. The eldest son of James and Grisal, named John after his grandfather, married about 1769 Elizabeth Weir of Rockbridge County, Virginia. John and Elizabeth had eight children, the eldest of whom they named James. While this James was still a boy his family moved to Davidson County, Tennessee. In 1792, when James was 21 years of age, he married Elizabeth Deane and they had seven children. Their youngest was the William of this story, born in 1816. This family moved from Tennessee to Morgan County, Missouri, sometime prior to 1836.

When William was about 25 years of age he married Amanda Henderson of Pettis County, Missouri, and they had one daughter, Harriett, born early in 1845.

It was about this time that William and Amanda got the wanderlust. Perhaps they were lured by the current published accounts of the glories of the Pacific Coast, where "vegetation is in full bloom the year around, and January is as pleasant as May". Surely this was better than the harsh winters of Missouri. So in the spring of 1846 they fitted out a wagon and joined a party that headed toward the golden land called California. William was about 30, a giant of a man over six feet tall, Amanda was 24, and little Harriett only a year old. The journey began in high spirits and with great expectations, and all went well for several weeks. Then Fortune seemed to turn away. By the time the caravan reached Fort Bridger in the southwest corner of Wyoming the McCutchens were in trouble. It is not known if their oxen died or their wagon broke up, but the sad fact was that they no longer had transportation, so they were left behind at the Fort, stranded.

Several days later a new train of twenty wagons came lumbering out of the east. This party was headed by a prosperous gentleman of German descent from Springfield, Illinois, named George Donner. Donner and followers were mostly people of means, and their wagons were loaded with what they supposed were ample provisions and many luxury items with which they were hoping to set up their new homes in California. About seventy-five people were in the party. Donner was a charitable man, so he invited Big McCutchen and his wife and young daughter to join them.

While resting at Fort Bridger to re-set the rims on the wagon wheels Donner considered a new, more direct route that had been proposed by one Lansford W. Hastings. This route would take them from the old established trail and move them south of the great Salt Lake, and reportedly would save them about 350 miles. Hastings was an explorer of some

reputation who had written a book about travel in the west, so the Donners apparently felt he was a man whose word could be trusted. Hastings had left the Fort with a small party only a few days before they arrived. The fact was that the man knew almost nothing about the new trail he was proposing.

On the last day of July the Donner party set out from Fort Bridger. A short distance out they came to a fork in the trail. The old established route went to the right. They made the ill fated turn to the left to follow the tracks left by Hastings.

After a week of travel the terrain became difficult with huge boulders, deep ravines, and rushing streams to cross. On August 6, as they were about to enter Weber Canyon, they found a note tied to a bush. It was from Hastings. He said the canyon ahead was impassable and suggested that anyone who was following make camp and send a messenger ahead to find him, and he would come back and lead them over the mountains on a different trail. Three men were chosen for the task—Charles Stanton, James Reed, and Bill McCutchen. The wagon train settled down to camp, expecting the scouts to be back in a day. Five days passed before a lone horseman returned. It was Reed, and he came riding a different horse from the one he had gone away on. He reported that the going was so bad that their horses had given out. He had borrowed one from the Hastings party to return on, but Hastings had refused to come back as he had promised in his note. The big question now was which way to turn. The only solution was to avoid the canyon and attempt to go over the mountains. The task of trying to cut a new road was unbelievably difficult. Some days the men would spend hours chopping trees and brush in order to move the wagons only a few yards. There were big boulders and steep inclines. One or two of the wagons tipped over and had to be righted. Finally, after almost two and a half weeks, they came upon McCutchen and Stanton who had been hopelessly lost in the trackless mountains, and in such a starving condition that they were about ready to eat their horses. Again reunited the party struggled on until finally on the 27th of August they came out of the hills into the Salt Lake Valley. They had been twenty-one days going thirty-six miles.

Now traveling was easier. They made more distance in one day than they had made in the previous ten. Once again they found the tracks of Hastings's wagons and began to follow. Spirits rose. There were numerous springs of fresh water and good grazing for the cattle. All went well until September 1st, when they came upon a board lying on the trail. It was obvious that a note had been nailed to it, but the paper was torn and scattered. Everyone joined in trying to find the bits and pieces. Mrs. Donner, a former school teacher, fitted the scraps together and finally made out that it was a warning to prepare for two days and nights of hard driving to reach the next grass and water. This they had not expected. They made camp to rest, watered and fed the animals, and filled every available container with fresh water. The next morning at dawn they left the springs behind. It was a Thursday. All day as they plodded westward the vegetation grew more sparse and the sun hotter. They rested for only a part of the night and set out again. The next day was worse. Then came the third day, and they found themselves on the blinding white of the great salt desert. Over every ridge they expected to see again

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the green of vegetation, but always they were disappointed. The horses and cattle were suffering terribly, and the water containers were nearly empty. On Sunday the situation was so bad that it was every man for himself. Some of the oxen were dropping from thirst and exhaustion. The only thing left to do was unhitch and leave the cumbersome wagons behind and drive the remaining animals ahead as quickly as possible in search of water.

Reed set out alone on a horse and left the others far behind. Women and children plodded along on foot, some chewing on flattened bullets to try to keep their mouths moist. Reed finally had the good luck to find a spring and hurried back with containers of fresh water. Although there was scarcely enough to go around it brought new hope. As the day wore on one family at a time reached the spring and refreshed themselves and their animals that had survived. After they had rested they started back to retrieve the abandoned wagons. At last by Tuesday night everything had been brought through and they were all together again. No human lives had been lost but many animals had perished. It was time to start dumping everything but necessities. What the note had called a two day dry drive had actually taken six days.

The party then rested for about a week. The animals gained back some of their strength. Indians came around the camp. This made the women and children nervous, but these Indians caused them no trouble. Some of the wagons were so battered that they were not fit to go any further. Food and supplies were re-distributed and reloaded, and the party resumed its march toward California.

They moved up the base of a mountain range that rose out of the desert, and on that day the weather changed. Instead of the searing heat they were chilled by a sudden brief snow storm. Snow, and it was only the middle of September.

Then came another dry run. They started at dawn, plodded along all day and through a long, dark night. Again the gaunt oxen faltered and some had to be left behind. Finally, at dawn, they came out onto a green meadow and fresh water.

By now food supplies were getting low. They cursed Hastings for leading them into this. They had no idea where they were, but hoped that California was not now too far away.

They decided that the best thing to do was send a scout ahead to Sutter's Fort (now the City of Sacramento) to try to persuade Captain Sutter to send back some food and supplies. Because of the danger of Indians it was not safe for one man to go alone, so Stanton and Big Bill McCutchen were chosen. Stanton had no family and McCutchen left behind a young wife and small daughter. It was a strange looking pair that set out—the giant McCutchen on a horse and little Stanton astride a mule—while the wagon train continued on its slow tortuous grind westward.

"Nothing transpired for some days of any note"—these are the words one emigrant used to describe this part of the journey. At the close of the last day of September they came to a westward flowing river which they thought surely was the Humbolt. Along the river they found a well-beaten road, so they believed they were well near California.

Everyone was worn out and on edge. Tempers flared. One day Reed and a man named Snyder got into a violent argument. Snyder struck at Reed with a bull whip and opened a wide gash on his forehead. Reed lunged back at Snyder with a knife, which struck a fatal blow. It was the 5th of October.

Reed was repentant, but the camp was thrown into a turmoil. People began to take sides. Some wanted to hang Reed then and there for murder. The final decision was that Reed was to be banished from the train, so he was put on a horse and sent away. He set out alone for California, leaving a weeping wife and four children behind. The members of the wagon train were no longer a group. There was bitterness and hatred, and it was now every family for itself.

Indians became more hostile. One night they sneaked into camp and drove off some of the horses and oxen. This meant that more of the wagons had to be left behind, and some of the people, even children, were reduced to walking. Things were indeed getting into a pitiful state, and it was now mid-October.

Finally they crossed the last desert and came to the Truckee River where again they found fine grass and fresh water. The ragged party stopped again for rest. Now there were two big problems facing them. One was to get across the mountains before the heavy snows came, and the other was to stave off starvation. Some families were already out of food and living off lumps of sugar and coffee. Those who still had meat refused to share. Some of the men went out hunting and managed to kill several wild geese. What had become of Stanton and McCutchen?

After a day of rest the party began to move again. The flat land lasted for only a few miles and the trail entered a canyon which ran deeply between high rocky cliffs. Many of the oxen were suffering from Indian arrow wounds and they were growing weaker. A man named Wolfinger was killed by the Indians.

After three days in the canyon at near starvation they were suddenly met by three riders and seven pack-mules. Little Stanton had come back from Sutter's with supplies. It was a joyous encounter. Once again there was food in the camp. Stanton reported that McCutchen had also reached Sutter's but had taken sick and was not able to make the journey back. Stanton also said he had seen Reed, who had made it through the mountains alone safely, but almost starved. Stanton then reported that the trail above was very steep, and although time was of the essence he urged that the oxen must be given plenty of rest before attempting the pull. So after a few days of inactivity they set out up the steep slopes. Wagon axles broke. The Indians shot more arrows into some of the oxen, and then the worst happened. The snow began to fall.

The next day the snow got deeper. The cattle could no longer find grass. The men cut boughs from the trees to feed them. The situation got more desperate by the hour. Finally it was impossible to move the wagons any further. Stanton thought they might still be able to make it on foot, so the teams were unhitched and whatever bundles of their belongings that could be strapped to the animals' backs they put on them. Carrying the small children in their arms and driving the cattle ahead, the miserable party started out walking. The snow was nearly three feet deep. By nightfall the skies had cleared and they made camp, covering themselves with blankets and boughs of evergreen, but before dawn a second storm set in and another foot of snow fell. The only thing left for them to do was to go back down to a lower elevation to an old abandoned cabin they had passed at Truckee Lake. It was the 4th of November, and the trap that had closed behind them at Fort Bridger on the last day of July was now closed in front.

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Meanwhile, over in the Sacramento Valley on the morning of October 30th the sun shown bright and warm. McCutchen had recovered from his illness, and Reed, who had staggered in to Sutter's Fort almost starved to death, had eaten well and recovered his strength. The two men looked to the mountains, now covered with snow, and wondered about the fate of their wives and children. All that day they packed supplies of jerked beef, beans, and flour, and on the following morning set out to rescue the stranded party. They had rounded up thirty horses and one mule to carry the provisions and two Indians to help them drive the animals.

The third day they were out the rains began. Each time they topped a rise they could see the forbidding snow covered peaks ahead. When they came to Bear Valley they found a white expanse of snow a foot and a half deep. That night they camped in a storm of rain and sleet so heavy that they were unable to light a fire. The next day they advanced only three miles. That night McCutchen was awakened by a noise and found that the Indians had deserted and taken several of the pack animals with them. Next day McCutchen and Reed attempted to go on alone, but the snow got so loose and deep that the horses floundered up to their bellies and sometimes had to be dug out. They were still about 10 miles from the summit. It was impossible. They had no choice but to turn back. They unloaded their packs of supplies and tied them high up in trees, hoping the food might be of some use to some starving traveler, and headed back to Sutter's Fort. Captain Sutter expressed no surprise that they had not been successful, and advised them not to expect the conditions in the mountains to improve before the end of February.

At Lake Truckee some seventy people huddled in the winter wasteland. They had erected some crude pole shelters. Their dismantled wagons stood forlornly around. The horses and cattle, with no grazing on the snow covered terrain, grew weaker and more gaunt with every passing day. As food became scarcer they slaughtered the animals. Some of the men tried fishing through the ice of the lake, but they had no success. Hunters went out and came back with only an owl and a coyote. The situation grew more desperate daily. Those who had a few meager supplies left, guarded them avariciously and refused to share. In desperation a party of thirteen—ten men and three women—decided to set out on foot. They found the snow at the head of the pass ten feet deep and turned back before the first day was over. Several subsequent attempts also failed.

Thanksgiving Day came and went. Every day or so there was a fresh fall of snow until the camp was covered six to eight feet deep, up to the roofs of the cabins. The few remaining animals, weakened by starvation, sank into the snow and died. Most of the people were growing weaker, probably from malnutrition more than from starvation. There was still some meat from the dead animals, but the supply of salt had long since been used up and there was no more flour.

A man named Graves, who had grown up in the Green Mountains of Vermont, set to work to fashion some crude snow shoes from tree limbs and strips of hide. He made several pairs while plans were discussed for making one last effort to break out.

On the night of the 15th of December a man named Williams died and several others were very ill. It was urgent that if an attempt to cross the mountains was to be made it had to be made at once while a few still had the strength to

undertake the journey. On the morning of the 16th a ragged party of seventeen set out. There were twelve men and five women. One of the women was Amanda McCutchen, who left her young daughter in the care of Mrs. Graves. Each snow shoe carried a blanket and a supply of meat, axes, hatchets, and fire arms. The first day they traveled only four miles and at nightfall were still in sight of the smoke from the cabins. Several had found themselves too weak for the ordeal and turned back before the day was over.

By the fifth day some were so exhausted they were lagging behind. Some began to hallucinate. All were suffering from snow blindness. Stanton could go no further. He had brought them relief once, but now he insisted that they leave him behind to die. That was the day the last food was eaten, and also the day that a blinding snow storm set in. For two more days they floundered on, half mad with hunger. Strange thoughts began to enter their heads. A man named Patrick Dolan finally voiced the suggestion that if man could eat beef, horse, bear, dog, even coyote, then perhaps man could eat man. Someone suggested that they draw lots to see who would be sacrificed to save the others, but they could not bring themselves to do this. So they struggled on, but by now nobody trusted anybody.

On Christmas Eve two died. On Christmas Day Dolan went insane and removed his boots and ran out into the snow barefoot. They dragged him back to the fire, but he died before the day was over. The storm raged all Christmas Day and the fire went out, so they huddled in a heap beneath their blankets to keep from freezing to death. The sun came out on the day after Christmas and they managed to light a small fire. At this point the taboos of civilization gave way to five days of starvation, and they cut flesh from the arms and legs of the dead and roasted it over the fire. Averting their faces from each other, they wept as they ate. During the 27th, 28th, and 29th of December they did not attempt to travel, but gained back some strength. Out of the seventeen who had set out only ten now remained. All who had died were men.

On the morning of December 30th they began to move again. Their feet were in terrible condition from frost bite, and the snow shoes were breaking up. Finally on the last day of the year a wondrous sight met their eyes. It was a long way off, but below them, far away, they could see the green of the Sacramento Valley. On the night of the 4th of January they camped for the first time on bare ground, but hunger was again overtaking them. Another man died and two wandered away and were lost. Now the party was reduced to two men and the five women. One of the men named Foster had obviously gone insane and the women were terrified of what he might do. He threatened to kill Amanda McCutchen because she was so exhausted that she sometimes lagged behind. By January 17th the women and Foster could walk no further, so they lay down on the ground and prayed and prepared to die. The other man, William Eddy of Illinois, had a little bit of strength left and staggered on alone. Fortunately he was found by some friendly Indians who took him down to the cabin of a Mr. & Mrs. Ritchie on the edge of the valley. Ritchie immediately organized a party with food and horses, and guided by the Indians he found the starving women and Foster. The next night these six survivors were brought in, unkempt, blood smeared, skeletal, but still living. Among them was Amanda. It had been 33 days since they left the Donner party at Truckee Lake.

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Meanwhile back at the lake the poor creatures huddling in those miserable cabins had known nothing but another month of monotony and increasing despair and starvation. Buried beneath the snow the cabins were dim, damp caves, lighted only by the flickering glow of uncertain fires. The meat was all gone. Kettles, where strips of hide and bones boiled, steamed almost incessantly. Everyone spent most of the time in bed, wrapped in blankets and quilts. Many grew almost too frail to move, and the babies too weak to cry. The smells mingled—boiling hides, sickness, unwashed bodies, filth.

By Christmas five men had died. It seemed that the women survived better than the men. On January 4 Mrs. Reed, with two other women and one man, decided to make one last effort to break out. They struggled in the deep snow, got frozen feet, and turned back after four nights in the open. Deaths occurred more frequently. Little Harriett McCutchen expired on February 2nd.

Over in California Big Bill and Reed were trying frantically to organize a relief party, but no men could be found who would risk going into the impassable snow. Reed went to Sonoma to try to muster help, and McCutchen went to San Francisco to solicit aid from the military detachment stationed there.

On February 1st a weathered old mountain man named Caleb Greenwood, who has spent most of his life in the mountains, and who was well versed in the art of survival, organized a small party of seven men and a drove of pack horses. They headed into the snows, and after days and days of almost indescribable difficulties finally succeeded in reaching the lake on February 18th. At first they saw nothing but a vast expanse of snow and feared that they had arrived too late. Together they joined in a lusty "halloo", and at the sound of their voices a woman emerged like some kind of animal from a hole in the snow. One by one others came out like cadavers from the grave, laughing and weeping hysterically. "Relief, thank God, relief!" From their packs the rescuers distributed food.

It was not possible to take out all of the people at one time, so a group of twenty-six was selected, and by February 27, after a very difficult passage back over the mountains, this group at last reached California. Of the original party twenty-seven were now out, twenty-eight were dead, and thirty-one still remained marooned at the lake.

By this time McCutchen had managed to get a grant of \$400 government money from the naval station at San Francisco, and he and Reed had purchased supplies and forty horses and one mule. With a dozen men they were riding hard across the Sacramento Valley in torrential rains that were putting streams out of their banks. At Johnson's Ranch at the edge of the valley they met Caleb Greenwood and his party coming out of the mountains, and it was here that Big Bill learned that his little daughter was dead. He had heard that his wife had come through on foot, so now he had no personal reason to go on. However, his honor still required that he do as much as he could to help those who had shared their provisions with his family, so he pressed forward.

Arriving at the lake on March 1st, the first sight that greeted Reed was his little daughter, Patsy, sitting on the roof of a cabin. In some of the cabins the conditions they found were almost indescribable—filth, vermin, disease, open sores. McCutchen and Reed set about immediately to boil water and wash the children and oil the emaciated bodies. They

could not help but notice bones, human hair, and half consumed parts lying about the fireplaces. One man named Breen, who kept a diary, made no mention of this in his daily scribbles, but cannibalism had become a shocking reality. Outside they found mutilated bodies minus arms, legs, and hearts, half buried in the snow.

That night McCutchen and Reed slept outside, preferring the cold to the vermin and stench of the buried cabins.

On March 3rd a party of seventeen was assembled to return to civilization. The ones to be taken out this time were all children except three. The adults were Patrick Bren, the diary keeper, and his wife Peggy, and Mrs. Graves who had taken care of little Harriett. The journey went reasonably well the first couple of days, considering that some of the children had to be carried, but when they reached the high pass a howling late winter storm broke over them. McCutchen and Reed worked frantically to cut pine branches to stick in the snow for a wind break. The children, shivering under their blankets, kept up an incessant wail. The storm continued unabated for two days and two nights.

On the second night Reed was to stay awake and keep the fire, but his labors had proved too much for him. During the night he collapsed and the fire went out. Snow began to drift over the pitiful group. Fortunately Big Bill awoke before it was too late and managed somehow to re-light a fire. He found Reed unconscious. During that night one of the Donner children died. Reed was revived. Mrs. Graves died. At last, by the 10th of March, after more difficulties, the remains of this tattered party made it through with frozen feet that cracked and bled, leaving red stains on the snow.

Subsequently other rescue parties were formed and by April 22 the last of the miserable survivors were brought out from the lake camp into the golden sunshine of California. The tragic crossing of the Donner party was finally accomplished. In June a military detachment from Sutter's Fort went into the mountains and buried the remains of the corpses that had been left behind.

In the years that followed Big Bill McCutchen remained a colorful character, known not only for his gigantic size, but equally as well for his hard drinking and an electrifying vocabulary that could almost make the mountains tremble. He and Amanda settled first near Sonoma and later near San Jose. In 1853 he was elected Sheriff of Santa Clara County of the Whig ticket. Amanda died November 10, 1857 (age 35) apparently in childbirth, because this date coincides with the birth date of a son, Edward Johnson McCutchen, who later became a prominent attorney in San Francisco.

In 1860 Big Bill remarried. His second wife was a widow, Ruth Reeves Randall (or Wandell). An 1866 Voters Register lists his occupation as farmer.

He lived into white-bearded old age, always keeping in touch with his old comrade of the mountains, James Reed. On April 17, 1895, at the age of 79, he died of a stroke at San Jose, and was buried in the Oak Hill Cemetery. In 1931 his remains were exhumed and cremated and the ashes placed in a mausoleum. And so ends the story of William McCutchen, one of the hardest and most colorful members of our clan.

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DONNER PASS MOVIE IN PRODUCTION

KANAB, Utah—Fifteen weary travelers are trudging through snow-covered wilderness high in the Rocky Mountains of southern Utah. Movie cameras grind. It is the film version of "Donner Pass," a true story about a wagon train of pioneers.

Travail and suffering—even a bit of cannibalism—were their unhappy lot. But if all goes true to form, the resulting film will be uplifting and appeal to a large number of American families.

"This is the most unusual studio I've ever worked for," says James Simmons, producer of "Donner Pass." He refers to Schick Sunn Classics Productions Inc. Sunn is different. While most movie studios are based in Hollywood or Burbank, it is in Park City, Utah, a ski resort some 30 miles from Salt Lake City.

Sunn sticks to family-entertainment movies and is making TV movies of the stories the viewers most want to see. One of these stories is "Donner Pass."

"Excerpt from Wall Street Journal."

SENIOR CITIZEN OFFICIAL

James N. McCutchen of Clarksville, Tennessee, is Assistant to the State Director of the American Association of Retired Persons.

LETTER FROM YOUR EDITOR

For three days I have been trying to compose your editor's letter and each time it has the same theme and that is sincere praise and appreciation for our McCutchen Trace Association, our Officers and accomplishments. I am sure that Hildegard Smith (our founder) would have been proud to have known that from the small group of faithfuls, 53 in number, who met in Franklin, Tennessee in 1973 and formed our Association, has now become known nationally and internationally with an annual growth in membership. This year it seems our momentum is increasing so rapidly your Officers are kept busy trying to keep up the pace of correspondence, queries, aiding our cousins in their search for lost or unknown ancestors, in addition to expediting the business of our Association.

It was a wise decision for us to have elected Kenneth as our President and Bill our Treasurer. I have never worked with two more dedicated and conscientious men. They have always kept in mind the interests of our Association and I truly believe that each decision they have made has always been, "What is best for the Association." They have had to make some hard decisions and a great amount of work to accomplish their goal. It will require each of us to do our part in making this the best family Association in the U.S.

I am most happy to report to you that our newsletter is now becoming an addition to the archives of the Genealogical Society (Mormon library) of Salt Lake City, Utah. All our copies are microfilmed and placed in their library as well as being sent to their branch libraries throughout the world. Being interested in genealogy myself, and knowing the pleasure which I derive from finding tid-bits of information

An Adopted Cousin

Soon after the release of the last edition of the magazine the president of the association received the following delightful note from Mrs. Caroline O'Connor of Covina, California.

"Dear Mr. McCutchan—

My mother (Margaret Lukens) and I received, and are enjoying, the McCutchen Memorial edition of May, 1978. We were wondering if there might be any possibility that we might be put on your mailing list. Try as we might, we can't find a single McCutchan (McCutcheon, McCutchen) in our forebearers, so I know we don't qualify. But I'd be more than happy to pay our dues, and, if necessary, make something up—who knows, maybe "poor, still dear, tho unfortunate Robert" (page 4) stopped by a Lukens or Morton farm one dark night in his wanderings. Far be it from me to assume my great-great grandmothers were above succumbing to the charms of an Irishman. I certainly did.

Sincerely,
Caroline O'Connor."

Mrs. O'Connor has since sent in her check and is now a paid-up member of the McCutchen Trace Association, a cousin by adoption. It was her mother, Margaret Lukens, who created the beautiful needlepoint picture of the McCutchanville Methodist Church that was featured in the last issue of the magazine.

concerning our ancestors of the past, I can visualize the joy of future generations being able to find this storehouse of permanently preserved information which we are placing in their hands through our newsletters. This alone should encourage each of you to send to your editor stories and histories of your family. I also would like to report that our newsletter is being advertised in Everton's Genealogy Helper. Many requests are now being received from McCutcheons over the U.S. who have discovered our Association by this advertisement and are now requesting aid and assistance in helping them to locate their lost ancestors. Some have been so appreciative of our assistance they are now joining our Association and to them and the other new members I bid you "Welcome", for we are just one big happy Clan sharing our knowledge and experiences with others, always bound together by our kindred ancestry.

Congratulations are also due to Kenneth on the publication of his new book, Saundersville. I have ordered a copy and after it is read I will place it in the Southwest Oklahoma Genealogical Library. I am sure it will be of interest and great value to those who are, or will be doing research in that area.

To Mr. Fred J. Tanner, of McCutchenville, Ohio, I am very grateful for the news stories and pictures which he has so graciously provided our newsletter. I am sure he would be pleased if you would write him a thank you note and express your appreciation.

Sincerely,
Jennie L. McCutcheon
Editor

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Dear Jennie:

I certainly enjoy the "McCutchen" magazine. We attended the first reunion at Franklin, Tennessee in 1973 but have been unable to be present at the last two. We look forward to attending the 1979 reunion at Paris Landing, Tennessee which is only about 40 miles from Milan.

As we read the list of those attending the 1973 reunion it is sad to remember those that have passed from this life.

Miss Lee McCutchen, a cousin from Tiptonville, Tennessee traveled to the Franklin Reunion with us. She passed away in 1976. I have the genealogical papers collected by Miss Lee over many years. She corresponded with family members throughout the country. If anyone is interested in reviewing these papers I would be glad to share them with you. In fact, if there is enough interest, I could take them to the 1979 reunion at Paris Landing, Tennessee.

We also visited with two sisters, Mrs. Sara McCutchen Wadley, Houston, Texas and Mrs. Martha McCutchen Clenny, Nashville, Tennessee, while at the Franklin Reunion. Both of these fine ladies have passed from this life. We visited several old family cemeteries and homesites while at the reunion.

We are all indebted to you for the excellent "McCutchen" magazine.

Very truly yours,

Tom McCutchan
Superintendent
Milan Field Station
205 Ellington Drive
Milan, Tennessee 38358

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance April 4, 1978	\$1,091.34
Received from membership dues	648.00
Received from bank interest	19.00
Total	\$1,758.34

Printing cost for May Newsletter	\$ 324.12
Postage cost for May Newsletter	82.40
Printing cost for renewal reminders	17.16
Postage cost for renewal reminders	34.65
Total expenses	\$ 458.33

BALANCE ON HAND Sept. 30, 1978 \$1,300.01

Submitted by Bill McCutchan
Treasurer

HELP!!

Gene Lundergan of Green Bay, Wisconsin, is trying to trace his McCutcheon ancestors. He writes: "My great-great grandmother's name is listed as Parsile (Priscilla?) McCuchin, born in Kentucky about 1795. She was married to John Seale around 1817 (probably in Kentucky). They later settled in Daviess County, Indiana. I also found a marriage record in Daviess County for February 7, 1839, when a Doctor William L. McCutchen married Elizabeth Rogers. That's all the information I have at this time, but hope to learn more."

If anyone has any information that can help Gene he would be pleased to hear from you. Address him at 920 N. Maple Ave., Green Bay, Wisconsin 54303.

Ruth McCutcheon Miller of Sayre, Pennsylvania, writes that she has been trying to trace her line of McCutcheons. They settled near the border of New York and Pennsylvania about 1870, and she thinks they came there from either Illinois or Missouri. Her grandparents were John Edward McCutcheon, born Sept. 14, 1857, and May Ellen Barr, born 1859 in St. Catherines, Ontario. They were married Nov. 17, 1879 in the Presbyterian Church in Waverly, New York. Her great-grandparents were John McCutcheon and Sarah Ann Wells. She says she has an old Bible with four pages of births, deaths, and marriages, but no places are mentioned. She will be pleased to correspond with anybody who might be able to give her further information about this branch of the family. Ruth's address is 117 Bensley St., Sayre, Pennsylvania, 18840.

July 5, 1978

Dear Mrs. McCutcheon:

I am wondering whether anyone is working on the McCutcheon/McCutchen families in Ohio and Pennsylvania.

I am searching for information regarding my great-great-grandmother's family.

REBECCA MCCUTCHEN born ca 1786, daughter of SAMUEL MCCUTCHEN of Pa., married JACOB BAKER, born 1780, Germany. They appeared in Guernsey County around 1804 and settled in Guernsey County. REBECCA died in 1840 and is buried in the Old Washington Cemetery. They had a large family. JACOB lived up into his 80s.

I found a SAMUEL MCCUTCHEN in the 1840 Census age 50-70, who was probably a brother, however, he did not appear on any of the other census reports, and I could find no McCutchen on the later records. They apparently moved out of the County.

Also, I found a number of McCutchens in Muskingum and Delaware Counties.

I would appreciate your help.

Thank you.

Mrs. Alma B. Heller
531 West 13th Street
Tempe, Az 85281

P.S. I have copies of the MCCUTCHEN TRACE. Also, a number of my BAKER families emigrated to IOWA COUNTY WISCONSIN where a number of MCCUTCHEN families also lvd. There are many descendants still there.

A PROMISING YOUNG ARTIST



A young Chicago artist, Ann B. McCutchan, was honored this summer with two exhibits of her work. During the month of July her paintings and drawings were in display at the Old Gallery in Evansville, Indiana. More than 200 people attended a reception on Saturday evening, July 1, to mark the opening of the one-woman show, and several works were sold before the evening was over.

Ann works primarily in oils and pastels. Her paintings are abstract, with a soft, misty quality achieved through the use of delicate shades of grays, blues, pinks, and lavenders.

During the month of September she was joined by two fellow artists for a three-man show at Facets Gallery in Chicago.

In 1976 she was represented in the 76th Exhibition by Artists of Chicago, and in April of this year she was finalist in the Arthur Baer Memorial Competition at the Beverly Art Center.

In 1970 Ann went to Scotland to study art at the University of Aberdeen. She returned to DePauw University in 1975 and received an AB degree. Then she took a year of work at the Sorbonne in Paris, France, under Rod Abramson. In 1977 she received a second baccalaureate degree from the Chicago Art Institute, and she is currently completing work for her Masters Degree there.

Ann, who is descended from the line of William and Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan, is the only daughter of Bettye Burchfield McCutchan and the late John E. of Evansville.

McCUTCHAN MEMORIAL AWARD

Two men who teach amateur radio classes at Indiana State University have been named co-winners of the John E. McCutchan Memorial Award. Frank L. Hirt and Harold A. Wilson are the first persons to receive the award named for the late Evansville business man who had been active in amateur radio for nearly fifty years.

After McCutchan's death in 1974 all his amateur radio equipment was donated to the University, allowing for the creation of classes in the subject. The award is to be given annually to someone who has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement of amateur radio.

At the time of his death at age 58 McCutchan was President of the Board of Trustees of Indiana State University at Terre Haute, Indiana, and also President of the Greene & Greene Insurance Agency in Evansville.

GRAND MARSHAL

Former University of Evansville basketball coach, Arad McCutchan, was named grand Marshal of the City of Evansville, Indiana's, Freedom Festival Parade on the Fourth of July. McCutchan, who was born on the Fourth of July, 1912, guided the University of Evansville's Purple Aces to five NCAA college division basketball championships and is a member of the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame.

He retired from his coaching position at the beginning of the fall season in 1977. His successor and the entire team were all killed in a tragic plane crash on December 13th. McCutchan, having just retired, was not aboard.

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Change of Address

Direct, first class mail addressed to the following members has been returned by the Post Office as "Not Deliverable" because of incorrect addresses. Apparently these folks have moved and forgot to notify us of their new location. We do not want to lose contact with them. We ask that anyone who can supply correct, current addresses for any of the following please do so at once.

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September 15, 1978

Jennie L. McCutcheon
716 C Avenue
Lawton, OK 73501

Greetings-

And thank you for your letter of September 12th which was received yesterday. I was glad to hear from you.

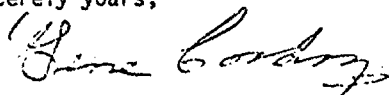
My interest in the McCutcheon Family is an outgrowth of my interest in the Weir Family. My g.g.g.g.g. grandfather was Hugh Weir who died in 1779. - (Hugh's)
His oldest son was Jonathan Weir was my ancestor. His youngest daughter Elizabeth married John McCutcheon son of James McCutcheon of Augusta Co. VA. I am primarily trying to run down all the descendants of John and Elizabeth. But it is a slow process as I am also working on a dozen other very large family trees as well as various other local histories. I did include some McCutcheon data in my two published books but only incidentally as they married into other lines or appeared in the history of the area. Those two books were: DESCENDANTS OF VIRGINIA, KENTUCKY AND MISSOURI PIONEERS (1973), which includes information on over 15,000 persons and other matters, price postpaid \$33.; and HISTORY OF NEW LEBANON, COOPER COUNTY MISSOURI (1976), an area where some McCutcheons lived, price postpaid \$29. Both books are cloth cover and on the large format of 8 1/2 " by 11". If I chained myself to the typewriter, I have enough data in my files for several more books, in one of which I would include the McCutcheon data thus far collected. But one keeps finding more information, etc. Besides, it is more fun to search and find than to organize and publish. So I may never get anything else printed, or, if I don't fall beside the way, I could possibly finish another or so. Who knows the future? Actually, because I don't file very orderly, I fear that I am about to be crushed by the 90-100,000 people I am trying to keep track of therein; it is really too much data to try to manipulate. A few years I could pick a name and know just where it fit in the scheme of things, but now I am having trouble even trying to locate written references. Alas and Alack!

At the moment I am filling the nomination forms for an old church in order to have it registered as a National Historic site; that is proving much more work than I thought. But should finish it in couple more weeks.

I spent the summer in Missouri collecting and reseaching; had a great time. Came through Lawton on way back; if I had known you were there, I'd have stopped in.

Thanks again for your letter. With the hope that this finds all well with you and yours, I am

Sincerely yours,



ANDREW JACKSON

1823—BDT(Va.); 3009—CVC (Tex.): Pres. Andrew Jackson (MacShane), Hutchinson (McCutcheon), McKemey (McCamie); Ire., N.C., S.C.; Rev.

"When I was a child my father told me that one man was elected to the Presidency who was not born in the United States. The tradition was that Andrew Jackson was born on the high seas on the way from Ireland to this country. I do not know that this can be verified. I do know that North Carolina and South Carolina have not been able to establish where he was born." (Congressman Jos. F. O'Connell of Boston, Mass., toastmaster, 32nd annual banquet, American Irish Hist. Soc., N.Y., Jan. 25, 1930, p. 41, v.28, *The Journal of the Amer. Irish Hist. Soc.*, N.Y., 1930).

"Where he was born is a matter of dispute. I would like to agree with my friend from Boston if I could, but I fear that it must be decided that Andrew Jackson was born on the fifteenth day of March, 1767, very close to the border of North Carolina, in South Carolina, or very close to the border of South Carolina, in North Carolina. Andrew Jackson himself asserted that he was born in South Carolina, and I am inclined to think that the truth of the story of his birth is in that direction. A distinguished member of this society, Cyrus Townsend Brady, writing of him, says that he was born in South Carolina. He was the posthumous son of Andrew Jackson, who, in 1765, with his wife, who had been Elizabeth Hutchinson—the Anglicized form of the old Gaelic name of McCutcheon—came with their two children, Robert a boy of

two, and Hugh, an infant of five months, to the Waxhaws Settlement . . . along the border of what became the North and South Carolina line . . . from that Settlement, of what were called the Poor Irish, came several of the most distinguished men who have figured in the history of this country . . . His father died several months before the birth, and left Andrew's mother in the direst poverty and distress, so that the child was born in the home of an uncle of his, one Thomas McKemey—the historian, Parton, spells it McCamie—who was married to another of the Hutchinson girls. Jackson's father had been a linen weaver, in Ireland, as had . . . Elizabeth Hutchinson's father. They came from Carrickfergus, and it is an interesting thought that the name Jackson, about whose racial derivation there has been so much dispute, is a translation of MacShane, one of the sub-tribes of the O'Neills . . . His grandfather's name was Hugh . . . Jackson always insisted that there was nothing but Irish in him . . . His two brothers . . . died . . . while fighting for the United States (in Rev.) . . . His mother . . . went to Charleston, in order to be of assistance to those who were fighting for freedom. While there she was taken with what was called the 'ship's fever'—probably yellow fever—and died, leaving Andrew, about fifteen years of age, with no immediate relative to whom to turn. He went to his collateral relations; continued with them for awhile; went to learn to be a saddler, and worked for two or three years at that trade before turning his attention to the study of law; being admitted to the bar at the age of twenty." (*Judge Daniel F. Cohalan, address on "Andrew Jackson", pp. 173-87, ibid.*)—Mt (D.C.)

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Obituaries

Velma Rankin

Velma Marie Rankin, 32, of Bowen, formerly of Springfield, died at 2 p.m. Sept. 13 as a result of an auto accident in the Bowen vicinity.

Mrs. Rankin was born in Springfield, the daughter of Roy E. and Cynthia Ballard Lammert of Pleasant Plains. In 1970 she married Terry A. Rankin. She was a graduate of Lincoln, and was an active member of the Augusta Christian Church, where her husband is pastor.

Surviving are her husband, Terry A., one son, David, and one daughter, Melissa, at home; two sisters, Mrs. Cindy Brackett and Miss Jennie Lammert of Champaign; one brother, Ed Lammert of Springfield; her mother and father; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Augusta Christian Church, the Rev. Ronald Richardson officiating. Burial will be in Bowen Cemetery.

Neiser Funeral Home Bowen, is in charge of arrangements.

? ? Query ?

Oct. 9, 1978
47170 Rosemary
Utica, Mi. 48087

Dear Mrs. McCutchen—

The parents of my wife's paternal grandfather (Harry R. Gallagher, born 1869 St. Paul, Minn.) were Henry Gallogher and Mary McCutchen.

This is all we know of them.

If this is your McCutcheon family or you have run across them in your research I would appreciate knowing of it.

Sincerely,
Phillip Don Porter

SAVE YOUR MAGAZINE

Our McCUTCHEN Magazine is one of the finest family association magazines in the United States, and it is growing with every issue. We urge you to keep each copy intact and preserve them for future generations of your family. If for any reason you do not wish to keep the magazines after you have finished reading them we urge you to donate them to the nearest historical or genealogical society, or your public library. Our editor, Jennie, is receiving requests from libraries and genealogical societies all over the country to be put on the mailing list.

THE NEW GENERATION

The following letter dated September 6, 1978 has been received from Mrs. Jackson (Marion) Gray of 923 W. Florida St., Evansville, Indiana:

"I would like to notify all our family members that we have a new grandson born July 26, 1978, JEREMY SCOTT SAWYERS, son of Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sawyers I of Spring Lake, North Carolina. Jeremy and his brother Michael II (age 21 months) are the tenth generation stemming from James and Grissel McCutcheon. Looking forward to seeing everyone at Paris Landing next year."

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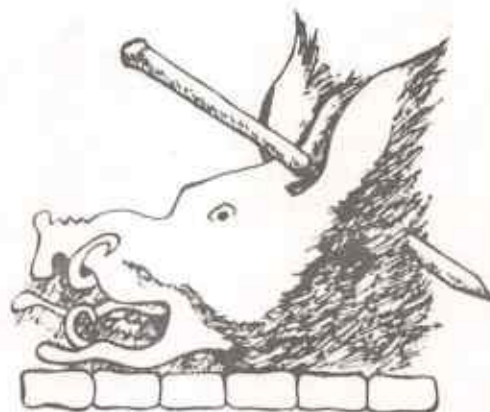
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HILDEGARDE SMITH

The Matter Of A Family Coat Of Arms

An Editorial Comment By Kenneth McCutchan

In the days of knights in armor heraldry was developed primarily for the purpose of distinguishing one man encased in a suit of armor from another. These coats of arms were then adopted by all members of his family, and they were handed down from generation to generation and displayed with pride. A full coat of arms usually consisted of a shield bearing a symbol or set of symbols or pictures over which was placed the crest. The crest was frequently, but not always, an animal or bird. Below the shield was a pennant with the knight's motto inscribed in Latin. These three devices made up the full coat of arms.

The rules of heraldry are complex and vary from country to country. For example, the Irish system is the simplest and has no snobbery in it. An Irish coat of arms is a sentimental heirloom rather than a claim to some inscrutable kind of fame. It was handed down from the old clan chieftan to all his family and to all the members of the septs affiliated with his clan. Everybody who belonged, or was related in any way, was entitled to wear or display it, even the lowliest laborer. It was a badge of identification.

On the other hand, English heraldry is the most complex and snobbish. In this system, when a couple married they might, if they wished, combine the coats of arms of their two families by dividing the shield and showing the symbols of both families—a composite. The next generation could quarter the shield and so on. Today some of the old, so called noble families of England have such complicated shields that only an astute genealogist is able to decipher them, but they are a record of all the important blood lines in the family. Meanwhile families with no coats of arms, if they became affluent, were permitted to create one for themselves and, for a fee, apply to the crown to have it officially accepted and recorded. I am told it is still possible to do this today.

Assuming that the McCutchans, McCutchens, McCutchins, etc. were all originally McCutcheons and a sept of the Clan Donald of Scotland, as

Scottish genealogical books tell us, then it would seem that we should abide by the rules of Scottish heraldry. These are similar to the Irish rules, with one exception. In Scotland only the chieftan and members of his clan who bear his name (in this case McDonald) are entitled to display his full coat of arms. Members of related septs (such as the McCutcheons) were permitted only the crest. So it would seem that we do not legally have a full coat of arms, unless some branch of the family went to England at some time or other and had one created for them. This may be the case with the full coat of arms displayed on the cover of our magazine. Hildegard Smith discovered this coat of arms during her research travels in the British Isles and used it on the covers of both volumes of her book *The McCutchen Trace*. I feel that this coat of arms is very English and displays no characteristics of the McDonalds or any other Scottish coat of arms. Note the quartered shield, the ocelots rampant, and the motto "By Sea—By Land", and remember that according to the Scottish rules of heraldry the sept families are entitled to only a crest.

This brings us then to the Boar's Head crest shown on the cover of our magazine. I discovered this in a tiny protestant church in a village called Streete in County Westmeath, Ireland. It was in the center medallion of a stained glass window placed in that church more than a century ago as a memorial to the McCutchan family by one of the last surviving members in that area. Those of you who attended the final banquet of our 1977 reunion may remember seeing colored slides of that window. More recently I have been informed by Philip McCutchan, who lives in the south of England, that he has in his possession some very old family silver that bears the same crest.

However, one question comes to mind. Why the Boar's Head for the McCutchans? If we are indeed a sept of the Clan Donald, then it seems that our crest should be from their coat of arms—which is generally a human arm holding a sword. The Boar's Head seems to come from the Campbells of Breadlebane; but I have also

discovered that at one time the Boar's Head was also used by one Lockhart McDonald of Lee. I find it almost impossible to unravel the complexities of Scottish clan relationships. In the early days there were constant wars and the trading of alliances between the clans, but it seems that generally the Campbells and the McDonalds were closely aligned. Perhaps this explains the Boar's Head for the McCutchans, an affiliation with both McDonalds and Campbells.

What all this seems to add up to is that we really cannot be sure what is correct. Anyway, here in America, at this point in time, a coat of arms or a crest is really nothing more than a whimsical affectation and carries little significance. So I think each person, if he wants to, should select whatever makes him happy and comfortable. Personally I like to wear a ring with the Boar's Head crest. That seems right for me because my ancestors came to America from the region around the little church where I found the stained glass window. Some may prefer something else and have reason to believe it is more right for them.

One note of caution, however. Frequently there appear in magazines advertisements announcing that for a certain number of dollars a company will send you your "authentic" coat of arms. Beware! They can rightly assume that you don't know, or you wouldn't be buying their services, so they will certainly send you something, no matter how contrived it may be. I have seen the results from three such "researches". Three McCutcheons(ans) that I know of have written to the same company in Ohio and have received three entirely different full coats of arms. although the brief historical material accompanying the drawings was basically the same—information copied from Elsdon Smith's *Dictionary of American Family Names*. My advise is save your money. If you *must* have a coat of arms, draw one yourself. It will be just as authentic and a lot cheaper. If you can be content with only a crest, which I believe is proper for us, use the Boar's Head or the crest from the McDonald coat of arms, which is a human arm holding a sword.

REUNION INFORMATION

Here's the info about the August reunion.

First, at the Inn, there is a minimum number of rooms available due to the building program which is still bogged down at the State Capitol (typical govt. red tape). But we do have all available rooms tied down plus an alternate Motel nearby (within a mile). There are also additional resorts, campgrounds, motels, etc. around the area at the lake, and of course here in Paris . . . but that's a 16-mile drive. Please note the similarities of the names of the motel and the Inn. The motel is privately owned, but is less than 2-3 years old. The rooms at the Inn are also new; the building program involves the older section of rooms which are being torn down to make room for more modern rooms.

I liked the idea of the one sheet listing all charges, etc. However, we still have a couple of items not firmed up, so rather than wait I'm going ahead with the list of the major items with the understanding that there may be a couple of additional events for which there may be a small charge.

One of the big problems I'm running into is whether or not to try to get busses for the Saturday tour. I'll just have to wait until later in the summer and see how the gas situation goes.

One thing that we might want to do is give the complete information as we have it now in the newsletter and then send additional info in June, in July, and the first of August to those who make reservations or who indicate they definitely plan on coming.

So, with that preliminary information out of the way, here's the lineup on rooms and the scheduled events (so far). The schedule is, of course, not completely firm, and Kenneth may want to change the time, day, etc. of the meetings, but here's the way we've got it so far.

ROOM RESERVATIONS:

Paris Landing State Park Inn

Route 1

Buchanan, Tennessee 38333

At least 30 rooms are available now both Friday and Saturday nights, August 17-18. There are only a few rooms available for Thursday night, August 16 and Sunday night, August 19. Doubles are \$26.00 per night, each additional person is \$4.00 with children under 12 free (when staying in the same room with parents—or other adults). Rollaways (available for some rooms) are \$3.00 nightly. A deposit of at least one night's charges is required to hold your reservation, or you can guarantee it with your MasterCard or Visa (BankAmericard) number. No other credit cards are accepted. **SPECIFY "McCUTCHEN TRACE ASSOCIATION" ON YOUR ROOM REQUEST.** If you wish to call, the number is (901) 642-4311. Arrangements were made through Inn Manager, Mrs. Ann Reeves.

The alternate housing:

Paris Landing Motel

Route 1, Box 84-B

Buchanan, Tennessee 38222

Fourteen double-rooms and two singles are available here, which is a private motel approximately one mile from the Inn. Singles are \$15.90, doubles are \$24.38, with a \$3.00 charge for each additional person. Rollaways are available, children under 12 are free when staying in same room. Again, a deposit of one night's charge is required to guarantee the reservation, but they also accept MasterCard or Visa cards and your number can be used to guarantee your reservation. **SPECIFY "McCUTCHEON TRACE ASSOCIATION" ON YOUR ROOM REQUEST.** (Sorry about that spelling slip.) Their phone number is (901) 642-0217. **THE MOTEL WILL ONLY HOLD THESE ROOMS UNTIL July 1st, so get your reservations in early if you'd rather stay here.**

Here's a list of a few of the nearby resorts that may have availabilities. Buchanan Resort (642-2828), Mansard Island Resort and Marina (642-5590), Russwood Shores (642-7997), and Shamrock Resorts (232-8211). All are area code 901. Here's a few of the motels in Paris that I could recommend: Avalon Court (642-4121), Paris Plaza Motel* (642-2531), Parisian Motel* (642-1822), Terrace Woods Lodge (642-2642), Woodlawn Motel and Red Carpet Dining Room* (642-3751). Those marked (*) accept American Express Cards, in addition to Visa and MasterCard.

The schedule:

If enough folks arrive on Thursday, we'll have an "Early Bird" get-together on Thursday night (dutch-treat, very informal). "Enough" would be a minimum of three or four couples. If we do, there would also be a breakfast time together possible, or we could eat on our own. During the day Friday, registration will be going on in the lobby of the inn, and there'll be golf, swimming, fishing boating, shopping, etc. available (on your own). Full brochures and maps will be available. Also a special historical tour of Paris will probably be arranged, either a "drive-yourself" tour or by bus, depending on the number of early arrivals. This would be scheduled in the 1-3 pm range on Friday afternoon.

Friday night, August 17—Barbecue, 6:30 pm, Ellington Hall, Paris Landing Inn. Cost will be \$2.00 *per person*, \$1.50 for 12 and under. This will be a get-acquainted (or reacquainted) time, with some entertainment (Tennessee type), and possibly a short business session. It will be over when everyone leaves . . . if you get the idea.

Saturday, August 18—Early breakfast (on your own). Leave Paris Landing Inn by 8:30, if by bus there will be a very small charge per person; or, if by private car we will provide very detailed maps and a timetable, and hopefully be able to travel in a caravan. Arrive Fort Donelson National Military Park and Cemetery at Dover by 9:30, tour to last until 10:30. Pick up tour guide for "Land Between the Lakes" at 11:00 at South Information Station. **LUNCH** (either a box lunch, or—if possible—a meal at a group camp)—cost will be \$1.50 per person. **THIS WILL BE AN ALL-DAY TOUR WITH**

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REUNION INFORMATION

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SEVERAL STOPS, QUITE A BIT OF WALKING. MANY CEMETERIES, OTHER HISTORICAL SITES. WEAR COMFORTABLE CLOTHES AND SHOES. August in Tennessee is traditionally hot and HUMID. We plan to return to Paris Landing Inn by 5 pm.

Saturday, August 18—7:00 pm. Banquet, Ellington Hall, Paris Landing State Park Inn. Cost will be \$7.00 per person, including children. We are still awaiting confirmation from speaker as well as rest of program. Typical banquet menu at Paris Landing Inn includes Carved Roast Beef, Ham, Fried Chicken, etc. several vegetables, and the usual salads, pickles, etc. and dessert. It will be worth the price . . . and is a BUFFET meal.

Sunday morning, August 19—Early breakfast (on your own). Memorial Service at 8:30 (tentatively set for Point Pleasant Baptist Church, near Paris Landing). Provide your own transportation, full directions will be given. Service will be over by 9:30.

Check-out time at Paris Landing Inn is 1:00 pm, so no other activities have been planned for Sunday.

So as it stands now, adult cost for the meals, etc. listed on page 3 would run \$10.50 and, to cover any miscellaneous cost, add \$1.50 per person for registration fee, making a total of \$12.00 per adult. Total for children under 12 will be only \$10.00 per person, as we can absorb the registration fee for them as well as the lower price for the Friday night get-together

As we've concentrated everything between Friday night and Saturday night that we'll have to charge for, I hope most folks will make plans to come for all of it. However, if they wish, they can simply choose which events they want, make their check or money order out for the amount needed, and we'll try to keep up with it. The \$1.50 registration fee will still be needed, however.

By the way, the Friday night Barbecue will be a real bargain. This will be barbecued (hickory-smoked) PORK SHOULDER with all the trimmings and it will be an informal, help-yourself, buffet-type meal.

I hope this can be sorted out and makes good sense. If you have any questions, call me at (901) 642-1655 (home), or (901) 642-2621 (office).

Oh yes . . . checks should be made out to:

PARIS LANDING—MCCUTCHEON REUNION and mailed to Daron E. McCutcheon, 808 Dunlap Street, Paris, Tennessee 38242. A special account has been set up to handle all funds.

Hope to hear from you soon and look forward to seeing you in August.

Sincerely,

Bill McCutcheon

Letter From Your Editor

IT IS REUNION TIME AGAIN . . . Something that we have been looking forward to for the past several months and I do hope that most of you are planning on attending. All details are outlined elsewhere in our newsletter. Your Officers have been working diligently in order to make this another huge success but it will require your presence for us to have an enjoyable reunion.

In this newsletter you will find several more items on McCutchenville, Ohio, which has not been my custom to give one area more attention than another for it takes us all to make our Association into a good strong family group. However, it has only been recently that we have gotten acquainted with our Ohio cousins and they are such fine folks that we really need to get better acquainted and the area in which they live is very historic and they too have been a part of the American scene but the most important thing is, they are long lost McCutcheon cousins some of whom have joined the Association and are planning on attending the reunion. Consequently I have given extra space to letting you know about them and the area, for wouldn't it be nice to have our next reunion in McCutchenville, Ohio with headquarters in the old McCutchen Inn built in 1892?

Also in this newsletter is a story written by Wertha Fern Cummings. Sometimes I ask Kenneth for ideas as to the type of stories to put in our paper and I wrote to him asking what he thought about having a story on a McCutcheon family and how they faced adversity.

His reply was: "Your suggestion of using something on families that have had rough going is a fine idea. Life isn't all a bowl of cherries, and everybody isn't famous, nor did all our ancestors come from a castle in Europe. I much prefer to tell things as they are."

Fern Cummings is my niece and knowing her story I asked if she would write an article for our newsletter which she graciously consented to do. Thank You Fern.

Be sure and remember the date August 17-18, at Paris Landing, Tenn. We will look forward to seeing you then.

Your Editor

Jennie L. McCutcheon
716 C Ave., Lawton, OK 73501

McCutchen Trace Volumes Still Available

Volume 1 of the McCutchen Trace, written by Hildegard Smith, founder of McCutchen Trace Association, is still available and may be purchased from Dallis Smith, 7008 Briarwood Drive, Little Rock, Ark. 72205.

Dallis will also attend the reunion and copies may be purchased then. Volume 2 can no longer be purchased.

TEACHER EXTRAORDINARY

"What name do you give this child?", asked the minister. "America Missouri McCutchen," replied the proud father. As a titter ran through the congregation the little maid was duly baptized in the faith of her fathers. Some there were who opinioned this geographical cognomen and a bad cold would be enough to carry her off, but much to everyone's surprise she brought honor to it.

America McCutchen first saw the light of day on 23 July 1830 in Cooper County, Missouri. Only the year before, her parents had come from Kentucky with their slaves and household provender to start a new home in the wilds of Missouri. As a child of the frontier, America lived in a three-room log house beside a clear flowing spring. When the family needed salt they boiled their own from brine found at a neighboring "lick". When they needed meat for the table it was only necessary to go into the woods and shoot a deer.

Like other little girls of that day, America and the slave children played with corn shuck dolls, swung on wild grapevines and painted their faces with mulberry juice to look like Indians. Once a week she and the other children scoured themselves with homemade soap and put on clean clothes as a concession to the Sabbath. Sitting on the hard benches in the Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church they learned the catechism by heart.

"What is the first duty of man?"

"To glorify God!" came the piping response.

During the week school was held in the church, and here America dutifully copied her lessons on a tiny slate. As one term followed another she learned to read, write and cipher. Not that there was much to read except the Bible which seemed to fascinate her. At age fifteen while attending a camp meeting she underwent a "conversion" and became a Christian. Having "gotten religion", as the saying went, she was soon persuading her contemporaries to seek "the Light."

As a dutiful daughter of the household she learned to spin, weave, knit, cook and sew. Oblivious to future events, these newly acquired skills would serve her well. Her father, John McCutchen, could not foresee that his daughter would one day become a missionary, but he did know that a good education would never go amiss.

At that time a boarding school for young ladies was located in Boonville, the county seat, which was twelve miles away. In addition to academic subjects, courses in music, art and embroidery were also offered. There was nothing in America's background that would have encouraged the study of art, yet she found it extremely interesting. In 1845 a creative approach to artwork was unthinkable. The pupil was expected to be only a good copyist and to work from black and white engravings of pictures done by the Old Masters. Since no colors were indicated, the pupils were permitted to make up their own color schemes. We can imagine America's delight as she squeezed the bright colors out on her palette and set to work.

The accompanying photograph shows her attempt to copy a likeness of "Lavinia" as painted by the Italian artist

Titian. The low neckline must have shocked her Victorian Modesty because there has been a slight change in its contour. Surprisingly enough America also made an attempt to do a three-dimensional study in a deep boxlike frame. The foreground built up of moss and pebbles depicts a castle on a hill situated beside a stream crossed by a bridge. The background painted in oils shows a few trees and a sky with fleecy clouds. Other than her mahogany palette and a bedside table, nothing has survived from her student days.

According to family legend America taught art at the Female Seminary at Arrow Rock, Missouri, after finishing her studies in Booneville. That being the case her neighbor was George Caleb Bingham, the Missouri artist whose home stood near the seminary.

With America's interest in religion it was not surprising that young Mr. Witherspoon, a Presbyterian Minister, should be attracted to her. After a courtship of two years they were

married on 18 September 1850. To augment his slender income, America obtained a teaching job at her Alma Mater in Boonville. Despite the fact that she loved her husband dearly, the rest of the family took a dim view of "Brother Witherspoon". For one thing he was a "Yankee" which meant that he was a Republican. Somewhat quarrelsome and overbearing he soon alienated his father-in-law and the house servants. When he insisted that a slave girl be whipped for "sassing" him, that was a little more than the family would tolerate. Eventually he obtained a charge in Illinois and died there in 1863 during the Civil War. Sorry though the family was to see America a widow, they breathed a sigh of relief. Hopefully she would have better luck the next time around and even marry a Democrat!

America must have had an affinity for preachers because shortly after returning to her father's home she met the Reverend J. A. Drennan, a widower with two little girls, who had been called to the Presbyterian Church in Lexington, Missouri. Hoping to exercise her Christian duty as a stepmother, she married the gentleman during January of 1868. Their joy however was of short duration. Two years later her husband died leaving his two daughters in her care. Their only son, born in 1869, soon died, leaving her desolate.

America had now come to a turning point in her life. Hardpressed to make ends meet she resumed teaching, which would be her only means of support for the next 15 years. Realizing the need for teachers in the defeated South, she taught several terms in Oxford, Mississippi, and McMinnville, Tennessee. Being all to human, she felt that God had turned His back on her. Service to others now became her only consolation.

It was not until 1883, when America was 53 years old, that she applied for foreign mission work. The Presbyterian Church was recruiting missionaries for Japan and she volunteered to go. On arriving in Osaka she was fascinated by the country, but not knowing the language she wondered how she could ever communicate with the people. Being determined to spread "The Word" she began holding

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America Missouri McCutchen



This is a likeness "Aunt America" copied of "Lavinia" as painted by the Italian artist Titian.

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English classes in her home for young men. Slowly as they learned the language she guided them into Bible study and the tenets of Christianity. Eventually they became her interpreters. During this first year on foreign soil she organized a girls school and started a Sunday School class.

Hoping to reach more people, she had tracts printed to be distributed on the streets.

During the second year 150 pupils enrolled in her boarding school which she managed with such ability that it turned a profit. Speaking through her interpreters she taught morning, afternoon and evening classes, which would have exhausted a less dedicated soul. Hoping to alleviate the misery of the downtrodden Japanese housewife, she organized classes in 1885 where they could learn cookery, embroidery, English and her particular brand of religion. Seeing the need to care for homeless children she opened an orphanage three years

later.

After spending five busy years in Osaka the Mission Board transferred her to Nagoya to do evangelistic work. There she organized a church and a school for women. Following these successful ventures she established separate schools for boys and girls. Through her efforts five young men were prepared for the ministry. Fortunately at that time the upper classes in Japan were eager to learn English. Using this as an opening wedge she soon had them studying the Bible.

Transfers came rather frequently and eventually America was sent to the rural areas of the country where no foreigners had ever been seen. The authorities worried about her traveling alone and unescorted, but she was received with the greatest kindness and consideration. Usually after renting a building for a church she would train "Bible Women" who were charged with going from door to door to spread the "Good News". In one

village America entered a hovel where the family was offering a little girl for sale as a prostitute. Horrified at the thought she bought the child and took her into her own home to rear. Winters were rather cold in the mountains, which brought additional hardships. Being obliged to eat and sleep in the Japanese fashion in an unheated room, she often suffered the discomforts of "colds" and respiratory disorders. Where roads existed she traveled by rickshaw. When there was none she took a footpath over the mountain to reach some village on the other side. On these expeditions she was often without an interpreter which made it necessary to use sign language and the few words she had picked up. One day at an Inn, while trying to order lobster she used the wrong word and was served a dish of boiled snake!

By 1898 the efforts to make Presbyterians of the Japanese had been so successful that the Buddhist priests were outraged. Organizing mobs they tried to discourage the practice of Christianity by stoning the churches and reviling the converts. Failing in these attempts they next decreed that no Christian could be buried in a Buddhist Cemetery. America's congregation was quite poor, but with her help enough money was raised to buy land for their burial plot.

However, no attempt was ever made to stop her from preaching, even in a strange village. On one occasion, after talking for two hours her listeners begged for more. Armed only with "love" she was convinced that the Almighty would keep her from harm.

A country girl at heart, America planted a garden each year and raised a flock of chickens. Knowing something of grape culture she squeezed the communion wine from her own vines and saw to it that it was served in an unfermented state. The young men of the town consumed far too much rice wine for her to contribute to their delinquency!

Compared to Japanese women "Mrs. Drennan", as she was called, was a liberated lady indeed. Always in the back of her mind was the deplorable condition of the women who were treated like second class citizens. During the latter part of her tour she was transferred to the town of Tsu in the Province of Ise to supervise several missions and churches in the area. This entailed considerable traveling

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"Aunt America" sent home a variety of Japanese handicrafts mostly lacquer-ware, which have been photographed. The table on which these items rest was also hers.

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well as preaching and teaching. As though this weren't enough, she established a recreation center in her own home where she taught various kinds of craft work at night. Old men learned to make fish nets and their wives learned spinning and weaving. Those wishing to learn embroidery or knitting were also instructed. Hoping to reach the young matrons in the community America solved the problem rather neatly. She hired Japanese instructors who introduced the ladies to their own culture. In these classes the students learned the intricacies of the tea ceremony and flower arranging.

With nothing to do except watch the proceedings, America took over the task of baby-sitting. Keeping an eye on her little charges and cradling an infant in her lap she caught up on her correspondence. Neither time nor money was ever wasted by this driving woman! Much of her letter writing was concerned with soliciting funds from church groups in the United States. Always short of money, she plowed

most of her salary back into the business. By 1900 she began dipping into her savings on deposit in this country. In addition to buying a parlor organ to accompany the singing she occasionally had to pay the rent on the church. She had also adopted two Japanese girls when she reared and educated on her meager salary. Eventually she was obliged to inform the board of her financial plight.

During July of 1900, when America celebrated her 70th birthday 75 former pupils showed up bearing gifts. Speeches were made and several poems were composed in her honor. After decorating the yard with lanterns the guests served the refreshments they had brought. America was both surprised and pleased to be so well remembered. It was then that she decided to live out her days in Japan. Fortunately the Almighty didn't concur with this decision.

Tsu was a cotton mill town and ere long America began to wonder what she could do for the 400 young women who tended the spindles. Not that they had much time

for entertainment. They only worked from 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. every day! By starting a Sunday School class for them she was at least able to vary the monotony. As a fringe benefit she entertained them with magic lantern slides. Shortly after getting this project underway America fell victim to the plague.

What was then referred to as "plague" was Chinese influenza which had begun to ravage Eastern Asia. In rather a short time it spread to Japan. Not until 1918 would it spread over the Western world to be known as "La Grippe" or Spanish Flu. After suffering repeated attacks of the malady, America received orders to return home in 1902. Greatly weakened by illness, she continued her work until October of that year. Tearfully bidding her congregation farewell she made her way to the railroad station to board the train to Yokohama. Much to her surprise she was greeted by the Civil authorities and half of the population. They had turned out en masse to pay their respects to the lady who had dwelt among them for eighteen years. Other than a year's leave of absence in 1894, when she came back on a visit, she had spent the whole time in Japan. Boarding a steamship in Yokohama she eventually arrived in California. In only a short time she became a celebrity. Church groups everywhere wished to hear of her adventures among the heathen. On one Sunday she addressed three different groups. In Colorado, while visiting her sister she received an enthusiastic welcome. By the time she reached her old home in Central Missouri she was completely exhausted. On the 26th of June in 1903 the cheerful voice was stilled forever. She was laid to rest in the Mount Vernon Cemetery at Pilot Grove beside the church in which her early piety had been fostered. Had this not been the case, a great many facts regarding her work in Japan would have been lost.

From an interview conducted with America in 1894 and from numerous letters and official reports, the details of her labors were pieced together by Mrs. J.H. Morton. In 1904 "Hands At Rest", the story of Mrs. Dremman's life was printed by the Cumberland Presbyterian Publishing House in Nashville, Tennessee. Excerpts from that publication were used in this article.

The author grew up on the farm where "Aunt America", as she was affectionately known, was born in 1830. Five generations of the McCutchen family were privileged to call it home. Long since sold, only the clear flowing spring and our memories remain.

Despite the length of our tribute and much splashing of ink we cannot begin to do justice to the accomplishments of this remarkable lady known as America Missouri McCutchen.

—Thomas McCutchen Todd

Since some of our charter Masonic members were personally involved in the early pioneer history of McCutchenville and the surrounding community, we feel that to include an account of them here would be desirable.

JOSEPH McCUTCHEN

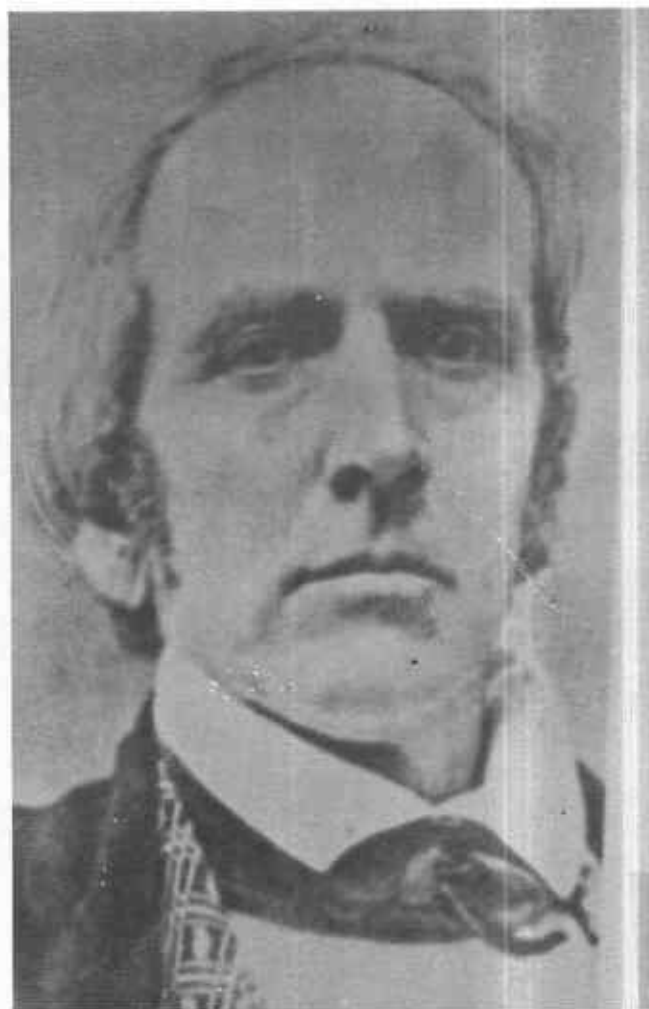
Joseph McCutchen was born on February 2, 1798. In 1827 he moved from Harrison County, Kentucky, to Ohio and settled first at Tymochtee. Two years later, in 1829, he acquired some land about four miles farther north, and hired Dr. George W. Sampson to survey and platt the town of McCutchenville. He built the first home there the same year and started a hotel which he operated until 1845. That hotel has been restored and is now a museum known as Overland Inn. Some of the old records there indicate the cost of a meal to have been 12½ cents, and for a guest that had supper, a night's lodging and breakfast the total charge was 37½ cents.

The Wyandot County History written in 1884 has this to say about Col. McCutchen: "He was generous to a fault, assisting others at the risk of his own personal welfare. As a hotel operator he was a model landlord in every respect except the one which brings monetary success. If he had but one guest, that guest must feast like a king for the price then charged for a dinner. The matter of profit and loss was never taken into consideration when catering to the wants of the public as landlord."

In 1832 the Treaty of McCutchenville was made between the United States Government and the Chiefs of the Wyandot Indians. This group of Wyandots lived on what was known as the Big Spring Reservation, a 16,000 acre area located west of McCutchenville. At the present time most of this area is a part of Big Spring Twp. in Seneca County. According to the terms of the treaty the Indians were to receive \$1.25 per acre for their land and were to be moved on West to another reservation. For the improvements which the Indians had made on the reservation the United States agreed to pay a fair value in money according to the appraisalment of Joseph McCutchen representing the Government and an appraiser chosen by the Wyandot Indians.

Also included in the treaty was a section in which the Wyandots asked the Government that there be a special agent and protector appointed for them while they remained in the State of Ohio. They respectfully recommended Joseph McCutchen as a fit and proper person to act in such capacity. The treaty was signed for the Government by James Gardiner and four other members of a Government Commission. The Indians who signed were Roe-nunas, Bear-skin, She-A-Wah (John Solomon), and another Indian known as John McClean. A record of the treaty also indicates that several other persons were present at the signing, including Joseph McCutchen and George W. Sampson.

Col. McCutchen was a principal mover in securing the new County of Wyandot. After its organization in 1845 he sold his hotel in McCutchenville and moved to Upper Sandusky where he engaged in the mercantile business. The Wyandot County History says that he brought to this



business the same old dash and vigor that marked his course in former years at McCutchenville, but a man of his peculiar disposition, so full of sympathy and consideration for others was not calculated to make a successful merchant, although he did an immense business.

It is not surprising that a man with his interest and concern for other people would give of his time to public service. While still at McCutchenville he served as Justice of the Peace, and after moving to Upper Sandusky he was elected County Auditor. Later on he served terms as State Representative and State Senator.

McCutchen finally sold his mercantile business and purchased a hotel in Upper Sandusky which he operated for a number of years. After retiring from the hotel business he entered the Army and served as Captain of a Company during the Civil War. He died March 13, 1869.

Throughout his life Joseph McCutchen was a very active Mason. He was a charter member of Warpole Lodge No. 176 and served as its first Worshipful Master under dispensation in 1849. In 1866 when a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was instituted in Upper Sandusky he was a charter member and was especially honored when it took the name of McCutchen Chapter No. 96. In 1859 his name was also included in the charter issued to Wyandot Lodge No. 314 at McCutchenville. As a former resident of McCutchenville and a good friend of Dr. Sampson and others, he gave his support in the formation of a Masonic Lodge in the village which now bears his name.

W. Richard McCutchan, Conductor-Composer

W. Richard McCutchan is the assistant conductor of the Hendersonville, North Carolina, Symphony Orchestra. At the final concert of the 1977-78 season he conducted the



orchestra playing his own composition, "Prelude and Fugue in A Minor." Dick was born in Illinois, but attended public schools in Parkersburg, West Virginia, where he was concert master of the high school orchestra. Then he studied violin at Temple University and later at Ohio University where he was graduated with a BS degree in Music Education. He received his MA

degree in Musicology from New York University. His "Prelude and Fugue in A Minor", originally composed as a woodwind quintet, was selected for performance at Carnegie Hall while he was a graduate student at New York University. Further graduate studies were continued at Eastman School of Music, Columbia University, and Cornell. While teaching in Logan, Ohio, he was appointed to the State Board of Directors for the Ohio Music Education Association. In 1962 he became District Director of Music for the Binghamton, New York, public school system. While in Binghamton he was connected with the Binghamton Symphony and the Binghamton Youth Symphony. In 1973 he retired to Hendersonville, North Carolina, where he is currently serving as Assistant Music Director and Conductor of that city's symphony orchestra.

Dick is the son of John D. McCutchan (1878-1940), who was the son of William D. McCutchan (1847-1927) of Lewis County, West Virginia, who was the son of Robert B. McCutchan, born in what is now West Virginia, the son of Downey and Nancy Blank McCutchan, who were married in Culpepper County, Virginia, in 1806.

DONNER PASS STORY ON TV

The last issue of our McCutchen Magazine carried a feature story on the Donner Pass incident. It was a coincidence that the very same week our magazine was mailed out NBC Television ran a 2-hour feature film (October 24) titled "The Donner Pass—The Road to Survival." The movie, produced by Schick-Sunn Classic Productions (the same company that produced the Grizzly Adams series), was filmed entirely in Utah.

The script was based on the Reed family's diaries and letters and was therefore told from their point of view. Popular Hollywood actor, Robert Fuller, was starred in the role of James Reed. Although it followed very faithfully the historical facts of the incident, the film was technically inept. The viewer was never made to feel the real horrors experienced by the survivors. The snow never looked particularly foreboding, nor did the starving people ever appear sufficiently gaunt, weak, and ragged. Robert Fuller remained his handsome, well-shaven self throughout the ordeal.

The role of Big Bill McCutchen was played by George Wolcott, who did a passable job with his part. Amanda McCutchen was mentioned only toward the end of the film when several women came through the snows on foot, but it was never made clear which of the women she was.

With all of its flaws, especially since there are family connections with the historical incident, the film will certainly bear watching again if it is given a re-run on the tube.

TREASURER'S REPORT *by William McCutchan*

Balance September 30, 1978	\$1300.01
Received from Membership Dues	431.00
Received from Bank Interest	23.01
TOTAL	\$1754.02
Printing cost for November 1978 Newsletter	\$431.66
Postage cost for November 1978 Newsletter	50.40
Printing cost (Reunion Notices)	16.12
Postage Cost (Reunion Notices)	39.60
Miscellaneous Postage & Other Costs	47.74
Endorsement Stamp	4.14
TOTAL	\$589.66
Balance on hand May 6, 1979	\$1164.36

CHURCH ON NATIONAL REGISTER

The McCutchanville United Methodist Church and the adjacent cemeteries, McCutchanville, Indiana, have been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Notification was received on February 15th from the U.S. Department of the Interior under the provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. This action was taken on January 18, 1979.

The McCutchen Trace Association held a Sunday morn-

ing worship and memorial service in this church on June 26, 1977, during our 1977 Reunion.

The present brick church was built in 1880 on the site of an earlier frame church. In the surrounding cemeteries are the graves of some seventy McCutchans, along with those of the other pioneer families of that area.

A celebration is being planned for 1980 to mark the one hundredth birthday of the church edifice.

“What’s Up Our Tree?”

Parents are “architects of the family” and I wonder often of all the “architects” down through the decades that resulted in my family and in my being. What were their yearnings, their beliefs, their talents? What did they perhaps pass on to their children and their children’s children as generation after generation grew? The family tree is a large one, and it’s branches spread wide. Ours is a small twig on it, not very significant but a part of the whole nevertheless.

The lush green of the fertile Sacramento River Delta is miles and years from the sand hills, mesquite, and cotton fields of Hollis, Oklahoma; where my grandparents on my father’s side settled and raised their family of six boys and three girls; Grover, Harmon, Floyd, Robert, Irvin, William Packwood, Alvis, Jennie and Mildred.

My father, James Robert McCutcheon, Jr., was born in Hollis, Oklahoma; the son of James Robert McCutcheon, Sr., born in Grayson, Co., Texas; and Daisy Mae Stout, born in Dodd City, Texas. Dad married Nettie Mae Kite, who was born in Hollis, Oklahoma, daughter of Elizabeth Marie Dodd, born in Bandera, Taylor Co., Texas; and Joseph Denson Kite, born in Sevier Co., Arkansas.

My immediate beginning began in Pampa, Texas; first child of Robert and Nettie and the first granddaughter of James and Daisy. All the other grandchildren up to me were boys. I was followed by Donald Ray, Anna Grace, Betty Jo and Barbara May. All born in Texas with the exception of Barbara who was born in Bakersfield, Ca.

We were a very ordinary family until suddenly in 1938 mother became ill with polio. Mother’s quiet faith and unbelievable strength carried her through, when the Doctors said there was no hope. She refused surgery when the Doctors said her unborn baby was dead. My sister Betty Jo, was a happy, chubby, and lively baby and a big handful for me, seven years old to take care of. We hadn’t money for house help and I learned at an early age to cook, standing on a chair, wash diapers and help father take care of the younger children. This early training helped me in my teen years in 4-H work to be chosen 1951 Sacramento Co. All Star and to go on to win second highest in the State of California in my food preparation project.

Our father worked long hours in the fields then came home to care for us and to massage mother’s legs, arms, and back. Paralyzed on her entire right side, and with weakened lungs, mother couldn’t fight off the colds that attacked her so often. The Doctor said she had to go to a warmer climate, so one morning we packed some clothes, blew out the lamp, pulled the door shut on all our possessions, climbed into the old car and as our ancestors before us, set our faces west in search of a better life. Though very young I still remember that trip and marvel at the courage it took, for father under the circumstances, to set off with a sick wife, a baby and three small children with practically no money. We did have the comfort of knowing at the other end was Uncle Irvin and Aunt Faye McCutcheon. Their family and ours have spent

many joyous and happy hours together and been through some of the funniest times in my life.

Without her determination, prayers and the help of Dad, mother probably wouldn’t have made it. But because of all that and her character to never give up, she gradually got better and regained partial use of her leg and right arm. If she happened to fall down though, she couldn’t get up by herself. We laugh now at some of the predicaments she found herself in during those days and she still has some funny accidents.

Suddenly and without warning on a spring morning in 1954 father suffered a fatal heart attack. We were left penniless and without insurance, so mother went back to school to finish her education so that she could get a job. I worked for the State, so between us the younger ones finished high school. Donald was then in the Navy and married, living in another state.

One by one they married and started families of their own. With each one settled, I decided that it was time for me to get married and raise a family of my own.

Now when we gather for holiday’s and family occasions there is quite a housefull of us. I’m sure dad would be proud of his nineteen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

WERTHA FERN . . . (Mrs. Robert L. Cummings) . . . daughters; Debbie, Susan, Linda, Sharon and Judy.

DONALD RAY McCUTCHEON . . . children; Robert Frank McCutcheon, Janice Lynn . . . (Mrs. James R. Shaffer;) Donna Rae . . . (Mrs. Richard Reeser). Karla Jean, and David Ray McCutcheon.

ANNA GRACE . . . (Mrs. Frank Cal) . . . children; Carrie Earlene (Mrs. Daniel Keller) . . . Richard Bryan Wayt and Toni Lea Wayt.

BETTY JO . . . (Mrs. Glenn Walter Norton, Sr.) . . . children; Glenn Walter Norton, Jr.; James Robert Norton; Aron Boyd Norton.

BARBARA MAY . . . (Mrs. Bill Poe) . . . children; Wendy Jo Bronson, John E. Dye, Stephanie Ann Poe.

We all inherited the love for music from Dad and Mother. We all sing and play different instruments, and each time all of us gather we sing and make tapes. My five girls all play piano and two play clarinet. They all sing in the church youth choir, and Debbie (the eldest) is a member of a girls quartet and they sing all over this area at different functions and the convalescent hospitals. They are also a part of the church services furnishing the music on the second Sunday of the month. Donald’s daughter Karla is talented playing the piano and clarinet and has won music awards in her district.

After my fifth child was born I was able to devote some time to one of my loves, art and oil painting. Although I never had any art training at all I did the art for the booths at

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"What's Up Our Tree?"

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our County Fairs and the State Fair entries for our 4-H Club and we won first places for six years. I did some art work for booklets while working for the State. I urged Betty to take it up and showed her some basic steps. Now we co-teach an art class sponsored by the North Delta Senior Citizens. I regret that I couldn't take formal training and go to college because I would really love to have had that education. Teaching myself to bake and decorate cakes has been another hobby of mine, and I now do special occasion cakes and wedding cakes. I have more requests than I can handle. Barbara and Grace are very good at decorating and craft things, and when we all four get together and do a wedding it all comes out perfectly matched even though we don't get together to match things. If we were closer and had more time we could really have a complete business.

My days are kept busy with house chores for a large family (7) and the clerical and bookwork for my husbands business, and trying to keep track of my five girls and getting them to wherever they have to go. They are very active in Rainbow, School Clubs, F.H.A., Scouts, Church, Choruses, and Church Choir. I'm very proud of their scholastic work and my husband worries about sending them to college. They all make the honor roll. Debbie (a junior) has made the honor roll every grade period and has a 3.8 average. Susan was valedictorian of her eighth grade graduating class last summer, and earned a 4.0 average in this, her freshmen

year. As with most mothers I help with school activities, serve as a room mother, and P.T.A. offices. I am an elected ruling Elder of our church and serve as Commissioner to Presbytery; serve on the Rainbow Advisory Board, School Task Force Committee and three other committies.

Our parents taught us to always do our best whatever we undertook to do. Mother, by her example, taught us to have faith, love God and one another. We all live within forty or forty-five miles of each other. We camp, picnic, play and sing together and are ready to help each other whenever one of us needs it. Of course the Irish-Scotch tempers come out occasionally, but we are after all individuals—each with his or her own talents, likes and dislikes. We are like millions of American families not exceptional, not exciting, but we all are descendants of those hardy pioneers that came seeking better lives for themselves and their families. What the future holds. . . ? No one knows. . . ! Our little twig may one day be a big branch and hold famous doctors, lawyers or teachers. . . maybe a future president. . . it will depend on what each of us contribute to its watering and care, but whatever we are. . . we are proud of those who came before us and planted these roots of our family tree.

Wertha Fern McCutcheon Cummings

Editorial comment: This story was written at the request of your editor to show McCutcheon courage in the face of adversity.

March 22, 1979

Dear Jennie,

I want to report the death of our nephew's wife on March 22, 1979. It was discovered the middle of July that she had cancer. The doctors gave her three weeks to live, for it had already worked its way to her liver. Her illness was very sudden. The oncologist who was called in said chemotherapy might prolong her life for six months, and on the other hand they might hasten her death. She made the choice herself to take the treatments because she was expecting a new grandchild in October and she wanted so much to see it. It is a "her" and she of course is darling. Then too, their children Harry Jr. and Paula Anne had told them they wanted to send them to California to visit her brother for a Christmas present. Anyway, we are happy to report for six months she really enjoyed life. This past month was very hard on her, but no complaints did she make.

Besides those survivors listed in the obituary, she has three grandchildred Edwin Leslie Henry, age 11; Harry Leslie Galusha III, age 5, Emily Ellen Galusha, age 5 months.

Will you please put a notice in the next McCutchen Trace News, thanks a lot.

Dorris, Eula, Ada May and I think you are doing a marvelous piece of work on the McCutchen Trace. We enjoy reading them and wish it were possible to get them more often.

We all hope to attend the reunion in August.

*Lovingly,
Dallis*

Mrs. H.L. Galusha

Mrs. Ellen Almaretta Galusha, aged 61, of 7 Laurice Circle, wife of H.L. Galusha, died Thursday. She was the retired co-owner of American Lithographic and Printing Company. She was born at Brinkley, daughter of E.E. and Annis Bryant Want. She was a member of Hunter Memorial United Methodist Church. Other survivors are a son, Harry Galusha Jr. of Little Rock; a daughter, Mrs. Edwin P. Henry of North Little Rock; three brothers, Cleve Want of Pine Bluff; Johnny Want of Hot Springs and E.E. Want, Jr., of Los Angeles, and three sisters, Mrs. Tommy Whiteaker, Mrs. Edd Hamm and Mrs. Richard Caven of Pine Bluff. Funeral will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Hunter Memorial United Methodist Church by Rev. Roger Armstrong. Burial will be at Roselawn Memorial Park by Griffin Leggett Healey and Roth. The family will be at 7008 Briarwood Drive. Memorials may be made to Hunter Memorial United Methodist Church.

22 March 1979

ARIZONA STATE MINE INSPECTOR DIES

March 3, 1979

Verne C. McCutchan, the Arizona State Mine Inspector, died at his home on August 21, 1978. Mr. McCutchan had served as state mine inspector from 1967 to 1974, and from 1976 until his death. At the time of his death he was running unopposed for re-election on the Republican ticket.

Mr. McCutchan, as a youth, worked at freighting supplies into mines located in southern Arizona. He graduated from Arizona State University where he participated in football, basketball, and track.

He was a veteran of World War II, having served with the 21st Infantry Regiment in the Philippines. After the war he was a deputy sheriff and constable in Patagonia, and later a captain on the police department of Miami, Arizona. He worked at various times for several large mining companies, and owned and operated several small mines.

He was a member of the American Society of Safety Engineers, American Institute of Mine Inspectors, board of directors of the Arizona Small Mine Operators Association, the American Legion, the Masonic Lodge, and the Elk's Club.

On Thursday, August 24, his body was taken to the Arizona State Capitol, where it lay in state in the west lobby from 10 a.m. until noon. Funeral services followed at 2 p.m. at the Glass and Garden Community Church in Scottsdale, Arizona. He was 59 years of age.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia; two sons, James and Robert, both of Scottsdale; one daughter, Gwen, of Irving, Texas; and seven grandchildren.

Jennie L. McCutcheon
716 C Avenue
Lawton, Oklahoma 73501

Dear Mr. McCutcheon:

Thank you for your letter dated December 5 along with your letter to my brother Dean H. McCutchen (Upper Sandusky, Ohio) of the same date as well as a copy of my brother's letter to you dated November 29th.

Attached is a check in the amount of \$5.00 for membership in the McCutchen Trace Association. We were very interested in reading the copies of the McCutchen magazines that you had mailed to my brother.

We hope that we can attend the 1979 reunion in Paris Landing, Tennessee. We of course being McCutchen's located in Ohio appreciated knowing that you have on your agenda the possibility of having the 1980 reunions at the "Old McCutchen Inn" in McCutchenville, Ohio.

My late father Rev. R. S. McCutchen was appointed by Bishops of the United Methodist Church to serve fifteen (15) parishes in Ohio so I'm sure the name McCutchen is well known in Ohio as well as the other 49 states as indicated in your newsletter.

We appreciate the effort and devotion that you have rendered in inviting McCutchen's to join the bond of kinship by being a member of the McCutchen Trace Association. We look forward to assisting in tracing the McCutchen lineage.

Sincerely,
Mr. John R. McCutchen

NEWS BRIEFS

The Wall Street Journal of Wednesday, February 7, 1979, carried a full page ad for the Chase Manhattan Bank. Featured in the ad was a photograph of Edward R. McCutcheon, President of Chase & Bank of Ireland (International Ltd.) Merion Square, Dublin.



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Ward A. McCutcheon of Minneapolis died on February 10th at the age of 82. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of Mill City Barracks No. 233, Veterans of World War I, of which he served as Barracks Commander for two years. He was also a member of the Disabled American Veterans. McCutcheon worked long and hard for veterans rights and pensions. He was born in St. Clair, Michigan on December 7, 1895. Burial was in the Lakewood Cemetery in Minneapolis.

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Mr. and Mrs. Blaine R. McCutchan of Sequim, Washington, report that on two consecutive days in February they were presented with new blood descendants. On February 10th their grandson, Blaine Ross McCutchan II and his wife, Vicki Kramber McCutchan, became the parents of a son named Patrick Blaine. The following day their daughter Janice Carolyn and her husband Paul Revere Wright, became the parents of a daughter named Katie Janni.

The McCutchans now have 40 descendants—6 children, 21 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. In May they escorted a travel group on a tour to Alaska.

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Perry McCutcheon, 87, of DePauw, Indiana, died December 24, 1978, at the Veteran's Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky. He was a retired farmer. Mr. McCutcheon was a veteran of World War I and a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon, December 27th, at the Dillman-Green Funeral Home in Marengo, Indiana. Burial was in the Blue River Church of Christ cemetery.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Suzanne McCutchan Aiken was elected to a seat on the Evansville-Vanderburgh County, Indiana, School Board in last November's election. Suzanne has taught in the Evansville public schools and has been an active volunteer worker in many community projects, including the Evansville Museum of Arts & Science. She is an artist in her own right. She is married to a theatrical promotor, Larry Aiken, and is the mother of two young sons. She is descended from the line of William and Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan, and is the only daughter of Mrs. Mildred McCutchan and the late Carlton McCutchan, who was a vice-president of the Citizens National Bank of Evansville.

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Mrs. Nora Wiseman McCutcheon, a native of Harrison County, Indiana, celebrated her 100th birthday on October 28th at a nursing home in Bloomington, Illinois. Mrs. McCutcheon was born on a farm near DePauw, Indiana in 1878, the daughter of George and Adeline Burgess Wiseman. She was one of thirteen children, of which four are still living. In 1904 she married Charles McCutcheon and moved to McLean, Illinois. Mr. McCutcheon died in 1955. Mrs. McCutcheon has three living children, Mrs. Wilma Lawson of Bloomington, Illinois, Mrs. Alliene Conrad of Pekin, Illinois, and Gerald McCutcheon of Chicago. Another daughter, Mrs. Jean Coit, died in 1977. She also has 15 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, and 25 great-great grandchildren.

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Darlene McCutchan and Michael Oeth were married in a candle-light ceremony November 18th in the Blue Grass United Methodist Church near Evansville, Indiana. Parents of the couple are Mr. & Mrs. Albert McCutchan of R. R. 8, Evansville, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Oeth of Elberfeld, Indiana. Mrs. Linda McCutchan Williams, a sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Little Michelle McCutchan was flower girl. Roy McCutchan, brother of the bride, and Robert Oeth, brother of the groom, were ushers. After a wedding trip to Florida the couple settled at R. R. 1, Elberfeld. The bride is employed at the Elberfeld State Bank and the groom is affiliated with the Raymond Oeth Trucking Company. The new Mrs. Oeth is descended from the line of William and Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan.

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William McCutcheon of St. Paul is a member of the Minnesota State Senate. In the 1978 session Senator McCutcheon introduced a proposal that would cut Minnesota State taxes by \$107 million. His plan was to reduce state income taxes by instituting a \$20 across-the-board increase in personal credits—\$15 in 1978 and \$5 more in 1979. He also asked to eliminate part of a rate increase on higher-income taxpayers made by the 1977 Legislature.

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Harold O. McCutchan of McCutchanville, Indiana, has been named to the Indiana Distinguished Public Television Review Committee. McCutchan will join nine other members on the panel. The committee will review the current level of public television in Indiana and make recommendations for its future course, as seen through a seven month study by James Robertson & Associates of Florida. The study was commissioned by the Indiana Public Television Society, Inc.



Members of the committee, chaired by Chancellor Herman B. Wells of Indiana University, represent a cross section of the statewide community. They met with the officials of the seven public television stations in Indiana for their initial study session in January. Further meetings have been scheduled monthly.

Harold and his wife, Carol, and son, Bill, entertained the 1977 McCutchen Reunion with a Sunday morning brunch at their home in McCutchanville.

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TREASURER'S LETTER

by William McCutchen

Springtime is upon us with summer rapidly drawing near. The lawnmower has been put back in commission and I find myself preparing for the reunion in Paris Landing this August. It's hard to believe that two years have gone by so rapidly. The memory of the last reunion in Evansville is still fresh in my mind. I hope that all of you are planning to attend the next reunion. I would like to meet all of the people that have written to me.

Membership in The McCutchen Trace Association is growing rapidly. I am proud to say that we have signed up 44 new members since the last magazine in November. I can't think of a better organization to belong to and time used for recruiting new members is certainly well spent. We are financially sound and anticipating continued growth. Hope to see you in August.

McCUTCHEENVILLE, OHIO

McCutchenville, Ohio, has a population of approximately 400 and is situated on SH. 53, which at one time was an Indian Trail leading back and forth from southern Ohio to Lake Erie. During the War of 1812 it was used by General Harrison and his troops and was called the Harrison Trail. It later became the first road through what is now Wyandotte County.

As for the old McCutchen homes, they are all gone with the exception of the old Inn and one or two of the houses.

There are three churches—Methodist, Presbyterian and United Church of Christ. There is an elementary school, which was formerly also a high school before Consolidation; two grocery stores, one of which is located on Lot #43 which Dr. Sampson received for platting the town; a farmers elevator, since the town is situated in a very rich farming area. It has a very well-equipped Volunteer Fire Department, an exceptionally nice and well cared for lighted Little League Ball Diamond, and the Masonic Lodge; also, a new branch Bank, built two or three years ago, which the people were very glad to have since the town has been without a Bank since the depression when the old Farmer's Bank went under.

Help ! ! !

Under the sponsorship of the "Old Greer County Museum and Hall of Fame", Thelma Olive is writing a book about the people and places in Old Greer County, which was composed of Jackson, Harmon, Greer, and part of Beckham counties. This book will in no way detract from past or future histories written about these counties. Because of the vast number of people who came to the area, we are including only those who came here, or were born here, before November 16, 1907. We are not concerned about the family before they came to this area, or after 1907, unless some one has received unusual recognition. Copies of the book will be available to the public, and any profits accruing from their sale will go for maintenance and improvement of the Old Greer County Museum and Hall of Fame.

If your family fits into this category, will you please send us the following information? Name and birthdates of both husband and wife, where living now, or date and place of burial if deceased, where and when they came to Old Greer County, occupation and achievements, name and date of birth of children, and where they are living now. Also, number of grandchildren and great grandchildren, and any interesting bit of information or event concerning their early days in Greer County.

We would like to have all of this information by August 1, 1979.

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McCUTCHEENVILLE

There is record of Bishop Purcell visiting Tiffin and the Catholic settlers around McCutchenville in 1834, and again in 1836. At that time many Catholic families had settled around Tymochtee and McCutchenville and northwards towards Tiffin. They did not penetrate southward because settlements were blocked in this direction by the Wyandot reservation, still in the possession of the Indians. At his last visitation at McCutchenville in 1836, the Bishop received a donation of a parcel of land to be used for the erection of a Catholic Church. This land was a gift of William Arnold, who was the first Catholic to settle at McCutchenville. In the following year, (1837) a neat frame church was erected under the supervision of Rev. Francis X. Tschenhens, a Redemptorist missionary, stationed at Peru, and this was the first Catholic Church built within the confines of Wyandot County. In 1841 Bishop Purcell again visited this area, and dedicated the McCutchenville Church under the title of "Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary." This was the closest that Bishop Purcell ever came to the Wyandot reservation, which at this time lay just a few miles to the south of McCutchenville. For more than thirty years the church of the Visitation was the center of worship for Catholics who had settled along the Sandusky River in the vicinity of Tymochtee and McCutchenville. In the 50's it was a flourishing little parish of 30 or 40 families. For a time the few Catholics who were living at Upper Sandusky and Salem would drive or walk to McCutchenville to attend Mass or to make their Easter duty. The parish was on the decline in the 60's and for the last two years of its existence it fell into disuse and became an eyesore to the thriving village. In 1871 two youthful vandals set fire to the old church. It went up in flames, burned to the ground and was never restored. But the old Catholic cemetery at McCutchenville remains to this day. Patrick Feeley, a well known member of St. Peter's parish was buried there as late as 1902. Burials continued intermittently for many years. According to the markers on the graves, the last Catholic to be buried there was William Murphey who died in Toledo, Ohio in 1920.

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L MEMORIAL SERVICE SET FOR AUGUST 19

It has been a custom for those attending McCutchen Trace Association reunions to gather on Sunday morning for a family worship service and brief memorial for those who have passed away during the preceding two years. The service this year is being planned for 8:30 a.m., Sunday, August 19, at the Point Pleasant Baptist Church near Paris Landing, Tennessee.

In the meantime your president would like your help in compiling the list of those to be remembered. If you know of a member of the family who has passed away since June 1977, please send the name, age, date of death, and place of burial to:

Kenneth P. McCutchan, R.R. 3, Box 188, Evansville, Indiana, 47711.

SAUNDERSVILLE AN ENGLISH SETTLEMENT IN VANDERBURG COUNTY, INDIANA

by Kenneth P. McCutchan

A descendant on one of the founders of McCutchanville, a Scotch-Irish settlement which was Saundersville's neighbor community to the southeast, Mr. McCutchan is the author of *From Then Til Now*, a History of McCutchanville, published by the Indiana Historical Society in 1969, and *Adventures of Isaac Knight, Indian Captive*, an historical novel for young and old Americans. He is a member of the Editorial Advisory Committee of the *Indiana Magazine of History*, and of the *Indiana Historical Society's Committee on the Library*.

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1979 REUNION AT PARIS LANDING, TENNESSEE



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1979 REUNION IN TENNESSEE

Members of the McCutcheon clan have gathered once again for their biennial reunion. This year's meeting was held August 17-19 at Paris Landing State Park Inn, Paris Landing, Tenn., situated on the shores of beautiful Kentucky Lake.

Members began arriving on the afternoon of Thursday, the 16th, and that evening there were about fifteen people gathered informally to eat dinner together and chat. During the meal a long distance call came from Jennie McCutcheon in Lawton, Oklahoma, to tell us that she was ill and would not be able to attend. This was an unhappy note, since Jennie has been a pillar of strength in building the organization and has been editor of the McCutchen Magazine for the past four years.

On Friday morning, Aug. 17th, the reunion opened officially and a registration desk was set up in the lobby of the Inn. During the day members arrived from all corners of the nation. Throughout the day tours into Paris, Tennessee, were conducted by Bill McCutcheon. At 6:30 P.M. an old-fashioned southern-style barbecue was served in Ellington Hall in the Inn. The meeting was very informal with a lot of visiting and exchange of information. Following the meal there was an interesting film presentation titled "The School That Came From A Bottle". After the film the members reconvened into smaller groups representing the various main genealogical lines in the family, so there could be a more intimate exchange of historical and genealogical information.

Weather was beautiful throughout the entire week-end. Saturday morning dawned clear and pleasantly cool. After breakfast an all day tour left the Inn at 8:30. The first stop was the Fort Donelson National Military Park and Cemetery. The fall of Fort Donelson in February 1862 was the North's first major victory in the Civil War and it opened the way into the very heart of the Confederacy. Visitors can still see the earth mounds and trenches built by the soldiers and slaves, as well as the gun emplacements that were set up to protect the Cumberland River batteries. In the cemetery are buried 670 Union dead, 512 of which are not identified, as well as some veterans of more recent wars.

The tour then lead into the beautiful Land Between The Lakes where an interesting stop was made at THE HOMEPLACE. The Homeplace is a "living history farm" dedicated to the preservation of the buildings, life-styles and farming practices of those Americans who settled between the Cumberland and Tennessee Rivers during the first half of the 19th century.

To re-create the farm 16 log buildings, including houses, barns, cribs, spring houses, etc., were moved to a tract of 250 acres in what used to be known as Pryor Hollow. The farm is staffed by a group of people ranging in age from 17 to 65, who plant and harvest, preserve food, spin and weave, make soap, butcher meat, etc., thus preserving a glimpse of the life-style of the mid-19th century. It was an interesting experience for our reunion guests to see how our ancestors lived.

A picnic lunch was enjoyed at the Brandon Springs Group Camp where a film of TVA's Land Between The Lakes was shown.

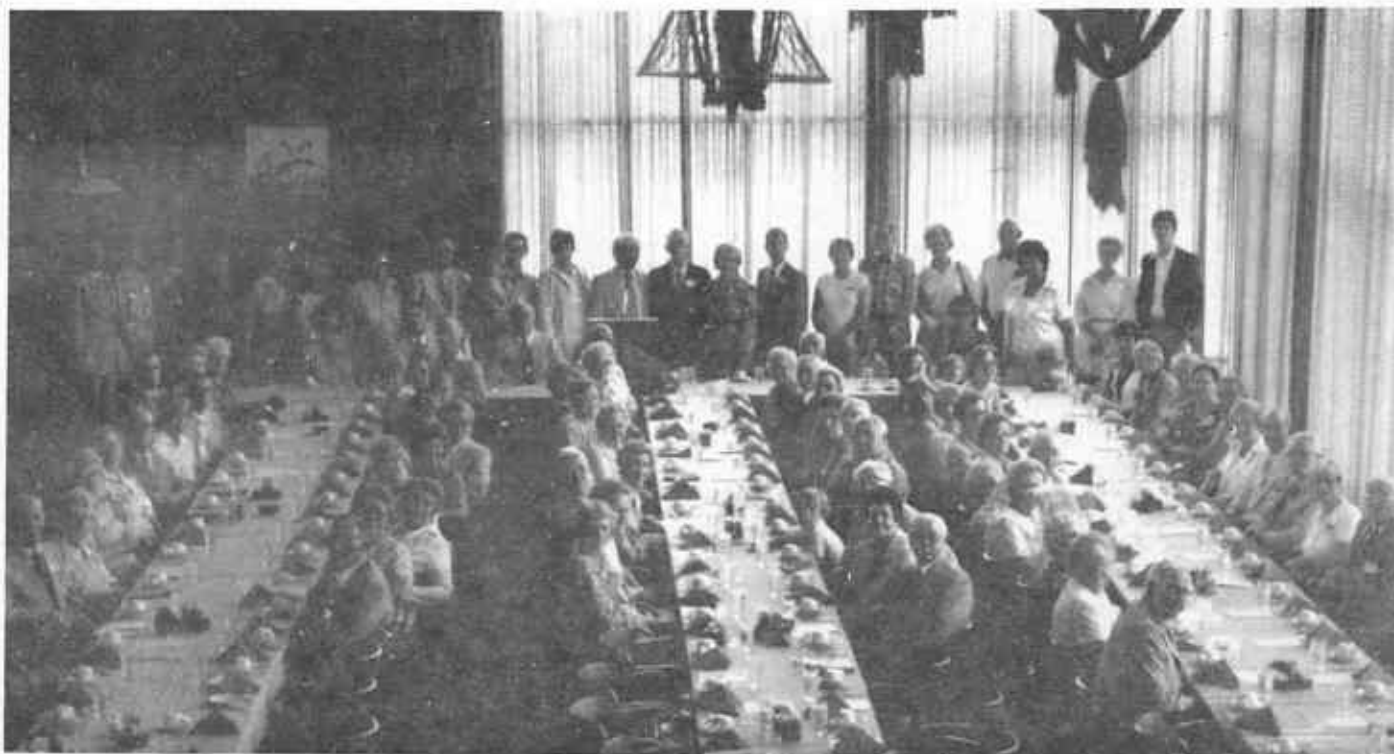
In the afternoon a visit was made to the McCuiston-McCutchen cemetery near Concord, Kentucky.

On Saturday evening the formal banquet was held at the Paris Landing State Park Inn. Approximately 120 attended from fourteen states - Alabama, Arkansas, California, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, New York, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia. Following the meal President Kenneth McCutchan conducted a short business meeting at which new officers were elected. Reports from Secretary Blanche Koll and Treasurer Bill McCutchan were given. It was decided that the next reunion in 1981 would be held in Staunton, Virginia.

The guest speaker of the evening was James L. Cox, a professional photographer, former history teacher, and a member of the Henry County Historial Society. Mr. Cox gave an interesting talk about copying, restoring, and preserving old family photographs. One point he particularly stressed was the value of writing the identity of the subject on the back of every photograph. Too many of us today have old family pictures that we can't identify because the people who knew who they were have gone.

At the close of the meeting attendance prizes were awarded, with the grand prize of a large Tennessee smoked ham going to Mrs. Arline McCutchan Roberts of Obion, Tennessee.

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McCutchen Trace Association banquet on Saturday evening August 18, 1979. Anyone who would like a color print of this picture may order one from the Cox Studio, 1027 Mineral Wells Avenue, Paris, Tennessee 38242. The price is \$5.50 for an 8" x 10" print, and \$4.00 for a 5" x 7" size. These prices include postage and handling.

REUNION (Continued from Page 2)

Early Sunday morning the family gathered informally for breakfast at the Inn and then proceeded to the Point Pleasant Baptist Church for our traditional memorial service to worship together and to remember those relatives who have passed away since the last reunion. Rev. Ron Harber of the Point Pleasant Church read the scripture lesson. The roll call of deceased was read by President Ken McCutchan, and the message of the morning was brought by the Rev. Paul Veazey of the Maplewood Baptist Church. During the service the hymn "Let All The World From Every Corner Sing" composed by Robert Guy McCutchan was sung. Robert Guy McCutchan was for many years the head of the Music Department at Depauw University. The singing of his hymn has become a tradition at McCutcheon reunions.

Following the church service farewells began as our members started to check out of their rooms and pack their cars for the return trip home, or to continue a more extended vacation tour, as several did.

Our association owes a rousing cheer and a million thanks to the committee who arranged such a delightful week-end. Chairman of arrangements was Bill McCutcheon of Paris, who inherited the job from his late father, E. B. McCutcheon, who died only a few days before our 1977 reunion in Indiana.

Assisting Bill were his wife, his mother Mrs. E. B. McCutcheon, and his uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Daron McCutcheon. Daron served as a temporary reunion treasurer and chairman of reservations.

The next reunion is being planned for Staunton Virginia in 1981. Dallas Hemp of Middlebrook, Virginia will be in charge of those arrangements.

In Memoriam

Following a custom established several years ago the family met on Sunday morning for a service of worship together. The church selected this year was the Point Pleasant Baptist Church which is about a mile from the Paris Landing State Park Inn. The little church, located on a gravel country road, sits on a sunny knoll surrounded by woods. It is nearly one hundred years old. The old building was recently moved from its original site on the opposite side of the road and then enlarged and remodeled. Pastor Ron Harber opened the building for us around 8 A.M. and the service began at 8:15. It was an ideal setting for an intimate private family service.

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McCUTCHEN TRACE MEMORIAL SERVICE
August 18, 1979
Point Pleasant Baptist Church
Paris Landing, Tennessee
Ron Harber, Pastor

Music Director: Bill McCutcheon Pianist: Carol Ridgeway

PRELUDE
HYMN "America, the Beautiful" 508

PRAYER (in unison):
Lord, behold our family here assembled. We thank thee for this world in which we dwell, for the love that unites us; for the peace accorded us this day; for the hope with which we expect tomorrow; for the health, the work, the food, and the bright skies that make our life delightful; for our friends in all parts of the earth. Give us courage, gaiety, and the quiet mind. Spare us to our friends; soften us to our enemies. Bless us, if it may be, in all our innocent endeavors. Give us ever the strength to encounter that which is to come, that we may be brave in peril, constant in tribulation, temperate in wrath, and, in all changes in fortune and down to the gates of death, loyal and loving one to another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing" 24
(Composed by Robert Guy McCutchan, for many years head of the Music Department, Depauw University, Greencastle, Indiana)

SCRIPTURE READING AND PRAYER Rev. Ron Harber
Pastor, Point Pleasant Baptist Church

ROLL CALL OF McCUTCHANS DECEASED WITHIN THE PAST TWO YEARS

LITANY OF COMMEMORATION:

LEADER: Let us pray. Almighty God, before whom do stand the living and the dead, we thy children, whose mortal life is but a hand's breath, give thanks to thee for all those through whom thou has blessed our pilgrimage.
CONGREGATION: Thanks be to thee, O God.
LEADER: For all lives that have quickened us, whose influence is a healing grace,
CONGREGATION: We praise thee, O Lord.
LEADER: For the dear friends and kindred of our homes whose faces we see no more, but whose love is with us forever,
CONGREGATION: We lift up thankful hearts.
LEADER: For the teachers and companions of our childhood and youth, and for the members of our household of faith who worship thee now in heaven,
CONGREGATION: We lift up our hearts in gratitude and praise.
LEADER: For those through whose sacrifice we live, our brethren who have given their life for our freedom among the nations,
CONGREGATION: We give thanks and will give thanks.
LEADER: That we may hold them in continual remembrance, and think of them as with thee in that city whose gates are not shut by day, and where there is no night.
CONGREGATION: We beseech thee to hear us, O God.
LEADER: That we may now be dedicated to working for a world where labor is rewarded, fear dispelled, and the nations made one in the brotherhood of thy kingdom.
CONGREGATION: O Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage. Day by day we magnify thee, and worship thy name, world without end. Amen.

HYMN "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" 163
MESSAGE Rev. Paul Veeney
Pastor, Maplewood Baptist Church, Paris
HYMN "Blest Be the Tie That Binds Our Hearts" 256
BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE

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Following the reading of the scripture and prayer by the Pastor the McCutchen Trace Association president led the congregation in a brief memorial service for those members of the family who have died since the last reunion at McCutchanville, Indiana, in 1977.

DONALD E. ARMSTRONG, 27, killed in traffic accident Apr. 7, 1979, near Mint Springs, Virginia. Burial in Old Providence Cemetery.

MRS. MARY ELIZABETH COKE BUSH, 88, died at Auburn, Kentucky, Feb. 16, 1978. Burial in family cemetery on McCutchen Meadows estate.

DR. DAVID E. CLUTTER, 33, killed in traffic accident in Indianapolis, Aug. 1, 1977. Burial in Indianapolis, Indiana.

GASTON COKE, died at McCutchen Meadows, Ky. Dec. 30, 1977. Burial in private cemetery on McCutchen Meadows estate.

MRS. EMMA WHITEHEAD ERSKINE, 91, died Aug. 15, 1979, at McCutchanville, Ind. Burial in McCutchanville Church cemetery.

MISS JAMIE FRANCE, 25, died March 10, 1978 in McCutchanville, Ind. Burial in McCutchanville Church cemetery.

*MRS. ELLEN ALMARETTA GALUSHA, 61, died Mar. 1979 in Little Rock, Ark. Burial in Roselawn Memorial Park, Little Rock.

*ARNOLD HOLTKAMP, 57, died Sept. 28, 1977, in Brenham, Texas. Burial at Brenham.

*RICHARD P. JACKSON, 62, died May 24, 1979, in Evansville, Ind. Burial in Blue Grass Cemetery.

*MRS. ROXANNA KOENIG, 74, died March 13, 1979, in Evansville, Ind. Burial in Blue Grass Cemetery.

EARL MAIDLLOW, died May, 1979, in Evansville, Ind. Burial in the Centenary Church Cemetery.

MRS. MADGE McCUTCHAN, 70, died August 17, 1979 in Evansville, Ind. Burial in Blue Grass Cemetery.

MARION SIMS McCUTCHAN, JR., 74, died Jan. 5, 1979 at Marshall, Texas. Burial in Old Marshall Cemetery.

*GEORGE McCUTCHAN, 70, died at Columbia, Mo., April 24, 1978. Burial in Memorial Park Cemetery in Columbia.

MRS. EVELYN SHAW McCUTCHEON, 83, widow of cartoonist John T. McCutcheon, died Nov. 22, 1977 in Lake Forest, Ill. Burial in Lake Forest.

HERMAN McCUTCHEON, 67, died April 17, 1978, in Lancaster, California. Burial in Lancaster.

PERRY McCUTCHEON, 87, died Dec. 24, 1978, in Louisville, Ky. Burial in Blue River Church Cemetery in Marengo, Indiana.

VERNE C. McCUTCHAN, 59, died Aug. 21, 1978. Burial in Scotsdale, Arizona.

WARD A. McCUTCHEON, 82, died Feb. 10, 1979, in Minneapolis, Minn. Burial in Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis.

PATRICIA RAY PIERCE, 33, died June 18, 1978, in Huntington Beach, California. Burial in Memorial Park Cemetery, Westminster, California.

*MRS. VELMA MARIE RANKIN, 32, killed in traffic accident Sept. 13, 1978, in Bowen, Ill. Burial in the Bowen Cemetery.

MICHAEL ANDREW ROSE, 27, died Oct. 18, 1978, in Marksville, Louisiana.

*H. MARK WHEELER, 41, died July 14, 1979, in Evansville, Indiana. Burial in the Blue Grass Cemetery.

Note: Persons whose names are marked with an asterisk attended our last reunion in 1977. There are probably other names which should have been included on the above list, but if any have been omitted it is because the information has not reached us.

REGISTER

4th Biennial Reunion
Paris Landing, Tennessee
August 17-19, 1979

- 1--Marion Gray, 923 W. Florida, Evansville, IN,
James & Grizzel McCutcheon
- 2--Eva Persons, 502 Edgbrook, Houston, TX,
James & Grizzel McCutcheon
- 3--Kenneth P. McCutchan, R.R. 3, Evansville,
IN, Wm. McCutchan & Mary Ann Vickerstaff
- 4-5--Albert J. & Blanche Koll, 953 Junipero Dr.,
Costa Mesa, CA, James & Elizabeth
McCutcheon
- 6-7--Milton & Henrilee McCutchen, 2941 Char-
lemagne Ave, Long Beach, CA, James &
Elizabeth McCutcheon
- 8--William McCutchan, 10351 Browning Rd.,
Evansville, IN, William & Mary Ann
McCutchan
- 9-10--George L. & Esther McCutchan, 1307 N.
Madison St., Rome, NY 13440, Samuel & John
- 11--Mary Lou McCutcheon Blake, 1913 Jansing,
Norman, Okla 73096
- 12--Cynthia B. Lammert, R.R. 2, Box 102A,
Pleasant Plaines, IL, Samuel & John
- 13--Helen Buchanan, 1003 Grand, Lamar, MO,
Tree John - James
- 14-15--Daron & Carolyn McCutcheon, 808 Dun-
lap, Paris, TN, James & Grizzel McCutcheon
- 16--Myrtis McCutchan Daquin, P.O. Box 622,
Crowley, LA, Tree John
- 17--Bill Daquin, P.O. Box 622, Crowley, LA,
Tree John
- 18-19--Mildred & Dalton Bergan, 3950 Via Real
#233, Carpinteria, CA, James McCutcheon
- 20--Wm. O. McCutcheon, Box 8, Belleville, ARK
- 21--LaVada Clark, 3314 N. Ky, Oklahoma City,
OK, Visitor
- 22--Myrtle McCutchen Boswell, Cottage & Calif,
Coalgate, OK 74538, Samuel King McCutchen
- 23--Jewel McCutchen Coffman, Duncan, OK
73533, Samuel King McCutchen, Comanche,
OK
- 24--Broadus B. Coffman, Duncan, OK 73533,
Jewel McCutchen's Husband
- 25--Harriett Green Clark, 6869 Pleasant Run
Pkwy, Indianapolis, IN, Wm. and Mary Ann
- 26--Charlotte Green Hight, 1935 E. Second,
Bloomington, IN, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 27--Dorothy Green, 812 Locust St. Mt. Vernon,
IN 47620, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 28--Don L. Green, 4566 N. West Ave., Fresno,
CA 93705, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 29--Arline McCutchan Roberts, Obion, TN, Tree
John
- 30--J. W. Roberts, Obion, TN, Husband of Arline
McCutchan
- 31--Edward L. Miller, Marshall, TX, Husband
of Ethel
- 32--Ethel Miller, Marshall, TX, Tree John
- 33--Alice Ann Jones, 915 Lanyard La., Kirkwood
MO 63122, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 34--Ellen Nicholson, 9506 Petersburg Rd.,
Evansville, IN 47711, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 35-36--Herb & Peggy Ahles, R. 3, Box 199,
Evansville, IN 47711, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 37--Gilbert V. McCutchan, Sr., 890 W. 15th,
Newport Beech, CA, Alexander McCutchan
- 38--Thomas E. McCutcheon, 905 Frost St. Hart-
selle, ALA, John A. McCutcheon
- 39--Judy F. McCutcheon, 210 Talbert Drive,
Hopkinsville, KY 42240, Samuel Bell
McCutcheon
- 40--Audaline McCutcheon, 210 Talbert Drive
Hopkinsville, KY 42240, Samuel Bell
McCutcheon
- 41-42--Kenneth & Lena McCutchen, 3312
Illinois, Louisville, KY, Jacob M. McCutchen
- 43--Alan McCutchen, 1108 South Brook St.,
Louisville, KY, Jacob M. McCutchen
- 44--Harold O. McCutchan, 10351 Browning Rd,
Evansville, IN, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 45--Dallas M. Hemp, R. 1, Box 88, Middlebrook,
VA, Samuel & Elizabeth
- 46--McCutchan Hemp, R. 1, Box 87, Middle-
brook, VA, Samuel & Elizabeth
- 47-48--Louise & Silas Free, Box 101, Leighton,
ALA, Joshua & Sara McCutchen
- 49--B. C. McCutcheon, Box 196, R. 1, Somer-
ville, ALA, Joshua & Sara
- 50--Joseph McCutcheon, 507 Withen Ave., Hunt-
sville,, ALA, Joshua & Sara
- 51-52--M/M George Gears, 5137 S. Tower Dr.,
Evansville, IN, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 53-54--M/M Harold Strupp, R. 2, Box 274, Mt.
Vernon, IN, Guest
- 55-56--M/M Raymond McCutchan, Melinda and
Todd, R. 8 Box 464, Evansville, IN 47711,
Wm. & Mary Ann
- 57--Merle Krabbe, R. 1, Box 182, Askov, MINN,
55704, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 58-59--Walter & Ethel McCutchan, R. 5, Box 303,
Evansville, IN, Wm. & Mary Ann

REGISTER (Continued)

- 60-61--M/M George Poulson, 18500 N. Hwy 57, Evansville, IN, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 62--James N. McCutchen, R. 10, Clarksville, TN, Tree John
- 63--Pearl S. McCutchen, R. 10 Clarksville, TN 37040, Tree John
- 64--Joe McCutcheon, R. 10 Clarksville, TN 37040, Tree John
- 65--Theresa M. Hurst, 8300 Sawyer Br. Rd. N-304, Nashville, TN, Tree John
- 66--Dallis Smith, 7008 Briarwood Dr., Little Rock, ARK, Tree John
- 67--Eula S. Roy, 7008 Briarwood Dr., Little Rock, ARK, Tree John
- 68--Dorris Smith, 7008 Briarwood Dr., Little Rock, ARK, Tree John
- 69--Ada May Smith, 7008 Briarwood Dr., Little Rock, ARK, Tree John
- 70--Harry L. Galusha, Sr., No. 7 Laurice Circle, Little Rock, ARK, Tree John
- 71--Madine Sensmeier, R. 8, Box 82, Evansville, IN 47711, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 72--Wm. C. McCutchan, 5139 S. Tower Dr. Evansville, IN 47712, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 73--Charles N. McCutcheon, 822 Glisson Rd., Paris, TN, John McCutcheon
- 74--Virginia McCutcheon Smith, 1803 8th Ave., S. W., Decatur, ALA, John McCutcheon
- 75--Page Owens, R. 2, Box 163, Decatur, ALA, John McCutcheon
- 76-77--M/M Wm. Kuhns, R. 4, Woodland Acres, Paris, TN, Mary McCutchan
- 78--Tammy Poulson, 18500 N. Hwy. 57, Evansville, IN 47711, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 79--Ann McCutcheon, 808 Dunlap St., Paris, TN, James & Grizzell
- 80-83--Gene, Rue, Russ, & Jill McCutcheon, 1709 Farmer, Murray, KY, James & Grizzell
- 84-86--Tom, Alice, & Lynn McCutcheon, 717 High St., Trenton, TN, James & Grizzell
- 87-88--Judy & Jerry Maupin, 145 Riviera Ct, Murray, KY
- 89--Dorothy McCutchan, 2649 E. Baseline Rd., Evansville, IN, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 90-91--M/M Curtis J. Kinney, R. 8, Box 470A, Evansville, IN 47711, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 92-93--M/M Ross McCutchan, R. 8, Box 178A, Evansville, IN 47711, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 94-95--M/M Harold A. McCutchan, R. 6, Box 152, Mt. Vernon, IN 47620, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 96--Katie McCutcheon, 905 Frost St., Hartselle, ALA, John A. McCutcheon

- 97-101--M/M Bill McCutcheon, Jay, Danny, & Donna, 1208 Sherwood, Paris, TN
- 102--Dorothy McCutcheon, 925 Todd Preis Dr. V-401, Nashville, TN
- 103--Linda McCutcheon Kramp, 615 Porter St., Blacksburg, VA 24060
- 104--Larry McCutcheon, P. O. Box 26, Hohenwald, TN 38462
- 105-106--Harry & Mildred McCutchan Thompson, 4725 Stringtown, Evansville, IN 47711, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 107--Paige Follis, P.O. Box 332, New Harmony, IN 47631, Wm. & Mary Ann
- 108--Mrs. E. B. McCutcheon, 103 Crestview Cr., Paris, TN

HELP!!

EDITOR'S PLEA FOR HELP

Jennie McCutcheon has done such an excellent job of putting together our magazine throughout the last four years that I am accepting the job of editor with certain trepidation. I am wondering if I will be able to maintain the high standard she has set. I know I will not be able to do so unless I can get the help and cooperation of our members, so I am here and now asking you all to please send me news and feature stories. Watch your local newspapers for stories about McCutcheons. Clip them and send them to me. By all means, keep me informed of births, deaths, and marriages. Our magazine is going into the archives of many libraries and genealogical societies around the nation, and these vital statistics will be of inestimable benefit to some researcher in years to come.

Send me feature stories based on old family legends handed down from generation to generation in your branch of the family - stories about how great-great grandfather and grandmother conquered the wilderness in the pioneer days, etc. If you have old family letters of a century or more ago these are usually interesting and revealing. All such material is valuable and will be of great help to me in putting together a magazine that will tell "the McCutcheon story".

I hope I will be hearing from each of you.

Kenneth P. McCutchan,
Editor

JENNIE McCUTCHEON HONORED



JENNIE L. McCUTCHEON



The JENNIE L. McCUTCHEON RESEARCH ROOM at the Lawton, Oklahoma Public Library was dedicated on the afternoon of September 16, 1979, at a formal reception honoring Jennie for her years of dedicated work in the field of genealogy and history. The room will house an extensive collection of microfilm and other material collected by the Southwest Oklahoma Genealogical Society, and an oral history program is in the planning stage.

Jennie is recognized as one of the founders of the Southwest Oklahoma Genealogical Society and has been instrumental in obtaining thousands of dollars in grant money from various organizations and foundations to fund the society's projects. A portrait of her will be on permanent display in the library.

Jennie, who was a long-time associate of Mrs. Louise D. McMahon, is supervisor of the McMahon Foundation Services founded in Lawton by the late Mrs. McMahon. She has been one of the most active and dedicated members of our McCutchen Trace Association, and as editor of the McCutchen Magazine, has probably done more than anyone to bring our organization to national attention.

Due to an illness her plans to attend our recent reunion at Paris landing were cancelled at the last minute, and she was certainly missed at that meeting.

Congratulations are in order because of this singular honor bestowed upon a member of our family, and notes or cards may be addressed to Jennie at 716 C. Avenue, Lawton, OK 73501.

Anyone wishing to contribute genealogical or historical material for the records in the Jennie L. McCutcheon Research Room may contact the Southwest Oklahoma Genealogical Society, Box 5044, Lawton 73504, or Mrs. Dorothea Horvath at the Lawton Public Library.

Weddings

Miss Debbie McCutchan, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Ross McCutchan, was married on Sunday afternoon, May 13th, in Neu Chapel on the campus of the University of Evansville. The bridegroom is Wade Brinker, son of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Brinker of Evansville. Following a wedding trip to the Bahamas the couple settled at 701 Hanover Road in Evansville, Indiana. The bride owns and operates Debbie's School of Dance.

Miss Wynne McCutchan was married July 22nd to Matthew Alan Keefer of Ft. Wayne, Indiana. The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Harold O. McCutchan of McCutchanville, Indiana. The wedding ceremony was performed at Neu Chapel on the campus of University of Evansville, with a reception following at the Evansville Country Club. The bride is a teacher in Indianapolis and the groom is attending Indiana University Medical School. The couple is living in Indianapolis.

Floyd McCutcheon, son of Mr. & Mrs. Milton McCutcheon of Long Beach, California, was married to Miss Grace O'Brien on Saturday, July 28th in St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Hawthorne, California. Following the ceremony a reception was held at Castgnola's Lobster House in Marina Del Rey. The couple will make their home in Hawthorne.

Miss Jeanne McCutchan, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Arad McCutchan of Santa Claus, Indiana was married to Edward Arnold on August 18th in Lincoln City, Indiana. They will make their home in Nashville, Tenn.

Jeffrey Allen McCutchan, son of Mr. & Mrs. Ross McCutchan, was married to Miss Karen Sue Lewis on September 23rd in the Blue Grass United Methodist Church near Evansville, Ind. The couple plans to live in Evansville.

Miss Gail McCutchan, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James R. McCutchan of Ft. Walton Beach, Florida, was married to D. Gregory Laswell the evening of October 27th in the McCutchanville United Methodist Church. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Oak Meadow Country Club in McCutchanville. The bride is a registered nurse and is employed as a physician's assistant. The bridegroom is vice-president of a construction company. They will live in Evansville, Indiana.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

October 13, 1979

Dear Cousins:

To begin this, my first letter since being elected to serve as president of this great association, let me express my deepest thanks to each of you for having confidence in me. I am sure that I will never be able to fill the shoes of those who have served before me, but I will put forth my very best efforts and strive to increase interest in some of our cousins who have not yet had the privilege to be a member of this magnificent family organization.

The 1979 Reunion at Paris Landing was my first, but I can guarantee that it will not be the last. I regret that I did not have knowledge of the first two reunions, and that I could not attend the third reunion at McCutchanville, Indiana, in 1977. But now that I have had the privilege of attending one, and enjoying meeting and visiting with new McCutcheons, and getting reacquainted with former family, it will have to be quite an emergency to keep me away from future reunions.

Looking back over past newsletters from the association, I have noticed quite a growth. A lot of time and effort has been put into this magazine and a lot of praise should go to those who have been responsible. It could not have been possible without the help of each who has contributed even a little tid-bit of information. It is through these tid-bits that our families are tied together. How could there be a Trace Association without each available piece of information.

Thanksgiving and Christmas are drawing near. This is the season to give thanks and rejoice that we have such a great family as the McCutch (eons, ans, ins, ens). May each of you have much to be thankful for and have a very merry Christmas season with your loved ones. And then as we go into a New Year, may it hold everything you ever wished for.

Sincerely,
Wm. Oliver McCutcheon

McCUTCHEONS FOLLOW ANCIENT CRAFT

The July issue of the magazine RURAL ARKANSAS featured a story on the McCutcheons who, with their relatives the Christians and the Nichols, are carrying on the ancient craft of chair making in a tiny mountain community near Mt. Judea (pronounced Mt. Judy), Arkansas. The craft which has been passed along through generations has come down to the present through Uncle Jim Nichols, the oldest living member of the clan. White oak, red oak, and walnut, when it can be found, are cut from the mountain forests for the chair frames. Bitter hickory is used for weaving the seats.

In the early days everything was done with hand tools, but since electricity has come into the area power lathes and hand saws are being used. The present company consists of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCutcheon, Mr. and Mrs. Desmal McCutcheon, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Christian. They turn out quantities of the old fashioned, low, curved-back kitchen chairs, ladder back rockers, straight stools, and childrens' rockers. Much of their production is sold by mail order, but their work is also on display and for sale at The Folk Center at Mountain View, Arkansas, and at Ferguson's Country Store on Highway 65 at Gilbert Corner.

For one whole week in 1970 the McCutcheons demonstrated the ancient art of chair making and caning at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., and in 1971 they spent two weeks at the U. S. Pavilion in Montreal.



Jack McCutcheon. Ladder-back slats are placed in shaping rack for curing.



This old house on the Jack McCutcheon property is the McCutcheon chairmaking shop. For many years it was the Cave Creek Post Office.



Desmal McCutcheon operating a belt sander.

THE NEW GENERATION

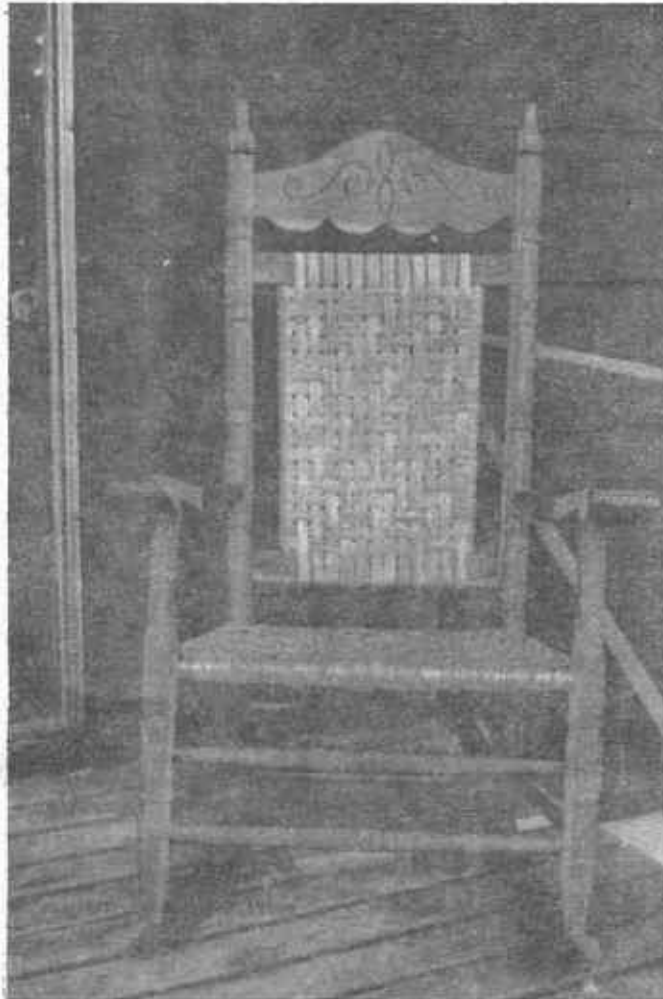
CHRISTOPHER JAMES McCUTCHAN was born May 22, 1979, son of Keith L. and Connie Donner McCutchan of Mt. Vernon, Indiana. The grandparents are Harold A. and Betty Jo Williams McCutchan. Christopher is the 7th generation after pioneers William and Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan who came to Indiana from Sullivan County, New York in the early 1830's.

TREASURER'S LETTER

I certainly enjoyed seeing everyone at the reunion in August. We are really lucky to have such a fine family organization. You will notice in the Treasurer's Report a \$60.00 Reunion Expense. The registration fees at Paris Landing were not quite adequate to cover all costs so we had to dip into the Treasury in order to balance the books. If you haven't already paid your dues, please send them in as soon as possible. We have had a pretty good response on the reminders but some people are procrastinating.

With the holiday season fast approaching, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all clan members a Merry Christmas and a Happy 1980.

William M. McCutchan
Treasurer



Woven back chair made in the McCutcheon shop.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance May 6, 1979.....	\$1,164.36
Received from membership dues.....	913.29
Received from bank interest	37.19
Total	\$2,114.84

Printing cost for June, 1979 Magazine	\$ 432.64
Postage cost for June, 1979 Magazine	70.00
Postage cost (Notices for membership dues)	30.00
Miscellaneous Postage	11.14
Envelopes.....	2.06
Expenses at McCutchen Reunion (August, 1979).....	60.00
Total Expenses	\$ 605.84

BALANCE ON HAND October 21, 1979

\$1,509.00

A LETTER FROM OLD IRELAND

This letter was written August 22, 1842, in County Westmeath, Ireland and mailed to Catherine McCutchan Parks in Vanderburgh County, Indiana. Catherine was 21 years old at the time and had not been in America very long. She had recently married another young Irish immigrant named Matthew Parks. This bit of genealogy will further identify her. She and her husband, Matthew, later had a daughter Ann, who in 1866 married John Ruston. John and Ann Ruston had a daughter Margaret, who married Allen McCutchan. Allen and Margaret Ruston McCutchan were the parents of Arad McCutchan, the well known basketball coach who recently retired from the University of Evansville. Here is Catherine's letter from her parents.

Dear Catherine

I received your letter on this 2 of July which gave me great comfort to hear you are all in good health. Forgive me for not writing to you before this. A few days after I received your letter William came for me to go to Kitty who was very ill. I spent three weeks with her until I left her quite well. I was not long at home until I got a severe cold and was very ill with it but I am quite recovered I thank God.

Dear Catherine I done as you told me. I wrote to Mr. Joseph Parks the few lines you wrote to him in your letter. I got no answer from him since, but I was talking to Andrew Reyley and he told me that there was an account from America which makes me think he got my letter.

Dear Catherine, Robert Parks told me when I would be writing to you to let you know that he and the whole family are going to America in this month and has their land and crops sold off and has got two hundred and fifteen pounds for it, and he tells me that there is nothing surer than they will go where you are. I need say no more as you know them as well as I do. Tell Mr. Dobson I was talking to his brother in Streete. He is quite well and has got married to one of the Miss Brocks in Granard.

Dear Catherine, we are getting on just the same as when you left us. Still the children are all going to school just the old way as when you were at home with us, and are still expecting to see you again and their sister Mary Ann, but I think she

has quite forgotten us all as she never writes to us not even a line or two in your letter, but the reason is I think she is so taken up with her little daughter.

Dear Catherine, James Geran sends his love to you and Matthew and still expects to see you all yet. Dear Catherine, I have to part with your favorite the white cow as she I may say gave me no milk since she calved. She is quite dry. I intend to sell her as a fat cow again the latter end of harvest. All the neighbors round me are just the same as when I wrote my last letter. No one married nor no one dead. Your father was very glad to hear his aunt was in good health and all the rest of his friends.

Dear Catherine, give my love to Matthew and Kinlaugh and Mr. Dobson and all my friends as it would be too tedious to mention them separate, not forgetting my little grand daughter. Still be telling her she has a grandmother. Suppose she never sees her. Keep her in mind of me, but I forgot to tell you to let me know if there is any fear of you to have a young one. Don't forget letting me know in your next letter which I will expect as soon as you receive this. I trust God this will find you all in good health as it leaves us at present. Give my love to Mrs. Parks in particular and I trust she is getting good health in that strange country. Your father and Jane, Eliza, James, Joseph, Andrew, Rachel all send their love to you Sister, and all their friends.

No more at post from your affectionate Mother and Father,

Elizabeth and Robert McCutchan

The two sheets upon which this letter was written were folded and sealed with red wax. The Mary Ann who was mentioned was Catherine's older sister married to Kinloch McJohnston (Kinlaugh in the letter). Their daughter, Frances, (the little granddaughter mentioned) grew up to marry William Erskine of McCutchanville. They were the grandparents of one of our association's current members, Miss Frances Erskine.

"Your father was very glad to hear his aunt was in good health" refers, we believe, to Mary Ann Vickerstaff McCutchan, wife of William, who at the time this letter was written was sixty-five years old, widowed, and living with her son, George Bond McCutchan.



McCUTCHEN CHAPEL CEMETERY, Ireland, West Virginia

McCUTCHEN CHAPEL CEMETERY

It is always interesting to discover a geographical site that bears the family name. Debbie Girt of Kingsport, Tennessee, has supplied us with the following information on the McCutchen Chapel Cemetery at Ireland, West Virginia. Ireland is a small community about 15 miles south of Weston. According to Debbie's research the McCutchen Chapel and cemetery are located on land donated for that purpose by Robert Blanks McCutchen. Robert was born in Augusta County, Virginia, and married Elizabeth McCurdy. They moved to Lewis County while it was still a part of Virginia.

Buried in the cemetery beside Robert and Elizabeth are several of their children and their families.

Jane Anne McCutchen (born 1845) and her husband, G. T. Kincaid.

Lucinda Estalene McCutchan (born 1846) and her husband, Charles E. Mich.

Robert Hall McCutchen (1850-1937) and his wife, Alice Virginia Byrd.

Mary Elizabeth McCutchen (born 1852) and her husband, James N. Mick.

John Mansfield Galford McCutchen (born 1853) and his wife, Sarah Jane Casto.

Three children of Robert Hall & Alice Virginia Byrd McCutchen who died in infancy.

Ressie McCutchen (daughter of John M. G. McCutchen) and her husband, Arch Davis.

Frank Spaur (husband of Grace McCutchen, daughter of John M. G. McCutchen)

The cemetery was founded by Robert McCutchen in 1897, and the first burial was Claudius Mich that same year. The old McCutchen Chapel, which was built a number of years before the cemetery was established, served three denominations successively - Northern Methodist, Southern Methodist, and Presbyterian. The present chapel, which replaced the old one, was built in 1938.

Anyone connected with this branch of the family who would like further information may contact: Debra Girt

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Our McCUTCHEN Magazine is one of the finest family association Magazines in the United States, and it is growing with every issue. We urge you to keep each copy intact and preserve them for future generations of your family. If for any reason you do not wish to keep the magazines after you have finished reading them we urge you to donate them to the nearest historical or genealogical society, or your public library. Our editor, Jennie, is receiving requests from libraries and genealogical societies all over the country to be put on the mailing list.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(It is the hope of your editor that in future issues of the McCutchen Magazine we have a column of "Letters To The Editor" giving the ideas, views, and suggestion of the members on any subject that relates to our family organization. I have never known a group of McCutcheons to agree completely on anything. There seems to be a trait of old Scotch-Irish stubbornness bred into us from our ancient ancestors, but in the final analysis, though we may sometimes argue among ourselves, we always stand united against exterior pressures. It is the hope that this column may, in the future, give members an opportunity to express themselves -- to present their ideas and opinions, and even to create some debate on subjects that need thought, discussion, and perhaps future action. Our organization will only be as good as we make it, and it needs the input of every member, even though sometimes there may be differences of opinion. We will look forward to hearing from you. To start the column we have this correspondence from James N. McCutchen of Clarksville, Tenn.)

August 20, 1979

Dear Kenneth:

....I read your editorial comment (in the last issue of the magazine), "The Matter of A Family Coat of Arms" with great interest and it was thought provoking about some things that had never come to mind, at least not to me. As you can see, I am an "EN" McCutchen and I don't wish to start a war among our cousins, but your subtle reminder seems to indicate that if we are to remain a "Family Confederacy" we should give some consideration to the original way of spelling our name.

No one dislikes strict rules and regulations in an organization like ours any more than I do, but I think we need to take a second look at our bylaws. Also, we have a real need for Standing Rules. We have been real lucky in choosing our

leaders in the past, but I think that it is time that we give more time and thoughts to our future plans. The appointment of the Nominating Committee should not be a last minute action, but should be made at least one year ahead of the election. This would give the committee time to ask for and receive some suggested names for the slate of officers to be presented to the membership when the following biennial meeting is held. Also, we should have an agenda that is flexible, but there should be guidelines set up to take care of specific items of business..... These ideas are being sent to you for your thinking and possible action in some future editorial. Please be guided by your thinking and not by my suggestions. This may not be the appropriate time to consider the "EN" and "EON" because Hildegard was an "EN".

Sincerely,
James N. McCutchen

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

During the business session at the Saturday night Reunion Banquet an election of new officers for 1980-81 was held. A nominating committee composed of Milton McCutcheon of California, Marian Gray of Indiana, and Theresa Hurst of Tennessee presented the following slate, which was elected by acclamation:

President: Wm. Oliver McCutcheon, Bellville, Arkansas

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So they SAY.

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LAF E J. McCUTCHAN, SECRETARY.

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		Harry Bird and Maggie Bird	— Bird	
	Marg't E. Richardson and L. D. Richardson	Josef Kirk and Harry Kirk	— Kirk	
		Minnie Richardson Robert Richardson		
	Chas. McAlpin and Maggie McAlpin	Daisy Peate and — Peate		
		Edith McAlpin		
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	Joel D. Mills and Mary A. Mills	Henry O. Mills Charles Mills Joseph Mills Roy Mills Carroll Mills Alvin Mills		Evansville, Ind.
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	Anna Hornby and Shirley Hornby			Daylight, Ind.
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	Alto McCutchan and Anna McCutchan	Margaret McCutchan Emily McCutchan		Evansville, Ind.
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		Frank C. Haller		Evansville, Ind.
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	Alice Maxam and Edward Maxam	Helen Maxam Vernard Maxam Agnes Maxam Mildred Maxam		Evansville, Ind.
	Jessie Stewart and William Stewart			Oakland City, Ind.
	Mary Covey			Oakland City, Ind.
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Catharine Mossman and Charles Mossman	William McCutchan			Emporia, Kan.
	William V. Mossman and Verna Mossman	Clara Mossman Esther Mossman Pearl Mossman Elmer Mossman Ethel Mossman		Evansville, Ind.
	Thomas Mossman and Cora Mossman	— Mossman — Mossman — Mossman — Mossman — Mossman		Bloomfield, Mo.
	Alexander Mossman and Laura Mossman	— Mossman — Mossman — Mossman — Mossman — Mossman		Sherry, Mo.
	Mary Mossman			Sherry, Mo.
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	Florence Martin	Thomas Martin		Sherry, Mo.

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JOHN McCUTCHAN AND HESTER A. McCUTCHAN

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	John K. Earle and Amanda Earle, d.	Bessie Morlan and Dr. Dean Morlan		Indianapolis, Ind.
		Bonnie Harms and Herbert Harms		Evansville, Ind.
		Blanch Earle		Evansville, Ind.
		Maud Earle		Evansville, Ind.
	Leana Newitt, d and Geo. W. Newitt, d.	Flora Chatman and Charles Chatman		McCleansboro, Ill.
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		Cecelia Newitt		Evansville, Ind.
	Cora Cox and James Cox	Carlisle Cox		Evansville, Ind.
	Clara Stone and Richard Stone	Layton Stone Ruby Stone Richard Stone John Stone Helen Stone		Evansville, Ind.
Samuel McCutchan, d and Isabell McCutchan, d.	Helen Ossendorffer and John Ossendorffer	Dollie Ossendorffer Carl Ossendorffer Marae Ossendorffer John Ossendorffer		Brooklyn, N. Y.
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	Sarah E. Henry and R. R. Henry	Isabell Henry Robert D. Henry		Evansville, Ind.
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	Ella McCutchan			Evansville, Ind.
	Harry McCutchan			Evansville, Ind.
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		Blanch Earle		Evansville, Ind.
		Maud Earle		Evansville, Ind.
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		Cecelia Newitt		Evansville, Ind.
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	Philip S. McCutchan			Evansville, Ind.
	Ella McCutchan			Evansville, Ind.
	Harry McCutchan			Evansville, Ind.
John L. McCutchan, d and Sarah McCutchan				Evansville, Ind.
William McCutchan, d and Jane McCutchan	Rosa Geyre and William Geyre			Evansville, Ind.
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Ruth Crisp and John Crisp, d.	Frank Crisp			Evansville, Ind.
	Louis N. Crisp			Evansville, Ind.
	William Crisp and Catherine Crisp	Frank Crisp		Evansville, Ind.
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	Frank Rankin			
	Ronald Rankin			Louisville, Ky.
	Bessie Rankin			Louisville, Ky.
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	Daniel W. McCutchan and Emma McCutchan	Josie McCutchan		S. McAllister, Ind. Ter
	Albert A. McCutchan and Cora McCutchan			S. McAllister, Ind. Ter
	Esther McCutchan			S. McAllister, Ind. Ter
	Margaret McCutchan			S. McAllister, Ind. Ter
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	Albert McCutchan			Elberfield, Ind.
	Millie McCutchan			Elberfield, Ind.
	Grant McCutchan and Cora McCutchan	Doris McCutchan		Elberfield, Ind.
	Anna Benton and William Benton			Elberfield, Ind. <i>Ward 60</i>
	Harry Connor			Princeton, Ind.
Mary Jane Connor, d and William Connor, d.	Saddle Connor			Cornwall, Conn.
John T. McCutchan and Nancy McCutchan	Norman McCutchan and Belle McCutchan			Elberfield, Ind.
	Eva Hooker and Brainard Hooker	Morine Hooker Helen Hooker Harold Hooker		Terre Haute, Ind.
	Sarah McCutchan			Elberfield, Ind.
	Joseph McCutchan			Elberfield, Ind.
	Martin McCutchan			Elberfield, Ind.
	Thomas McCutchan			Elberfield, Ind.
	Roscoe McCutchan			Elberfield, Ind.
George McCutchan and Mary McCutchan, d.	Bessie McCutchan			Elberfield, Ind.
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Anna Elliott and William Elliott	Minnie Elliott			Oakdam, Ind.
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	Emma J. Erk and Oscar Erk			Evansville, Ind.
Thomas McCutchan and Maria McCutchan	Walter McCutchan			Inglefield, Ind.
Mary A. Hitch, d. and Levi Hitch, d.	Fredrick Hitch			Evansville, Ind.
	George Hitch and Bessie Hitch	Ethel Hitch Clyde Hitch Earl Hitch Ceil Hitch		Evansville, Ind.
	William Hitch and Mary Hitch	William Hitch Minnie Hitch		Evansville, Ind.
	Lizzie Starke, d. and August Starke	Stella Starke Myrtle Starke Roy Starke		Evansville, Ind.
	Walter Hitch			Evansville, Ind.
	Rosetta Schmidt and William Connor, d. Philip Schmidt	William Connor		Evansville, Ind.
Euse Skeels, d. and Florence Skeels, d.	Robert Jackson and Geo. W. Jackson	Leotta Jackson		Henrietta, Tex.
	Anna Weber and Nicholas Weber, d.	Daisy Weber Warren Weber Ada Weber		Evansville, Ind.
	Sylvester Skeels and Victoria Skeels	Josie Skeels Frederick Skeels		Evansville, Ind.
	Ella France and Bailey France	Ivra France Ora France Alta France		Boonville, Ind.
James A. McCutchan and Fazenda McCutchan	Annie M. McCutchan			Boonville, Ind.
	Frederick McCutchan			Boonville, Ind.
	Ruth McCutchan			Boonville, Ind.
	Raymond McCutchan			Boonville, Ind.

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SARAH B. McCUTCHAN AND SAMUEL B. McCUTCHAN—CONTINUED.

CHILDREN	Grandchildren	Great-Grandchildren	Great-Great-Grandchildren	Post Office Address
Susan Jackson and Richard Jackson	John Jackson			Evansville, Ind.
	Mary E. Wilson and Charles Wilson	Willie Wilson Lucy Wilson Fannie Wilson Iroy Wilson Ellie Wilson Harrold Wilson		Oakdam, Ind.
	Ellie M. Jackson			Inglefield, Ind.
	Wesley Jackson			Inglefield, Ind.
	Gora Maddow and Thomas Maddow	Phineas Maddow Edward M. Maddow		Inglefeld, Ind.
	Maud Jackson			Inglefield, Ind.
	Oscar Jackson			Inglefield, Ind.
Enphrasia Olmstead and Charles Olmstead	Irene Olmstead			Evansville, Ind.
	Genevra Olmstead			Evansville, Ind.

born / Poo ALEXANDER McCUTCHAN AND MARY McCUTCHAN.

CHILDREN	Grandchildren	Great-Grandchildren	Great-Great-Grandchildren	Post Office Address
Charles A. McCutchan d. and Martha McCutchan	Eugene McCutchan and Nora McCutchan	Edward McCutchan		Evansville, Ind.
	Edward McCutchan			Mena, Ark.
	Julia Egolf and William Egolf			Mena, Ark.
Marcus McCutchan, d. and Amelia McCutchan d.	Minnie Montel and Walter Montel, d.			Butte, Montana.
	Elmer McCutchan			Evansville, Ind.
	Anna McCutchan			Chattanooga, Tenn.
	Mae Durre and Edgar Durre			Evansville, Ind.
	William McCutchan			Evansville, Ind.

Aarad McCutchan and Jane McCutchan	Henry A. McCutchan and Margaret McCutchan	Fina McCutchan Hayden McCutchan Wm. A. McCutchan Jason McCutchan		Inglefield, Ind.
	Roxie Wheeler and John Wheeler, d.	Edith Wheeler Henry Wheeler		Oakham, Ind.
	John A. McCutchan & Maggie McCutchan	Marion McCutchan Bernice McCutchan		Oakham, Ind.
	Morton McCutchan & Minnie McCutchan			Evansville, Ind.
	Edith Riggs and Shirley Riggs			Daylight, Ind.
	George H. McCutchan			Inglefield, Ind.
Ruben McCutchan and Amanda McCutchan	Chara Kramer and John Kramer	Charles Kramer		Cal.
	Isabelle Wilhelm and William Wilhelm	Clara Wilhelm		Phillips, Neb.
	John McCutchan and Nevada McCutchan	Irene McCutchan Geneva McCutchan Maurice McCutchan		Phillips, Neb.
	Walter McCutchan and Mac McCutchan	Irvin McCutchan Gertude McCutchan — McCutchan		Grand Island, Neb.
	Geo. McCutchan & McCutchan			Grand Island, Neb.
	Oliver McCutchan			Grand Island, Neb.
	Frank McCutchan			Grand Island, Neb.
Andrew J. McCutchan and Lizzie McCutchan, d. Mary E. McCutchan	Honore A. McCutchan			Evansville, Ind.
	Herbert S. McCutchan			Portland, Oregon.
Harriet Colton, d. and John Colton	Jennie Greene and Guy B. Greene	Ralph Greene		Mt. Vernon, Ind.
	Fenley Colton and Mamie Colton Harriet Colton			Evansville, Ind.
George A. McCutchan and Martha McCutchan	Mamie Gorey and William Gorey Stanley McCutchan Mabel McCutchan	Roy Gorey Mabel Gorey		Oneal, Neb.
Charlotte Hillyard and William Hillyard	Eunice Holcomb and Isaac M. Holcomb	Herbert M. Holcomb		Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Ter.
	Frank P. Hillyard			Daylight, Ind.
	Bertha Peck and Thomas Peck	Clarence Peck Eunice Peck Esther A. Peck		Inglefield, Ind.
	Harriet Hillyard			Daylight, Ind.
	Eva Smith and Ernst Smith			Elberfield, Ind.
	Anna Hillyard			Daylight, Ind.
	Henry Hillyard			Daylight, Ind.
	Stanly McCutchan			Seattle, Washington
Frank P. McCutchan and Della McCutchan				

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GEORGE B. McCUTCHAN AND AMELIA L. McCUTCHAN.—CONTINUED

CHILDREN	Grandchildren	Great-Grandchildren	Great-Great-Grandchildren	Post Office Address
John A. McCutchan and Frederica McCutchan	Joseph McCutchan			Ainsworth, Neb.
	Arthur McCutchan			Inglesfield, Ind.
	Florence McCutchan			Princeton, Ind.
	Roscoe McCutchan			Inglesfield, Ind.
	Chester McCutchan			Daylight, Ind.
	Nellie McCutchan			Inglesfield, Ind.
	Herbert McCutchan			Inglesfield, Ind.
	Alberta McCutchan			Ainsworth, Neb.
Lydia A. Mossman and William Mossman	George A. Mossman			Princeton, Ind.
	Hettie Earle and Edwin E. Earle			Princeton, Ind.
	Oscar Mossman			Princeton, Ind.

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ROBERT McCUTCHAN AND MARIA McCUTCHAN.

CHILDREN	Grandchildren	Great-Grandchildren	Great-Great-Grandchildren	Post Office Address
Bruce McCutchan				
Thomas McCutchan				Pensacola, Florida

JAMES A. McCUTCHAN AND MARY A. McCUTCHAN.

CHILDREN	Grandchildren	Great-Grandchildren	Great-Great-Grandchildren	Post Office Address
James A. McCutchan				Wabaunsee, Kan.
Cornelia Wilkinson and Freeman Wilkinson, d	Ralph Wilkinson			Wabaunsee, Kan.
	Laura Johnson and Edward Johnson	Elsie Johnson Fern Johnson		
	Minnie Friedly and Wilber W. Friedly			
Hamilton McCutchan and Ella McCutchan	Georgiana McCutchan Irwin McCutchan Hamilton McCutchan, Junior.			Wabaunsee, Kan.
Charles McCutchan and Augusta McCutchan				Wabaunsee, Kan.



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