

Huntington Beach, Cal  
Nov. 15, 1974

County Clerk,  
Anderson County, Texas,  
Palestine, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find check for two dollars for which I would be obliged if you would make a search of the marriage records of 1910 and 1911. my father, Jackson Tom Swires married Lucy Elen Nelms, march 21, 1910 or 1911.

Definite location unknown but family tradition states it was in Palestine, Texas. Mary Elen lived at Mt. Alba at that time. She was the daughter of Mrs. Ana Mary Nelms. If, record is extant, please send me a copy of same.

Sincerely

Henry B. Swires  
16652 Lucia Lane  
Huntington Beach, Cal.  
92647

I have searched the records of Anderson County and find no record. Montalba is near Henderson County, (Athens, Texas 75751) Try County Clerk, Joe Dan Fowler, Henderson County, Athens, Texas.

*Stanley Walton*  
County Clerk

St and  
H. B  
date

Reg. Gen

London House

London WC 2 7x9

Dear Sir:

I would appreciate it if searches  
could be made in your birth indexes  
on my behalf.

Was Thomas Swires, the son  
of James Swires and Elizabeth Lisle  
of Yorkshire? <sup>He was</sup> born ~~18~~ May 17  
1836 or 1840.

If the entry is found etc  
the name has always been spelled  
with the final "s" not Swire.

James Thomas



Henry Livers  
Lieutenant

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF THOMAS SWIRES.

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IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN:

I, Thomas Swires, of Tucumcari, New Mexico, formerly of Canadian, Texas, being over the age of twenty-one years, and being in sound mind and disposing memory, and being desirous of settling my worldly estate with which it has pleased God to bless me, while I have strength and capacity so to do, do hereby make, publish and declare this as and for my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking each, every and all other Will or Wills by me at time heretofore made.

FIRST: I do direct that all of my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate by my executor hereinafter named, as soon after my death as to him shall be convenient.

SECOND: I do give, devise and bequeath unto my beloved daughter, Nennie Bailey, and unto my beloved daughter, Hattie Purlong, and unto my beloved son, Jack Swires, and unto my beloved son, Carl Swires, and unto my beloved son, Lee Swires, and unto my beloved son, Jesse Swires, and unto my beloved son, Archie Swires, and unto my beloved grand children, Martin Swires and Emma Swires, the children of my beloved son, James Swires, deceased, the said beloved grand children so named to receive the said share that James Swires would have received, if he were living, that is, an undivided one-eighth interest to each and all of my said beloved children, and one-eighth undivided interest to my said beloved grand children, Martin Swires and Emma Swires; all of rest, residue and remainder of my estate whether real or personal or mixed, and wheresoever found, located, deposited or kept, and of whatsoever kind, nature, character, form and description, of which I may die seized and possessed, it being my Will and desire that my said property and all of my effects of which I shall die seized and possessed, shall be divided equally, and each and all of my said beloved children shall share equally in my said estate, provided that my said beloved grand children, Martin and Emma, shall receive the one share that James Swires, my beloved son, now deceased, would have received had he lived.

THIRD: It is my further Will and bequest that Jesse Swires be, and he is hereby nominated and appointed as the executor of this, my Last Will and Testament, and it is my special desire that no bond, suretyship or other obligation shall be asked or demanded of my said executor as such, and I do further grant unto my said executor full power to sell any of my said property for the purpose of paying my just debts at any time after my decease; and it is my further request that no suits or disagreements be filed or had in the settling of my estate, except such filing of this, my Last Will and proving the same, and as required by law.

The above and foregoing Will has been by me dictated and fully read in my presence after such writing, and in all





things explained and the same is hereby declared to be by me my own Will and desire, and I do hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of witnesses who have been requested to act as such witnesses by me, and in my presence, and I do hereunto set my hand and seal on this the 12th day of February, 1927, to this, my Last Will and Testament, at Tucumcari, New Mexico.

Thos. Swires

Signed, sealed and published and declared by Thomas Swires of Tucumcari, New Mexico, formerly of Canadian, Texas, as and for his Last Will and Testament, in our presence, and who have at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each of the others of us, hereunto set our hands as witnesses to this, the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Swires.

Dated at Tucumcari, New Mexico, this the 12th day of February, A. D. 1927.

C. M. Bueser

Lottie DeOliviera

Thos. Swires

(End of Page Two)

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
County of Hempden I, John W. Smith of said County  
Court in and for said County hereby certify that the  
foregoing is a true and correct copy of Test Will of Thos. Swires  
as same is of record in Vol 5 page 196 Probate  
records of said County, Texas and in file  
in this office.  
Witness my hand and seal of office this 7 day  
June 1927  
John W. Smith County Clerk  
By Mary E. Smith, Deputy

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1870 Census - Logan County - Illinois

Francis

Robert E. Blackburn - Anna May

1860 Census - Carroll County - Illinois  
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Birth

James T - Barry J. - Pike County  
1870 - 1880 Census

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Barro Atlixco, El-Meanguen County  
Haleston County Tex

Jennings County Illinois Decatur 1850

Bea County Texas 1850  
Wm Melina

James Lurres married  
Elizabeth Lises on  
July 4, 1839 at Clayton,  
West York, England.  
E. b. at Clayton, West Yorkshire  
April 30, 1814 Mary

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Clayton West Yorkshire England

16652 Lucia Lane  
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Walter R. Sanders  
R.R. #3 Box 130A  
Litchfield, Illinois  
62056

Dear Mr Sanders:

Am seeking information on the SWIRES family of Ill. I have made many contacts in Greene, Macoupin, Jersey, Madison. Original family James Swires and Elizabeth Lisle....Yorkshire England.

Can you tell me county histories where family accounts carried?  
Where can book

Descendants of Wm Aiken and allied family ...James  
Asst of Corn-Forrester-McClain-Swires-Tulpin  
Compiled by Pearl Tulpin Forrester..Julius Tulpin  
Dedicated Corn Tulpin..Josephine Tulpin  
Pub. Jan 14, 1952  
Have excerpt...want book.

*Good copy  
Barton*

Also seeking NELMS

Have excerpt from book

John W. Smith's History of Mason County, Illinois  
Rokker's Printing House, 1876, Springfield, Ill

Need name of Wesley C. Nelms who married Anna Mary Goodwin in  
Logan County Ill. 1874

Suggest helpful books ..your stock...will order and remit.

Mrs. Henry E. Swires

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referred to as

When asked if it is illegal to discriminate against a person on the basis of race, color, or religion, the witness replied that it is not illegal to discriminate against a person on the basis of race, color, or religion, but it is illegal to discriminate against a person on the basis of sex.

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Field Notes

1. The first of these is the fact that the United States has a large and growing population of people who are not citizens of the United States but who are permanent residents of the United States. This population is estimated to be about 10 million people, and it is growing at a rate of about 1 million people per year. This population is not counted in the official population statistics of the United States, and it is not included in the official figures for the number of people who are citizens of the United States. This population is not counted in the official population statistics of the United States, and it is not included in the official figures for the number of people who are citizens of the United States.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 08-19-2007 BY 60322 UCBAW

...directly to the ... about ... Wood ...

100-443884-20

~~Pat. 2,616,111. We hold these in trust.~~  
Huntington Beach, Calif.  
16652 Lucia Lane  
Oct. 15, 1974.

County Clerk Jennings County,  
Vernon, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed two dollars for a copy of the marriage certificate issued  
Susana Baker daughter of Peleg Baker and Susanna.....  
and Eli Goodwin, born 1822, Hamilton, Ohio.  
Date of marriage 1855.  
If certificate is not available an application for a certificate  
would be acceptable.

Sincerely

Henry B. Swires

*Marriage Record 5*  
*Page 37*



*Eli Goodwin* }  
TO *Susannah Baker* } ss. Be it Remembered, That on this *6<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *January* 1830, the following marriage  
license was issued, to-wit:

Indiana, to-wit: *Terre Haute* County.

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETING:

Know ye, that any person legally authorized to solemnize matrimony is hereby  
licensed to join in marriage as husband and wife *Eli Goodwin* and  
*Susannah Baker* and for so doing this shall be his sufficient authority.

*E. L.*

In testimony whereof, I *Wm. P. Shields* Clerk  
of the *Terre Haute* Circuit Court, hereunto subscribe my  
name, and affix the seal of said court this *6<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *January* 1830. *Wm. P. Shields*

*By James M. Hill*

Be it further remembered, that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
18\_\_\_\_, the following certificate was filed in my office, to-wit:

Indiana, To-wit: \_\_\_\_\_ County,

This certifies that I joined in marriage as husband and wife \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_\_\_

Feb 10 1902	1 Eli Goodwin	1 Year 79-4-9	Month November	Days	1 May 25 1901	2 Born
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	Color, White					Ohio

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	2 14 days			



Huntington Beach, California.

September 7, 1972

Probate Court,  
Hamilton County, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find check for the birth certificate of my great grandfather  
Eli Goodwin, born Feb. 16, 1822.

My grandmother was Anna Mary Goodwin Nelms.

My mother was Lucy Elan Nelms Swires.

Thank you for any information found,

Sincerely

Henry B. Swires  
16652 Lucia Lane  
Huntington Beach, Cal  
92647

*Sept 11, 1972*

*No birth records prior to 1858. Enclosed find check for \$2.00*

*Court of Common Pleas  
Probate Division*

April 12, 1972.  
Huntington Beach, Calif.

Recorder of Deeds,  
Vernon County,  
Missouri.

Enclosed two dollars to pay for a transcript of the marriage records of my grandmother, if they are existant.

Anna Mary Goodwin, daughter of Ralph Eli Goodwin and Susanna Baker Goodwin, born Sept. 3, 1853 and Wesley C. Nelms, born Nov. 6, 1848, were married August 3, 1874, presumably at Nevada, Mo.

Anna Mary Goodwin lived in Nevada, Missouri. her sister Elizabeth Ann Goodwin was adopted and raised by H.A. and Nancy Bateman.

We are endeavoring to find some background on Wesley C. Nelms our grandfather and hoped the marriage license or record might give us a lead.

Thank you for any help you may be able to give us.

Sincerely

Henry B. Swires

Son of Lucy Elen Nelms Swires.





# Texas State Department of Health

JAMES E. PEAVY, M.D., M.P.H.  
COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH

AUSTIN, TEXAS  
November 18, 1969

J. B. COPELAND, M.D.  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

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Mr. Henry B. Swires  
16652 Lucia Lane  
Huntington Beach, Calif. 92647

Re: Nelms, Henry  
Died: 1894, 1895 or 1892  
Anderson Co.  
Req. #34555(11-14-69)

Dear Mr. Swires:

A search of our files fails to show that the above-mentioned record is registered in this office.

If you wish to file a delayed record at this time, the enclosed forms may be used. You must first submit the certificate and any questions relative to its filing to the county judge whose name and post office address are shown below.

Be sure to keep this letter, for it must be submitted to the county judge as evidence that the record is not registered in the State Bureau of Vital Statistics.

Judge N. R. Link  
County Judge, Anderson County  
Palestine, Texas 75801

Sincerely yours,

*W.D. Carroll*

W. D. Carroll  
STATE REGISTRAR

VS-140L,  
REV. 11/60

WDC:mal  
Encl.

PLEASE CASH THE ENCLOSED CHECK  
AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE.

ENCLOSED IS THE FEE OF \$2.00 WHICH  
YOU SUBMITTED WITH THE ABOVE-IDENTI-  
FIED REQUEST.  
THE ORIGINAL OF THIS LETTER WAS  
MAILED TO YOU ON THE DATE SHOWN  
ABOVE.



For Cash Only.

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Mr. & Mrs. D.C. Adams  
605 Mason Street  
Birmingham, Ala

Births  
 Infant girl born May 28 1872  
 Emanuel & Helen born May 16 1878  
 James R. " " Jun 14 1878  
 Infant boy " " Sept 17 1878  
 Mary J. " " 11 22 1878

Wm. & Mrs. D.C. Adams  
 605 Mason Street  
 Birmingham, Ala  
 Born Nov 6 1848 Mary C.  
 Born Sept 2 1853 Emma C.  
 Born to Mary & John Adams  
 Infant daughter May 28 1875  
 Emanuel & Helen May 16 1878  
 James R. & Helen June 14 1878  
 Infant son Sept 17 1878  
 Mary Jane Sept 19 1880  
 John Adams July 11 1884  
 Charles W. E. Feb 17 1887  
 Died Feb 24 1887  
 Clarence & John Adams Feb 22 1888  
 Henry Adams Apr 14 1890  
 Johnnie & died October 21 1890  
 Henry & John Adams May 17 1893

OFFICE OF



PROBATE COURT.  
FIRST MONDAY EACH MONTH.  
COUNTY COURT.  
SECOND MONDAY, MARCH  
AND SEPTEMBER

*H. F. Beidler*  
County Clerk

*Lincoln, Ill.* May 27, 1901.

Mrs. Anna Helms,  
Montalba, Texas.

Dear Madam:-

I received your letter some time ago, and sent it to your father by the mail carrier on his route; I told the carrier to read it to him and tell him to come to the office and I would write to you for him.

But it seems that he neglected to do so, and I have been very busy of late and forgot to go and see him about it. Yesterday I returned from a business trip out of town, having been gone several days, and was informed by Mr. Jacob Bollin, the supervisor for West Lincoln township, that your father had been taken quite sick a few days ago, and died Saturday morning, May 25, 1901, and that he will be buried today, May 27, 1901.

Mr. Bollin has been appointed administrator of his estate, which I am told consists of the little house and two lots where he lives, and about \$200.00 in money which was found in the house after his death.

Whether or not he has any debts, I cannot say at this time, of course there will be the funeral expenses to pay.



OFFICE OF



PROBATE COURT.  
FIRST MONDAY EACH MONTH.  
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SECOND MONDAY MARCH  
AND SEPTEMBER.

*A. F. Beidler*  
County Clerk.

*Lincoln, Ill.*

Any further information you may wish from time to time, you can get by writing to Mr. Jacob Bollin. Mr. Bollin says he has been trying to find your brother, but has not been able to do so yet.

Very respectfully,

*A. F. Beidler*

County Clerk.



92 yr age

#### Funeral Services Held

Lizzie Bateman was born Dec. 1, 1857, at Rock Island, Ill. When she was about seven years of age, her parents moved to Nevada, Mo., where she later married Justus C. Swan on Jan. 20, 1875. To this happy union five children were born, Arthur H., Justine A., Walter E., Ralph P., and Elvora A. Three of the children and Mr. Swan preceded her in death.

Mr. Swan was one of the original settlers in Nuclea, having moved there from Pinion. Mrs. Swan operated a hotel in the west end of Montrose county for many years, first in Nuclea, and then when the town of Naturita was laid out, she bought the first lots and built the Naturita House, which she operated for more than 25 years.

She had been failing in health for several months and had gone to Hot Springs, N. M., in the hopes that she might be benefited by the baths from the hot mineral springs, but she was never able to take the baths as she was there only ten days when she passed away at the Stout Convalescent Home, on Jan. 18, 1949, at 11:20 p. m.

Mrs. Swan is survived by Mrs. Justine Judd with whom she was living at Naturita, Ralph P. Swan of Long Beach, Calif., two granddaughters, Mrs. Alberta Lehman of Iowa City, Ia., and Mrs. Elvora Harris of Euclid, Ohio, and also five great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Nuclea Congregational church on Jan. 25, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon. The Christian Science service was read by Mrs. Ray Rice of Montrose, with Mrs. William Francis of Montrose at the piano.

Two hymns, "O! Gentle Presence" and "In Thee O! Spirit True and Tender" were sung by Mrs. Dennis Morris, also of Montrose.

Pallbearers were Harris Woods of Montrose, Lisle Wilson and Johnnie Daniels of Naturita, and John Galley, Leonard Zatterstrom and Clarence Huntley, all of Nuclea. Burial was in the Cedar Ridge cemetery at Nuclea, by the side of her husband. Ormsbee mortuary of Montrose was in charge of the services.

Mrs. Swan was a willing worker and a faithful and devoted friend. She spent the greater part of her life doing things for others and trying to make all who knew her happy. She will be remembered as one of the pioneers who struggled to make this section the prosperous and fertile land that it is today.

Huntington Beach, Cal.  
Oct. 19, 1973.

Mrs. J.S. Scales,  
2900 Wilmet Ave.,  
Columbia, S.C. 29205

Dear Mrs. Scales:

In searching for my husband's grandfather, Wesley C. Nelms I have accumulated considerable data on the name. Much of the data is from Nelms that went to Christian Co. Ill from Christian Co. Ky. Four books deal with the descendants of Rev John Nelms from Ky. to Fannin Co. Texas. Some on a line in Memphis, Tenn. Presley Nelms and Eben Nelms from Va. and S.C. If you think I could be of help to you I would be glad to check my data on your names. My query, too, appeared in the Sept. Helper. A similiar query last year brought no response. I have been searching for four years for some clue to the forefathers of Wesley C. Nelms, who was killed in an accident in Palestine, Texas, the records having burned in a court house fire. The entire family are deceased so we search on. I have Soundex records of Ohio, Ind., Ill., Ark. and Texas. Many Nelms in Texas in 1880 but not our family. The eldest son was named Emmanuel Coving. The Coving might be the name of Wesley's mother before marriage. No where in the records we have is his name written out only the initial. Even on his marriage certificate. Rumor says they originated in So. Carolina. Have you ever encountered the name of Wesley Nelms?

Thank you for any help you can give me, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Mrs. H.B. Swires  
16652 Lucia Lane  
Huntington Beach, Calif  
92647

16652 Lucia Lane,  
Huntington Beach, Calif.  
July 3, 1972.

Mr. Wesley Nelms,  
Crawfordsville, Ark.

Dear Mr. Nelms:

My husband is a grandson of Wesley C. Nelms, who died in around 1898 near Palestine, Texas. My mother-in-law was an infant at the time and had no knowledge of his parentage or from whence he came. Neither did any of his other children. I am trying to find relatives who might give me names and dates of his past. You are the first Wesley Nelms I have found. In telephoning people by the name of Nelms I was put in touch with Resie May of Decatur and she gave me your address. Do you know if we are kin and if so where our grandfather was born and who his parents were. Most of them came from Va. to Christian Co. Kentucky to Illinois and some went on to Texas. The entire family is dead and their children can not help me. I would like the information so that we might put a headstone on the grave of Wesley C. Nelms that now lies neglected some 12 miles S. of Palestine, Texas. The court house in Palestine burned down and with it all the records.

Wesley C. Nelms was born Sept. 3, 1853 and married Anna Mary Goodwin August 13, 1874 at Lincoln, Illinois.  
Children: Emanuel Coving, May 16, 1876...no children; James Rolland, b. June 14, 1878...no children...died Vet. Hosp. San Antonio, Texas in the 1930...no records. Mary Jane Bishop b. Sept. 21, 1880...died - - 1956, Amarillo, Texas...never talked about her family. John Bateman Nelms born July 11, 1884...no nothing of him...Archie Webb b. 2-17-1887 died 2-24-1887. Henry Martain b. Sept 14, 1890 died June 1968, Palestine Texas. children no nothing... Lucy Elen Swires Austin...family scattered...on death of first husband....died Oct. 1968, Waco, Texas.

Any help you could give me I would appreciate. Thank you.

Mrs. Henry B. Swires  
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Huntington Beach, Calif  
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# PELEG BAKER

Thomas Baker, who came to America from the county of Essex, England to Dedham, Mass. was born 1638. ~~Called down to Rhode Island after~~ Ordained a minister in 1655. he was called down to Rhode Island, by Roger Williams, ~~He served the First Baptist Church~~ Newport, R.I. and Kingston, dying in 1710. He and his wife Sarah had sons Benjamin, Thomas and James and unnamed others.

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Vernon

2 Joel Baker, born 1791 married Elizabeth Woodson, Pulaski Co. Ky 1828, 1850 Census Jennings Co. Indiana....Ky. Vital Records.

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Eli Goodwin, veteran of the Mexican War. Pension and War records. Three children, Anna Mary, Elizabeth and Jesse.

4 Ana Mary Goodwin, born Sept. 3, 1853, Jennings Co. Indiana, married Wesley C. Nelms. 1874. (Bible Records and marriage Cert.)

5 Lucy Nelms, born May 17, 1893 married Jackson Thomas Swires, ca. 1911 and is the mother of Henry B. Swires O.C.G.S. member  
Much of the research supplied by Mrs. Leola Bushman, Arcadia, Cal. D.A.R. and direct descendant of Peleg Baker, through his daughter Susan Coon.



# THE BAKER

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 Ordained a minister in 1855, he was called down to Rhode Island,  
 by Roger Williams. He arrived in Providence, R.I. in 1855.  
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Lived in Fayette Co. 1800/1800 Kentucky, 1800 Census and Pulaski Co. Ky. 1810 buying land there and appearing on the 1810 Census. Bought land in Jennings Co. Indiana from the Land Office at Jeffersonville. Peleg Baker fathered fourteen children the four oldest sons fighting in the War of 1812. Joel Baker one of these four married Betsey Woodson 1828 in Pulaski Co. Ky. On 1820 Census Jennings Co. Indiana

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1828.....1850 Census...Ky. Vital Statistics.

Susan Baker, daughter of Joel Baker, of Jennings Co. Indiana, born 1835, a registered nurse, married Eli Goodwin, born 1820 Hamilton Co. Ohio. Eli Goodwin, veteran of The Mexican War, War and pension records. Three children, Anna Mary, Elizabeth and Jesse.

Ana Mary Goodwin ~~was~~ born Sept. 3, 1853 married Wesley C. Nelms,  
Marriage Cert. from Lincoln, Logan Co. Ill.

Lucy Nelms, born May 17, 1893, married Jackson Thomas Swires ca. 1911, and is the mother of Henry B. Swires, O.C.G.S. member

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Peter Baker, fought in the battle of Bennington, 1777, and was in the  
 of Peter Baker born Rhode Island 1761, Boston Transcript film 4432.  
 Reynolds, 1782 (Rhode Island) whose oldest son Samuel was the father  
 born 1809 purchased land in Newasset. John Baker married Susanna  
 1710 Kingston, Rhode Island. Thomas Baker, the second, father of John Baker  
 James and daughters. Served first Baptist Church of Newport, died  
 minister, 1855. He and his wife Sarah had children, Benjamin, Thomas  
 sailed down to Rhode Island by Roger Williams was ordained a Baptist  
 County, the County of Essex, England, to Bedford, Mass. was born 1686.  
 of Thomas Baker, who came to America from Weymouth, Mass.

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 Joel Baker, born 1791 married Betsey Woodson, Polaski Co. Ky.  
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 in the War of 1812. Joel Baker, son of Joel Baker, born 1791 married Betsey Woodson  
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 bought land in Tennessee Co. Indiana from the land office at Jeffersonville  
 Co. Ky. 1812 buying land there and appearing on the 1810 Census.  
 lived in Tennessee Co. Indiana, Kentucky, 1800 Census and Polaski  
 went as missionary to Indians. Married Susanna an Indian girl.  
 Roberts and Vermont Master Rolfs. Was ordained Baptist minister and  
 fought in the Battle of Bennington. (N.Y. in the Revolution by James  
 Capt. Joseph Boyden's Co. under Col Williams, Vermont late 1797 and  
 or Washington Co. N.Y.. Rolfs served in the Revolutionary War with the  
 Baker family moved inland as the Revolution approached. Halifax, Vermont

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ANNE WATY GOODWIN 14 born Sept. 8, 1853 married Wesley C. Helms,  
Marriage Cert. from Lincoln Logan Co. Ill.

Louy Nelson, born May 17, 1893, married Jackson Thomas Swires  
Oct. 1911, and is the mother of Henry B. Swires, O.C.G.S. member.

MARGARET W. ROSS, CLERK OF COURT  
GREENVILLE COUNTY  
GREENVILLE, S. C.

TO H. B. Swires

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We do not have the information you need. We suggest  
that you write to the Greenville County Health  
Department where the Death Certificates are recorded.

Greenville County Clerk's Office

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FROM : SAC, WASHINGTON  
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RE: [illegible]  
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13241 Woodland  
Tustin, CA 92680  
Sept. 25, 1975

Dear Lucy,

Re the death records index in Texas:

"A copy of the Bureau of Vital Statistics' index to birth and death records is in the Archives Division, Texas State Library, Box 12927, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711.

A photocopy of a specific name will be provided upon request. (If the birth or death was after 1940, the year must also be provided.)"

I was mistaken in that they would send all pages of a given surname. But if you list your <sup>first</sup> names they will send those pages, and if your <sup>sur</sup>name isn't too common, like mine, you'll probably end up with all the pages of that surname anyway.

Did you know that the 1850 and 1860 Texas Federal Census is indexed? If you write to The University of Texas at Austin, The Library, Austin, TX 78712, they'll check for your names.

Good luck and happy hunting!

Sincerely,

*Ruth Betow*

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February 5, 1974

Mr. Henry Burton Swires  
16652 Lucia Lane  
Huntington Beach, Calif. 92647

Dear Mr. Swires:

Files of the Palestine Herald for 1922 are not available in Palestine, and I am sorry I cannot furnish you the information for which you asked.

Some years ago we gave our older files to the University of Texas in Austin.

It is possible that the Anderson County Clerk's Office could have a death certificate on file, which might be helpful.

Sincerely,

  
Wayne C. Sellers

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December 1, 1972

Henry B. Swires  
16652 Lucia Lane  
Huntington Beach, California

Dear Mr. Swires:

What an interesting story about the Aussie from WWII trying to find his friend, you!

Here is the name and address of the publisher of Rancho Romances,----

Popular Library, Inc.  
Jim Hendryx, Jr., editor  
3555 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York 10017

Hope you two can make contact.

We will add the Nelms genealogy to our next "wants" list, and let you know when a copy is located. The price and condition will be given at that time. It may take awhile to find, as genealogies are among the most difficult books to find. Usually, only enough copies are printed for members of the family, so that few ever reach the book-market.

Thank you for writing for our assistance.

*Dorothy Bright*  
(Mrs.) Dorothy Bright

Aguarillo Texas.

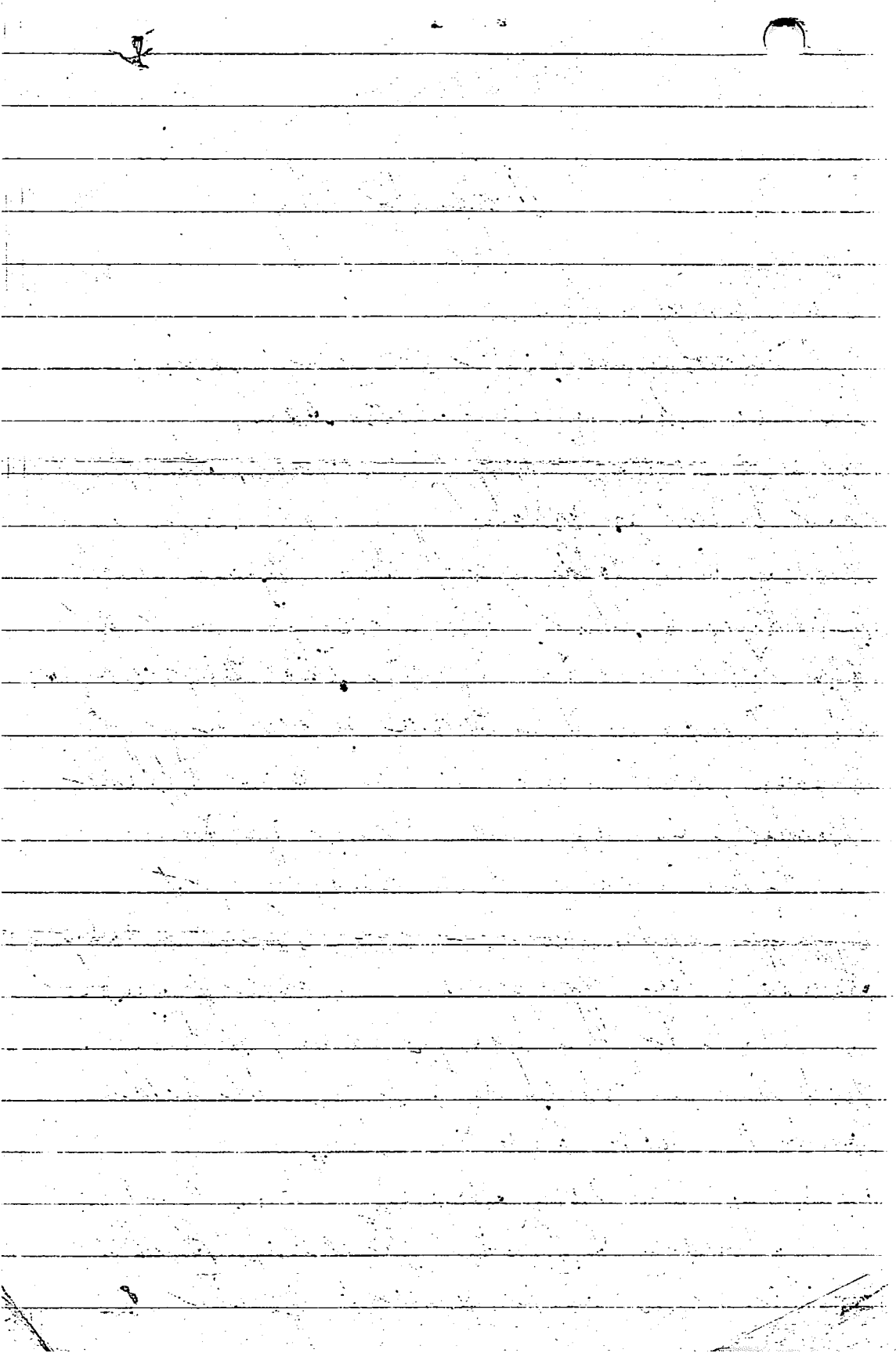
Oct. 8, 1979

Dear Henry & Lucy:

Do trust you are well & enjoying life to the fullest extent. We are as well as usual. The last letter I wrote you was in June & I told you Ben was not working & that. Afternoon he got a call to come to Dyess the next day. The company he had worked for before sent here at this power plant needed some more men as they had received a new supply of equipment. He has been <sup>there</sup> ever since. He enjoys his work & ~~is~~ is glad to be busy again. I did not know whether he would hold out or not but he did.

I am not very strong but I keep the house & take care of Ruth. I have to stop & rest quite a



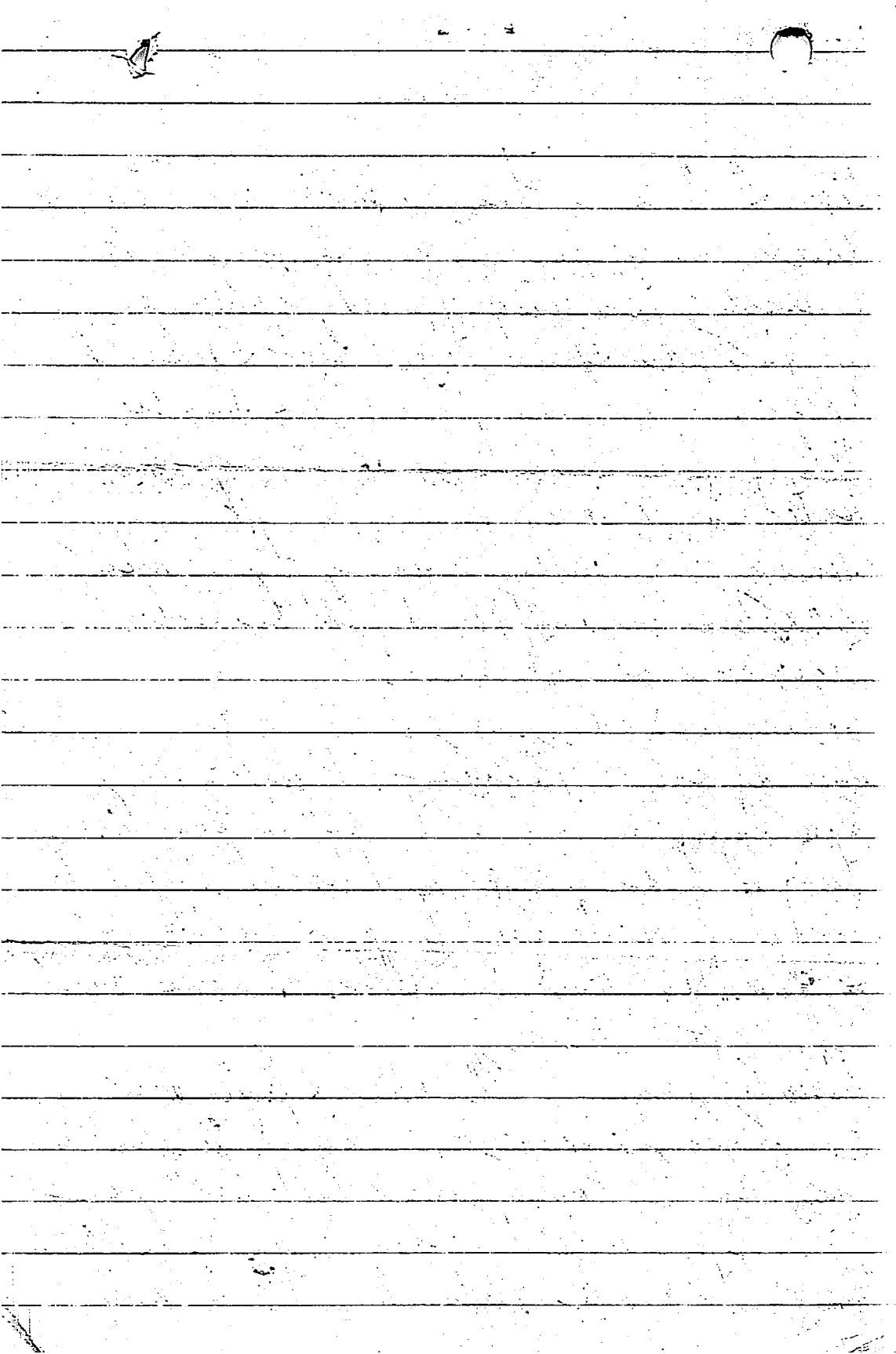


fit. I have been sick one time! That was in Aug. I got sick & really vomited but got over it in a short time but I wasn't able to attend Church & Sunday School the next day. I always hate to miss.

Today is really warm, but the weather is supposed to be cooler tomorrow. I hope so.

I bruised my leg and it was several days before it got well. Ken said I ought to go to the Dr. but I had quite a lot of different kinds of medicine to put on it so I finally got it well. I sure am happy for that.

Kenny, Wayne, Blanche & Eric are doing fine. Kenny W. missed 2 weeks getting to come home but he came home last Wednesday night & he goes back to work Wednesday. Eric is



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playing soccer ball again & we  
got to see the games. We got to  
see them all Saturday at the  
game. Kenny sure looks well.

Blanche is losing weight & she  
looks better. ~~It~~ sure like her.

We don't get to see them very  
much as we are all so busy.

They went to Clovis yesterday to see  
her mother. Kenny said they had a  
good time.

Wileen has been having the  
toothache lately. She said she  
was going to have some dental  
work done as soon as she could  
get an appointment. I am glad I  
have good dentures. Thanks to  
you all for getting us started.

Sure would love to see you all  
again. Take good care of yourselves  
and write us soon. Lots of love.  
Ken & Marjorie



Sure hope you all wasn't near  
the fire and flood they had  
out there recently. Hope it has  
all stopped by now.

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