

McCRACKEN

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John McCracken, a Minister, was born 1755-60 in Pennsylvania and died 1820-27 in Jonesboro, Washington Co. TN. His will was written 8 Jan 1820 and probated 17 Nov 1827. He married Margaret Adams, daughter of Alexander and Margaret Adams. She was born ca1755 in Pennsylvania and her estate was settled 27 Dec 1837 in Jonesboro, TN . John and Margaret had issue:

1. Robert McCracken (More of whom later)
2. John McCracken born 10 Dec 1775 in PA and died 9 Apr 1859 TN. He married Ann/Anna Kelsy dau. of William Kellsey.
3. Samuel McCracken born 1780 PA. He served in the War of 1812. He married Alice/Alsey Mercer, dau. of Joseph Mercer.
4. Henry McCracken, Minister, born 1780-1790 PA married 1st Nancy Barclay/Borclay; married 2nd Catherine Hamilton in 1816.
5. Mary McCracken married John Kelsey son of William Kellsey, brother of Ann who married John McCracken.
6. Catherine McCracken married Samuel Greer.

Robert McCracken

Robert McCracken was born 29 Aug 1783 in Pennsylvania and died 14 Dec 1855 in Madison Co. AR. Robert was drafted at Jonesboro Tn Oct 1814, for the term of six months and served as a private in Capt. Jonathan Waddle's Co, Regiment commanded by Col. Samuel Baylis, in the War of 1812. The time and place of his discharge is unknown but his wife remembered he arrived home 29 Apr 1815. Robert applied for bounty land under the Act of 3 Mar 1855 and a grant dated 11 Mar 1856 was granted subsequent to the day of his death. It was returned to the pension dept. to be cancelled and his wife marked the declaration for the purpose of obtaining the land to which she might be entitled under the Act of 1855. Madison Co. AR. land maps show early land claims of Robert and his sons John and Ewing before 1846. He married 8 May 1810 Nancy America McClure (1792 VA-aft 1860 AR) dau. of John and Rebecca "Ewing" The 1860 census of Madison Co. AR lists Nancy McCracken in the home of her son, Samuel G. who married Bethina Boren. In Arkansas they were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church but in their younger days were

members of the Old Presbyterian Church. Robert and Nancy had issue:

1. John McCracken (more of whom later)
2. Ewing McCracken born 23 Dec 1817 TN died 17 May 1867 Kingston Madison Co. AR. Bur; Upper Campground Cemetery.; married 12 Sep 1847 Emaline Brown, b.1822 d. 1892 Madison Co. AR. They had issue all born in Madison Co.:
 - a. Henry Paine b.16 Apr 1849 d.25 Jan 1940 Madison Co., m. Josephine Villines in Madison Co.;
 - b. Josephine b.24 Aug 1850 d.12 Sep 1902.;
 - c. Robert Greer b.1850 d.cal1851;
 - d. Nancy Melrose (Mellie) b. 29 Nov 1852 d.11 Apr 1928 Osage, Carroll Co. AR. m.14 Feb 186 Wilburn Regan Sneed;
 - e. John Dave b.17 Jul 1855 d.4 Mar 1939 m. 18 Jan 1880 Sarah Jan McConnell;
 - f. Eliza Matilda (Matiller) b.31 Oct 1857 died young;
 - g. Laura Belle b.13 Apr 1860 m.18 Apr 1875 Joseph Villines;
 - h. Dorcas Yell b. 3 Apr 1863 m. 14 Jun 1888 William Fancher;
 - i. Alice Emaline b.13 Oct 1866 m.5 Oct 1884 Robert (Bob) Edgmon.
3. Robert McCracken, II born 1823 TN and died bef. 1870 census Madison Co. AR. married Elizabeth Mashburn, dau of David and Sarah Mashburn. She married 2nd Henry Smith and 3rd John McCracken (her brother-in-law, eldest son of Robert and Nancy) Robert and Elizabeth had issue:
 - a. John E. ;
 - b. Marion Gordon;
 - c. Matilda J.
 - d. William D.
4. William M.(Will) McCracken born 1825 TN married 25 Jul 1847 AR Elizabeth Jane Doak (1829-) dau. of Joseph Melvin and Margaret "Deshane" Doak. They had issue:
 - a. James Melvin, b. 1848 AR married 1st Mary Johnson in 1868 and 2nd Luella Privette.
 - b. Wesley McCracken
 - c. Ewing Nathaniel McCracken b. 1853 AR d.1930 m. Mary Frances Welch 1878.
 - d. John W. McCracken b. 1856 AR d. 1919 Springtown, Parker Co. TX. married Betty Taylor.
 - e. William Thomas McCracken
 - f. Samuel McCracken b.Springtown, Parker Co. TX
 - g. Mary Ann McCracken b. Springtown, Parker Co. TX. married W.L. Taylor 1879.
 - h. Mattie L. McCracken b. Springtown, Parker Co. TX .
Joseph H. McCracken b.1871 Springtown TX married Sue Wilson 1895.
 - i. Endimiyon H. (Dim) McCracken b.1871 Springtown, Parker Co. TX married Anna Bedecarrox 1898.

5. Margaret McCracken born cal82 TN.
6. James B. (Jim) McCracken b. 1830 TN d.1891 Huntsville AR. married cal835 Theresia Boren dau. of Joshua and Martha "Johnson" Boren. They had issue:
 - a. William T. b.1856;
 - b. Samuel Joshua b.1858;
 - c. Martha;
 - d. James;
 - e. Mary B.;
 - f. Josephine.
7. Samuel Gordon (aka Sam or Campbell) McCracken b.1832 married Bethina Boren, dau. of Joshua and Martha "Johnson" Boren; sister of Theresia who married James B. McCracken. They had issue;
 - a. James J. b.cal854 AR;
 - b. Ewing W. b.3 Nov 1856 AR d.1 Mar 1923 Barry AR m. Mary A. (Mollie) Hillard in Kingston AR.
8. Nancy Jane McCracken born cal835 TN married 1854 James Monroe Doak 1831 TN
9. Dave McCracken.
10. Mollie McCracken b. cal820 d.before 1860 census. (At that census the children are found in the homes of relatives) She married Wesley Jett (cal815-) and had issue;
 - a. _____ a son b.cal842;
 - b. Mary Jett b.cal843;
 - c. Sarah Jett b.cal845;
 - d. Rebecca Jett b.cal846.
11. Minerva McCracken.

John McCracken

John McCracken was born 5 Apr 1811 in Washington Co. TN. and died 26 Mar 1897 in Madison Co. AR and is buried in the Upper Campground Cemetery near Kingston, AR , beside his 2nd wife. John McCracken received the rudiments of education in Washington Co. TN and remained with his parents until he was twenty one years of age then began farming for himself. He learned the blacksmith trade and followed this for about ten years. Except for this period of time and the time he fought in the Florida War in 1835 he was a tiller of the soil the balance of his years.

John married 1st 5 Jul 1832 Nancy America Henry. She was born 1810 in Rhea Co. TN, Nancy died in 1840 Madison Co. AR leaving three small children; Mary and Nancy died young and William

was said to have had "brain fever" and was cared for by his half sisters until his death. None of these children left descendants.

John McCracken married 2nd 5 Jul 1842 Mrs. Mary Burum "Kenner" Henderson who was born 14 Aug 1811 in TN, the daughter of Colonel Eskridge and Dorcas "Borum" Kenner; and widow of Robert Henderson. She and Robert Henderson came to Arkansas from Green Co. Tn in 1836. He died 1840 in Crawford Co. AR leaving three sons; John Eskridge Henderson (1835 TN-1870AR Buried near his mother), William Kenner Henderson (1837-) moved to Van Alstyne TX, and Robert Henderson, Jr. (1839 AR-) In 1853 John and Kenner Henderson purchased Lot 3 in Kingston AR, built the 5th and 6th houses in Kingston and before the Civil War they had Henderson Brothers Store in Kingston. Mary B. Kenner McCracken is said to have enjoyed smoking a corn cob pipe. She was described by one of her descendants as being a "Shouting Methodist". She would hand the baby to one of the older children at Camp Meeting, when the Spirit moved her and this normally prim lady would begin to shout. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. John and Mary B. had issue, all born in Madison Co. AR.:

1. Sophia Dorcas McCracken (twin to Francis M.) b.22 Feb 1843 d.18 Apr 1915 Carrollton AR; buried in Carrollton Cemetery. Married 1st 1858 James J. (Jim) Payne (cal 1835-Killed in Civil War.) son of William M. and Elizabeth Payne of TN. They had one daughter, Miller A. Payne, who married 21 Jul 1873, William French Denton, son of Col. Tilford and Mary "Sneed" Denton. Sophia married 2nd, cal 1867, Samuel Sneed as his second wife. His first wife was Henrietta Chaney, dau. of James C. and Nancy D. "Seahorn" Chaney and granddaughter of John and Mary "Graham" Seahorn, of Overton Co. TN. Henrietta died leaving two small children : Arimenta F. (Mintie) Sneed (1860-1941) and John Chaney Sneed (1863-1931). Sam Sneed was born 22 Jan 1835 at Osage AR, the son of Charles and Jane "Coker" Sneed. He died at Carrollton AR.

2. Francis Marion McCracken (twin to Sophia) b.22 Feb 1843 and died in 1861, Accidentally killed in the Civil War while serving under Capt. Larkin Bunch.

3. Mary Buren (Bee) McCracken born 6 Sep 1846 and died 19 Oct 1876 married James Knox Polk Boatright. They had issue:
a. Buren Loduska (Dutch) married B.L. (Jeet) Hardy;
b. Edward H. married 2 Feb 1905, Ova M. (Olie) Grigg in Huntsville, AR and later lived in Portor OK.;
c. Effie Mae (1868-1968) married John Hickman (Hix) Maxwell.

4. Nancy Ann (Nan) b. 1848 married Monroe (Mun) Harper.

5. Charlotta Loduska (Duck) McCracken b. 4 May 1851 and died 26 Aug 1902. She married George M. Dallas Coker, (1848-1927)

son of William (Prairie Bill) and Ariminta "Fancher" Coker.
They had issue:

1. Onie Dallas Coker (1874-1970) of Eureka Springs, AR.

5. Zalmona Elizabeth (Zally, Lizzie) McCracken was born 28 Dec 1854 in Madison Co. AR. and died 1 Sep 1922 in Snyder, Kiowa Co. OK. She married Eliphas Polk Costen (1845-1924) 2 Nov 1869 in Eureka Springs, AR.

INFORMATION ABOUT MY JONES RELATIVES WHO LIVED IN AND NEAR PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA

My dad, Thomas David Shipman, Jr., had only one cousin on his mother's side of the family. He was William "Bill" Albert Jones, born 22 January 1892 in Crawford County, Illinois. He was the son of John Jones, my grandmother's brother, and Nancy C. Shipman, my father's second cousin.

Bill and his wife Florence E. Hale Jones had three children: John Hale Jones, Florence Rosemary Jones and Helen Jones.

Florence E. was killed in a car wreck seven miles west of Eureka, Kansas on 22 October 1939*. They were returning from Lawrence, Kansas where Rosemary was attending the University of Kansas. Bill and Helen were injured in the accident. Their neighbor Mrs. Clyde (Ellen) Thornton who was traveling with them was also killed. John Hale was attending Yale University on a scholarship which he received two years earlier. They resided in Tonkawa.

When William Albert died of a heart attack at his home south of Ponca City on 22 June 1947, John Hale was attending the University of Oklahoma. Rosemary and Helen were listed as "of the home" so assume they were not married. The Ponca City News stated that Bill would have completed twenty years service with Continental Oil Company in July.

Both Bill and Florence were buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Tonkawa.

In the 1932 Ponca City directory, Bill was listed as a chemist for Continental. His address was 210 North 8th Street. At the time of Florence's death he was listed as an electrical engineer for Continental.

I am writing a book about my grandmother Martha Jones Shipman and her family. Would very much like to include the William Albert Jones family in it. Would certainly appreciate it if anyone who has any information about this family would contact me at the following address. I have a picture of Bill Jones when he was a young man that I would like to share with his children or grandchildren. Also have a picture of Bill's father John Jones (my grandmother's brother) and his third wife Isabella "Bell" Miller Shipman Jones.

Ruby Shipman Wilson
4729-Folsom Drive
Durant, OK 74701

* Florence Jones, 46, was survived by her mother, Mrs. Rosemary Hale of Lawrence, Kan., and two sisters, Mrs. Helen Dunakin, Lawrence, and Mrs. Edna Hansz of Newkirk, OK.

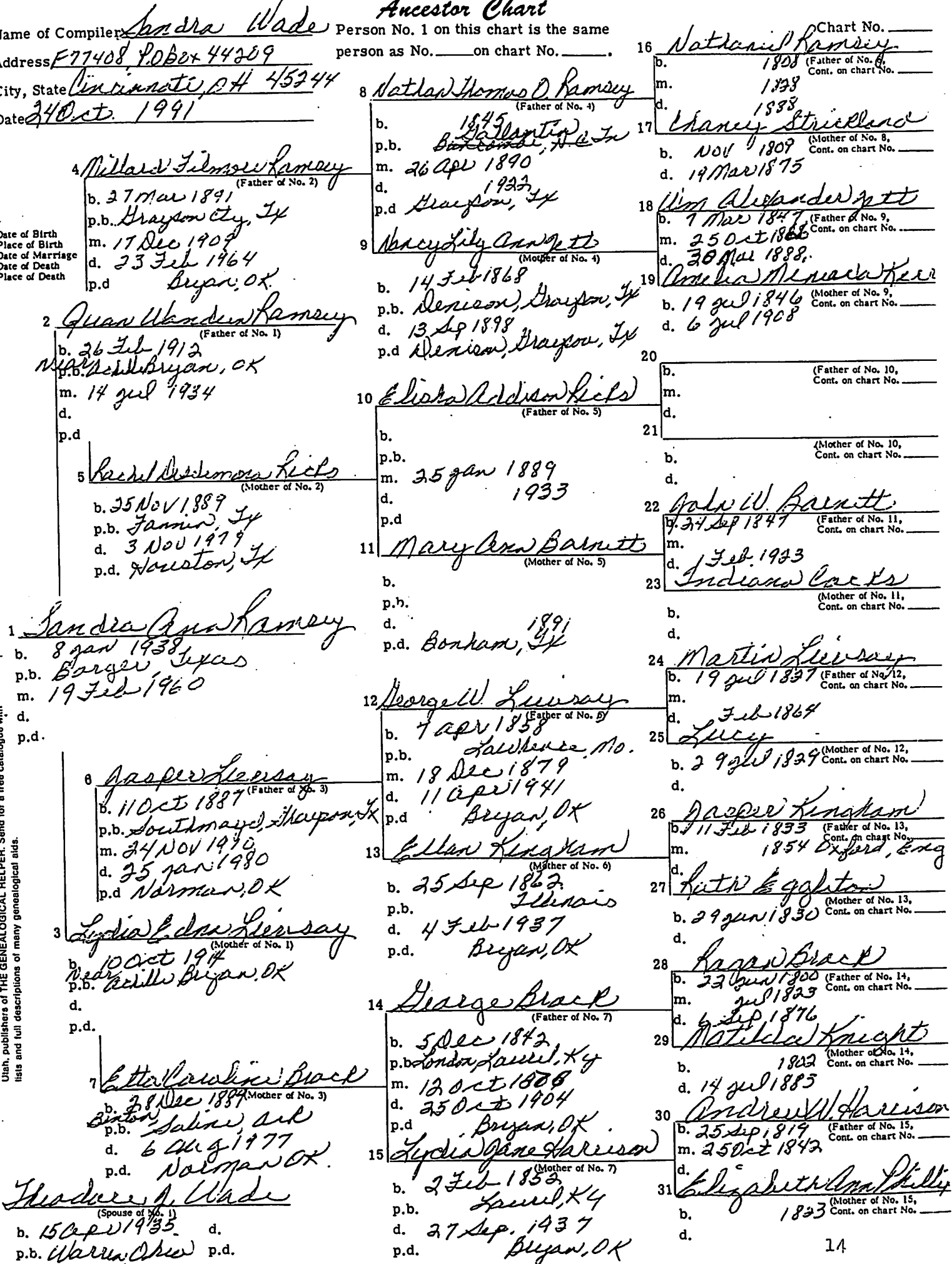
Ancestor Chart

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Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. _____ on chart No. _____.

Chart No. _____

b. Date of Birth
 p.b. Place of Birth
 m. Date of Marriage
 d. Date of Death
 p.d. Place of Death



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Friday, March 29, 1918 - Vol. 1, No. 43:

DEATH of Mrs Thomas -

Mrs. Thomas, relic of Pope Thomas, died at her home in Colbert Tuesday afternoon, aged 63 years, after a long and painful illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist church, being conducted by the Rev. Harold G. Hennessy, pastor of the Episcopal church at Denison of which church society the deceased was a member, assisted by Rev. W.A. Lewis, pastor of the Colbert Methodist church. After these services the remains were taken to the Colbert cemetery for burial.

As a mark of respect and indicating the high esteem in which deceased and her family are held all the business houses were closed during the funeral exercise.

At his home in Calera, Tuesday, March 26, Rev. Roxell untited in marriage Mr. B.O. Moore, aged 62 years, and Miss Katie Mink, aged 23, both of the Achille community. From this we judge the philosopher's chances are growing brighter each day. Don't be backward girls, if you feel matrimonially inclined. Our latch string hangs outside of the door, just pull it, come in and tell your desires. None turned away except a slacker. If Mr. Moore was able to capture a Mink it looks like we ought to get a wild cat at least.

Friday, April 12, 1918 - Vol. 1, No. 45:

DEATH OF FRED VAUGHN:

The many friends of Fred Vaughn were sorry to learn of his death which occurred Monday morning, after an illness of two weeks. He was 34 years of age and was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Vaughn. He is survived by his father and mother and several sisters.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Tuesday afternoon, being conducted by Rev. W.A. Lewis, the pastor, and the remains were buried in the Colbert cemetery.

BORN: to Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Carter, April 16, a twelve and a half pound son. Ennis says he is another American soldier and may show his patriotism by buying a Liberty Bond.

Friday, May 24, 1918 - Vol. 1, No. 46:

SHOT HIS WIFE - KILLED HIMSELF:

At an early hour Monday afternoon a double tragedy was nearly enacted at Bernington. A merchant named Rachel shot his wife the bullet entering the side of her ranged downward at the base of neck. The wound is serious, but thought not to be fatal. The man then turned the pistol on himself and fired, the bullet entering his forehead. He was thought to be dying in a few minutes after the shot. Domestic trouble is given as the cause. At a Red Cross meeting a few days before Rachel paid \$160 for a box prepared by his wife. The couple had been married only a few weeks. She is the daughter of Mr. Gibbs of Utica and the family is well known to T.D. Tackett of Calera. Rev. J.T. Clinton was well acquainted with the dead man and his wife, they having attended his meetings at the Baptist church over there.

The Colbert Times cont'd:

TRAIN KILLS TWO: June 14, 1918 - Vol. 1, No. 49:

The Katy Flyer going south Wednesday afternoon about four o'clock struck an automobile occupied by three persons, one woman and two young men, at the crossing on the south edge of Colbert. The auto was traveling north and the parties had been to Denison and were on their return home to Durant.

Mrs. Tom Roper and C. Hickman were instantly killed and their bodies were badly mangled, John Gray was so badly hurt that he was taken to a hospital in Denison after being treated by Dr. Yeiser, and before becoming unconscious he told the doctor his father was named W.E. Gray and that he lived in Durant.

We are indebted to Dr. Yeiser and his daughter, Miss Craig, for the facts here stated. Some parties from Durant who visited the scene of the accident, shortly after the happening told a reporter that two men and two women started from Durant to Achille, the former home of one of the women who concluded to remain in that town and the other three drove on to Denison. We are further told that Mrs. Roper's husband was working in Muskogee at the time of his wife's death.

A Colbert gentleman who witnessed that accident from a short distance stated that he noticed the auto approaching the crossing just as the passenger train was nearing it at a rapid speed, and that those in the auto were cutting up and seemed to be having a joyous time, but the twinkling of an eye, almost he saw the Buick six flying in the air and he ran to the spot. All the bodies were badly mangled. In the end of a cross tie was found a piece of bone from a human body about three inches long and it had been driven in with such force that they could not pull it out.

The editor of this paper knew John Gray over in Johnson county when he was a little boy, and also knew all of his folks, and his brother Jim Gray, having worked in our office for a time.

To Be Continued:

QUERY:

FLOTT, WRIGHT.

I am searching the names FLOTT and WRIGHT. My grandfather, George Washington FLOTT, born Dec., 12, 1863, died June 16, 1923; buried San Angelo, Texas. My grandmother, Dora Jane Wright Plott, born July, 1887, died Dec. 10, 1918 during the 1918 Flu epidemic and is buried in one of the cemeteries in Paris, Texas. I would like to write to anyone tracing these names and exchange information or I will help others with their search on other names in exchange for information on Plott-Wright. Dora Foss Burges, 505 E. 36th, San Angelo, Tx. 76903.

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Query:

Copeland, Outlaw:

I am researching the name Reuben Copeland who was born in Hardin Co., Tenn. and also any information on Outlaw from the same county. Copeland moved to Montgomery Co., Tx. in 1870. Mary Crabtree, Rt.1, Box 136, Colbert, Ok. 74733

Calera, Ok..

1906 THE STERRETT SUN, EDITOR & OWNER WAS J.R. MOORE
PIONEER FAMILIES ___ NOT MENTIONED ON BUILDINGS SHEET
KNIGHT_CLINTON_PERRY_JOHNSON(WILL JR.)(ROY JOHNSON) HAMILTON
SHELTON_LOVE_COLBERT_BADGETT_BLACK_PARKER_CARTER_SHORT_BULLOCKS
JUSTICE_SCOTT_WOODS_MOODY_FREEMAN_REEVES_THOMAS_FLOYD_
LYON_MASSINGALE_PAULK_DIKE_COFFEE_HONTS_FLEMING
EARNEST_MORGAN_DR. M.S.KELLER_GUIOU_RICKETTS_FORTENBERRY
DIFFEY_BERRY_FOX_BROWN_FERGUSON(JOHN_MACK_HENRY) MARTIN_
VAN METER_HENDERSON_TYUS_BUSH__KING_BUCHANAN_HURST_AUSLEY
NORTON_PERKINS_TURLEY__MANTOOTH_GARLAND_HOBSON_BATTLES
POPE_CRIBBS_CRABTREE_DRIVER_VENABLE_BEAN_KNOWLES_MALCOM
EVANS_WHITE_GREEN_MITCHELL_MEAD_WRIGHT_COOPER_LAWRENCE
JAMES_WRENN_BAILEY_SIMMONS_NEWELL_MARTIN_SELF_MAFF_LEDFOED_
HIGGENBOTTOM_MURRY_PADD COX_HILL_SPEARS_CHESTNUT_LINTON_
WILLIAMS_JORDON_CAMPBELL

IN 1906 George & White Turf Exchange Bullards and Pool main
street Sterrett

In 1906 Sterrett town for cr.W.E.Black prop.

IN 1906 Meat market Byron Bouchard

In 1906 STERRETT GROCER A.L.. Turley

City Marshall:TOBE GOZA,BILL,BLACK,LOUIS ELLIS,&_____

STERRETT: JOHN KING:FUNERAL PORLOR,JOHN BLEVINS:RESTAURANT
STERRETT"BUD NORTH CUTT:LIVERY STABLE
STERRETT:TOBYGOZA:RESTAURANT
1906 DRUG STORE:DR.MC CALIB & HOLLIS SHELTON

The Building that our Bryan County Heritage Family Resurch
Library is in now,was the DRUG STOREwith Dr. Mc Calib & HOLLIS
SHELTON, & ALSO DR. A.J.WELLS was in at one time we feel like
this is a lot of history and we are so glad to be able to
be in this old building,it is about the only old original
building left in Calera,Bryan County,Oklahoma which was
STERRETT,OK.CALE SWITCH,and now CALERA,OK..

LATER PAVED HIGHWAY Calera, Ok. 1899

