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Our quarterly publication is published in January, April, July, and October. The quarterly may be picked up at the monthly meetings by local members and are mailed to remote members. We are actively engaged in swapping quarterly publications with other genealogical societies and welcome new swap partners.

Genealogical and historical data with connections to Tuscaloosa County and/or Alabama are solicited for possible inclusion in our quarterly and monthly publications. Contact Brenda Thomas at:

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Committees

From time to time committees are established for various purposes and members are encouraged to participate in one or more of these groups. The success of our society is dependent on the active participation in one of these groups.

Meetings

Monthly meetings are held at 7 p.m. the first Thursday night of each month in the Rotary Room, upstairs at the Tuscaloosa County Public Library on Jack Warner Parkway, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Visitors and prospective members are welcome at all times and their participation in our projects is needed and desired. The only requirement is

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FUTURE PROGRAMS

2005

November 3, 2005 R. L. Guffin - To Be Announced
December 1, 2005 Betty Weaver "Special Anniversary Celebration"

2006

January 5, 2006 Elizabeth Wells "Post-Civil War Record Reconstruction"
February 2, 2006 Charlotte Tucker, June Reese, and Jan Hutchison
"Organizing Your Genealogy, Part I"
March 2, 2006 Charlotte Tucker, June Reese and Jan Hutchison
"Organizing Your Genealogy, Part II"

Should there be any questions regarding programs or if you would like to present a program
Please contact Warren Spruill at: spruill15@comcast.net

Make sure you check out our web site at
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~alngtgs/>
Thanks Jim for all your work!

LOOSE PAPERS

Update

Tuscaloosa County Courthouse, 2nd Floor
Monday – Tuesday – Thursday 1pm – 4pm

Our project is still going strong! We have many good and devoted workers, but if we had twice as many as many we would finish the project in half the time! We have completed the shelved folders and are emptying the rest of the drawers. The more recent the year, the more involved the files become thus more time is needed reading each file.

Please contact either Jan Hutchison at 339-4527 or janhutchison@comcast.net or Charlotte Tucker at 553-7259 or ctucker@dbtech.net if you can spare a few hours a week to this cause that will help others find their families and learn some of their history.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you at the courthouse!
Thanks to all of those that have been so faithful!

NOTE: We have temporarily suspended the Tuesday night sessions until further notice.

UP COMING EVENTS

CAGG

(Computer Assisted Genealogy Group)

Will meet one more time this year on the third Saturday of November (19th) at 9:30 am at the Tuscaloosa Family History Center. This will be our share meeting with open discussion of special “finds” during the year. This is a fun meeting to hear how others are using the Worldwide Web and other resources to identify and organize their families. We will also have a festive brunch as we kick off the Holiday Season. Hope you can join us! For more information contact Jan Hutchison at 339-4527 or janhutchison@comcast.net

30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION NIGHT GROUP OF TUSCALOOSA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Don't miss the December meeting!

A lot of work has been done by a lot of our members to make his a very special meeting.

Thanks to Betty Weaver for heading up this great group of people!

Thanks to all of you that have put so much time and work into this project!

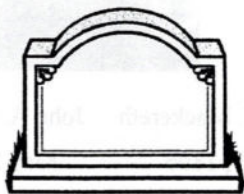
Tuscaloosa Memorial Park Cemetery

5434 Old Birmingham Highway

Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35404

Recorded by Brenda Thomas

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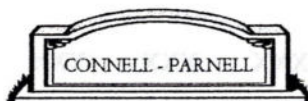
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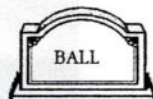
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sideways of all others)

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G. D. & Edith Hewitt	1867 * 1951	1862 - 1931	Nov. 29, 1910		Calvin Colburn	Victoria Colburn
Aug. 1, 1941			Sept 7, 1952		December 7, 1871	March 18, 1876
					October 7, 1937	August 24, 1957



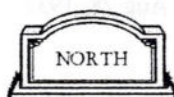
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		April 19, 1980	Feb 1, 1944	Nov 2, 1937	WORLD WAR II	April 21, 1937	April 19, 1976
					Aug 30, 1919	Feb 8, 2005	



XXX	XXX	Marie Shamblin Ball	James Herbert	XXX	XXX
		September 9, 1924	Ball, Sr.		
		September 29, 1992	Sept 4, 1924		
			Jan 9, 1998		



XXX	Hurcil B. Vaughan	XXX	Pearl B. Vaughan	XXX	XXX
	July 8, 1909		March 16, 1903		
	Dec 1, 1996		Sept 13, 1995		

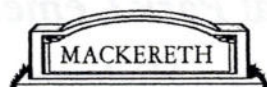


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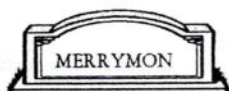
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Aug 9, 1883	May 5, 1873		April 21, 1897		June 8, 1919
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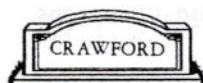
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ALABAMA	June 20, 1857	Dec 10, 1890	Aug 10, 1895	Oct 7, 1896	May 26, 1888
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Nov 12, 1921 Jan 21, 1962					



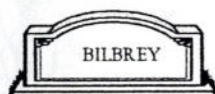
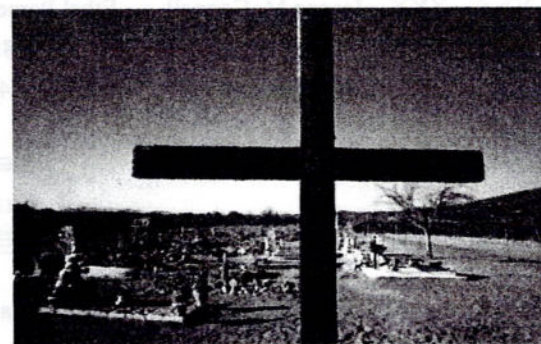
(JIM)

James G. Merrymon	Benjamin F. Merrymon	Adaline Johnson	Lula Bell Holmes	Robert Oliver Holmes Sr.
Aug 12, 1889	1859 - 1939	Wife Of	Sept 3, 1890	Aug 15, 1890
Aug 31, 1955		B. F. Merrymon	July 23, 1960	Sept 12, 1958
		1854 - 1936		

Pierce T. Sims	Martha A. Baker	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
May 31, 1909	Sims					
Feb 7, 1930	Aug 21, 1881					
	Feb 10, 1959					



Bessie Morgan Crawford	James S. Crawford	XXX	XXX
1891 - 1978	1890 - 1938		



James Neville	George Marvin Bilbrey	XXX	Lucy Skinner Bilbrey	XXX	Carey Lee Skinner, Jr.
Bilbrey	April 5, 1905		Sept 15, 1907		Feb 3, 1943
Nov 23, 1911 - Jan 27, 1937	March 4, 1994		Feb 8, 1992		Jan 8, 1994



XXX	Oliver L. Ball	Louella Curry	John Luther	XXX	XXX
	Sept 15 * Oct 3,	Ball	Infant Son Of		
	1901 1974	Dec 28, 1897	Oliver L. & Louella Ball		
	MASTER MASON - PAST MASTER	Jan 7, 1998	Aug 28, 1937		



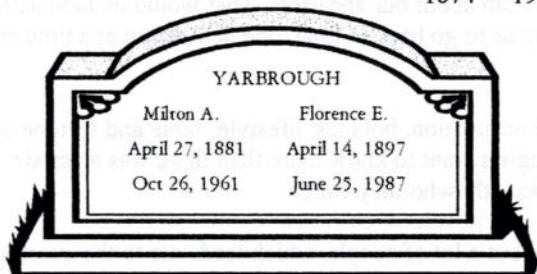
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		Rossback	Dec 27, 1880		(McDuff) Patton		ALABAMA
		July 20, 1913	April 15, 1937		April 19, 1891		PVT 309 GENERAL HOSPITAL
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							Dec 8, 1898 Aug 20, 1959

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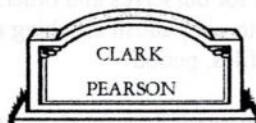
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	1867 - 1945		Koeppel		
			1874 - 1947		



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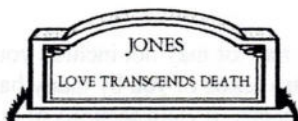


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Jan 29, 1883	Feb 27, 1886	Apr 6, 1906	Mar 21, 1912		
Jan 3, 1974	June 11, 1969	May 20, 1967	May 5, 1980		



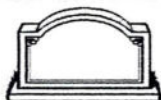
XXX	Theodore E. Pearson	Cecil Ryan Pearson	R.A. (BUD) Clark	Oklona Whatley	XXX
	July 26, 1907	November 6, 1907	1866 - 1950	Wife Of	
	June 8, 1990	February 10, 2000		R. A. Clark Sr	
				1868 - 1942	

GOD'S GREATEST GIFT RETURNED
TO GOD ~ MY MOTHER



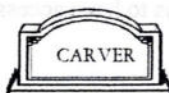
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from Bilbrey on row 45)

I. G. (Dick) Jones	XXX	Bessie Bilbrey Jones	XXX
Aug 16, 1900		Oct 31, 1895	
Feb 22, 1953		Nov 15, 1986	



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XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
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Charles E. Carver	XXX	XXX	DAD	XXX	XXX	XXX
Mar 14, 1939			Joseph L. Carver			
Dec 12, 1999			Aug 18, 1912			
			Dec 24, 1991			



Privacy Issues and Genealogy

(Submitted by Mike Sullivan)

Have you noticed there seems to be a lot of concerns in Genealogy about privacy issues? Those concerns are valid. They are important to you. As genealogist, we collect a great deal of information about people. Our research uncovers facts that are very important to us. Be warned, these facts could hurt you or your loved ones when published.

Most genealogist endeavor to find and prove as much information as we can about our ancestors. That would include date of birth, date of death, marriage and their children. This information allows us to go back in time, one generation at a time and discover our ancestry. Providing we prove our facts, of course.

Some genealogist take things a little farther and research things like the occupation, hobbies, lifestyle, fame and fortune of our ancestors. Where did they live? Why did they move? These genealogists want to know more than there was a certain person in their ancestry but want to learn as much about them to know exactly who they were.

I think you see the picture that there can be a lot of information found about a lot of people, which leads me to the question, "What's the big deal about privacy?" There are two important issues that fall under the concerns of privacy. First is "Identity Thief". The second is purpose or intent.

The very same Internet that we use to find and sometimes publish our findings is used by people for financial gain. Millions of people suffer problems that range from junk mail filling their mailboxes, to financial ruin. Bank accounts can be emptied. Charge cards can be billed. Social Security benefits and other retirement funds can be impinged.

I believe you'll agree that we could cause a lot of trouble for ourselves and others if we aren't careful. So how do we protect our information from not being abused? The best way is to not publish anything about any living person. It's okay to have information in our files for the future but keep it in your files, period.

Many of us have our files on our computer. We don't give much thought about sending a GEDCOM file to fellow researchers or other genealogical databases and when we "share" that way, we give up the responsibility of keeping private information to someone else. Many genealogy software programs will automatically filter information concerning the living but not all of them do this. You should delete the information yourself to make sure because once it's out there, it's out there.

Publishing is not confined to entries on the Internet. Books, magazines, newsletters, even genealogies by way of family group sheets should be prepared with sensitivity towards the living because in one way or the other, these publications do become public. Should you include a living person in anything that you publish, you should first get that person's permission and more importantly, be very careful about what you write about that person.

Let's look at a family group sheet for a minute. Starting with yourself, you may or may not include your siblings. You then list the names of your Father and Mother's maiden name. What questions are asked of you by many banking offices? Your name, age and/or date of birth and your Mother's maiden name! Without keeping certain sections of our genealogies private, we readily give all the information needed to anyone what wishes to use it to steal our identities for their gain.

I would like to point out that the Privacy act of 1974 and its counterpart, the Freedom of Information Act, applies only to the federal government. When you research information on the state level, you'll find that each state has its own privacy laws. I recently received Ancestry's Daily Newsletter telling me I can find North Carolina birth records on Vital Search that include dates as recent as 1996.

It may come to your surprise that Alabama doesn't have a Privacy Act. Don't believe me? Go to the ADAH website at "<http://www.archives.us/index.html>" and click on "For State and Local Officials", then "Publications", then "General" and then "Providing Access to Government Records". In the first sentence of the fourth paragraph, you will read. "Public Officials should also know that Alabama has no Privacy Act." Alabama does have some statutes that address privacy but most of them are geared towards the "People's" right to know, that is to have access to public records. The downside is that many of these public records contain private information.

In 1908, Alabama began requiring the recording of birth and death records. At that time, the State also restricted the access of the Official Certificates to members of the immediate family or written permission from an immediate family member. Birth Certificates are restricted for 125 years and Death Certificates are restricted for 25 years. What that says is that so far every Birth Certificate written in the State of Alabama has restricted access.

I know that I have raised some eyebrows at this point but caution you to be mindful of the phrase "Official Certificate". It is only the Official Certificates that are restricted, not the recording of the event. Otherwise, obituary notices in newspapers would be illegal. Hospital and/or family birth announcements would suffer the same treatment.

Many other records are considered court documents, which unless requested and then a judge grants the records to be sealed, these court documents are a matter of public record and have no restriction on them. Anyone can go to any courthouse and view and/or copy these records. They include marriage license, divorce papers, bankruptcy, deeds, wills and Probate records, as well as most Circuit Court records.

Sometimes our research about people in our genealogies might not include if that person is deceased or not. This could easily happen as we branch out into related lines. So how do we know if it's okay to publish those names? Simply put, we don't. Many genealogist use the 72 year rule followed by the Federal Government.

The Federal Government uses the average life span of 72 years as their guideline for releasing information they have about the general population. My father was born in 1929, so he is on the recently released 1930 census records. Should I conclude that it is okay for me to publish information about him? I don't think so.

Some genealogist use a 100 year rule, figuring that after 100 years, the person they include in their genealogies are very likely deceased. They feel that anyone that has reached that longevity is proud of the accomplishment and would not object to that information being published. They further assume these people are surrounded by friends and family that will protect them.

Since people die at different ages, I have not adopted a certain year rule. I would not publish anything other than perhaps the names of my parents, nor do I write about their parents, other than their names. I do this because I do not wish to cause any harm or embarrassment to my parents.

That idea gives me the opportunity to discuss the second important issue of privacy. When publishing, in whatever form. You should ask yourself, "What is my intent?" This could be better addressed by asking "How could someone else use this information?"

Every family has their skeletons. Every family has a certain dysfunctional character and we different and sometimes difficult individuals should band together and rise to rule the world! Well maybe that thought should be left for another time.

The point is that for most genealogists, the Name, DOB, DOD, are what we consider bare bones genealogy. Sometimes, that's all we have. Sometimes we don't have that much. Preservation of our family is what we seek. It is an accepted fact that we are the link between the past and the future. It is our duty to discover all we can, so that future generations will know where they came from.

So what's the problem? The problem is that sometimes some information could be embarrassing, even hurtful to some. That brings us back to your purpose. If you desire to only preserve your family for the future, then keep info about the living and info that might be embarrassing in your private files. Then make certain you made arrangements for your files to be passed on and disclosed in the future. There is no need to publish anything potentially harmful about anyone.

It is that last statement that is so very important. Few genealogists intentionally cause harm to anyone but lots of people cause problems for themselves and others without realizing it. Pointed out earlier, as genealogist, we record as much as we can find in our genealogies and then think nothing of it when we send a fellow genealogist a GEDCOM or Genealogy Report. What we have now done is passed on the responsibility of safeguarding the info to someone else and I can guarantee you that person will soon pass it on, probably in the same innocent fashion.

Do you know, that if you were to put information on billboards, at the ten busiest intersections in town, fewer people will read that info then will see it on the Internet? It's true!

So, there are few records that are protected by law and most of the information contained in those records can be found in another source. Let us protect ourselves and others by keeping information about the living in our private files. The future will get them soon enough.

By the way, can anybody tell me how AARP knew when I turned 50!!!!

By Anonymous

Thanks Mike for this informative contribution!

The Night Group of the Tuscaloosa Genealogical Society Meeting Minutes

August 4, 2005

Opening

Dr. Guffin called our August meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. at the Tuscaloosa County Library. He said he glad to see everyone and thanked those that stayed over from the workshop session.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the July meeting were read by Jim Crowder and they were approved as read.

Approval of Financial Report

Jesse Ellard presented the financial report and it was approved as read.

Balance June 30, 2005	\$2687.22
Expenses (Book Sale - Copying)	\$256.19
Dues	\$15.00
Special Contributions	\$0.00
Special Book/CD Sale	\$58.00
Balance July 31, 2005	\$2504.03

Present

Luellahj Darshanon reported that we had 34 members present and 2 visitors for a total of 36 for the evening.

Program

Warren Spruill reminded everyone that Agnes McBride will present our program at the September 1, 2005 meeting and her program would be *Exploring Family Legends: A Case Study* and urged everyone to attend the next months meeting.

Warren introduced our speaker, Ralph B. Quarles, Senior VP & Trust Officer AmSouth Bank, and his interesting program was *Probates, Last Will and Testament*.

Announcements

Dr. Guffin called for reports from our committees:

- **Loose Paper Project:** Jan Hutchinson reported that the project has had an average of three volunteers weekly and they were down to the last five drawers and needed more volunteers. She said they should finish the divorce records by Christmas and there were some records that no one has seen.
- **Record Preservation:** Warren Spruill said that he had nothing to report.
- **Entertainment Committee:** Betty Weaver reported that the Library had agreed to display the promotional material for our December Celebration. She told the

group that the cost for the promotional items would run around \$200.00. A motion was made by June Reese, seconded by Jim Crowder that we allot the funds for the materials. It was approved by those present. Betty said that she would ask the morning group to work with us on this event.

- **Publications Committee:** Charlotte Tucker reported that a lot of work has gone into the sale of the books and CDs. She told the group that they had free lineage charts, pedigree and group sheets for those that wanted them. She said they plan to sell the books and CDs at the AGS Seminar, Saturday, October 1, 2005. She announced that Jesse Ellard would help at the Seminar. She acknowledged June Reese for contributing so much on the *Death Records CD* and the index for the *Subpoena Book*. She said the committee would meet and discuss what needed to be done with the *Subpoena Book*. She reminded the group that we need to purchase a filing cabinet for the archives at the Tuscaloosa County Library as soon as it is completed.

New Business

Dr. Guffin asked if there was any new business and there was none.

Adjournment

Dr. Guffin said it was a pleasure to see everyone and was looking forward to seeing them again on the 1st of September.

Respectfully submitted by: Jim Crowder

Approved by: R. L. Guffin

NEW MEMBERS

Please add these to your directory

YATES, Steven D. 1036 Taylorwood Circle 205 345-5456
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405

Bamberg, Parker, Deason, Purtilg, Boggs, Cammack, Monte, Yates, Holifield, Bracknell,
Foley, Wyatt, Caudle, Yeager, Sims, Mitchell, Coley, Brice (O'Brislen)

KIZZIAH, Debbie P.O. Box 40484 205 553-7410
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35404 fastponey@charter.net
Davis, Dockery, Taylor, Oats, Pritchett, James, Clark, Stamps

PRICE, Mary Ann 1445 Spruce Avenue
Tallahassee, Florida gaprice12@comcast.net
Joseph Balus Eddins, George Darden, Orr Reese

The Night Group of the Tuscaloosa Genealogical Society Meeting Minutes

September 1, 2005

Opening

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Dr. Guffin. He welcomed everyone and said this months meeting slipped up on us since it came on the first. He asked if we had anyone present for the first time and asked them to share the surnames they were researching.

Approval of Minutes

The August minutes were read by Jim Crowder. A motion was made by Warren Spruill to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Luellahj Darshanon and approved by those present.

Approval of Financial Report

Jesse Ellard presented the financial report and it was approved as read.

Balance July 31, 2005	\$2504.03
Expenses (Book Sale -Copying)	\$29.14
Dues	\$40.00
Special Contributions	\$0.00
Special Book/CD Sale	\$40.00
Balance June 30,2005	\$2554.89

Present

Luellahj Darshanon reported that we had 18 present for the workshop, 21 members and 3 visitors present for the regular meeting.

Reports from Committees

Dr. Guffin thanked Roberta Powell and the rest of the Calling Committee for doing a wonderful job of contacting everyone and reminding them about the meetings.

- **Record Preservation:** Warren Spruill said that the committee would meet next week and work on making possible plans to work on the 7th floor records sometime this fall when the weather cooled off.
- **Publications Committee:** Charlotte Tucker reported that the committee had to reschedule their meeting. She said they might need permission to do a CD with the 1824 Subpoena Book with an index that would sell from \$20.00 to \$30.00. She said that she failed to bring the printed book to the meeting. She said there were other books, such as Orphans Court records and Roads and that the committee could do later. A motion was made by Warren Spruill, seconded by Jim Crowder and approved by those present, that we spend up to \$150.00 to

produce the CD for the Subpoena Book. June Reese said she had completed the index for the 1900 – 1910 Stock Mart. She shared a sample of the index with the group and wondered if we might publish it in the newsletter. Dr. Guffin said he was looking forward to seeing it in our quarterly.

- **Loose Paper Project:** Jan Hutchinson reported that the project has had 18 volunteers during the month of July and 16 during August. She said they had one this week and there was always room for anyone else that would like to help.
- **Entertainment Committee:** Betty Weaver reminded everyone that the theme for our December Celebration was a “*30 Year Journey of Research, Discovery, Sharing and Fellowship*” and that the society was organized on December 4, 1975. She said she had a list of charter members and officers that have served. She also shared a copy of Volume 1, Issue 1 of the society newsletter.
 - Betty announced that:
 - Holly Baker, an active member of the Day Group has passed away.
 - Registration sheets for AGS Seminar were available for those that needed them.
 - Wayne Wakefield needed a volunteer to look up Presbyterian Church records.

Program

Warren introduced Agnes McBride, our speaker for the evening. Her program was “*Exploring Family Legends: A Case Study*”.

Adjournment

Jan Hutchison reminded everyone that CAGG would meet on the 17th at 9:30 a.m. and that Chuck Gerdau would be there.

Dr. Guffin said he was glad to see everyone and looked forward to having them back next month.

Respectfully submitted by: Jim Crowder

Approved by: R. L. Guffin

SPECIAL THANKS!!

To all of our officers this year for making this a successful year for our society!

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE FROM THE NIGHT GROUP OF THE TUSCALOOSA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

PIONEERS OF TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA PRIOR TO 1830...CD	\$20.00
BENTON COUNTY, ALABAMA MARRIAGE BOOK 1, 1834-1850 Edited by Thomas H. Wood, Wood Publishing Company, Tuscaloosa, 1987	\$20.00
REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIERS WHO LIVED IN BOTH VIRGINIA AND ALABAMA Edited by Thomas H. Wood, Wood Publishing Company, Tuscaloosa,	\$15.00
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