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REPORT FROM THE MORNING GROUP

Barbara Landers has been doing a splendid job as our newsletter editor. Thank you, Barbara, for all the time and effort you put into this publication.

The group has given about forty books to the research area of the Tuscaloosa Public Library. We have many new volumes on Tennessee and Kentucky.

We have talked a lot about citing our sources when we write up our family histories. Be sure to indicate where you found your information. This is the only way you can prove your work is a reliable source for future genealogists.

Maps have proved to be reliable tools for the genealogists. We hope the ones we have brought you will be of help in locating where your people lived.

Many thanks to the volunteers who are shelving books in the library. The genealogical research area is a busy place, sometimes half the books are off the shelves. Our volunteers work hard each week to keep the area in order and the books on the right shelves. This is a great service.

We hope all of you will find exciting information on your summer research trips.

Sincerely, Billie Lockard, President.

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SOMETHING EXTRA SPECIAL

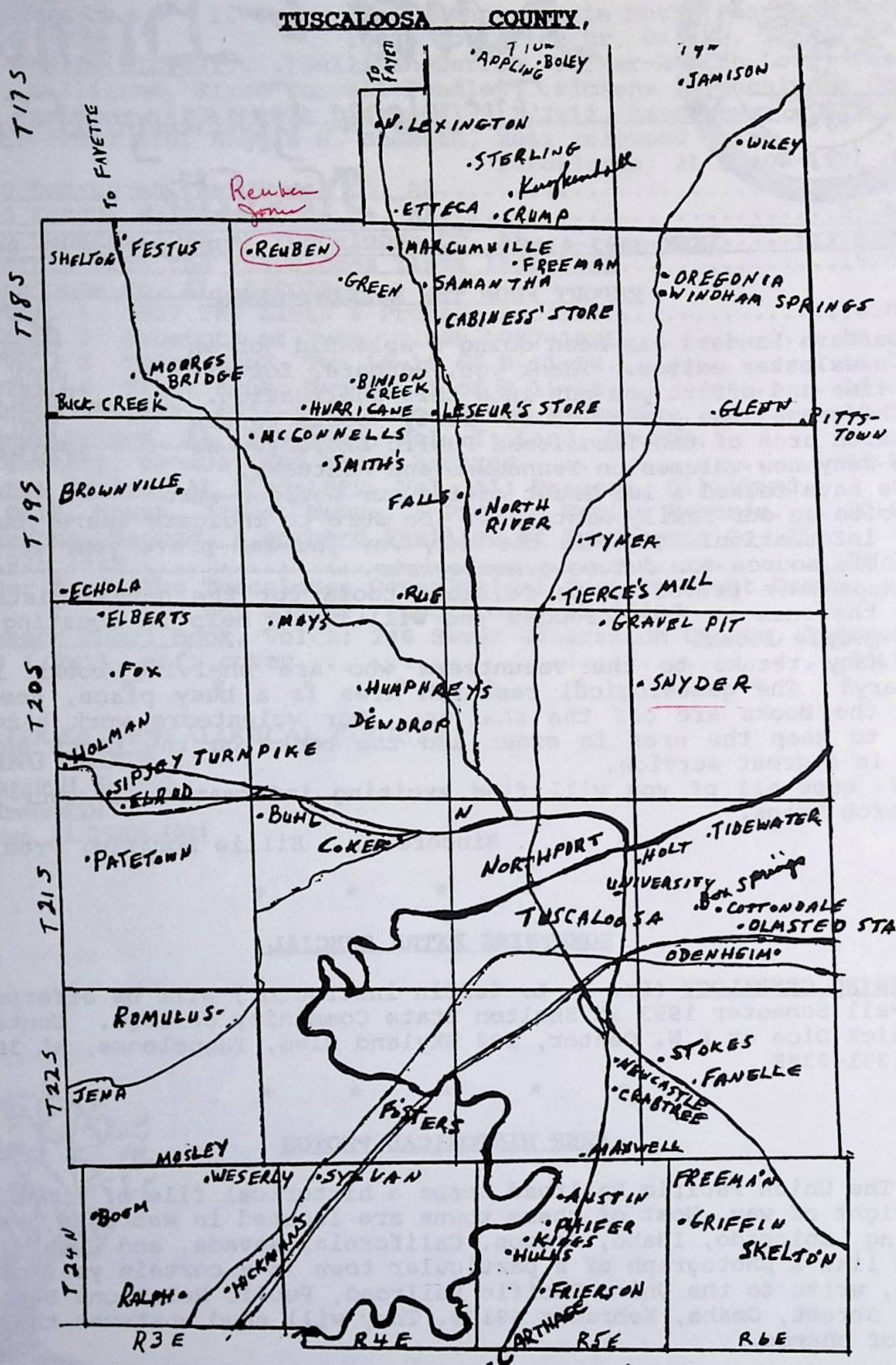
BEGINNING GENEALOGY (Dr. R. L. Guffin-instructor) will be offered for the Fall Semester 1993 at Shelton State Community College. Contact Mr. Rick Dice at L.W. Center, 202 Skyland Blvd, Tuscaloosa, AL 35405, (205)391-2388.

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FREE HISTORICAL PHOTOS

The Union Pacific Railroad keeps a historical file of towns along its right of way. Most of these towns are located in Nebraska, Kansas, Wyoming, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, California, Nevada, and Utah. If you would like a photograph of a particular town in a certain year or time frame, write to the Union Pacific Railroad, Public Relations Dept, 1416 Dodge Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68179. They will send whatever they have free of charge.





The map on these two pages early Post Offices (1821 thru 1899) listed and located in Tuscaloosa County. The following Post Offices could not be located on available maps:

Blockers	1855-
Camp Washington	1841-
Cushing	1855-
Dravo	1909-
Hughes	1904-
Hulsey	1906-
Monroe	1871-
Plum	1861-
Toxey	1883-

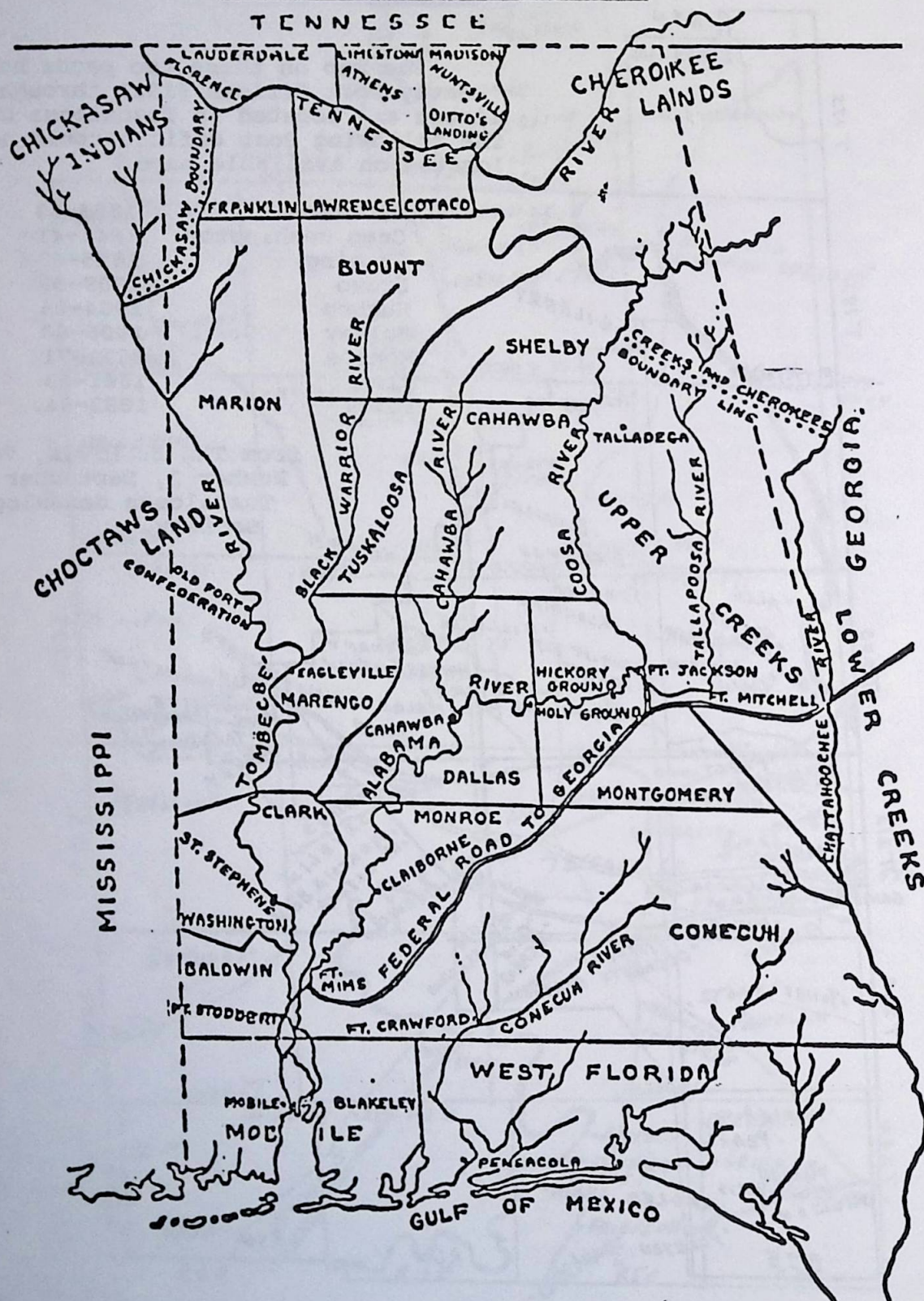
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Blockers	1855-83
Camp Washington	1841-41
Cushing	1855-63
Dravo	1909-09
Hughes	1904-06
Hulsey	1906-08
Monroe	1871-71
Plum	1861-63
Toxey	1883-84.

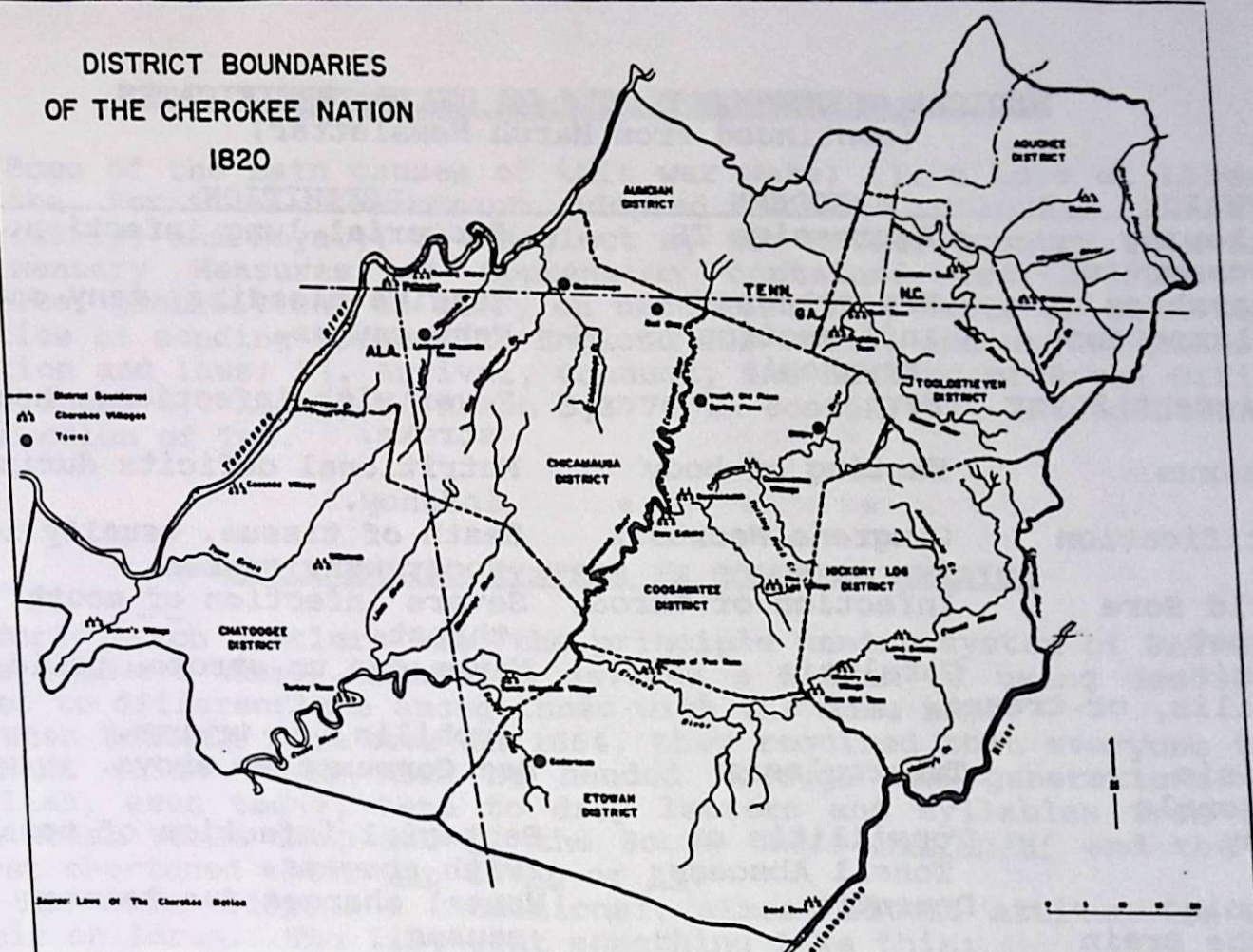
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Society.

INDIAN TRIBES in ALABAMA 1818

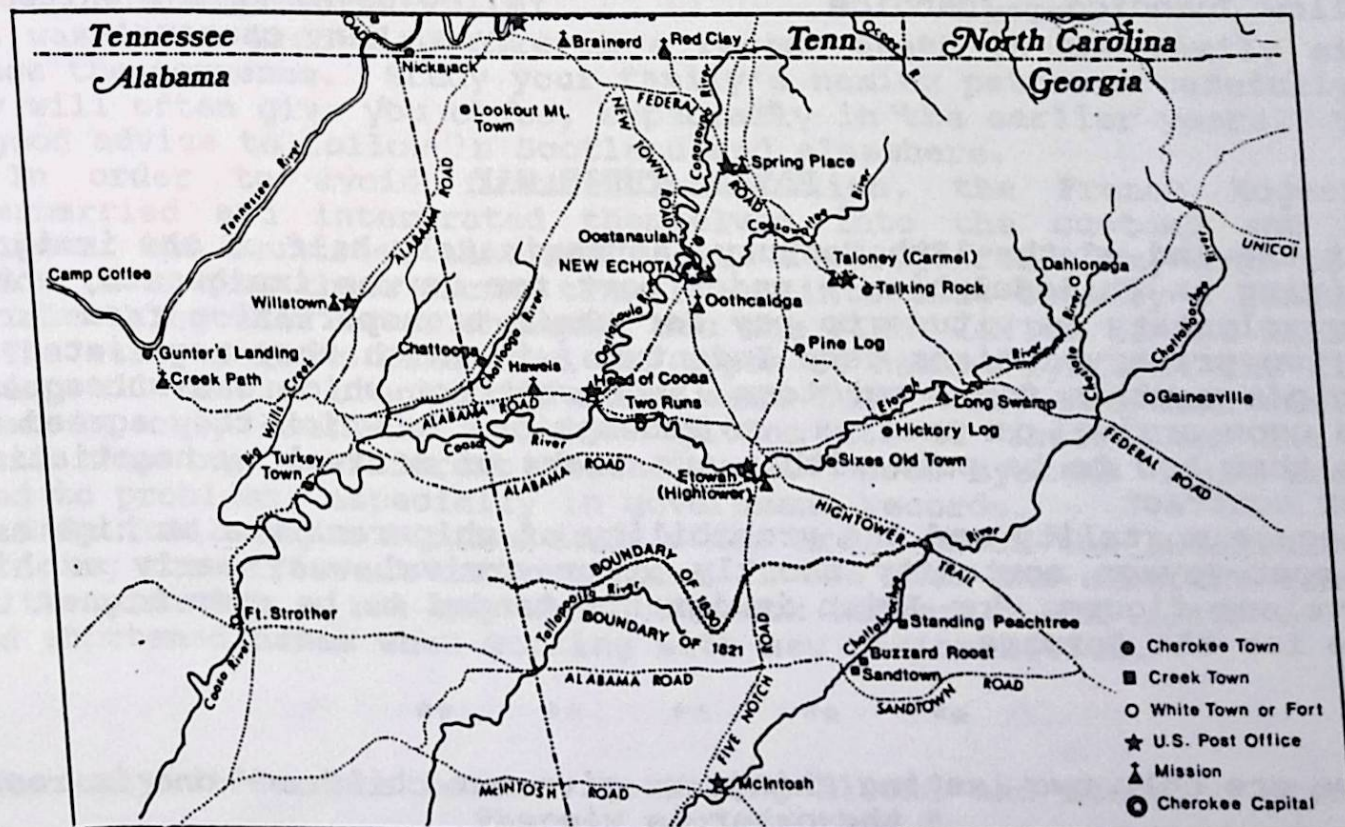
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DISTRICT BOUNDARIES OF THE CHEROKEE NATION 1820



Cherokee Nation (1820) - The map above shows the Cherokee Nation as it existed in 1820, overlaid on portions of present-day Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Alabama. Included in the map are Cherokee Indian District boundaries and names, Cherokee villages, some modern towns, state lines, and streams. In the approximate center of the map is the Cherokee town of Spring Place, site of the main home of James Vann II. (Map by Douglas Wilms & Marion R. Hemperley, and courtesy of the Georgia Dept. of Archives & History.)



Following a surprisingly true route northwestward for its day and time, the Federal Road passed through numerous Indian and white settlements as identified on the map above. (Map courtesy of Marion Hemperley and the GA Surveyor General Dept.).

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY SEEN ON DEATH CERTIFICATES
(continued from March Newsletter)

ARCHAIC	MODERN	DEFINITION
Galloping Consumption	Aggressive TB	Bacterial lung infection.
Hemorrhage	Hemorrhage	Massive bleeding, many causes.
Inflammation	Inflammation	Many causes.
	Erythemia	
Malignant Fever	Fever	Fever with infections, heat stroke.
Marasmus	Wasting of body	Nutritional deficits during infancy.
Mortification	Gangrene, Necrosis	Death of tissue, usually leg or foot, many causes.
Putrid Sore Throat	Infection of throat	Severe infection of mouth, throat.
Paresis	Paralysis	Maybe due to stroke, polio,
syphilis, or trauma.		syphilis, or trauma.
Phthisis	Tuberculosis	See Consumption above.
Pulmonale		
Quinsy	Tonsillitis or Tonsil Abscess	Bacterial infection of tonsils with abscess.
Softening of the Brain	Dementia	Mental changes due to many causes.
Summer Complaint	Gastroenteritis	Vomiting and diarrhea, not limited to children.
Throat Distemper	Tonsillitis	Infected throat.
	Diphtheria	
Yellow Juandice	Juandice	Yellowing of skin & whites of eyes. Many causes.

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PAYING THEIR WAY

At the end of the 18th Century, approximately half of the immigrants arriving in Philadelphia, a major port for German immigrants, entered into voluntary servitude to pay for their transportation from Europe. The two primary options were Indenture, in which they negotiated with a ship's captain for a set term labor contract which was subsequently sold upon arrival in America, or Redemption, in which they agreed to a loan that had to be paid within two weeks of arrival by negotiating a labor contract.

Passage mortality and the probability of shipwreck was as high as 4% and post-voyage mortality shortly after arrival was nearly as high. Equivalent figures for Irish immigrants tended to be even higher than those for the Germans.

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"There are only two lasting things we give our children--one is roots, the other is wings."

CAUSES of the REVOLUTIONARY WAR

Some of the main causes of this war were: 1). a Love of Liberty; 2). the Forms of Government adopted in the Colonies (Charter, Proprietary, and Royal); 3). Neglect by the Mother Country; 4). Early Parliamentary Measures of Oppression contained restrictions upon commerce, prohibitions to carry on manufacturing, writs of assistance, practice of sending persons to England for trial, and unjust plans for taxation and laws; 5). Arrival, Conduct, and Housing of Royal Officers and Troops; 6). Affray of March 5, 1770 in Boston; 7). Introduction and Destruction of Tea.

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EARLY NAMING SYSTEMS IN COLONIAL AMERICA

Early Dutch settlers used the principle naming system of PATRONYMIC (the father's name), but also devised a system of using descriptive names to differentiate among those with the same name.

When Britain took over in 1664, they required that everyone take a SURNAME which would then be handed through the generations. The English, even today, tend to drop letters and syllables from words. The Irish would drop the Q, the Scots their Mac/Mc/M' and the Welsh first shortened their Map to Ap or Ab.

The Scots adopted a traditional, almost ritual attitude in naming their children. The list went something like this:

1st son: after father's father.....	1st dau: after mother's mother,
2nd son: after mother's father.....	2nd dau: after father's mother,
3rd son: after father.....	3rd dau: after mother,
4th son: after father's.....	4th dau: after mother's eldest eldest brother. sister.

This wasn't an iron-clad rule as a recent death in the family might change the sequence. Study your family's naming patterns carefully as they will often give you clues, especially in the earlier years. This is good advice to follow in Scotland and elsewhere.

In order to avoid further persecution, the French Huguenots intermarried and intergrated themselves into the customs and life styles of the countries that had become a refuge for them, even to the extent of having their names translated into that country's language. The one thing that never changed, was the FIRST LETTER of the NAME.

The early Germans practiced two types of naming systems: the first-giving all of their sons the exact same full name, but each would be known by only one; the second - giving all of their sons the same first name but a different second name. Both systems could and did lead to problems, especially in government records.

When following a surname into a new area, check the local history, noticing the different nationalities in the area and also the language of the churches. You may want to check libraries for lists of names and shortened names when working with new nationalities.

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"The only difference between stumbling blocks and stepping stones is the way you use them."

MARRIAGE BOOK 4, TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA

1-1-1889 -- 1-24-1896

Copied by Billie Lockard

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<u>PAGE</u>		<u>DATE</u>
140.	J. T. Leavell.....Miss Jessie Doughty W. C. Lindsey L. S. Joseph A. Guy.....Lodelia V. Dockery G. B. Dockery L. S. at res. W.L. Dockery [consent of parent, W.L. Dockery] * * * * *	22 Oct 1890 19 Oct 1890
141.	Woolsey Finnell.....Margaret Lee Hagler J. W. Hagler L. S. Joseph W. Reed.....Ada J. Ward J. W. Leatherwood L. S. at Tuscaloosa Bapt. Church * * * * *	29 Oct 1890 23 Oct 1890
142.	Henry B. Abston.....Alice Jones David M. Abston L. S. at res. D. M. Abston [consent of D.A. Abston for son] Valentine Hafner.....Miss Jessie Spiller Alston Fitts L. S. at Tuscaloosa Bapt. Church * * * * *	19 Oct 1890 21 Oct 1890
143.	Monroe Abston.....Miss Lydia Allice Moses Wm. G. Moses L. S. /W. G. Moses, father, consents for daughter S. T. Tibbs.....Miss Annie Tibbs E. R. King L. S. at Joseph Tibbs * * * * *	20 Oct 1890 26 Oct 1890
144.	H. O. Hannah.....Miss Ida A. Jarman J. D. Hannah L. S. at Calvin Jarman's [consent of William Hannah for son] William Andrew Walker....Alabama Willingham J. H. Kuykendall L. S. Lic. returned -- not married * * * * *	6 Nov 1890 Lic. 29 Oct 1890
145.	Axon Sutton.....Rebecca P. Duren J. Duren L. S. at W. P. Burroughs [M.A. Duren consents for sister] Charles M. Avery.....Jodie E. Price J. H. Nelson L. S. at J. F. Price's * * * * *	30 Oct 1890 5 Nov 1890
146.	Marion Mackey.....Miss Rebecca Wright J. R. Brown L. S. at Cottondale, AL Newton Jefferson Christ.. Miss Caroline Kelly Jacob Christ L. S. at Cottondale, AL * * * * *	2 Nov 1890 2 Nov 1890
147.	Henry F. Crim.....Ida E. Kuykendall Jasper G. Kuykendall L. S. at J. H. Kuykendall's W. P. Boon, L. S. C. W. Boyd.....Luvenia Hall J. G. Chapman L. S. at Cottondale, AL * * * * *	10 Nov 1890 11 Nov 1890
148.	A. C. Roycraft.....Sarah F. Hassell L. F. Burks L. S. K. K. Hickman.....Miss Lou E. Gray William G. Cochrane L. S.	11 Nov 1890 12 Nov 1890

Queries

- ROSSER
VINSON
RAY
FORGY** Seek information & contact with descendants of: Benjamin ROSSER Jr(b 2 Sep 1812 Hancock Co, GA to Benjamin ROSSER Sr& Elizabeth West VINSON-b 18 Jul 1789 VA-where?). When did Benjamin Jr marry Elizabeth RAY?.....Martha FORGY, 1246 E. Broadmoor, Springfield, MO 65804-3116.
- BAKER
WHITE
SCOTT** Seek information on:John BAKER & family moved to GA from NC or SC. Son William (b 24 Jan 1804/10 Wilkinson Co,GA) m Vashti WHITE (b 22 Jan 1809 GA). They moved to Fayette Co, AL ca 1829 & to Texas in 1852. Who were John BAKER's parents & wife? Have conflicting records on each.....Karen West SCOTT, 2616 Glencove, Burleson, TX 76028 (817)447-9709.
- LEWIS
MIZZLE
PARKS** Need information on: James LEWIS family -- in Tuscaloosa before 1822 from SC (Horry Co?); their children: Charles A,James, Andrew Jackson, George W,Thomas, Wesley, Sarah, Mary, Martha, Margaret, Lavanaia, & Minerva. James named wife Catherine in will,but is she mother of the children or a later wife?.....Rose PARKS, Rt 1, Box 119B, Avery, TX 75554 (903)684-3263.
- LYON
STEELE
LEWIS
MIZZLE
PARKS** Are William LYON & Rebecca STEELE (m Jan 1806 Sumner Co, TN) parents of Robert Steele LYON--b ca 1807 KY & m 1832 Minerva LEWIS in Tuscaloosa Co,AL; moved to Oktibbeha Co MS; Minerva later m Thomas MIZZLE; she d 1865, Noxubee Co MS. Need information on these families;willing to share. Rose PARKS, Rt 1,Box 119B, Avery,TX 75554 (903)684-3263.
- SKELTON
SUTTON
ORGAN,HURST
OATES** Need information on Hiram Amos SKELTON(b 20 Aug 1825 TN, m Sarah Jane SUTTON). He disappeared ca1864 in MS. Sarah m Thomas ORGAN. After his death, she m William HURST....Allene OATES, 1608 Grenada Blvd, Greenwood, MS 38930 (601)455-9524.
- OATS(ES)
STEWART** Seek information on: Parham Y.OATS m Nancy STEWART & was in NC - last seen on 1850 Census of Moore Co, NC; Samuel Dickerson OATS m Sarah Catherine _?_ (their first child, Sally Catherine b 1884 NC)....Allene Oates, 1608 Grenada Blvd, Greenwood, MS 38930 (601)455-9524.
- FLANAGAN
WEATHERRED
WICKS** Seek parents of Cordelia Ann FLANAGAN-m 1833 Bledsoe WEATHERRED; moved to Tuscaloosa Co,AL ca 1842 from Cass Co, GA; children: Addie, Joel Bledsoe, James Mark, Cornelia, Baylor Bray, William, & Laura Clifton.....Lena WICKS The Liveoaks No 50, Fredericksburg, TX 78624.
- WEATHERHEAD
WICKS** Need CSA information on B.B.WEATHERHEAD(WEATHERRED) Pvt. Co H 2 Regt AL Reserves. In Ross Hospital at Mobile, AL, 26 Sep 1864--28 Oct 1864 with Rubeola.....Lena WICKS The Liveoaks No 50, Fredericksburg, TX 78624.

EARNEST
JAMES
JACOBSON

Seek information on EARNEST family members living in the Tuscaloosa area 1870. (William L./Jessie JAMES) EARNEST b 12 Jun 1870 Tuscaloosa Co; orphaned age 2 yrs when his parents died of smallpox on move out west; raised at St. Louis Orphanage; took name Jessie JAMES age 18 yrs; real name believed to be William L.EARNEST. Will share information on his marriage & children....Steven JACOBSON, 828 8th, Bremerton, WA 98310.

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TENNESSEE PIONEER CERTIFICATES

By popular request, the PIONEER CERTIFICATES program is being extended. Applicant for one of the certificates must be a direct descendant of a pioneer that came to Tennessee prior to 1890 and must furnish documentary proof of residency of the pioneer. Eligibility shall be determined by the committee and shall be final. Each certificate is \$5.00. For information and application forms, please write to the Pellissippi Genealogical and Historical Society, 118 S. Hicks, Clinton, Tennessee 37716, Attention: Mary Harris.

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"All you need in this life is ignorance and confidence, and then success is sure."
Mark Twain.

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