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"Adversity has the effect of eliciting talents, which, in prosperous circumstance, would have lain dormant."

REPORT FROM THE MORNING GROUP: Officers of the Morning Group for the coming year are:

President:	Billie Lockard	Treasurer:	Marine Snider
1st VP:	Catherine Kent	Librarian:	Glen Johnson
2nd VP:	Marian Palmore	Historian:	Emogene Armistead
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Cor. Sec.:	Maggie Sudduth		Sarah Faucett

We are pleased with the response to our Honor Roll of Veterans. If you have misplaced your form, find it and send it to us, it's not too late. So many people wanted to contact others for information and would take time, so we will accept late arrivals and fit them in. It will take some time to compile this book, we can't give you a date yet.

Be sure and check our book list, you might find help there.

We want to welcome our new members. We hope you will have a successful research year.

Billie Lockard,
President.

PIONEER CERTIFICATES

TGS will issue a Pioneer Certificate to direct descendants of early settlers of Tuscaloosa County, AL, who were in the county by 1830. Cost for first certificate is \$5.00, additional certificates are \$2.00 each. For more details and forms, please contact Mrs. W. G. Lockard, 29 DuBois Terrace, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

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REPORT FROM THE NIGHT GROUP: The 1991 officers for the night group are:

President	Helen Hahn	Cor. Sec.	Sheree Miller
1 Vice Pres.	Lewis McCray	Treasurer	Lynne April
2 Vice Pres.	R. L. Guffin	Librarian	Nancy Gilmore
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Lewis McCray is lining up some very interesting programs for the year. He plans to send out a notice in the new future. The January meeting was a panel discussion on "HOW TO ORGANIZE A FAMILY REUNION." The panel consisted of R.L. Guffin, Wayne Wakefield and Lewis E. McCray.

If you haven't paid your dues, you are late. Send them to P.O. Box 020802, Tuscaloosa, AL 35402. The amount is \$6.00.

Helen Haywood Hahn
President, Night Group

BOOKS FOR SALE:

FROM THE MORNING GROUP:

1880 Federal Census, Tuscaloosa County, AL. In 3 vol. \$50.00 pp.

1840 Census Index, Tuscaloosa County, AL. \$8.00 pp.

Tuscaloosa County Marriages: Vol. 1 - 1859 - 1872 \$21.00 pp.
Vol. 2 - 1869 - 1882 \$17.50 pp.
Vol. 3 - 1882 - 1888 \$12.50 pp.

Roots and Branches Collection, Nov. 1983 - Nov. 1988 \$14.50 pp.

ORDER FROM Billie Lockard, 29 Du Bois Terrace, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401.

FROM THE EVENING GROUP:

ABSTRACTS OF TAX ASSESSMENT FOR COLLECTOR-TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA, 1894. 161 pages, alphabetical order, 8 1/2 X 11, soft cover. \$11.00

REGISTER OF THE AMNESTY OATH TAKEN IN 1856 BY CITIZENS OF TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA AND MORGAGE BOOK #1 1850-1868. 153 pages, indexed, 8 1/2 X 11, soft cover. \$10.00

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LINEAGE CHART BOOK, VOLUME 2. 248 seven generation charts, indexed, B 1/2 X 11, soft cover. \$17.50 plus \$3.00 mailing fee.

ORDER FROM: The Tuscaloosa Genealogical Society Night Group
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GENEALOGY TIP. If you have checked Name, Date, State or County and Relationship of person but cannot locate the information you are seeking, there are alternative records you may want to check. Check indices for different spelling of names. Hinkle-Pearson-Westphal are only three of many names which can be spelled at least four ways. Newspapers have many records besides the obituaries. For example, if he died intestate there may be notice of an estate sale. Church records have been very helpful to me. When you have located the approximate time and place of death, you will want to search for a mortuary record. (My luck is, "We bought that funeral home, but we burned all those old records.") Try to locate the cemetery where the person is buried. If the family lived in a city, and a person is buried in a city cemetery, a city office would issue a burial permit. Many times these permits give cause of death as well as other information. Your next step might be to check land records, since there would be a record of disposal of such property.

BIRTH CERTIFICATES. A delayed birth certificate is also known as a probated birth certificate. In Texas these records are filed in the courthouse of the county where the birth took place, the county in which the person lived when obtaining the certificate and the Bureau of Vital Statistics in Austin. If you fail to find the birth/death record, it will be wise to evaluate your existing information again.

From: THE REFLECTOR, Amarillo, Texas.
September-October 1990 issue.

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA
MARRIAGE BOOK 4
1-1-1889 - 1-24-1896
(Continued from ROOTS AND BRANCHES July 1990)

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44	W. F. GILLIAN - Martha E. DUNN W. D. Franklin M. E. Dunn is a widow James SNIDER - Mary WATSON E. Moore at A. H. Watson	4 August 1889 1 August 1889
45	William H. GEORGE - Virginia Bell GREEN W. H. Williams consent parent B. F. Green Frank HULL - Mrs. Hellen WOODRUFF G. J. Alston	1 August 1889 6 August 1889
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47	Luther HOLMES - Ida HENDERSON W. H. Clark consent parents Jeff. Holmes & L. J. Henderson J. M. DAVIS - J. A. HINTON G. N. Davis	21 August 1889 23 August 1889
48	William HYDE - Jaley PENDLEY 22 August 1889 T. N. Hays res. of Wiley A. Hughes Reuben F. BARNETT - Jimmie LOGAN D. H. Barnett at John Logans	5 Sept 1889
49	Alex COHN - Settie SANDERS J. Rich J. T. NABORS - Cannie B. DUNN J. P. Whitson res. S. C. Dunn	1 Sept 1889 5 Sept 1889
50	Ceasar WEATHERSPOON (colored) - Martha BURNS (colored) 4 Sept 1889 William A. ISOM - Canna P. Mc KINNEY J. F. Townsend	10 Sept 1889
51	G. W. SIMPSON - M. E. WALTON G. W. Johns res. James H. Waltons J. T. JONES - Laura McELROY Robert Thomas at Oak Grove	15 Sept 1889 12 Sept 1889
52	R. M. LEE - Jennie SEXTON Jackson Roberts at J. Roberts W. W. UMPHRIES - Sallie J. ETHERIDGE W. P. Etheridge at Delila Etheridges	12 Sept 1889 14 Sept 1889

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54	James F. MACKEY - Ida M. HOCUTT M. B. Mackey Junius T. WHEELER - Georgia A. THOMAS J. Ship Bealle	18 Sept 1889 18 Sept 1889
55	James N. TURNER - Dovie Branch ROGERS Isaiah Boatner R. S. MUSTON - Bessie MOORE W. R. Hewitt	19 Sept 1889 25 Sept 1889
56	T. T. HARRIS - Annie F. CARVER W. O. Harris consent parent Mrs. R. D. Carver A. R. CLEMENTS - Mary A. WILLINGHAM T. M. Barbour at Mrs. Hattie Summers	2 Oct 1889 3 Oct 1889
57	Henry THOMPSON - Buena PIPPIN W. R. Bronne R. S. MINK - Mary Neely BOYD Crawford Lawrence at Dudley	10 Oct 1889 15 Oct 1889
58	J. N. BEAVERS - Bell SAWYERS J. T. Pennington parent W. C. Beavers consents J. T. PENNINGTON - S. C. OSWALT G. W. Jennings res. James Pennington	not executed 20 Oct 1889
59	J. S. HARDEN - Mrs. Ann MEADOWS G. W. Jennings both parties married before E. W. CHRISTIAN Vania MULLENAX D. J. Dunn res. Ruff Mullenax	16 Oct 1889 27 Oct 1889
60	M. J. HORN - Belinda Ann BOATNER Dock Boatner res. J. Boatner Joseph BECK - Jane V. GARNER Wm. T. Burroughs	27 Oct 1889 26 Oct 1889
61	Thomas S. ABERNATHY - Della F. A. GREEN W. T. Green at Burt Greens Alvin K. ROGERS - Nannie E. RIGSBY J. T. Smelley at Mr. Tatums	31 Oct 1889 31 Oct 1889
62	A. D. DUNCAN - Sarah POOL James Bird John SIMPSON - Marcelian SWINDLE Alex Simpson at John S. Swindle	3 Nov 1889 10 Nov 1889
63	John S. THOMAS - Margaret ALISON James H. Thomas at John Wheatly's F. R. BAILEY - Mary E. PARHAM T. M. Bailey at G. B. Parham	6 Nov 1889 7 Nov 1889



This and that from here and there

Switzerland is holding the 700th anniversary of its constitution on August 1, 1991. Right now, they would like to contact any and all descendants of Swiss people in order to reunite them with other relatives during the anniversary. For more information write Valaisans of the World Project, Robert Klimko, 915 N. Clark Street, Appleton, WI 54911.

"QUIT RENT" DEFINED: According to John A. Garraty, author of "1,000 Things Everyone Should know about American History", a quit rent was a tax rather than a rent since the person paying it had legal title to the land. Unlike modern property taxes, however, the amount of the quit rent was fixed and unrelated to the value of the land.

The completion of a family tree is based on two books: a Bible and a checkbook. (PUTNAM COUNTY, FL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, Feb. 1990)

LADY VETERANS: The government is planning construction of the only Congressionally mandated memorial to honor all military women of all wars, all services, all grades, and all time periods from the Revolutionary War to the present. The memorial will be at the gate of Arlington Cemetery in Washington, D.C., and will pay tribute to the women who have been and are in the Armed Forces. If you are a woman veteran, or know someone who is, for further information contact the following: Women in Military Service of America, Memorial Foundation, Inc., Dept. 560, Washington, D.C. 20042-0560. (from "Westward into Nebraska", VOL XV, #1 July/August 1990)

In Scotland women kept their maiden names legally and that's the way their names appear on all legal documents, such as their death records. (from The Low Country Courier, Sept. 1990)

GEORGIA PIONEER DESCENDANT CERTIFICATES are awarded to descendants who can supply documented evidence that they are direct descendants of an ancestor who settled in Georgia before 1 January 1826.

For complete information and an application, please send your name and address to Central Georgia Genealogical Society, Inc., P. O. Box 2024, Warner Robbins, GA 31099. Please indicate the number of applications required for other members of your family.

Ellen Payne Odum
P.O. 1118

Queries

Geo. Ridings
P.O. ~~Box~~ Drawer 1
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Moultrie, Ga 31776

I am seeking information and would like to correspond with anyone on Barzilla F. WEATHERFORD b1799 SC. Listed on the 1850 census in Tallapoosa AL and wife Martha (?) b1804 NC. Children listed ARE: Elizabeth A B 1829 AL, Mary A B 1833 AL, William E. b 1834 AL, Rufus N b1836 AL, Alvanzo b1838 AL, Sarah Ann b1839 AL, John B. 1841 AL, Francy B. 1843 AL, Mary Anne B 1844 AL, Augustus b1846 AL, George M D b1847 AL.

Glenda S. HAZELETT 3833 E. Coronado Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85008
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Will appreciate any information on David Edward KYZER, B.1849 Bibb or Tuscaloosa Counties, son of David and Redamna KYZER. I have he married Jennie GLOVER, Mary and Ella JENNINGS.

Searching for information on David WEAVER, born 1789 SC. In the Tuscaloosa County 1860 Census listed as living next to Abrian OSWALT and near Emanuel KYZER.

Will exchange information on Ruhama WEAVER, dau of Henry WEAVER who married Littleton G. WALLIS or WALLACE.

Any information on Henry GILLEN b 21 Oct 1825 GA died 21 Oct 1897. Married Mary M. Oswalt RAINS, my g. grandmother. One child Mary Ann Gillen BLACK.

Dorothy BLACK ZARK, 409 West Anderson Court, Crown Point, IN 46307
- - - - - *my cousin! I met*

Need info on par and sib of Sarah (Sally) THURMOND b Apr 1764 VA d Sep 1812 GA, m May 1782 VA Edward WARE b Sep 1760 VA d Nov 1836 GA. They had 12 sib. Son Bennett b Jul 1783 VA d Jun 1853 AL m Oct 1806 GA Jane HOLMES b Mar 1783 NC d Jul 1866 AL. They had 11 sib. Also need info on par and sib of Jane (Jinny) HOLMES. Mrs. Susie Perkins, MtView Trailer Park, Rt 4, Lot 32, Gatesville, Texas 76528.
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I am trying to discover names of the parents of my gr gr grandparents, James W. HALL and Alice B. WALTHON. James was born 11/30/1808 in SC, lived in Tuscaloosa Co, m Alice on 4/12/1841 in Tuscaloosa Co and d in Red River Co TX after 1880. Alice was b ca 1824 in AL and d after 1880 in Red River Co TX. Thomas D. McBRIDE, 36 Deerfield Rd, Shrewsbury, MA 01545.
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Need info on MUSE, Thomas S. b ca 1811 Moore Co NC m Mary - - NC, went to Bibb Co AL 1840 d between 1850 - 1860. family: Mary & 4 children on 1860 census in Union Parish, LA. -who were his parents, bro and sis? Where died - buried? Thomas & family on 1850 census in Bibb Co AL.

Allen B. MUSE, Rt 4, Box 511, Atlanta, GA 75551
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Queries

Need information of ancestors/descendants of Rev. Nathan Head WILLIAMS b 9 May 1811 Jasper Co GA, d 15 April 1800 Vance, Tuscaloosa Co, AL. Nathan m 1 Jan 1835 Butts Co GA to Miss Arminta Jane POTTER b 26 April 1818 GA d 17 Nov 1906 Vance, Tuscaloosa Co AL. Nathan was ordained c1837 by the Old Bethel Premitive Missionary Baptist Church and served his church for 59 years in Butts/Meriwether Co GA and in Clay/Talladega/Bibb and Tuscaloosa Counties, AL

Rev Nathan Head WILLIAMS and Arminda Jane POTTER are buried within the Mount Moriah Church Cemetery, Bibb Co AL.
Robert S. COLEMAN, 18 Westover Road, Newport News, VA 23601-3928
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Would like to exchange information on the SUMNER, DAFFRON and BROWN families who intermarried in Tuscaloosa Co AL. My records date back as early as 1776 for the BROWN'S in SC; for SUMNER's 1876 in ?; and for DAFFRON'S 1835 in ?.
Charlotte Green Tucker, 1972 Idlewood Dr, Tuscaloosa, AL 35405
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Would like to correspond with anyone working on Tuscaloosa County families: MAYFIELD, BRAZEAL, BREAZEAL, GRIFFIN, LAWLESS, 1820-1880. Timothy D. Hudson, 2911-B Silver Spur Circle, Bryan, TX 77801
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One of the major questions regarding the family of John HOGG I revolved around who son Lewis was. For two years we and numerous other researchers have searched for documents that would prove who the real son is. Thru the help of many of you, we now have the proof we have been looking for. The son of John HOGG I is Major Lewis HOGG, b1755, dSept 9, 1828, married Clarissa (Clara).

This was finally proven by a deed, dated 1796 (Book C, pp743-45), in which Lewis and Clara, his wife, sell to William Gilliam a piece of land that was originally granted to John Clarke on Dec 1 1769. From Jim HOGG State Historical Park, Texas.
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Who were the parents of Margaret A. DURRETT b ca 1820 in AL m George W. DARDEN in Tuscaloosa Co AL 1834?

Who were the parents of Rebecca WEAVER m Lemuel DARDEN in Wilkes Co GA 1812?
Geraldine Phillips, 1703 Buckner St, Longview, TX 75604.
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CENSUS DAY

Census Day is that day set aside by law for each census enumeration to begin (i.e. who lived in the household on the said date). Although the Assistant Census marshal may have quizzed the head of the family in September on the make-up of his family, the return was to show "all persons in the family on June 1st." No baby born between June 1st and the enumerator's visit was to be included. But anyone who died between June 1st and the time of the enumerator's visit was to be included as well as anyone who was a member of the family in June but was absent from home when the enumerator came by. At forts, Navy yards, prisons, asylums, colleges, schools, etc., the commanding officer, superintendent, keeper or headmaster was regarded as "Head of the Household" and was instructed to furnish information on the number of people in his charge. Census enumerated on the following days and years:

First Monday in August	1790, 1800, 1810, 1820
June 1st	1830, 1840, 1850, through 1900
April 15	1910
January 20	1920
April 1st	1930

----From The Guilford Genealogist, Vol. 7, No. 3

DON'TS WHEN USING CENSUS RECORDS

Easy to use? What could go wrong? PLENTY! Here are some negative ideas:

- . don't believe census indexes to be either correct or complete
- . don't assume the spelling of the name is as you know it now
- . don't assume the relationship to the head of household is as it is used now
- . don't forget to copy ALL information at top of page, as well as data to the right
- . don't forget all entries for your your name in the county, better look at the neighbors too (four Smiths in a row with Jones could mean a married daughter and family)
- . don't think records before 1850 can't help; only name of household - at least you'll know how many to look for - for a whole family
- . don't forget 1880+ records when you are stuck in the 1800's
- . don't forget the 1890 Veterans Census if your ancestor was in the military
- . don't forget about STATE census records

---- From Greater Omaha Genealogical Society

THE AMERICAN'S CREED

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a Republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag; and to defend it against all enemies.

- William Tyler Page

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