# THE SIMMS FAMILY OF STAFFORD COUNTY VIRGINIA

a record of the descendants of three brothers, each of whom fought in the Revolutionary War and each of whom lived to be almost 100 years old:

RICHARD SIMMS (1752-1850) of Clay County, Missouri

PRESLEY SIMMS (ca 1754-1852) of Montgomery County, Indiana

RHODAM SIMS (1756-1853) of Ralls County, Missouri

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Bounded by the Potomac River on the east and by the Rappahannock River on the southwest, Stafford County, Virginia, was sufficiently populated by 1664 that it was created a separate county from Westmoreland County. Although it has no large cities even today, nevertheless it is certainly not a rural backwater. On the contrary it was--and is--on the main north and south route of the East Coast. Old U. S. #1 (which went from Madawaska, Maine, to Key West, Florida) and new Interstate #95 pass right through Stafford County. It is somewhat less than half the way from Washington, D. C., to Richmond, Virginia.

As a result of this location even though no great historical event occurred here, many famous people on their way to make history undoubtedly passed here many times. And also through Stafford County passed the armies of several wars even though no important battles were fought here. (The Battle of Fredericksburg occurred in Spotsylvania County just south of Stafford County.)

Consequently it is not surprising that most of the records from 1664 to 1800 are missing from the courthouse at Stafford. This makes it very difficult for those interested in genealogy to trace the origins of Stafford County families.

"Practically all of the records of Stafford County, Virginia, have been lost or destroyed," Mr. Charles Hughes Hamlin wrote. "There are many Sims wills and deeds listed in the 'Old' Index of these records. Most of them, however, were located in the 'Lost' record books and so could not be obtained."

The extant records do show the Simms family living in Stafford County as early as 1750 because the Overwharton Parish Register records that on October 15, 1750, Richard Simms married Betty Bridwell.

Prior to 1750 nothing definite is known about the family. The name is an English one and is not uncommon. But without the lost records of Stafford County it is impossible to determine when this Simms family first came to America or anything about their European antecedents.

To be sure, there are romantic stories told in the family that Richard, Rhodam, and Presley Simms were great grandsons of Louis XIV of France. Such legends seemed to delight the genealogists of a generation ago but nowadays, since no proof has been found, present day descendants do not take this story very seriously.

Stafford County is bounded by Prince William, Fauquier, Culpeper, Spotsylvania, Caroline, and King George Counties, Virginia, and across the Potomac River is Charles County, Maryland. There was a certain moving about even in those days. Rhodam Simms in his pension record states he was living in Prince William County, Virginia, when he was drafted into the Revolutionary Army although he was born in Stafford County. The descendants of Presley Simms have stated that he came from Culpeper County, Virginia. One wrote, "Presley Sims lived 16 miles below Mount Vernon and six miles from the Potomac River." That would seem to fall in Prince William County. Presley Simms himself in his pension record states he was born in Stafford County, Virginia.

Possibly an examination of the records of these adjoining counties might bring to light additional information on the Stafford County Simms family. There are records of various Sims families in these counties and also in Orange County (which is close to Stafford County) but their connection with the Simms family of Stafford County has not been established. There was a Benjamin Syms in Virginia as early as 1623—he died childless about 1635. There was a William Sims brought to Virginia by George Brent about 1677. This William Sims had land in Rappahannock County (now Essex County) in 1686. There seemed to be a connection between the Simms and Brent families in Stafford County later. Abraham Bridwell (father of Elizabeth Bridwell Simms) owned land adjoining the land of William Brent in Stafford County.

It should be remembered that the name Sims is a very common one. Probably many different Sims men came to Virginia to start families and leave descendants with similar names but not necessarily related. One frustrated worker on a Sims line wrote, "I have received Simms data from every corner of Virginia."

In the old records the name was variously spelled Sims, Simms, Syms, Symmes, etc. Most of the present day descendants seem to prefer the spelling Simms. The Ralls County, Missouri, part of the family uses the spelling Sims even though their ancestor's tombstone reads: Rhodam Simms.

It is known that Richard Simms and his wife continued to live in Stafford County after their marriage in 1750. Among their children were three sons all three of whom fought in the Revolutionary War and all three of whom lived to the remarkable age of almost 100 years. Richard Simms, Jr., died in 1850. Presley Simms died in 1852. And Rhodam Simms died in 1853. Probably no other family has such a record. This book is a compilation of the family records of these three old soldier brothers.

Although it is difficult to generalize about people or even families, one has the impression that the early members of the Simms family were endowed with a rugged independence. The three brothers fought the British Crown for the independence of their homeland. After the Revolution they left the comforts and restrictions of populous Virginia to seek the independence of the frontier in Kentucky and Tennessee and later in Indiana and Missouri.

Stark Simms (Rhodam's son) was so independent that he refused ever to live with relatives even though he was in his 90's. His obituary describes him as "a man of strong prejudices, a steadfast friend and unforgiving enemy . . . self-reliant." Miss Teresa Simms (Richard's daughter) was described as "devoted and steadfast, and attended strictly to her own business and allowed others to do the same."

They were willing to fight for their own and their country's independence. When the British again swept menacingly into the land in 1812 Presley Simms--who had fought seven years during the Revolutionary War-again volunteered and again served his country as a soldier. Also serving as soldiers in the War of 1812 were his nephews Stark Simms, John Simms, and Benjamin Simms. The Simms descendants could not help but be caught up in the conflicts of the Civil War. Some fought for the North (George W. Simms) and some fought for the South (Ned Ringo) and at least one fought for BOTH sides (John H. Simms)!

But the real contribution of the family to the nation came in the prosaic (but often difficult and hazardous) job of settling and building the new land. The Simmses were always among the pioneers. Kentucky had been a state only 25 years when Richard and Presley Simms moved there while their brother Rhodam moved into Tennessee about 1798. How different the frontier life must have been from the settled, complex, comfortable life in their old home on the banks of the Rappahannock (which already had 200 years of settlement behind it)! But the family seemed to find compensations amid the hardships and very soon moved on to still newer lands. Presley Simms went to southern Indiana in 1822 and Rhodam Simms settled in the Saverton area of Ralls County, Missouri, prior to 1817. Richard Simms, the oldest, went the farthest, and settled on a farm in Clay County, Missouri, in 1829.

Their descendants became farmers and merchants, doctors and lawyers. And they kept moving ever westward. Richard Alvin Simms moved to Oregon in 1874. Mary Peters Ringo was left a widow in the middle of Wyoming when her husband, Martin Ringo, was killed as the family was crossing the plains in 1864. She continued on to California where her descendants still live. One branch of the family settled in Ten Sleep, Wyoming.

Today, as with most American families, the Simmses are a diverse and scattered group. Robert Gregory Yates is a Roman Catholic missionary in Indonesia. Robert Daniel Simms is a judge in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Lloyd Winslow Allen recently died in Viet Nam. Wayne Simms is postmaster at Waveland, Indiana. Ferren Sims has a large fruit and nursery farm on the Antioch Road south of Hannibal, Missouri.

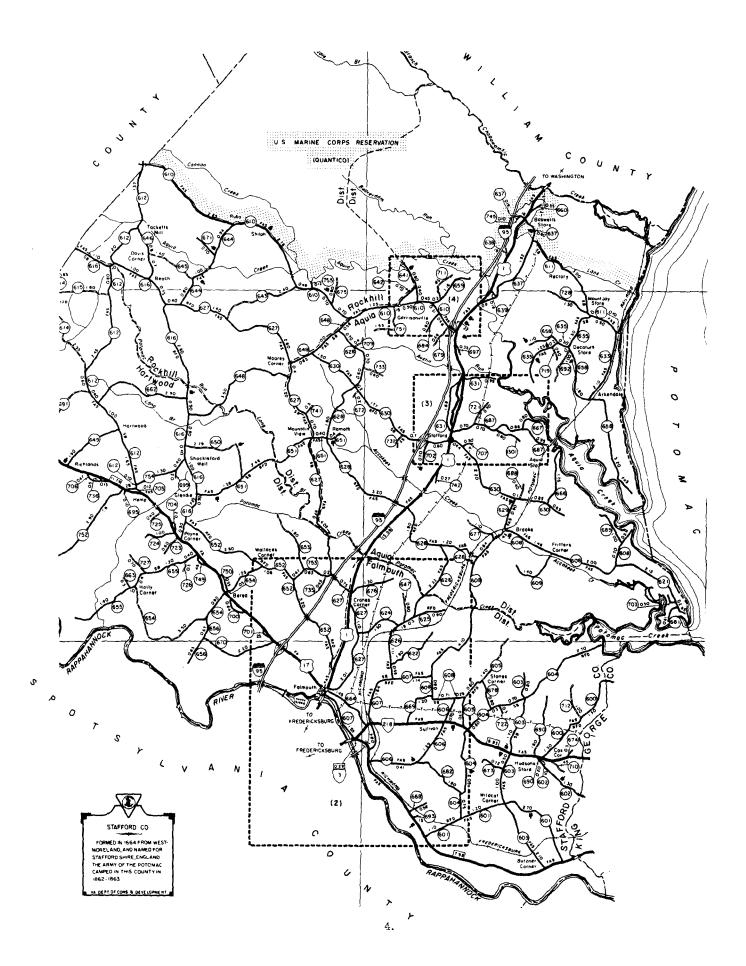
To be sure, history does not remember most of them. Sometimes even their own grandchildren do not remember much about them! But in the main they were good people, worthy people, and in their quiet way they contributed much to the development of our land. Stark Sims discovered the cave on the south edge of Hannibal, Missouri, which Mark Twain made famous in his book, <u>Tom Sawyer</u>. Johnny Ringo, a Simms descendant, who really did exist, was made the hero of a TV evening fiction show several years back.

In general, the Simms in-laws made more news than the Simms people themselves. Enfield Stogdale married a man who became governor of American Samoa. Sarah Jacobs married a man who later became an United States senator and in 1891 was Secretary of War under President Harrison. Old Benjamin Simms married the widow Zerelda James and acquired two stepsons--Frank and Jesse James--who are well remembered even today.

Fortunately for this record many of the present day descendants are helpful, cooperative, agreeable people who were willing to assemble and copy old family records and mail them in to the compilers. Without them this this history would never have been finished. For their kind help I am extremely grateful.

I must also thank my cocompiler, Wilma Chappell. Although I assumed the task of putting the records together, it was Mrs. Chappell who first suggested the book and kept the idea going. She spent long hours in the library searching census records, books, microfilmed court records, and similar source materials. She sent for records from Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Virginia, and wrote innumerable letters. Much of the material presented here is the result of her work. Without her this record would never have reached print. All of us interested in the Simms family history owe her a tremendous debt of gratitude.

William K. Hall May 3, 1969



### RICHARD SIMMS, SR.

Richard Simms was born about 1720 (see below) and died about 1812 (see below). He must have been over 90 when he died and his sons probably inherited their longevity from him. He married October 15, 1750, Stafford County, Virginia, Elizabeth Bridwell (daughter of Abraham Bridwell). She survived him and died about 1816. The Bridwells (Bredwells, Breedwells, etc.) were an old Stafford County, Virginia, family and there are many entries concerning them in the Overwharton Parish Register. Apparently Abraham Bridwell (father of Betty Bridwell Simms) was the son of Samuel Bridwell, who patented 538 acres of land in Stafford County on October 6, 1724. See comment on the Bridwell family in the back of this book.

Richard Simms and Betty Bridwell were married October 15, 1750, Stafford County, Virginia. The marriage is recorded in the Overwharton Parish Register (p. 108 The Register of Overwharton Parish, Stafford County, Virginia, 1723-1758, and Sundry Historical and Genealogical Notes by George Harrison Sanford King, Fredericksburg, Virginia, 1961).

Three years after their marriage her father, Abraham Bridwell, conveyed to them 50 acres of land in Stafford County (see p. 372 Stafford County Deed Book AA) and they continued to own and live on this land the rest of their married life. Richard Simms paid taxes on the 50 acres from 1782 through 1811. On May 28, 1810, Richard Sims Senior and Betty, his wife, of the County of Stafford, sold to John Moncure Conway, of the same county, for \$64.00, three (3) acres of land in said county, being part of a tract of land Given in a deed by Abraham Bridwell to his daughter, Betty, now Betty Simms, etc. Witnesses: Henry Bridwell, Daniel Simms, John Harding, Benjamin Tolson, Thomas Fristoe. The deed was signed by marks of both Richard and Betty Simms and was recorded August 13, 1810 (p. 106 Stafford County Deed Book AA). See below.

Richard Simms, Sr., is listed on the tax list in 1787 as "Levy Free." According to Mr. Charles Hughes Hamlin this means he was 65 years or older and not tithable. Since he had no tithables in his listing for 1785 (and thereafter) he was presumably born about 1720. Richard Simms, Sr., is carried on the tax list of 1811 (for 50 acres) but in 1812 his name is absent and that of Elizabeth Simms appears paying taxes on 47 acres. Apparently Richard died about 1811 or 1812. His widow paid taxes on the remaining 47 acres (three having been sold to Conway in 1810) in 1812 and then on January 23, 1813, Betty Simms, of the County of Stafford, sold to John M. Conway, of the same county, for \$200.00 a tract of land containing 45 (sic) acres, "in said county, being the present residence of the said Betty Sims, which land was conveyed to me by Abraham Bridwell, deceased, by deed dated 12 November 1753," etc. Witnesses: Henry Bridwell, Daniel Simms, John Burroughs. Recorded March 8, 1813 (p. 372 Stafford County Deed Book AA).

Elizabeth Sims continued on the tax list without land until 1816. Presumably she died about then,

Richard Simms was much too old to serve as a soldier in the Revolutionary War but apparently he aided the Revolutionary cause by his patriotic (civil as opposed to military) service. The D. A. R. and S. A. R. accept patriotic as well as military service on the part of an ancestor as fulfilling part of the requirements for membership in their societies. While it is possible that the following references to the patriotic service of Richard Simms might pertain to the son, Richard Simms, Jr., (who was out of the Army by 1779), it is much more likely that they refer to the father, Richard Simms, Sr. Richard Simms, Jr., did not own land at that time and was not even carried on the tax list until 1787.

The references to his public service claims are:

Stafford County Certificate

Stafford County Court Booklet 1, page 4

Stafford County Court Booklet 2, page 2

Stafford County List 1, page 3

Stafford County List 2, page 2

Stafford County Commissioners Book V, page 193

The references show that Richard Simms furnished a 200 lb. beef for the use of the United States in November 1781. In these references the name is spelled Sims, Simms, and Syms. Richard Simms is the only

Sims mentioned although there are several Bridwells listed.

According to the schedule of Heads of Families in Virginia in 1785, Richard Sims, Sen<sup>r</sup>, was head of a family of 9 white souls living in one dwelling. His is the only Sims family listed in Stafford County at that time.

The 1800 census records of Virginia are missing.

The 1810 census record of Stafford County, Virginia, lists Richard Simms, Sr., living in Falmouth with family:

1 male 45 and over	•	1 female 45 and over
1 male 26 to 45		1 female 26 to 45
3 males 0 to 10		1 female 0 to 10

The 1810 census of Stafford County, Virginia, also lists the families of Richard Simms, Jr., Presly Simms, and James Simms.

The 1820 census of Stafford County, Virginia, does not list either Richard Simms, Sr., or Elizabeth Simms.

In 1967 Mr. Charles Hughes Hamlin, P. O. Box 3525, Richmond, Virginia 23234, searched the personal property and land tax records of Stafford County, Virginia, and reported the following:

	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Acres
SIMS:	Titles	Times	ACLES
1782 - 3 - 4			
Richard	1	0	50
James	1	0	159
1785 - 1786			
Richard	0	0	50
James	1	0	159
1787			
Richard Sr - Levy Free	0	0	50
James	1	0	159
Presly	1	0	
Richard Jr.	1	0	
1788 through 1798 (each year)			
Richard Sr - Levy Free	0	0	50
James	1	-	159
Presly	1	0	
Richard Jr.	1	0	73
Rhoadnum	1	0	

Note: James and Richard Jr. each begin to report 1 taxable slave from 1795. From 1796 James reports 94 acres; 65 acres had been sold to Thos. G. Tyler. The 73 acres of Richard Jr. were evidently purchased from Jesse Bridwell who had purchased from John Davis in 1787. He does not report this 73 acres after 1795 and must have sold it. Richard Sr. and Richard Jr. both report 2 white tithes in 1798 although Richard Sr. is still tax exempt. Rhoadum disappears from lists after 1798.

1800 - 1805 (Land Tax only)	
Richard Sr.	50
James	94
1806 - 1809 (Land Tax only)	
Richard Sr.	50
Richard Jr.	92

Note: Richard Sims Jr. purchased this 92 acre tract from Peter Catlett.

1810 - 1811			
Richard Sr. (exempt)	0	0	50
Richard Jr.	2	4	92
James	3	0	
Presley	1	0	
Daniel	1	0	
Jesse	1	0	
1812			
Richard Jr.	2	3	92
James	2	1	53
Presley	1	0	
Daniel	1	0	
Elizabeth	-	-	47
1813 - 1816			
Richard Jr.	2	2	92
			120 - lease
James	2	1	53 3/4
Elizabeth	0	0	
Daniel	1	0	
Presley	1	0	

Note: The 92 acres of Richard Jr. (not called Jr. by clerk after 1813) is on "Acquia Run," His 120 acres "leased" is "part of Park(e) tract."

1817 through 1820			
James	2	1	53 3/4
Richard - Kentucky	0	0	120 - lease for life

Note: Thomas Cooper has the 92 acres previously listed for Richard Sims. The latter must have sold it about 1816-1817. In 1819 the 120 acre tract (part of Park land) is listed by the clerk in Richard Sims' name and then scratched out and was found listed in the name of Peter Beach as "leased." James Sims is the only one of the surname left in the county until 1820 when he reports himself only and a John Sims appears, who must be his son.

It is unfortunate that so many of the early Stafford County records have been destroyed. An article entitled, "A Survey of Stafford County Records," by George H. S. King on page 215 of Volume 53 of Virginia Historical Magazine, lists the records present in an inventory taken in 1792 and also lists which of these books have survived to the present.

The following records were copied from Stafford County, Virginia, Deed Book AA (covering the period 1809-1813):

Page 106:

This indenture made this 28th day of May eighteen hundred and ten between Richard Sims senr and Betty his wife, of the county of Stafford and State of Virginia of the one part, and John Moncure Conway of county and state aforesaid of the other part, Witnesseth that the said Richard Sims senr and Betty his wife for and in consideration of the sum of sixty four dollars lawful money of Virginia to them in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have given granted bargained and sold aliened enfeoffed released and confirmed, and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien enfeoff release and confirm unto the said John  $M \ensuremath{\text{----}}$  Conway his heirs and assigns forever all that parcel of land situate lying and being in the county aforesaid and now in the possession of the said Richard Simms senr and Betty his wife being a part of the tract given in a deed by Abraham Bridwell to his daughter Betty now Betty Simms and included within the following boundaries Viz Beginning two poplars, that stand on the north bank of the south run of Chapwamsic & running thence S 20 W 10 poles and 13 links to two small white oaks at the foot of a hill thence N 89 W 34 to a small pine and a stone thence S 62 W 59 poles to a white oak thence thence S 35 W 8 poles to a black gum, thence S 46 1/2 W 42 poles to a maple stump and stone on the bank of Cabin branch, thence N 21 W Crossing the said branch 6 poles and 8 links to a small mulberry near the Junction of said branch with another small branch and corner to H. Bridwell and John M Conway thence binding with the meanders of said branch of the South run, to the beginning containing by estimation three acres be the same more or less - to have and to hold the said land and premises together with all and

and singular other appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging, or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders thereof, and every part and parcel thereof to him the said John M Conway his heirs and assigns to his and their only proper use and behoof forever, and the said Richard Simms senr and Betty his wife, for themselves and their heirs do hereby covenant & agree to and with the said John M Conway that they will forever warrant and defend the said land and premises to him the said John M Conway his heirs and assigns forever against the claim and claims of all and every person or persons whatsoever In witness whereof the said Richard Simms senr & Betty his wife have hereunto set their hands & \_\_\_\_\_\_ affixed their seals the day month and year above written.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

Henry Bridwell

Daniel Simms
John Harding
Richard X Simms
mark

Benjn Folson Thos Fristoe

her Elizabeth X Simms

his

mark

The Commonwealth of Virginia to George Lane, Thos Fristoe and Benjamin Folson, Gentlemen, Greeting

Whereas Richard Simms senr and Betty his wife by their certain Indenture of bargain and Sale bearing date 28th day of May eighteen hundred and ten, have sold and conveyed unto John M Conway a certain tract or parcel of land therein mentioned and described and which said deed is hereunto annexed and Whereas the said Betty Simms cannot conveniently travel to our Court of Stafford county there to make acknowledgement of the said conveyance; Therefore we do give unto you or any two or more of you power to receive the acknowledgement which she the said Betty shall be willing to make before you of the conveyance aforesaid contained in the said Indenture which is hereunto annexed, and we do therefore command you that you do personally go to the said Betty and receive her acknowledgement of the same and examine her privately and apart from the said Richard Simms or threats and whether she doth the same freely and voluntarily without his persuasions or threats and whether she be willing that the same should be recorded in our county and court of Stafford aforesaid, and when you have received her acknowledgement examined her as aforesaid that you distinctly and openly certify us thereof in our said County Court under your seals sending then there the said Indenture and this writ witness Valentine Peyton Clerk of our said County Court the 29th day of May 1810 and the 34th year of the Commonwealth

V Peyton

Stafford County to wit:

Pursuant to the within commission to us directed we did this day examine the within named Betty Sims privately and apart from the  $s^d$  Richard Sims her husband and do certify that she did before us acknowledge as her act and deed the Indenture hereunto annexed which was by us then shoun and explained to her, the said Betsy declaring to us that she made the  $s^d$  acknowledgement freely and voluntarily without the persuasion or threats of her  $s^d$  husband and was willing the  $s^d$  Indenture should be recorded in the County Court of Stafford

Certified under our hands and seals this 25th of July 1810 Thos Fristoe Benin Folson

At a Court held Stafford County on the 13th day of August 1810

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The foregoing Indenture of bargain and sale between Richard Simms & Betty his wife of the one part, and John M Conway of the other part was proved by the Oaths of Thos Fristoe, Benj Folson & Henry Bridwell three of the witnesses thereto and ordered together with the annexed commission and certificate of its Execution to be recorded

Teste

V Peyton C.S.C.

Page 372: This Indenture made this 23rd day of January one thousand eight hundred and thirteen Between Betty Simms of the county of Stafford and state of Virginia of the one part, and John M Conway of the county and state aforesaid of the other part, Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to her the said Betty Simms in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby

acknowledged, she has granted bargained and sold, aliened enfeoffed and confirmed, and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell, alien enfeoff and confirm unto the said John M Conway his heirs and assigns forever all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the county of Stafford (the present residence of the said Betty Simms) containing by estimation forty five acres be the same more or less and bounded in the following manner Vizt beginning at the head of the Lick branch at a marked hickorie of Fristoes, thence running down said branch to the south run, then running up the south run to Conway's line with his line to a stump or stone on the Cabin branch corner between the above named Betty Simms and John M Conway, then running up the Cabin branch to a line of Fristoes and with Fristoes line to the beginning which said land was conveyed to her by Abraham Bridwell deceased in a deed bearing date the 12th day of November 1753, recorded in the office of Stafford as will more fully appear by a reference thereto - To have and to hold the said land and all the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said John M Conway his heirs and assigns forever and the said Betty Simms for herself and her heirs does hereby covenant and grant to and with the said John M Conway his heirs and assigns that he the said John M Conway shall and may at all times hereafter peaceably and quietly have hold and enjoy all and singular the said premises and apputenances without the least hindrance let or molestation of her the said Betty Simms her heirs or assigns or any other person or persons claiming by from or under her and lastly that she will forever warrant and defend the same against the claim or claims of all and every person or persons whatsoever In witness whereof the said Betty Simms has hereunto set her hand and affixed her seal the day and year first above written

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of Henry Bridwell John Burroughs

Daniel Simms

Betty X Simms mark

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The only child listed in the Overwharton Parish Register for Richard Simms and Betty Bridwell is James Simms, born April 16, 1753. Undoubtedly there were other children. In 1785 Richard Sims was the head of a family of nine. By then he was 65 and very likely some of those living in the household were other relatives besides children or possibly servants.

Since we do not have a will for Richard Simms, Sr., we do not have a list of his children. However since Richard and James are the only Simms families listed in the tax records of Stafford County, Virginia, from 1782 to 1786 and since we know from the Overwharton Parish Register that James Simms was the son of Richard Simms it is logical to assume that Presley and Richard Simms, Jr., who appeared on the tax list in 1787, and Rhoadnum Simms, who appeared on the tax list in 1788, were Richard's sons as well as James.

It should be noted that at that time the terms "Senior" and "Junior" did not necessarily refer to father and son but merely to an older and a younger man of the same name--for instance, to an uncle and nephew. However in this case it would seem that Richard, Jr., was indeed the son of Richard, Sr., and was probably the first born. There is some uncertainty about his date of birth but one record gives it as March 13, 1752. If that date is correct he was born after his parents has been married 17 months and he was probably the oldest child-and quite naturally named after his father.

We do know that Richard Simms, Jr., Rhodam Simms, and Presley Simms were brothers. Rhodam Simms states in his pension record that his brother Richard Simms also served in the Revolution. A great grandson of Presley Simms (Charles E. Simms -- see below) wrote that Presley had a brother Richard.

There is a remote possibility that the James Sims listed in the 1782 tax record was an older man than the James Sims born April 16, 1753, and might conceivably have been the father of Richard, Presley and Rhodum but the indications all seem to point toward the latter being children of Richard Sims, Sr. James Sims continued on the tax list at least until 1805 and probably through 1820 indicating that he was a younger man than Richard Sims, Sr.

The question seems not whether Richard, Presley, and Rhodam were children of Richard Simms, Sr., but rather how many other children there were and what their names were. So far no answer has been discovered. One of Richard Simms, Jr. 's sons speaks of his aunt, Mrs. Elijah Harding, but she might have been either his mother's sister or his father's sister. (See War of 1812 pension record of Benjamin Simms.)

On May 29, 1919, Mr. Charles E. Simms, proprietor of the Hotel Waveland at Waveland, Indiana,

# wrote to Mrs. A. L. Padgitt:

"I am the son of Wm. H. Simms (Bill). The most authentic history of the Simms I got from Uncle George--great uncle. You know I have been requested by a number of Simms to try to trace the lineage back. I have succeeded in tracing them about 300 years. They are English Irish extraction. They were early settlers in Virginia. Grandsire Pressley was 7 yrs. in the Continental Army but not on Washington's staff but was acquainted with the General. They at one time lived about 16 miles below Mount Vernon and six miles back from the Potomac river. Grandsire had two brothers killed in the Revolutionary War. One at the Battle of Brandywine and the other at the Battle of Cowpens; or at least disappeared there. They never had positive proof of his death. John was his name. Grandsire's wife was named Bridewell, English people, very large people with light complexion. She had two brothers that weighed nearly 300 lbs. There is no authentic report of his birth as their house and the contents were burned by the British in 1814 and the records were destroyed. Grandsire had several brothers and sisters. Two sisters married Jewels and lived at Bardstown, Ky. Owned slaves and property. I have met some of the descendants of the Jewels; one is a noted Campbellite preacher. Two of his brothers emigrated and settled in Missouri, Richard and Daniel. There is a numerous progeny of them in Missouri and elsewhere. . . . "

About all that can be said at present is that Richard Simms, Sr., and Elizabeth Bridwell apparently had the following children:

- 1. Richard Simms, Jr., born March 13, 1752, Stafford County, Virginia, died October 21, 1850, Clay County, Missouri, married Elizabeth Ashby. See page 11.
- 2. James Simms, born April 16, 1753, Stafford County, Virginia. See page 19.
- 3. Presley Simms, born about 1754, Stafford County, Virginia, died 1852 near Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, Indiana, married Nancy Bridwell. See page 21.
- 4. Rhodam Simms, born 1756, Stafford County, Virginia, died November 23, 1853, Ralls County, Missouri, married Mary Stark. See page 25.
- 5. possibly a son, John Simms -- see the above letter from Mr. Charles E. Simms.
- 6. possibly a son, Daniel Simms--see the above letter from Mr. Charles E. Simms. It is also quite possible that Daniel Simms was a grandson.
- 7. probably two daughters who married men named Jewell--see the above letter from Mr. Charles E. Simms.
- 8. possibly a daughter who married Elijah Harding.
- 9, possibly other children.

### 1. RICHARD SIMMS, JR.

1. RICHARD SIMMS, JR. (see page 10) was born in Stafford County, Virginia. Mrs. Robert Steele Withers (Ethel Massie) wrote October 22, 1944, that he was born March 13, 1752, but she did not give a reference. The birthdate of 1752 is also indicated in the following letter in which it states that Richard Simms died aged 98 years and 7 months:

Miss Ethel Clover Brown of Los Angeles, California, wrote April 21, 1931, to Miss Mary R. Ellis of Kansas City, Missouri:

"All we know we got from Cousin Van Rouse, who used to live in Liberty. Our grandfather Wirt was John Wirt and he married Mary Simms, daughter of Richard Simms. That is all the data given as to his wife. Then another place says John Ashby and Sallie McCullough from Wales married and one daughter Betsey who married Richard Simms. The Simms settled in Virginia and moved to Missouri. This was added--Richard Simms' mother was a granddaughter of Louis 14th of France. Or saying it another way, Louis 14th's daughter Marie was Richard Simms' grandmother. From this record, 'Richard Simms fought in the Revolutionary War and he died in 1852 being ninety eight years old and seven months.' When my mother died the Liberty Tribune said, 'Mary Ruhanna Wirt was a daughter of Philip R. Wirt and he a son of Jno. Wirt who lived out west of Liberty in early times. She was also a great-granddaughter of Richard Simms, a Revolutionary soldier, who lived in the Gilead neighborhood about fifty years ago, aged 104 years.'"

In his pension record Richard Simms makes the statement in 1818 that he was 58 years old (born about 1760) and in 1832 he states he is 75 years old (born about 1757). The 1840 census record lists his age as 86 (born about 1754) and the 1850 census record lists him as 98 (born about 1752). His obituary says he was 98 years old at the time of his death (born about 1752).

Richard Simms died October 21, 1850, Clay County, Missouri.

He married Elizabeth Ashby (daughter of John Ashby and Sarah MacCullough), who apparently died prior to 1810 as she is not listed in the 1810 census. See the note on the Ashby family in the back of this book.

In 1776 while living in Stafford County, Virginia, Richard Simms enlisted as a soldier in the Revolutionary War for two years. He was a private in the company commanded by Capt. William Washington in the Third Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonels Mercer and Marshall in the Continental Establishment. He was in the battles of New York Island, Stony Point, and Brandywine and was discharged at Valley Forge.

As students of American history will recall, the American Army on Long Island was defeated by Lord Howe in late summer 1776 and retreated through White Plains, across the Hudson, and into New Jersey. This has been described as the "darkest hour of the Revolution." During the following winter General George Washington struck his brilliant blows at Trenton and Princeton and American spirits revived and the spring of 1777 brought new hopes and new recruits. The British left New York by sea to take Philadelphia (at that time a much more important city than New York) and landed in August 1777 not far below Philadelphia on the Delaware. This led to the battle of Brandywine Creek on September 11, 1777, in which the Americans were defeated and retreated northward to Valley Forge on the Schuylkill. Here they spent the horrible winter of 1777-1778 in a state of semi-starvation, ill clothed (many were barefoot), and living in miserable little huts. Every citizen who visits Valley Forge today (even if in the spring with the dogwood flowering on the lovely, peaceful hills on which are imposing, expensive marble monuments) should recall with gratitude the terrible sufferings endured there 200 years ago which helped to establish the affluent and powerful nation we are today. Even more inspiring should this site be to the Simms descendants knowing that Richard Simms was among the brave men stationed there in 1777.

The pension record (S17093) of Richard Simms is on file in the National Archives in Washington, D. C., and reads in part:

District of Kentucky

On this 29th day of August 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Circuit Judges for

the District afores<sup>d</sup> personally appeared Richard Simms aged 58 years resident in Scott County in the s<sup>d</sup> District, who being by me first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary war--that he the s<sup>d</sup> Richard Simms enlisted in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia for two years in the Company commanded by Capt Wm Washington in the 3 Virginia Regiment commanded by Col<sup>os</sup> Mercer and Marshall in the continental establishment that he continued to serve in said Regiment for the term of two years when he was discharged at Valley Forge. That he was in the battles of New York Island & Brandywine. That he is in reduced circumstances in life and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

Sworn to and Declared before me this Day and Year af<sup>sd</sup>

Benj. Johnson

Circuit Judge

State of Missouri County of Clay In the Clay County Court September Special Term A. D. 1832

On this third day of September in the year Eighteen hundred & thirty two personally appeared in open Court before James T. V. Thompson, Shubeal Allen and Elisha Cameron Justices thereof Richard Simms aged Seventy five Years a resident of the County of Clay & State of Missouri aforesaid who being first duly Sworn in Open Court doth on his Oath make the following Statement in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he the said Richard Simms enlisted in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia in the Company Commanded by Captain William Washington in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Mercer in the line of the state of Virginia that he so enlisted as a private and Continued to Serve as Such for & during the term of Two years and until discharged. That his name was inscribed on the pension list Roll of the Kentucky Agency at the rate of Eight Dollars per month to Commence on the 29th day of August 1818 that he drew a pension up to the 4th of March 1820 and having never exhibited a schedule of his property according to the act of May 1st 1820 his name was stricken from the roll and that he has not since had any alevivance as a revolutionary Pensioner That his present place of residence is in the County of Clay & State of Missouri That his place of residence when his first application was made was in the County of Scott and State of Kentucky That the number of his Pension Certificate is Forty three That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension except the present.

> his Richard -- Simms mark

His descendants state that Richard Simms was granted land in Kentucky for his services in the Revolution. However his application for land is filed in the Rejected Claims of Virginia. Mr. Charles Hughes Hamlin commented, "The application was probably rejected because he was not in service three years, as required. However this is not so stated." The record, in the Virginia State Library, Richmond, Virginia, reads as follows:

Rejected Claim, Richard Simms, 1840, Box 18 67-3429 State of Kentucky Franklin County

Richard Simms this day personaly appeared before me John Walker a Justice of the peace for the Said county and made oath that he Inlisted in Virginia in the year 1776 for three years in Capt William Washington Company in the Third Virginia Regiment on Continental line commanded by Col Mercer and that he continued to serve in said service until his inlistment was expired at which time he was honourably discharged at the Valaye Forge in Pennsylvania and through the course of time he has lost his discharge or it has been misplaced and he has never received his land warrant for said services

his Richard x Sims mark

Sworn and subscribed to before me and I certify that the said Richard Simms is a credible witness on oath given under my hand this 15th day of October 1822.

John Walker J.P.

State of Kentucky, Hardin county to wit

This day Robert English personaly appeared before me I. Martin, A Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid and made oath that he has long been acquainted with the above Richard Simms who has subscribed to the above declaration and he well knows that he is the Identical person he therein represents himself to be and further knows that he did perform the military service therein stated.

Robert English

Sworn and subscribed to before me and I certify that the above Robert English is a credible witness on oath Given under my hand this 20th day of Sept 1824

Saml Martin, J.P.

After the Revolutionary War Richard Simms, Jr., returned to Stafford County, Virginia, and his name appears on the tax records there for the first time in 1787. He is carried as 1 tithable without land. In 1788 he appears to have purchased 73 acres of land from Jesse Bridwell (who had purchased it from John Davis in 1787). He appears to have sold the land about 1795. Beginning in 1795 he reported 1 taxable slave and in 1798 he reported 2 white tithables.

About 1806 Richard Simms, Jr., purchased 92 acres of land from Peter Catlett and this land was described as "on Acquia Run" and he paid taxes on it through 1816. In 1810 he paid taxes on 2 white tithables and 4 black slaves. During 1813-1816 Richard Sims, Jr., paid taxes on 120 acre lease, "part of the Park(e) tract." Richard Sims paid taxes on the 120 acre tract 1817 through 1820 but is listed as of Kentucky. In 1819 the 120 acre tract (part of Park land) is listed by the Clerk in Richard's name and then scratched out and was found listed in the name of Peter Beach as "leased."

Richard Simms, Jr., is listed in the 1810 census of Stafford County, Virginia, at the "End of Aquia" with a family of five males, seven females, and five slaves:

1 male over 45	4 females 16 to 26	5 slaves
1 male 16 to 26	2 females 10 to 16	
1 male 10 to 16	1 female 0 to 10	
2 males 0 to 10		

On December 2, 1816, Richard Simms made a power of attorney to Lewis Ficklin, both of Stafford County, Virginia, authorizing Lewis Ficklin to collect debts due to him by Peter Beach and John Beach, 'tenants of the plantation that I now occupy and which I am about to lease." The complete document reads:

Stafford County, Virginia, Deed Book GG (covering the period 1825-1827), page 176:

Know all men by these presents that I Richard Simms at present of the county of Stafford & State of Virginia have made ordained constituted and appointed and by these presents do make ordain constitute and appoint Lewis Ficklin of the county and state aforesaid, my true and lawful attorney, for me & in my name, but to my use, to ask, demand, sue for, recover and receive all and every such rents and arrears as are now due and owing to me by or from Peter Beach & John Beach of the said county of Stafford--tenants of the plantation that I now occupy & am about to lease-and for the nonpayment of the said rents or arrears of rent or any part thereof to enter & destrain and the distress so taken to cause to be disposed of according to law and I further constitute & impower my said attorney to transact all my business here in this state for me and in my name & for my use to collect all moneys that may be due me and to sue for and recover in my name as tho I was personally present and upon payment of any moneys that may be due me for rent or otherwise for me & in my name to grant discharges for the same and monies so by him received immediately thereupon do pay over to me or my representatives or to my order and further to do & excute all and every other lawful act & acts needful for recovery or receiving moneys that may be due me or hereafter become due me but to my use as aforesaid as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as if I were personally present hereby ratifying & confirming whatsoever my said attorney shall do or cause to be done In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and fix my seal This 2nd day of December 1816

Signed sealed & acknowledged in presence of his
Benj Ficklin Thos T Cooper Thomas Pilcher Richard X Simms
mark

Stafford County Court July the 10th 1826

A Letter of Attorney from Richard Simms to Lewis Ficklin was proved by the oath of

Thomas Pilcher a witness thereton--and by Strother Ficklin as to the handwriting of Benjamin Ficklin another witness thereto--and ordered to be recorded.

Teste J M Conway Cl Cor

In 1816 after leasing his plantation to Peter and John Beach, Richard Simms moved to Kentucky. In 1818 he was a resident of Scott County, Kentucky (See his pension record.). The Revolutionary War pension record of Thomas Bates (S35186) of Scott County, Kentucky, states that debts were owed Bates by Richard Sims and Jacob Stogil. I examined the records of Scott County and found no mention of Richard Simms. Apparently many of the early records there are missing.

Richard Simms then moved to Franklin County, Kentucky. Franklin and Scott Counties adjoin. Richard Sims is listed in the 1820 census record of Franklin County, Kentucky, with a family consisting of:

1 male 45 and over 2 females 26 to 45
1 male 26 to 45 2 females 16 to 26
2 males 16 to 26 1 female 0 to 10
1 male 10 to 16

In 1826 while he was still living in Franklin County, Kentucky, Richard Simms bought land in Stafford County, Virginia, apparently as an investment as he never returned there to live. The deed, recorded February 13, 1826, on page 84 of Stafford County, Virginia, Deed Book GG, reads:

This Indenture made this tenth day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty six between Peter C. Buck and Miriam P. Buck his wife of the County of Woodford and State of Kentucky of the one part and Richard Sims of the County of Franklin and State affores'd of the other part Witnesseth that the said Peter C. Buck and Miriam his wife for and in consideration of one hundred pounds current money of the United States to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained and sold; and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell unto the said Richard Sims his heirs and assigns forever, a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Stafford and State of Virginia, containing one hundred and eight acres be the same more or less and bound as follows: To wit. Beginning at Acquia run at the place called the Old Ford, next the plantation formerly possessed by Jonathan Moore extending from the said Ford No 252 poles to two white oak saplings standing near the head of a branch that runs down by the house where Mary Belcher formerly lived into Cannons run. Thence down Cannons run to a marked hickory and thence along the old line to another hickory sapling by Aquia

and to hold the land hereby conveyed with the appurtenances unto the said Richard Sims his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Peter C. Buck and Miriam his wife for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators the aforesaid tract of land and premises unto the said Richard Sims his heirs and assigns against the claim or claims of all and every person or persons whatsoever claiming or to claim under them or any person and persons whatsoever do and will warrant and forever defend by these presents and further that the said Peter C. Buck is seized of a sure lawful and Indefeasible title in fee simple in and to the s<sup>d</sup> tract of land and appurtenances and hath lawful rights to sell and convey the same and Miriam P. Buck wife of said Peter doth hereby relinquish her right of dower in and to the tract of land and appurtenances herein before described. In testimony whereof the said Peter C. Buck and Miriam P. Buck his wife has hereunto set their hands and seals the day and date first above written.

Acknowledged in presence of W. Barr
J. C. Pulliam

Peter C. Buck Miriam P. Buck

Jno W. Christopher

The deed was certified by the Justices of Woodford County, Kentucky.

In 1829 Richard Simms moved to Clay County, Missouri, and continued to live there until his death 21 years later. His farm home was seven miles northwest of Liberty, Missouri.

Richard Sims is listed in the 1830 census of Clay County, Missouri, as is Benjamin Sims.

According to the 1840 census Richard Simms was living in Clay County, Missouri, with a family

consisting of:

1 male 80 to 90 1 male 20 to 30 2 females 30 to 40 1 female 20 to 30 1 female 10 to 15

Rev. Pen.: Richard Simms, aged 86

The 1850 census record of Clay County, Missouri, lists him on page 358:

824-824 Simms, Richard 98 M Revolutionary soldier 4000 born Va.

Margarett 52 F do.

Terrissa 48 F do.

Joseph S. 45 M Farmer do.

Presumably Richard Simms was a farmer--he lived on a farm--but he was also a craftsman in wood. Mrs. Robert Steele Withers (Ethel Massie), Withers Farm, Liberty, Missouri, wrote March 20, 1947: "In a record in the Probate office at the Clay County courthouse of an estate of a pioneer, it is noted that Richard Simms made a walnut coffin for the pioneer for \$5.00, I think--at least I recall reading the item. We have in our home a walnut door frame and two beautiful walnut doors made by Richard Simms. These are from the old home in our back yard erected in 1842 and now occupied by a young couple and their baby."

In the Kansas City <u>Star</u> of October 26, 1932, there is a picture of a cradle made from black walnut for Richard Simms, a soldier of the Revolution, who settled north of Liberty. It passed to a granddaughter and later to Robert S. Withers, who owned it in 1932. Mrs. Charles D. Chappell wrote, "There was supposed to be a lengthy article in the same issue about the Simms family."

Richard Simms must have taught the carpentry trade to his son Benjamin Simms as the Clay County Court in March 1825 paid Benjamin Simms "for repairing the courthouse and for furnishing benches." (Missouri Historical Review, volume 39, page 194, January 1945).

"Richard Simms was an old Revolutionary soldier who lived for many years in Clay County and finally died at the advanced age of one hundred and four years. This old gentleman was possessed of a kindly nature and a gentle courtesy that are not so often seen as in former times, when there was less rush for place and fortune. He finally died of cancer." (Portrait and Biographical Record of Clay, Ray, Carroll, Chariton and Lynn Counties, Missouri, 1893, page 184)

Richard Simms died October 21, 1850, and his obituary appeared in the Liberty, Missouri, Weekly Tribune, November 8, 1850, page 2, column 6:

# DEATHS

In this county on October 21st, Mr. RICHARD SIMMS, in the 99th year of his age.

Mr. S. was born in Stafford County, Virginia in 1752, and resided there until the year 1816, at which time he emigrated to Kentucky, and lived there until he moved to this State which occurred in 1829. On his arrival in Missouri he settled in this County and lived here until his death. Mr. S. was a Revolutionary soldier - was engaged in service during the hard winter of 1777-8, when the army was encamped at Valley Forge, and was in the battle of Brandywine and other engagements not remembered by this writer.

The gallant patriots who achieved our Independence are fast passing away. But few live now, and soon those few will be called to the "spirit land" - may we imitate their example. In the death of Mr. S, the community has lost a good citizen. Peace to his dust.

Richard Simms was buried in the graveyard of his farm home, seven miles north of Liberty, Missouri. In October 1912 the Alexander Doniphan chapter of D. A. R. placed an U. S. government marker on his grave. On July 21, 1932, bronze markers were placed on the graves of his daughters who are buried in the same burial ground. The Liberty, Missouri, Tribune of July 21, 1932, had an account of this service and carried pictures of the dedication. There was also an article about it in the Kansas City Journal Post of July 21, 1932.

An article on page 176, volume 27, January 1933, Missouri Historical Review reads:

As a feature of the George Washington Bicentennial celebration, Alexander Doniphan,

Independence Pioneers and Elizabeth Benton chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution of Liberty, Independence and Kansas City, Missouri, joined in a service at the Simms' family burial ground seven miles north of Liberty, on July 24th, to dedicate markers placed on the graves of six daughters of Richard Simms, soldier of the Revolution.

All arrangements for the program were made by Mrs. Llewellyn Jones, Chairman of Real Daughters for the Missouri D. A. R. and Mrs. Calvin Atkins of Independence and Mrs. Robert S. Withers of Liberty.

Motor cars came from every direction to the square in Liberty and formed a long procession to make the journey over the hills to the quiet neglected spot. The people gathered under the great oak tree which has sheltered the grave of Richard Simms for 82 years. All around were the graves of his sons and daughters, their mates and children, while in the far corner were the rude native stones marking the graves of his slaves.

Richard Simms was a friend of Washington, was with him at Valley Forge and fought with the Virginia troops through the Revolution. He was granted land in Kentucky for his services and lived there awhile but moved on to western Missouri in the 1820's. He died in Clay county in 1850 at the age of 98. His grave was marked in 1912 by Alexander Doniphan Chapter D. A. R.

His land is farmed by alien hands; the family burial plot, unused for half a century, is surrounded by fields of hay, corn and tobacco; the old house, far off the road, stands deserted with its logs showing beneath the rotting weatherboarding. The spring of pure water, the gray stepping stone at its brink and a few primeval trees remain as Richard Simms knew them.

The program was one of impressive dignity from Assembly Call until Taps marked its close.

Mrs. James Landrigan of Kansas City, Mrs. P. M. Agee of Independence and Mrs. Mary B. PerLee of Liberty, regents of the participating chapters each presented two names being honored by her chapter--Nancy and Jincy Simms; Margaret and Terrissa Simms; Frances A. Simms Peters and Sarah M. F. Simms Rouse.

A history of the Simms family told the part played by the daughters of this pioneer family in the social and cultural life of their time.

Sixth generation descendants of Richard Simms contributed to the success of the service. The markers were unveiled by Misses Alice Mary Graves of Kansas City and Eugenia Stogdale of Liberty, following an address delivered by Conn Withers, youthful attorney of Liberty, on "The Changes and Trends in Our Government Since the Adoption of the Constitution." These three are descendants of Frances A. Peters.

It should be noted that the above article lists Sarah M. F. Simms Rouse as a daughter although she was really a granddaughter of Richard Simms.

In 1947 Mrs. Robert Steele Withers (Ethel Massie) copied the tombstones in the Simms burial ground and these inscriptions were later published in the Liberty, Missouri, newspaper. On January 23, 1947, Mrs. Withers wrote:

You might think seven miles is no trip but it happens this particular seven miles is a trip I never make unless I am bound for the old Simms place, which is off the beaten path and then in the center of a rough field. It has been years since I made the trip and this afternoon I was shocked to see how the old burial ground has suffered from neglect and the actual encroachment by the farm itself.

I recall so well when one of the descendants sent \$50.00 and others smaller amounts and when my husband worked hard out there to clear the place and build a fence, also he mended or straightened the stones. That was back in 1912. Another renovation took place at his hands in 1932 when three D. A. R. chapters placed bronze markers at the graves of six daughters of Richard Simms. This was a big event attended by a large group. Our son, then a young lawyer, made the

address, as a descendant of the sixth generation.

I was there once after that but some years ago, as I said above. Today the largest stone was down on its face, others were leaning and all except one of the bronze markers had been torn out by the roots and taken away. I wonder how the vandals happened to miss the last one. It was in a different row.

Mr. Withers cleaned the records off with a brick and I wrote the data in my notebook. Not a stone was missed. I think some may have been carried away but perhaps I am mistaken about that. Still to be seen are several plain stones with no inscriptions and I have been told these were placed to mark the graves of slaves.

I was impressed with the futility of trying to preserve a family burial plot that has passed into alien hands as this has, though as a matter of fact the plot was deeded to the county many years ago and that presupposes care. I think the county never bothers to give the care and one can't wonder at that since few are aware these deserted family burial grounds exist where they do.

My reaction was one of mild sadness with the realization that one should not fight the return to Nature; it is inevitable. Personally as one who has married into the family, it would please me to see the flat stones of Richard Simms and of the daughter from whom my husband descended and her husband's brought into Liberty to the Fairview Cemetery and stacked on our lot maybe. But I think this will not be done. I know there would be no removal of bones—if any exist at this late day.

Late in September we spent a night in Marionville, Missouri, with Mrs. H. E. Kanaga, who is a descendant of the Simms son who went to Holt County many years ago. She gave me Miss Terrissa's cakestand--lovely three faces pattern.

I should have told you that the Simms house has either been torn down or it rotted down. The old barn is still there. The oak tree that grew up out of Richard Simms' grave is very old and scarred by may last many years longer.

Richard Simms did not leave a will but his estate was probated in Clay County, Missouri, and the records list his heirs. There were some suits about the estate and these also list the heirs of Richard Simms. Joseph Selden Simms died without issue leaving a will. Margaret Simms died intestate. Terissa Simms died intestate. The records list their heirs. The following are excerpts and abstracts from the Clay County, Missouri, records:

Richard Simms died intestate in Clay County, Missouri, October 21, 1850. His surviving children were: Joseph S. Simms, Margaret Simms, Terrissa Simms, and John H. Simms and Benjamin Simms.

Benjamin Lomax (brother of Elizabeth, James, Richard, and Sarah) died intestate in California, March 26, 1851. His sole heirs were his brothers and sisters.

Polly Simms Wirt is mentioned.

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Joseph S. Simms, Margaret Simms, and Terissa Simms, Plaintiffs against John H. Simms, Benjamin Simms, Elizabeth Ringo (late Wirt), intermarried with Samuel Ringo; Margaret Ringo (late Wirt), intermarried with Andrew H. Ringo; and Philip R. Wirt in right of their deceased mother Mary Wirt (late Simms), daughter and one of the heirs of Richard Simms, deceased; also, Vienna McCoun (late Peters), intermarried with William H. McCoun; Augusta Inskeep (late Peters); Martha Peters; Enfield Miller (late Peters), intermarried with Robert H. Miller; Mary Ringo (late Peters), intermarried with Martin Ringo, in right of their deceased mother, Frances Peters (late Simms), who was likewise a daughter and heir of the said Richard Simms, deceased; also Elizabeth Jacobs (late Lomax), intermarried with Thomas M. Jacobs; James Lomax; Richard Lomax; and Sarah Rouse (late Lomax), intermarried with Ezekiel Rouse, in right of their deceased mother Sarah Lomax (late Simms), intermarried with Gerrard Lomax also deceased, she being likewise a daughter

and heir of the said Richard Simms; also Wm. H. McCoun, administrator of the estate of the said Richard Simms, defendants.

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Joseph S. Simms, Margaret Simms, and Terissa Simms as well as John H. Simms and Benjamin Simms were each entitled to one eighth of the estate of Richard Simms.

Elizabeth Wirt Ringo, wife of Samuel Ringo; Margaret Wirt Ringo, wife of A. H. Ringo; and Philip R. Wirt were each entitled to one third of one eighth.

Elizabeth Lomax Jacobs, wife of Thomas M. Jacobs; James Lomax; Richard Lomax; and Sarah Lomax Rouse, wife of Ezekiel Rouse, were each entitled to one fourth of one eighth. Elizabeth, James, and Richard lived in Lafayette County; Sarah lived in Jackson County.

The remaining one eighth went to the heirs of Frances Peters, as follows: Vienna I., wife of W. H. McCoun; Augusta Inskeep; Martha Peters; Enfield, wife of R. H. Miller; and Mary, wife of Martin Ringo; each of whom was entitled to one fifth of one eighth. Mary Ringo lived in Wayne County, Indiana.

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Joseph S. Simms left a will dated October 30, 1852. He speaks of himself as Joseph Selden Simms and names two sisters Margaret B. Simms and Terracy Simms.

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Margaret Simms died leaving heirs as follows: Terissa Simms; the heirs of Mary Wirt, deceased; the heirs of Sally Lomax, deceased; the heirs of Frances Peters, deceased; the heirs of Jack Simms, deceased; and the heirs of Benjamin Simms, deceased.

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Terissa Simms died intestate, September 17, 1883, in Holt County, Missouri. Her heirs were: the heirs of John H. Simms; the heirs of Benjamin Simms; the heirs of Frances Peters; the heirs of Mary Wirt; and the heirs of Sally Lomax.

From these records it is well established that the children of Richard Simms and Elizabeth Ashby

- 11. Mary Augusta Simms, married John R. Wirt. See page 33.
- 12. Sally Simms ( -1823), married Gerard Lomax. See page 34.
- 13. Nancy Simms, born about 1789, died April 13, 1842, unmarried. She is buried in the Simms family burial ground in Clay County, Missouri.
- 14. Margaret B. Simms (1792-1873), unmarried. See page 35.
- 15. John Henry Simms (1794-1874), married Martha Ann Huffman. See page 35.
- 16. Frances A. Simms (1796-1848), married John R. Peters. See page 38.
- 17. Terissa Simms (1799-1883), unmarried. See page 39.
- 18. Benjamin Simms (ca 1800-1854), married (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_; married (2) Mrs. Zerelda (Cole) James. See page 40.
- 19. Jincy Simms, born about 1805, died October 24, 1831, unmarried. She is buried in the Simms family burial ground in Clay County, Missouri.
- 1x. Joseph Selden Simms (1805-1875), unmarried. See page 43.

### 2. JAMES SIMMS

2. JAMES SIMMS (see page 10) was born April 16, 1753, Stafford County, Virginia. His birth is recorded in Overwharton Parish Register. There is considerable uncertainty about him.

Probably he is the James Simms who was granted 159 acres 3 rods and 27 poles of land in Stafford County on branches of Acquia Creek, a branch of the Potomac, adjoining lands of Christopher Robinson and others. The land grant by Lord and/or Lady Fairfax, proprietors of the northern neck of Virginia, is dated April 6, 1776 (page 279, Book I).

James Simms paid taxes on these 159 acres from 1782 through 1796. He sold 65 acres to Thomas G. Tyler but paid taxes on the remaining 94 acres 1796 through 1805. He is not listed with any land 1806 through 1809. He is listed in 1810 and 1811 for personal property tax only. There is a James Sims (the same one?) listed with 53 3/4 acres from 1812 through 1820. By 1820 he was the only one of the surname living in Stafford County at which time John Sims appears on the tax list. It is assumed John Sims was his son. Since he paid personal taxes all during this time it is reasonable to assume that he was actually living in Stafford County all during this time.

In 1776 at the time of the land grant of 159 acres he was 23 years old. Whether he was a bit young to receive such a grant is debatable. It is possible that the land grant was to an older James Simms, who died or moved away about 1806.

There is no James Simms listed in the Heads of Families in Virginia in 1785.

The 1810 census record of Stafford County, Virginia, lists James Simms with the following family:

1 male 45 and over

1 female 45 and over

1 male 16 to 26

1 male 0 to 10

He was apparently living next to John Craig in 1810.

The 1820 census record of Stafford County, Virginia, lists James Simms as follows:

1 male 45 and over

1 female 45 and over

1 male 16 to 26

1 female 0 to 10

2 males 0 to 10

Also in the 1820 census is listed John D. Simms.

James Simms was apparently the father of Daniel Simms and Jesse Simms, who appear on the tax list in 1810. Jesse Simms' name disappears from the tax list after 1811 but Daniel Simms is carried on the tax list until 1816. Daniel Simms witnessed a deed from Richard Simms, Sr., and Betty his wife to John Moncure Conway on May 28, 1810, and he also witnessed the deed from Betty Simms to John M. Conway on January 23, 1813. It would appear likely that he was the grandson of Richard Simms, Sr., and his wife Betty.

Daniel Simms of Stafford County mortgaged certain personal property as security for his brother, Enoch Simms. The deed, dated March 13, 1810, is recorded on page 61 of Stafford County Deed Book AA and reads:

Know all men by these presents that I Daniel Simms of the county of Stafford in the state of Virginia for & in consideration of the sum of nine pounds five shillings and four pence half penny bearing interest from the third day of January 1806 until paid which I acknowledge to be justly due and owing by me to Timothy Brundige of Dumfries in the county of Prince William and state aforesaid as bail security for my brother Enoch Simms, have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain & sell unto the said Timothy Brundige his excts administrators and assigns two feather beds and furniture belonging to them, two chests, and two tables, four chairs, two iron pots & one dutch oven, six pewter plates & one pewter dish one large and one small spinning wheele, together with all other house hold furniture I possess not particularly mentioned in this bill of sale.

I hereunto set my hand & seal this 13 day of March 1810,

his

J T Ford Thos Fristoe W F Phillips

Daniel X Simms mark

Sarah Symes left a will in Stafford County, dated August 25, 1825, and probated November 14, 1825. In it she mentions:

"To my son, John Craigg, a negro slave . . .

"To my grandson, Charles Henson, 2 slaves . . . ."

Possibly she was the widow of James Simms. She may have been married previously or possibly John Craig was her son-in-law rather than her son.

There were at least two soldiers in the Revolutionary War from Virginia named James Sims. One was James Simms, born January 11, 1751, Frederick County, Virginia. Later he lived in Washington County, Virginia, and still later in Blount County, Tennessee. The other was James Sims, born October 8, 1754, in Culpeper County, Virginia. Later he lived in Nicholas County, Virginia. Obviously neither of these men was James Simms, born April 16, 1753, in Stafford County, son of Richard Simms and Elizabeth Bridwell.

There was a John Douglas Simms of Washington County, Virginia, who married Eleanor Carroll Brent, born 1787 (daughter of Daniel Carroll Brent 1759-1814 of Stafford County, Virginia, who left a will proved May 10, 1815) and they had children: John D. Simms, Charles C. Simms, Richard Henry Simms, and Nancy D. Simms (who married Richard Johnson). It is uncertain whether he was the John D. Simms listed in the 1820 census of Stafford County, Virginia, or not. It is also uncertain whether he was related to James Simms, son of Richard Simms and Elizabeth Bridwell or whether he was related to the Revolutionary War soldier James Simms who lived at one time in Washington County, Virginia. As Frederick County is just across the river from Stafford County it is likely that the two Simms families were related but at present there is no evidence to establish the connection. For information on this Simms-Brent family see page 598 of Virginia Soldiers of 1776 and also see page 194, volume 17, of Virginia Historical Magazine.

Although at present we have more speculation than real knowledge about James Simms, it would seem likely that he had the following children:

- 21. Daniel Simms.
- 22. Jesse Simms.
- 23. Enoch Simms.
- 24. John D. Simms.
- 25. possibly other children.

### 3. PRESLEY SIMMS

3. PRESLEY SIMMS (see page 10) is said to have been named Presley George Simms. He was born February 1753 in Stafford County, Virginia, and died 1852 in Montgomery County, Indiana. He married Nancy Bridwell, who died in 1845. His date and place of birth are given in his pension record (see below).

He served in the Revolutionary War and received a pension (of \$80 a year) for his services. His pension record (\$32546) in the National Archives reads in part:

State of Indiana

Montgomery Circuit Court

Montgomery County

On this 18th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Hon, John R. Porter, President Judge of the first Judicial Circuit (embracing said County) and Hon. James Stitt one of the Associate Judges of said Montgomery Circuit Court being a court of record having unlimited common pleas & jurisdiction now sitting Presley Symmes a resident of Coal Creek Township in the county of Montgomery and state aforesaid aged seventy nine years & seven months, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated--viz. --

His service was in the state troops of Virginia a private under various engagements embracing a period of about five years. He was drafted soon after the commencement of the war at Marlborough in Stafford County in the company commanded by Capt. George Williams, and George Williams 2nd Lieutenant (or Ensign) in the Regiment commanded by James Garrard (or Garret). Our General's name was Joseph Weedon. Petioner in subsequent tours was under the command of Capts. John Harvey, Ralph Groom, Capt. Charles Rawles & John James respectively and in the regiment of Cols. Thomas Montjoy & Col. John Willis but cannot remember the precise length of each tour of service. Resided at the time of his first enlistment near the town of Dumfries but in Stafford County. He left the service at the close of the war & received a discharge from Col. James Garrard (afterward Gov<sup>n</sup> of Ky.) at Marlborough aforesaid, which discharge has been lost in the lapse of time. He was in one small engagement with the British at Marlborough one other at William Brent's house on Potomac (burnt by the British) and some few other slight skirmishes but in no battle of note. Was stationed upon the Potomac & his marches were for some 50 or 60 miles up & down that river to guard the coast & shipping. Never served with any continental companies.

He knows of no documentary evidence by which he can prove his service, and although he thinks he has some comrades living in Kentucky who know of his service he cannot procure their evidence without a toil & expense too considerable for his old age & slender means. He adds that while under the command of Col. Willis he was one of the drafted to guard at the barracks above Winchester the prisoners taken at the surrender of Cornwallis.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State.

his

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid Presley X Symmes mark

John Wilson, Clk.

Albert White of Tippecanoe County and John Beard of Montgomery County state they are well acquainted with Presley Symmes. They are not in the remotest degree related to the petitioner.

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On the 18th day of September 1833 personally appeared in the Circuit Court of said County now sitting in open Court Presley Symmes who being duly sworn says by way of supplemental declaration to the above that by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the period mentioned below & in the following grade: For two years & six months I served as a private & for such service I claim a pension (this service being in different tours running thro' a period of five years, which tours cannot be precisely recollected for the reason aforesaid). Deponent further says that there is no settled clergyman in his neighborhood by whom he can prove the reputation of his services it being a newly settled neighborhood. Deponent further saith in answer to the interrogations put to him by the Court & prescribed by the War Department & which are not particularly answered in the body of his above declaration, that he was born in Stafford County, Virginia, in the year 1753. Had a record of his age in his family bible which is destroyed a long time ago. Lived in Stafford County, Virginia, from the time of the revolution until 18 years ago when he moved to Madison County, Kentucky, where he lived 2 years, then removed to Indiana where he has since lived & now lives. He was drafted at his first tour & volunteered in his several subsequent tours & further saith not.

Sworn to in open Court Sept. 18th 1833 John Wilson, Clk his Presley X Symmes mark

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In a letter of September 30, 1833, from Albert S. White, Lafayette, Indiana: Presley Symmes lives about 15 miles from my residence (Lafayette) and I am one of his certifiers having known him a long time in one of the southern counties of this state.

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His pension application was approved and he was granted \$80 a year.

After the Revolutionary War Presley Simms returned to Stafford County, Virginia, and his name appears on the tax list in 1787 with one white tithable. He continues on the tax list 1788-1798. He apparently did not own any land. However he paid personal taxes 1810-1816.

He is listed in the 1810 census record of Stafford County, Virginia, as living in Falmouth with:

1 male 45 and over 1 female 26 to 45 2 males 16 to 26 1 female 16 to 26 1 male 10 to 16 1 female 0 to 10 2 females 0 to 10

This census record rather suggests he had four sons and four daughters at that time.

Even though he was 61 years old, he served for about four months in the War of 1812. He served 28 days as a private in Capt. Henry Williams' Company of Infantry, 45th Regiment (Peyton's) of Virginia Militia. He was on the pay roll from July 22, 1814, until August 18, 1814. He served 12 miles from home. He also served as a private in Capt. Barton S. Stone's Company, 36th Regiment (Renno's) of Virginia Militia for 2 months and 24 days --from August 31, 1814, until November 24, 1814. His place of residence was Stafford, Virginia. His service record is on file in the National Archives, Washington, D. C.

According to a letter written May 29, 1919, by Mr. Charles E. Simms (see page 10), Presley Simms lived about 16 miles below Mount Vernon and six miles back from the Potomac River. The house and contents were burned by the British in 1814. His daughter, Lucy Simms, was born "in 1799 in Virginia near Mount Vernon" (D. A. R. record).

The destruction of his home in 1814 was probably the reason Presley Simms decided to move to Kentucky. About 1815 he left Stafford County, Virginia, and moved to Madison County, Kentucky, where he remained two years.

Presley Simms then moved north of the Ohio River into southern Indiana and he is listed in the 1820 census record of Lawrence County, Indiana, as follows:

1 male 45 and over
1 male 16 to 25
2 male 10 to 15
1 male under 10

1 female 45 and over
3 females 16 to 25
1 male under 10

Also listed in the 1820 census of Lawrence County, Indiana, was Langthorn Simms (his son). Jesse Simms was living in Orange County, Indiana. David Williams was living in Orange County, Indiana. Daniel Henderson was living in Lawrence County, Indiana. And Nathan Hobson was living in Orange County, Indiana. This 1820 census record suggests that two sons (Langthorn and Jesse) were married and living away and that three daughters (Lucy, Elizabeth, and Mary) were also married and living away from home. Three sons (probably Charles, Burrell, and George) were still living at home as were three daughters (whose names we do not have).

According to Mrs. Catherine Doherty, Presley Simms moved to Orange County, Indiana, in 1822 and to Montgomery County, Indiana, in 1828.

Presley Sims is listed in the 1830 census record of Montgomery County, Indiana, as follows:

1 male 70 to 80 1 male 40 to 50 1 male 15 to 20 2 males 5 to 10

By 1832 he was living in Coal Creek Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, and apparently he entered 37.18 acres of land in Montgomery County from the government on February 5, 1834. He continued to reside in Montgomery County until his death in 1852. He is listed in the 1840 census record of Montgomery County, Indiana, as Presley Sims, Senior:

1 male 90 to 100 1 female 80 to 90 2 males 20 to 30

He was not located in the 1850 census record.

Mrs. Blanche Simms wrote November 9, 1967: "Pressley George Simms (wife Nancy Bridwell) usually wrote and spelled his name Pressley Simms omitting his middle name. He was born in Culpeper County, Virginia, about 1757 and died in Montgomery County, Indiana, in 1861, having attained the age of 104. He had six sons who grew to manhood, most of whom lived to be a ripe age. In order of their births their names were: Daniel, Lang, Burr, Jesse, Charles, and George. Pressley Simms served in the Wars of the Revolution and 1812. He emigrated with his family to Kentucky, later moving and settling in Orange County, Indiana. Later he moved and settled in Montgomery County, Indiana, seven miles north of Crawfordsville on the Crawfordsville-Lafayette road. He is buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, located near his Montgomery County home."

He is listed in a book entitled Roster of Soldiers and Patriots of the American Revolution Buried in Indiana, compiled and edited by Mrs. Roscoe C. O'Byrne, Brookville, Indiana, 1938. On page 331 of this book it states that Presley Simms married Nancy Bridewell and had children: Presley, Jr., and Charles.

Mr. Charles E. Simms wrote May 29, 1919, "Grandsire's wife was named Bridewell, English people, very large people and light complexion. She had two brothers who weighed nearly 300 lbs."

Several of Presley Simms' descendants became members of the D. A. R. including those with lineage numbers 67237, 126483, 399612, and 399642.

The lineage number 399642 is for Mrs. Edward S. Rice (Gail Daugherty) of Ten Sleep, Wyoming. Among her D. A. R. papers, dated December 6, 1950, is the following statement:

Presley Simms was an early settler of Virginia. At one time he lived sixteen miles below Mount Vernon and six miles from the Potomac River, and was personally acquainted with General Washington. He fought seven years in the War of the Revolution under General Washington's command. Was also in War of 1812. Presley Simms moved with his family to Kentucky in 1818; to Orange Co., Indiana, in 1822, to Montgomery Co., Ind., in 1828 where he died in 1852 more than 100 years of age. Upon the newly erected monument on the square at Crawfordsville, Ind., his name is found with five others who were Revolutionary soldiers, having died in Montgomery Co., Ind.

Presley Simms married Nancy Bridewell. Their children were: Charles, Lange,

Burr, Elizabeth (married Daniel Henderson), Mary (married Nathaniel Hobson), George (married Elizabeth), and Lucy (married David T. Williams).

There is some uncertainty about the children of Presley Simms. Mrs. Blanche Simms, quoting a family record compiled in 1923 by Dan W. Simms, a lawyer of Lafayette, Indiana, states that Presley Simms had six sons: Daniel, Lang, Burr, Jesse, Charles, and George. This record does not name his daughters. The D. A. R. record of Mrs. Edward S. Rice (Gail Daugherty) names three daughters: Elizabeth, Mary, and Lucy. The census records rather suggest that Presley Simms had six daughters. The book by Mrs. Roscoe C. O'Byrne lists a son, Presley Simms, Jr.

Obviously there was a Presley Simms, Jr., as he is listed in the 1840 census record of Montgomery County, Indiana, while his father is listed in the same census record as Presley Sims, Sr. Whether there were really seven sons or whether Presley Simms, Jr., was identical with one of the other six listed by Dan W. Simms is still somewhat uncertain. However in the following list it seemed better to list him separately.

Presley Simms and his wife Nancy Bridwell appear to have had the following children:

- 31. Presley Simms, Jr., married Nancy Coghill. See page 43.
- 32. Daniel Simms. See page 44.
- 33. Jesse Simms (ca 1790- ). See page 44.
- 34. Elizabeth Simms, married Daniel Henderson. See page 45.
- 35. Mary Simms, married Nathaniel Hobson. See page 45.
- 36. Langthorn Simms (ca 1798- ), married Katharine Alford. See page 45.
- 37. Lucy Simms (1799-1847), married David T. Williams. See page 46.
- 38. Charles Simms (ca 1800-1876). See page 46.
- 39. Burwell Simms (ca 1812- ). See page 47.
- 3x. George Simms (1814-1903), married Elizabeth Vester. See page 48.

### 4. RHODAM SIMS

4. Rhodam Sims (see page 10) was born 1756 in Stafford County, Virginia, died November 23, 1853, Ralls County, Missouri. He is buried in the Crawford Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri. He married 1776 Mary Stark, born 1758 in Virginia.

Rhodam Sims states in his pension record, "I was Born in Stafford County, Va., in A. D. 1756." The pension record, in a document dated June 6, 1832, lists his age as 77 years (born about 1755). In the 1850 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, his age is listed as 96 (born about 1754). One obituary states he was 102 at the time of his death (born about 1751). The D. A. R. records (which copy each other) almost uniformly list his date of birth as 1756.

Unlike his brothers Richard (who served in the Revolution for two years) and Presley (who served for five years), who apparently did not marry until after the War, Rhodam Sims was married in 1776 and for that reason was probably less able to serve a long period in the War. However in 1781 he was drafted into service and served nine months. He served in Virginia and in North and South Carolina and was in North Carolina when the battle of Cowpens was fought January 17, 1781, although he was not engaged in the battle. Possibly he is the brother of Presley Simms who served at Cowpens (see page 10): "Grandsire had two brothers killed in the Revolutionary War. One at the battle of Brandywine and the other at the Battle of Cowpens; or at least disappeared there. They never had positive proof of his death."

Rhodam Sims drew a pension of \$30 a year commencing March 4, 1831. The record (S16925) on file in the National Archives, Washington, D. C., reads in part:

State of Missouri County of Ralls

On this 6th day of June personally appeared before the county court while in session Rhodom Sims a resident of said County of Ralls and State of Missouri aged 77 years who being duly Sworn in open Court according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 that he Entered the service of the United States as a Militiaman of the Virginia troops and served in the first Regt. of the Va. militia under the following named officers (to wit) Capt John Britt, Lieut. Will Farrow, Capt. J. James, Capt. George Williams, Capt. George Burris, Capt. J. Smith, Col. Lucas, Major Morrison & Adt. Clayton, Genl. Green, Gen. Weeden, Col. Gavel, Lieut. Col. Phillips.

Country through which he marched: Virginia and N. Carolina.

Place of abode when he entered the service: Prince William Cty., Va.

Age at the present period: 78

He hereby Relinquishes Every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity Except the present & he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any State.

his Rhodam X Sims mark

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year afforesaid

Chas C. Glascock, Clerk

& the sd Court do hereby Declare thare opinion that the above named applicant was a Revolutionary Soldier and Served as he states.

Walter Caldwell, President of said Court Richard Boyce, Justice of the C. C. R. C. John Chitwood, J. C. C. R. C.

We, Jeremiah Vardiman, clerygiman, Residing in the county of Ralls and State of

Missouri & Luke W. Watkins Residing in the same hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Rhodom Sims who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration that we believe him to be Seventy-seven years of age that he is Reputed & Believed in the neighbourhood whare he Resides to have been a Soldier of the Revolution & that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn and Subscribed the day & year afforesd.

Jeremiah Verdamin James Carson, J. P.

Whare and in what yeare ware you Born? I was Born in Stafford county, Va., & in A. D. 1756 I was Born.

Have you any Record of your age & if so whare is it? I have none.

Whare ware you Living When called into servis? Whare have you Lived since the Revolutionary War & Whare do you now Live? I was called into servis while I was Living in Prince William County. I have since the Revolution Lived a part of my time in the State of Va. a part in the State of Tennessee & the Ballance in the State of Missouri Whare I am now Living.

How ware you called into Servis? Ware you Draughted? Did you Volunteer or Were you a Substitute? I was drafted.

State the names of some of the names of the Regular officers who were with the troops whare you served such continental & Militia Ridgements as you can Recollect & the general circumstances of your servis. I was acquainted with Col. William Washington of the third Va. Regt. of the Continental army also Col. White & Col. Lee Commanders of the troops of horse my Brother Richard Sims was an inlisted soldier under sd Wm. Washington while he was a Capt. The Battle of Cowpens was fought when was in servis at the Cheraw hills.

Did you Ever Receive a discharge from the servis & if so by whom was it given & what has become of it? I Received a discharge which was assigned by Adt. Clayton the Ensign of the co. to Which I Belonged the Capt. having Left us & the Lieut. was sick at the time & the same is now Lost.

Did you Ever Receive a commission? I did not.

State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood & who can Testify as to your character for varasity & thare belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution. I Refer the names of Dabney Janes, Esqr & Richard Boyce to state as to my Varacity & Servis.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day & year afforesaid.

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Rhodom X Sims

mark

Chas. Glascock, Clerk

And the sd Court do hereby declare thare opinion after the investigation of the matter & after putting the interogataries prescribed by the War Department that the above named applicant was a Revolutionary soldier & served as he states & the Court further certifies that it appears to them that Jeremiah Vardiman who has assigned the preceeding certificate is a clergiman Resident in the county of Ralls & that Luke W. Watkins who has also signd the same is a Resident of the County of Ralls & State of Missouri & is a credible person & that there Statement is Entitled to credit.

Walter Caldwell, Presiding Judge of said Court

Richard Boyce, Justice of the C. C. R. C.

John Chitwood, Justice of the County
Court R. C.

We Jeremiah Verdiman, a clergiman Residing in the County of Ralls & State of Missouri & Andy Castapher Residing in the same Do hereby certify that we are acquainted with

Rhodam Sims who has sworn to & Subscribed the above Declaration that we beleave him to be 77 years of age that he is believed & Reputed in the Neighbarhood whare he Resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution & that We concur in that opinion.

Jeremiah Vardeman Andy Carstarpher

State of Missouri County of Ralls

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace Within and for the County aforesaid Rhodam Simms who being duly Sworn deposeth and sayeth that by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory he cannot Swear positively to the precise length of his servis but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the period mentioned herein & in the following grades for Sixty days or Two months. I served as a private under Capt Britt for Two months. I served under Capt James and Two months under Capt Williams & Two months under Capt Burris & one month under Capt Smith & for such service I claim a pension all of which service was rendered in the year 1781

James Carson, J. P.

State of Missouri County of Ralls

I Charles Glascock Clerk of the County Court in and for Said County of Ralls hereby certify James Carson whose signature is set to the within instrument of writing is now and was at the time of signing the same an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Ralls duly commissioned and qualified according to Law & I further certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of Said Court in the matter of the application of Rhodum Sims for a Pension.

In testimony whereof I the clerk aforesaid have hereunto Set my hand and Seal of office this 15th day of August A. D. 1833.

Chas. Glascock, Clerk

New London, Ralls County, Missouri Dear Sir:

The Evidence in Support of the Claim of Rhodam Simms has this day come to hand which has received such amendments as seems to compart as nearly as practicable with the rules of that department. Mr. Sims is a verry old man and his recollection imperfect as to the particular length of term under Each Engagement but from that respect which is due his veracity there is not a single individual within the scope of his acquaintance but feels anxious solicitude for him to obtain his pension believing him to be Justly Entitled to it, the old man is in Quite Indigent circumstances and a large family of Daughters who is dependent on him for their support. Please Examine his Claim as soon as Convenient.

Yours very respectfully, Luke W. Watkins Oct. 17th 1833

New London, Mo., Augt 7th 1854 To the Commr of Pensions

Sir

I am under the necessity of asking you for instructions on the following subject. Rhodam Sims was a revolutionary pensioner and has lately dyed leaving children. I wish you to send me instructions how to obtain the land scrip of Sims and the ballance of his pension up to his death and oblige yours &c.

Luke W. Watkins

Paris, Mo. Sept. 15, 1855 Com. of Pensions

Dear Sir

It appears from a statement made to me by his son that Rhodum Simes was entitled to a pension under the Second act that Congress pased giving pensions to Revolutionary Soldiers but from som caus unknown to the son he made no effort to get it. He is ded and all of his heirs are of age. I wish to asertain wether or not the back claim can be collected if it can I want the proper

forms and instructions for collecting it. It appears that he received a pension in the latter part of his life, but did not receive that which was due him under the first acts of Congress.

Yours most

Respectfully,

A. W. Runkle

Several of his descendants joined the D. A. R. on the basis of his Revolutionary War service. Their numbers are 98703, 133998, 157768, 248119, 309916, 473178.

Although born in Stafford County, Virginia, he was a resident of Prince William County (which adjoins Stafford County on the north) when he enlisted in 1781 as a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He served nine months as a private.

After the War he must have returned to Stafford County as his name appears on the tax list as Rhoadnum Sims in 1788. He paid personal taxes on one white tithable through 1798. Apparently he did not own any land and did not pay land tax. No further record of him has been found in the Stafford County Court records.

After leaving Virginia he lived for a while in Tennessee, as he states in his pension record (see above). Several of his grandchildren were born in Tennessee. I have not been able to find out where in Tennessee he lived. The early census records of Tennessee were destroyed and the first complete census for the state is 1830 and by that time Rhodam Sims was living in Missouri. I wrote to both the Tennessee State Library and the State Archives but they were unable to locate Rhodam Sims.

He is listed in the 1817 census of St. Charles County, Missouri Territory, in Upper Cuivre township. The area which is now Saverton Township in Ralls County was then in this Upper Cuivre township. The record shows:

Simes, Rodom

1 male over 45 1 female over 14 1 male 18 to 45 1 female under 14 1 male 14 to 18

He is listed in the 1830 census record of Ralls County, Missouri. Also living in Ralls County and listed in the 1830 census record were Enoch Simms, John Simms, and William Stark Simms.

I did not check the 1840 census record.

In 1850 Rodam Sims, aged 96, born in Virginia, was living in Ralls County, Missouri, with the family of Lewis and Martha Garnett.

Rhodam Sims is mentioned in the following deeds in Ralls County, Missouri:

Ralls County, Missouri, Deed Book A, page 7:

To all whom it may concern, know ye, that I Rodom Simms of the county of Ralls and State of Missouri, for and in consideration of the love and affection, as well as for the benefit, support and maintenance, of my son Henry Simms and my daughter Patsey Ann Simms, I have given and by these presents do give, grant, convey and confirm to them and each of them the property herein after named, viz-To my son Henry Simms a Sorrel horse, a red Cow with a white face and her two Calves, also ten head of Hogs, a feather bed and its furniture and also the one half of my household and kitchen furniture. To my daughter Patsey Ann Simms a Chestnut sorrel horse with one eye, a black Cow and her two Calves; ten head of hogs; a feather bed and its furniture and also the other one half of my household and kitchen furniture. To my son Rodrick Simms I give a Roan Stud horse and and one hundred and fifty bushels corn in consideration of his last year's labour and services in my employ. All the property herein before named together with the increase if any, also the use, benefit and advantages thereof are hereby disposed of, given, granted and confirmed in the manner and form herein before mentioned and described to them forever.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

his Rodom X Simms (seal) mark Witness Francis Graham Page Portwood

Ralls County )

State of Missouri ) I do hereby certify that the within named Francis Grayham and Page Portwood witnesses to the within deed of gift solemnly swore according to law that they were present when the Donor signed the within deed and subscribed their names thereto as witnesses agreeably to the request of the Donor.

John B. White, J. P.

Recorded March the 12th day 1821 Stephen Glascock, Clerk

In a deed of September 12, 1831, recorded on page 195, Deed Book B, Ralls County, Missouri, William S. Simms and Phamy Simms his wife, parties of the first part, and Rhodum Simms, Henry Simms and Patsy Simms, parties of the second part . . . . For \$100 the parties of the first part sold to Rhodum Simms 160 acres "to have and to hold during the natural life of him the said Rhodum and during the natural life of Margaret Simms wife of the said Rhodum and after the death of the said Rhodum and Margaret his wife the said Henry Simms and Patsy Simms the remaining two persons named as parties of the Second Part . . . . "

William S. Simms her Phamy X Simms mark

In a deed of February 26, 1833, recorded on page 206, Deed Book B, Ralls County, Missouri, Henry Simms and Nancy Simms his wife and Rhodum Simms and Margaret Simms his wife sold 80 acres to Wilkinson Crawford for \$50.00--the same land sold them by Stark Simms . . . . "Henry and Nancy Simms his wife have and hold an undivided interest in said lands and that said lands are not to be divided until after the death of the said Rhodum Simms and Margaret his wife whose conveyance is herein made for all that part of said lands . . ."

This deed was signed by Henry Sims, Nancy Sims, Rhodum Sims, and Margaret Sims.

On September 12, 1831, William S. Sims conveyed 160 acres of land to Rhodam Sims, Henry Sims and Patsey Sims and on February 26, 1833, this land was further conveyed. It turns out the description of the 160 acres in the original deed was not correct. In a deed, dated February 24, 1844, recorded on page 12, Deed Book F, Ralls County, Missouri, the land is correctly described. This deed is signed by Rodam Sims. For \$1.00 paid him by William S. Sims he corrects the error. The deed was witnessed by Samuel K. Caldwell and John Ralls.

Rhodam Sims died November 23, 1853. In the following two obituaries the earlier one in the Hannibal newspaper of Thursday, November 24, 1853, undoubtedly gives the correct date of Rhodam Sims' death—Wednesday, November 23, 1853. If the Liberty newspaper of Friday, December 2, 1853, were correct in saying Rhodam Sims died the preceding Wednesday—i.e., on Wednesday, November 30, 1853—the event could hardly have been reported in the Hannibal newspaper of the Thursday before that. The two articles read:

Missouri Courier, Hannibal, Missouri, November 24, 1853, page 2, column 4:

Death of an Old Soldier. ---Mr. Rhodom Sims died at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, at the residence of his son, Mr. Stark Sims, in Ralls county, about five miles from this city. Mr. S. was about one hundred and two years old. He served his country as a private during the whole of the American Revolution, and fought and toiled nobly in defense of the young Republic. The vigor of his mind was scarcely impaired by age, and, until his last illness, he retained remarkable physical strength. He was one of the first settlers of Northern Missouri, and could relate many thrilling stories of pioneer life. A suitable monument, we think, should be erected to his memory; and the citizens of the neighboring counties doubtless would cheerfully lend their aid to such a purpose. We should honor the name of the brave old soldier.

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<u>Liberty Weekly Tribune</u>, City of Liberty, Clay County, Missouri, December 2, 1853, page 2, column 7:

Death of a Revolutionary. Mr. Rhodam Sims died at the residence of his son, Mr. Stark Sims, in Ralls county, five miles from Hannibal, Mo., at 10 o'clock, on Wednesday last. Mr. Sims was a private in the Continental Army during the whole course of the American Revolution, and

was one of the first settlers of northern Missouri. Up to the time of his death he retained the powers of mind and body unimpaired, although he had lived 102 years.

He is buried in the Crawford Cemetery, six miles south of Hannibal in Ralls County, Missouri. The D. A. R. placed a marker on his grave in October 1948. The tombstones in this cemetery were copied at one time and a typewritten record of them is on file in the St. Louis, Missouri, Public Library.

There was an article about the Crawford Cemetery in the <u>Courier-Post</u>, Hannibal, Missouri, Thursday, October 28, 1948, page 10:

# REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIER IS BURIED IN OLD GRAVEYARD

Cemetery Started Over 100 Years Ago For Family Burial

Resting in eternal sleep undisturbed by the troubles of a modern, atomic world, a veteran of the revolutionary war lies buried far from his native Virginia, in a family cemetery only a few minutes' drive from Hannibal.

There, in a small plot of land 55 feet square, lie Rhodam Sims, soldier of the Virginia militia, who fought the British redcoats, and beside him his son, Stark Sims. Around them are the graves of their descendants and those of other relatives whose names were Crawford, Gregory, and Riley.

The cemetery, known in Ralls county as the Crawford cemetery, is about four miles south of Hannibal on the New London dirt road and half a mile distant from the new KHMO transmitter

# Family Cemetery One of Oldest

Rhodam Sims is believed to be the only revolutionary war soldier buried in Ralls county, while the cemetery is one of the oldest family burial plots in the county. Two great great grandsons of the soldier, Pearl Sims, 2117 Broadway, and Arch Sims, 309 South Fifth street, believe the graveyard was started between 1810 and 1837.

The grandsons, who are first cousins and last survivors of the Sims family, do not know who owns the cemetery now. Land about the family plot has changed hands a number of times but transfer of title excluded the graveyard.

# Cemetery Needs Upkeep

Time and neglect have left their mark on the cemetery. Vines have grown over one corner of the plot, while grass and weeds have sprung up unchecked, and one can inspect the tombstones only by forcing his way through the young thicket of trees that covers the cemetery.

Some of the tombstones are loose in the ground, a few are lying flat on the earth, and part of one at the front lies at the bottom of the roadside ditch. Also in the ditch is the front side of a four foot concrete wall that once encircled the graveyard.

Pearl and Arch Sims say that an endowment fund exists for repair of the family cemetery, and that they would like to see the cemetery in better condition.

Just north of the graveyard, now a dense and tangled thicket, is an old burial ground for negroes who were slaves in the old days. No marker exists to show where the graves are.

The only marked grave there is that of a white woman, Margaret S. Graham, daughter of Captain Reynolds of Maryland. The inscription shows that she married twice, was born April 10, 1808, and died in 1862.

The number buried in Crawford cemetery is not definitely known. One tombstone marker bears only the word "Crawford," and two have no inscription.

Besides Stark Sims and his father, Rhodam, tombstones show the final resting place

William N. Crawford, son of Wilkerson Crawford, a wife, Molley, and five children who died young; John A. Gregory, son of J. P. Gregory; and Jackson Riley.

Jackson Riley's tombstone, largest in the cemetery, is at the front facing the New London dirt road.

The D. A. R. records of the descendants of Rhodam Sims, who trace their lineage through his son, William Stark Sims, state that Rhodam Sims (1756-1853) married 1776 Mary Stark, born 1758 in Virginia, died 1847 or 1849 in Missouri. One of the descendants wrote that Mary Stark was "the sister of General Stark." She is said to be buried in Crawford Cemetery in Ralls County, Missouri, beside her husband. One descendant wrote, "Nancy Sims Crawford remembered the burial of her grandmother, Rhodam Sims' wife."

This may all be true. I have not seen the records (if there are any) which document these statements in the D. A. R. lineage books. But the Ralls County deeds of 1831 and 1833 (see pages 28 and 29) very definitely state that Rhodam Sims' wife was named Margaret.

It is possible that his wife was named Margaret Stark rather than Mary Stark. Or--and this seems more likely to me--it is possible he married a second time and Margaret was the name of his second wife. The deed of 1820 from Rhodam Sims (see page 28) does not mention a wife. I do not know whether this implies he was not married in 1820 or whether his wife was simply not mentioned in the deed.

Rhodam Sims had a daughter, Patsy Ann Sims, and she is mentioned in the deed of 1820. It seems likely she was the Martha Sims (Patsy is a nickname for Martha) who married October 12, 1837, Ralls County, Missouri, Lewis Garnett. It was with this family that Rhodam Sims was living in 1850. This Martha (or Patsy) Sims Carnett was born about 1808 in Tennessee. If she were indeed the daughter of Rhodam Sims then she was born when he was 52 (which is reasonable). But in 1808 Mary Stark would have been 50 and it is less reasonable to consider she was the mother. This would imply that Mary Stark Sims had died--probably in Virginia--and that Rhodam Sims married a younger woman, Margaret , who was the mother of his later children.

Rhodam Sims' descendants spell their name Sims.

There is no complete record of the children of Rhodam Sims. His pension record mentions a son and a large family of daughters but does not list any names. The Ralls County deed of 1820 (see page 28) mentions his son, Henry Simms, his daughter, Patsey Ann Simms, and his son, Rodric Simms. The obituary notices mention his son, Stark Simms. There was a John Sims listed in the 1817 and 1830 census records living in the same area as Rhodam Simms and quite possibly he also was a son of Rhodam Sims. Enoch Simms listed in the 1817 census record may be another son.

In summary, the children of Rhodam Sims were:

- 41. William Stark Sims (1777-1870), married Euphamia Paradise. See page 49.
- 42. Rodric Sims--mentioned in the deed of 1820 (see page 28) but nothing further is known about him.
- 43. Henry Sims (ca 1806- ). See page 51.
- 44. Patsey Ann Sims (ca 1808-), married Lewis Garnett. See page 52.
- 45. possibly others.
- 46. possibly John Sims, listed in the 1817 and 1818 census records of what is now Ralls County, Missouri.
- 47. possibly Enoch Sims.

of:

### LATER DESCENDANTS

11. MARY SIMMS (see page 18) is listed in some family records as Mary Augusta Simms. In the Clay County court records (see page 17) she is listed as Polly--that being an old nickname for Mary.

Probably she was born in Stafford County, Virginia, and married there John Wirt. They then moved to Scott County, Kentucky, where their first child was born October 10, 1810. Her father was still living in Virginia (and is listed in the 1810 census record of Stafford County, Virginia—see page 13) and he did not move to Scott County, Kentucky, until 1816.

Mary Simms Wirt had five children but her twins died young. The mother died in Kentucky while these three surviving children were still young and they were reared by two maiden aunts--their mother's sisters--Margaret and Terissa Simms. It was probably the death of Mary Simms Wirt which prompted Richard Simms and his family to move to Kentucky so that they could look after these three little children.

After the death of his first wife, Mary Simms, John Wirt married a second time to Mary C. Hiatt, born July 10, 1801, in Kentucky, died January 2, 1877, Richmond, Missouri. She is buried in the Richmond Cemetery and her tombstone reads: Mary Hyatt Wirt, 1803-1877.

By this second marriage John Wirt and Mary Hiatt had six children: (1) Mary Frances Wirt, born August 26, 1821, in Kentucky, died March 27, 1900, married December 3, 1839, Liberty, Missouri, William Blake Hudgins, born February 6, 1821, died May 1, 1895--both buried in Richmond, Missouri, cemetery; (2) Virginia Ann Wirt, born February 12, 1825, in Kentucky, married (first) \_\_\_\_\_\_ McDaniel, married (second) February 1852 Benjamin R. Everett; (3) John Davidson Wirt, born August 25, 1827, lived in DeKalb County, Missouri; (4) George Washington Wirt, born May 17, 1830, in Missouri, married December 25, 1852, Clay County, Missouri, Caroline Inskip and later lived in Jackson County, Missouri; (5) Amanda Parker Wirt, born June 24, 1833, in Missouri, married (first) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Branch, married (second) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Barnes; (6) Laurinda Susan Wirt, born August 24, 1836, in Missouri, married December 29, 1856, Clay County, Missouri, John Haynes and later lived in Clinton County, Missouri.

John Wirt and his family moved to Clay County, Missouri (apparently in 1829 at the same time that Richard Simms moved there too), and he is listed in the census record as a farmer. The 1840 census record of Clay County, Missouri, lists him with a family of:

1 male 50 to 60	1 female 40 to 50
2 males 10 to 15	1 female 15 to 20
	1 female 10 to 15
	1 female 0 to 5

In the 1850 census record of Clay County, Missouri, he is listed as living in Liberty Township:

151-151	Wirt, John	56 M	Farmer	born Va.
	, Mary	40 F		Ky.
	McDaniel, Virginia	24 F		Ky.
	Wirt, Amanda	16 F		Mo.
	, S. R.	14 F		Mo.

John Wirt died June 1, 1860, and he is buried in Fairview Cemetery in Liberty, Missouri. His tombstone reads: John Wirt, died June 1, 1860, aged 76 yrs 7 ms 7 ds. His obituary notice appeared in the Liberty, Missouri, <u>Tribune</u>, June 8, 1860, page 2, column 7:

THE DEATH OF JOHN WIRT -- Died, on the first day of June, 1860, of quinzy, John Wirt, in the 77th year of his age.

Thus passed away one of our oldest and best citizens. Mr. Wirt was a native of Virginia, and, at an early age removed to Kentucky, and thence to Clay County, Missouri, in 1830, where he continued to reside up to the time of his death.

One of its earliest inhabitants, he has beheld the progress of our county almost from its first settlement; and he was known to most of its residents. As a citizen, he was distinguished as a quiet, industrious, honorable man.

To his worth as a neighbor and friend, the kind attention and anxious solicitude manifested during his last illness, by those who had an opportunity of knowing him best, is a sufficient testimonial. He was ever kind, hospitable and generous to a fault. He was an affectionate husband and indulgent father.

He leaves a widow and a numerous progeny - children and grandchildren, scattered throughout the state - to mourn his loss; but they mourn not as those who have no hope. Before death, he gave consoling evidence that "he had made his peace with God" - then let them weep no more. It grieves us sorely to part with those we have loved so long; but he has only paid a debt to which mortality is heir. He has passed through this vale of tears, and we fondly trust has been welcomed home with the glad anthem -

"Prisoner, long detained below, Prisoner, now with freedom blest; Welcome from a world of woe, Welcome to a land of rest!"

John Wirt left an estate (#41) in Clay County, Missouri. He died intestate leaving a widow, Mary Wirt, and the following children:

John D. Wirt of DeKalb County
Geo. W. Wirt of Jackson County
Philip Wirt of Daviess County
Margaret Ringo
Mary Hudgins
Elizabeth Ringo
Amanda Barnes
Ann Everett
Lorinda Haynes of Clinton County

Various articles about the Wirt family appeared in "Ray County Chapters" published in the Richmond, Missouri, Missourian during the 1930's.

John Wirt and Mary Simms had issue:

- 111. Elizabeth Ashby Wirt (1810-1889), married Samuel Ringo. See page 53.
- 112. John M. Wirt, born November 1812, died young.
- 113. Sarah S. Wirt, born November 1812, died young. twins
- 114. Philip Richard Wirt (1814-1866), married Mary Elizabeth Cravens. See page 56.
- 115. Margaret Simms Wirt (1815-1874), married Andrew Hodge Ringo. See page 56.
- 12. SARAH SIMMS (see page 18) was called Sally. She was born about 1792 or 1797 in Stafford County, Virginia, and died April 13, 1823, Stafford County, Virginia. She married Gerard Lomax on January 3, 1813. He was born about 1789 or 1792 in Stafford County, Virginia, and died 1823 in Stafford County, Virginia. They had issue:
- 121. Elizabeth Ashby Lomax (1813-1893), married Thomas Whittlesly Jacobs. See page 57.
- 122. James Seldon Lomax, born 1816, died 1878. He founded the town of Trenton, Missouri. An article in the Springfield, Missouri, Leader & Press, Thursday, February 9, 1950, reads: "Trenton began its life as a settlement in 1834 under the name of Bluff Grove. The name was given the community because it was built upon two ridges and adjoining the Thompson fork of Grand river. James I. Lomax and his brother-in-law, Thomas Jacobs, brought a stock of goods here from Richomd in the fall of 1838, upon the urging of Daniel Devaul who settled in the community in 1835. They opened the first store in Grundy county. It was Lomax who later gave 80 acres of land to the county for a courthouse site."
- 123. Richard Simms Lomax (1817-1897), married Mary Forsythe. See page 58.

- 124. Benjamin S. Lomax, born about 1818, died March 26, 1851, in California, unmarried.
- 125. Sarah Mary Frances Lomax (1821-1884), married Ezekiel Rouse. See page 58.

14. MARGARET B. SIMMS (see page 18) was born November 30, 1792, in Virginia, died January 22, 1873, Clay County, Missouri, unmarried. She is buried in the Simms family burial ground in Clay County, Missouri. A bronze marker was placed on her grave July 21, 1932 (see page 16). Her obituary appeared in the Liberty Tribune, Liberty, Missouri, Friday, January 24, 1873, page 2, column 2, and reads:

## Death of a Venerable Lady

On Wednesday morning last Miss Margaret Simms died at her residence in this county, at the advanced age of about 80 years. She was a native of Virginia, but had been a citizen of Clay County for over 40 years. She was strictly an old time lady, and delighted in rehearsing the early incidents of this country. She was possessed of far more than ordinary intelligence, and a devout member of the Old Baptist Church. She died regretted by all who enjoyed her acquaintance.

15. JOHN HENRY SIMMS (see page 18), called Jack, was born 1794 Stafford County, Virginia, died March 27, 1874, Holt County, Missouri, married January 29, 1835, Clay County, Missouri, Martha Ann Huffman, born January 10, 1816, in Kentucky, died March 17, 1909, Cache, Oklahoma.

John H. Simms served as a private in Capt. Edington's Company of Virginia Militia during the War of 1812. He enlisted in Stafford County, Virginia, in 1813 and served six months or more. His widow drew a pension for his service in the War of 1812 and in the pension record he is described as "about 5 ft 9 inches in hight, light complexion, blue eyes, light colored hair." According to the record he lived in Clay County from the date of his marriage until the spring of 1866 when he moved to Holt County, Missouri, where he lived until his death in Holt County, Missouri, March 28, 1874. In 1878 his widow was still living at Craig, Holt County, Missouri. Later she lived in Cache, Oklahoma, where she is buried. John H. Simms is buried in Clay County, Missouri.

In the War of 1812 pension record of Benjamin A. Simms there is a document signed by John H. Simms which reads:

State of Missouri, County of Clay

John H. Simms aged 63 years of Clay County, Mo. upon his oath states that he is a Brother of Benjamin A. Simms dec<sup>d</sup> - that he the said John H Simms served in the War of 1812 under Capt Hill and rec<sup>d</sup> a Bounty Land Warrant under Act of Mch 3, 1855, No. 8497 - that he knew Capt Harding of the Va. Militia that said Harding married his Aunt - that he was in the same Regt with Benjamin A. Simms in the War of 1812 and is perfectly and entirely satisfied that said Benjamin A. Simms did serve as a private in the Co. of Capt Harding from about August 1814 until about December 1814 and that the said Benjamin A. Simms was one of Harding's Co. who was detailed and sent over into Maryland and he believes he was discharged and paid off in Fredericksburg, Va.

John H Simms

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 1st day of May 1857 and I certify that the affiant is a credible person and that I have no interest in this claim. Witness my hand & Private seal the public seal having been destroyed by fire, at office the 1st day of May 1857

Thomas McCarty Clerk of the County Court of Clay County, Missouri

John Simms is listed in the 1850 census record of Clay County, Missouri, as living in Liberty Township. The record, on page 315, reads:

190-190	Simms,	John	57	M	Farmer	born	Va.
		Martha	36	F			Ky,
		Adelade	14	$\mathbf{F}$			Mo.
		Mary	12	F			Mo.
		Richard	10	M			Mo.
		John	8	M			Mo.
		William	6	M			Mo.
		Amanda	3	F			Mo.

John Simms is also listed as living in Liberty Township, Clay County, Missouri, in the census record of 1860 on page 913:

532 John Sin	nm s	40	M	Farmer	born	Va.
Martha	11	43	F			Ky.
Adalade	***	24	F			Mo.
Mary	11	23	F			**
Richard	11	20	M			11
John	***	18	M			**
William	11	16	M			11
Sarah	11	9	$\mathbf{F}$			11
Ann	11	5	F			11
Betty	11	3	$\mathbf{F}$			11
Benjami	n Leach	1	M			11

John H. Simms left a will recorded on page 83, Will Book B, Holt County, Missouri, as follows:

## LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JOHN H. SIMMS, DEC'D.

In the name of God Amen. I John H. Simms of the County of Holt in the State of Missouri, being weak in boddy but of sound and disposing mind and memory and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs while I have strength and capassity so to do, do make and publish this my last will and Testament that is to say:

First to my Daughter Adelade Dougherty. I give and bequeth the sum of one dollar.

Second, to Mary J. Simms, my Daughter I give and bequeth the sum of one dollar.

Third to my son Richard A. Simms I give and bequeth the sum of one dollar.

Fourth to my Son John M. Simms I give and bequeth the sum of one dollar.

Fifth to my son William A. Simms I give and bequeth the sum of one dollar.

Sixth to my Daughter Sarah F. Story I give and bequeth the sum of one dollar.

Seventh to my Daughter Betty Simms I give and bequeth the sum of one dollar--all to be paid out of my estate after my deceased.

Eighth to my beloved wife Martha A. Simms I give and bequeth the Northeast fourth of the Southwest quarter of Section Number twenty Seven (27) in Township Sixty Two (62) of Range number forty (40). I also give and bequeth to her, Martha A. Simms, all my personal property Household and Kitchen furniture, farming utentials Stock of all Kinds moneys notes and accounts whatsoever, after discharging my Burial and funeral expenses.

And last I hereby appoint my son William A. Simms my Sole Executor of this my last will and Testament: Hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal in the county of Holt in the State of Missouri this the twenty fourth day of March A. D. eighteen Hundred and Seventy four.

his

John H. X Simms

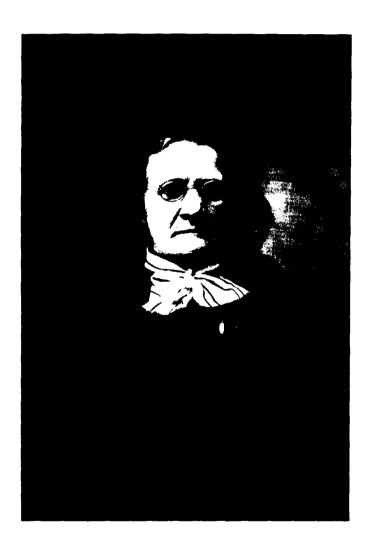
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Signed and sealed by John Simms as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other and at his request have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

Wm. Beauchamp Daniel Shepherd Thomas J. Beauchamp On April 26, 1878, William Beauchamp testified in court that he had witnessed the will and on May 6, 1878, Thomas J. Beauchamp also testified as a witness and the judge of the Probate Court ordered the will recorded.

Martha Ann Huffman was apparently the brother of Jesse G. Huffman, who is mentioned on page 321, Volume 1, History of Oregon Country, by Scott, 1924.



MARTHA HUFFMAN SIMMS wife of John H. Simms

John Henry Simms and Martha Ann Huffman had issue:
151. Adelaide Simms, born January 20, 1836, Clay County, Missouri, married (first) Daugherty,

Odell.

married (second)

ed (first) \_\_\_\_\_ Daugherty,

152. Mary Jane Simms (1837-1915), married (first) Benjamin Leitch, married (second) John H. Robinson. See page <sup>59</sup>.

153. Richard Alvin Simms (1839-1909), married (first) Mary Garner, married (second) Julia A. Goff. See page 59.

154. John Marshall Simms, born November 3, 1841, in Missouri, died in Colorado, unmarried.

155. William Ashby Simms, born April 3, 1844, in Missouri, died unmarried.

- 156. Louisa B. Simms, born March 29, 1846, died May 20, 1848, Clay County, Missouri.
- 157. Amanda Simms, born May 22, 1848, died young.
- 158. Sarah Frances Simms (1850- ), married George W. Story. See page 62.
- 159. Ann Elizabeth Simms, born May 1, 1855, in Missouri, died young.
- 15x. Betty Ashby Simms (1858-1935), married Cadmus Marcellus Slaughter. See page 62.

16. FRANCES A. SIMMS (see page 18) was born August 24, 1796 (another record says August 25, 1796), died January 20, 1847 (another record says January 20, 1848), Clay County, Missouri. She married 1821 John R. Peters, born February 15, 1797, Woodford County, Kentucky, died July 22, 1860, Liberty, Missouri. They are both buried in the Simms family burial ground in Clay County, Missouri. A bronze marker was placed on her grave July 21, 1932 (see page 16).

Mrs. Robert S. Withers (Ethel Massie) copied their tombstones January 23, 1947, as follows:

In Memory of Frances A., consort of John R. Peters, who departed this life Jan. 20, 1848, aged 51 years, 4 months, 25 days.

Thou are gone to the Grave
But I were wrong to deplore thee;
Since God was thy ransom, thy guardian and guide.
He gave thee and took thee
Where death hath no sting
Since the Saviour has died.

John R. Peters, Born Feb. 15, 1792, Died July 22, 1860.

John R. Peters was on the board of trustees when the town of Liberty was first incorporated May 4, 1829. See page 283 of <u>History of Clay and Platte Counties</u>, <u>Missouri</u>, published by the National Historical Company, 1885. John R. Peters was "a noted pioneer of Missouri, born in Kentucky, and who died in July, 1860, in the sixty-first year of his age. The father of Mrs. Miller settled in Clay County upon a quarter-section of land near Liberty, and there he passed most of his days, dispensing a generous hospitality and winning the esteem of his fellow-citizens. He was a devout member of the Old Baptist Church, and in that early day of no church buildings, had slated preaching at his house until proper houses were prepared." (page 184 <u>Portrait and Biographicl Record</u> of Clay, Ray, Carroll, Chariton and Lynn Counties, Missouri, 1893.

He is listed on page 347 of the 1850 census record of Clay County, Missouri, as living in Liberty:

657-657	Peters,	John R.	54	M	Carpenter	born Ky.
		Martha	22	F		Mo.
		Ashby	12	M		11
		William	10	M		**
658-658	Inskipt,	Augusta	25	F		Ky.
		Florence	4	F		Mo.

He is listed on page 935 of the 1860 census record of Clay County, Missouri, Liberty City:

FO				,,
John R. Peters	64	M	Fruit Grower	born Ky.
Viana S. McCown	35	F		11
Martha Peters	30	F		Mo.
William S. McCown	14	M		Wis.
Ella McCown	11	F		Mo.
	John R. Peters Viana S. McCown Martha Peters William S. McCown	John R. Peters 64 Viana S. McCown 35 Martha Peters 30 William S. McCown 14	John R. Peters 64 M Viana S. McCown 35 F Martha Peters 30 F William S. McCown 14 M	Viana S. McCown 35 F Martha Peters 30 F William S. McCown 14 M

There is an account of the Peters family on page 627, volume 3, <u>Missouri Democracy - A History</u>, by W. R. Jackson, in which it states that John R. Peters was an early settler in Liberty and served as sheriff of Clay County. His brother, Ira Peters, also settled in Clay County. Another brother, Ashby Peters, was a member of Congress. A fourth brother was William Peters, who settled in St. Joseph, Missouri.

An obituary of John R. Peters appears on page 2, column 5, of the <u>Liberty Weekly Tribune</u>, Liberty, Clay County, Missouri, July 27, 1860:

John R. Peters, Esq.--Being ourself a stranger in the community, in announcing the death of John R. Peters, Esq., we estimate his worth from the expressed regrets of his numerous

friends. He died on Sunday the 22d inst., and was interred at the family burial ground on the farm of Selden Simms, on Monday last.

Mr. Peters was one of our oldest citizens, a relic of the past, one of those landmarks that connects the early settlement of Clay county with the vivid present.

An early pioneer, in his energetic days, he was one of those who subjected the soil to the plough. Many of our city houses were built by his hands. In the latter years of his life he has mainly devoted his attention to the cultivation of the fruit trees in this section of the State, and our citizens owe their productive orchards to the unrewarded exertions of the deceased. We owe our choicest apples to his knowledge of Nature's secret in grafting and germinating improved buds upon the original stem and a "Peters' Apple" would be no bad addition to the received fruit names among

Mr. Peters was a member of the Old Baptist Church; a man of unblemished purity of character, kind, unselfish, an affectionate husband and father; and exemplary in all the relations of life.

By the choice of his fellow-citizens, rather than any desire of his own, he discharged the duties of Justice of the Peace for many years; an honest magistrate, a good man, and a sincere Christian, his name will be endeared to his fellow-citizens.

We respectfully render our sincere sympathy to his afflicted relatives.

There is another--and very long--obituary, written by Henry Hill, which appeared in the same newspaper on August 17, 1860, page 3, column 2. In part it reads:

Obituary. --Died, at his residence in the city of Liberty, Clay county, Mo., Deacon John R. Peters, on the 22d July 1860. He was born in Woodford county, Kentucky, on the 15th day of February 1797--being sixty three and nearly five months old. He moved to Liberty in 1825, when there was but a few citizens or houses in the town--being a resident here nearly thirty-five years. Here he reared a family of five pleasant, sensible, amiable daughters, four of whom are now professors of religion. His mortal remains were removed to the farm, and family burying ground of the late Richard Simms (father-in-law). A sermon was delivered by Eld. Henry Hill on the occasion, after which he was interred beneath the silent clod of the valley . . . .

John R. Peters and Frances A. Simms had issue:

- 161. Vienna Strother Simms Peters (1822-1868), married William H. McCoun. See page 63.
- 162. Augusta Peters (1823-1910), married (first) James M. Inskeep, married (second) Thomas Coleman Younger. See page 63.
- 163. Mary Peters (1826-1876), married Martin Ringo. See page 65.
- 164. Martha Peters, born November 13, 1826 (twin of Mary), in Missouri, married \_\_\_\_\_ Simpson.
- 165. Enfield S. Peters (1830-1867), married Robert Hugh Miller. See page 66.
- 166. Ashby Peters, born about 1838 in Missouri, died without heirs.
- 167. William Peters, born about 1840 in Missouri, died without heirs.

17. TERISSA SIMMS (see page 18) was born April 10, 1799, in Virginia, died September 17, 1883, Holt County, Missouri. Her name was pronouced TER-risy. She went to Holt County to live with a niece and died there but her remains were returned to Clay County and buried in the Simms family burial ground. Her tombstone read: Terrissa Simms born April 10, 1799, died September 17, 1883. The weary and worn go home to rest. A bronze marker was placed on her grave July 21, 1932 (see page 16). She died without a will leaving an estate which was probated in Clay County, Missouri. A cakestand which belonged to her ("lovely three faces pattern") descended to Mrs. H. E. Kanaga, who in 1946 gave it to Mrs. Robert S. Withers.

Her obituary appeared on page 3, column 6, of the <u>Liberty Tribune</u>, Liberty, Missouri, Friday, September 21, 1883:

Died, near Craig, in Holt county, Mo., at the residence of her niece, Mrs. Addie Odell, on the 18th inst., Miss Teresa Simms, in the 84th year of her age. She had been a citizen

of Clay county for over fifty years, and was noted for her 'godly walk and conversation.' As a neighbor and friend she was devoted and steadfast, and attended strictly to her own business and allowed others to do the same. She was the last of a large family, and the daughter of a Revolutionary soldier (the late Richard Simms) who died about 33 years ago in this county. She was an aunt of Mrs. Samuel Ringo, Mrs. E. Rouse, and the late Mrs. R. H. Miller and Mrs. V. S. McCoun, and a sister of the late Seldon, John and B. F. Simms.

"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."

18. BENJAMIN A. SIMMS (see page 18) was born about 1800 in Virginia, died January 2, 1854, Clay County, Missouri. He married (first) \_\_\_\_\_\_ and had children. He married (second) September 30, 1852, Clay County, Missouri, Mrs. Zerelda (Cole) James, widow of Rev. Robert James (and the mother of Frank and Jesse James). There were no children by the second marriage.

Benjamin A. Simms served as a soldier in the War of 1812 and the following statements appear in his pension record on file in the National Archives in Washington, D. C.:

State of Missouri County of Clay

On this second day of April A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid John H. Simms, aged 62 years a resident of Clay county in the State of Missouri, who, being duly sworn according to law declares that he is the brother of Benjamin A. Simms deceased, who was a private in the company commanded by Captain Elijah Harding in the Regiment of Virginia Militia commanded by Col<sup>S</sup> Peyton & Taylor in the war with Great Britain declared in 1812. Benjamin A. Simms was drafted at Stafford C. H., Va., on or about the month of July 1813 or 1814.

He further states that the said Benjamin A. Simms died in Clay Co., Mo., on the 28 day of December 1852 as well as I recollect the date--and that he left a widow who intermarried with one Reuben Samuel in Clay County, Missouri, in the month of September 1855. That Charles M. Simms, aged 20 years in the month of July 1855, is the only minor child of the said Benjamin A. Simms, deed. And he, as the next friend of the said Charles M. Simms makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which he, the said Charles M. Simms, may be entitled under the "act approved March 3, 1855, and he appoints Edward M. Samuel of Liberty, Mo., his attorney to receive the said warrant.

John H. Simms

We, Eugene B. Allen and Stephen Ritchey residents of Clay County in the State of Missouri, upon our oaths declare that the foregoing declaration was signed and acknowledged by John H. Simms in our presence, and that we believe from the appearance and statement of the applicant that he is the identical person he represents himself to be.

Eugene B. Allen Stephen Ritchey

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year above written; and I certify that I know the affiants to be credible persons; that the claimant is the person he represents himself to be, and that I have no interest in this claim.

John R. Peters J. P.

State of Missouri, County of Clay

This day personally appeared Benjamin S. Corbin, who being by me duly sworn according to law states that he was in the company of Capt Harding of the Virginia militia War of 1812 that Col. Waller was in Command of the Regt. that he was in that Command about three months as a private; that he knew Benjamin A. Simms, now decd, personally and well (being neighbors in Stafford Co., Virginia) and he states positively that the said Benjamin A. Simms was a member of said company, and served about the month of August 1814 to about the month of December. He also states that about the  $2^d$  day of October he applied for Bounty land but has not received it as yet. The said affiant is of the age of 66 years.

B. S. Corbin

State of Missouri, County of Clay

John H. Simms, aged 63 years of Clay County, Mo. upon his oath states that he is a Brother of Benjamin A. Simms,  ${\rm dec}^d$ , that he the said John H. Simms served in the War of 1812 under Capt Hill and  ${\rm rec}^d$  a Bounty Land Warrant under act of Mch 3 1855 No. 8497 that he knew Capt Harding of the Va Militia that said Harding married his Aunt that he was in the same Regt with Benjamin A. Simms in the War of 1812 and is perfectly and entirely satisfied that said Benjamin A. Simms did serve as a private in the Co. of Capt. Harding from about August 1814 until about December 1814, and that the said Benjamin A. Simms was one of Harding's Co. who was detailed and sent over into Maryland and he believes he was discharged and paid off in Fredericksburg, Va. John H Simms

It seems likely that he was the Benjamin Sims who married December 11, 1823, Woodford County, Kentucky, Mary Ann George. Her mother, Nancy George, consented to the marriage. Woodford County adjoins Scott and Franklin Counties (where his father Richard Simms resided). His sister, Frances A. (Simms) Peters, lived in Woodford County for a while.

Benjamin Simms moved to Clay County in the early 1820's and the county court of Clay county in March 1825 paid Benjamin Simms "for repairing the courthouse and for furnishing benches" (page 112 of History of Clay and Platte Counties, Missouri, 1885).

Benjamin Simms is listed in the 1830 census record of Clay County, Missouri.

He is listed in the 1840 census record of Clay County, Missouri, as follows:

Benj. A. Simms

1 male 40 to 50 2 males 5 to 10 2 females 10 to 15 1 female 5 to 10

1 male under 5

He is also listed in the 1850 census record of Clay County, Missouri, as living in Fishing River

Township:

1311-1311	Simms,	Benj	50	M	Farmer	born Ky.
		Elizabeth	22	$\mathbf{F}$		Mo.
		Francis	20	M	Farmer	11
		Strother	18	M		11
		James	16	M		11
		Chas S.	14	F		11

Mrs. Clyde Story (Clara L. Harris) of Goldendale, Washington, wrote August 5, 1949: ''You know of the Jameses of the James gang, well, Benjamin Simms, one of Richard's sons, married the James boys' mother. The children made such a fuss they separated and no children were born to this union. Mama and Aunt Sarah say Mrs. James was a fine woman and they liked her."

On page 265 of <u>History of Clay and Platte Counties</u>, <u>Missouri</u>, 1885, it is stated: "In 1851, the widow James--whose maiden name was Zerelda Cole--was again married to a Mr. Simms, also of this county, a widower, with children. At the time of her second marriage she was 26 years of age, and her husband was 52. The union proved unhappy, and in less than a year was terminated by a separation. The lady alleges that the chief trouble arose from the fact that her three little children, Frank, Jesse and Susie, whom she had always humored and indulged, gave their old step-father no end of annoyance. He insisted that she should send them away, and to this she once agreed, but her near relatives informed her that if she did so they would never more recognize her, and so she separated from Mr. Simms, who, she yet alleges, always treated her with kindness, and for whose memory she still has great respect. He died not long after the separation, and some time afterwards Mrs. Simms was married to Dr. Reuben Samuel, her present husband."

An article in the Springfield, Missouri, <u>Leader-Press</u>, page 20, Thursday, July 11, 1968, about the sale of Jesse James' boyhood home (it was owned by Frank James' daughter-in-law), states: "Robert Gilmer added two rooms on the front in 1844, then sold the house and the surrounding 160 acres to the Rev. Robert James, a Baptist minister from Kentucky, and his wife, Zeralda. Frank James, born in 1843, was two years old when the family arrived at the farm. Jesse was born here in 1847. 'The James boys were a product of their times,' Wymore says. The father died in the West during the California gold rush. After a brief marriage to a man twice her age, Mrs. James married Dr. Reuben Samuels. A physician, Dr. Samuels was strung up so long by Northern sympa-

thizers that the blood left his head and he lost his reason."

Not all the accounts of Zerelda Cole James are approbative. An article in <u>Time</u>, November 7, 1949, says, "Jesse learned to kill in the Civil War. The son of a steel-willed, thrice-married mother (whose first husband, Jesse's father, was a preacher) ran away at 16 to join the Southern guerrillas."

Mrs. Zerelda (Cole) James Simms, born about 1822, married (third) September 25, 1855, Clay County, Missouri, Dr. Reuben Samuel.

Benjamin A. Simms lived in Clinton County, Missouri, and left an estate there. However he died in Clay County and a notice of his death appeared on page 2, column 7, of the <u>Liberty Weekly Tribune</u>, Liberty, Missouri, January 6, 1854:

## Deaths

In this county, on the 2d inst., Mr. Benj. A. Simms, aged 55 years.

Benjamin A. Sims, late of Clinton County, Missouri, died intestate. In the records of his estate on file in the office of the Probate Court of Clinton County, Missouri, is the statement that his heirs were:

Nancy Clark

Betsey Sims

Frances Price

Strother Sims

Charles Sims--all of Clinton County, Missouri, and

James Sims, of California

Included among the papers is an inventory of his estate and a record showing that his personal property was sold to Elizabeth Simms, Henry Price, Charles Simms, George Malery, Strawther Sims, Benjamin S. Tucker, J. Walker, C. U. Clawater, Jno. James, Calvin James, Creed Herring, David Holmes, W. C. Wilkinson, Samuel Holmes, and many others.

The deed books of Clinton County, Missouri, indicate that Benjamin A. Simms owned 380 acres of land in Clinton County at the time of his death. Zerilda Simms, wife of Benjamin Simms, deceased, late of Clinton County, sold to Joseph Baxter her right of dower in land of her late husband (page 179 Deed Book G). This dower right was subsequently sold to William Brown in 1856.

Charles M. Sims and Rebecca his wife of DeKalb County, Missouri, for \$200 sold to William Brown of Clinton County, Missouri, their one sixth interest in 380 acres of land in Clinton County (page 341, Deed Book I, August 23, 1857).

James M. Sims of Garrote of the County of Tuolumne of the State of California appointed Josiah Clark of DeKalb County, Missouri, to be his attorney (page 464 Deed Book K, April 9, 1858). James M. Sims of County of Tuolumne of State of California by his attorney, Josiah Clark, for \$400 sold to William Brown of Clinton County, Missouri, the undivided one sixth part of the interest, estate and claim of the said James M. Sims in all 380 acres (page 180, Deed Book L, March 14, 1861).

There are other deeds concerning the Simms family in Clinton County, Missouri.

Benjamin A. Simms and his first wife (who was apparently Mary Ann George) had issue:

- 181. Nancy Simms, married January 10, 1842, Clay County, Missouri, Josiah Clark. In 1858 they were living in DeKalb County, Missouri.
- 182. Elizabeth Simms (ca 1828-), married James J. Price. See page 67.
- 183. Frances Simms (ca 1830- ), married Henry Price. See page 67.
- 184. Strother H. Simms, born about 1832 in Missouri, died unmarried. The 1860 census record lists him living in Clinton County, Missouri, with his sister, Frances Simms Price. Mrs. H. E. Kanaga (Bernice Slaughter) of Edmond, Oklahoma, wrote March 4, 1949: "About Strother—he went to Holt County with John H.'s family and lived with my grandmother. He was a bachelor, you remember. My mother told me Strother was always so good to grandmother. She had a large family and Strother helped her with her house. They all liked him."
- 185. James M. Simms, born about 1834 in Missouri. In 1858 he was living in Garrote, Tuolumne County, California.
- 186. Charles M. Simms, born July 1835 in Missouri, married Rebecca \_\_\_\_\_. In 1857 they were living in

DeKalb County, Missouri.

lx. JOSEPH SELDEN SIMMS (see page 18) was born December 22, 1805, Stafford County, Virginia, died July 30, 1875, Clay County, Missouri, unmarried.

Joseph Selden Simms lived with his father and is listed in the 1850 census record of Clay County, Missouri (see page 15). After his father's death he continued to farm the old home place and he is listed in the 1870 census record of Clay County, Missouri:

Jos. S. Simms	65 M	Farmer	born Va.
Margaret "	77 F		11
Terressy ''	68 F		11
Juda ''	26 F		

On page 22 of Old Men of Clay County 1870 and Patrons of Clay County Atlas of 1877, compiled and transcribed by Nadine Hodges, 1965, it reads:

JOSEPH S. SIMMS. I was born in Stafford County, Virginia, on the 22nd of December, 1805. My father, Richard Simms, was a soldier in the continental army during the Revolution, and served three years. He was at Valley Forge, and in the battles of Brandywine and Stony Point. I had two brothers in the war of 1812. I settled in Clay County, Mo., in 1823 and have lived here ever since. I was always a Whig. I have always been a union man. The registrars never asked me another question after I told them I was from Stafford Co., Va., but disfranchised me straighway.

His obituary appears on page 3, column 1, of the <u>Liberty Tribune</u>, Liberty, Missouri, Friday, August 6, 1875: "Mr. Joseph S. Simms died at his residence in Clay County, on Friday evening the 30th ult., aged about 71 years. He had been a citizen of this county for over 40 years and was a good citizen and 'honest man, the noblest work of God.'"

He was buried in the Simms family burial ground and his tombstone read: "J. S. Sims, died July 30, 1875, aged 69 yrs 7 mos and 8 days. There's rest in heaven."

He left a will, dated October 30, 1852, on file in Clay County, Missouri. In it he speaks of himself as Joseph Selden Simms and names his two sisters, Margaret B. Simms and Terracy Simms.

31. PRESLEY SIMMS, JR. (see page 24) is listed as a son of Presley Simms, Sr., in the book, Roster of Soldiers and Patriots of the American Revolution Buried in Indiana, compiled and edited by Mrs. Roscoe O'Byrne, 1938. However Dan W. Simms, in a family record compiled in 1923, states that Presley Simms had six sons: Daniel, Lang, Burr, Jesse, Charles, and George. This has led to speculation that Presley Simms, Jr., was identical with one of the other sons listed by Dan W. Simms. It has even been suggested that possibly he was a grandson of Presley Simms rather than a son--possibly the son of Jesse Simms.

Presley Simms, Jr., is listed in the 1840 census record of Montgomery County, Indiana, which indicates that he was born between 1810 and 1820. That same record also lists Presley Simms, Senior, Lang Simms, Charles Simms, and Burrel Simms. Presley Simms, Jr., is listed on page 263 as living in Madison Township. The record reads:

Presley Sims

1 male 20 to 30 1 female 20 to 30 3 males under 5 1 female 5 to 10 2 females under 5

The death certificate of Josiah Sims indicates that his parents were Presley Sims, Jr., and Nancy Coghill. Mr. George E. Neeley of Valparaiso, Indiana, a great grandson of Josiah Sims, wrote September 9, 1968, "Josiah's family used the Sims spelling. Although in 1850 he was living with a Wesley Marlowe and used the spelling Syms. I believe his mother was a Coghill or Cowgill. The Presly Sims in Porter County in 1880 was a brother to Josiah."

This indicates that Presley Sims, Jr., and Nancy Coghill had issue: 311. Josiah Sims (1839-1915), married (first) Maria Meadows, married (second) Mrs. Catherine (Lane) Meadows, married (third) Mrs. \_\_\_\_ Adams. See page 67.

312. Presley Sims (ca 1851- ). See page 68.

313. apparently four other children (according to the 1840 census record) -- three daughters and another son.

32. DANIEL SIMMS (see page 24) is listed as a son of Presley Simms in a family record sent by Mrs. Blanche Simms in 1968. She wrote, "Daniel emigrated in early manhood from Indiana to Nodaway County, Missouri, where he established a substantial home, became the owner of large landed estates and reared a large family."

Mr. Robert E. Lyon wrote in 1968, "One of the boys was reportedly supposed to have gone to Missouri and either he or some of his kin ran a hardware store in or near St. Louis, I believe. The story is not fresh and clear in Dad's mind. However the James gang were supposed to have paid their taxes. At the time such things were corruptly managed by tax collectors. Now whether this was one of Presley's boys or a brother is not clear."

It seems likely this Daniel Sims is the one listed in the 1830 census record of Orange County, Indiana, as follows:

Daniel Sims

1 male 30 to 40 1 male 15 to 20 1 male 5 to 10

This census record would indicate that Daniel Simms was born between 1790 and 1800 and was married between 1810 and 1815. Obviously, therefore, he was not the Daniel Sims who married May 17, 1823, Madison County, Kentucky, Polly Allumbaugh (or Ellumbaugh), unless this was a second marriage for him.

33. JESSE SIMMS (see page 24) was born about 1790 in Virginia. He married (first) Nancy \_\_\_\_\_, born about 1784 in Virginia. He married (second) February 25, 1854, Sullivan County, Indiana, Sally Dean.

Jesse Simms is listed in the 1820 census record of Orange County, Indiana:

Jesse Simms

1 male 26 to 45 2 males under 10 1 female 26 to 45 2 female 16 to 26

He is also listed in the 1830 census record of Montgomery County, Indiana, as follows:

1 male 40 to 50
1 male 15 to 20
1 male 10 to 15

On September 16, 1835, Jesse Simms and his wife Nancy sold land in Montgomery County, Indiana, for \$360 to George Simms (page 440 Montgomery County Deed Record 9).

Jesse Simms is listed on page 223 of the 1850 census record of Sullivan County, Indiana:

323-324 Jesse Simms 60 M born Va.
Nancy '' 66 F Va.

On the same page is listed Harvey Simms and his family (presumably Harvey was a son of Jesse Simms).

There is a marriage recorded in Sullivan County, Indiana, on February 25, 1854, between Jesse Sims and Sally Dean.

The 1860 census record of Sullivan County, Indiana, lists on page 871 for Cass Township:

1151-1164 Jesse Sims 70 M Farmer born Va.
Sarah " 52 F Ky.
Charles" 18 M Ind.

Mr. George E. Neeley wrote in 1968, "Recall my Grandmother referring to an Uncle Harv or Uncle Doc serving with her father in Civil War." Since his grandmother's father was Josiah Sims this statement suggests that possibly Josiah was a nephew of Harvey Simms--or, to put it differently, that Harvey Simms and

Presley Simms, Jr., were brothers. However this is all very speculative and needs a lot of clarification. The census records suggest that Jesse Simms and his first wife, Nancy \_\_\_\_\_, had two sons and one daughter: 331. probably: Harvey Simms (ca 1814- ), married Hannah \_\_\_\_\_. See page 68. 332. a son, born about 1815 to 1820 333. a daughter, born between 1820 and 1825. 34. ELIZABETH SIMMS (see page 24), married Daniel Henderson. She is listed as a daughter of Presley Simms in the D. A. R. record of Mrs. Edward S. Rice (Gail Daugherty) -- see page 23. Daniel Henderson is listed on page 108 of the 1820 census record of Lawrence County, Indiana: 1 male 26 to 45 1 female 10 to 16 1 male 10 to 16 2 females under 10 3 males under 10 He is also listed in the 1830 census record of Montgomery County, Indiana: 1 male 40 to 50 1 female 5 to 10 1 male 10 to 15 2 females under 5 2 males 5 to 10 Possibly these are two different men. Both records suggest a widower with young children-possibly he was married twice and both wives died young. 35. MARY SIMMS (see page 24) married Nathaniel Hobson. She is listed as a daughter of Presley Simms in the D. A. R. record of Mrs. Edward S. Rice (Gail Daugherty) -- see page 23. Nathan Hobson is listed on page 130 of the 1820 census record of Orange County, Indiana: 1 male 26 to 45 1 female 26 to 45 1 male 10 to 16 2 females under 10 3 males under 10 N. H. Hobson is listed in the 1830 census record of Montgomery County, Indiana: 1 male 40 to 50 1 female 40 to 50 2 males 15 to 20 2 females 5 to 10 2 males 5 to 10 2 females under 5 36. LANGTHORN SIMMS (see page 24) was born about 1798 in Virginia, married August 13, 1817, Madison County, Kentucky, Catherine Alford, born about 1800 in Kentucky. They are listed in the 1820 census record of Lawrence County, Indiana, on page 107: 1 male 16 to 25 1 female 16 to 25 1 female under 10 They are also listed in the 1830 census record of Orange County, Indiana: 1 male 30 to 40 1 female 20 to 30 1 male 10 to 15 2 females 5 to 10 1 male under 5 1 female under 5 In 1840 they were living in Union Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, and listed in the census record as follows: 1 male 40 to 50 1 female 30 to 40 1 male 20 to 30 2 females 15 to 20 1 male 10 to 15 1 female under 5 1 male 5 to 10

2 males under 5

In 1850 Lang Simms was living in Fairbanks Township, Sullivan County, Indiana, and is listed on page 288 of the census record:

254-254 Lang Sims	52 M	Farmer	born Virginia
Catherine	50 F		Kentucky
John	20 M	F. L.	Indiana
Noah	18 M	F. L.	ff
Moses	13 M		11
Emeline	16 F		11
Catherine	10 F		**

He and his wife settled in southern Illinois and they are buried on the county line separating Clark and Crawford Counties, Illinois. These two Illinois counties are just across the Wabash River from Sullivan County, Indiana.

Langthorn Simms and Catherine Alford had issue:

- 361. Martha Simms, married James Taylor.
- 362. Alford Simms, settled in Missouri and died at age 87.
- 363. Jane Simms, married Sam Hardesty.
- 364. Mathilda Simms, married Thomas Taylor and they had twelve children.
- 365. John Simms, born about 1830 in Indiana.
- 366. Noah Simms, born about 1832 in Indiana.
- 367. Moses Simms, born about 1837 in Indiana, died unmarried at age 45 years.
- 368. Emaline Simms, born about 1834 in Indiana, married Kirson Johnson. She died in Clinton County, Indiana, aged 75, having had four boys and three girls. Her son, John W. Johnson, lived near Frankfort, Indiana.
- 369. Katharine Simms, born about 1840 in Indiana, married Joe Shanks.
- 37. LUCY SIMMS (see page 24) was born 1799 near Mount Vernon, Virginia, and died 1847 in Montgomery County, Indiana. She married 1829 David T. Williams, born about 1799 in Ohio, died September 1849, Jasper County, Indiana. He was a farmer.

Obviously he is not the David Williams listed in the 1820 census of Orange County, Indiana, nor is it likely that he was the David Williams listed in the 1830 census record of Orange County.

His death is listed in the 1849-1850 Mortality Schedule of Jasper County, Indiana. Family records state there were four children, of whom Nancy and Miranda were two. In 1850 Nancy Williams, aged 12, and George Williams, aged 16, were living with the family of George G. Williams, aged 35, in Beaver Township, Jasper County, Indiana. Miranda J. Williams, aged 12, was living with the family of Delilah Williams, aged 37, in the same township. As both parents were dead by 1850 it is assumed these three were children of David T. Williams and Lucy Simms and were living with relatives.

David T. Willia 371. Nancy Catherine Willian 372. Miranda J. Williams, b near Crawfordsville, India 373. apparently: George Wil 374. another child.	orn about 1838 in Ind na.	ried Geo iana, ma	rge rrie	ed Cowa		she lived with a so	n
38. CHARLES He married Malinda	SIMMS (see page 24) , born about 1814 in		n ab	out 1800 in Virgini	a, died 1876	in southern Illinoi	is.
	s listed on page 263	of the 18	40 c	ensus record of Me	ontgomery C	ounty, Indiana:	
	male 30 to 40			1 female 20 to	30		
;	3 males under 5			1 female 5 to 1	0		
He is also listed Indiana:	on page 293 of the 1	1850 cens	usı	record of Fairbank	s Township,	Sullivan County,	
320-320	Charles Sims	50	M	Farmer	born	Va.	
	Malinda ''	36			~~~~	Ohio	

Sarah Sims	18 F		born Ind.
William ''	17 M	F. L.	11
Richard "	15 M		11
Daniel ''	12 M		*1
Jesse ''	10 M		11
James ''	8 M		11
Joseph "	5 M		**
Allen ''	3 M		11

Charles Simms later settled in southern Illinois where he died in 1876.

Charles Simms and his wife Malinda had issue:

- 381. Sarah Simms, born about 1832 in Indiana.
- 382. William H. Simms (ca 1833-1896), married (first) Ellen Hobson, married (second) Mrs. Mary Elizabeth (Widener) Peed, married (third) Hester Agnes Widener. See page 70.
- 383. Richard Simms, born about 1835 in Indiana.
- 384. Daniel Simms (1837-1916), married Nancy Parrot. See page 70.
- 385. Jesse Simms, born about 1840 in Indiana.
- 386. James Simms, born about 1842 in Indiana.
- 387. Joseph Simms, born about 1845 in Indiana.
- 388. Allen Simms, born about 1847 in Indiana.
- 389. John Simms
- 38x. Frank Simms
- 38a. Malinda Simms
- 38b. a son

## 39. BURWELL SIMMS (see page 24) was born about 1812 in Virginia.

He is listed in the 1840 census record of Montgomery County, Indiana, as living alone in Madison Township. The record, on page 263, indicates he was aged 20 to 30. It lists him as Burrel Sims.

He is listed on page 130 of the census record of Tippecanoe Township, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, for 1850 as follows;

1705-1705	Burris Sims	38	M	Farmer	born Virginia
	Elizah H. "	28	$\mathbf{F}$		Indiana
	George W. "	7	M		Indiana

He is also listed on page 848 of the 1860 census record of Gill Township, Sullivan County, Indiana:

978-991 Burris S	imms	47	M	Laborer	born Va.
Aurilla	*1	29	$\mathbf{F}$		Ind.
James	11	5	M		11
Wealthy	**	2	F		11
Isabel	11	3/12	F		11

These records indicate that he was married twice. Family records merely state that he had three children: Alice (who married \_\_\_\_\_ Moore), Belle, and George.

The death certificate of George W. Simms states he was born September 12, 1842, son of Burrell Simms and Elizabeth Hobson.

Burwell Simms and his first wife Elizabeth Hobson had issue:

391. George W. Simms (1842-1916), married Phoebe Jane Johnson. See page 70.

Burwell Simms and his second wife, Aurilla \_\_\_\_\_, had issue:

- 392. James Simms, born about 1855 in Indiana.
- 393. Wealthy Simms, born about 1858, in Indiana.
- 394. Isabel Simms, born about 1860 in Indiana.
- 395. apparently also: Alice Simms, married \_\_\_\_\_ Moore

3x. GEORGE SIMMS (see page 24) was born June 18, 1814, in Virginia, died March 23, 1903, in Montgomery County, Indiana, married April 17, 1851, Sullivan County, Indiana, Elizabeth Vester, born about 1826, died May 17, 1889.

He came to Indiana in 1827 and lived seven miles north of Crawfordsville, Indiana. He died at his home on the Crawfordsville and Lafayette Road. Both he and his wife are buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Crawfordsville, Indiana.

He had a hand accidentally cut off by one of his brothers as a child. They were using an axe to crack nuts on a stump.

On September 2, 1835, George Simms sold land in Montgomery County, Indiana, to James Bryant for \$300. On September 16, 1835, George Simms bought land from Jesse Simms for \$360.

He is listed on page 148 of the 1870 census record of Montgomery County, Indiana, Madison Township, as follows:

23-24 Simms,	George	56	M	Farmer	born Virginia
	Elizabeth	42	$\mathbf{F}$		Indiana
	Mary E.	17	$\mathbf{F}$		11
	Eliza	16	$\mathbf{F}$		11
	Enoch	13	M		11
	Lewis	11	M		11
	Emma	9	F		11
	Jacob	8	M		11
	Ida	5	F		11

His obituary appeared in the Crawfordsville, Indiana, Weekly News-Review, Friday, April 3, 1903:

Death of George Simms.

George Simms, youngest son of Presley G. Simms and Nancy Bradnell, was born in Virginia June 18, 1814. He came to Indiana in 1827 and has since resided in the neighborhood where he died March 23, 1903 of general debility. He was of English parentage and came from an honest, sturdy, patriotic race of people. His father was a soldier for six years in the Revolutionary war, and two years in the War of 1812. George Simms was married to Elizabeth Vester of near Sullivan, Indiana in April 1857. To this union were born eight children, seven of whom are living: Mrs. Mary E. Smith, Mrs. Lida Everett, Enoch Simms and Louis Simms, Mrs. Emma Lyons, Jacob Simms and Mrs. Ida Mills,

Mr. Simms united with the Christian church in 1873. Though he began life with only one hand and but little of this world's goods, by constant toil and the aid of his good wife he accumulated a comfortable estate. He was blind for almost a year before his death, and almost helpless. He resided at the old homestead seven miles northwest of town with his youngest daughter, Mrs. Ida Mills. He was an uncle of Dan Simms, a prominent attorney of Lafayette.

Funeral was held at the home at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. Interment at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery.

George Simms and Elizabeth Vester had issue:

- 3x1. Mary Ellen Simms (1852-1938), married (first) Nathan Stout Smith, married (second) Jonathan Everett. See page 71.
- 3x2. Eliza (Lida) Simms (1853-1914), married Jonathan Everett. See page 71.
- 3x3. Enoch Simms (1854-1939), married (first) Mary Josephine Davenport, married (second) Amanda Ellen Byrd. See page 72.
- 3x4. Louis Simms (1856-1931), married Ida Mae Mahan. See page 72.
- 3x5. Emma Simms (1857-1932), married William Lyon. See page 72.
- 3x6. Margaret Simms, born August 29, 1859, died February 2, 1866, buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana.
- 3x7. Jacob Simms (1861-1919), married Lenna Dowden. See page 72.
- 3x8. Ida Simms (1865-1950), married Frank Mills. See page 73.

41. WILLIAM STARK SIMS (see page 31) was born about 1777 to 1785 in Virginia, died December 9, 1870, Ralls County, Missouri, married Euphamia Paradise, born about 1785 to 1790 in North Carolina, died July 1869 in Ralls County, Missouri. Both are buried in the Crawford family cemetery in Ralls County, Missouri.

Stark Sims was born in 1777 according to the D. A. R. records of his descendants. His tombstone says he was 87 (born about 1783). His obituary states he was 93 (born about 1777). In the 1850 census record he is listed as 65 (born about 1785); in the 1860 census record he was 77 (born about 1783); and in 1870 he was 89 (born about 1781).

Phamy Sims was 84 years old when she died (born about 1785) according to her obituary. In the 1850 census record she is listed as 60 yearsold (born about 1790) and in the 1860 census record she is 71 (born about 1789).

William Stark Sims moved from Virginia to Tennessee with his father (see page 28) and served as a soldier in the War of 1812 and the Indian wars (according to his obituary). Possibly he is the William Simms who enlisted October 17, 1813, as a private in the East Tennessee Mounted Volunteer Militia under Capt. Cummings and Col. Bunch. There was also a William Simms who enlisted as a private in the East Tennessee Volunteer Militia October 6, 1814, under Capt. Stephens and Maj. Chiles. Possibly these were two different enlistments for the same man.

Stark Sims early moved to Missouri and he is listed in the 1817 census record of St. Charles County, Missouri Territory, as living in Upper Cuivre Township. The area which is now Saverton Township in Ralls County was then in this Upper Cuivre Township in St. Charles County. The record shows:

Stark Simes

1 male 18 to 45 2 males 14 to 18 1 female over 14 1 female under 14

"Stark Sims was the first white man to settle north of the Salt River in Ralls County, Missouri. The Indians came and wanted to take him and show him where they got the lead for their bullets but he did not trust them and was afraid to go with them. Various Indian artifacts have been found on the Enoch Sims farm," according to Mrs. Clarence C. Bruner (Helen Sims).

A newspaper item in the Hannibal, Missouri, Courier-Post, Friday, July 9, 1948, reads: "The original farm has been in the Sims family for five generations and never outside of the family name until January, this year, when the Bakers bought it from Arch Sims, a great great grandson of the late Stark Sims who is credited with discovering Hannibal cave (now Mark Twain), a short distance south of the city. By word of mouth it has been handed down that Stark Sims, who settled in this part of Missouri in the very early part of the 19th century, where he lived a rustic pioneer life, trailed a panther into the cave where he shot it from the light shining in the eyes of the beast. This led to a more complete exploration of the cavern which played a prominent part in the boyhood life of Mark Twain and which was featured by the famous writer in 'Tom Sawyer,' and other of his widely read books. Stark Sims got his first U. S. land grant to portions of the farm recently sold to the Bakers in 1819. Others were procured later. His original land holdings in connection with this farm totaled 450 acres but some, at various times, had been sold off until the acreage was reduced to 235. One of the U. S. land grants was issued on April 1, 1839, and it was signed by Martin Van Buren, the president of the United States."

On October 31, 1832, Stark Simms and Phamy Simms his wife conveyed 80 acres in Ralls County, Missouri, to Wilkerson Crawford "for \$1 and for natural love and affection." The deed was signed by:

William Stark Simms

her

Phamy x Simms

mark

It is recorded on page 171 of Ralls County, Missouri, Deed Book B.

On September 12, 1831, William S. Simms and Phamy Simms his wife sold 160 acres for \$100 to Rhodum Simms, Henry Simms and Patsy Simms. The deed is recorded on page 195 of Ralls County Deed Book B. S ee page 29.

On January 28, 1834, William Stark Simms and Phamy Simms his wife conveyed 80 acres "for natural love and affection that we have for our son Enoch Simms" (page 290 Ralls County Deed Book B).

On October 25, 1837, William S. Sims and Famy Sims his wife sold land to Wilkerson Crawford (page 337 Ralls County Deed Book C). On the same date they also sold land to Enoch Sims (page 394 Ralls County Deed Book C).

On January 8, 1869, William S. Sims and Phama Sims his wife sold 15 acres for \$150 to Silas Sims (page 38 Ralls County Deed Book U).

William Stark Simms is listed in the 1830 census record of Ralls County, Missouri.

In 1850 he was living in District 73 of Ralls County. The census record reads on page 145:

102-102 Stark Sims
65 M Farmer born Virginia
Phamy " 60 F North Carolina

In 1860 he was living in Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, according to page 171 of the census record:

1216-1204	William S.	Simms	77	M	Farmer	born Va.	
	Phema	11	71	$\mathbf{F}$		N. C.	
	Henry Simi	ms	54	M		Va.	

In 1870 he was still living in Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, and page 95 of the census record reads:

74	1-68	MOORE	, Byron	30	M	Farmer	born Ireland
			Martha	18	F	Keeping house	Ills.
			Minnie	1	F		Mo.
		SIMMS.	William	89	M	Farmer	Va.

His wife died in July 1869 and her obituary appeared on page 3, column 1, of the <u>Ralls County Record</u>, New London, Missouri, Thursday, July 22, 1869:

Mrs. Simms, wife of Mr. Stark Simms, familiarly known as "Old Uncle Stark," who lived on the dirt road leading from this place to Hannibal for nearly fifty years, died last week at the advanced age of eighty-four years. Truly, a good old lady has gone.

Stark Sims survived her for merely a year and a half and then he too died. His obituary appeared on page 3, column 2, of the Ralls County Record, New London, Missouri, December 15, 1870:

ANOTHER OLD CITIZEN GONE. Stark Sims, one of the earliest settlers of Ralls county, died at his residence, five miles north of this place, on the old Hannibal road, last Friday night, December 9th, 1870, at the advanced age of ninety-three years. Mr. Sims was a soldier in the war of 1812, and subsequently in the Indian wars of the frontier. His father lived to the advanced age of 111 years--was a soldier of the Revolution, and died about fifteen years ago in this county. Uncle Stark Sims was known throughout the county and esteemed by everyone. Up to the day of his death he lived by the labor of his own hands, refusing the assistance of his numerous friends and relatives, cultivating a small piece of ground sufficient for his simple wants. Industrious, frugal, and his reputation untarnished, he was reverenced by all who knew him as a type of those glorious old heroes who, by their valor, energy, and patriotism, reclaimed from the savages this glorious west, and laid the foundation of future empires. A Democrat of the old school, he has taken but little interest in politics since the commencement of the civil war, and looked upon the present generation as sadly degenerate. He was looked upon as a Southern sympathiser, and has not voted since 1860 -- always refusing to take the oath of loyalty--saying that if his past services to his country was not sufficient evidence of his loyalty, no oath that he could take would be. He was a man of strong prejudices, a steadfast friend, and unforgiving enemy, hospitable to a fault, and to the day of his death, self-reliant. So averse was he to dependence on any one that he always refused to live with his children, who were always ready and willing to take care of and tenderly nurse him in his old age, and for many years prior to his death he and his amiable wife lived by themselves, cultivating a few acres of ground, and maintaining to the last their independence. Peace to his ashes. Missouri holds within her bosom no nobler type of the early pioneer.

He was buried in the Crawford family cemetery in Ralls County, Missouri (see page 30) and his tombstone was still there in 1968. It read:

To the memory of STARK SIMMS who departed this life Dec. 1870 in the 88th Year of his age

Although his tombstone uses the spelling Simms as do many of the early records, many of the descendants of Stark Sims use the spelling Sims.

The deed of January 28, 1834 (see page 49) shows there was a son, Enoch Sims. The D. A. R. records list a daughter, Nancy Sims, who married Wilkerson Crawford. It is uncertain whether or not there were other children.

There was an Armstead Sims who married September 5, 1839, Ralls County, Missouri, Nancy Fanning. On November 2, 1839, Armsted Sims for \$90 sold to Zedekiah Merritt and David D. Dismukes of Ralls County a town lot in New London "being the same lot and appurtenances whereon Richard S. Howard now resides as a tenant of Merritt, Sims and Dismukes and which they purchased at Public Sale of John D. Biggs as Trustee of J. S. Crosthwait (page 361 Ralls County Deed Book D). Armstead Sims was not found in the 1880 census of Missouri. It is not known how--or if--he was related to William Stark Sims.

There was a Thornton Sims who married May 9, 1852, Ralls County, Missouri, Louisa Jane Meyers. Thornton Simms married September 6, 1865, Marion County, Missouri, Maranda Atwood. There was a Thorntor Sims, aged 43, born in Missouri, living in Hannibal, Missouri, according to the 1880 census record. Living with him were his wife, Sarah, aged 50 (born Maryland), his son James, aged 4 (born Missouri), and his son Charles R., aged 18 (born Missouri). The relationship--if any--to the William Stark Sims family is uncertain.

William Stark Sims and Euphamia Paradise had issue:

- 411. Enoch Sims (1809-1883), married (first) Julia Gregory, married (second) Elizabeth M. \_\_\_\_\_. See page 73.
- 412. Nancy Sims (1813-1883), married Wilkerson Crawford. See page 74,
- 413. possibly others.

43. HENRY SIMS (see page 31) was born about 1806 in Virginia. That he was the son of Rhodam Sims is shown by the deed of December 15, 1820 (see page 28) in which Rhodam Simms deeded "To my son Henry Simms a Sorrel horse, a red Cow with a white face and her two Calves . . ."

Henry Sims for \$100 sold land in Ralls County, Missouri, to John McCracken, January 15, 1828. There was no wife's relinquishment (page 458 Ralls County Deed Book A).

Henry Simms married July 21, 1832, Ralls County, Missouri, Nancy Crawford.

On February 26, 1833, Henry Simms and Nancy Simms his wife and Rhodum Simms and Margaret Simms his wife for \$50 sold 80 acres of land to Wilkinson Crawford, the same land sold them by Stark Simms . . . "Henry and Nancy Simms his wife have and hold an undivided interest in said lands and that said lands are not to be divided until after the death of the said Rhodum Simms and Margaret his wife whose conveyance is herein made for all that part of said lands . . . . " The deed was signed:

Henry Sims
Nancy Sims
his
Rhodum x Sims
mark
her
Margaret x Sims
mark

The deed is recorded on page 206 of Ralls County Deed Book B.

On March 22, 1834, Henry Sims and Nancy Sims his wife for \$16.66 sold 13 acres of land to John M.

Crawford. The deed, recorded on page 320 of Ralls County Deed Book B, was witnessed by Martin J. Lyle and Elizabeth Crawford.

Nancy Crawford Sims must have died after 1834 and Henry Sims apparently married again as in a deed of 1838 his wife is listed as Susan Jane. In the deed, dated February 3, 1838, Henry Sims and Susan Jane Sims his wife of the county of Monroe for \$200 in hand paid them convey 40 acres of land to Alexander Elison of the county of Monroe (page 413 Ralls County Deed Book C).

In 1860 Henry Simms, aged 54, born in Virginia--and apparently unmarried at that time--was living in Ralls County, Missouri, with his brother, William S. Simms--see page 50.

There seems to be a Henry Simms, aged 65, living in Marion County, Missouri, in 1870. The hand-writing of the census record is illegible and the record is uncertain but it seems to read:

page 682, Miller Township, P. O. Hannibal:

100-100 Simms,	Henry	65	M	Toll Gate Keeper bo	rn Va.
	C. A.	49	F	Keeps house	Mo.
	Amanda	21	F	Assists mother	Mo.

Possibly this was the Amanda J. Sims who married February 27, 1871, Marion County, Missouri, Columbus F. Kirthy.

On page 121 Ralls County Deed Book Z is a deed, dated February 23, 1874, from Henry Sims and Sims his wife of Marion County, Missouri, to Florentine W. Pelton of Boston, Massachusetts, for \$1 . . . . "party of second part is owner of said real estate from said Henry Sims under a series of conveyances and deeds from intermediate owners and this deed is made and delivered with the intent of curing and making good the defective acknowledgement in the original deed from said Henry Sims to Alexander Elkison and to convey to said Pelton all title remaining in him, if any."

44. MARTHA ANN SIMS (see page 31) was born about 1808 in Tennessee. She married October 12, 1837, Ralls County, Missouri, Lewis Garnett, born about 1799 in Kentucky.

She is listed as a daughter in the deed of December 15, 1820 from Rodom Simms (see page 28): "To my daughter Patsey Ann Simms a Chestnut sorrel horse with one eye, a black Cow and her two Calves; ten head of hogs; a feather bed and its furniture and also the other one half of my household and kitchen furniture."

In 1839 William Graham sold 80 acres of land to Lewis Garnet (page 395 Ralls County Deed Book D).

The 1850 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, lists the family as living in District 73. The record, on page 145, reads:

103-103 Lewis Gar	nett	51	M	Farmer	born	Kentucky
Martha	11	42	F			Tennessee
Henry B.	**	12	M			Missouri
Reuben	11	9	M			11
Margaret 1	F. ''	5	F			**
Rodam Sin	as	96	M	None		Virginia

On January 5, 1857, Lewis Garnet and Martha Carnet his wife sold land to Thomas Scott for \$900 (page 220 Ralls County Deed Book L).

The 1860 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, lists them living in Spencer Township. The census record on pages 38 and 39 reads:

263-258	Lewis Gar	nett	61	M	Farmer	born	Ky.
	Martha	11	50	F			Tenn.
	Henry B.	11	21	M	Farm Laborer		Mo.
	Reuben V.	**	19	M			7.0
	Margaret	11	16	F			11
	James F.	11	10	M			**

Page 132 of the 1870 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, shows that they were still living in Spencer Township although by then the son Henry was married and no longer living at home. The record reads:

301-268	Garnet,	Lewis	70	M	Farmer	born Ky.
		Patsey	60	F	Keeping house	Tenn.
		Reuben	22	M	Farmer	Mo.
		Margaret	22	$\mathbf{F}$		11
		James	18	M	Farm hand	11

These records indicate that Lewis Garnett and Martha Ann Sims had issue:

- ), married Ellen \_\_\_\_\_. See page 74. 441. Henry B. Garnett (ca 1838-
- 442. Reuben V. Garnett, born about 1841 in Missouri.
- 443. Margaret F. Garnett, born about 1845 in Missouri.
- 444. James F. Garnett, born about 1850 in Missouri.

111. ELIZABETH ASHBY WIRT (see page 34) was born October 10, 1810, Scott County, Kentucky, died April 28, 1889, Parkville, Missouri, married April 6, 1826, Clay County, Missouri, Samuel Ringo (son of Samuel Ringo and Catherine \_\_\_\_\_\_\_), born April 22, 1798, near Mt. Sterling, Kentucky, died July 1, 1854, Liberty, Missouri.

There is a brief account of the Ringo family in the back of this book.

Miss Edith E. Wirt of Riverside, California, wrote in 1933, "The Ringoes were in the mercantile business with their wives' brother, Philip Wirt. Samuel H. Ringo managed the store at Liberty and Andrew H. Ringo the store in Richmond, and Philip Wirt the one in Gallatin."







Samuel Ringo

Elizabeth Ashby Wirt wife of Samuel Ringo

The following is a copy of a letter written by Samuel Ringo to his wife:

25 Mrs Elizabeth Ashby Ringo Liberty Clay County Missouri

Mail

Pittsburgh 26th Mar 1828

Dear Wife

I reached this place yesterday afternoon in tolerable health today I have had a bad headache though am getting about & expect to leave here in the morning 1 o clock for Baltimore in the Mail Stage I made arrangements to have four Barrels unpealed Peaches & one pealed sent on from Cincinnati before I left that place I have purchased about thirteen Hundred Dollars worth of articles in this place to be sent on Shortly Consisting of a good assortment of tin ware Glass Ware Iron Castings etc the Steam Boat I came up in broke its crank 15 Miles below this place I then got in to another which only went 3 Miles farther & she run a ground. I then went with Others into a wagon and came on up 12 miles in 3 Hours I expect to get to the City in three or four days if I Should have no accidents to attend me from this on. I may perhaps be detained there 3 or 4 weeks after which time I shall endeavour to make my way home as Speedily as possible. I expect to return through Kentucky if I do I will Call & See your fathers family & bring you the news from there. I expect you will not hear from me again until I reach the City. tell Uncle Jack & Bro. Andrew I will write to them from the city I would now but have not time please give my respects to them & the balance of Our friends you will please accept of my warmest love for yourself & Our Son both of whom I hope are enjoying good health. I remain your unworthy Husband through life.

Saml Ringo

Samuel Ringo is listed in the 1840 census record of Clay County, Missouri, with a family of:

1 male 40 to 50
1 female 20 to 30
1 male 20 to 30
1 male 10 to 15
2 males 5 to 10
2 males under 5

Among the historic homes in Liberty, Missouri, was the house of George Horrell built in 1843 by Samuel Ringo (page 178 of Missouri Historical Review for January 1953).

Samuel Ringo was living in Clay County, Missouri, at the time the county was formed from Ray County, January 2, 1822 (page 79 of <u>History of Clay County, Missouri</u>, by William H. Woodson, 1920). Samuel Ringo was a member of the first board of trustees when the town of Liberty was first incorporated May 4, 1829 (page 283 of <u>History of Clay and Platte Counties</u>, <u>Missouri</u>, 1885).

Missouri Historic Sites Catalog, edited by Dorothy J. Caldwell, lists on page 33: Clay County: "Samuel Ringo Home, 'The Pines' (1850's). State Highway 10, near Fairview Avenue, west edge of Liberty. Two-story Southern colonial-style brick; remodeled. Ringo was pioneer merchant and one of original trustees of Liberty."

In 1965 this house was still standing and the address on the mailbox read: Loren Chasteen, 758 Highway 10, Liberty, Mo.

The 1850 census record of Clay County, Missouri, lists:

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30-30 Ringo,	Samuel	52	M	Merchant	born Ky.
	Elizabeth	38	F		do
	John W.	22	M	Physician	Mo
	Richard A.	20	M	Merchant	do
	Charles S.	18	M	do	do
	S. A.	16	M	Student	do
	Florence	12	F		do
	E. D.	10	M		do

Sarah 40 F Ky.

There is a very long obituary of Samuel Ringo which appeared on page 2, column 6, of the Liberty, Missouri, Weekly Tribune, July 7, 1854.

Samuel Ringo left a will in Clay County, Missouri, recorded on page 119, Book D. It was written May 28, 1851, and was probated September 12, 1854.

He is buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri, and his tombstone reads:

Samuel Ringo died July 1, 1854 Aged 56 yrs 2 ms 8 ds

Elizabeth Ashby Wirt came to Missouri with the family of her uncle, John R. Peters, in 1825. She was married the following year. She was a widow for 34 years and remained quite active up until her last days. She visited her son in St. Louis and her daughter in Springfield and her son in Parkville. She was quite a letter writer and signed herself: E. A. Ringo. I have a letter she wrote to Ella B. Hall on March 2, 1880, from St. Louis and another which she wrote to her great grandson, Edward B. Hall, on March 28, 1889 (a month before she died). It was the first letter he ever received and he kept it for that reason. He remembered her as an old lady who smoked a clay pipe. We have a Seth Thomas clock which belonged to her. It still runs and has a loud tick and a brisk strike. The design painted on the lower part shows a boy rolling a hoop. The hoop is a circle of clear glass through which the pendulum shows. A clock very similar to it is in the museum at Arrow Rock, Missouri.

In a letter of January 3, 1889, from Parkville, Missouri, her son, C. S. Ringo, wrote, "Mother arrived in Kansas City from Springfield accompanied by Olly yesterday. Olly reported her looking well and in good health but almost blind. I suppose she will be here about Saturday."

She died and was buried in Parkville, Missouri. Her obituary appeared in the Liberty, Missouri, Advance of 1889 and was reprinted in the Richmond Missourian, Richmond, Missouri, April 19, 1934. It reads:

ELIZABETH ASHBY RINGO. --Mrs. Elizabeth Ashby Ringo, a most highly respected and esteemed lady, died on April 28th, 1889, at the residence of her son, Charles S. Ringo, esq., in Parkville, Platte County, Mo., of apoplexy. Her death was sudden and painless.

She was born in Scott County, Kentucky, October 10, 1810. Her father was the late John Wirt of Clay County, Mo., who died June 1st, 1860. Her mother was a Miss Simms, and connected with the famous Ashby family of Virginia. The Wirt family was also from Virginia.

Mrs. Ringo came to Missouri in the family of the late John R. Peters, Esq., of Clay County, Mo., (who was her uncle), in the year 1825. In coming, she crossed the Ohio river on her birthday.

On the 6th day of April, 1826, Miss Elizabeth Ashby Wirt married the late Samuel Ringo, Sr., Esq., in Clay County, Mo. Her husband died July 1, 1854, at the age of 56 years. For near thirty years prior to his death he was a merchant in Liberty and Richmond, Mo., and was well known for his sterling integrity and consumate ability in business. During a part of this period he was in partnership with his brother, the late Andrew H. Ringo, Esq., of Richmond, Mo. The style of the firm was "S. & A. H. Ringo," and its honor or solvency was never for a moment questioned.

Samuel Ringo and Elizabeth Ashby Wirt Ringo had six children: Dr. John W. Ringo, Richard A. Ringo, Charles S. Ringo, Samuel A. Ringo, Jr., Florence (who married William A. Hall) and Edward V. Ringo.

Samuel Ringo and Elizabeth Ashby Wirt had issue:

- 1111. John W. Ringo (ca 1828-1891), married Rebecca . See page 74.
- 1112. Bichard A. Ringo (ca 1830- ), married Amanda Richardson. See page 75.
- 1113. Charles S. Ringo (1832-1913), married Ruth E. Summers. See page 75.

- 1114. Samuel A. Ringo (1834-1907), married Mary Elizabeth Ellis. See page 77.
- 1115. Delia Florence Ringo (1838-1901), married William Alexander Hall. See page 78.
- 1116. Edward Veloney Ringo (1840-1902), married Virginia Delia Samuel. See page 79.

114. PHILIP RICHARD WIRT (see page 34) was born April 6, 1814, died February 22, 1866, Gallatin, Missouri, married April 26, 1842, Gallatin, Missouri, Mary Elizabeth Cravens (daughter of Dr. John Cravens and Ruhanna Chaplin), born September 23, 1822, in Virginia, died March 1, 1868, Gallatin, Missouri. Both are buried in Brown Cemetery, Gallatin, Daviess County, Missouri.

Philip Wirt dealt in general merchandise as did his two brothers-in-law, Samuel and Andrew Ringo -- see page 53.

There were several articles about the Wirt and Ringo and allied families published in "Ray County Chapters" in the <u>Richmond Missourian</u>, Richmond, Missouri, in 1933 and thereabouts. Miss Edith E. Wirt of Riverside, California, contributed to one of these chapters the Bible records contained in the Bible which her grandfather (Philip Richard Wirt) purchased in 1842. There is also considerable information on the Wirt and Cravens families on page 570 of Settlers by the Long Grey Trail by J. Houston Harrison, 1935.

Philip Richard Wirt and Mary Elizabeth Cravens had issue:

- 1141. Mary Ruhanna Wirt (1843-1905), married Thomas Jefferson Brown. See page 81.
- 1142. John Cravens Wirt, born April 5, 1845, Gallatin, Missouri, died September 23, 1845, Gallatin, Missouri, buried in Brown Cemetery in Gallatin, Missouri.
- 1143. William Edward Wirt (1847-1930), married Ella Marie Stark. See page 81.
- 1144. Margaret Caroline Wirt, born January 11, 1850, Gallatin, Missouri, died December 11, 1851, Gallatin, Missouri, buried in Brown Cemetery, Gallatin, Missouri.
- 1145. Robert I. Wirt, born January 24, 1853, Gallatin, Missouri, died June 21, 1857, Gallatin, Missouri.
- 1146. Philip R. Wirt, Jr., born June 4, 1856, Gallatin, Missouri, died June 5, 1857, Gallatin, Missouri, buried Brown Cemetery, Gallatin, Missouri.
- 1147. Samuel Andrew Ringo Wirt, born June 15, 1862, Gallatin, Missouri, drowned by accident in Grand River, August 7, 1875, buried in Brown Cemetery, Gallatin, Missouri.
- 115. MARGARET SIMMS WIRT (see page 34) was born April 18, 1815, in Kentucky, died February 19, 1874, Richmond, Missouri, married September 2, 1830, Liberty, Missouri, Andrew Hodge Ringo (son of Samuel Ringo and Catherine \_\_\_\_\_\_), born March 14, 1806, in Kentucky, died March 19, 1879. They are both buried in New Cemetery, Richmond, Missouri.

Andrew Hodge Ringo was a merchant in Richmond, Missouri--see page 53.

The family is listed in the 1850 census record of Ray County, Missouri, on page 285:

7-27	Andrew H. Ringo	44	M	Merchant	born Ky.
	Margaret Ringo	35	$\mathbf{F}$		Ky.
	A. W. Perry	40	M	Taylor	Virg.
	Wm. D. Rice	25	M	None	Virg.
	Mary Rice	18	$\mathbf{F}$		Mo.
	Maria L. Ringo	16	$\mathbf{F}$		11
	Martha A. Ringo	12	$\mathbf{F}$		11
	William E. Ringo	10	M		11
	Saml. D. Ringo	8	M		11
	James L. Ringo	1	M		*1

They are also listed on page 315 of the 1860 census record of Ray County, Missouri, as follows:

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2129-2129	A. H. Ringo	54	M	Farmer	born	Ky.
	Marg <sup>rt</sup> ''	45	F			Kу.
	Will E. "	19	M	Drug Clerk		Mo.
	Saml "	17	M	School Student		Mo.
	James "	11	M			Mo.
	Junnie ''	8	$\mathbf{F}$			Mo.
	Alice "	5	F			Mο

Fannie Ringo 3 F Mo. Sallie Ringo 54 F Ky.

Andrew Hodge Ringo was born near Lexington, Kentucky, and he spent his early life there and at Mt. Sterling. He and his brother Samuel Ringo were engaged in the grocery and general mercantile business.

An obituary of Margaret Simms Wirt Ringo was reprinted in the Richmond, Missouri, Richmond Missourian, Thursday, July 27, 1933, with the notation that originally it appeared in an unidentified and undated Richmond, Missouri, newspaper. It reads:

Death of Mrs. A. H. Ringo. -- Again has death entered the family of A. H. Ringo, and this time, the dread destroyer has taken Mrs. Margaret Simms Ringo, his partner through life for well nigh half a century.

Mrs. Ringo had been ill for some time, her death was not unexpected, and on Thursday last she breathed her last sigh, and, surrounded by her children, calmly passed from earth to immortality.

She was born in Kentucky, April 18, 1815, moved to Missouri in 1828, was married in 1830 and moved from Clay to Ray County in 1832, since which time she has resided with her family in this city, being 58 years, 10 months, and 1 day old.

Grief is sacred, yet we can not forbear to extend our sympathies to her afflicted family and remind them that parting here on earth but leads us to the portals of the Celestial City where all must enter.

Her remains were conveyed yesterday to the New Cemetery, and sacredly placed beside her son, followed thither by a large number of sorrowing friends.

Andrew Hodge Ringo and Margaret Simms Wirt had issue:

- 1151. Mary Elizabeth Ringo (1832-1912), married William David Rice. See page 81.
- 1152. Maria Louisa Ringo (1834-1903), married (first) William Barret Tebbs, married (second) David Dale Bullock. See page 82.
- 1153. Margaret Simms Ringo, born February 12, 1836, died May 22, 1844.
- 1154. Martha Ann Ringo, born February 16, 1838, in Missouri, married (first) November 30, 1853, Anderson Watkins Nickols, married (second) November 6, 1865, Benjamin S. Nord (or Ward? or Wood?). He (or she?) died March 28, 1872.
- 1155. William Edward Ringo (1841-1926), married Emma T. Price. See page 82.
- 1156. Samuel Davis Ringo, born March 10, 1843, in Missouri, died May 10, 1924.
- 1157. Catherine Wirt Ringo, born February 17, 1845, died March 8, 1845.
- 1158. Andrew Wirt Ringo, born March 8, 1846, died April 8, 1848.
- 1159. Robert Simms Ringo, born April 24, 1848, died April 24, 1848.
- 115x. James Lomax Ringo, born June 10, 1849, in Missouri, died November 30, 1869, buried in New Cemetery, Richmond, Missouri.
- 115a. Virginia Wirt Ringo (1851- ), married William M. Morse. See page 83.
- 115b. Cora Amanda Ringo, born September 14, 1853, died June 6, 1855.
- 115c. Sarah Alice Ringo, born October 12, 1855, in Missouri, died August 29, 1915, married October 23, 1873, James C. Mason.
- 115d. Laura Frances Ringo, born July 10, 1857, in Missouri, died April 6, 1912.
- 121. ELIZABETH ASHBY LOMAX (see page 34) was born October 20, 1813, Stafford County, Virginia, died February 27, 1893, Wellington, Lafayette County, Missouri, married May 5, 1835, Clay County, Missouri, Thomas Whittlesly Jacobs (son of Maurice Jacobs and Elizabeth Robinson), born August 4, 1809, Madison County, Kentucky, died June 16, 1861, Wellington, Lafayette County, Missouri.

They had issue:

- 1211. Augustus Robinson Jacobs, born December 1836, died October 21, 1882, married Bessie \_\_\_\_\_ and had issue.
- 1212. Maurice Gerard Jacobs, married (first) Elvora Thorp, married (second) Marie E. Kidd. See page 83.

- 1213. Sarah S. Jacobs (1841-1872), married Stephen Benton Elkins. See page 83.
- 1214. Adelbert Lomax Jacobs (1846-1913), married Ruth Euphemia Neff. See page 84.
- 1215. Benjamin A. Jacobs, born April 1849, died October 3, 1850.
- 1216. Elizabeth Jacobs, born 1851, Wellington, Lafayette County, Missouri, died about November 6, 1926, San Diego, California, married November 26, 1876, John E. Jewett.

123. RICHARD SIMMS LOMAX (see page 34) was born 1817 in Stafford County, Virginia, died 1897 Springfield, Missouri, married April 17, 1866, Lexington, Missouri, Mary Forsythe. They had no children.

There is a note on page 2, column 6, of the <u>Liberty Weekly Tribune</u>, Liberty, Missouri, April 27, 1866, which reads: "Marriages. In Lexington on the 17th inst., by Rev. Father Hammill, Richard S. Lomax, Esq., of Wellington, to Miss Mary Forsythe, of St. Louis."

When they lived in Springfield, Missouri, they were naturally acquainted with the Hall family. Florence Ringo Hall was the daughter of his first cousin, Elizabeth Ashby Wirt Ringo. In June 1968 Mary Hall Ausherman recalled, "Uncle Dick and Aunt Mary Lomax—we called them that because they were relatives but they were not really my aunt and uncle—lived on Guy Steet (I think that was the street) in Springfield. Their house was near that of Mr. Kirby, the liquor man. They must have had an orchard as they always had a lot of fruit in their house. They did not have any children. Aunt Mary was a big, jolly woman—very likeable. She was reared in a convent and attended the old Catholic Church on Pine Street in Springfield. She used to take me to the services. After Uncle Dick died a woman lived with Aunt Mary for a while and later this woman married into the Ferguson family. I met her recently when she was here in Springfield visiting."

125. SARAH MARY FRANCES LOMAX (see page 35) was born September 6, 1821, Stafford County, Virginia, died May 9, 1884. She married September 7, 1847, Clay County, Missouri, Ezekiel Rouse, born October 6, 1817, in Kentucky, died July 10, 1888, Clay County, Missouri.

For a while they lived in Grundy County, Missouri, and are listed in the 1850 census record there. The record states he was a lawyer. Later they lived in Jackson County, Missouri, and then in Clay County, Missouri.

They are both buried in the Simms family burial ground in Clay County, Missouri. In 1932 when bronze markers were placed on the graves of Richard Simms' daughters, the accounts incorrectly state that Sarah M. F. Simms Rouse was also a daughter. She was not; she was a granddaughter of Richard Simms.

On July 13, 1888, the Liberty Tribune, Liberty, Missouri, carried this notice:

Ezekiel Rouse, an old citizen of this city and county, died at the residence of his son-in-law, E. D. Miller, Tuesday morning, of paralysis. He was buried Wednesday forenoon at the family burying grounds, north of town. Deceased was 71 years of age at the time of death and his life was that of a good citizen.

Ezekiel Rouse left an estate in Clay County, Missouri. The papers concerning it, in Box 128, indicate he died about 1888 without leaving a will. Edward D. Miller was administrator. According to one of the papers his heirs were:

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Anna R. Tate, Eldorado Springs, Missouri

Mary E. Corum (or Crum), Colorado Springs, Colorado

Lizzie Coats, Salt Lake, Utah Territory

Sallie A. Miller, Clay County, Missouri

Van E. Rouse, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Ollie D. Rouse, Colorado Springs, Colorado

and

Lee R. Turner, Colorado Springs, Colorado

-- a grandson
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Ezekiel Rouse and Sarah Mary Frances Lomax had issue:

1251. Anna L. Rouse, born about 1848 in Missouri, married May 16, 1878, Clay County, Missouri, Thomas W. Tate. In 1888 she was living in Eldorado Springs, Missouri.
1252. Mary Etta Rouse (ca 1849- ), married J. J. Corum. See page 84.

- 1253. Bennetta Lomax Rouse, born February 11, 1852, died September 18, 1870. She is buried in the Simms burial ground in Clay County, Missouri.
- 1254. Van E. Rouse, born about 1855 in Missouri. In 1888 he was living in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The 1880 census record lists him as a teacher.
- 1255. Ollie D. Rouse, born about 1857 in Missouri. She is listed in the 1880 census of El Paso County, Colorado, as living in Colorado Springs with her brother, V. E. Rouse. She is listed as L. D. Rouse, aged 23, a seamstress. They were living next door to the J. J. Corum family.
- 1256. Lizzie Rouse, married \_\_\_\_\_ Coats. In 1888 she was living in Salt Lake, Utah.
- 1257. Sallie A. Rouse (1860-1919), married Edward Dorsey Miller. See page 84.
- 1258. Maddie Lee Rouse (1862-1884), married H. B. Turner. See page 84.
- 1259. Eliza Tabitha Rouse, born September 3, 1864, died July 31, 1865. She is buried in the Simms family burial ground in Clay County, Missouri.
- 152. MARY JANE SIMMS (see page 37) was born October 1, 1837, Clay County, Missouri, died March 25, 1915. She married (first) March 20, 1856, Clay County, Missouri, Benjamin Leitch (the name was also sometimes spelled Leach), born about 1827 in Virginia, died September 1860 Clay County, Missouri. She married (second) December 3, 1861, Clay County, Missouri, John H. Robinson.

Benjamin Leitch and Mary Jane Simms had issue:

1521. Benjamin Leitch, born about 1859 in Missouri.

John H. Robinson and Mary Jane Simms had issue:

1522. John H. Robinson, born July 17, 1867, died October 31, 1888. According to an item in the <u>Liberty Tribune</u>, Liberty, Missouri, Friday, November 2, 1888, "John Robinson, of Providence neighborhood, died Wednesday of typhoid fever. He was 22 years of age."

1523, another child.

153. RICHARD ALVIN SIMMS (see page 37) was born December 23, 1839, Clay County, Missouri, died September 23, 1909, Goldendale, Washington, where he is buried. He married (first) December 19, 1861, near Paradise, Clay County, Missouri, Mary Jane Garner (daughter of James Conoway Garner and Lettittia Ann Hall), born November 20, 1842, Clay County, Missouri, died May 21, 1886, Goldendale, Washington, where she is buried. He married (second) 1890 Julia A. Goff (daughter of Stephen Goff and Persis Bates), born 1842 in Massachusetts, died October 25, 1917.

The Bible of Mary Garner Simms (given her by her mother, Lutitia A. Garner), containing the family records, was owned in 1967 by Mrs. John Marshall Van Hoy (Mary Jane Harris), who was named for her grand-mother.

Richard A. Simms enlisted August 11, 1864, as a private in "43 Regt. Inf. Vols. Co. C," under Captain Brown. He enlisted at Maysville, Missouri. This was in the Union army. His service record bears the notation, "Deserted Oct. 3, '64, on march from Hamilton, Mo., to St. Joseph, Mo."

Later he enlisted in the Confederate army and served as a private in Company H, 11th Regiment of Missouri Infantry, commanded by Capt. B. T. Davis. This company surrendered at New Orleans, Louisiana, May 26, 1865, and was paroled at Alexandria, Louisiana, June 7, 1865.

There is an article about the Garner family on page 23 of the October 1968 issue of  $\underline{\text{The Kansas City}}$  Genealogist.

Mary J. Garner Simms was first buried in the old cemetery but was later moved to rest between her husband and her son. Julia A. Simms is buried on the other side of Richard Alvin Simms.

There is a biographical sketch of Richard Alvin Simms on page 422 of <u>History of Klickitat</u>, <u>Yakima</u>, and <u>Kittitas</u> Counties, Washington, 1904:

RICHARD A. SIMMS, one of the many well-to-do and prosperous farmers of Klickitat county, resides on his well improved ranch, three and a half miles southeast of Goldendale. He was born in Clay Co., Missouri, Dec. 23, 1839, the son of John H. and Martha (Huffman) Simms. His







MARY JANE (GARNER) SIMMS and RICHARD ALVIN SIMMS



DAUGHTERS OF RICHARD AND MARY SIMMS from left: Emma, Dora, Margaret, Martha, Amanda, and Frances

father, a native of Stafford county, Virginia, born in 1794, and a member of an old English family was a farmer by occupation. In 1826 he removed to Clay Co., Missouri, and he died in Holt county. that state, in 1874. Having served in the War of 1812, he was a pensioner and his wife still draws a pension from the government on account of the services he rendered in that conflict. His wife was born in Missouri, in 1824, to Irish and Dutch parentage. She still lives in Falls City, Nebraska. Richard A. of this article, grew to manhood on the parental farm near Liberty, in Clay Co. He received a common school education, then followed farming until the outbreak of the Civil War. In 1863 he enlisted in the Union army, at St. Joe, Missouri, and later he served with the Confederate forces, though he was not in favor of slavery or secession. At the close of the war he moved to Holt county, Missouri, with his father and brothers and he lived there three years, going then to Atchison county, where he resided until 1874. His next move was to Benton county, Oregon. There he lived for three and a half years, but in 1877 he again moved coming to Klickitat county. He homesteaded his present place shortly after his arrival, and upon it he has lived continuously since. He was here during the Indian scare of 1878, but paying no attention to the excitement all around continued at his work. He has added to his original property by taking a pre-emption claim and an 80 acre timber culture claim, in the mountains near-by, and his realty holdings at present consist of about 600 acres; his home place being a tract of 360 acres of rich farming land. He raises wheat, barley and other farm produce, also an abundance of fruit for the market. Among the many improvements on his place is a good house with modern conveniences.

Mr. Simms has been married twice. On December 19, 1861, he wedded Miss Mary Garner, and to this union 10 children were born, of whom 8 are still living, namely, Mrs. Luanna Lee Harris and Mrs. Emma M. Vanhoy, in Goldendale; Mrs. Dora J. Harris and Mrs. Margaret N. Hull, in the county; John A., in Woodland, Washington; Richard M., deceased; James A., the eldest son who died September 24, 1903; Mrs. Martha G. Tallman, in Klickitat county; Mrs. Amanda B. Chappell, in Goldendale; and Mrs. Frances A. Imlay, on the Columbus road. Mr. Simms' first wife died on the 21st of May, 1886, and in 1890 he married again, the lady this time being Miss Julia A. Goff, who was born in Massachusetts in 1842, and brought up in Wisconsin. Her father, Stephen Goff, a native of the Old Bay State, passed away in 1873, at the age of eighty-one. Her mother, whose maiden name was Persis Bates, was likewise a native of Massachusetts and is also deceased, having passed away in 1879, at the age of 79 years and 8 months. Mr. Simms is a member of the Grange in school district number 6, and both he and his wife belong to the Presbyterian church. In politics, his is a prohibitionist. A man of sterling honesty and benevolent disposition, and in all respects a thoroughly good citizen, he stands high in the esteem and good will of his neighbors and associates.

Mrs. Charles D. Chappell (Wilma Banks Ehle) wrote January 24, 1966: "We have been talking, remembering things my husband's mother told him through the years. One incident she told of would have been when she was at least 9 years old. The Ladies Aid learned that the Simms children 'did the chores' in bare feet all year and feeling that this was a needy family they collected a large box of clothing and took it to the family. Richard A. Simms was terribly angry and assured the good ladies he could provide for his family and ordered them from the place. At this time he said, 'We are better than they are . . . We are English and have Royal Blood.' This statement seems to have been made to his family after the ladies left. Richard A. Simms directed in his will that after Julia's death everything be sold and the monies divided between his living children, as he didn't want the mess that his grandfather's death created. So there has been nothing for anyone to cherish other than a few pictures."

Richard Alvin Simms and Mary Jane Garner had issue:

- 1531. James Alvin Simms (1864-1902), married Henrietta Sara Henroid. See page 84.
- 1532. Lou Anna Lee Simms (1867-1927), married John P. Harris. See page 85.
- 1533. Emma Marian Simms (1869-1961), married (first) Oscar Hamilton Van Hoy, married (second) Stephen Douglas Peckenpaugh. See page 85.
- 1534. Dora Jane Simms (1871-1961), married William Lafayette Harris. See page 87.
- 1535. Margaret Nellie Simms (1873-1958), married (first) George Albert Hull, married (second) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Black See page 87.
- 1536. Richard Marshall Simms, born September 16, 1876, Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, died August 15, 1885, Klickitat County, Oregon. He was a twin of John Ashby Simms.
- 1537. John Ashby Simms (1876-1953), married Ethel Fisher. See page 87.
- 1538. Martha Garner Benton Simms (1879-1963), married Charles Austin Tallman. See page 87.
- 1539. Amanda Byrd Simms (1881-1957), married (first) Charles Darwin Chappell, married (second) Raymond E.

Carrau. See page 88.

153x. Frances Adelaide Simms (1883-1964), married John Alexander Imlay. See page 88.

158. SARAH FRANCES SIMMS (see page 38) was born October 25, 1850, Clay County, Missouri, died Falls City, Nebraska, married March 12, 1872, Holt County, Missouri, George W. Story, who died 1928.

A newspaper clipping (from an unidentified newspaper) reads:

Mrs. Sarah Story Claimed by Death; Ancestors Famous

Mrs. Sarah Frances Story, 84-year old Richardson county pioneer and a member of the famous Simms family from Virginia, passed away at 4 o'clock this morning at the residence at 1513 Harlan street.

Death was due to complications of old age and followed a six months illness.

Mrs. Story's ancestors were closely associated with the Revolutionary war and some of them were cast in important roles in the early development of the state of Missouri.

Mrs. Story, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Simms, was born October 25, 1850, in Clay County, Mo., near Liberty.

She married George W. Story March 12, 1872, in Holt county, Mo., the couple moving to this county and settling near Stella 56 years ago.

The couple had seven children, three of whom preceded their mother in death. Mr. Story, a retired farmer, died in 1928.

Mrs. Story was a member of the Falls City Christian church.

Her father was a native of Missouri and was a slave owner and landholder in that state.

Her grandfather, Captain Richard Simms, was a captain in the Third Virginia Infantry during the Revolution. The Simms family was among the earliest of Missouri's pioneers and the captain once owned the site on which now is located Excelsior Springs. He was a widely known slave owner.

Mrs. Story's uncle, Colonel Charles Simms, was with George Washington at Valley Forge and Brandywine and was one of the first president's pall-bearers.

Surviving Mrs. Story are three daughters, Mrs. Fred Knickerbocker and Miss Verna Story, both of Falls City, and Mrs. Stella Stoltz, Onaga, Kas., and one son, Wilbur Story, Falls City.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed but burial will be in Steele cemetery.

George W. Story and Sarah Frances Simms had issue:

- 1581. a daughter who married Fred Knickerbocker.
- 1582. Verna Story
- 1583. Stella Story, married \_\_\_\_\_ Stoltz.
- 1584. Wilbur Story.
- 1585. three other children.

15x. BETTY ASHBY SIMMS (see page 38) was born June 8, 1858, in Missouri, died January 9, 1935, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, married December 9, 1880, Cadmus Marcellus Slaughter. Both are buried in Edmond, Oklahoma.

Cadmus Marcellus Slaughter and Betty Ashby Simms had issue: 15x1. Bernice Pallas Slaughter, born August 16, 1881, near Craig, Holt County, Missouri, married September 22,

- 1903, Chandler, Oklahoma, H. E. Kanaga. They did not have any children. She lived in Marionville, Missouri, at one time. In 1949 her address was 427 Normal Circle, Edmond, Oklahoma. She was quite interested in the family history and wrote many letters about it.
- 5x2. Thaddeus Cooper Slaughter (1885-1944), married Emma Randall. See page 88.
- .5x3. Cadmus Marcellus Slaughter, Jr. (1887-1922), married Ethel Saxon. See page 88.
- .5x4. Herbert Ewart Gladstone Slaughter, born March 12, 1895, Oketo, Kansas, married Florence Lacey. They lived in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. They had no children.
- 161. VIENNA STROTHER SIMMS PETERS (see page 39) was born May 26, 1822, Anderson County, Kentucky, died May 2, 1868, Liberty, Missouri, married November 2 (or November 5), 1842, William H. McCoun, born February 13, 1819, Mercer County, Kentucky, died April 7, 1857, Caborca, Sonora, Mexico, while serving with Gen. Crabb's expedition.

"The family was always very careful to spell the name McCOUN, a Scotch spelling," according to Conn Withers. William H. McCoun was a state senator.

During her widowhood Vienna Peters McCoun conducted a school in Liberty, Missouri. She is buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri. She and her family are listed in the 1860 census record of Clay County, Missouri, as living with her father (see page 38).

William H. McCoun and Vienna Simms Peters had issue:

- 1611. James Philip McCoun, born April 4, 1844, died October 3, 1844.
- 1612. William Ernest McCoun, born August 4, 1845, died November 1, 1905, Laramie, Wyoming, married December 6, 1872, Susie Patterson.
- 1613. Frank Henry McCoun, born May 25, 1848, died September 22, 1856. He was killed by an "unloaded gun" at play by his brother William. He is buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri.
- 1614. Ella Esther McCoun (1850-1906), married Conn Withers. See page 88.
- 162. AUGUSTA PETERS (see page 39) was born September 26, 1823, Versailles, Woodford County, Kentucky, died 1910, married (first) July 21, 1842, Clay County, Missouri, Rev. James M. Inskeep, born about 1800 in Virginia, died November 11, 1849. She married (second) March 17, 1853, Clay County, Missouri, Col. Thomas Coleman Younger, born 1809, St. Charles, Missouri.

Rev. James M. Inskeep was pastor of the Presbyterian Church in St. Joseph, Missouri, when he died. He is buried in the Simms family burial ground in Clay County, Missouri. His tombstone read: "Sacred to the Memory of the Rev. James M. Inskeep, who departed this life Nov. 11, 1849, aged 40 years."

She is listed on page 347 of the 1850 census record of Clay County, Missouri. She was living in Liberty next door to her father, John R. Peters. The record reads:

658-658 Inskipt, Augusta 25 F born Ky.
Florence 4 F Mo.

Information on the Younger family was furnished by Mr. T. L. Smith, 3529 Wooten Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76133, and by Mrs. Charles W. Creek, 2709 Cassia Street, Boise, Idaho 83705.

Thomas Coleman Younger was born 1809 in St. Charles, Missouri, the son of Charles Lee Younger. His mother was Nancy Tony, according to Mr. Smith. Mrs. Creek states that his mother was Sarah Sullivan Purcell. He married (first) January 30, 1829, Eleanor Murry. He married (second) March 15, 1846, Rebecca J. K. Smith, born 1826 in Missouri. He married (third) March 17, 1853, Clay County, Missouri, Mrs. Augusta (Peters) Inskeep.

Col. Coleman Younger was an uncle of the outlaw Cole Younger and his brothers. The family always regarded Col. Coleman Younger as a very fine gentleman.

By his first marriage he had the following children: Ruth Jane Younger, Charles Bruce Younger, Helen S. Younger, Frances Younger, Andrew M. Younger.

By his second marriage he had one son, Coleman Younger, born about 1847 in Missouri.

There is a biographical sketch of Col. Coleman Younger on page 326 of <u>Historical and Biographical</u> Record of the Coast Counties of California by James Miller Guinn, 1904:

COL. COLEMAN YOUNGER. From the time of coming to California in 1851 until his death almost forty years afterward, Colonel Younger was a leading stock-raiser of Santa Clara county and held a prominent position among the stockmen of the Pacific coast. As early as 1858 he sent east for some fine Durham cattle and afterward gave his attention principally to full-blood Shorthorns, of which he was the originator on the coast. The reputation of his stock spread all over this western country. His sales were not limited to the west, but he also made shipments to Central America, British Columbia, Japan and the islands of the Pacific ocean. The Forest Home stock farm comprises eighty acres adjoining the city of San Jose and since the colonel's death, under the management of members of the family, has continued to be a headquarters for blooded Shorthorn cattle.

The history of the Younger family shows that seven brothers of that name bore a part in the Revolutionary war. Colonel Younger, whose title came to him through service on the staff of the governor of Missouri, was born in St. Charles, Mo., in 1809. His father, Charles Younger, a native of North Carolina, settled in Kentucky and from there moved to St. Charles, Mo., but the Indians were so hostile that he went back to Kentucky; returning later, however, to Missouri, and settling on a farm near Liberty, Clay county. The boyhood years of Colonel Younger were passed on the farm in Clay county and after arriving at man's estate he took up agricultural pursuits in the same county. With general farming he successfully combined stock-raising. During the existence of the Whig party he supported its tenets and upon its disintegration allied himself with the Democrats. His high standing as a citizen led to his election as a member of the Missouri legislature, where he rendered capable service to his constituents.

May 7, 1851, Colonel Younger left New Orleans en route to California. He crossed the Gulf of Mexico and the country of that name, then proceeded up the Pacific, paying \$150 for the passage of himself and servant to San Jose. While on the way here he stopped in the city of Mexico and was there offered an excellent position by the president of Mexico, but this he declined, preferring to remain in the United States. In 1849 his wife's father, Major William Smith, had come to California, and the colonel therefore did not find himself entirely among strangers.

Settling in San Jose, he served as deputy county recorder under John Murphy and about the same time purchased the property where much of his subsequent life was spent. Here he established his home in 1850 and took up farming and stock pursuits. The property comprised two hundred and eleven acres, all practically in the original condition of nature. Not a tree could be seen on the entire tract, and the other indications were those of the frontier.

By his first marriage Colonel Younger had the following named sons and daughters: Mrs. Ruth Jane Coffin, of San Francisco; Charles Bruce, an attorney in Santa Cruz; Mrs. Helen Evans, wife of a minister at Millersburg, Ky.; Mrs. Frances Williams, who died in Kentucky; Andrew, a prominent attorney, who died in California; and Coleman, who is engaged in the stock business in Mexico. In 1852 Colonel Younger returned to Missouri and at Liberty, March 17, 1853, was united in marriage with Mrs. Augusta (Peters) Inskeep, who was born in Versailles, Woodford county, Ky. Her father, John R. Peters, was born in Norfolk, Va., and married Frances Simms, who was born in Stafford, Va. During the Revolutionary war her grandfather, Richard Simms, bore an active part in the struggle for independence. From the Old Dominion he removed to Kentucky and thence to Clay county, Mo., where his life terminated at the great age of one hundred and two years. The paternal grandfather of Mrs. Younger was Ashby Peters, a planter living first in Virginia and afterwards in Kentucky. In a family of five daughters, Mrs. Younger was next to the oldest and is now the sole survivor. From childhood she made her home in Liberty, Mo. At an early age she became the wife of Rev. James Inskeep, a Virginian, who died in 1849 while holding the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church in St. Joseph, Mo. Two children were born of that union, of whom Florence alone survives.

May 18, 1853, Colonel and Mrs. Younger, with the latter's daughter Florence, started across the plains. With them came Mr. Wells, the colonel's partner, also a party of thirty men. They brought five wagons, five hundred head of Missouri cattle, thirty horses, and the largest mules ever brought to California, these latter bringing a very high price when sold. The trip was

made without any incident of importance until they had crossed the border into California, when they were attacked by Indians on the present site of Bodie. Mrs. Younger accidentally fell and dislocated her hip, so that she was obliged to use crutches for a year. The family reached San Jose in November, 1853, and at first settled in town, later removing to the farm in the suburbs. They soon became prominent in the Roman Catholic Church, of which Mrs. Younger is a member and she is further identified with the Santa Clara County Pioneers' Association. She has witnessed the development of this valley from its early days and has taken a warm interest in all enterprises benefiting the community. With other pioneers she cheerfully endured the hardships of the '50s, and it has been her good fortune to survive to enjoy the comforts of twentieth century civilization. The first apple that she ate in California was sent to her by Benjamin Holliday, an old acquaintance from Missouri, and cost \$1.50. Of her marriage to Colonel Younger five children were born, namely: Edward, who is engaged in farm pursuits and stock-raising at Forest Home stock farm; Mrs. Alice Lee Gally, of San Jose; Augusta, also of San Jose; Mrs. Rosalea Irvine, of San Francisco; and Harry Lee, who died in boyhood.

Rev. James M. Inskeep and Augusta Peters had issue:

- 1621. Florence Inskeep, born about 1846 in Missouri.
- 1622. a child who died.
  - Col. Thomas Coleman Younger and Augusta Peters had issue:
- 1623. Edward Younger, born about 1855, died at age 80. He married Sarah McAdams of Boston, Massachusetts. In 1904 he was engaged in farm pursuits and stock raising at Forest Home Stock Farm in San Jose, California. Like his father, he was a breeder of race horses.
- 1624. Alice Lee Younger, born about 1857, married \_\_\_\_\_ Gally of San Jose, California.
- 1625. John P. Younger, born about 1858 in San Jose, California, died September 30, 1863, San Jose, California, aged 5 years and buried in Oak Hill Memorial Cemetery in San Jose.
- 1626. Augusta Younger, born about 1862.
- 1627. Harry Lee Younger, born about 1865, died in boyhood.
- 1628. Rosalea Younger, born about 1868, married \_\_\_\_\_ Irvine of San Francisco, California.

163. MARY PETERS (see page 39) was born November 13, 1826, in Missouri, died July 16, 1876. She married September 5, 1848, Clay County, Missouri, Martin Ringo (son of Peter Ringo 1791-1859 and Margaret Henderson 1794-1849), born October 1, 1819, in Kentucky, died July 30, 1864, in Wyoming.

On June 7, 1846, at Liberty, Missouri, Martin Ringo enlisted as a private in Company C, commanded by Capt. O. P. Moss, in the First Regiment of Missouri Mounted Volunteers, commanded by Col. A. W. Doniphan. This was during the Mexican War. He was mustered into service at Fort Leavenworth and was honorably discharged at New Orleans, Louisiana, June 21, 1847. He was issued a warrant for 160 acres of bounty land on September 9, 1847.

Martin Ringo's father, Peter Ringo, was a first cousin of Samuel Ringo (who married Elizabeth Ashby Wirt) and Andrew Hodge Ringo (who married Margaret Simms Wirt)—see note on the Ringo family in the back of this book. Peter Ringo lived in Wayne County, Indiana. Some time after the Mexican War Martin Ringo and his family returned to Wayne County, Indiana, and are listed on page 122 of the 1850 census record as living in Washington in Clay Township:

665-665 Martin Ringo	31	M	born Ky.
Mary ''	24	F	Mo.
John P. "	2/12	M	Ind.
Sarah Singer	26	F	Ohio

In 1864 the family set out across the plains to California. Martin Ringo was killed accidentally on this trip. His death is announced on page 2, column 1, of the <u>Liberty Tribune</u>, Liberty, Missouri, September 9, 1864:

Death of Martin Ringo, Esq. -- We regret to announce the death of Martin Ringo, formerly of this city, but more recently of Gallatin, Mo. He was killed by the accidental discharge of his gun between Ft. Laramie and Salt Lake, on his way to California. The load entered his eye and came out the top of his head, scattering his brains in all directions. Mr. Ringo was esteemed by his acquaintances as one of the best men, and his sad fate will be deeply regretted. His

family continued their journey to California.

There is a much longer and very graphic account of this accident in the <u>Liberty Tribune</u> of September 16, 1864, page 1, column 7. It states that Martin Ringo was killed while crossing the plains in a wagon train July 30, 1864. He was buried near where he was shot.

Martin Ringo and Mary Peters had issue:

- 1631. John Peters Ringo (1850-1883). See page 89.
- 1632. Martin Albert Ringo, born January 28, 1854, died August 29, 1873.
- 1633. Fanny Fern Ringo (1857- ), married Frank Moses Jackson. See page 90.
- 1634. Mary Enna Ringo, born May 2, 1860. She remained unmarried. For fifty years she was a teacher in the San Jose, California, schools.
- 1635. Mattie Bell Ringo (1862- ), married William Le Baron Cushing. See page 90.

165. ENFIELD S. PETERS (see page 39) was born October 15, 1830, in Missouri, died December 3, 1867. She married June 28, 1848, Robert Hugh Miller (son of John E. Miller and Mary A. T. Rogers), born November 27, 1826, Richmond, Virginia, died February 14, 1911, Liberty, Missouri. They are both buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri. They were Presbyterians.

One record gives her name as Enna F. Peters.

After her death, Robert Hugh Miller married (second) May 3, 1871, Louise (or Lulu) Wilson (daughter of John Wilson of Platte County, Missouri), born August 7, 1847, died April 30, 1933. She is also buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri. They had five children: Roy, Bessie, Ida, Clark, and May.

Missouri Historic Sites Catalog by Dorothy J. Caldwell lists on page 33 (Clay County):

Robert Miller Home, "Forest Hill." Main House (1857, includes log cabin 1820) 436 Wilson Street.

Original Cyrus Curtis log cabin of 1820 added to in 1824, 1829, and 1836, and incorporated, 1857, into large two-story Southern colonial-style brick by Robert Miller, founder of Liberty Tribune, 1846. Original log section in ell now weatherboarded.

Robert Hugh Miller moved with his parents from Virginia to Barren County, Kentucky, and then to Missouri. He was the founder of the Liberty Tribune and continued for many years as its sole proprietor. There are biographical accounts of him in the following books:

The United States Biographical Dictionary and Portrait Gallery of Eminent and Self-Made Men. Missouri Volume. 1878. Page 321.

History of Clay and Platte Counties, Missouri. 1885. Page 350.

History of Clay, Ray, Carroll, Chariton and Lynn Counties, Missouri. 1893. Page 184.

He is listed on page 345 of the 1850 census record of Clay County, Missouri, as living in Liberty:

622-622 Miller, Robt 24 M Printer born Va.
Enfield 20 F Mo.
Millard F. 4/12 M "
Markley, Chas. H. 22 M Printer "

Robert Hugh Miller and Enfield S. Peters had issue:

- 1651. Millard F. Miller, born May 15, 1850, died April 16, 1864, buried April 17, 1864, Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri.
- 1652. Belle Miller (1852-1907), married John J. Stogdale. See page 90.
- 1653. Eugene Miller, buried July 2, 1855.
- 1654. Julia Miller (1855-1918), married Edwin Withers. See page 90.
- 1655. Hugh Miller, married Elizabeth Robertson. He lived in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1893.
- 1656. Enna Cora Miller, died January 4, 1863.
- 1657. Irving Miller (1864-1943), married (first) Ola Lowrey, married (second) Ola Hon. See page 90.

182. ELIZABETH SIMMS (see page 42) was born about 1828 in Missouri, married April 5, 1857, saptist Church, Clinton County, Missouri, James J. Price, born about 1828 in North Carolina.

They are listed on page 76 of the 1860 census record of DeKalb County, Missouri:

512-512	James J. Price	32	M	born N. C.
	Elizabeth	32	F	Mo.
	Malissa J.	12	F	t <del>t</del>
	Catherine D.	9	F	tt
	Eliza A.	5	F	Texas
	Mary A.	2	F	Mo.
	Theodora	10/12	F	11

Since James J. Price and Elizabeth Simms were married in 1857 it would seem that the first three shildren listed in this census record were by a previous marriage of James J. Price. One wonders if the first vife died in Texas and the husband returned to Missouri and married again.

The indications are that James J. Price and Elizabeth Simms had issue:

- 1821. Mary A. Price, born about 1858 in Missouri.
- 1822. Theodora Price, born May 1859 in Missouri.
- 1823. possibly others.

183. FRANCES SIMMS (see page 42) was born about 1829 in Missouri, married September 2, 1852, Missionary Baptist Church, Clinton County, Missouri, Henry Price, born about 1830 in North Carolina.

They are listed in the 1860 census record of Clinton County, Missouri, Lafayette Township, on page

32:

212-212	W. H. Price	30	M	Farmer	born N. C.
	Frances M.	31	F		Mo.
	Petty	6	$\mathbf{F}$		**
	Flaurence	4	F		11
	Nancy	3	$\mathbf{F}$		11
	Richard	2	M		11
	Strother H. Simms	28	M	Farm laborer	Mo.

This indicates that Henry Price was really W. Henry Price. They apparently had issue:

- 1831. Petty (Patty?) Price, born about 1854 in Missouri.
- 1832. Florence Price, born about 1856 in Missouri.
- 1833. Nancy Price, born about 1857 in Missouri.
- 1834. Richard Price, born about 1858 in Missouri.
- 1835. possibly others.

311. JOSIAH SIMS (see page 43) was born April 16, 1839 (or 1840), Montgomery County, Indiana, died October 26, 1915, Oxford, Benton County, Indiana, married (first) July 26, 1866, Porter County, Indiana, Maria Meadows. He married (second) October 17, 1874, Newton County, Indiana, Mrs. Catherine (Lane) Meadows, born 1852 in Indiana, died May 1908. He married (third) Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Adams.

Mr. George E. Neeley, who is a great grandson of Josiah Sims, wrote September 9, 1968, "Josiah Sims was born April 16, 1840, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, near Independence in Warren County. Josiah's family used the Sims spelling although in 1850 he was living with a Wesley Marlowe and used the spelling Syms. I believe his mother was a Coghill or Cowgill. For many years there was a Sims-Marlowe reunion at Attica in Fountain County. Josiah lived for a short time around Joplin, Missouri, and also near Momence, Illinois. I recall my grandmother referring to an uncle "Harv" or uncle "Doc" serving with her father in the Civil War. The Presley Sims in Porter County 1880 was a brother to Josiah. Their father's name not documented at this date."

On April 2, 1969, Mr. Neeley wrote, "An Indiana State Board of Health death certificate gives Josiah Sims' father as Presley Sims (the one known as Jr., I presume) and his mother as Nancy Coghill. Date of birth listed as April 16, 1839 (I had April 16, 1840). Also gave place of birth as Montgomery County, Indiana. He died October 26, 1915, Oxford, Benton County, Indiana."

Josiah Sims enlisted August 2, 1862, in the 20th Battery Indiana Artillery at Indianapolis, Indiana, and was discharged June 28, 1865, at Indianapolis and returned to Pine Village, Warren County, Indiana. It is interesting to note that George W. Sims (son of Burwell Simms and Elizabeth Hobson) enlisted in the same battery at the same time and as discharged at the same time.

Josiah Sims' second wife, Mrs. Catherine (Lane) Meadows, had been previously married--August 10, 1871, Newton County, Indiana--to Thomas Meadows and by this marriage there were two children: Harry Meadows, and Emma Meadows who died as a child.

Josiah Sims had no children by his third marriage.

Josiah Sims is listed in the 1880 census record of Porter County, Indiana.

Josiah Sims and his first wife, Maria Meadows, had issue:

- 3111. Frank Sims, born about 1867 in Indiana.
- 3112. Thomas Sims, born about 1869 in Indiana.
- 3113. Mary Sims, born about 1872 in Indiana, married March 31, 1889, Porter County, Indiana, George Smith. She is listed in the 1880 census record of Porter County, Indiana, as living with her grandmother, Elizabeth Meadows

Josiah Sims and his second wife, Catherine Lane, had issue:

- 3114. George B. Sims, born 1875 in Indiana.
- 3115. Ella M. Sims, born 1876 in Indiana. She was the grandmother of Mr. George E. Neeley, who in 1969 was proprietor of George Neeley's Men's Shop, 114 Lincolnway, Valparaiso, Indiana.
- 3116. Albert Sims, born 1879 in Indiana, died in childhood.
- 3117. John Sims, born 1882, died in West.
- 3118. James Sims, born 1884, unmarried.
- 3119. Preslev Sims, born 1887, died about 1942 in Battle Creek, Michigan,
- 311x. Estelle Sims, born 1888, died 1926, Kouts, Porter County, Indiana, married C. A. Carpenter. No issue.
- 311a. Charles Sims, born 1890, died Porter County, Indiana.
- 311b. Ollie Benjamin Sims, born 1891, died 1931.
- 311c. Pearl Sims, born November 7, 1893, died 1968, Kouts, Porter County, Indiana, married Roy David.
- 311d. Joanne Sims, born 1897, married Homer Hickman. In 1968 she was living in Kouts, Porter County, Indiana.

	312.	PRESLEY	SIMS (see page 44)	was born	about 1851	in Indiana,	married Ruth	,	born
about 1852 in	Indian	а.							

They are listed in the 1880 census record of Porter County, Indiana, and the census record indicates that they had the following children:

- 3121. A. Nancy Sims, born about 1871 in Indiana.
- 3122. B. Carrie Sims, born about 1873 in Indiana.
- 3123. E. Estelle Sims, born about 1876 in Indiana.
- 3124. Irvin Sims, born about 1879 in Indiana.
- 3125. possibly others.

331. HARVEY SIMMS (see page 45) was born about 1814 in Kentucky, married Hannah \_\_\_\_\_, born about 1820.

In the 1850 census record of Sullivan County, Indiana, Harvey Simms and Jesse Simms are listed on the same page--apparently they were living very near each other in Haddon Township. This rather suggests that Harvey Simms was the son of Jesse Simms. That census record, on page 223, reads:

331-333	Harvey Simms	36	M	Laborer	born Ky.	
	Hannah Simms	30	F		-	
	Mary J.	11	F		born Ind.	
	Rebecca A.	9	$\mathbf{F}$		**	
	Elisha	7	M		F1	
	Nancy	1	$\mathbf{F}$		***	

Harvey Simms is listed on page 859 of the 1860 census record of Cass Township, Sullivan County,

Indiana:

1054-1067	Harvey 8	Sims	39	M	Farmer	born Ind.
	Hannah	11	37	F		Ky.
	Emily	11	15	$\mathbf{F}$		Ind.
	Elisha	11	12	M		11
	Mary	11	10	$\mathbf{F}$		*1
	Sarah	11	8	F		11
	Susana	11	5	F		11
	Nancy	11	3	$\mathbf{F}$		11
	Minerva	11	4/12	F		11

Probably by 1860 Mary and Rebecca were married. But one wonders where Emily was in 1850 and why Elisha, who was 7 in 1850, was only 12 in 1860. Census records are not always accurate.

Apparently Harvey Simms and his wife Hannah had issue:

- 3311. Mary J. Simms, born about 1839 in Indiana.
- 3312. Rebecca A. Simms, born about 1841 in Indiana.
- 3313. Elisha Simms, born about 1843 in Indiana. Possibly he is the Elisha C. Simms who married September 7, 1869, Sullivan County, Indiana, Sarah A. Mason.
- 3314. Nancy Simms, born about 1849 in Indiana.
- 3315. Emily Simms, born about 1845 in Indiana.
- 3316. Mary Simms, born about 1850 in Indiana.
- 3317. Sarah Simms, born about 1852 in Indiana.
- 3318. Susanna Simms, born about 1855 in Indiana.
- 3319. Nancy Simms, born about 1857 in Indiana.
- 331x. Minerva Simms, born 1860 in Indiana.
- 331a. possibly others.

371. NANCY CATHERINE WILLIAMS (see page 46) was born July 29, 1837, Crawfordsville, Indiana, died December 6, 1917, Rensselaer, Indiana, married March 28, 1855, Morocco, Indiana, George Patrick Daugherty (son of Barnard Daugherty and Lucy White 1806-1871), born November 18, 1827, Clark County, Ohio, died August 19, 1915, Rensselaer, Indiana. Both are buried in Weston Cemetery in Rensselaer, Indiana.

Nancy Catherine Williams was left an orphan. Her mother died when she was ten and her father died two years later. She went to Morocco, Indiana, to live with an uncle.

George Patrick Daugherty enlisted November 24, 1863, Lafayette, Indiana, in Company A, 11th Regiment Indiana Cavalry, and was discharged September 19, 1865, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He was an ambulance driver and for a while was stationed at Fackler's Station, Alabama, and at Eastport, Mississippi. His pension record says he was born in Clark County, Ohio, and at the time of his enlistment he was a farmer living in Fairfield Township, Tippecanoe County, Indiana. He was 5'9" (in another place it says 5'6") tall, light complexion, blue eyed, dark hair. He drew a pension and the record states that after the war he lived only in Jasper County, Indiana, and his address was Rensselaer, Indiana.

Mrs. Catherine Doherty of Brookings, Oregon, wrote March 9, 1969, that Patrick Daugherty came from Dublin, Ireland, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the 1790's. He and his wife Nancy had eight children born in Philadelphia and the family then moved westward and settled in what is now the heart of Cincinnati, Ohio. But Patrick Daugherty did not like to be so near a large river and he moved his family to Xenia, Ohio, where his children grew to adulthood and married. His eight children were: Daniel Daugherty (who married Elizabeth Strong), Michael Daugherty, William Daugherty, Barnabus (or Barnard) Daugherty (who married Lucy White), Mary Daugherty, James Daugherty, John Daugherty, and Jane Daugherty.

Lucy White, who married Barnard Daugherty, was a descendant of Richard Warren, who signed the Mayflower Compact, through the following generations: Mary Warren (married 1628 Robert Bartlett), Mary Bartlett (married Jonathan Morey), Hannah Morey (married John Bumpas, died 1762), Sarah Bumpas (married 1728 George White), George White (married Patience Hamlin), Nathaniel White (married 1785 Hannah Finch), Lucy White (married 1826 Barnard Daugherty).

George Patrick Daugherty and Nancy Catherine Williams had issue:

- 3711. Lucy Ann Daugherty (1855-1941), married Paris Daugherty. See page 91.
- 3712. Laura Lucetta Daugherty, born February 26, 1858.
- 3713. Maranda Frances Daugherty, born November 26, 1859.
- 3714. William H. Daugherty, born August 3, 1863.
- 3715. Arthur B. Daugherty, born March 3, 1867.
- 3716. George Albert Daugherty, born March 24, 1870.
- 3717. Grace Daugherty (1871- ), married Alton L. Padgitt. See page 91.
- 3718. Nina Maude Daugherty, born January 17, 1875, Rensselaer, Indiana.

382. WILLIAM H. SIMMS (see page 47) was born 1831 (or 1833 or 1835), Sullivan County, Indiana, died 1896, Waynetown, Indiana, where he is buried. He married (first) Ellen Hobson. He married (second) Mrs. Mary Elizabeth (Widener) Peed, born 1839, died 1881, buried Waynetown, Indiana. He married (third) Hester Agnes Widener, born December 3, 1854, died October 4, 1929, buried at Waynetown, Indiana. Hester Agnes Widener was a half sister of Mary Elizabeth Widener. She had four sons by her marriage to Mr. Peed.

He is apparently the one listed on page 821 of the 1860 census record of Sullivan County, Indiana, Gill Township:

794-797 William Sims	26	M	Carpenter	born Ind.
Frances "	23	F		11
Charles "	3/12	M		11
Wm. Hughs	80	M		Tenn.

William H. Simms was a professor in an academy.

William H. Simms and his first wife, Ellen Hobson, had issue:

- 3821. Charles Edward Simms ( -1921), married Anna Scott. See page 91.
- 3822. James Simms.
- 3823. Emma Simms, died young.

William H. Simms and his second wife, Mary Elizabeth Widener, had issue:

- 3824. Harry P. Simms (1871-1937), married Lennie \_\_\_\_\_. See page 91.
- 3825. Martha O. Simms (1873-1948), married John S. Thompson. See page 91.
- 3826. Lena Simms, married (first) William Henry, married (second) Dade Cade, married (third) John Meharry.

William H. Simms and his third wife, Hester Agnes Widener, had issue:

- 3827. Herbert Simms.
- 3828. Sue Simms (1887-1947), married Pressley Shaw. See page 92.

384. DANIEL SIMMS (see page 47) was born 1837 near New Carlisle, Sullivan County, Indiana, died August 1916, Lafayette, Indiana, married Nancy Parrot. After he married he settled in southern Illinois. In 1868 he moved with his family to Fountain County, Indiana.

Daniel Simms and Nancy Parrot had issue:

- 3841. William Simms, died in infancy.
- 3842. Dan W. Simms (1862-1931). See page 92.
- 3843. Samuel U. Simms.
- 3844. Charles B. Simms.
- 3845. Mary Malinda Jane Simms, married \_\_\_\_\_ Fears.
- 3846. Luke Warren Simms.

391. GEORGE W. SIMMS (see page 47) was born September 12, 1842, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, died August 28, 1916, Montgomery County, Indiana, married August 28, 1866, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Phoebe Jane Johnson, born August 28, 1842, died June 8, 1918, Alamo, Indiana.

On August 20, 1862, George W. Simms was enrolled as a private in the 20th Battery of Indiana Light Artillery. He was stationed part of the time at Bridgeport, Alabama. He was honorably discharged June 28, .865, Indianapolis, Indiana.

In his Civil War pension record (#273717) there is a statement he made March 15, 1879, in which he states he was 37 years old, light complexion, brown hair, grey eyes. He enlisted August 2, 1862, at Crawfordsfille, Montgomery County, Indiana. At Bridgeport, Alabama, in May 1864 he was taken ill with headache, partial leafness, and discharging ears. He was treated at the Post Hospital in Bridgeport and later at the Post Hospital in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Ever since he was subject to neuralgic pains in his head and his hearing was so defective he could not hear except very loud noises. Since leaving the service he resided in Montgomery County, Indiana, and his occupation was that of a farmer and laborer.

The pension record contains a copy of his death certificate which states he died August 28, 1916, in Union Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, at 115 1/2 E. Main Street, Crawfordsville, Indiana. His usual residence was 8 miles southwest of Crawfordsville. The cause of death was interstitial nephritis complicated by dropsy and mitrat insufficiency. He was buried August 29, 1916, in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Crawfordsville, Indiana. He was born September 12, 1842, in Indiana, and was 73 years, 11 months, and 14 days old at the time of his death. His father was Burrell Simms and his mother's maiden name was Elizabeth Hobson.

His widow also drew a pension and in it she states that her husband died on their fiftieth wedding anniversary and on her 74th birthday. She was married under the name Jane Johnson on August 28, 1866, by Rev. Thomas Quill eight miles northwest of Crawfordsville, Indiana.

George W. Simms and Phoebe Jane Johnson had issue:

- 3911. Idella Simms, born August 14, 1867.
- 3912. Sherman Simms, born May 25, 1867, married and in 1918 was living at Alamo, Montgomery County, Indiana.
- 3913. Labon Simms, born January 18, 1871.
- 3914. Frank Simms, born March 10, 1873.
- 3915. Emma J. Simms, born April 2, 1875.
- 3916. Etta M. Simms, born March 23, 1878, married Joe Rivers.
- 3917. Homer Simms (1880-), married Ivy Whiterotten. See page 92.
- 3918. Cleveland Simms, born February 7, 1883.
- 3919. Otis Simms, born June 14, 1888.

3x1. MARY ELLEN SIMMS (see page 48) was born July 30, 1852, Montgomery County, Indiana, died September 22, 1938, at her sister's home. She married September 17, 1874, Montgomery County, Indiana, Nathan Stout Smith, born February 16, 1849, Montgomery County, Indiana, died March 17 (or March 13), 1917, at his home near Cherry Grove, Montgomery County, Indiana. They were both members of the Baptist Church. They are both buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana. Late in life she married (second) November 22, 1917, Jonathan Everett (her sister's widower), born February 9, 1850, Montgomery County, Indiana, died October 23, 1929 (another record says December 23, 1926), Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Nathan Stout Smith and Mary Ellen Simms had issue: 3x11. George Franklin Smith (1875-1962), married Grace Catherine Simmons. See page 92.

3x2. ELIZA SIMMS (see page 48), called Lida, was born September 21, 1853, near Cherry Grove, Montgomery County, Indiana, died December 20, 1914 (another record says December 10, 1914), Crawfordsville, Indiana, married October 29, 1873, Montgomery County, Indiana, Jonathan Everett (son of Jonathan Everett and Hannah Breaks), born February 9, 1850, near Crawfordsville, Montgomery County, Indiana, died October 23, 1929 (or December 23, 1926), Crawfordsville, Indiana. They are both buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana. After her death he married (second) November 22, 1917, her sister, Mrs. Mary (Simms) Smith.

Jonathan Everett was born after his father's accidental death on November 9, 1849. The parents had been married March 29, 1849, Montgomery County, Indiana. After Jonathan Everett, Sr.'s death his estate was administered by his father, Ezekiel Everett. The mother, Mrs. Hannah Breaks Everett, married (second) May 30, 1851, Montgomery County, Indiana, James McClamroch. She left a will probated March 27, 1893, in which she named sons Jonathan Everett, William B. McClamroch, Arza S. McClamroch, and James R. McClamroch (who was deceased), and daughters, Mary Jane Wilson, Margaret A. Patton, Amy A. McClamroch, and Myranda B. McClamroch.

Jonathan Everett and Lida Simms had issue:

- 3x21. James Gilbert Everett (1874-1952), married Daisy Pearl Truitt. See page 92.
- 3x22. Augusta Belmont Everett (1880-1929), married Verna Grimes. See page 93.
- 3x23. Earl Everett, born April 18, 1887, died August 14, 1889.
- 3x24. Harry Everett, born July 30, 1893, died September 3, 1960, married June 5, 1922, Annuncietta Marie Kelly, born April 18, 1890, died April 29, 1963. He is buried in Calvary Catholic Cemetery. They had no children.
- 3x3. ENOCH SIMMS (see page 48) was born November 28, 1854, Montgomery County, Indiana, died April 6, 1939, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married (first) October 8, 1878, Mary Josephine Davenport, born November 21, 1857, died in a cornfield fire, May 1, 1883, at the age of 25. She is buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana. He married (second) February 25, 1891, Amanda Ellen Byrd (daughter of Thomas Byrd and Mary Jane Chesterson), born June 8, 1863, Montgomery County, Indiana, died September 8, 1939. They are both buried in Masonic Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Enoch Simms and his first wife, Mary Jane Davenport, had issue:

- 3x31. Pearl Simms, married Jim Hunter, See page 93.
- 3x32. Walter Simms, born May 10, 1881, died October 15, 1881.

Enoch Simms and his second wife, Amanda Ellen Byrd, had issue:

- 3x33. Frank Simms (1895-1953), married Nelle Taylor. See page 93.
- 3x34. Leona Simms (1892-), married F. Laurence Cosby. See page 93.
- 3x4. LOUIS SIMMS (see page 48) was born February 24, 1856, died March 12, 1931, Montgomery County, Indiana, married March 2, 1882, Ida Mae Mahan, born 1865, died 1936. They lived in Nebraska for a while during the early years of their marriage. They are both buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Louis Simms and Ida Mae Mahan had issue:

- 3x41. Elizabeth Belle Simms, married (first) Fred Bell, married (second) Frank Phillips, married (third) Roy Trimble, married (fourth) Harrison Hibbard. See page 94.
- 3x42. Augustus Belmont Simms (1886-1962), married Lenora Blanche Robison. See page 94.
- 3x43. Louis Brighty Simms ( -1929), married (first) Hallie Cris, married (second) Bertie Tinsley. See page 94.
- 3x5. EMMA SIMMS (see page 48) was born October 26, 1857, near Cherry Grove, north of Crawfordsville, Indiana, died June 18, 1932, near Cherry Grove, Montgomery County, Indiana, married April 20, 1878 (another record says September 9, 1878), Montgomery County, Indiana, William Lyon, born April 2, 1850, near Aurora and Ballantrae, Ontario, Canada, died June 27 (or June 25), 1937, Montgomery County, Indiana. They lived on R. R. 6, Crawfordsville, Indiana. They are both buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

William Lyon and Emma Simms had issue:

- 3x51. Wilbert Lyon (1881- ), married Maude Royer. See page 94
- 3x52. Ora Lyon (1883- ), married Carrie Conrad. See page 94.
- 3x53. Bertha Mabel Lyon, born March 30, 1887, Montgomery County, Indiana, died August 11, 1889.
- 3x54. infant daughter, born July 2, 1891, died September 9, 1891, Montgomery County, Indiana.
- 3x7. JACOB SIMMS (see page 48) was born September 7, 1861, died July 13, 1919, Indianapolis, Indiana, married October 3, 1895, Lenna Dowden. He is buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Jacob Simms and Lenna Dowden had issue:

3x71. Nellie Simms, married Homer Weir. She had no children but helped rear Homer's daughter by a former marriage, Lillian Marie Weir. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists:
Weir, Homer E (Nellie B), retd, 1116 Danville Ave

- 3x72. Luther Simms, married an older lady but they soon separated. He had no children.
- 3x73. Elmer Simms, married Lula Long. See page 95.
- 3x74. Floyd Simms, married Lillie Woodward. See page 95.
- 3x75. Cliston Simms, never married.
- 3x76. Mabel Simms, born July 30, 1896, Montgomery County, Indiana, died October 3, 1896, Montgomery County, Indiana.
- 3x77. Myrtle Simms, born January 31, 1906, Montgomery County, Indiana, died April 2, 1906, Montgomery County, Indiana.

3x8. IDA SIMMS (see page 48) was born 1865, died 1950, married November 24, 1892, Frank Mills, born 1868, died 1944. She is buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Frank Mills and Ida Simms had issue:

- 3x81. Goldie Mills, married Charley Shumate. See page 95.
- 3x82. Ruth Mills, married Ira Lawson. See page 95.
- 411. ENOCH SIMS (see page 51) was born December 11, 1809, in Tennessee, died November 2, 1883, Ralls County, Missouri, married (first) October 26, 1828, Marion County, Missouri, Julia Gregory (daughter of Bannister Gregory), born 1812 in Kentucky, died November 11, 1877, Ralls County, Missouri. She is buried at the Sims home place in Ralls County, Missouri. He apparently married (second) Elizabeth M.\_\_\_\_\_\_, born about 1819 in Kentucky, who survived him. Enoch Sims is buried in Flint Hill Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri.

William Stark Simms and Phamy Simms his wife "for the natural love and affection that we have for our son Enoch Simms" deeded 80 acres to him on January 28, 1834 (page 290 of Ralls County, Missouri, Deed Book B).

Enoch Sims had a land grant of 120 acres in Ralls County, Missouri, dated April 1, 1839.

Enoch Sims and Julia Sims, his wife, are frequently mentioned in the deed books of Ralls County, Missouri. However in a general warranty deed of May 13, 1882, Enoch Sims and Elizabeth M. Sims, his wife, of Marion County, Missouri, deeded 145 acres of land to Silas Sims of Ralls County, Missouri.

Page 185 of the 1850 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, lists:

631-636	Enoch Sims	41	M	Farmer	bo rn	Tennessee
	Julia	38	$\mathbf{F}$			Kentucky
	Elijah	20	M	Laborer		Missouri
	Chapel	19	M	ff		**
	William S.	17	M	ff		11
	Silas	15	M	11		*1
	Melvina	13	$\mathbf{F}$			11
	John D.	11	M			11
	Lurana J.	9	F			11
	Nancy E.	7	$\mathbf{F}$			11
	Mary F.	5	F			11
	Victoria	3	$\mathbf{F}$			11

Enoch Sims is listed on page 171 of the 1860 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, as living in Saverton Township. He is listed on page 95 of the 1870 census record of Ralls County, Missouri. Both of these records also list his wife Julia Sims. In the 1880 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, Enoch Sims, aged 70, is listed with his wife, Elizabeth Sims, aged 60.

Enoch Sims and his first wife, Julia Gregory, had issue:

- 4111. Elijah Sims (1830- ), married (first) Elizabeth Ellison, married (second) Matilda G. Tuggle. See page
- 4112. Chappel G. Sims (ca 1831- ), married Dicey Ann Silver. See page 96.
- 4113. William Strother Sims (ca 1833- ), married Charlotte Silver. See page 97.
- 4114. Silas Sims (1834-1907), married Mary Elizabeth Shockley. See page 97.
- 4115. Melvina Sims (1837-1909), married Charles R. Meyers. See page 98.

4116. John W. Sims (1839-1918), married Angeline B. \_\_\_\_. See page 98. 4117. Lurana J. Sims, born about 1841 in Missouri, married April 12, 1858, Ralls County, Missouri, Joseph Crawford. 4118. Nancy Elizabeth Sims (1843-1917), married Thomas Benton Elzea. See page 98. 4119. Mary F. Sims, born about 1845 in Missouri. 411x. Victoria Sims (ca 1847- ), married James Arkills. See page 99. 411a. James Sims, born about 1851 in Missouri. 411b. Susan Ellen Sims, born about 1859 in Missouri. 412. NANCY SIMS (see page 51) was born 1813 in Tennessee, died August 1, 1883, married August 2, 1829, Ralls County, Missouri, Wilkerson Crawford, born 1807 in Virginia, died May 12, 1883. They are both buried in Crawford Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri. Wilkerson Crawford and his family are listed on page 182 of the 1850 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, and on page 171 of the 1860 census record, and on page 95 of the 1870 census record. Mrs. Chester A. Sunder (Dorothy Jane Wood) wrote August 22, 1968, "My great grandmother Jane Crawford Dodd had a sister who married a newspaper man in New Orleans. I have no knowledge of her name or her husband's name. As a child I remember her telling us of the trip she and Grandfather Dodd made to New Orleans to visit this sister." Wilkerson Crawford and Nancy Sims had twelve children: 4121. Amanda E. Crawford (1831-1899), married James P. Gregory. See page 99. 4122. Jane Paradise Crawford (1832-1918), married James William Dodd. See page 100. 4123. Jonathan Crawford (1834-1913), married Susan Killinger. See page 100. 4124. Martha A. Crawford, born November 30, 1836, died September 24, 1871, married May 2, 1857, Jackson Riley. She is buried in the Crawford Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri. 4125. James S. Crawford, born about 1839 in Missouri. In 1899 he was living in Texas. 4126. Mary Lucy Crawford, born about 1844 in Missouri. 4127. Alice Crawford, born about 1845, died August 22, 1856. She is buried in the Crawford Cemetery in Ralls County, Missouri. 4128. William N. Crawford (1847-1890), married (first) Mollie George, married (second) Bettie \_\_\_\_\_. See page 100. 4129. Joanna Crawford, born about 1849 in Missouri. The 1860 census record seems to list her as Irena. 412x. Elizabeth Crawford, born 1852, died July 28, 1852. She is buried in the Crawford Cemetery in Ralls County, 412a. Scott Crawford, born about 1857, died April 12, 1864, buried in Crawford Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri. 412b. another child. 441. HENRY B. GARNETT (see page 53) was born about 1838 in Missouri, married Ellen \_\_\_\_\_, born about 1840 in Missouri. They are listed on page 134 of the 1870 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, as living in Spencer Township. The record indicates that they had the following children: 4411. William Garnett, born about 1865 in Missouri. 4412. Minnie Carnett, born about 1867 in Missouri.

4413. Albert Garnett, born about 1870 in Missouri.

4414. possibly others.

1111. JOHN W. RINGO (see page 55) was born about 1828, died September 13, 1891, Parkville, Platte County, Missouri. He married Rebecca \_\_\_\_\_, born about 1835 in South Carolina. They are listed in the 1880 census of Platte County, Missouri.

John W. Ringo was a physician.

John W. Ringo and his wife had issue: 1111-1. Ella C. Ringo, married J. Ernest Threlkeld. See page 100.

- 1111-2. Charles V. Ringo ( -1926), married Mary A. Wood. See page 101.
- 1111-3. Edwin W. Ringo, born June 26, 1859, Parkville, Missouri, died 1890 Parkville, Missouri, married October 25, 1882, Parkville, Missouri, Maggie Alexander, who died October 21, 1895. After his death she married (second) September 15, 1892, Platte County, Missouri, George Threlkeld.
- 1111-4. Isabella E. Ringo (ca 1860-), married George O. Threlkeld. See page 101.
- 1111-5. Walter S. Ringo (ca 1862- ). See page 101.
- 1111-6. Virginia Rebecca Ringo (1865- ), married William Harrison Coffey. See page 101.
- 1111-7. John R. Ringo, born about 1868 in Missouri. In 1926 he was living in Jackson County, Missouri.
- 1111-8. Grace L. Ringo (ca 1870- ), married (first) William Crute, married (second) Thomas Breen. See page 101.
- 1112. RICHARD A. RINGO (see page 55) was born about 1830 in Missouri, married November 14, 1850. Columbia, Missouri, Amanda Richardson (daughter of James Richardson), born about 1835 in Missouri.

Missouri Historic Sites Catalog by Dorothy J. Caldwell lists on page 33:

Clay County

Richard Ringo--Captain Lewis B. Dougherty Home (1850's)

242 West Franklin Street

Two-story square 14-room brick; one-story front porch larger than original U-shaped stairway in central hall; three wood and black marble mantels; carved woodwork; chair railings; floors replaced. Original rock fencing. Ringo built two-story four-room home; Dougherty built addition. Dougherty, Liberty banker, was sutler at Fort Kearney and Fort Laramie, 1847-1857, and served as captain in Confederate Army during Civil War.

Richard A. Ringo is listed in the 1870 census record of Clay County, Missouri, as a dry goods merchant. He and his family are listed in the 1880 census record of Kansas City, Missouri.

Richard A. Ringo and Amanda Richardson had issue:

- 1112-1. William Wirt Ringo, born November 17, 1851, died December 4, 1851, Parkville, Missouri.
- 1112-2. Edward Ringo, born about 1853 in Missouri.
- 1112-3. James Ringo, born about 1855 in Missouri.
- 1112-4. Lizzie Ringo, born about 1857 in Missouri.
- 1112-5. Robert Ringo, born about 1859 in Missouri. He is probably the one buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri, whose tombstone reads: Robert S. Ringo, 1859-1886.
- 1112-6. Franklin Ringo, born about 1861 in Missouri.
- 1112-7. Mary Ringo, born about 1863 in Missouri.
- 1112-8. Fanny Ringo, born about July 1870 in Missouri.
- 1113. CHARLES S. RINGO (see page 55) was born July 17, 1832, Liberty, Missouri, died June 19, 1913, Platte County, Missouri, married June 3, 1869, Ruth E. Summers, born about 1850 in Illinois.
- Mrs. Clarence C. Delbridge (Virginia Duhring) has a letter which Charles S. Ringo wrote to her grandfather. It reads:

Parkville, Jany 3rd 1889

My Dear Brother:

The perusal of your letter received a few days ago gave us all considerable pleasure, was anxious to hear directly from you and felt by forwarding a few lbs of Butter would bring from you at least a few lines. And besides desired to impress on your mind the fact that you are not by any means forgotten by us. I feel a deep interest in your welfare and often think of you and your Family.

Am truly proud of little Charley. Would be delighted to see him and all the rest of your Family. Your boys will make fine business men which will be better for them in the long run than if you were able to leave them a big fortune. What is in them will be brought out now.

I hope the Notary Business you speak of going into will prove abundantly profitable. If you can get out of it a sufficiency to support your Family that will do for awhile. It will get better

& better from year to year. Stick to it and day will finally dawn upon you. I have great confidence in your final success. I have always loved you tenderly and was so proud of you when you were a boy growing up. You were just the little Boy you describe your little Charley as being.

I have two boys and both of them very easy to manage. George, the oldest, will be 19 years of age 20th March, is about the size of Dick's Frank, engaged in Tellegraphy, and is night operator at this point. Was relief Agent for several months and is very frequently used in that capacity now. Victor, my Baby, is eleven years of age and quite a good boy.

Mother arrived in Kansas City from Springfield accompanied by Olly yesterday. Olly reports her looking well and in good health but almost blind. I suppose she will be here about Saturday. John's family are well and all of his Boys Telegraph operators. Charley is now in the Drug business at Balco, Andrew Co, the rest of them Telegraphing. Dick and family are all well and seem to be getting along all right. Dick looks very feeble but is actively engaged every day. There was a young man in here today from the same house who told me there was but one man in the house sold as many goods as Dick. So you see he ranks among the best salesmen in the house. All of Dick's boys are doing something and assist him in supporting the family.

Give our best love to Jenny and the little ones. What has become of Webby, Matty & Bessy. Why don't they come to see us very soon.

Your Bro.

C. S. Ringo

Notice of his death appeared in the <u>Platte County Gazette</u>, Parkville, Missouri, Thursday, June 19, 1913, page 2, column 1:

#### An Old Citizen Gone

In the death of C. S. Ringo, which occurred at an early hour Thursday morning, June 19th, 1913, Parkville lost one of her oldest, best known and most highly respected citizens. Mr. Ringo had been in failing health for some time, and to those who watched by him it had been apparent for some time that the end was not far off. He went peacefully to sleep in the early hour of the morn, and when his eyes opened to the beautiful dawn, it was the dawn of a perpetual day, instead of one that marks the birth of a day which measures itself by a few short hours.

Mr. Ringo was aged a little more than 81 years, more than half a century of which was spent in Parkville. He leaves a wife and two sons, George P., of Alexandria, Mo., and Victor C. of Parkville. The funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at McCormick Chapel, conducted by his pastor, Rev. John H. Miller, D. D. The interment will be in Walnut Grove cemetery. The bereaved family have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in this time of their great sorrow.

Another obituary appeared in the same newspaper Thursday, June 26, 1913, on page 2, column 1:

# C. S. Ringo

The long life of Mr. C. S. Ringo closed Thursday, June 19, 1913. For nearly eighty-one years he had been a resident of Clay and Platte counties and was the personal friend of almost everyone in and around Parkville.

Mr. Ringo was born in Liberty, Clay county, July 17, 1832, and there he received his education in William Jewell College. When he was eighteen years of age he came to Parkville and this continued to be his home except from 1860 to 1868. During these years of the war he lived in his childhood home at Liberty.

When Mr. Ringo came to Parkville he entered the general merchandise business and was actively engaged in that until the early nineties when he was obliged to retire on account of his health. At different times he was in business with his two brothers, Richard A. and S. A. Ringo, with Mr. C. P. Summers and alone. On June 3, 1869, he was married to Miss Ruth Summers, who survives him together with their two sons, Mr. George Ringo, of Alexandria, Mo., and Mr. Victor

Ringo, of Parkville. In early youth Mr. Ringo united with the Disciples church and later with the Presbyterian.

This meager outline of his life gives no suggestion of its fullness. Only those who knew him best can understand that. For years his kind face and genial smile have cheered and strengthened those with whom he came in contact. His Christian life was quiet but deep. The Bible was his daily companion; until very recently he was a regular and interested attendant upon church services; his influence was always on the side of right. Mr. Ringo will long be remembered by his friends.

J. H. L.

Charles S. Ringo left a will probated in Platte County, Missouri. His heirs were his widow, Ruth E. Ringo, and two sons, George P. Ringo of Clark County, Missouri, and Victor C. Ringo of Platte County, Missouri. In 1914 Mrs. Ruth E. Ringo was living at 447 S. 15th Street, San Jose, California.

Charles S. Ringo and Ruth E. Summers had issue:

- 1113-1. George P. Ringo, born March 20, 1870. In 1913 he was living in Alexandria, Clark County, Missouri.
- 1113-2. Victor C. Ringo, born about 1877 in Missouri. In 1913 he was living in Platte County, Missouri.

1114. SAMUEL A. RINGO (see page 56) was born February 4, 1834, Liberty, Missouri, died January 1907 Oakland, California, married November 29, 1853, Richmond, Missouri, Mary Elizabeth M. Ellis (daughter of Dr. Robert Binns Ellis and Elizabeth B. Collier), born April 1, 1838, Richmond, Missouri, died April 5, 1887, San Francisco, California. His middle name is said to have been Augustine.

He was a Baptist minister and at one time was president of the seminary at Arrow Rock, Missouri. Later he was a minister in the Disciples of Christ Church. Later he moved to California.

According to <u>Ringo Reunion in Print</u>, Volume 1, Number 1, October 1, 1933, "Samuel Ringo and Samuel Clemens both applied for a position in the State of Nevada. Ringo was awarded the place and it turned the course of Mark Twain's life and gave the world its greatest American humorist."

The following is a copy of a newspaper clipping, dated June 6, 1907, Richmond, Ray County, Missouri:

Decease of Samuel A. Ringo, near San Francisco the other day marks the passing away of the line of a Grand man of our history.

Formerly Richmond Merchant

Mr. Samuel A. Ringo, formerly of Richmond, Missouri, died in Oakland, Calif., a few days ago. The news arrived here Saturday from Miss Mary Ellis, to her father, Mr. R. H. Ellis. Mr. Ringo was about 72 years old, and a son of Samuel Ringo, Sr., of Liberty, Clay county, Mo. He married Miss Mary Ellis, daughter of Dr. R. B. Ellis of this city in the early 50's. Mr. Ringo was living in San Francisco, and his large family mostly all live there. The Ringo family lost a great deal in the San Francisco earthquake. Since the earthquake they have been in Oakland.

The deceased formerly was a partner of Geo. C. Keyes in the mercantile business where now stands The Exchange Bank of this city. Messers. R. H. Ellis & Elijah D. Ball bought out Mr. Keyes, and the firm was then Ringo, Ball & Ellis. Mr. Ellis sold out his interest to Mr. Ringo when the war broke out, and went to the army. After that it was Ringo & Ball. Mr. Ball was an uncle of Mr. J. E. Ball of this city. Mr. Ringo was a first cousin of Mr. Wm. E. Ringo of the Ray county clerk's office here. The Ringo-Ball-Ellis store had many thousands dollars out on credit when the war struck the country, and the house lost a great sum of money thereby.

Mr. Ringo went to Nevada before the close of the war, taking his family. In Carson City he made application for a position in the office of Secretary of State. At the time Samuel L. Clemens (now the famous Mark Twain of the world) was an applicant for the same job--but Ringo won favor, and got the job. This is one case where a Richmondite beat Mark Twain, and it turned the course of Mark Twain's life work, and helped to give the world its greatest American humorist.

The deceased was a Baptist, and one of the loyal and strong supporters of the Richmond

Baptist Church. He and his firm also helped build Richmond College, now the front building of the Richmond Public Schools.

He was a nobly good man, a fine accountant and judge of business. His life and character were of the manly Missouri type, one of those men who stood up for manhood instead of money.

Mr. Charles R. Ringo wrote July 25, 1968: "I forgot to tell you. I have a painting of my grand-mother, Mary Ellis Ringo, painted by Eduardo Tojetti in San Francisco in 1887. My sisters have one of my father painted by the same artist. We recently found out this was a very famous artist. Oakland is building a \$7,000,000 museum and art gallery, devoted to California history. I am lending my painting to them for display there. The Society of California Pioneers and the California Historical Society also want to display it. . . . Dr. Robert Binns Ellis came to California about 1850. I am sending you a record of him compiled by Mary Ellis of Missouri. He was quite a colorful character and a great deal is written about him. I hope to do some research and write an account of him for the Quarterly of the California Historical Society. He helped found the California Medical Association in 1856 and was its fourth president in 1859. Later he moved to Carson City, Nevada."

Samuel A. Ringo and Mary Elizabeth Ellis had issue:

- 1114-1. Samuel Adrian Ringo, born 1856, died December 25, 1857, aged 17 months and 17 days.
- 1114-2. Henry Ellis Ringo (1858-1917), married Emma J. Shallenburger. See page 101.
- 1114-3. Florence Herndon Ringo (1860-1928), married Edward Angell Allen. See page 103.
- 1114-4. Bessie Ringo (1862- ), married Rudolph B. Proll. See page 103.
- 1114-5. Mary Ringo, born 1864, married Dr. Max Kemp, a dentist. They had no children.
- 1114-6. Nellie Ringo (1866- ), married Albert Yates. See page 103.
- 1114-7. Lola Emma Ringo (1868-1912), married John Tingman. See page 103.
- 1114-8. Lucy Ringo, born 1869, died young.
- 1114-9. Margaret Ringo (1873- ), married Seabury Wood. See page 103.
- 1114-x. Raleigh Ringo, born 1874, died young.
- 1114-a. Sam Ringo, born 1875, died young.
- 1114-b. Rives Ringo, born 1876, died young. He was named after Col. Ben A. Rives, an Ellis connection.

1115. DELIA FLORENCE RINGO (see page 56) was born February 1838, Liberty, Missouri, died May 10, 1901, Springfield, Missouri, married November 20, 1855, Liberty, Missouri, William Alexander Hall (son of John Hall and Elizabeth Williams), born November 27, 1834, Nashville, Tennessee, died September 24, 1909, Springfield, Missouri. They are both buried in Maple Park Cemetery, Springfield, Missouri.

Florence Ringo Hall was an accomplished musician. In later years when she developed arthritis of her finger joints she always attributed it to the fact that as a child her mother used to tap her knuckles with a ruler when she made a mistake at the piano. She suffered from diabetes and found it very difficult to adhere to the dietary controls which were the only form of treatment for diabetes at that time.

Her husband, William Alexander Hall, was a wholesale druggist and was twice mayor of Springfield, Missouri. There is a note about the Hall family in the back of this book.

There are biographical sketches of William Alexander Hall in the following books:

The United States Biographical Dictionary and Portrait Gallery of Eminent and Self-Made Men. Missouri Volume. 1878. Page 407.

History of Greene County, Missouri, by R. I. Holcombe. 1883. Page 756.

Past and Present of Greene County, Missouri, by J. Fairbanks and C. E. Tuck. 1915. Page 1417.

Missouri the Center State, by Walter Barlow Stevens. 1915. Page 218.

The following account appears on page 756 of <u>History of Greene County</u>, <u>Missouri</u>, by R. I. Holcombe, editing historian, published by Western Historical Company, St. Louis, 1883:

William Alexander Hall is the son of John and Elizabeth Hall, and was born in

Tennessee, in November, 1834. His parents were Pennsylvanians by nativity, and emigrated to Tennessee in 1828, where they lived ten years, thence removing to St. Louis, where the husband and father died in 1862. In 1848, the mother, with her youngest child, was lost in a steamboat disaster on the Alabama river. William acquired a common school education in St. Louis, and resided, after his mother's death, with his married sister -- Emily Jane -- wife of Mr. Mordecai Oliver, then a resident of Richmond, Ray county, Missouri. While living in Richmond, he attended the academy presided over by A. C. Redman. He opened a drug store in Liberty, Mo., in 1856, in which business he continued fourteen years, then accepting the position of cashier of the Commercial Savings Bank of Liberty. In 1872, he went to Mexico, Missouri, and engaged one year in the drug business, going thence to Springfield where he and John R. Ferguson opened a drug store. In March, 1876, he bought his partner's interest and has continued to build up an extensive wholesale and retail trade. In 1876 he was elected mayor of Springfield. Mr. Hall is a prominent Mason, and has served as W. M. of United Lodge No. 5, and also as eminent commander, of St. John's commandery No. 20, Knights Templar. Politically he is a Democrat, having cast his first vote in the interests of that party, to which he has ever since adhered. In 1856 he married Florence, daughter of Samuel Ringo, of Liberty, Missouri. Six children--four sons and two daughters--have been born to them, named: William, Samuel, Richard, Oliver L., Lizzie, and Florence. Both Mr. Hall and wife have been active members of the Christian church for a quarter of a century. Personally, Mr. Hall is a gentleman of commanding presence, and his genial, social qualities and strict business rectitude, render him popular as a man and as a citizen.



William Alexander Hall

Delia Florence (Ringo) Hall

William Alexander Hall and Delia Florence Ringo had issue:

- 1115-1. John William Hall (1856-1923), married Ella Bennington. See page 104.
- 1115-2. Elizabeth Ringo Hall (1858-1936), married John D. Pipkin. See page 105.
- 1115-3. Charles Edward Hall, born December 3, 1859, Liberty, Missouri, died November 10, 1864, Liberty, Missouri, buried in Fairview Cemetery in Liberty, Missouri.
- 1115-4. Jeffy Hall, born June 6, 1861, Liberty, Missouri, died September 20, 1862, Liberty, Missouri, buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri.
- 1115-5. Samuel Augustus Hall (1863-1937), married Mary Ellen Vaughan. See page 105.
- 1115-6. Richard Lee Hall (1867-1935), married Maude Protiva. See page 105.
- 1115-7. Oliver Lapsley Hall (1869-1900). See page 106.
- 1115-8. Florence Emily Hall (1872-1962), married Charles McLaughlin. See page 107.

1116. EDWARD VELONEY RINGO (see page 56) was born 1840 in Liberty, Missouri, died April 5, 1902, St. Louis, Missouri. He married in St. Louis, Missouri, Virginia Delia Samuel (daughter of Edward

Marshall Samuel and Elizabeth Garner), born about 1841 in Missouri, died April 26, 1922, St. Louis, Missouri,

They are both buried in Lot 2558, Block 169, Bellefontaine Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri. His tombstone reads: Edward Volony Ringo, 1840-1902. They were both Presbyterians.

I have never been able to find the origin of his middle name. His granddaughter did not know its source. He was always called Ned. Miss Ethel Clover Brown of Los Angeles, California, wrote April 21, 1931: "I think when I was a little girl we had a family portrait of Cousin Ned Ringo who had only one arm. It is very plain in my mind's eye but no one has ever mentioned it to me. It seems he was my mother's own cousin and from St. Louis. I asked Aunt Emily Dunn and she said he lost an arm in the Civil War. But I am sure it was at his house in St. Louis that I had my name Clover changed to Ethel at six months old. I have heard my mother tell it and so I have always wanted to know more of Cousin Ned Ringo. I had the whooping cough at his house. It lasted me till I was seventeen at least."

Ned Ringo was a Confederate soldier. He enlisted as a private in Company A, 16th Missouri Infantry on June 18, 1862, at Maysville. He was severely wounded at Helena, Arkansas, July 4, 1863, and was taken prisoner. His arm was amputated.

He married and settled in St. Louis, Missouri, and for a while lived at 2335 Eugenia Street and later at 1905 Wagoner Place. After his death his family lived for many years at 337 N. Euclid Avenue. The following are entries in the St. Louis, Missouri, city directories:

1871: Ringo, Edward V. (E. M. Samuel & Sons), r. 2335 Eugenia

1881: Ringo, Edward V. (Ringo & Edmunds), r. 2335 Eugenia

Ringo & Edmunds (Edward V. Ringo and Sterling E. Edmunds), props. Planters' Tobacco Warehouse, 900 Spruce

1901: Ringo, Edward V., spl agt New York Life Ins Co, r. 1905 Wagoner Pl.

1921: Ringo, Virginia S. (wid Edw V.), r. 337 N. Euclid Ave.

His granddaughter, Mrs. Clarence C. Delbridge (Virginia Duhring), has many of his letters. The following is a copy of one of them:

St. Louis, Mo., May 12, 1890

Miss Virginia A. Ringo

Bunker Hill, Ill.

My Dear Daughter,

Your very acceptable and interesting letter is to hand, reminding me that your birthday is today--the 12th--& that you have reached your 17th milestone in the journey of life! I congratulate you & pray that you may live to see many more returns of this day & all of them blessed with happiness. I cannot realize that you have so nearly reached womanhood. It seems but a short time since you were running around in the yard on Eugenia St. with a little sun bonnet on, busy as a bee. & happy as a lark, & singing "i-ee-o-ee" as your little feet pattered on the payement. You were a cheerful little thing & never gave any trouble & I have none but the happiest recollection as I review your conduct & life down to the present moment. As your life so far has been blameless so may it continue growing "brighter & brighter unto the perfect day." May you live long & prosper! God grant you may never see more trouble & sorrow than you have seen! You are blessed with a nature & disposition which augur for you a happy life & any misery which shall be mingled in your cup will come from the dereliction of those with whom Providence shall join your destiny. I wish I could send you some token of remembrance suitable to the occasion of your 17th birthday but, alas!, I cannot. You will just have to "charge it" like Bessie & Charley did & wait for that old tub of a ship which appears to be waterlogged & is still rolling and tumbling about at the mercy of the waves far out at sea. Pray that some staunch, swift sailing vessel will come up with it, & hitching us a hawser haul her in to port. I fear she will never arrive otherwise. We have had quite a thunderstorm while I have been writing this letter & it is still raining. I had thought of going out somewhere tonight but am prevented. I have no news. Business is dull & of course I don't feel as gay as I might. Give best love to your Ma, Bessie & Charley. I have had no letter from Mattie either since the one I sent you. Good Bye.

Devotedly,

Your Papa

I have not forgotten your commission to buy the goods for you & will do so as soon as practical.

Edward Veloney Ringo and Virginia Delia Samuel had issue:

- 1116-1. Martha Florence Ringo, born October 19, 1866, St. Louis, Missouri, died June 28, 1946, St. Louis, Missouri, unmarried.
- 1116-2. Webster Samuel Ringo, born November 23, 1869, St. Louis, Missouri, died October 13, 1927, St. Louis, Missouri, unmarried. He is buried in Bellefontaine Cemetery near his father. At the time of his death he was an agent for Crane Insurance Company and he was living at 4931 McPherson in St. Louis.
- 1116-3. Elizabeth Ashby Ringo (1871-1957), married Harry Madison Duhring. See page 107.
- 1116-4. Virginia Ann Ringo, born May 12, 1873, St. Louis, Missouri, died June or July 1947, St. Louis, Missouri, unmarried. She was called Jennie, as was her mother.
- 1116-5. Charles Edward Ringo, born about 1876, St. Louis, Missouri, died February 22, 1910, St. Louis, Missouri, unmarried.
- 1141. MARY RUHANNA WIRT (see page 56) was born April 24, 1843, Gallatin, Daviess County, Missouri, died January 24, 1905, Colorado Springs, Colorado, married September 3, 1862, Thomas Jefferson Brown, born September 3, 1832, died January 14, 1886.

Thomas Jefferson Brown and Mary Ruhanna Wirt had issue:

- 1141-1. Margaret Brown (1864-), married Thomas Ray. See page 107.
- 1141-2. Elizabeth Brown, born June 20, 1867, Gallatin, Missouri, died May 13, 1913, in Colorado.
- 1141-3. Corinne Brown, born January 25, 1870, Gallatin, Missouri, married December 1916 Fred B. Mason. They had no children.
- 1141-4. Ethel Brown, born March 21, 1872, Gallatin, Missouri. In a letter she said that her name was changed to Ethel from Clover when she was six months old. She was unmarried and in 1931 was living in Los Angeles, California, and signed herself Ethel Clover Brown.
- 1141-5. Winifred Brown, born September 12, 1876, Gallatin, Missouri.
- 1141-6. Benjamin Wirt Brown, born October 5, 1878, Gallatin, Missouri.
- 1141-7. Rowena Brown, born September 9, 1883, Gallatin, Missouri, died October 17, 1913, Julesburg, Colorado, married February 21, 1912, David McClintock. They had no children.
- 1143. WILLIAM EDWARD WIRT (see page 56) was born September 8, 1847, Gallatin, Daviess County, Missouri, died August 3, 1930, Riverside, California, married January 8, 1873, Gallatin, Missouri, Ella Marie Stark (daughter of J. Carroll Stark and Emily M. Burdick), born September 17, 1853, Hiram, Ohio, died April 1, 1889, Horton, Kansas. They are both buried in the Brown Cemetery, Gallatin, Missouri.

William Edward Wirt and Ella Marie Stark had issue:

- 1143-1. Edna Marie Wirt, born November 12, 1873, Allenville, Missouri.
- 1143-2. Richard Carroll Wirt, born October 22, 1875, Gallatin, Missouri, died September 16, 1876.
- 1143-3. Frederic Cravens Wirt (1878-), married Hazel Stevenson. See page 108.
- 1143-4. Edith Elizabeth Wirt, born July 7, 1881, Gallatin, Missouri. She was unmarried. In 1932 her address was 8008 California Avenue, RFD #4, Riverside, California.
- 1143-5. William Edward Wirt, Jr., born August 5, 1883, died June 26, 1910, Albuquerque, New Mexico, buried in Gallatin, Missouri.
- 1143-6. Robert Leroy Wirt, born March 28, 1886, Gallatin, Missouri.
- 1151. MARY ELIZABETH RINGO (see page 57) was born September 10, 1832, in Missouri, died May 21, 1912, married April 18, 1849, Ray County, Missouri, William David Rice, born March 19, 1823, died May 18, 1892.

They are buried in the cemetery in Richmond, Missouri. There is a large tombstone with the name Rice on it and the following inscriptions on one side:

William D. Rice, Sr., died May 18, 1892, aged 69 years, 1 month, 29 days

Mary E., wife of W. D. Rice, Sr., died May 21, 1912, aged 79 years, 8 months, 1 day

RICE

Charles A. Rice Nannie B. Rice
Nov. 21, 1854 Oct. 23, 1858
Sept. 13, 1934 May 17, 1941

On the other side of the same stone is the name DAVIS but there are no inscriptions on the Davis side. However nearby are two Davis tombstones as well as three small ones:

Daisie R. Davis

Frank M. Davis

C. A. R.

May 20, 1879

Nov. 25, 1870 July 21, 1943 N. B. R. Alice

Although I have no information on this family, presumably there was a son, William D. Rice, Jr. Charles A. Rice, 1854-1934, was probably also a son. Daisie R. Davis was probably a granddaughter.

1152. MARIA LOUISA RINGO (see page 57) was born March 12, 1834, in Missouri, died December 22, 1903, married (first) December 1, 1852, Dr. William Barret Tebbs of Camden, Missouri, married (second) October 4, 1855, Richmond, Missouri, David Dale Bullock, born March 12, 1833, died October 6, 1881.

They are buried in the cemetery at Richmond, Missouri, and near their graves is a tombstone which reads: D. D. Bullock, Jr., born Nov. 22, 1861.

1155. WILLIAM EDWARD RINGO (see page 57) was born March 30, 1841, Richmond, Missouri, died March 15, 1926, married November 7, 1867, Emma Theodocia Price (daughter of W. C. Price of Carroll County, Missouri), born May 26, 1847, died August 11, 1918. They are both buried in Richmond, Missouri.

He is listed in the 1880 census of Ray County, Missouri.

There is a biographical sketch of him on page 155 of <u>History of Clay, Ray, Carroll, Chariton and</u> Lynn Counties, <u>Missouri, 1893</u>:

WILLIAM E. RINGO. The people of Ray County have honored Mr. Ringo with positions of public trust, and the universal verdict is that he has not been wanting in any particular. During his incumbency of the office of County Clerk he displayed a measure of fidelity and skill which won him the deserved commendation of all interested in the success of the county. He was born in Richmond, Ray County, Mo., where he has resided ever since, March 30, 1841, being the eldest son of Andrew H. and Margaret S. (Wirt) Ringo. His father was a native of Kentucky, as was also the mother, who accompanied her parents from that State to Clay County, Mo., where she was married. Her father, John Wirt, was one of the earliest settlers of Clay County.

The father of our subject was a merchant, and in partnership with his brother, Samuel A. Ringo, opened a store in old Liberty, under the firm name of S. & A. H. Ringo. After continuing there for a few years they established a branch store at Richmond. Later a store was opened at Gallatin, Davis County, Mo., when Philip H. Wirt was taken into partnership, under the firm name of Ringo, Wirt & Ringo. This connection continued until the death of Samuel Ringo, when the store was closed out. After this Andrew H. was in business alone for a few years, but later sold out to W. D. Rice and A. W. Nuckols and sons-in-law, and retired from business. His death occurred in March, 1879, in the seventy-third year of his age. His wife had died five years previously, in 1874.

Our subject was educated in the city of Richmond, and in 1859 entered the drug store of D. D. Bullock and learned that business. In 1861 he entered the State service under Gen. Price, and after serving six months was discharged. In December of the same year he enlisted in Company C, Third Missouri Infantry, Col. Reeves commanding, and saw service on the northern side of the Missouri River until April, 1862, when the command was transferred to the other side, remaining until the spring of 1863. Mr. Ringo was in the Trans-Mississippi department until the close of the war, his service as a soldier terminating in Louisiana.

Returning home, our subject engaged in the drug business, and remained thus occupied until 1875, when he retired on account of ill health. In 1879 he accepted the position of Deputy to George W. Trigg, County Clerk, and continued in that place for eight years, when he was elected County Clerk, serving the full term of four years. He then conducted a retail grocery business at West Plains, Mo., for one year, after which he returned to Richmond. November 7, 1867, he married Miss Emma, daughter of W. C. Price, of Carroll County, Mo., but originally from Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Ringo have five children, namely: James L., Edward L., Charles A. (who

is at West Plains, Mo.), Bertha and Thomas Austin. In politics, Mr. Ringo is a stanch Democrat. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Church South.

William Edward Ringo and Emma Theodocia Price had issue:

- 1155-1. James Lomax Ringo, born June 9, 1870, in Missouri, died September 8, 1941, buried in Richmond, Missouri.
- 1155-2. Edward Ashby Ringo (1872-1938). See page 108.
- 1155-3. Charles A. Ringo, born about 1874 in Missouri. He lived in West Plains, Missouri, in 1893 and was living in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1931.
- 1155-4. Bertha Ringo (ca 1879- ), married Clarence Childs. See page 108.
- 1155-5. Thomas Austin Ringo.

115a. VIRGINIA WIRT RINGO (see page 57) was born July 2, 1851, in Missouri, married October 31, 1871, William M. Morse. In 1931 she was living in Glen Ridge, New Jersey.

William M. Morse and Virginia Wirt Ringo had issue:

115a-1. William M. Morse, Jr., a lawyer. In 1932 his address was Suite 411 H, W. Hellman Building, Los Angeles, California.

115a-2. possibly others.

1212. MAURICE GERARD JACOBS (see page 57) married (first) October 11, 1866, Elvora Thorp, married (second) October 3, 1871, Marie E. Kidd.

There is a biographical sketch of him on page 482 of History of Lafayette County, Missouri, 1881:

Maurice G. Jacobs, merchant and real estate, P. O. Napoleon. Is a native of Trenton, Grundy county, Missouri, where he lived until eleven years of age, when he moved to Wellington this county. Was educated there and at the St. Louis commercial college. In 1865 he commenced business in Wellington, remaining there two years, at the expiration of which he moved to Napoleon, where he is still living engaged in a thriving business. In 1866 he was united in marriage to Miss Ella V. Thorp, daughter of Col. Thorp, of this county. The period of their wedded happiness was of short duration, the young husband being called upon to mourn the loss of his companion, ere one year had rolled around. October 3, 1871, he was again married to Miss Marie E. Kidd, daughter of A. F. Kidd, of Jackson county. By this latter union he has had three children, one only now living, born January 20, 1876. Mr. Jacobs is an active, energetic, thrifty business man, who looks sharply after his own interests and at the same time is not unfaithful to public affairs, in which he is quite influential. He is the owner of 1,500 acres of very fine improved farming land in Jackson, Lafayette and Ray counties.

1213. SARAH S. JACOBS (see page 58) was born September 1, 1841, died October 28, 1872, Santa Fe, New Mexico, married June 5, 1866, Stephen Benton Elkins (son of Philip Duncan Elkins and Sarah Pickett Withers), born September 26, 1841, Perry County, Ohio, died January 4, 1911, Washington, D. C.

Stephen B. Elkins graduated from the law department of the University of Missouri at Columbia, served as a captain in the Union army, later moved to New Mexico where he amassed a fortune. After his first wife's death he married (second) April 14, 1875, Hallie Davis (daughter of U. S. Senator Henry G. Davis). In addition to his legal practice he had land, coal, and railroad interests. He moved his home to West Virginia. He served in the U. S. Congress, both as a Representative and later as a Senator. In December 1891 he was appointed Secretary of War and served until the end of President Harrison's administration. There are numerous biographical accounts of him including the following:

Appleton's Cyclopedia of American Biography, volume 2, page 325.

Biographical Directory of the American Congress, 1774-1961, page 853.

Dictionary of American Biography, Volume 6, page 83.

By his first marriage he had two daughters. By his second marriage he had five children.

1214. ADELBERT LOMAX JACOBS (see page 58) was born June 8, 1846, Trenton, Missouri, died March 3, 1913, Jackson, Mississippi, married July 16, 1872, Ruth Euphemia Neff (daughter of John Wells Neff and Elizabeth Birckhead), born May 20, 1846, Ashley, Missouri, died September 15, 1917, Emporia, Kansas.

They had issue:

- 1214-1. Betty Jacobs (1874-), married George Fox Morris. See page 108.
- 1214-2. Mary Jacobs (1877-1957), married Samuel Busey. See page 108.
- 1252. MARY ETTA ROUSE (see page 58) was born about 1849 in Missouri, married April 28, 1872, Clay County, Missouri, J. J. Corum, born about 1846 in Missouri. They are listed on page 35 of the 1880 census record of Colorado Springs, El Paso County, Colorado. They were also living in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in 1888. He was a dry goods merchant.

They had issue:

- 1252-1. Bennie Corum, born about 1873 in Missouri.
- 1252-2. Ethel Corum, born about 1878 in Missouri.
- 1252-3. possibly others.
- 1257. SALLIE A. ROUSE (see page 59) was born September 23, 1860, died December 6, 1919, married May 19, 1881, Clay County, Missouri, Edward Dorsey Miller, born October 3, 1856, Clay County, Missouri, died August 11, 1890, Clay County, Missouri.

He was postmaster of Liberty, Missouri, at the time of his death. He died of typhoid fever. There are long obituary articles in the Liberty newspapers, the <u>Liberty Advance</u> and the <u>Liberty Tribune</u>, in the issues of August 15, 1890, and August 22, 1890.

They had three children but only one survived the father. The parents and the two children who died young are buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri.

Edward Dorsey Miller and Sallie A. Rouse had issue:

- 1257-1. David Smith Miller, born March 14, 1883, died September 23, 1888.
- 1257-2. Maddie Rouse Miller, born July 21, 1885, died June 12, 1887.
- 1257-3. another child.
- 1258. MADDIE LEE ROUSE (see page 59) was born January 17, 1862, died May 18, 1884, Houston, Texas, married February 17, 1880, Clay County, Missouri, H. B. Turner.

She is buried in the Simms family burial ground in Clay County, Missouri, and her tombstone reads: "Maddie Rouse, wife of H. B. Turner, born Jan. 17, 1862, died in Houston, Texas, May 18, 1884. She has gone before carrying bright hopes to a brighter shore."

Issue:

1258-1. Lee R. Turner. In 1888 he was living in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

1531. JAMES ALVIN SIMMS (see page 61) was born January 30, 1864, Holt County, Missouri, died September 24, 1902, Dayton, Washington, married Henrietta Sarah Henroid (daughter of Henry Henroid and Sarah Allen), born March 20, 1868, Tacoma, Washington, died December 22, 1948, Payallup, Washington. After his death she married (second) James Elisen.

James Alvin Simms and Henrietta Sarah Henroid had issue:

- 1531-1. Alvin Henry Simms (1893- ), married Elsie Julia Scheller. See page 109.
- 1531-2. Henrietta Sarah Simms, born September 20, 1898, Walla Walla, Washington, married Lester R. Jobson. In 1949 her address was Route 1, Box 509, Puyallup, Washington.

1532. LOU ANNA LEE SIMMS (see page 61) was born December 8, 1867, Holt County, Missouri, died February 27, 1927, married John P. Harris (son of John E. L. Harris and Mary F. \_\_\_\_\_), born January 1, 1863. They had at least one son: See page 170.

1532-1. John Alvin Harris, died March 4, 1964, buried in Veterans Cemetery, Portland, Oregon.

1533. EMMA MARIAN SIMMS (see page 61) was born April 9, 1869, Craig, Holt County, Missouri, died September 20, 1961, Pasco, Franklin County, Washington. She married (first) January 19, 1886, Goldendale, Washington, Oscar Hamilton Van Hoy (son of Hamilton Van Hoy, who was a great uncle of John Marshall Van Hoy, who married Mary Jane Harris, niece of Emma Marian Simms), born January 28, 1854, Joplin, Missouri, died December 1926, Pasco, Washington. She married (second) Stephen Douglas Peckenpaugh. See page 170.

The following family history was obtained from her:

Emma Marian Simms was born the ninth of April, 1869, at Craig, Holt County, Missouri. She was about four or five years old when her folk moved from Missouri. Her father's name was Richard Alvin Simms and her mother's maiden name was Mary Garner. They came from Missouri by train as far as San Francisco, California, and there they traveled on a side wheeler as far as Oregon. Richard Simms and John Huffman (Richard's cousin) had a saw mill and timber land about twelve miles from Corvallis, Oregon. Richard Marshall and John Ashby Simms were born while the family lived near Corvallis. They were the only twins in the family. Richard had red hair and blue eyes and John had brown hair and blue eyes. They did not look alike and while Richard was a quiet child. John was very active. Emma Simms was about six years old when the family moved to Goldendale, Washington, where her father homesteaded. They traveled from Oregon to Goldendale. Washington, by covered wagon. On the homestead there were twin buttes which were named "Simms Buttes." Later when Emma started to school and read about the Simms buttes in her geography book, she was very proud. Richard Marshall died at the age of eight or nine with tumors. When the family knew he was going to die they moved up into the mountains and lived in a log cabin. It was cooler there and they wanted Richard Marshall to be as comfortable as possible. The whole family took the death very hard, Martha, Amanda, and Frances Simms (Emma's sisters) were born in Goldendale. Emma's mother died in Goldendale, Washington. Oscar bought two yoke of oxen from Emma's father. Emma always regretted not learning to drive the oxen since she always tried to do whatever her father did. Emma married Oscar Van Hov on the nineteenth day of January 1886 at Goldendale. Emma was about seventeen years of age. Their first child, Myrtle Louisa, was born the 16th of October 1887. Their first son, Oscar Hamilton, was born the 8th of January 1891. Velinda Emma was born the 31st of October 1893, and William McKinley was born the 16th of May 1896.

Oscar and Emma operated a bowling alley in Troutdale, Oregon, when William was about two or three years old. Then they moved back to Goldendale, where Oscar ran a livery barn and stage line. He had sixteen horses. On the runs when there was no mail to carry, Emma drove the stage between Lyle, Washington, and Goldendale. In 1902 the family moved to Outlook, Washington, where Oscar rented the IX Ranch. They owned six thousand head of sheep. In 1904 they sold the sheep and moved to a new town called Alfalfa (5 miles south of Toppenish, Washington). Here they built a big building consisting of a General Merchandise store, restaurant, and dwelling place. The town flourished for a year or two and then started to diminish. Theodore Roosevelt Van Hoy was born while the family lived in Alfalfa and when he was a year or two old in 1906 they moved their building (on skids) to Toppenish and they lived there for about a year. In 1907 Oscar sold the business and they moved to Yakima, Washington, where Oscar operated a saloon. In 1908 they moved to Prosser, Washington, and Oscar operated a saloon there also. While they lived in Prosser the twins (Anna Bell Ivy and May Bell Fern Van Hoy) were born the 8th of November 1908 on election day. There was a story in the Prosser paper telling how disappointed Oscar was because the twins were not voters. In February of 1909 the family rented the Benson ranch owned by E. F. Benson (northern representative of the Northern Pacific Railroad). The ranch was in the Rattlesnake mountains. The second of December 1911 they moved across the river from Hanford where they rented the Muir Ranch. A few years before this in 1907 Myrtle Van Hoy had married Joseph Turley and their first child, Herman, was born about six weeks after the twins (Anna and May) were born in 1908. In October of 1912 the Van Hoy family moved to Marietta, Washington, where they operated a dairy farm. One evening while Emma and the twins were coming home from town they had to pass a field where Oscar kept a bull. There was a barbed wire fence between them and the bull but there

was a wide opening in the fence that they had to pass to make it to the house. Emma kept the bull's attention by jabbing at him with a fence post while one of the twins ran past the opening in the fence and got the men to come and chase the bull away with rock salt. Later they had to get rid of the bull because it was so vicious. When the family moved back to Hanford in the fall of 1915. Velinda stayed on the coast in Bellingham where she was working at the time. Shortly after that she married David Koenig. The Van Hoy family rented the "Bear Ranch" in Hanford, Washington, and had their dairy cows shipped by train from Marietta. The "Bear Ranch" was just across the Columbia River from Hanford where the twins attended school for the first time. Ted Van Hoy and the twins had to row across the river to attend school. For the first six weeks until the surrounding families got together and hired a teacher they did this. Then they held school in the same house the family lived in when they rented the Muir ranch in 1911 and 1912. Later they built a new one room school house. The Van Hoy children attended school with Goldie Palmer, Reginald Pertran, George Pertran, Eliza Horton and Mattie Luveda Lilly Maybell Horton. Their teacher's name was Miss Zepher Botsford, who later married one of the Wirts boys. During the time Miss Botsford taught school she was very interested in the Van Hoy children's older brother, William McKinley Van Hoy. After he joined the Navy she put his picture just under the flag and it proved embarrassing to the Van Hoy children, especially during the flag salute. During harvest time one year while the family was living on the "Bear Ranch" the men killed thirty one rattlesnakes. The winter of 1916 was so cold the wolves came down from the hills and attacked the neighbors' (the Palmers') chickens. Mrs. Pete Palmer went out to investigate what the noise was and a wolf almost got to her before she made it back to the house. That same winter the men from Hanford, Ringold, and all the other towns and farms had a huge rabbit drive. The snow was so deep the rabbits were not able to find anything to eat and they were ruining fruit trees by eating the bark off them. Most of the rabbits were afflicted with rabies which was a constant danger. The men made a wide circle and drove the rabbits into a three cornered fence and clubbed them to death. There was a newsreel film made of the drive, which the twins were in. During the same winter there was an epidemic of scarlet fever and the Palmers' daughter Goldie died with it at the age of sixteen. One of the Van Hoy boys had to row out to get the quarantine sign from Dr. Obrien of Pasco, who was the public health doctor at the time. Ted and Anna and May all had severe cases of scarlet fever. In 1917 Oscar Van Hov bought a farm in Grandview, Washington. The summer before the first World War ended Emma inherited about \$16,000. With part of this money the family traveled to Spokane, Goldendale, Bellingham, Wishram, and the Yakima valley, camping and visiting all the way. About 1918 all of the family except Hamilton moved to Pasco where they managed a rooming house on Lewis Street and they bought a ranch. Later they sold the rooming house and the whole family moved out to the ranch. The twins and Ted attended school, first at Whittier School and then Longfellow. Later Oscar bought two houses on Fifth and Lewis and five houses on Columbia Street. In the year of 1921 on the 5th of March, William McKinley Van Hoy married Eleanor Roselle. In 1922 Anna and May went to stay with their sister Velinda. They graduated from the eighth grade while there. Then they went back to Pasco for a couple of years until Velinda sent for May to return to help with the children for about a year. Anna stayed in Pasco where she was working and this was the first time the twins were separated for any length of time. May returned to Pasco in about 1925. Anna married Joseph Bailey on her eighteenth birthday (November 8, 1926) in Ellensburg, Washington, and they lived in Yakima. Shortly after this Oscar Van Hoy died of cancer at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital (in December 1926). Emma Van Hoy and May continued to live on Columbia Street in Pasco.

Her obituary notice appeared in the Tri-City Herald, Thursday, September 21, 1961:

Mrs. Emma Van Hoy Peckenpaugh

Funeral services for Mrs. Emma Van Hoy Peckenpaugh, who died Wednesday at her home at 1915 Whitman Place, Pasco, will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Greenlee's Funeral Home Chapel.

Bishop Keith Barker will officiate and Paul Naef will be speaker, both of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Interment will be in City View Cemetery.

Mrs. Peckenpaugh was born April 9, 1869, in Craig, Mo. She had lived in the Tri-Cities since 1918 and in the Yakima Valley since 1906. Before moving to Pasco the family farmed many years on the Wahluke Slope.

Survivors include daughters, Mrs. May F. Smith and Mrs. Edwin (Anna) Brown, both of Pasco, and Mrs. David (Vilenda) Koenig, Bellingham; sons, William M. Van Hoy, Seattle, Oscar

H. Van Hoy, Selah and Ted Van Hoy, Pasco; sisters, Mrs. Martha Tallman, Portland, and Mrs. Frances Emlay, Paso Robles, Calif.; 14 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren and 20 great great

grandchildren.

Oscar Hamilton Van Hoy and Emma Marian Simms had issue: 1533-1. Myrtle Louisa Van Hoy (1887-1959), married Joseph Herbert Turley. See page 109. ), married (first) Bessie Frances Seeley, married (second) Myrtle 1533-2. Oscar Hamilton Van Hoy (1891-Eva Dimmick. See page 109. ), married David William Koenig. See page 109. 1533-3. Velinda Emma Van Hoy (1893-), married Eleanor Josephine Roselle. See page 109. 1533-4. William McKinley Van Hoy (1896-1533-5. Theodore Roosevelt Van Hoy (1905-), married Lillian Vera Bevens. See page 110. 1533-6. Anna Bell Ivy Van Hoy (1908-), married Joseph Louis Bailey. See page 110. ), married Og Claude Dyer. See page 110. 1533-7. May Bell Fern Van Hoy (1908-1534. DORA JANE SIMMS (see page 61) was born February 20, 1871, Atkinson, Clay County, Missouri, died March 25, 1961, Yakima, Washington, married July 4, 1889, Goldendale, Washington, William Lafayette Harris (son of John E. L. Harris and Mary F. ), born January 2, 1865, Independence, Jackson County, Missouri. He was the brother of John P. Harris who married Lou Anna Lee Simms. See page 171. William Lafayette Harris and his wife, Dora Jane Simms, are both buried in Goldendale, Washington. They had issue: 1534-1. Mary Jane Harris (1891-), married John Marshall Van Hoy. See page 110. 1534-2. Annabell Frances Harris (1893- ), married John Grover Story. See page 110. 1534-3. Clara Lettitia Harris (1895-), married William Clyde Story. See page 111. 1534-4. Ethel Garner Harris (1900-), married John Edward Hoctor. See page 111.

1535. MARGARET NELLIE SIMMS (see page 61) was born September 12, 1873, Clay County, Missouri, died January 21, 1958, Portland, Oregon, married (first) November 11, 1890, Goldendale, Washington, George Albert Hull (son of John Hull and Mary Johnston), born September 2, 1869, in Illinois, died January 5, 1942, Vancouver, Washington. She married (second) Black.

George Albert Hull and Nellie Simms had issue:

- 1535-1. Lloyd Albert Hull, born March 15, 1891, Grants, Oregon, died July 3, 1965, Portland, Oregon.
- 1535-2. Walter Leroy Hull, born April 24, 1892, Goldendale, Washington, married June 1920 Wasco, Oregon, Alma Brockert.
- 1535-3. Alma Frances Hull, born January 17, 1897, Goldendale, Washington, married December 5, 1919, Vancouver, Washington, Clifford L. Evans.

1537. JOHN ASHBY SIMMS (see page 61) was born September 16, 1876, Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, died March 26, 1953, Vancouver, Washington. He married (first) September 12, 1903, Ethel Fisher (daughter of John H. Fisher and Elizabeth A. Higgins), born October 15, 1877, Weston, Massachusetts, died February 8, 1920. He married (second) a divorced woman, Mrs. Fisher, who was no relation to his first wife. The marriage did not last and they were divorced.

Ethel Fisher had been married previously but that marriage did not last and she resumed her maiden name of Fisher. Apparently by this marriage she had a daughter who was adopted by John Ashby Simms. This

1537-1. Lillian Beatrice Simms (adopted) (1898-), married James Edwin Smith. See page 111.

1538. MARTHA GARNER BENTON SIMMS (see page 61) was born March 2, 1879, Goldendale, Washington, died December 1963, Portland, Oregon, married November 17, 1900, Charles Austin Tallman (son of William Tallman and Melvina Smith), born 1874 in Oregon, died 1950 Goldendale, Washington. See page 171.

They had issue:

1538-1. Frank Tallman.

1538-2. others.

1539. AMANDA BYRD SIMMS (see page 61) was born March 27, 1881, Goldendale, Klickitat County, Washington Territory, died November 17, 1957, Portland, Oregon, married (first) October 7, 1899, Goldendale, Washington, Charles Darwin Chappell (son of William Harrison Chappell and Mary Ellen Leach), born June 17, 1869, Oregon City, Oregon, died June 1935, Goldendale, Washington. She married (second) Raymond E. Carrau.

Charles Darwin Chappell and Amanda Byrd Simms had issue:

- 1539-1. Gladys Luella Chappell, born June 21, 1903, Goldendale, Washington, died 1946 or 1947, Long Beach, California, married Barr.
- 1539-2. James Darwin Chappell, born December 7, 1909, Goldendale, Washington, unmarried.
- 1539-3. Charles Dale Chappell, born August 24, 1912, Goldendale, Washington, married October 11, 1946, Seattle, Washington, Wilma Banks Ehle. She wrote January 8, 1966, "My husband (the family call him Dale) was in the Navy during World War II as a Watertender, First Class, I think. Before that he went to sea, and since our marriage he has been a stationary engineer. He has been at Boeing about ten years now." They live in Seattle, Washington.
- 1539-4. Richard Clyde Chappell (1915-1960) was adopted and his name changed to Earl Menta Wilhelm, married (first) Vivian Bradley, married (second) Mary Thomas. See page 111.
- 1539-5. William Clare Chappell, born June 13, 1915 (twin of Richard Clyde Chappell), Vancouver, Washington, was adopted at age 1 1/2 years and name changed to Merl Georgia Wilhelm.

153x. FRANCES ADELAIDE SIMMS (see page 62) was born June 5, 1883, Goldendale, Washington, died December 27, 1964, Paso Robles, California, married November 12, 1901, Goldendale, Washington, John Alexander Imlay (son of Alexander Imlay and Jean Garden), born August 11, 1869, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, died January 4, 1917.

John Alexander Imlay and Frances Adelaide Simms had issue:

- 153x-1. Pauline Agness Imlay (1902- ), married William George Lehne. See page 111.
- 153x-2. Jean Alberta Imlay, born March 6, 1904, married Ed Elliott, Jr.
- 153x-3. Bernice Isabelle Imlay, born February 12, 1906, died April 25, 1958, married Carl F. Bruhn.
- 153x-4. John Clifford Imlay, born February 24, 1908.
- 153x-5. Richard Gilbert Imlay, born February 12, 1910.
- 153x-6. Arnold Sidney Imlay, born January 26, 1913, died March 18, 1913, buried at Barrett, Oregon.

15x2. THADDEUS COOPER SLAUGHTER (see page 63) was born September 4, 1885, near Oketo, Kansas, died February 28, 1944, married August 5, 1909, Colfax, New Mexico, Emma Randall, died December 1943. They are both buried in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

They had issue:

15x2-1. Herbert Si Randall Slaughter (1914-), married Phyllis Waite. See page 111.

15x3. CADMUS MARCELLUS SLAUGHTER (see page 63) was born October 5, 1887, Oketo, Kansas, died March 17, 1922, Edmond, Oklahoma, married January 14, 1922, Ethel Saxon. After his death she married again and had three more children.

Cadmus Marcellus Slaughter and Ethel Saxon had issue: 15x3-1. Ruth Slaughter, born about 1922.

1614. ELLA ESTHER McCOUN (see page 63) was born October 9, 1850, Liberty, Missouri, died December 3, 1906, rural Liberty, Missouri, married August 6, 1872, Liberty, Missouri, Conn Withers (son of Abijah Withers 1798-1879 and Prudence Blackburn White 1809-1879), born September 22, 1835, Woodford County, Kentucky, died January 17, 1906, Rochester, Minnesota. They are both buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri.

According to page 507 of <u>History of Clay County</u>, <u>Missouri</u>, by William H. Woodson, 1920, "Conn Withers' wife, Ella McCoun Withers, taught school for a short time previous to her marriage. Her father, William McCoun, was State Senator from the district which included Clay County. Her mother, Vienna Peters McCoun, conducted a school in Liberty with great success during her widowhood. Her father, John R. Peters, was a

State Senator and her grandfather, Richard P. Simms, was a Revolutionary soldier under General Washington and is buried seven miles north of Liberty. In 1912, a Revolutionary marker was placed at the grave of Richard P. Simms by his great grandson, Robert S. Withers."

"Conn Withers was born in Kentucky on the 22nd of September, 1835, and was brought as an infant to the Withers land on the frontier of northwest Missouri. During the lifetime of his father he acquired the old farm and lived there until his death on January 17, 1906. He served in the Army of the Confederacy under General Sterling Price, and married Ella Esther McCoun on August 6, 1872." (Page 565, volume 3, of <u>The History of Missouri</u>, by David D. March, 1967.

Mr. Conn Withers, 17 East Kansas Street, Liberty, Missouri 64068, wrote February 12, 1968: "The only two books of which I have any knowledge about the Withers family are the following: (1) Withers - America -- a collection of genealogical data concerning the history of the descendants in the male line of James Withers (1680/1-1746) of Stafford County, Virginia. The compiler was Franz V. Recum of New York. In 1950 Mr. Recum's address was 107 East 63rd Street, New York City 21, New York. My mother had some correspondence with him. No printer is given, and no other address. It is an amazing compilation of material of 328 pages. I have a copy of it, and one person wanted the material badly enough to have it copied by Xerox, which can be done here at a local Title company. He made the arrangements with them, and I don't know the cost, but I think it was somewhere between \$20 and \$25 for the copy work. You may already have it, or I can find out the copy price if you are interested. It badly needs an index, but has a lot of material if you have the patience. (2) Withers Family of the County Lancaster, England, and of Stafford County, Virginia, Establishing the Ancestry of Robert Edwin Withers III. This was published by the Deitz Printing Company of Richmond, Virginia. It was privately published and prepared for Robert Edwin Withers, Sr., in 1947. Mr. Withers was Senior Vice-President of the Aluminum Corporation of America, which accounts for his having the finances to put out this extremely well done and expensively prepared volume. It covers other families than the Withers family relating to his grandson for whom it was done. It has 236 pages, but would be more expensive to copy, because of charts, pictures, etc., general size and format."

Conn Withers and Ella Esther McCoun had issue:

1614-1. Robert Steele Withers (1875-1958), married Ethel Massie. See page 112.

1614-2. Webster Withers, born August 8, 1878, rural Liberty, Missouri, died November 23, 1944, Oxford, Nebraska, married October 17, 1914, Louise Gremmel, born July 16, 1881, Muscatine, Iowa, died July 22, 1916. She is buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri.

1614-3. Kate Blackburn Withers (1881- ), married Alvan W. Lightburne. See page 112.

1631. JOHN PETERS RINGO (see page 66) was born May 3, 1850, in Indiana, died July 14, 1883, Tombstone, Arizona.

According to Mr. Charles R. Ringo in a letter of July 25, 1968, John Ringo and his brother Martin Ringo went to Texas where they got into a cattle war. "In the feud Martin Ringo was killed. In revenge John Ringo killed the three murderers and had to flee from justice. He then lived by his six shooter and finally joined up with Curley Bill's gang at Tombstone as an outlaw and became one of the greatest in the southwest. Books say that he was a second cousin of the Younger brothers and his grandfather was Col. Coleman Younger. This is not true. Cousin Gus, as the family called her, married Col. Coleman Younger (who was an uncle of Cole Younger) and the folks opposed the marriage because of his connection with the Younger brothers and Jesse James. However he was a very fine old gentleman. John's three sisters are Fanny Fern, Mary Emma, and Mattie Bell."

John Ringo is the subject of Chapter 9 of <u>Tombstone</u>, an <u>Riad of the Southwest</u>, by Walter Noble Burns, 1927. This book says: "John Ringo stalks through the stories of old Tombstone days like a Hamlet amoung outlaws, an introspective, tragic figure, darkly handsome, splendidly brave, a man born for better things, who, having thrown his life recklessly away, drowned his memories in cards and drink and drifted without definite purpose or destination."

A long newspaper feature story, written about 1952, offers five solutions to the mystery of John Ringo's death. The article says, "John Ringo was the type of heroic Western figure one reads about in fiction. Tall, auburn-haired, with kindly brown eyes, he lived alone in a cabin in Galeyville, that brawling, uninhibited for-men-only settlement. . . Ringo, who was received in Tombstone's best homes, was the implacable enemy of the three Earp brothers and Doc Holliday, who comprised the town's law enforcement group. Mayor Charles Thomas called him a 'good badman' and often said the world needed more John Ringoes."

A hastily called coroner's jury found Ringo dead by his own gun and called it suicide, but the article suggests he was murdered. It ends with a question, "Dead by his own gun. But who pulled the trigger?"

Some accounts of the Missouri outlaws explain their lawlessness as a product of their times, a result of the savage hatreds that grew up on the Missouri-Kansas border during the war between the North and the South. The accounts point out that many of them belonged to honorable and distinguished families. This was certainly the case with Johnny Ringo! Not only was he a Simms descendant on his mother's side of the family, but also on his father's side he had distinguished relatives. His great uncle, Daniel Ringo 1803-1873 was the first Chief Justice of the State of Arkansas and one of the downtown streets in Little Rock is named Ringo Street after him.

1633. FANNY FERN RINGO (see page 66) was born July 20, 1857, married November 16, 1880, Frank Moses Jackson, born June 22, 1847, died September 6, 1917.

Issue:

1633-1. Frank Ringo Jackson (1884- ), married Louise Keil. See page 112.

1635. MATTIE BELL RINGO (see page 66) was born April 28, 1862, married April 23, 1890, San Jose, California, William LeBaron Cushing, born January 1, 1859.

Issue:

- 1635-1. Zana Cushing (1891- ), married James Floyd Batchelder. See page 112.
- 1635-2. Frank Myrh Cushing, born January 10, 1893. In 1935 he was living at 1476 W. 47th Street, Los Angeles, California.

1652. BELLE MILLER (see page 66) was born February 13, 1852, Liberty, Missouri, died February 7, 1907, Liberty, Missouri, married September 1874 John James Stogdale (son of William Stogdale and Susan Gashwiler), born December 12, 1844, near Moberly, Missouri, died February 19, 1923, Liberty, Missouri. Both are buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri.

There is a biographical sketch of John J. Stogdale on page 365 of <u>History of Clay and Platte Counties</u>, <u>Missouri</u>, 1885. It states he was a clothier, grain and produce dealer, and Clay County Treasurer.

John James Stogdale and Belle Miller had issue:

- 1652-1. Robert W. Stogdale. In 1944 he was living in Clay County, Missouri.
- 1652-2. Enfield S. Stogdale (1877-1954), married Gatewood Sanders Lincoln. See page 112.
- 1652-3. Louise Christine Stogdale, born 1885 Liberty, Missouri, died 1923 Liberty, Missouri, unmarried. She is buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri.

1654. JULIA MILLER (see page 66) was born November 20, 1855, died April 23, 1918, Liberty, Missouri, married February 3, 1874, Liberty, Missouri, Edwin Withers (son of Abijah Withers and Prudence Blackburn White), born January 15, 1842, rural Liberty, Missouri, died April 4, 1922, Wilmette, Illinois. They are both buried in Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, Missouri.

On page 507 of <u>History of Clay County</u>, <u>Missouri</u>, by William H. Woodson, 1920, his name is given as Edward Ruthven Withers. He was a brother of Conn Withers who married Ella Esther McCoun.

Edwin Withers and Julia Miller had issue:

1654-1. Edna I. Withers, born April 29, 1890, Liberty, Missouri, died July 25, 1957, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, married September 26, 1914, Lawrence E. Jones. 1654-2. infant, born and died June 25, 1899.

1657. IRVING MILLER (see page 66) was born November 28, 1864, died April 25, 1943, Junction City, Kansas. He married (first) 1889 M. Ola Lowrey, born August 7, 1871, died September 15, 1895, in a horse runaway. Both are buried in Richmond, Missouri. He married (second) Ola Hon. No children by second wife. In 1893 he was living at Pleasant Hill, Cass County, Missouri.

Irving Miller and M. Ola Lowrey had issue: 1657-1. Ozella Miller (1890- ), married Ludwick Graves. See page 113.

3711. LUCY ANN DAUGHERTY (see page 70) was born December 31, 1855, died July 18, 1941, married November 17, 1878, Paris Daugherty (son of Israel Daugherty), born November 6, 1856, Clarkshill, Indiana, died September 13, 1944, Thermopolis, Wyoming.

Israel Daugherty (the father of Paris Daugherty) was the son of Daniel Daugherty and Elizabeth Strong. Daniel Daugherty was the brother of Barnard (or Barnabus) Daugherty who married Lucy White. See page 69. In other words, the father of Lucy Ann Daugherty was a first cousin of the father of Paris Daugherty.

Paris Daugherty and Lucy Ann Daugherty had issue:

- 3711-1. Beatrice Daugherty (ca 1883-1969), married \_\_\_\_\_ Calderwood. See page 113.
- 3711-2. Gail Daugherty, born July 12, 1884, Marion Township, near Rensselaer, Jasper County, Indiana, died August 1964, married September 23, 1917, Ten Sleep, Wyoming, Edward S. Rice, born May 31, 1880. In 1950 they were living in Ten Sleep, Wyoming. Her D. A. R. number was 399642.
- 3711-3. Ethel Daugherty, married \_\_\_\_\_ Bader.
- 3711-4. possibly others.

3717. GRACE DAUGHERTY (see page 70) was born 1871 Jasper County, Indiana, married 1891 Alton L. Padgitt, born 1859.

Issue:

- 3717-1. Esther Catherine Padgitt, born Rensselaer, Jasper County, Indiana, married Kenneth Allman.
- 3717-2. possibly others.
- 3821. CHARLES EDWARD SIMMS (see page 70) died September 9, 1921, Petoskey, Michigan, married Anna Scott. She was born or lived around Alamo, Indiana, and died at Waveland, Indiana. Both are buried at Wavnetown, Indiana.

"Charles Edward Simms was an artist and interior decorator. Years ago farmers used to put pictures on their barns and he painted a great many of them in Montgomery County," according to Mr. Rowen L. Simms in a letter of August 29, 1968.

Charles E. Simms wrote a letter about the family May 29, 1919, to Mrs. A. L. Padgitt--see pages 9 and 10. At that time he was proprietor of the Hotel Waveland at Waveland, Indiana.

Charles Edward Simms and Anna Scott had issue:

- 3821-1. William Allen Simms (1888-1942), married Lulu Childers. See page 113.
- 3821-2. Matthew Scott Simms (ca 1891-ca 1966), married Bessie Moore. See page 113.

3824. HARRY P. SIMMS (see page 70) was born September 21, 1871, Elmdale, Indiana, died March 21, 1937, Rensselaer, Indiana, married February 5, 1896, Hoopeston, Illinois, Lennie M. Correl.

He lived at Dryden, Indiana, but is buried at Waveland, Indiana.

3825. MARTHA O. SIMMS (see page 70) was born March 13, 1873, Boston Store (now Elmdale), Montgomery County, Indiana, died May 5, 1948, buried at Waynetown, Indiana. She married John S. Thompson, born July 13, 1863, one mile east of Waynetown, Indiana, on 136, died April 22, 1931, buried at Waynetown, Indiana.

She was always called Mattie. She was a Methodist.

John S. Thompson and Mattie O. Simms had issue:

3825-1. Ray D. Thompson, born May 29, 1893, one mile east of Waynetown, Indiana, on 136. He married

January 28, 1916, Hazel M. Mullen. In 1968 they lived half a mile south of Waynetown, Indiana, on Route 25, first house on the east side of the road. Their address was Waynetown, Indiana 47990.

3828. SUE SIMMS (see page 70) was born May 10, 1877, died November 20, 1947, married Pressley Shaw.

Mr. Rowen L. Simms wrote August 29, 1968, "Sue had a daughter named Icy who married a butcher in Crawfordsville and lived around there someplace."

Pressley Shaw and Sue Simms had issue:

3828-1. Bill Shaw.

3828-2. Betty Shaw, married \_\_\_\_\_\_ Berry. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933, lists the following--although they may be a different family:

Berry, Betty M Mrs pres Squire Shop r 606 E Wabash Ave
John R (Betty M, Foley Berry & Tulley) r 606 E Wabash Ave
Robt J studt r 606 E Wabash Ave
Thos E studt r 606 E Wabash Ave

3842. DAN W. SIMMS (see page 70) was born February 13, 1862, Crawford County, Illinois, died March 11, 1931, Lafayette, Indiana.

Dan Simms wrote a history of the Simms family in 1923 and it is quoted by Mrs. Blanche Simms.

He was a lawyer and lived in Lafayette, Indiana. Mr. Rowen L. Simms wrote in August 1968, "Dan Simms, who lived in Lafayette, Indiana, was a corporation lawyer and at one time ran for the state of Indiana as a senator on the Democratic ticket. He was defeated. He married and they had a daughter that I know of."

His daughter was:

3842-1. Floy G. Simms, married \_\_\_\_\_ Darkam. In 1968 her address was 426 Harding Avenue, Coolidge, Arizona 85228. Another record says she was Mrs. John Daskam, 426 W. Hartling Avenue, Coolidge, Arizona.

3917. HOMER SIMMS (see page 71) was born September 12, 1880, married Ivy Whiterotten.

Issue:

3917-1. Ralph Simms.

3917-2. possibly others.

3x11. GEORGE FRANKLIN SMITH (see page 71) was born September 15, 1875, Montgomery County, Indiana, died January 20, 1962, at his daughter's home, married June 4, 1903, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Grace Catherine Simmons (daughter of Thomas Alfred Simmons and Ida May Evans), born April 24, 1881, Montgomery County, Indiana, died February 13, 1953, at her home. Both are buried at Linden, Indiana.

George Franklin Smith and Grace Catherine Simmons had issue:

- 3x11-1. Edna Marie Smith (1904-), married Lester Cox. See page 114.
- 3x11-2. Maurice Burdell Smith (1906-), married Augusta Agnes Conklin. See page 114.
- 3x11-3. Alta May Smith (1908-1946), married Charles H. Knox. See page 114.
- 3x11-4. Nathan Emory Smith (1911- ), married Norma Eileen Starnes. See page 114.
- 3x11-5. Mary Agnes Smith (1914- ), married Floyd T. Waldon. See page 114.

3x21. JAMES GILBERT EVERETT (see page 72) was born October 16, 1874, Montgomery County, Indiana, died March 8, 1952, Montgomery County, Indiana, married September 22, 1896, Montgomery County, Indiana, Daisy Pearl Truitt (daughter of Solomon Truitt and Nancy Croy), born August 26, 1878, Sheldon, Missouri, died August 23, 1939, Crawfordsville, Indiana. Both were members of the First Christian Church. Both are buried in Oak Hill Cemetery.

James Gilbert Everett and Daisy Pearl Truitt had issue:

- 3x21-1. Leo Everett, born April 7, 1898, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married Esther Kutinger. They have no children.
- 3x21-2. Lester Everett (1900-), married Anna May Stribling. See page 115.
- 3x21-3. Clifford Everett (1902-), married Maple Dykes. See page 115.
- 3x21-4. Hannah Gertrude Everett, born November 4, 1904, near Crawfordsville, Indiana, died July 18, 1905, near Crawfordsville, Indiana.
- 3x21-5. Hubert Everett, born February 29, 1908, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married (first) Margaret Suiters, married (second) Charlotte Epple. No children by either marriage.
- 3x21-6. Morris Everett, born June 23, 1910, died June 23, 1942.
- 3x21-7. Lloyd Everett (1912-), married Lillian Smithon. See page 115.

3x22. AUGUSTA BELMONT EVERETT (see page 72) was born June 5, 1880, Wayne Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, died December 15, 1929, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married August 17, 1904, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Georgia Laverne Grimes (daughter of George R. Grimes and Sarah Byrd), born May 17, 1886, Montgomery County, Indiana, died May 2 (or May 8), 1922, Crawfordsville, Indiana. They were both members of the Christian Church. They are both buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Belmont Everett and Verna Grimes had issue:

- 3x22-1. Herman LaFaune Everett (1905-1936). See page 115.
- 3x22-2. Georgia Everett (1907-1966), married Charles B. Fry. See page 115.
- 3x22-3. Mary S. Everett (1911- ), married Albert L. Parker. See page 115.
- 3x22-4. Jonathan Edward Everett, born February 9, 1914, Montgomery County, Indiana, died October 19, 1957, in an automobile accident near Elwood, Indiana, married Jane Fry, who died October 26, 1957, Lafayette, Indiana. They had no children.
- 3x22-5. Evelyn Everett (1916-), married John Rodgers. See page 116.
- 3x22-6. Mildred Everett (1917- ), married Albert Leonard Sutter. See page 116.
- 3x22-7. Charles Everett (1922- ), was adopted with name changed to William Everett Culp. See page 116.

3x31. PEARL SIMMS (see page 72) married Jim Hunter.

Issue:

- 3x31-1. Roy Hunter, married Marguerite Kelsy. See page 116.
- 3x31-2. Elmer Hunter, unmarried.
- 3x31-3. Ruth Hunter, married (first) Thomas Mason, married (second) John Powell. See page 116.
- 3x31-4. Earl Hunter (deceased in 1968), married Ruby Garner.
- 3x31-5. Mary Josephine Hunter, married Vance Carroll. See page 117.

3x33. FRANK SIMMS (see page 72) was born June 27, 1895, Crawfordsville, Indiana, died June 19, 1953, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married December 31, 1914, Taylor Corner, Yountsville, Montgomery County, Indiana, Nelle Taylor (daughter of Joseph Willard Taylor 1856-1928 and Sarah Dove Follick 1866-1923), born October 9, 1894, Yountsville, Indiana, died February 7, 1967, Indianapolis, Indiana, after an automobile accident. Both are buried in Masonic Cemetery in Crawfordsville, Indiana. They were members of the M. E. Church.

Frank Simms and Nelle Taylor had issue:

3x33-1. Carolyn Simms (1917- ), married Richard P. McClamroch. See page 117.

3x34. LEONA SIMMS (see page 72) was born July 29, 1892, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married December 18, 1912, Crawfordsville, Indiana, F. Laurence Cosby (son of James R. Cosby and Emma Bredberg), porn March 3, 1891, Stockwell, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, died March 19, 1956, Crawfordsville, Indiana. He is puried in the Masonic Cemetery in Crawfordsville, Indiana.

In 1968 her address was 1107 Danville Avenue, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.

F. Laurence Cosby and Leona Simms had issue:

3x34-1. Betty Cosby (1918- ), married Brigham Young. See page 117.

3x41. ELIZABETH BELLE SIMMS (see page 72) married (first) Fred Bell. They had two children. She later married Frank Phillips, Roy Trimble, and Harrison Hibbard but had no children by these later marriages.

Fred Bell and Elizabeth Belle Simms had issue:

- 3x41-1. Ida Mae Bell, married Frank Robison. See page 117.
- 3x41-2. Marie Bell, married Austin Browning. See page 117.

3x42. AUGUSTUS BELMONT SIMMS (see page 72) was born August 25, 1886, died August 10, 1962, married May 7, 1914, Lenora Blanche Robison, born June 17, 1892.

Mrs. Blanche Simms was one of the first to send information about the Indiana part of the Simms family. Her long, extremely informative, and very comprehensive letters were a tremendous help toward the compilation of this record. The descendants owe her much gratitude.

In 1968 her address was R. R. 6, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.

Augustus Belmont Simms and Lenora Blanche Robison had issue:

- 3x42-1. Lois Alma Simms, born about 1917, died 1925 of scarlet fever.
- 3x42-2. Charles Augustus Simms (1921- ), married Delores Blackford. See page 117.
- 3x42-3. Marcella Maxine Simms, born about 1923, died 1925 of scarlet fever.
- 3x42-4. Helen Frances Simms (1925-), married Max Rivers. See page 117.
- 3x42-5. Lindy Leland Simms, born March 14, 1928, married Flo Wilson. Lindy Leland Simms was named after Charles A. Lindbergh the year he flew the ocean. Lindy Leland Simms served in the Korean War and received a knee injury. He married Flo Wilson and they have no children except her son, Gene, by a former marriage. In 1968 his address was Route 1, New Ross, Indiana.
- 3x42-6. Robert Louis Simms (1930- ), married (first) Elaine Jorgenson, married (second) Ruth Wilhite. See page 118.
- 3x42-7. three children who died at birth.
- 3x43. LOUIS BRIGHTY SIMMS (see page 72) died 1929, married (first) Hallie Cris but they separated. He married (second) Bertie Tinsley.

Louis Brighty Simms and Bertie Tinsley had issue:

3x43-1. Bessie Lee Simms, died at age 7 of pneumonia.

3x51. WILBERT LYON (see page 72) was born December 2, 1881, near Cherry Grove, Montgomery County, Indiana, married November 2, 1902, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Maude Royer (daughter of Francis Royer and Nancy Blue), born March 30, 1883, near Linden, Montgomery County, Indiana, died August 12, 1967, New Richmond, Montgomery County, Indiana.

Wilbert Lyon and Maude Royer had issue:

- 3x51-1. Claude Lyon (1903- ), married Dema Rodgers. See page 118.
- 3x51-2. Arthur Lyon, born July 30, 1905, north of Crawfordsville, Indiana, married October 15, 1940, Louis-

ville, Kentucky, Maxine Beasley. They have no children. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana,

lists: Lyon, Arth P (Maxine) Lyon's Machine Shop h. 703 Wayne Ave

- 3x51-3. Elsie Lyon (1907- ), married Russell Harwood. See page 118.
- 3x51-4. Monroe Lyon (1910- ), married Ruby Todd. See page 118.
- 3x51-5. Mary Louise Lyon (1912- ), married James Rudolph Muster. See page 118.
- 3x51-6. Emerson Lyon (1914-1959), married Pauline McClain. See page 118.
- 3x52. ORA LYON (see page 72) was born November 19, 1883, Coal Creek Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, married September 9, 1903, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Carrie Charlotte Conrad (daughter of Daniel Conrad and Jane \_\_\_\_\_), born May 28, 1885, Linden, Montgomery County, Indiana, died February 15, 1956, near Crawfordsville, Indiana. She is buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Crawfordsville, Indiana. They lived on Route 4, Crawfordsville, Indiana. Ora Lyons took care of the Mount Pleasant Cemetery for years.

#### Ora Lyon and Carrie Charlotte Conrad had issue:

- 3x52-1. Raymond Leroy Lyon (1905- ), married Pauline O. Truex. See page 119.
- 3x52-2. Dorothy Lyon, born October 24, 1906, Montgomery County, Indiana, married January 8, 1939, Linden, Montgomery County, Indiana, Harry Pickett. They have no children. In 1967 they were living on Route 4, Crawfordsville, Indiana.
- 3x52-3. Delbert Lyon (1908-1963), married Goldie Grayson. See page 119.
- 3x52-4. Verna Lyon, born December 18, 1909, Montgomery County, Indiana, married April 19, 1941, Bud Taylor. They have no children.
- 3x52-5. Harold Lyon (1911- ), married Gladys Killiam. See page 119.
- 3x52-6. Elva May Lyon (1914- ), married Lawrence A. Harwood. See page 119.
- 3x52-7. Mable E. Lyon (1916-), married Donald R. Mikels. See page 119.
- 3x52-8. Albert Lee Lyon (1918- ), married Velma L. Lampkin. See page 120.
- 3x52-9. William Dan Lyon (1922- ), married (first) Frances Lampkin, married (second) Juanita (Pullen) Hall. See page 120.
- 3x52-x. Robert Edward Lyon (1925-), married Hazel (Dowell) Thompson. See page 120.
- 3x52-a. Lawrence Lyon (1927- ), married Lucille Lough. See page 120.
- 3x52-b. Emily Jane Lyon, born December 20, 1929, died in infancy.

# 3x73. ELMER SIMMS (see page 73) married Lula Long.

#### Issue:

- 3x73-1. Rena Simms, married Emmett George. They have no children.
- 3x73-2. Marion Simms, married and had issue. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists: Simms, Marion H, Route 2, Waynetown, Indiana
- 3x73-3. Charles Simms, married Ethel Simmons. They have no children.
- 3x73-4. Roberta Simms, married and had issue.

## 3x74. FLOYD SIMMS (see page 73) married Lillie Woodward.

## Issue:

- 3x74-1. Mary Martha Simms, married Frank Allen, Jr. They have three daughters.
- 3x74-2. Barbara Simms.
- 3x74-3. Rosie Simms--she was still in school in 1968.
- 3x74-4. a son who died at an early age.
- 3x74-5. a son who died at an early age.

## 3x81. GOLDIE MILLS (see page 73) married Charley Shumate.

Charley Shumate and Goldie Mills had issue:

- 3x81-1. Violet Shumate.
- 3x81-2. Marie Shumate.
- 3x81-3. Junior Shumate.

## 3x82. RUTH MILLS (see page 73) married Ira Lawson.

Ira Lawson and Ruth Mills had issue:

3x82-1. James Wagner Lawson, died at birth.

4111. ELIJAH SIMS (see page 73) was born 1830, Ralls County, Missouri, died Ralls County, Missouri, married (first) February 26, 1852, Ralls County, Missouri, Elizabeth Ellison, born about 1837 in Missouri. They are listed in the 1860 census record of Ralls County, Missouri. He married (second) February 20, 1862, Marion County, Missouri, Matilda G. Tuggle, born about 1844 in Missouri. They are listed in the 1870 and 1880 census records of Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri. Matilda G. Tuggle Sims died August 3, 1915, Ralls County, Missouri, and is buried in Flint Hill Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri. He is also buried in Flint Hill Cemetery.

He was called "Lige."

He is listed in the census records as a farmer. On December 15, 1865, Enoch Sims and Julia Sims his wife deeded to Elijah Sims 160 acres of land for \$4000 (page 83, Ralls County Deed Book Q).

Living with them in 1870 was William Sims, aged 17, a farm hand--apparently his nephew. In 1880 Frank Sims, aged 20, another nephew, was living with them. Frank and William were the sons of William Strother Sims, who died during the Civil War.

Elijah Sims and Elizabeth Ellison had issue:

- 4111-1. Arabilla Sims, born about 1855 in Missouri.
- 4111-2. Mary S. (or H.) Sims, born about 1859 in Missouri.
- 4111-3. James H. Sims, born about 1861 in Missouri.

Elijah Sims and Matilda G. Tuggle had issue:

- 4111-4. William K. Sims (1865-1931), married Margaret Elizabeth Scott. See page 121.
- 4111-5. Oliver Sims. born 1869 in Missouri.
- 4111-6. Homer Jackson Sims (1875-1941), married Louise M. Horstmeyer. See page 121.

4112. CHAPPEL G. SIMS (see page 73) was born about 1831 in Missouri, married (first) December 21, 1854, Ralls County, Missouri, Dicey Ann Silver (daughter of Gersham Silver and Mary M. Brown--however Miss Edna M. LaVoo said the mother's name was Polly Smith), born August 11, 1833, Ralls County, Missouri, died April 14, 1875, Ralls County, Missouri. They are both buried in Antioch Church Cemetery, Highway 79, Ralls County, Missouri. Chappel G. Sims married (second) May 7, 1876, Hannibal, Missouri, Lizzie Duple, born about 1843 in Kentucky.

Very likely he was named for one of his mother's relatives. In Pike County, Missouri (which adjoins Ralls County), there are two marriage records: Chappell Gregory and Penelope Moore, February 1, 1829; and Chappell Gregory and Polly Underwood, October 18, 1832.

In the 1860, 1870, and 1880 census records of Ralls County, Missouri, Chappel Sims is listed as a farmer living in Clay Township. With his family in 1870 was Franklin Sims, aged 10--probably his nephew and the same Frank Sims who in 1880 was living with Elijah Sims (see above).

Dicey Ann Silver was the eldest daughter of Gersham Silver, who "had been a wealthy plantation owner in Front Royal, Virginia, in the Blue Ridge country. In the Missouri Territory he owned a section of land extending from the Mississippi River west to Mills Creek, from Salt River on the south to Bear Creek on the north" (Mrs. William Raymond Sims). Her sister, Charlotte Silver, married his brother, William Strother Sims.

The Ralls County records list the heirs of Gersham Silver. Page 225 of Ralls County Deed Book Q reads, "Wheareas on the sixth day of September A. D. 1865 an order of sale in partition was made in the Circuit Court of County of Ralls in action for partition wherein Dicy Sims and her husband Chapel G. Sims, Charlotte Sims widow of Strother Sims, Gersham Silvers, Louisa Dodd and her husband Levi H. Dodd, Margaret J. Anderson and her husband Clark Anderson, William Silvers, Mary Benn and her husband James Benn are plaintiffs and Lucinda Silver minor heir of Gersham Silver, dec<sup>d</sup>, is defendant . . . . " Page 54 of Ralls County Deed Book T reads, "Chapel Sims and wife Dicy Sims, G. W. Wylie and wife Lucinda Wylie, Clark Anderson and wife Sarah J. Anderson, Levi H. Dodd and wife Louisa Dodd, William G. Silvers and wife Eliza A. Silvers to Gersham Silver . . . . "

A long obituary of Dicy Ann Sims, written by "W. L. B.," appeared in the <u>Ralls County Record</u>, New London, Missouri, Thursday, April 22, 1875, page 3, column 3:

#### DIED

At 6 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, April 14th, 1875, Mrs. Dicy Ann Sims, wife of Mr. Chapel Sims of Clay township, Ralls county, Mo., in the 42d year of her age.

The subject of this notice was born in Ralls county within a short distance of the place, at Antioch church, where now rest her mortal remains. She was the eldest daughter of Gershom and Mary M. Silver, who were early settlers of this county . . . . She followed to the grave her

father and mother, and a brother and two sisters younger than herself. . . . .

The obituary states she died of consumption.

The 1880 census record lists a daughter, Daisy, aged 5 (born about 1875). Whether she was by his first wife or his second wife or whether she was a stepdaughter remains uncertain.

4113. WILLIAM STROTHER SIMS (see page 73) was born about 1833 Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, died about 1863. "He is buried in an unknown soldier's grave in southern Missouri or at Chattanooga, Tennessee," according to Miss Edna M. LaVoo. He married August 24, 1852, Ralls County, Missouri, Charlotte Silver (daughter of Gersham Silver--see page 96), born December 3, 1834, in Missouri, died January 10 (or February 10), 1904, Hydesburg, Missouri. She was a member of the Antioch Baptist Church and is buried in the church cemetery on Highway 79, Ralls County, Missouri.

On November 4, 1960, Mrs. Perry M. Robinson (Frances L. Wright) wrote: "Strother disappeared. He was at home with his family and soldiers came and took him--and all the blankets the family possessed--and he was never heard of again. My husband doesn't remember much of this story, but his older brother, Hugh, says he heard his grandmother tell it many times. Hugh doesn't remember whether it was Federal or Confederates but when they tried to find him the War Department had no record. He left his wife and four children: Evie, who married a Bramblett; Billy; Frank; and Virginia or Jennie who married Egbert Robinson. Uncle Frank had one child, Amy, who lives in Idaho. Now to get back to Strother--his brothers were, as Hugh remembers them:

Gash, John, Chap, Lige and Si. Hugh says he doesn't remember too much of them but Lige's children were Bill and Homer. Si's children were Ed, Luther, Arch, and Roy. Hugh couldn't remember any girls' names."

Mrs. William Raymond Sims (Dollie Hewitt Collins) wrote, "In 1861 or 1862 he joined a Missouri military group fighting under the Confederate flag near Chattanooga, Tennessee; they were ambushed and most of the men were buried in an unknown grave near Chattanooga."

William Strother Sims and Charlotte Silver had issue:

- 4113-1, William Stark Sims (1855-1884), married Margery Blair. See page 121.
- 4113-2. Evangeline Sims, called Evie, born Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, died New London, Missouri, buried in Antioch Cemetery. She married (first) Henry Bramblett, married (second) Woods.
- 4113-3. Alice Virginia Sims, called Jennie (1858-1927), married Egbert C. Robinson. See page 122.
- 4113-4. Franklin Sims, married Amy Thompson. See page 122.

4114. SILAS SIMS (see page 73) was born January 1, 1834, Ralls County, Missouri, died March 11, 1907, Ralls County, Missouri, married June 2, 1859, Ralls County, Missouri, Mary Elizabeth Shockley, born February 20, 1841, Lexington, Kentucky, died April 24, 1917, Hannibal, Missouri. They are both buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Hannibal, Missouri.

He was a farmer in Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, and is listed in the 1860, 1870, and 1880 census records. His farm home remains although the farm no longer belongs in the family. Mrs. Clarence C. Bruner (Helen Sims) used to visit there. She recalled that the farm hands lived in a house up the hill and very early every morning Silas Sims would call up to them. When he died the farm was divided among his sons.

His wife was an orphan and was reared by her uncle near Florida, Missouri. Her mother was a McMillen.

Silas Sims and Mary Elizabeth Shockley had issue:

- 4114-1. Charles T. Sims, born September 2, 1860, Ralls County, Missouri, died September 4, 1933, Hannibal, Missouri, married Anna Gibson. They are both buried in Hannibal, Missouri. They were both members of the Catholic Church. They had no children.
- 4114-2. Ella Z. Sims, born February 13, 1864, in Missouri, died October 12, 1895, unmarried.
- 4114-3. Enoch Sims (1866-1938), married Alleen Edna Brown. See page 122.
- 4114-4. George Edward Sims, born August 8, 1868, in Missouri, married July 24, 1893, Hannibal, Missouri, Harriett E. Farer. "Edward Sims left this part of the country when not very old and his folk heard nothing from him. I remember he went to Ironton, Missouri, and I think died there," wrote Mrs. Clarence C. Bruner (Helen Sims).

- 4114-5. Louey Sims, born June 25, 1870, died January 1, 1873.
- 4114-6. Lucy Sims, born June 25, 1870, died January 11, 1873.
- 4114-7. Luther Sims (1873-1939), married Addie Moore. See page 122.
- 4114-8. Fannie Sims (1874-1960), married Robert L. Dunbar. See page 123.
- 4114-9. Claud Sims, born May 29, 1875, died February 13, 1877.
- 4114-x. Arthur Sims, born February 5, 1878, in Missouri, died February 20, 1881.
- 4114-a. Archie Sims (1882-1949), married Beulah Edna Harper. See page 123.
- 4114-b. Leroy Sims (1885- ), married (first) Charlotte Rhodes, married (second) . See page 124.

4115. MELVINA SIMS (see page 73) was born June 12, 1837, in Missouri, died July 28, 1909, Ralls County, Missouri, married November 27, 1853, Ralls County, Missouri, Charles R. Myers, born about 1830 in Kentucky.

Charles R. Myers killed himself, according to Mrs. Clarence C. Bruner (Helen Sims). His widow lived near Flint Hill in Ralls County, Missouri. The family is listed in the 1870 census record of Ralls County, Missouri, which indicates there were the following children:

- 4115-1. James Myers, born about 1854 in Missouri.
- 4115-2. Josephine Myers, born about 1857 in Missouri.
- 4115-3. Mary E. Myers, born about 1860 in Missouri.
- 4115-4. Anna Myers, born about 1862 in Missouri.
- 4115-5. possibly others.

4116. JOHN W. SIMS (see page 74) was born March 24, 1839, Ralls County, Missouri, died March 2, 1918, Hannibal, Missouri, married Angeline B. \_\_\_\_\_\_, born May 16, 1849, in Missouri, died May 11, 1904. They are both buried in Antioch Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri.

The <u>Hannibal Courier-Post</u>, Hannibal, Missouri, Thursday, May 12, 1904, carried the following item on page 2, colume 3: "DIED. Sims.--In Ralls county, five miles south of Hannibal, at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon Angelia B., wife of John W. Simms, aged 54 years, 11 months, and 25 days. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon from the family residence to Antioch church, and friends of the family are invited to attend without further notice."

The Ralls County Record, New London, Missouri, Friday, March 8, 1918, carried the following item on page 8, column 2: "John W. Sims, aged 79, died Saturday at Levering Hospital in Hannibal, where he had been for two weeks. Mr. Simms was born March 24, 1839, in Ralls County, Mo., and had made his home here all his life. He is survived by a son, Pearl L., and a daughter, Mrs. John Brummer, both of this county. Funeral services over the remains were held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Antioch Church. Interment in the cemetery there."

John W. Sims was a farmer and he is listed in the 1870 and 1880 census records of Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri. The census records illustrate how women often fail to age with the passing of the years: Capitola Sims was 3 years old in 1870. She was 11 years old in 1880. Her tombstone indicates she was born in 1871—if this were true she could hardly have been listed in the 1870 census record.

John W. Sims and his wife Angeline had issue:

- 4116-1. Victoria Estella Sims, born November 2, 1865, died January 4, 1888, buried in Antioch Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri.
- 4116-2. Capitola Sims (ca 1867-1941), married John Brummer. See page 124.
- 4116-3. possibly Oliver Sims, listed in the 1870 census record as aged 1 (born about 1869).
- 4116-4. Pearl L. Sims (ca 1875-1958), married Maud Terry. See page 125.

4118. NANCY ELIZABETH SIMS (see page 74) was born November 18, 1843, Ralls County, Missouri, died January 29, 1917, Monroe City, Missouri, married November 29, 1859, Ralls County, Missouri, Thomas Benton Elzea (son of Thomas Elsea 1798-1881 and Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1800-1852), born April 4, 1837, in Ohio, died 1913 Monroe City, Missouri. Both are buried in the Elsea Cemetery on the Thomas Benton Elzea farm, seven miles south of Monroe City, Missouri. Both were members of the Baptist Church. The name Elzea was originally spelled Elsea.

Thomas Benton Elzea and Nancy Elizabeth Sims had issue:

- 4118-1. Eugene Elzea, born 1860, buried on Thomas Benton Elsea farm.
- 4118-2: Mary Ann Elzea (1862-1902), married David Alfred Yates. See page 125.
- 4118-3. Allie Elzea (1864-1881), married John Turner. See page 125.
- 4118-4. Arrie Elzea, married Robert Bynum. See page 125.
- 4118-5. George Perry Elzea, born 1874, on his father's farm near Monroe City, Missouri, died at age of 8 months.
- 4118-6. Eva Lee Elzea (1875-1917), married (first) Theodore Byland, married (second) Charles A. Green. See page 126.
- 411x. VICTORIA SIMS (see page 74) was born about 1847 in Missouri, married James Arkills, born about 1838 in Kentucky.

The 1870 census of Ralls County, Missouri, lists him as a house carpenter.

They had issue:

- 411x-1. Pearley J. Arkills, born October 14, 1867, in Missouri, died October 25, 1882, buried in Flint Hill Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri.
- 411x-2. Seth Arkills, born about 1868, in Missouri, married Mabel \_\_\_\_\_. He died in California and his widow was living in California about 1950. They had no children.
- 411x-3. Alvia Arkills, born about 1869 in Missouri. The 1870 census record lists him as a son.
- 411x-4. Julia S. Arkills, born November 2, 1879, died January 29, 1881, buried in Flint Hill Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri.
- 411x-5. possibly others.
- 4121. AMANDA E. CRAWFORD (see page 74) was born January 5, 1831, Ralls County, Missouri, died February 18, 1899, married February 5, 1846, James P. Gregory (son of Barrett Gregory and Sarah Owen), born December 5, 1821, Mecklenburg County, Virginia, died 1900. She is buried in Olivet Cemetery in Center, Missouri.

There is a biographical sketch of James P. Gregory on page 670 of Portrait and Biographical Record of Marion, Ralls and Pike Counties, Missouri, 1895. It states he followed farming and stock raising all of his life in Ralls County, Missouri. His father, Barrett Gregory (son of John Gregory), served in the War of 1812 and was the father of seven children: Eliza Gregory (married Richard Murray), Julia Gregory (married William Tilloson), James P. Gregory (married Amanda E. Crawford), John B. Gregory, Thomas S. Gregory, Asa Gregory, and Paulina Gregory (married Lewis Dodd).

The family is listed on page 37 of the 1870 census record of Jasper Township, Ralls County, Missouri.

Mrs. Paul Revere Davis abstracted "Old Settlers' Biographies" printed in the Ralls County Times 1900-1901, and there is a copy of her work in the State Historical Society of Missouri in Columbia, Missouri. It reads:

Amanda E. (Crawford) Gregory was b. 2-4-1831. She was the oldest of twelve children born to Wilkinson and Nancy (Sims) Crawford. Three of her brothers and sisters survive her, to wit: Mrs. J. E. Dodd; John Crawford of Marion Co.; and James Crawford of Texas. Her mother, Nancy Sims, was the dau. of Stark Sims, who was the son of Rodom Sims, one of four Revolutionary soldiers buried in Ralls Co. He (Rodom Sims) is buried in Crawford cemetery, on the old dirt road between New London and Hannibal. Nancy Sims and Wilkinson Crawford are also buried there, with a number of their infant children. Amanda Crawford married James P. Gregory, 2-5-1846. Eight children were born to this union, two of whom preceded her in death: Ann, wife of James Lane; Lizzie, wife of Henry Lane; Lou, wife of A. A. Fitzpatrick; Thomas; James and Wilkinson. She died Feb. 18, 1899. Burial was in Olivet Cemetery, Center, Missouri.

James P. Gregory and Amanda E. Crawford had issue:

- 4121-1. Mary Jane Gregory (1849-1892), married William Beshears. See page 126.
- 4121-2. Sarah Elizabeth Gregory (1851- ), married (first) Roger Smith, married (second) William Henry Lane. See page 126.
- 4121-3. Ann Gregory, married James Lane. In 1895 they were living in Jasper Township, Ralls County, Missouri.
- 4121-4. Thomas Gregory, born about 1856 in Missouri, married.

- 4121-5. Louisa Gregory, born about 1861 in Missouri, married Arch A. Fitzpatrick. In 1895 they were living in Jasper Township, Ralls County, Missouri.
- 4121-6. John A. Gregory, born about 1859, died October 29, 1861.
- 4121-7. James C. Gregory, born about 1865 in Missouri, married, and in 1895 was living in Jasper Township, Ralls County, Missouri.
- 4121-8. Wilkerson Gregory, born about 1868 in Missouri, married, and in 1895 was living in Ralls County, Missouri.
- 4122. JANE PARADISE CRAWFORD (see page 74) was born 1832 in Ralls County, Missouri, died 1918 in Hannibal, Missouri. Her tombstone says she was born January 23, 1832, died March 22, 1919. She married June 1, 1854, Ralls County, Missouri, James William Dodd, born October 20, 1829, Ralls County, Missouri, died January 16, 1900, Ralls County, Missouri. They are both buried in Barkley Cemetery, New London, Missouri. They were both members of the Christian Church.

They had only one child, who died before her father. In his will, written July 15, 1890, probated February 1, 1900, Ralls County, Missouri, James W. Dodd mentions his wife, Jane P. Dodd, and his grandchildren (children of "my deceased daughter Anna"): Ella J. Strode, Charles Strode, William D. Strode, and Emma Strode,

James William Dodd and Jane Paradise Crawford had issue: 4122-1. Anna Euphamia Dodd (1856-1884), married James D. Strode. See page 126.

4123. JONATHAN CRAWFORD (see page 74) was born 1834 in Ralls County, Missouri, died 1913 near Sue City, Macon County, Missouri, married 1850 Susan Killinger, born 1836, died 1920, Atlanta, Missouri. They lived in Atlanta, Macon County, Missouri, and are buried in Mt. Tabor Cemetery east of Atlanta, Missouri.

#### Issue:

- 4123-1. James Stark Wilkerson Crawford, born 1859, died 1919.
- 4123-2. Jefferson Davis Crawford (1861-1914), married Annie Grady, See page 127.
- 4123-3. Mary Ann Crawford (1864-1954), married John Walter Hollyman. See page 127.
- 4123-4. Albert Jacob Crawford (1866-1948), married Frances Gooding. See page 127.
- 4123-5. Ada Crawford (1872-1958), married David Oran Flinchpaugh. See page 128.
- 4128. WILLIAM N. CRAWFORD (see page 74) was born January 3, 1847, in Missouri, died January 13, 1890, married (first) Mollie George (daughter of Luther George of Charlottesville, Virginia), born November 9, 1847, died February 7, 1874. He married (second) Bettie \_\_\_\_\_. He and his first wife are buried in the Crawford Cemetery in Ralls County, Missouri.

His obituary appeared in the Ralls County Record, New London, Missouri, January 17, 1890, page 3, column 7:

# Death of William N. Crawford

At 10 o'clock Monday morning at his residence in Saverton township, William N. Crawford passed peacefully and quietly away, aged 42 years and 10 days. Deceased was stricken with paralysis several weeks ago, and up to the hour of his death suffered terribly. Like thousands of others, Will Crawford had his shortcomings, but a better hearted man could not be found than he, nor a truer friend. His remains were laid to rest in the Crawford cemetery the day following his death, and the large concourse of sorrowing friends that surrounded his remains at the grave attested the high esteem in which he was held by all. To his devoted wife and other relatives the Record extends sincere sympathy.

William N. Crawford and his second wife, Bettie, had issue:

4128-1. Laura E. Crawford, born 1887, died August 28, 1888, buried in Crawford Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri.

1111-1. ELLA C. RINGO (see page 74) married June 13, 1877, Parkville, Missouri, J. Ernest

Threlkeld. He had been married previously.

J. Ernest Threlkeld and Ella C. Ringo had issue: 1111-11. Ernest R. Threlkeld.

1111-2. CHARLES V. RINGO (see page 75) died May 21, 1926, Platte County, Missouri, married April 15, 1882, Parkville, Missouri, Mary H. Wood, died November 29, 1927, Hartford, Kansas. They lived in Parkville, Missouri.

They did not have any children. He left an estate in Platte County, Missouri, and the estate papers list his heirs which included his widow and his brothers and sisters. These papers supply considerable information about this part of the family. After his death his widow went to live with her brother, J. M. Wood, in Hartford, Kansas. Included in this file are several letters from the brother, Joseph M. Wood, and in one of them he said that his sister had not been well and "that all those Ringoes were causing her a lot of worry."

1111-4. ISABELLA E. RINGO (see page 75) was born about 1860 in Missouri, married December 25, 1882, Platte County, Missouri, George O. Threlkeld.

Issue:

1111-41. Grace Threlkeld, married Davis.

1111-5. WALTER S. RINGO (see page 75) was born about 1862 in Missouri, married and had a child:

1111-51. Gregg Ringo.

1111-6. VIRGINIA REBECCA RINGO (see page 75), often called Jennie E. Ringo, was born October 31, 1865, Liberty, Missouri, married July 24, 1889, Parkville, Missouri, Dr. William Harrison Coffey, born October 12, 1862, died about 1949 Platte County, Missouri. He was born in Madison County, Kentucky.

Dr. Coffey had an office 607 Shukert Building, Kansas City, Missouri, but his home was in Parkville, Missouri. He left a will in Platte County, Missouri, written July 10, 1941, and probated May 9, 1949. In it he mentions his wife, Virginia R. Coffey, and his two sons, Claude Romaine Coffey and Ralph Ringo Coffey.

William Harrison Coffey and Virginia Rebecca Ringo had issue:

1111-61. Claude Romaine Coffey, born February 25, 1893.

1111-62. Ralph Ringo Coffey (1899- ), married Esther Robertson. See page 128.

1111-8. GRACE L. RINGO (see page 75) was born about 1870 in Missouri. She married (first) William Crute. After his death she married (second) Thomas Breen, a widower with two children. In 1926 they were living in Platte County, Missouri.

By his first wife Thomas Breen had two children: Nona M. Breen (who married Elmer J. Millsap) and Thomas A. Breen, Jr. There were no children by the second marriage.

William Crute and Grace L. Ringo had issue:

1111-81. William Crute, Jr., born about 1900. At one time he lived in Marysville, Kansas.

1114-2. HENRY ELLIS RINGO (see page 78) was born February 6, 1858, Richmond, Missouri, died June 15, 1917, married January 16, 1887, Emma Jane Shallenberger (daughter of Aaron Shallenberger and Sarah Ann Kitson), born July 1, 1864, Nevada City, California, died April 10, 1952, San Francisco, California. She is buried in Oakland, California. She was a member of the Disciples of Christ Church.

Her obituary appeared in the Oakland Tribune, Oakland, California, April 10, 1952, page 40:

Funeral services were held today for Mrs. Emma Jane Ringo, 87, daughter of a "gold rush" pioneer, who died Tuesday at her San Francisco home, 3714 Sacramento Street.

A native of Nevada City, she was the daughter of Aaron Shallenberger who arrived in January 1850, to operate a hydraulic mine at Blue Tent, Nevada county.

In 1860 he returned to Manchester, Ind., where he married Sarah Kitson. The wedding took place at the home of his sister, Mary Stratton, mother of Gene Stratton Porter, who wrote of his return from the gold fields in her book, "Laddie."

Mrs. Ringo was the widow of Henry Ellis Ringo, whose father brought him west as a baby from Missouri with Mark Twain. Mrs. Ringo had lived in San Francisco for 75 years.

She was the second oldest member of the Westside Christian Church, at Bush and Divisadero Streets, San Francisco, having joined it 60 years ago. The funeral services were held there this afternoon.

Surviving are two sons, Charles R. Ringo, of 540 Arlington Avenue, Raleigh Ringo, and two daughters, Mary E. and Florence G. Ringo, and two grandchildren.



Henry Ellis Ringo San Francisco, California about 1885

Henry Ellis Ringo and Emma Jane Shallenberger had issue:

- 1114-21. Mary Ellis Ringo, born October 11, 1887, San Francisco, California. In 1968 she was unmarried and living at 190 27th Avenue, San Francisco, California.
- 1114-22. Florence Gertrude Ringo, born December 11, 1889, San Francisco, California. At one time she was a dramatic soprano with the Pacific Opera Company. In 1968 she was unmarried and living with her sister Mary.
- 1114-23. Henry Rateigh Ringo (1892-1967), married (first) Ila Waters, married (second) Ella Curtain. See page 128.
- 1114-24. Charles Randolph Ringo (1899- ), married Corrie Jean Woodward. See page 128.
- 1114-3. FLORENCE HERNDON RINGO (see page 78) was born July 11, 1860, Richmond, Missouri, died November 1928, Alameda, California, married June 23, 1880, Reno, Nevada, Edward Angell Allen (son of George Barbour Allen and Nancy Maria Angell), born December 11, 1857, Pawtucket, Rhode Island, died December 12, 1934, Alameda, California. She was a member of the Home of Truth Church. He was a member of the Episcopal Reformed Church. Both are buried in Oakland, California.

Edward Angell Allen and Florence Herndon Ringo had issue:

- 1114-31. Ethel Mae Allen (1881-1954), married William Isaac Pixley. See page 129.
- 1114-32. Edward Ringo Allen (1885-1956), married Rossa Sankey. See page 129.
- 1114-33. Henry Augustus Allen (1891-1951), married Susan Parker. See page 129.
- 1114-34. Ruth Allen, born 1892. In 1968 she was living at 1290 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, California 90802.
  - 1114-4. BESSIE RINGO (see page 78) was born 1862, married Rudolph B. Proll, a dentist.
- Mr. Charles R. Ringo wrote August 1, 1968, "Dr. Proll (Bessie Ringo Proll's husband) was a dentist but never saw the inside of a dental school. He learned it in a dentist's office. This would be impossible today."

Rudolph B. Proll and Bessie Ringo had issue:

- 1114-41. Basil Proll (1896-), married Marguerite Sullivan. See page 130.
- 1114-42. Ruth Proll (1899-), married Wallace Marsh. See page 130.
- 1114-43. Bessie Proll (1901-), married Karl Goeppert. See page 130.
  - 1114-6. NELLIE RINGO (see page 78) was born September 16, 1866, married Albert Yates.

Issue:

- 1114-61. Bessie Yates (1889-), married Ralph High. See page 130.
- 1114-62. Russel Yates, born September 16, 1896, deceased.
- 1114-7. LOLA EMMA RINGO (see page 78) was born 1870 Parkville, Missouri, died 1912 or 1913 in Alameda, California, married January 1889 San Francisco, California, John Tingman, born October 1849 in Mobile, Alabama, died 1907 Alameda, California.

John Tingman and Lola Emma Ringo had issue:

- 1114-71. Eleanor Tingman (1899-), married Jack Foote Chaddock. See page 130.
- 1114-72. Dorothy Tingman, born 1900, married Ralph Cunningham. See page 130.
  - 1114-9. MARGARET RINGO (see page 78) was born 1873, married Seabury Wood.

Seabury Wood and Margaret Ringo had issue:

- 1114-91. Veda Wood, born 1893, married Claire Crossfield. Mr. Charles R. Ringo wrote, "Claire Crossfield was a San Francisco, California, attorney. His father was appointed Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippine Islands by President Taft. His nephew was Crossfield the famous test pilot and forerunner of the astronauts. Both died of flu at the end of World War I."
- 1114-92. Lola Wood, born 1894, unmarried.
- 1114-93. Seabury Wood, Jr., married and left several children.

1115-1. JOHN WILLIAM HALL (see page 79) was born September 22, 1856, Liberty, Missouri, died October 24, 1923, Kansas City, Missouri, married October 2, 1879, Springfield, Missouri, Sarah Ellen Bennington (daughter of Joseph Bennington and Mary Frances Perkins), born January 23, 1858, Marshall County, Illinois, died June 11, 1941, Springfield, Missouri. They were both members of the South Street Christian Church in Springfield, Missouri.

To avoid confusion with other John Halls, he used the name J. Will Hall. His wife was always called Ella.

He entered the wholesale drug firm which his father had founded and remained with it until it was finally sold. He was president of the Children's Home Board in Springfield. There is a biographical sketch of him on page 217 of Missouri, the Center State by Walter Barlow Stevens, 1915.

He was an ardent fisherman and when he visited us in Northfield the year before he died I recall that he caught an eel. This was considered a bit uncommon.

There is a book about the Perkins family entitled <u>Descendants of Nicholas Perkins of Virginia</u>, 1957, and it contains a brief note about the Bennington family.



John William Hall

# J. Will Hall and Ella Bennington had issue:

- 1115-11. Edward Bennington Hall (1880-1938), married Mary Katharine Kearney. See page 130.
- 1115-12. Mary Florence Hall (1884-1969), married (first) William Nelson Seymour, married (second) Martin Vernon Ausherman. See page 131.
- 1115-13. Helen Hall, born January 12, 1889, Springfield, Missouri, married June 14, 1916, Springfield, Missouri, John Lincoln Chandler (son of W. T. Chandler and Roxie Comegys), born August 9, 1890. They had no children. After leaving Ash Grove, Missouri, where his father was an early merchant, John Chandler operated a men's clothing store in San Francisco, California, and later in Beverly Hills, California. In 1969 their

address was Box 891, Twenty Nine Palms, California 92277.

1115-2. ELIZABETH RINGO HALL (see page 79) was born January 14, 1858, Liberty, Missouri, died April 15, 1936, Springfield, Missouri, married November 19, 1879, Springfield, Missouri, John D. Pipkin (son of Lewis Pipkin 1811-1871 and Frances M. Roberts 1814-1870), born 1848, died 1924 Springfield, Missouri. They had no children.

Her obituary in a Springfield, Missouri, newspaper read:

#### Mrs. Elizabeth Pipkin

Mrs. Elizabeth Hall Pipkin, 78, died at 8:30 o'clock this morning after a long illness in her home at 801 East Walnut street. Funeral services will be held at 3:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon in the Herman H. Lohmeyer chapel with interment beside her husband in Maple Park cemetery.

Born and reared in Liberty, Mo., Mrs. Pipkin came to Springfield in 1873. Shortly after coming here she was married to John D. Pipkin, who attained success in business here before he retired a short time before his death.

An active member in St. Paul Methodist church, she was an earnest worker in the church's women's work, her friends recalled today. Strong in her likes and dislikes, Mrs. Pipkin was generous and exceedingly kind. Her interest in the UDC scholarship at the School of the Ozarks was pointed out as an example of her generosity.

Mrs. Pipkin also was a charter member of the Friends in Council and for many years served as its president. A member of the old Springfield chapter of the UDC, she organized and served as first president of the Robert E. Lee chapter.

1115-5. SAMUEL AUGUSTUS HALL (see page 79) was born February 28, 1863, Liberty, Missouri, died December 24, 1937, Springfield, Missouri, married May 9, 1891, Mary Ellen (Ella) Vaughan (daughter of Andrew J. Vaughan and Ann Eliza Saye), born February 16, 1865, Greene County, Missouri, died September 14, 1936, Springfield, Missouri. Sam Hall and Ella Vaughan had no children.

His obituary, which incorrectly lists his middle name as Alexander--it was Augustus--appeared in a Springfield, Missouri, newspaper of Saturday, December 25, 1937, and reads:

#### Samuel Alexander Hall

Samuel Alexander Hall, 74, 709 East Monroe, long-time wholesale drug merchant here until ill health caused him to retire about five years ago, died Friday afternoon. Funeral arrangements are incomplete awaiting the arrival of his sister, Mrs. Florence McLaughlin, from Dallas, Texas. Herman Lohmeyer is in charge.

Mr. Hall was born at Liberty, Mo., February 28, 1863. His father, a druggist before him, moved to Springfield when he was a child, and opened a retail drug store on the north side of the public square. Mr. Hall was a member of the old Hall-Pipkin Drug Company, and later of the Hall Drug company. On May 9, 1891, he married Miss Mary Ellen Vaughan, who died a year ago last September.

Mr. Hall was an active member and trustee of St. Paul Methodist church, South.

Besides Mrs. McLaughlin, he is survived by a nephew, Edward Hall of Springfield, and three nieces, Mrs. M. V. Ausherman of Springfield, Mrs. John Chandler of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Fred Strang of Texas.

1115-6. RICHARD LEE HALL (see page 79) was born 1867 in Liberty, Missouri, died May 7, 1935,

Willow Springs, Missouri, married May 7, 1910, Maude Protiva, who died May 1946 Willow Springs, Missouri. They had no children.

Maude Protiva's family owned the Horton Hotel in Willow Springs, Missouri, and in its day the hotel had an excellent dining room. Dick Hall, who was quite a bon vivant, used to stop there when he was traveling for the drug company. The family used to joke that he really married the hotel. His obituary, which appeared in a Springfield, Missouri, newspaper, Tuesday, May 7, 1935, reads:

#### Richard L. Hall

Richard L. Hall, 65, many years a traveling salesman for the Hall Drug company here and the past 25 years owner and operator of the Horton hotel at Willow Springs, died this morning after a long illness.

He was the son of W. A. Hall, who founded the Hall Drug company here. When his father died, he sold out to the Siglers and moved to Willow Springs. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Maude P. Hall; a brother, S. A. Hall of Springfield; two sisters, Mrs. J. D. Pipkin of Springfield and Mrs. Florence McLaughlin of Fort Worth, Texas; a nephew, Edward B. Hall of Springfield; and two nieces, Mrs. Vern Ausherman of Springfield and Mrs. John Chandler of Pasadena, Cal.

1115-7. OLIVER LAPSLEY HALL (see page 79) was born October 1869 in Liberty, Missouri, died December 18, 1900, Springfield, Missouri, unmarried. He was named for two sisters of his father--Emily Jane Hall Oliver and Elizabeth A. Hall Lapsley. He is the Olly mentioned in the letter from Charles S. Ringo--see page 76. His obituary on page 8 of the Springfield Republican, Springfield, Missouri, Wednesday, December 19, 1900, reads:

O. L. HALL DEAD
A Popular Traveling Man
Passed Away Very
Suddenly.
Found Lifeless in Bed Yesterday Morning.
Funeral Will Be Held Today

Oliver L. Hall, better known as "Ollie," a popular traveling man and son of ex Mayor Hall, died at his father's residence on North Main street early yesterday morning. The exact time of his death is unknown, as the body was cold when found at breakfast time.

The cause of Mr. Hall's death has not been fully determined. Coroner Lohmeyer made a careful examination of the remains last evening. He found no marks on the exterior to indicate the cause of death. Heart disease or suicide by poison were the suppositions made, but no traces of poison, such as are usually found after death, could be discovered. Death apparently came to Ollie Hall very peaceably.

The family told the coroner that they were entirely satisfied to leave the matter without an autopsy, and Mr. Lohmeyer decided that it was unnecessary.

Mr. Hall was down town Monday evening. He lay down and slept at Blackburn's cigar stand on College street. At a little before 10 o'clock he was awakened and James Reilly accompanied him to his home. He at once went to bed and was not again seen alive.

The funeral will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the family residence. Rev. D. W. Moore of the South Street Christian church will conduct the services. The interment will be at Maple Park cemetery.

Word has been sent to Richard L. Hall, Ollie's brother, who is traveling and he is

expected to arrive for the funeral today. He passed through the city yesterday, not knowing he would so soon be called back.

The United Commercial travelers and the Travelers' Protective association held a meeting last night and decided to pay a last tribute to their departed brother. Mr. Hall was a member of both orders and has been on the road for several years for the Hall-Pipkin Drug Co. He was 27 years old.

Mrs. W. A. Hall, the dead man's mother, has been sick for about two weeks and the shock of her son's death has been a severe one to her.

1115-8. FLORENCE EMILY HALL (see page 79) was born June 1872, Mexico, Missouri, died January 6, 1962, Houston, Texas, married October 9, 1895, Springfield, Missouri, Charles McLaughlin, born June 5, 1871, Portland, Maine, died October 15, 1897, Springfield, Missouri.

Charles McLaughlin died two years after his marriage. Florrie, the youngest of the Hall family, continued to live with her parents on Main Steet in Springfield, Missouri. She used to make biscuits every morning for her father's breakfast as he expected them. After her parents died she continued in the same house but moved to Texas after World War I.

Her niece, Mary Hall Ausherman, once described her aunts: "Lizzie and Florrie Hall were tall, stately women who could sweep into a hotel lobby with the manner of arriving royalty. Both were somewhat temeramental and at times they would welcome you cordially with a great show of love and affection and at other times they would barely speak to you. Florrie, the youngest of the family, had the reputation of being somewhat spoiled."

Charles McLaughlin and Florence Emily Hall had issue: 1115-81. Florence Lucretia McLaughlin (1896- ), married Frederick Woodruff Strang. See page 131.

1116-3. ELIZABETH ASHBY RINGO (see page 81) was born April 11, 1871, St. Louis, Missouri, died April 3, 1957, Kirkwood, Missouri, married July 22, 1903, Harry Madison Duhring (son of Henry Primm Duhring 1841-1919 and Josephine Amanda Riley 1845-1872), born April 9, 1870, St. Louis, Missouri, died December 13, 1960, Kirkwood, Missouri.

He had been previously married to Elizabeth McCarthy and Clemence McCarthy. He was a Roman Catholic and is buried in St. Peter's Cemetery, Kirkwood, Missouri. For many years he worked for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

She was a Presbyterian and is buried in Bellefontaine Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri.

Harry Madison Duhring and Elizabeth Ashby Ringo had issue:

- 1116-31. Virginia Ringo Duhring (1908-), married Clarence Crenshaw Delbridge, Jr. See page 131.
- 1116-32. Margery Celeste Duhring (1910- ), married Charles Lomax Delbridge. See page 132.

1141-1. MARGARET BROWN (see page 81) was born June 10, 1864, Gallatin, Missouri, married June 10, 1890, Thomas Ray, who died during the summer of 1939. He is buried in Gallatin, Missouri.

Thomas Ray and Margaret Brown had issue:

- 1141-11. Mildred Ray, born April 1891, died 1894.
- 1141-12. Rowena Ray, born October 24, 1893, died January 5, 1928, Kansas City, Kansas, buried in Kansas City, Missouri, married July 7, 1920, Carson Cowherd, born December 4, 1890, Perry, Missouri, died May 18, 1954, buried in Kansas City, Missouri. They were married in New York, New York. They had no children. After her death he married again and in 1968 his widow, Mrs. Carson E. Cowherd (Irene G.), was living at 4740 Roanoke Pkwy, Apt. 1204, Kansas City, Missouri 64112.
- 1141-2. Thomas Brown Ray, born December 5, 1901, died in Mexico City, Mexico, where he was living in the early 1940's.

1143-3. FREDERIC CRAVENS WIRT (see page 81) was born August 15, 1878, Gallatin, Missouri, married December 28, 1904, Iola, Kansas, Hazel Stevenson, born December 20, 1884, Iola, Kansas.

### Issue:

- 1143-31. Marie Annette Wirt, born April 16, 1908, Kirksville, Missouri.
- 1143-32. Robert Edward Wirt, born October 11, 1909, Kirksville, Missouri.
- 1143-33. Margaret Elizabeth Wirt, born February 15, 1914, Dade City, Florida.
- 1143-34. Philip Richard Wirt, born June 22, 1916, Dade City, Florida.
- 1143-35. Winton Waldo Wirt, born July 29, 1928, Tampa, Florida.
- 1155-2. EDWARD ASHBY RINGO (see page 83) was born September 7, 1872, in Missouri, died July 25, 1938, buried Richmond, Missouri.

His obituary reads:

## Edward Ashby Ringo Dies

Richmond, Mo., July 25.--Edward Ashby Ringo, long prominent in Ray County politics and former recorder of deeds, died today of a heart attack. He was 65 years old. He has been deputy recorder for the last three and one-half years. In his forty-four years of public service he had held the offices of city assessor, deputy county clerk and county clerk. He was a member of the Methodist church.

He is survived by three brothers, James L. Ringo of Fulton, Thomas Austin Ringo of Richmond and Charles A. Ringo of Kansas City, and one sister, Mrs. Bertha Ringo Child of Richmond. Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning at the Mansur funeral home.

1155-4. BERTHA RINGO (see page 83) was born about 1879 in Missouri, married Clarence Childs. In 1931 and 1938 she was living in Richmond, Missouri.

Clarence Childs and Bertha Ringo had issue:

- 1155-41. Clarence Childs, Jr. In 1936 he was living in Jefferson City, Missouri.
- 1155-42. possibly others.
- 1214-1. BETTY JACOBS (see page 84) was born May 15, 1874, Wellington, Lafayette County, Missouri, married July 24, 1895, George Fox Morris (son of Benjamin Morris 1830-1858 and Anna Ruddick 1838-1922), born August 1, 1869, Seymour, Indiana, died January 29, 1944, Lakeland, Florida.

In 1968 she was living with her daughter, Mrs. Shapiro, at 519 Orchard Way, Silver Spring, Maryland 20904.

George Fox Morris and Betty Jacobs had issue:

- 1214-11. Thelma Jeanne Morris, born December 4, 1898, Emporia, Kansas, died June 1966, Washington, D. C., married March 9, 1921, Chicago, Illinois, Milton A. Schneider, born August 6, 1896. In 1962 she lived at 1308 21st Street NW, Washington, D. C.
- 1214-12. Dorothy Morris, married Elliott Shapiro. In 1968 her address was 519 Orchard Way, Silver Spring, Maryland 20904.
- 1214-13. Mildred D. Morris. In 1968 she was unmarried and her address was 1308 Twenty-first Street NW, Apt. 102, Washington, D. C.
- 1214-14. Meade Lomax Morris, deceased in 1968.
- 1214-15. Cecile Betty Morris, deceased in 1968, married James Lindsay.
- 1214-2. MARY JACOBS (see page 84) was born November 28, 1877, died September 6, 1957, Lake Forest, Florida, buried Hollywood, Florida, married Samuel Busey.

Samuel Busey and Mary Jacobs had issue:

- 1214-21. Elizabeth Busey, married Olen L. Brown. In 1968 her address was 4720 S. W. 38th Street, Hollywood, Florida 33023.
- 1214-22. Della Busey, died in New York, New York.
- 1531-1. ALVIN HENRY SIMMS (see page 84) was born February 5, 1893, Dayton, Washington, married April 26, 1916, Seattle, Washington, Elsie Julia Scheller (daughter of Charles E. Scheller and Hermena Bertha Shwartz), born September 7, 1894, Camden, New Jersey. They are both members of the Catholic Church.

He worked on the Seattle waterfront 41 years. He retired in 1958 after serving as business agent and secretary-treasurer of the Checkers' Association. In 1967 their address was 1136 South 220th Street, Des Moines, Washington 98016.

Issue:

- 1531-11. Alvin Anton Simms (1917- ), married Phyllis Midgett. See page 132.
- 1531-12. James Richard Simms, born December 2, 1925, Seattle, Washington. In 1966 he was living in Des Moines, Washington.
- 1533-1. MYRTLE LOUISA VAN HOY (see page 87) was born October 16, 1887, Goldendale, Washinton, died December 24, 1959, married October 18, 1905 (or 1907), Yakima, Washington, Joseph Herbert Turley born January 17, 1871, died May 12, 1919.

She married (second) January 14, 1938, Granger, Washington, Charles C. Smith.

Joseph Herbert Turley and Myrtle Louisa Van Hoy had issue:

- 1533-11. Herman Oscar Turley, born December 20, 1908.
- 1533-12. Ethel Marion Turley (1911-), married Henry Stamper. See page 132.
- 1533-13. Virgie Elma Turley, born July 24, 1914, died January 30, 1915.
- 1533-14. Velma Irene Turley (1914- ), married Clifford Ivan Tucker. See page 132.
- 1533-15. Gladys Vera Turley (1917- ), married Claude Newcomb. See page 132.
- 1533-2. OSCAR HAMILTON VAN HOY (see page 87) was born January 8, 1891, Goldendale, Washington, married (first) at Yakima, Washington, Bessie Frances Seeley, died April 8, 1933. He married (second) November 4, 1933, Everett, Washington, Myrtle Eva Dimmick, born February 7, 1907, Seattle, Washington.

In 1961 he was living in Selah, Washington; in 1969, at 803 Riverview Avenue, Selah, Washington.

Oscar Hamilton Van Hoy and Myrtle Eva Dimmick had issue:

1533-21. Gloria Rae Van Hoy (1934-), married Frank E. Stigall. See page 132.

1533-3. VELINDA EMMA VAN HOY (see page 87) was born October 31, 1893, Goldendale, Washington, married April 8, 1916, Bellingham, Whatcom County, Washington, David William Koenig (son of Louis Baker Koenig 1864-1938 and Clara Reberger 1873-1937), born September 27, 1892, Timan, Whatcom County, Washington, died May 8, 1967, Bellingham, Washington.

David William Koenig and Velinda Emma Van Hoy had issue:

- 1533-31. Norman Kenneth Koenig, born January 20, 1917, Bellingham, Washington, died October 27, 1932, Bellingham, Washington.
- 1533-32. Barbara Jean Koenig (1924- ), married Andrew Elbert Fry. See page 133.
- 1533-4. WILLIAM McKINLEY VAN HOY (see page 87) was born May 16, 1896, Goldendale, Washington, married March 4, 1921, Seattle, Washington, Eleanor Josephine Roselle (daughter of Andrew P. Roselle and Vendla Peterson), born November 9, 1897, Brennen, Washington. In 1961 they were living in Seattle, Washington.

Issue:

1533-41. William Victor Van Hoy (1922- ), married Adelia May Nesset. See page 133.

1533-5. THEODOREROOSEVELT VAN HOY (see page 87) was born July 2, 1905, Toppenish, Yakima County, Washington, married August 21, 1929, Newport, Washington, Lillian Vera Bevens, born October 9, 1907. In 1961 they were living in Pasco, Washington.

### Issue:

1533-51. Juanita Nadine Van Hoy (1930- ), married Chud Jones. See page 133.

1533-52. Phillip David Van Hoy, born March 22, 1938, married May 5, 1962, Pasco, Washington, Marion K. Schell. In 1969 his address was 303 N. 12th, Pasco, Washington.

1533-6. ANNA BELL IVY VAN HOY (see page 87) was born November 8, 1908, Prosser, Benton County, Washington, married November 8, 1926, Joseph Louis Bailey, born January 22, 1895, Kansas City, Missouri. They were married in Ellensburg, Washington. In 1961 she lived in Pasco, Washington. See page 171.

Joseph Louis Bailey and Anna Bell Ivy Van Hoy had issue:

1533-61. Raymond Joseph Bailey, born October 19, 1927, Yakima, Washington.

1533-62. Donna Jean Mary Bailey (1935- ), married Anton Kroll. See page 133.

1533-7. MAY BELL FERN VAN HOY (see page 87) was born November 8, 1908, Prosser, Benton County, Washington, married June 4, 1932, Og Claude Dyer (son of William David Dyer and Lilly J. Anna Yates), born March 22, 1889, Olympia, Washington, died December 10, 1944, Yakima, Washington. See page 171.

Og Claude Dyer and May Bell Fern Van Hoy had issue:

1533-71. Earl Nathan Dyer, born September 4, 1933.

1533-72. Donna May Dyer, born December 6, 1936.

1533-73. Bernice Lillian Dyer, born January 19, 1939, Pasco, Washington.

1533-74. Kenneth Claude Dyer, born March 31, 1944.

1534-1. MARY JANE HARRIS (see page 87) was born September 13, 1891, Goldendale, Washington, married November 24, 1910, John Marshall Van Hoy (son of William Ailas Van Hoy and Jane Rhoades), born August 14, 1887, Goldendale, Washington, died November 1, 1952, buried at Goldendale, Washington.

In 1968 her address was 200 E. Edison Avenue, Sunnyside, Washington 98944.

William Ailas Van Hoy was born January 4, 1839, in Carolina, died May 14, 1912, Goldendale, Washington, married in Virginia to Jane Rhoades, born June 29, 1851, in Tennessee, died March 24, 1928, Pasco, Washington. They arrived in Goldendale, Washington, August 13, 1878, by wagon train from Missouri. They are both buried at Goldendale, Washington. He was a Catholic; she was a Baptist.

John Marhall Van Hoy and Mary Jane Harris had issue: 1534-11. William Marshall Van Hoy (1917-1950), married Myrtle Alford. See page 133.

1534-2. ANNABELL FRANCES HARRIS (see page 87) was born August 28, 1893, married November 1, 1911, John Grover Story, born August 3, 1886.

# Issue:

1534-21. Mary Clara Story, born December 1, 1912, died January 19, 1913.

1534-22. William Grover Story, born August 6, 1914.

1534-23. Ethel Dayle Story, born October 1, 1916.

1534-24. Dilma Lucile Story, born April 8, 1920.

1534-25. Donna Jean Story, born March 7, 1928.

1534-26. Frances Haywood Story, born January 19, 1932.

1534-27. Erma Mable Ann Story, born November 8, 1933.

1534-28. John Darrell Story, born October 16, 1935.

- 1534-29. June Darlene Story, born October 16, 1935.
- 1534-2x. Winona Aurelia Story, born December 12, 1937.
- 1534-3. CLARA LETTITIA HARRIS (see page 87) was born December 15, 1895, married December 25, 1912, William Clyde Story, born April 22, 1890.

In 1949 her address was Route 1, Goldendale, Washington.

William Clyde Story and Clara Lettitia Harris had issue:

1534-31. Walter Clair Story (1914- ), married Edna Elenora Fowler. See page 133.

1534-4. ETHEL GARNER HARRIS (see page 87) was born January 17, 1900, married January 17, 1921, John Edward Hoctor, born April 18, 1897.

John Edward Hoctor and Ethel Garner Harris had issue:

- 1534-41. Ethel June Hoctor, born December 7, 1921.
- 1534-42. Edward Carroll Hoctor, born July 20, 1931.
- 1537-1. LILLIAN BEATRICE SIMMS (see page 87) was born February 12, 1898, Portland, Oregon, married July 5, 1916, James Edwin Smith, born August 9, 1893, Douglas County, Oregon.

James Edwin Smith and Lillian Beatrice Simms had issue:

- 1537-11. James Elmer Smith, born August 4, 1917, Hoquiam, Washington, died September 20, 1919.
- 1537-12. Albert Lincoln Smith, born January 18, 1919, Hoquiam, Washington.
- 1537-13. June Marie Smith, born September 12, 1923, Hoquiam, Washington.
- 1537-14. Lillian Marjorie Smith, born January 23, 1926, Hoquiam, Washington.
- 1539-4. RICHARD CLYDE CHAPPELL (see page 88) was born June 13, 1915, Vancouver, Washington, was adopted and his name changed to Earl Menta Wilhelm. He died November 2, 1960, South Pasadena, California. He married (first) January 31, 1936, Los Angeles, California, Vivian Bradley, born August 12, 1911. He married (second) November 13, 1942, Santa Ana, California, Mrs. Mary Florence (Stoeckel) Thomas, born October 31, 1923, Los Angeles, California.

Earl Menta Wilhelm and Vivian Bradley had issue:

- 1539-41. Janice L. Wilhelm (1938-), married John C. Watkins. See page 133.
- 1539-42. Lucille L. Wilhelm (1940-), married Joseph Santoro. See page 134.

Earl Menta Wilhelm and Mary Florence (Stoeckel) Thomas had issue:

1539-43. Richard Earl Wilhelm (1945-), married Sheridan Lee Stewart. See pages 134 and 171.

153x-1. PAULINE AGNESS IMLAY (see page 88) was born August 10, 1902, married June 23, 1930, Yuma, Arizona, William George Lehne, born February 2, 1905, Liverpool, New York.

William George Lehne and Pauline Agness Imlay had issue:

153x-11. George Julius Lehne (1932- ), married Janice Morini. See page 134.

15x2-1. HERBERT SI RANDALL SLAUGHTER (see page 88) was born July 23, 1914, married May 8, 1942, Phyllis Waite. In 1949 they lived in Tolleson, New Mexico.

Issue:

- 15x2-11. Phyllis Randall Salughter, born April 9, 1943.
- 15x2-12. Ricky Slaughter, born October 5, 1946.
- 15x2-13. a daughter.
- 15x2-14. possibly others.

1614-1. ROBERT STEELE WITHERS (see page 89) was born April 19, 1875, rural Liberty, Missouri, died January 29, 1958, rural Liberty, Missouri, married December 22, 1906, Raymore, Missouri, Alice Ethel Massie (daughter of Benjamin Franklin Massie and Margaret Elizabeth Ryman), born December 22, 1881, Little Indian, near Ashland, Cass County, Illinois, died September 13, 1958, in hospital in North Kansas City, Missouri.

Robert Steele Withers was a college educated farmer, unusual in his day. He was very active in civic affairs generally, was a member of the early "Good Roads Committee"--1916--that developed the first paved roads in Clay County. He was honored with the responsibility of being a member of the State Council of Defense in World War I, was Chairman of the Clay County Council of Defense, Clay County Food Administrator, and devoted substantially all of his time in support of the National effort during that period. He was honored with the 33rd Degree of the Grand Council of the Order of Scottish Rite of the Southern Jurisdiction in Washington, D. C., on October 24, 1941. He lived his entire life on Withers Farm southwest of Liberty.

He was educated at William Jewell College. He contributed a number of articles to the <u>Missouri Historical Review</u> and was a frequent contributor to the <u>Liberty Advance and Tribune</u>.

There are biographical sketches of Robert Steele Withers and his wife on page 565, volume 3, The History of Missouri, by David D. March, 1967.

Robert Steele Withers and Alice Ethel Massie had issue:

- 1614-11. Conn Withers (1907-), married Jeanne Cutler. See page 134.
- 1614-12. Margaret Withers (1910- ), married Owen Addison Teague. See page 134.
- 1614-3. KATE BLACKBURN WITHERS (see page 89) was born January 19, 1881, married August 1, 1906, Alvan W. Lightburne. She was born in Clay County, Missouri, and in 1968 her address was 204 E. Franklin, Liberty, Missouri 64068.
  - Alvan W. Lightburne and Kate Blackburn Withers had issue:
- 1614-31. Alvan R. Lightburne. In 1968 his address was 204 W. Kansas, Liberty, Missouri 64068. His wife was Ruth H.
- 1614-32. Martha Lightburne, married Lee A. Shirley. See page 134.
- 1614-33. Carol Lightburne, died in an accident.
- 1633-1. FRANK RINGO JACKSON (see page 90) was born September 20, 1884, married August 26, 1907, Louise Keil.

Issue:

1633-11. Helen Elizabeth Jackson, born September 20, 1908.

1635-1. ZANA CUSHING (see page 90) was born April 23, 1891, married August 5, \_\_\_\_, Los Angeles, California, James Lloyd Batchelder, born May 16, 1894.

The 1968 Los Angeles, California, telephone directory lists: Batchelder, J. Lloyd, 29556 Rainsfrd Pl, Malibu GL 7-2739

Issue

1635-11. William Warren Batchelder, born April 18, 1917, Los Angeles, California.

1652-2. ENFIELD S. STOGDALE (see page 90) was born September 12, 1877, Liberty, Missouri, died July 2, 1954, married 1902 Gatewood Sanders Lincoln, born August 5, 1875, died October 15, 1957.

According to the Missouri Historical Review, Volume 52, January 1958, page 184: Obituary: LINCOLN, Captain Gatewood S., Coronado, California. August 5, 1875--October 15, 1957. Native of Liberty, Missouri. Naval expert in steam designing. Former governor of American Samoa. Veteran of three wars.

1657-1. OZELLA MILLER (see page 91) was born September 17, 1891, Pleasant Hill, Cass County, Missouri, died Kansas City, Missouri, married Ludwick Graves (son of Waller Washington Graves, Sr., and Alice M. Ludwick), born July 8, 1893, Butler, Missouri, died July 26, 1951, buried in Richmond, Missouri. One record lists her as Elizabeth Ozella Miller.

Ludwick Graves graduated from William Jewell College and from the Kansas City School of Law. He praticed law in Kansas City, Missouri. He was formerly president of the Kansas City Board of Education and chairman of the Kansas City election board. He was a member of the State Historical Society of Missouri. See page 103, Volume 46, October 1951, Missouri Historical Review.

There is a biographical account of him on page 801, volume 3, <u>Missouri Democracy--A History</u>, by W. R. Jackson.

Ludwick Graves and Ozella Miller had issue:

1657-11. Alice Mary Graves.

1657-12. Elizabeth Graves.

3711-1. BEATRICE DAUGHERTY (see page 91) was born about 1883, died February 16, 1969, Medford, Oregon, married \_\_\_\_\_\_Calderwood.

She was very much interested in the family history and spent six or seven years obtaining information and made several trips to Indiana and Chio. In 1968 her address was Box 296, Lakeview, Oregon 97630. She wrote me that she started to copy the record for me but she made too many mistakes and her hand shook too much. For 22 years she spent her winters with her daughter in Brookings, Oregon, and she was planning to have her daughter copy the record, while she was there to explain it. However she reached Brookings not well and became very sick December 23 and was taken by ambulance to Medford, Oregon, where she died February 16, 1969. In accordance with her mother's wishes, the daughter, Mrs. Catherine Doherty, sent me a long letter containing information on the family history.

I do not have a complete record of her family but she had at least two children:

3711-11. Catherine Daugherty, married \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Doherty. In 1969 her address was Route 1, Box 95, Brookings, Oregon. In her letter she wrote, "At one place in my mother's records I find several names as listed in the 1850 census from Madison Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, that are spelled Doherty. This is the way that my husband spelled his name. My husband came from Ireland."

3711-12. a son, who married Maxine \_\_\_\_\_\_. She wrote me October 22, 1968, and her stationery had the printed letterhead: "Maxine Calderwood, Public Accountant, 16 F Street, South, Lakeview, Oregon 97630."

3821-1. WILLIAM ALLEN SIMMS (see page 91) was born July 23, 1889, Paris, Illinois, died August 12, 1942, Waveland, Indiana, married February 1908 Lulu Childers (daughter of Lee Childers and Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_\_), born November 12, 1888, Wolfe County, Kentucky, died Indianapolis, Indiana. They are both buried at Waynetown, Indiana.

Mr. Rowen L. Simms wrote August 29, 1968, "My father was a house painter and later became post-master at Waveland and died while serving as such. He was very much interested in Democratic politics. His brother was in politics in Oklahoma for years and held several offices in the judicial field."

William Allen Simms and Lulu Childers had issue:

- 3821-11. Wayne Simms, born November 24, 1908, Waynetown, Indiana, married September 26, 1931, Lafayette, Indiana, Tressa May Surber. In 1968 he and his wife lived at Waveland, Indiana. He has had the post office there for years.
- 3821-12. Rowen L. Simms (1910- ), married (first) Thelma Davis, married (second) Mabel V. (Northington) Green. See page 134.
- 3821-13. Virginia Simms (1921- ), married Edwin Williams. See page 135.
- 3821-14. Aline Simms, born June 27, 1912, Waveland, Indiana, unmarried in 1968.

3821-2. MATTHEW SCOTT SIMMS (see page 91) was born about 1891, died about 1966, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and is buried in Sand Springs, Oklahoma, married Bessie Moore of Waveland, Indiana. She died about

1958 Vinita, Oklahoma, and is buried there.

He was nicknamed Jim--but his name was not James.

Matthew Scott Simms and Bessie Moore had issue: 3821-21. Robert Daniel Simms (ca 1927- ). See page 135.

3x11-1. EDNA MARIE SMITH (see page 92) was born July 14, 1904, Montgomery County, Indiana, married June 26, 1937, Lebanon, Indiana, Lester Cox (son of James Bert Cox 1878-1960 and Merty Bell Spry 1877-1959), born September 6, 1901, Boone County, Indiana. They are members of the First Church Nazarene.

In 1968 their address was 606 Spann Avenue, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.

Lester Cox and Edna Marie Smith had issue:

- 3x11-11. Donna Joan Cox, born September 17, 1938, Crawfordsville, Indiana.
- 3x11-12. Delma Marlene Cox, born September 10, 1942, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

3x11-2. MAURICE BURDELL SMITH (see page 92) was born February 9, 1906, Montgomery County, Indiana, married September 4, 1928, Danville, Illinois, Augusta Agnes Conklin (daughter of George Franklin Conklin 1865-1926 and Etta Ballard 1874-1934), born January 3, 1910, Clinton County, Illinois.

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3x11-21. Ralph Franklin Smith, born June 12, 1936, Linden, Montgomery County, Indiana.

3x11-3. ALTA MAY SMITH (see page 92) was born May 18, 1908, Montgomery County, Indiana, died January 24, 1946, Culver Hospital, buried Masonic Cemetery, married January 15, 1927, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Charles H. Knox (son of Elisah H. Knox 1873-1957 and Mary Ellen Dickerson 1872-1947), born May 22, 1904, Parkersburg, Indiana. He has also been married to Maude Miller and Dorothy Penrose.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Charles H. Knox and Alta May Smith had issue:

- 3x11-31. Mary Catherine Knox, born July 26, 1927, Montgomery County, Indiana, died July 30, 1927, at parents' home.
- 3x11-32. Charles Edward Knox, born January 7, 1937, Crawfordsville, Indiana, died July 8, 1961, George Ade Memorial Hospital, Brook, Indiana, married February 25, 1961, First Baptist Church, Marlis Jeanne Baker.
- 3x11-4. NATHAN EMORY SMITH (see page 92) was born September 11, 1911, Montgomery County, Indiana, married April 3, 1943, Madison County, Indiana, Norma Eileen Starnes (daughter of Mont Vernon Starnes born 1885 and Elsie Eliza Hardee 1896-1952), born June 4, 1917, Montgomery County, Indiana.

They have no children.

3x11-5. MARY AGNES SMITH (see page 92) was born July 13, 1914, Montgomery County, Indiana, married April 21, 1934, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Floyd T. Waldon (son of George Alfred Waldon 1871-1964 and Cynthia M. Thompson 1879-1940), born January 9, 1912, Montgomery County, Indiana. They are both members of the Baptist Church.

Floyd T. Waldon and Mary Agnes Smith had issue:

- 3x11-51. Bernard Eugene Waldon, born May 4, 1935, Montgomery County, Indiana, married September 10, 1966, Indianapolis, Indiana, Hurma D. McCotter.
- 3x11-52. Joyce Avon Waldon, born February 28, 1940, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married September 2, 1961, Baptist Church, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Jimmy D. Northcutt.

3x21-2. LESTER EVERETT (see page 93) was born May 27, 1900, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married in Crawfordsville, Indiana, Anna May Stribling, born April 22, 1901, New Richmond, Montgomery County, Indiana, died October 24, 1966. She is buried in Oak Hill Cemetery. They were both members of United Trinity Methodist Church.

In 1968 his address was R. R. #2, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.

Issue:

3x21-21. Lester Everett, Jr. (1927-), married Henrietta Jones. See page 135.

3x21-22. Max Leon Everett (1930-), married Barbara Mahorney. See page 135.

3x21-23. Myron Keith Everett (1932- ), married (first) Dorothy Wellington, married (second) Sue Cox Weliver. See page 135.

3x21-3. CLIFFORD EVERETT (see page 93) was born February 26, 1902, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married Maple Dykes.

The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists:

Everett, L. Clifford (Maple F.) prsmn Donnelley's h 408 Maple St

Clifford Everett and Maple Dykes had issue:

3x21-31. Norma Everett, married Vernon Wilson. See page 135.

3x21-32. Eugene Everett, married Elizabeth Anderson. See page 136.

3x21-33. Robert Wayne Everett, married Susan Pendleton. See page 136.

3x21-34. Paul Allen Everett, married Pat Gouscher. They have no children.

3x21-7. LLOYD EVERETT (see page 93) was born January 14, 1912, married Lillian Smithon.

Issue:

3x21-71. Linda Everett, married Alpher.

3x22-1. HERMAN LaFAUNE EVERETT (see page 93) was born June 5, 1905, Union Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, died 1936, Marion County, Indiana. He was married and divorced.

Issue:

3x22-11. Jean Everett.

3x22-2. GEORGIA EVERETT (see page 93) was born November 26, 1907, Union Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, died November 20, 1966, Montgomery County, Indiana, married October 1, 1926, Montgomery County, Indiana, Charles B. Fry, born May 29, 1903, Montgomery County, Indiana, died July 2, 1961. They are both buried in Oak Hill Cemetery. He was a member of the Episcopal Church and she was a member of the Am. Baptist Church. One record lists her name as Georgia V. Everett. In 1966 her address was 507 E. Franklin, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.

Charles B. Fry and Georgia V. Everett had issue:

3x22-21. Joyce Fry, married Norman Pedersen. See page 136.

3x22-22. Betty Fry, married Paul Proctor. See page 136.

3x22-23. Ed Fry, born Crawfordsville, Indiana, unmarried in 1968.

3x22-24. Sue Fry, born Crawfordsville, Indiana, married in Yuma, Arizona, She has two children. She was living in Arizona in 1968.

3x22-25. Sandy Fry, born Crawfordsville, Indiana, married J. B. Wright.

3x22-3. MARY S. EVERETT (see page 93) was born July 23, 1911, Montgomery County, Indiana, married Albert L. Parker (son of Jim Parker and Linna \_\_\_\_\_\_), born Warren County, Indiana. They are both members of the Baptist Church.

The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists: Parker, Albert L (Mary S) emp Mid-States Steel & Wire h 608 Wallace Ave

Albert L. Parker and Mary S. Everett had issue:

- 3x22-31. Argel Lawson Parker, married Doris Endicott. See page 136.
- 3x22-32. Donald Parker, married Phyliss Massing. See page 136.
- 3x22-33. David Parker, married (first) Betty Olds, married (second) Shirley Zachery. See page 136.
- 3x22-34. Esmond Parker, married Jackie Massing. See page 137.
- 3x22-35, Bryce Parker, married Minta Dehna. See page 137.
- 3x22-36. Judy Parker, born January 30, \_\_\_\_, Montgomery County, Indiana, married John Budd.

3x22-5. EVELYN EVERETT (see page 93) was born May 14, 1916, Montgomery County, Indiana, married John Rodgers. They were divorced. In 1968 she was living in Arizona.

John Rodgers and Evelyn Everett had issue:

- 3x22-51. Verna Rodgers.
- 3x22-52. Jimmy Rodgers.
- 3x22-53. George Rodgers.
- 3x22-54. John Rodgers.
- 3x22-55. Sharon Rodgers.

3x22-6. MILDRED EVERETT (see page 93) was born December 12, 1917, Union Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, married December 25, 1935, Lafayette, Indiana, Albert Leonard Sutter (son of David Sutter 1858-1946 and Mary Amstutz 1875-1960), born October 5, 1915, Tippecanoe County, Indiana. He was a member of the Aff. Evangelical Mennonite Church. In 1968 they were living in Lafayette, Indiana.

Albert Leonard Sutter and Mildred Everett had issue:

- 3x22-61. David Sutter, born March 17, 1942, Lafayette, Indiana, died March 17, 1942, Lafayette, Indiana.
- 3x22-62. Nancy Sutter (1943- ), married Terry L. S. Harrington. See page 137.
- 3x22-63. Margaret Sutter, born January 27, 1945, Lafayette, Indiana.
- 3x22-64. Daniel Sutter, born September 7, 1952, Lafayette, Indiana, died September 7, 1952, Lafayette, Indiana.
- 3x22-65. Richard Sutter, born August 1, 1956, Lafayette, Indiana.

3x22-7. CHARLES EVERETT (see page 93) was born May 1, 1922. He was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Culp of Goshen, Indiana, and his name was changed to William Everett Culp.

He was married and divorced. His wife remarried. In 1968 he was living in Arizona.

Issue:

- 3x22-71. Jeffery Culp.
- 3x22-72. Daniel Culp.
- 3x22-73., William Culp, Jr.
- 3x22-74. a daughter

3x31-1. ROY HUNTER (see page 93) married Marguerite Kelsy.

Issue:

3x31-11. Jim Hunter.

3x31-3, RUTH HUNTER (see page 93) married (first) Thomas Mason. She married (second) John Powell.

Thomas Mason and Ruth Hunter had issue:

3x31-31. Thomas Mason, Jr.

3x31-5. MARY JOSEPHINE HUNTER (see page 93) married Vance Carroll.

Vance Carroll and Mary Josephine Hunter had issue:

3x31-51. Jerry Carroll.

3x31-52. Betty Carroll.

3x33-1. CAROLYN SIMMS (see page 93) was born September 11, 1917, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married November 23, 1938, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Richard P. McClamroch, born May 29, 1915.

In 1968 her address was 5741 W. 18th Street, Speedway, Indiana 46224.

Richard P. McClamroch and Carolyn Simms had issue:

3x33-11. James Richard McClamroch, born March 21, 1941, Spokane, Washington, married August 20, 1966, Evanston, Illinois, Pamela Ann Higgins, born February 23, 1943.

3x33-12. Judith Carolyn McClamroch, born November 23, 1944, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

3x34-1. BETTY COSBY (see page 93) was born June 20, 1918, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married July 3, 1938, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Brigham Young.

The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists: Young, Brigham (Betty J) carpet lyr 702 North Dr

Brigham Young and Betty Cosby had issue:

3x34-11. Karen Young, married Ray Polster. See page 137.

3x34-12. Larry Young.

3x41-1. IDA MAE BELL (see page 94) married Frank Robison.

Frank Robison and Ida Mae Bell had issue:

3x41-11. a child who died in infancy.

3x41-12. Richard Robison, married Fay \_\_\_\_\_. See page 137.

3x41-13. Marian Robison, married Kenneth Keller. See page 137.

3x41-14. Billy Robison, married Wilma Phillips.

3x41-2. MARIE BELL (see page 94) married Austin Browning.

Austin Browning and Marie Bell had issue:

3x41-21. Forrest Browning, died at age 8.

They also adopted two children:

3x41-22. Linda Browning.

3x41-23. Shelley Browning.

3x42-2. CHARLES AUGUSTUS SIMMS (see page 94) was born November 5, 1921, married Delores Blackford. He served in World War II in the European Theater and participated in the Battle of the Bulge. In 1968 he lived at Lafayette, Indiana.

Issue:

3x42-21. Steven Cletis Simms, born September 1, 1947

3x42-22. Carl Leslie Simms, born October 16, 1950.

3x42-23. Karen Joy Simms, born October 6, 1956.

3x42-4. HELEN FRANCES SIMMS (see page 94) was born July 19, 1925, married Max Rivers. In 1968 she lived nine miles from Crawfordsville, Indiana. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists:

Rivers, Max R route 6

Max Rivers and Helen Frances Simms had issue:

- 3x42-41. Mary Ann Rivers, born February 10, 1945, married Jerry McMindes.
- 3x42-42. Esther Jane Rivers, born July 23, 1948.
- 3x42-43. Victor Ray Rivers, born August 24, 1954.
- 3x42-44. Ramona Lea Rivers, born July 23, 1961.

3x42-6. ROBERT LOUIS SIMMS (see page 94) was born October 4, 1930, married (first) Elaine Jorgenson. They were divorced about 1961. He married (second) about 1962 Ruth Wilhite.

He served in the Korean War and suffered malaria fever over there. In 1963 he moved to California and in 1968 he was living at Santa Barbara, California.

Robert Louis Simms and Elaine Jorgenson had issue:

- 3x42-61. Roxann Simms, born January 18, 1954.
- 3x42-62. Rebecca Sue Simms, born May 1956, died August 25, 1959, from blood poisoning.
- 3x42-63. Richele Simms, born June 6, 1957.
- 3x51-1. CLAUDE LYON (see page 94) was born May 6, 1903, north of Crawfordsville, Indiana, married December 24, 1923, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Dema Rodgers.

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- 3x51-11. Charles Lyon, killed in an automobile accident.
- 3x51-12. Maxine Lyon, married Richard Bacon. See page 137.
- 3x51-13. Donald Lyon, married (first) Jessie , married (second) Helen . See page 138.
- 3x51-3. ELSIE LYON (see page 94) was born September 20, 1907, north of Crawfordsville, Indiana, married April 21, 1928, Hammon, Indiana, Russell Harwood. In 1968 their address was R. R. 6, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.

Russell Harwood and Elsie Lyon had issue:

- 3x51-31. Patricia Joan Harwood (1931- ), married James Lee Thomas. See page 138.
- 3x51-32. Jack Lee Harwood (1936- ), married (first) Barbara Ann Haase, married (second) Delores Quantona. See page 138.
- 3x51-4. MONROE LYON (see page 94) was born May 13, 1910, north of Crawfordsville, Indiana, married August 27, 1933, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, Ruby Todd. In 1967 his address was R.R. 6, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Issue

3x51-41. Peggy Lyon, married Robert Fyffe and they have five children.

3x51-5. MARY LOUISE LYON (see page 94) was born June 12, 1912, north of Crawfordsville, Indiana, married February 9, 1936 (apparently in Valparaiso, Indiana), divorced April 17, 1956, James Rudolph Muster (son of Albert Muster 1881-1960 and Margaret Farley 1881-1962), In 1968 she was living in Riverside, California.

James Rudolph Muster and Mary Louise Lyon had issue:

- 3x51-51. James Robert Muster (1937- ), married Judy Aslaksen. See page 138.
- 3x51-52. Beebe Darlene Muster (1941- ), married Jerry Edward Slater. See page 138.
- 3x51-53. Gerald Douglas Muster (1945- ), married Rolee Jon Terpack. See page 138.
  - 3x51-6. EMERSON LYON (see page 94) was born July 3, 1914, Linden, Montgomery County, Indiana,

died September 16, 1959, when he and his wife were killed in an automobile accident east of Crawfordsville, Indiana. He married November 19, 1935, Pauline McClain.

Emerson Lyon and Pauline McClain had issue:

- 3x51-61. Robert Loyd Lyon (1937-), married Nancy Jane Payne. See page 138.
- 3x51-62. Beverly Kay Lyon (1939-), married Dennis Lepper. See page 139.

3x52-1. RAYMOND LEROY LYON (see page 95) was born June 11, 1905, Montgomery County, Indiana, married June 17, 1946, Cleveland, Ohio, Pauline O. Truex (daughter of William Edward Truex and Amanda Delilah Byers), born April 24, 1907, Woodsfield, Ohio,

The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana lists:

Lyon, Pauline Mrs tchr Tuttle Jr Hi Sch, Route 4

Lyon, Raymond L, Route 4

Issue:

- 3x52-11. Wanda Carol Lyon (adopted) (1945- ), married Larry Gordon Brown. See page 139.
- 3x52-12. Edward Raymond Lyon (adopted), born March 9, 1947. In 1968 he was in the Navy stationed in Turkey.

3x52-3. DELBERT LYON (see page 95) was born July 24, 1908, Montgomery County, Indiana, died February 10, 1963, Montgomery County, Indiana, married February 11, 1931, Goldie Grayson, born October 7, 1915.

### Issue:

- 3x52-31. Rosemary Lyon, born May 9, 1932, married Robert Fuller.
- 3x52-32. Ora Lee Lyon, born December 19, 1935.
- 3x52-33. John Howard Lyon, born December 29, 1938, died September 30, 1940.
- 3x52-34. Danny Ray Lyon, born November 6, 1941. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists:
  - Lyon, Danny Remp Steel Indus, Waynetown, Indiana

3x52-5. HAROLD LYON (see page 95) was born September 14, 1911, Montgomery County, Indiana, married February 16, 1935, Gladys Killiam.

## Issue:

- 3x52-51. Allen Lyon, born July 1, 1936, married November 1, 1958, Revadell Lith. They have one child.
- 3x52-52. Dorothy Ellen Lyon, born May 18, 1938, married November 2, 1957, Ernest L. Holt. They have five children.
- 3x52-6. ELVA MAY LYON (see page 95) was born June 7, 1914, Montgomery County, Indiana, married November 21, 1936, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Lawrence A. Harwood (son of Samuel Nye Harwood 1886-1956 and Dora Belle Morrison 1885-1954), born 1916 Crawfordsville, Indiana. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists:

Harwood, Lawrence A. (Elva M.) litho Donnelley, 1001 Ray Street

Lawrence A. Harwood and Elva May Lyon had issue:

- 3x52-61. Lawrence Edward Harwood, born July 8, 1937, Crawfordsville, Indiana, died June 30, 1958, Crawfordsville, Indiana.
- 3x52-62. Samuel Oren Harwood, born September 18, 1940, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married 1959 Crawfordsville, Indiana, Sue Utterback.
- 3x52-7. MABLE E. LYON (see page 95) was born October 11, 1916, Montgomery County, Indiana, married October 4, 1941, Greenfield, Indiana, Donald R. Mikels (son of Clifford Mikels and Odessa Mabelle Tindler), born March 22, 1918, Union Township, Montgomery County, Missouri. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists:
- Mikels, Donald R (Mable E) plmb Anglin Plmb & Htg, 504 W Pike

Donald R. Mikels and Mable E. Lyon had issue:

- 3x52-71. Donovan Eugene Mikels (1942- ), married Carolyn Sue Runion. See page 139.
- 3x52-72. Charlotte Ray Mikels, born May 17, 1946, Montgomery County, Indiana, married (first) Douglas Purcell, married (second) Frederick Foxworthy.
- 3x52-73. Ralph Gregory Mikels, born May 22, 1948, Montgomery County, Indiana.

3x52-8. ALBERT LEE LYON (see page 95) was born October 14, 1918, married September 15, 1942, Velma L. Lampkin (daughter of Guy C. Lampkin and Inez Hundley), born September 26, 1922.

Issue:

- 3x52-81. Kenneth Albert Lyon, born April 29, 1945.
- 3x52-82. Thomas Lee Lyon, born June 4, 1948.
- 3x52-83. Sandra Louise Lyon, born May 28, 1950.
- 3x52-84. Janice Elaine Lyon, born April 8, 1953.
- 3x52-85. Charles Dean Lyon, born June 17, 1954.
- 3x52-86. David Michael Lyon, born September 4, 1961.

3x52-9. WILLIAM DAN LYON (see page 95) was born August 22, 1922, Coal Creek Township, Montgomery County, Indiana, married (first) May 6, 1945, Montgomery County, Indiana, Frances Lampkin, born November 5, 1926. He married (second) August 22, 1951, Attica, Indiana, Mrs. Juanita (Pullen) Hall (daughter of Harvey O. Pullen and Leota Shaw), born February 12, 1926, West Point, Kentucky. She had been married to Edwin Hall. They are members of the Methodist Church.

The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists: Lvon. Wm D. Route 6

William Dan Lyon and Frances Lampkin had issue:

3x52-91. Bonita Lyon, born November 13, 1946, Montgomery County, Indiana, married January 26, 1963, Montgomery County, Indiana, Dorrell E. Durnil, who died September 25, 1966. She was also married to James Sparby.

William Dan Lyon and Juanita Pullen had issue:

- 3x52-92. Ricky Lyon--another record says David R. Lyon--born April 2, 1953, Crawfordsville, Indiana.
- 3x52-93. Debbie Lyon, born June 26, 1955, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

3x52-x. ROBERT EDWARD LYON (see page 95) was born December 17, 1925, north of Crawfordsville, Indiana, married December 24, 1952, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Mrs. Hazel (Dowell) Thompson (daughter of George Dowell and Mary Jane Rector). She had been previously married to Dwight Allen and Henry Thompson.

In 1968 his address was R. R. 4, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

He was very helpful in supplying information about the family. His father, Mr. Ora Lyon, took care of the Mount Pleasant Cemetery for years and the two of them copied all of the tombstones they could find for members of the family.

Issue:

3x52-x1. Deborah Lyon, born April 24, 1958, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

3x52-a. LAWRENCE LYON (see page 95) was born September 16, 1927, married May 21, 1953, Lucille Lough. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists: Lyon, Lawrence W, Route 6

Issue:

3x52-al. Nicky Lyon (a daughter).

3x52-a2. Cindy Joe Lyon (a daughter).

4111-4. WILLIAM K. SIMS (see page 96) was born May 10, 1865, Ralls County, Missouri, died August 1931 Quincy, Illinois, married Monroe City, Missouri, Margaret Elizabeth Scott, born April 23, 1867, died November 6, 1936, Quincy, Illinois. They are both buried in Greenmount Cemetery, Quincy, Illinois. They were both members of the Baptist Church.

The will of Thomas H. Scott in Ralls County, Missouri, written 1877, proved 1893, mentions Margaret E. Sims of Hannibal. Buried in Antioch Cemetery in Ralls County, Missouri, are Thomas H. Scott, born April 12, 1823, died August 14, 1893, and Martha J., wife of T. H. Scott, born May 11, 1835, died October 24, 1897.

William K. Sims and Margaret Elizabeth Scott had issue:

- 4111-41. Florence N. Sims (1887-1967), married Byron F. Moore. See page 139.
- 4111-42. Grover Lee Sims (1889-1967), married Myrtle Marie Boots. See page 139.
- 4111-43. Hugh William Sims (1898-1967), married Bessie Bode. See page 139.

4111-6. HOMER JACKSON SIMS (see page 96) was born July 31, 1875, in Missouri, died October 18, 1941, married June 21, 1899, Marion County, Missouri, Louise M. Horstmeyer, born November 5, 1873, died January 23, 1955, Marion County, Missouri. They are buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Hannibal, Missouri. She was a member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Homer Jackson Sims and Louise M. Horstmeyer had issue:

- 4111-61. Ida Matilda Sims, born August 28, 1900, Ralls County, Missouri, married March 19, 1949, Hannibal, Missouri, Edwin M. Brandenburg of De Pere, Wisconsin, died January 23, 1966, Calumet County Hospital, Calumet County, Wisconsin. In 1968 her address was P. O. Box 25, Potter, Wisconsin 54160.
- 4111-62. Edith Sims. No children.
- 4111-63. Howard Christian Sims (1903-), married Anita T. Broemmer. See page 140.

4113-1. WILLIAM STARK SIMS (see page 97) was born 1855 Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, died December 22, 1884, Ralls County, Missouri, buried in Antioch Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri. He married November 30, 1876, Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, Margery Blair, born February 10, 1857, Glendale, Ohio, died March 22, 1934, Ralls County, Missouri. She is also buried in Antioch Cemetery. After her first husband's death she married (second) February 24, 1887, Hannibal, Missouri, Edward LaVoo. By this second marriage there was a daughter, Miss Edna Margery LaVoo, whose address in 1968 was Route 3, Box 112, Hannibal, Missouri 63401. Miss LaVoo supplied a great deal of helpful information concerning the Sims family history.

William Stark Sims' old home is just south of Hannibal in Ralls County, Missouri, and is part of the Gersham Silver tract.

Margery Blair was the daughter of Robert Blair and Ellen McCarthy Raleigh. Mrs. William Raymond Sims (Dollie Collins) has a history of the Blair and Raleigh families. According to it Robert Blair was born of Scotch ancestry at Cornwall, Ontario, Canada. The village of Cornwall and other nearby towns in that section are now part of the new St. Lawrence Seaway. The family made many trips to Ottawa each year to shop and to care for business matters. Robert Blair's parents were Edward and Sarah Harrison Blair. The father and three sons, Robert, Edward, and Joseph, were wheat farmers. Robert Blair married Ellen Raleigh at Cornwall, Canada, January 23, 1852. In the early days of their marriage they also lived at West Roxborough, Ontario; Greenupsburg (now Greenup), Kentucky; at Glendale, Ohio (now the best residentail section of Cincinnati); and at Hamilton, Ohio. Robert Blair served in the Civil War in Company E, 65th Ohio Infantry, 1st Ohio Volunteers. He died October 1904 Ralls County, Missouri.

Ellen Blair, nee Raleigh, was the daughter of Thomas Raleigh and Katherine MacCarthy (or McCarthy) and was born 1832 in County Cork, Ireland, supposedly in some small village belonging to the Blarney Estate in southern Ireland. She died April 1915 in Hannibal, Missouri.

Although Ellen Raleigh Blair was originally Catholic, she and her husband became members of the Antioch Baptist Church in Ralls County of which he was a founder and deacon. They are both buried in the Antioch Cemetery.

William Stark Sims and Margery Blair had issue:

- 4113-11. Abner Blair Sims (1878-1938), married Georgia Douglas Brookman. See page 140.
- 4113-12. Robert Elmer Sims, born November 20, 1879, Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, died April 30, 1894, Ralls County, Missouri, unmarried. He is buried in Antioch Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri.
- 4113-13. Walter William Sims (1881-1904). See page 140.
- 4113-14. Edgar Hays Sims (1883-1962), married Helen E. Colburn. See page 140.
- 4113-3. ALICE VIRGINIA SIMS (see page 97), called Jennie, was born May 23, 1858, Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, died July 6, 1927, Hannibal, Missouri, buried Hydesburg, Missouri, married March 4, 1880, Ralls County, Missouri, Egbert C. Robinson (son of Benjamin Robinson and Sommerville Weather), born May 29, 1851, in Illinois, died November 22, 1911, Ralls County, Missouri, buried in Hydesburg, Missouri. They were both members of the Baptist Church.

Egbert C. Robinson and Jennie Sims had issue:

- 4113-31. Hugh C. Robinson (1881-1964), married Margaret Allen. See page 140.
- 4113-32. Elgin Robinson (1883-1960), married Bertha O'Neal. See page 140.
- 4113-33. Arch Robinson (1885-1959), married Willie Alexander. See page 140.
- 4113-34. Ethel Robinson, born May 4, 1887, died November 26, 1890.
- 4113-35. Zelma Robinson, born October 31, 1893, Ralls County, Missouri, married January 23, 1910, Ralls County, Missouri, Harry Bastian.
- 4113-36. Perry M. Robinson (1897-1968), married Frances L. Wright. See page 141.
- 4113-4. FRANKLIN SIMS (see page 97) was born Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, died Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, married Hannibal, Missouri, Amy Thompson. They lived in Kansas City, Kansas.

Issue:

- 4113-41. Amy Sims, married \_\_\_\_\_ Cooley. See page 141.
- 4114-3. ENOCH SIMS (see page 97) was born February 15, 1866, Ralls County, Missouri, died December 12, 1938, Quincy, Illinois, married December 24, 1894, Marion County, Missouri, Alleen Edna Brown (daughter of John Henry Brown and Mary A. Mackey), born October 7, 1874, Ralls County, Missouri, died August 9, 1952, Quincy, Illinois. They were members of the Methodist Church. They are both buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Hannibal, Missouri.

Issue:

- 4114-31. Helen Sims (1896- ), married (first) Tracy Proctor Hollon, married (second) Clarence C. Bruner. See page 141.
- 4114-32. Marion Lamar Sims (1904-), married Henrietta Cook. See page 141.
- 4114-33. Alleen Sims (1907-), married Donald J. Arrowsmith. See page 141.
- 4114-34. Richard Sims, born May 19, 1912, Quincy, Illinois, died January 25, 1929, Quincy, Illinois.
- 4114-35. Robert Sims (1915-), married Mrs. Margaret (Hooper) Hunter. See page 142.
- 4114-7. LUTHER SIMS (see page 98) was born October 5, 1873, Ralls County, Missouri, died April 1939 Hannibal, Missouri, married 1912 Hannibal, Missouri, Addie Moore (daughter of George Wesley Moore and Mintie Lowery), born February 21, 1894, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri. He is buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Hannibal, Mo. She later married Walter E. Stiles. In 1968 her address was 1725 S. First, Phoenix, Arizona.

Luther Sims and Addie Moore had issue:

- 4114-71. Roberta Sims, born September 18, 1913, Hannibal, Missouri, died September 18, 1913, buried Riverside Cemetery, Hannibal, Missouri.
- 4114-72. Frances Sims (1914-), married J. R. Treon. See page 142.
- 4114-73. Mary Sims (1917- ), married J. F. Shade. See page 142.
- 4114-74. Milton C. Sims (1919- ), married (first) Vivian Arnett, married (second) Velma Woodsmall. See page 142.
- 4114-75. Doris Sims, born January 8, 1922, Ralls County, Missouri, married October 1940, Chicago, Illinois,

- H. C. Larson. They have no children.
- 4114-76. Luther Earl Sims (1924- ), married Dorothy Williamson. See page 142.
- 4114-77. Oliver Sims, born December 25, 1926, Ralls County, Missouri, died March 1927 Ralls County, Missouri, buried Riverside Cemetery, Hannibal, Missouri.
- 4114-78. Alma Mae Sims (1931-), married Walter E. Stiles, Jr. See page 142.

4114-8. FANNIE SIMS (see page 98) was born April 13, 1874, Ralls County, Missouri, died May 18, 1960, Chicago, Illinois, married December 28, 1892, Ralls County, Missouri, Robert L. Dunbar. She is buried in Acacia Park Cemetery, Chicago, Illinois.

Mrs. Clarence C. Bruner (Helen Sims) wrote, "Roberta Benziger is the only one who could tell me anything about Robert Dunbar, her father, but as her mother and father were separated when the children were quite small they lost track of him and she knows nothing about the details of his death, burial, etc."

Robert L. Dunbar and Fannie Sims had issue:

- 4114-81. Charles Dunbar, born July 6, 1894, Hannibal, Missouri, died January 4, 1965, New York, New York, He was a lieutenant-commander in the Navy and is buried in Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Clarence C. Bruner (Helen Sims) wrote, "Charles Dunbar was married twice and had two children, I think, by his first wife. I have written her requesting her to fill out a form which you sent but have heard nothing from her. I met her some years ago but was not very well acquainted with her. Her address is Mrs. Hazel Dunbar, 1341 W, 9th Street, San Pedro, California,"
- 4114-82. Roberta Dunbar (1898- ), married (first) Robert Hurt, married (second) Burton Benziger. See page 143.
- 4114-83. Laverne Dunbar (1902-1957). See page 143.

4114-a. ARCH SIMS (see page 98) was born December 11, 1882, Ralls County, Missouri, died May 5, 1949, Hannibal, Missouri, married December 20, 1917, St. Louis, Missouri, Beulah Edna Harper (daughter of Johnson Beauregard Harper and Sallie Catherine Bradley), born July 16, 1884, Rush Hill (or Bachelor), Callaway County, Missouri. He was a member of the Christian Church. He is buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Hannibal, Missouri. In 1967 her address was 309 South Fifth Street, Hannibal, Missouri. 63401.

In the rotogravure section of the St. Louis <u>Post-Dispatch</u> for Sunday, July 19, 1942, there was a picture feature on the commercial use of rural electrification power. It shows two pictures of Arch Sims on his farm, five miles north of New London, Missouri.

In the <u>Courier-Post</u>, Hannibal, Missouri, Friday, July 9, 1948, there is an article about the Arch Sims farm. It reads in part:

FARM IN ONE FAMILY FOR FIVE GENERATIONS

Arch Sims Sells Tract to Ralls County Dairyman

With portions of it procured by original U. S. land grants dating back as early as 1819, two years before Missouri gained her statehood, the Arch Sims farm in Ralls county, four miles south of Hannibal, has been purchased by G. E. (Ed) Baker and son, Billy. The Bakers, on the 235-acre tract, are operating a grade "a" dairy farm.

The original farm has been in the Sims family for five generations and never outside of the family until January, this year, when the Bakers bought it from Arch Sims, a great great grandson of the late Stark Sims who is credited with discovering Hannibal cave (now Mark Twain), a short distance south of the city.

. . . .

Arch Sims, who acquired the farm from his father, was born and reared on the old homestead. The house was built in 1856 of brick but long since frame additions have been made, one including a roomy south sun porch.

Arch Sims lived on the homestead until 1903, then left for a time. He returned in 1927 and the following year he set up a grade "a" dairy system which is said to have been one of the first institutions of its kind in this section of Missouri.

The <u>Courier-Post</u>, Hannibal, Missouri, Wednesday, May 20, 1959, shows a picture of Mrs. Beulah E. Sims receiving a 50-year Eastern Star pin. The article states that Mrs. Sims became a member of the Order of Eastern Star in 1909 in St. Louis and transferred her membership in May 1931 when she and her husband, the late Arch Sims and family moved to Hannibal to make their home.

Miss Edna Margery La Voo wrote, November 30, 1967, "I am told Arch Sims was a descendant of Enoch Sims and was most interested in Rhodom Sims. He lived in that area--also Elijah, Chappel and Silas. In his later years, Arch retired from his farm to this Hannibal address (309 S. Fifth Street, Hannibal, Missouri). He was a member of the Missouri Archeological Society and went on trips for Indian lore in Hannibal-Mississippi area judging from newspaper accounts at the time. He was interested in having DAR marker placed at Rhodom Sims' grave in Crawford family cemetery."

Arch Sims and Beulah Edna Harper had issue:

4114-a1. Bernice Catherine Sims (1919- ), married Robert B. Adams. See page 143.

4114-a2. Dorothy Mae Sims (1921-), married Billy George Hufty. See page 143.

4114-a3. Ruth Virginia Sims (1925-), married Carl A. Jurgens. See page 143.

4114-b. LEROY SIMS (see page 98) was born January 21, 1885, Ralls County, Missouri, married (first) Charlotte Rhodes.

Mrs. Clarence C. Bruner (Helen Sims) wrote, "I know very little about LeRoy Sims as his second wife failed to correspond with us after he died and I cannot remember who she was."

Leroy Sims and Charlotte Rhodes had issue: 4114-bl. Viola Sims.

4116-2. CAPITOLA SIMS (see page 98) was born about 1867 (see page 98), died 1941, married John Brummer.

There are tombstones in Antioch Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri, which read:

# BRUMMER

John Capitola 1863-1941 1871-1941 Love Light Thy Way to God

BRUMMER

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Eugene Vincent Iva May 1933-1936 1891-1940 1899-

> Edward E. Brummer Missouri S Sgt 1958 SVC Comd Unit World War II BSM April 3, 1905--Nov. 18, 1959

Norman E. Brummer Missouri Pvt Ord Det 15 MG Bn World War I June 3, 1892--Oct. 13, 1956 4116-4. PEARL L. SIMS (see page 98) was born about 1875 (he is listed in the 1880 census as aged 5), died November 12, 1958, Hannibal, Missouri. He married December 27, 1905, Hannibal, Missouri, Maude Terry of Marion County, Missouri, born 1880, died 1952. They lived at 2117 Broadway, Hannibal, Missouri.

Their tombstone in Antioch Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri, reads:

SIMS

Maude T.

Pearl L.

1880-1952

1879-1958

John T. 1914 Iva May 1916

Miss Edna Margery La Voo wrote in 1967, "Pearl L. Sims is the son of John Sims, who was the founder of the Sims Orchard in Ralls County in the Saverton-Antioch area near the old Col. Dalton Orchards. The old Col. Dalton house still stands in Saverton, near the Mississippi, a simple type of old plantation colonial. Ferren Sims has continued and greatly expanded the Sims Fruit farm and his business, Sims Fruit and Nursery Farms, on Highway 79 (Antioch Road), a few miles south of Hannibal, is the largest except Stark Nurseries at Louisiana, Missouri."

Pearl L. Sims and Maude Terry had issue:

- 4116-41. Ferren D. Sims. In 1957 his address was R. F. D. #3, Highway 79, Hannibal, Missouri 63401. He conducts the Sims Fruit and Nursery Farms--see above.
- 4116-42. DeForrest Leslie Sims (1907- ), married Emma Jane Harrington. See page 144.
- 4116-43. Katherine L. Sims, married Joseph W. King. In 1958 her address was 2104a Wyoming, St. Louis, Missouri 63118.
- 4116-44. Ethel M. Sims, married Emmett G. Garner. In 1958 she was living at 500 Hazel Street, Hannibal, Missouri 63401. He was secretary of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local No. 581.
- 4118-2. MARY ANN ELZEA (see page 99) was born February 2, 1862, on her father's farm near Monroe City, Missouri, died February 3, 1902, Las Cruces, New Mexico. She married April 19, 1881, Monroe City, Missouri, David Alfred Yates (son of Thomas Yates 1811-1895 and Elizabeth Pierseall), born October 27, 1857, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, died 1936 Hannibal, Missouri. She was called Mollie and he was called Al. They were both members of the Catholic Church and are both buried in St. Stephen's Cemetery, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri.

David Alfred Yates and Mary Ann Elzea had issue:

- 4118-21. Annie Lee Yates, born May 3, 1882, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, died February 3, 1905, Monroe City, Missouri, unmarried. She is buried in St. Stephen's Cemetery, Indian Creek, Missouri.
- 4118-22. George Grover Yates (1885- ), married (first) Maude Alice Buckman, married (second) Ellen Lillis. See page 144.
- 4118-23. Henry D. Yates (1887-1959), married Mrs. Louise (Hays) Pike. See page 144.
- 4118-24. Effie Yates, born July 30, 1895, Monroe County, Missouri, died January 1904 Monroe County, Missouri, unmarried.
- 4118-25. Lucy Yates, born June 26, 1898, Monroe County, Missouri, died April 1965 Albuquerque, New Mexico. She married (first) Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ Webb of Harlingen, Texas. She married (second) in Los Angeles, California, James Coughlin.
- 4118-26. Robert Yates, died at two years of age.
- 4118-27. three children who died in infancy.
- 4118-3. ALLIE ELZEA (see page 99) was born 1864 on her father's farm near Monroe City, Missouri, died 1881, Monroe City, Missouri. She married John Turner. They were both members of the Baptist Church.

Issue:

- 4118-31. Lee Turner, married Bertie Bledsoe. See page 144.
  - 4118-4. ARRIE ELZEA (see page 99) was born on her father's farm near Monroe City, Missouri,

died in Ralls County, Missouri. She married December 8, 1885, DeMoss Chapel, Ralls County, Missouri, Robert S. Bynum. Possibly she was named Irene May Elzea. She was a Methodist.

Robert S. Bynum and Arrie Elzea had issue:

- 4118-41. Arthur Luther Bynum (1886- ), married Susie A. Dowell. See page 144
- 4118-42. Cordelia Bynum (1888- ), married (first) Jack Shackelford, married (second) \_\_\_\_\_ Persike. See page 145.
- 4118-43. Ethel Bynum (1890-1960), married Joseph Rodgers. See page 145.
- 4118-44. Nancy Elizabeth Bynum, born 1899, died 1902.
- 4118-6. EVA LEE ELZEA (see page 99) was born May 4, 1875, on her father's farm near Monroe City, Missouri, died February 4, 1917, Quincy, Illinois. She married (first) Theodore Byland, born in Covington, Kentucky. She married (second) Charles A. (Mack) Green, born 1873 Monroe City, Missouri, died 1960 Farmington, Missouri. She lived in Covington, Kentucky, and in Monroe City, Missouri. She is buried in St. Jude's Cemetery, Monroe City, Missouri.

Theodore Byland and Eva Lee Elzea had issue:

- 4118-61. Verdner Byland, born 1892 in Kentucky, died 1956, Quincy, Illinois, unmarried. He is buried on Elzea farm cemetery, 7 miles south of Monroe City, Missouri.
- 4118-62. Thomas Elzea Byland (1894-1922), married Ruby Jane Umstattd. See page 145.
- 4118-63. Dewey Byland, born 1899, died 1902, buried on Elzea farm cemetery, south of Monroe City, Missouri.
- 4121-1. MARY JANE GREGORY (see page 99) was born 1849, died 1892, married 1867 William Beshears, born 1845, died 1915. In 1895 they were living in Jasper Township, Ralls County, Missouri.

William Beshears and Mary Jane Gregory had issue:

- 4121-11. Eva Lena Beshears, born Ralls County, Missouri, married William Thomas Clark.
- 4121-12. possibly others.
- 4121-2. SARAH ELIZABETH GREGORY (see page 99), born 1851, married (first) Roger Smith. She married (second) 1884 William Henry Lane, born 1846. She was called Lizzie.

William Henry Lane and Sarah Elizabeth Gregory had issue:

- 4121-21. Mabel Lane, born Ralls County, Missouri, married Ernest Adolphus Keithly.
- 4121-22. possibly others
- 4122-1. ANNA EUPHAMIA DODD (see page 100) was born September 12, 1855, died September 2, 1884, married 1875 Ralls County, Missouri, James D. Strode (son of Dr. Edward Strode), born February 8, 1847, died June 12, 1913, Ralls County, Missouri. They are both buried in Barkly Cemetery in New London, Missouri, as are his parents. The tombstones read:
  - Dr. E. B. Strode, born Sept. 1, 1821, died Nov. 18, 1877.

Elizabeth, wife of Dr. E. B. Strode, born Sept. 2, 1828, died Feb. 23, 1892.

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James D. Strode, born Feb. 8, 1847, died June 12, 1913.

Annie E. Strode, wife of J. D. Strode, born Sept. 12, 1855, died Sept. 2, 1884.

James D. Strode and Anna Euphamia Dodd had issue:

- 4122-11. Ella Strode (1876-1939), married John Scott Wood. See page 145.
- 4122-12. Charles E. Strode (1878-1928), married Alberta Glascock. See page 145.
- 4122-13. Willie S. Strode (1880-1962), married L. Morris Anderson. See page 145.
- 4122-14. Emma Strode, born 1882 Ralls County, Missouri, died 1904, married Ralls County, Missouri, Francis C. Tompkins, born December 27, 1879, died May 23, 1955. They had two infant children: William D. Tompkins 1903-1903 aged 7 days; and Emma D. Tompkins 1904-1904 aged 3 months. After her death he apparently married again (Stella H. Tompkins Dec. 19, 1878--Feb. 6, 1935). They are all buried in Barkly Cemetery, New London, Missouri.

4123-2. JEFFERSON DAVIS CRAWFORD (see page 100) was born October 29, 1861, Atlanta, Missouri, died October 27, 1914, Atlanta, Missouri, married February 1884 Annie Grady, born February 22, 1862, Jackson Township, near Economy, Missouri, died March 19, 1945, Redman, Macon County, Missouri.

Issue:

4123-21. Vangie Crawford (1898-), married Vernon Edward Leist. See page 146. 4123-22. possibly others.

4123-3. MARY ANN CRAWFORD (see page 100) was born 1864 in Macon County, Missouri, died 1954 in Atlanta, Missouri, married February 1882 John Walter Hollyman (son of James M. Hollyman and Susan M. Martin), born February 22, 1862, Macon County, Missouri. He was a farmer in Macon County, Missouri.

There is a biographical sketch of his father, James M. Hollyman, on page 1018 History of Randolph and Macon Counties, Missouri, 1884. This article states: "His eldest son, John W. Hollyman, born July 29, 1862, is himself a landed proprietor and a prosperous farmer. He owns 80 acres and raises corn and hay besides dealing in cattle and hogs like other farmers. He is a married man; his wife's maiden name was Crawford, daughter of Jonathan C. Crawford, of Macon county. Mrs. Hollyman, a most attractive lady, is a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church."

John Walter Hollyman and Mary Ann Crawford had issue:

4123-31. a daughter, now dead, who married and had two children. She died in Bakersfield, California.

4123-32. Jonathan C. Hollyman, married Anna M. \_\_\_\_\_. See page 146.

4123-33. Anna May Hollyman (1890- ), married (first) Harry B. Gwinner, married (second) C. C. Emmons. See page 146.

4123-34. James Hollyman (1892- ), married Oma Opal Romjue. See page 146.

4123-4. ALBERT JACOB CRAWFORD (see page 100) was born July 10, 1866, died May 21, 1948, married (first) 1888 Mollie B. Goodding, born Macon County, Missouri, died January 30, 1889. He married (second) September 1891 Frances Goodding (a sister of his first wife), born July 7, 1870, died January 11, 1948. He was a farmer in Macon County, Missouri, where he owned 866 acres.

There is a biographical sketch of him on page 297 of General History of Macon County, Missouri, 1910, which reads in part:

Among the early settlers of Ralls county, Missouri, in fact, one of the pioneers of that section, was Wilks Stark Crawford, the grandfather of Albert J. Crawford, now one of the prosperous and progressive farmers and stock men of Jackson township, Macon county, and the subject of this brief memoir. Helping to lay the foundation of civilization and government in this state, and to redeem its wide and rich doman from the wilderness and its savage claimants, nomadic men and beasts of prey, he was a very useful man and acquired prominence and influence among its people of that early day. In Ralls county he lived and labored, laying down his life at last amid the scenes of his toil and endurance and the substantial triumphs of progress he had helped materially to win. It was in that county he located on his arrival in this state from Virginia, where he was born and reared, and it was there, also, that his son, Jonathan, the father of Albert J., was born in 1834.

Jonathan Crawford grew to manhood on the frontier and became an extensive farmer and raiser of live-stock, keeping pace with the progress and development of the country around him and under all circumstances taking a leading part in whatever was attempted for its advancement. Soon after attaining his majority he married Miss Susan Killinger, a native of Virginia, whose parents were also early settlers in that part of the state. Seven children were born in the household of Jonathan Crawford and five of them are living. Wilkes S.; Jefferson D., Mary Ann, the wife of John Hollyman; Albert J., and Ada, the wife of D. Q. Flinchpaugh. The parents are also living, although practically retired from active pursuits. The father has been a life-long Democrat in his political faith and allegiance, and has at all times given his party loyal and effective support.

Albert J. Crawford obtained his education in the district schools and at Oak Lawn College, which is located at Novelty, in Knox county, this state. On completing his education he at once began farming . . . . . . . .

Albert Jacob Crawford and Mollie B. Goodding had issue: 4123-41. Finis B. Crawford.

Albert Jacob Crawford and Frances Goodding had issue:

- 4123-42. Carl Herbert Crawford.
- 4123-43. Eunice Mary Crawford.
- 4123-44. Herschel Goodding Crawford.
- 4123-45. Herman Harold Crawford.

4123-5. ADA CRAWFORD (see page 100) was born September 27, 1872, Macon County, Missouri, died March 14, 1958, buried Kirksville, Missouri. She married August 27, 1896, David Oran Flinchpaugh (son of Jonathan C. Flinchpaugh and Nancy Burrough--or Borrough), born September 21, 1869, Macon County, Missouri, died June 12, 1942, buried in Kirksville, Missouri.

This family lived in Atlanta, Missouri, and in Kirksville, Missouri. They belonged to the Presbyterian Church. D. O. Flinchpaugh was a farmer and coal dealer.

There is a biographical sketch of his father on page 1017 History of Randolph and Macon Counties, Missouri, 1884. It says, "John C. Flinchpaugh is of German parentage, his father, Caleb Flinchpaugh, being a native of Wurtemburg, his mother, Miss Mary M. Evil, of Baden. When they came to this country they establised themselves in Cincinnati, Ohio, where John C. was born July 22, 1831. The first event of importance in his career was his marriage. This took place November 30, 1854, the bride being Miss Nancy C., daughter of Ulysses and Elizabeth Borel of Indiana. Here our hero lived until 1857 when he moved to Missouri. He remained a year or so in Shelby county, five years in Knox, and in 1866 took up his permanent abode in Macon. He is a prosperous farmer, of quiet, thrifty ways and reliable character. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Flinchpaugh have five children: Mary, Susan, Belle, David and Thomas. Emeline died January 22, 1876. . . "

David Oran Flinchpaugh and Ada Crawford had issue:

- 4123-51. Raymon C. Flinchpaugh, born June 29, 1897, Atlanta, Missouri, married (first) Lena Mae Coe, now deceased. He married (second) March 25, 1943, Myrtle M. Shumate. He has no children. In 1967 his address was 115 South New, Kirksville, Missouri 63501. According to the Kirksville city directory he was retired and a part time employee of Kirksville Granite Monument.
- 4123-52. Stark Flinchpaugh (1899- ), married Marian M. Pennick. See page 146.
- 4123-53. Garland Flinchpaugh (1905- ), married Mabel Norris. See page 146.

1111-62. RALPH RINGO COFFEY (see page 101) was born June 19, 1899, married Esther Robertson (daughter of Dr. J. Archie Robertson and Lilly Mead). In 1966 he had an office in the Professional Building in Kansas City, Missouri, and his home address was 814 Rockwell Lane, Kansas City, Missouri 64112.

Issue:

1111-621. Annette Coffey.

1114-23. HENRY RALEIGH RINGO (see page 103) was born January 21, 1892, San Francisco, California, died October 30, 1967, San Francisco, California. He married (first) Ila Waters, married (second) Ella Curtain.

Henry Raleigh Ringo and Ila Waters had issue: 1114-231. Robert R. Ringo, born January 26, 1922.

1114-24. CHARLES RANDOLPH RINGO (see page 103) was born September 16, 1899, San Francisco, California, married May 1, 1927, Detroit, Michigan, Corrie Jean Woodward. In 1968 their address was 540 Arlington Avenue, Berkeley, California, 94707.

He wrote July 25, 1968, "I married Corrie Jean Woodward, who was born in Gonzales County, Texas. Her father was a cattle man. We have one daughter, Barbara Martin. Her husband, Jim Martin, is assistant director of the National Governors' Conference in Washington, D. C. He was in Cincinnati to arrange the Governors'

Conference there. I am a partner in Householder, Rankin and Ringo, Certified Public Accountants, 1404 Franklin Street, Oakland, California. I specialize in taxation and am not actively engaged in the practice of law at the present time. For a number of years I was lecturer in taxation in the School of Business of the University of California (pre-hippie days). Just for background: B.S. University of California; M.S. Columbia University; LL.B. and J.D. San Francisco Law School."

On October 1, 1968, he wrote: "I was formerly president of the Pan American Association and am now Vice President of People to People (local chapter) and a director of the International Institute. As such I am having a lot of fun entertaining the Consular Corps and distinguished foreign visitors. A couple of years ago I led a good will tour of South America and have friends in all the countries especially in Lima, Peru, Buenos Aires, and Santiago, Chile. This November 16th I am chairman of a formal affair honoring the Consul General of the Republic of the Philippines. The local Philippine colony is furnishing the entertainment. I was on the committee for the special convocation at the University of California for the 20th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations at San Francisco. . . ."

Charles Rangolph Ringo and Corrie Jean Woodward had issue: 1114-241. Barbara Ringo (1932- ), married James Lee Martin. See page 147.

1114-31. ETHEL MAE ALLEN (see page 103) was born June 12, 1881, Reno, Nevada, died June 2, 1954, Corte Madera, California, married April 26, 1905, Alameda, California, William Isaac Pixley (son of William Isaac Pixley and Emma Catharine O'Reily), born January 31, 1869, San Francisco, California, died June 2, 1950, Corte Madera, California. She was a member of the Chrisitan Church. He was a member of the Episcopal Church. After their death their ashes were scattered.

William Isaac Pixley and Ethel Mae Allen had issue:

- 1114-311. California Pixley, born November 20, 1906, Corte Madera, California, married June 19, 1929, Corte Madera, California, Kenneth Henry Winter. In 1968 her address was 57 Edison Avenue, Corte Madera, California 94925.
- 1114-312. Catharine Herndon Pixley, born February 20, 1909, Corte Madera, California, married July 5, 1930, Corte Madera, California, Raymond Rothwell Robson. In 1968 her address was 665 Redwood Avenue, Corte Madera, California 94925.
- 1114-313. Barrington Allen Pixley, born July 5, 1914, Corte Madera, California, assassinated July 1952 San Francisco, California, married 1937 Mill Valley, California, Edna Rudebeck.
- 1114-314. Carol Angell Pixley, born March 5, 1918, Corte Madera, California, married June 14, 1941, Corte Madera, California, Philip F. Kendall. She is a member of the Episcopal Church. In 1968 her address was 229 Los Angeles Blvd., San Anselmo, California.
- 1114-32. EDWARD RINGO ALLEN (see page 103) was born 1885 Petaluma, California, died May 23, 1956, Binghamton, New York, married August 1910 Oakland, California, Rossa Sankey (daughter of John B. Sankey and Florence Hall), born December 11, 1884, Madison, California. In 1968 her address was 2514A Central Avenue, Alameda, California 94501.

Issue

1114-321. Edward H. Allen (1912-1965), married Marian Meyer. See page 147.

1114-33. HENRY AUGUSTUS ALLEN (see page 103) was born February 7, 1891, Oakland, California, died February 4, 1951, San Francisco, California, married (first) October 1916 Alameda, California, Susan Parker (daughter of Edward Ferdinand Parker and Alice Clark Collins), born November 25, 1893, Newport, Kentucky. He married (second) Paula \_\_\_\_\_. He married (third) Marguerite \_\_\_\_\_. He is buried in Tamalpais Cemetery, San Rafael, California. She later married Albert Wade Joseph . In 1968 her address was 435 Magnolia Avenue, Larkspur, California 94939.

Henry Augustus Allen and Susan Parker had issue:

- 1114-331. Lloyd Winslow Allen (1917-1966), married Alice Marian Parker. See page 147.
- 1114-332. Henry Augustus Allen, Jr., born August 21, 1919, Alameda, California, died February 3, 1944, New York, New York, New York, He married August 23, 1942, New York, New York, Josephine Rita DiMarco. No children. He died in the Naval Hospital in New York.

1114-41. BASIL PROLL (see page 103) was born 1896, married Marguerite Sullivan.

Issue:

1114-411. Basil Proll, born 1919.

1114-42. RUTH PROLL (see page 103) was born 1899, married Wallace Marsh.

Issue

1114-421. Ruth Elizabeth Marsh.

1114-43. BESSIE PROLL (see page 103) was born 1901 married Karl Goeppert.

Issue:

1114-431. Karl Goeppert.

1114-61. BESSIE YATES (see page 103) was born September 16, 1889, married Ralph High.

Mr. Charles R. Ringo wrote July 25, 1968, "Bessie High, now deceased, was the wife of Ralph High a petroleum engineer. At one time he was superintendent of the Shell Oil Refinery near St. Louis and later at Houston, Texas. They were great friends of Jimmy Doolittle, who led the first raid on Tokyo in World War II."

Ralph High and Bessie Yates had issue:

1114-611. William High.

1114-612. Betty High.

1114-71. ELEANOR TINGMAN (see page 103) was born 1899 San Francisco, California, married 1921 Berkeley, California, Jack Foote Chaddock (son of John LeDalley Chaddock and Adah Foote), born 1898 Fresno, California.

In 1968 her address was P. O. Box 5867, Carmel, California 93921. She signs her initials, "Etc."

Jack Foote Chaddock and Eleanor Tingman had issue:

- 1114-711. John F. Chaddock, Jr., born 1922, Berkeley, California, married 1942 Concord, California, Marie Frietas.
- 1114-712. Guy Chaddock, born 1924, Berkeley, California.
- 1114-713. Jean Chaddock, born 1925, Oakland, California, married 1944 LaJolla, California, James W. Edwards, Jr.

1114-72. DOROTHY TINGMAN (see page 103) was born 1900, married Ralph Cunningham.

Issue:

1114-721. Annie Cunningham.

1114-722. Col. Loring Cunningham.

1115-11. EDWARD BENNINGTON HALL (see page 104) was born August 26, 1880, Springfield, Missouri, died October 4, 1938, Springfield, Missouri, married June 3, 1915, Springfield, Missouri, Mary Katharine Kearney (daughter of Michael Kearney and Mary Delaney), born July 22, 1884, Springfield, Missouri, died February 15, 1958, Springfield, Missouri. They are both buried in Hazelwood Cemetery, Springfield, Missouri.

They both graduated from Drury College in Springfield, Missouri. He was a geologist and she taught school. He taught at Drury College and later at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. After that he was employed by several oil companies.

Edward Bennington Hall and Mary Katharine Kearney had issue:

- 1115-111. Edward Bennington Hall, Jr. (1916-), married Barbara Louise Jones. See page 147.
- 1115-112. William Kearney Hall, born October 9, 1918, Springfield, Missouri.
- 1115-113. Jean Hall (1922- ), married Francis Ludwig Seyfarth. See page 148.

1115-12. MARY FLORENCE HALL (see page 104) was born October 30, 1884, Springfield, Missouri, died April 15, 1969, Springfield, Missouri, married (first) April 17, 1907, Springfield, Missouri, William Nelson Seymour, born April 24, 1877, died January 7, 1914, Springfield, Missouri. She married (second) June 4, 1919, Springfield, Missouri, Martin Vernon Ausherman (son of Martin Ausherman and Mary Knox), born May 17, 1877, died October 6, 1957, Springfield, Missouri. They are all buried in Hazelwood Cemetery, Springfield, Missouri.

Will Seymour was chief clerk to the Chief Surgeon of the Frisco Railroad. Vern Ausherman was in the grocery business in Springfield, Missouri.

There is a biographical sketch of Martin Ausherman, father of Vern Ausherman, on page 876 of Past and Present of Greene County, Missouri, by Jonathan Fairbanks and Clyde Edwin Tuck, 1915. There are also accounts of the Ausherman family on page 256 of History of the Church of the Brethren in Maryland by J. Maurice Henry, 1936, and in History of Frederick County, Maryland, by Thomas John Chew Williams, 1910.

Mary Hall Ausherman was buried on a beautiful spring day when all the hills in the Ozarks were covered with flowering redbud. Her niece, Jean Hall Seyfarth, wrote, "Aunt Mary's death was as full of faith, cheerful acceptance and orderly peace as her existence had been. It rubbed off on the rest of us. I have a feeling of renewal drawn from my family and from the beauty of the Ozarks."

William Nelson Seymour and Mary Florence Hall had issue: 1115-121. William Hall Seymour (1908- ), married Gertrude Aduddell. See page 148.

Martin Vernon Ausherman and Mary Florence Hall had issue: 1115-122. Vernon Knox Ausherman (1920-), married (first) Gertrude Doris Spencer, married (second) Mrs. Connie (Constant) Formiller. See page 148.

1115-81. FLORENCE LUCRETIA McLAUGHLIN (see page 107) was born 1896 in Springfield, Missouri, married Frederick Woodruff Strang, who died October 1952 Los Angeles, California.

She was a laboratory technician and lived for many years in Texas. In 1969 her address was Box 764, Liberal, Kansas 67901. She was a convert to the Roman Catholic faith. She was called Fonny.

An item in the Springfield, Missouri, newspaper read: "Florence McLaughlin Strang was named 'Woman of the Week,' in Houston, Texas, The citation read: 'An eminent analytical chemist and an expert in clinical bacteriology, employed in the Jefferson Davis hospital laboratory, is cited for one of the Texas Independent Weekly Silver Medals for outstanding service rendered to suffering humanity. A highly developed technician, a brainy woman, but too thoroughly cloaked within the mantle of modesty to have received publicity, and for reasons above is named Houston's Woman of the Week." This was in 1936.

Frederick Woodruff Strang and Florence Lucretia McLaughlin had issue:
1115-811. Emily Strang, born 1920, died May 1939 Fort Worth, Texas, married Paul O. DeFur. No children.
1115-812. Virginia Florence Strang, married June 3, 1944, Fort Worth, Texas, Keith E. Knos. In 1969 they were living in Liberal, Kansas. They have no children.

1116-31. VIRGINIA RINGO DUHRING (see page 107) was born February 13, 1908, St. Louis, Missouri, married November 1, 1943, Clayton, Missouri, Clarence Crenshaw Delbridge, Jr. (son of Clarence Crenshaw Delbridge 1891-1968 and Mary Lottie Ward 1891
), born July 11, 1912, Notasulga, Alabama. He had been previously married to Doris Evans.

He is a Baptist and she is a Presbyterian. In 1968 their address was 441 Longfellow, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122.

Clarence Crenshaw Delbridge, Jr., and Virginia Ringo Duhring had issue:

- 1116-311. Clarence Crenshaw Delbridge, III, born December 14, 1944, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 1116-312. Catherine Celeste Delbridge, born February 23, 1947, St. Louis, Missouri, married August 19, 1967, Kirkwood, Missouri, David Elliott Richter.

1116-32. MARGERY CELESTE DUHRING (see page 107) was born December 23, 1910, St. Louis, Missouri, married September 24, 1930, St. Louis, Missouri, Charles Lomax Delbridge, Jr. (son of Charles L. Delbridge ca 1864-1934 and Ida Morehead Young), born July 28, 1905, Dallas, Texas, died November 26, 1953, Kirkwood, Missouri. He was a cousin of Clarence Crenshaw Delbridge, Jr., who married Virginia Ringo Duhring.

He was a Presbyterian and is buried in ValhallaCemetery, St. Louis, Missouri.

She was also married at one time to Eulis Wesley Orr. She is a Presbyterian and in 1968 her address was 255 Brackleigh, Florissant, Missouri 63031.

Charles Lomax Delbridge, Jr., and Margery Celeste Duhring had issue:

- 1116-321. Peggy Ann Delbridge (1931- ), married Fred Paul Wolf. See page 148.
- 1116-322. Elizabeth Ringo Delbridge (1940- ), married Robert Stimson Dubiel. See page 148.

1531-11. ALVIN ANTON SIMMS (see page 109) was born March 10, 1917, Tacoma, Washington, married Lake Burien, Washington, Phyllis Midgett (daughter of Dr. J. Midgett and Amy \_\_\_\_\_\_), born July 25, 1920, Sumatra, Montana. He is a Catholic and she is a Methodist. In 1966 they were living in Kent, Washington.

#### Issue

- 1531-11. Sally K. Simms, born November 2, 1941, Seattle, Washington, married December 31, 1965, Auburn, Washington, Stevin Dale Smith.
- 1531-12. Caroll Lee Simms, born February 23, 1943, Seattle, Washington, married March 18, 1962, Kent, Washington, Warren G. Knutson.
- 1531-13. Mary Phyllis Simms, born September 21, 1950, Renton, Washington.
- 1531-14. James Alvin Simms, born December 15, 1954, Renton, Washington.

1533-12. ETHEL MARION TURLEY (see page 109) was born September 17, 1911, married Henry Stamper.

Henry Stamper and Ethel Marion Turley had issue:

- 1533-121. Barbara Jean Stamper, born August 20, 1940.
- 1533-122. Theodore Henry Stamper, born November 11, 1942.

1533-14. VELMA IRENE TURLEY (see page 109) was born July 24, 1914, married July 26, 1932, Clifford Ivan Tucker, born November 10, 1910.

Clifford Ivan Tucker and Velma Irene Turley had issue:

- 1533-141. Kenneth Ivan Tucker, born December 19, 1932.
- 1533-142. Donald Edward Tucker, born May 20, 1934.
- 1533-143. Joan Betty Tucker, born August 13, 1938, died 1942.
- 1533-144. Elza Wayne Tucker, born August 1942.

1533-15. GLADYS VERA TURLEY (see page 109) was born November 24, 1917, married Claude Newcomb.

Claude Newcomb and Gladys Vera Turley had issue:

- 1533-151. Donna Jo Newcomb, born October 13, 1938.
- 1533-152. Claudine May Newcomb, born May 6, 1939.

1533-21. GLORIA RAE VAN HOY (see page 109) was born August 8, 1934, Yakima, Washington,

married August 10, 1953, Raton, New Mexico, Frank E. Stigall.

Frank E. Stigall and Gloria Rae Van Hoy had issue:

1533-211. Deborah Ann Stigall, born February 21, 1957.

1533-212. David Lee Stigall, born October 26, 1960.

1533-32. BARBARA JEAN KOENIG (see page 109) was born October 12, 1924, Bellingham, Washington, married June 5, 1948, Bellingham, Washington, Andrew Elbert Fry (son of Ellis Lawrence Fry and Artilla Florence Sherriff), born October 22, 1920, Priest River, Bonner County, Idaho. They lived in Pacific, Washington.

Andrew Elbert Fry and Barbara Jean Koenig had issue:

1533~321. David Ellis Fry, born March 30, 1950, Renton, King County, Washington.

1533-322. Peggy Ann Fry, born December 29, 1953, Auburn, King County, Washington.

1533-41. WILLIAM VICTOR VAN HOY (see page 110) was born January 23, 1922, Seattle, Washington, married June 22, 1946, Bellingham, Washington, Adelia May Nesset, born June 5, 1925.

### Issue:

1533-411. Susan Irene Van Hoy, born June 13, 1947.

1533-412. Gary William Van Hoy, born March 31, 1949.

1533-51. JUANITA NADINE VAN HOY (see page 110) was born August 30, 1930, married July 23, 1949, Pasco, Washington, Chud Jones, born December 27, 1929.

Chud Jones and Juanita Nadine Van Hoy had issue:

1533-511. Chuddie Jean Jones, born May 12, 1953.

1533-512. Melissa Lynn Jones, born April 24, 1961.

1533-62. DONNA JEAN MARY BAILEY (see page 110) was born September 8, 1935, Yakima, Washington, married July 1954, Anton Kroll.

Anton Kroll and Donna Jean Mary Bailey had issue:

1533-621. Douglas Joseph Kroll, born December 29, 1960.

1534-11. WILLIAM MARSHALL VAN HOY (see page 110) was born May 2, 1917, died September 20, 1950, Goldendale, Washington, married February 2, 1943, Myrtle Alford.

## Issue:

1534-111. Larry Wayne Van Hoy, born April 23, 1945, married Jo Ann Nickerson, born August 25, 1943.

1534-112. possibly a daughter, Donna Lynn Van Hoy. Maybe she was a granddaughter.

1534-31. WALTER CLAIR STORY (see page 111) was born December 18, 1914, married July 26, 1936, Edna Elenora Fowler, born March 8, 1916.

## Issue:

1534-311. Kathleen Jane Story, born September 26, 1937.

1534-312. Clyde Milton Story, born May 12, 1941.

1534-313. Barbara Joyce Story, born December 7, 1945.

1539-41. JANICE L. WILHELM (see page 111) was born April 17, 1938, Los Angeles, California, married John C. Watkins.

John C. Watkins and Janice L. Wilhelm had issue:

- 1539-411. Phyllis Marie Watkins, born December 11, 1955, Los Angeles, California.
- 1539-412. John C. Watkins, Jr., born March 21, 1957, Los Angeles, California.
- 1539-42. LUCILLE L. WILHELM (see page 111) was born May 2, 1940, Los Angeles, California, married Joseph Santoro.

Joseph Santoro and Lucille L. Wilhelm had issue:

- 1539-421. Nancy Teresa Santoro, born January 23, 1963, Los Angeles, California.
- 1539-422. Laura Louise Santoro, born February 14, 1968, Los Angeles, California.
  - 1539-43. RICHARD EARL WILHELM (see page 111) married Sheridan Lee Stewart. See page 171.

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- 1539-431. Denise Kimberly Wilhelm, born April 14, 1969.
- 153x-11. GEORGE JULIUS LEHNE (see page 111) was born August 25, 1932, San Diego, California, married Janice Morini, born August 26, 1937, San Francisco, California.

Issue:

- 153x-111. Cynthia Lee Lehne, born January 29, 1955, San Francisco, California.
- 153x-112. Jeanine Ann Lehne, born November 19, 1958, San Francisco, California.
- 153x-113. William George Lehne, born September 27, 1964, Newark, California.
- 1614-11. CONN WITHERS (see page 112) was born September 25, 1907, rural Liberty, Missouri, married May 21, 1945, East Willeston, Long Island, New York, Jeanne Cutler (daughter of Benjamin Winthrop Cutler and Ida Jane Gibson).
  - Conn Withers is a lawyer and in 1968 his address was 17 E. Kansas Street, Liberty, Missouri 64008.
- There is a very long and excellent biographical account of him on page 564, volume 3 of <u>The History</u> of Missouri by David D. Marsh, 1967.

Conn Withers and Jeanne Cutler had issue:

- 1614-111. Jane Withers, born June 24, 1950, Kansas City, Missouri.
- 1614-112. Robert Steele Withers (1947- ), married Janis Dell'Olio. See page 149.
- 1614-12. MARGARET WITHERS (see page 112) was born July 29, 1910, rural Liberty, Missouri, married December 22, 1934, Owen Addison Teague, Jr. They were divorced in the late 1950's. She was a journalist.

Owen Addison Teague, Jr., and Margaret Withers had issue:

- 1614-121. Robert Addison Teague, born March 19, 1936.
- 1614-122. Julia Margaret Teague, born October 8, 1938.
- 1614-32. MARTHA LIGHTBURNE (see page 112) married Lee A. Shirley. In 1968 her address was 351 Covina Street, San Antonio, Texas 78218.

Lee A. Shirley and Martha Lightburne had issue:

- 1614-321. James Shirley, living in Texas in 1968.
- 1614-322. possibly others.
- 3821-12. ROWEN L. SIMMS (see page 113) was born May 23, 1910, Waveland, Indiana, married (first) June 25, 1932, Sand Springs, Oklahoma, Thelma Davis. They were divorced in 1949. He married (second)

February 24, 1950, Mrs. Mabel V. (Northington) Green, a widow. She is a Methodist. He is a member of the Christian Church. In 1968 his address was 4915 N. Xanthus, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74130.

He wrote August 29, 1968, "I am Row En Simms and my oldest son is Row An . I am a printer on the newspapers here and have worked here 39 years. My oldest son is studying to be a doctor of osteopathy and is now interning in Detroit, Michigan."

Rowen L. Simms and Thelma Davis had issue:

3821-121. Rowan Lee Simms (1933-), married Janet Nichols. See page 149.

Rowen L. Simms and Mabel V. Northington had issue:

3821-122. Lary Allen Sinims, born January 1, 1952.

3821-13. VIRGINIA SIMMS (see page 113) was born March 8, 1921, Waveland, Indiana, married 1940, Spencer, Indiana, Edwin Williams. In 1968 she lived in Lafayette, Indiana.

Edwin Williams and Virginia Simms had issue:

3821-131. Edwin Williams, Jr., born July 9, \_\_\_\_ (about 1949).

3821-21. ROBERT DANIEL SIMMS (see page 114) was born about 1927 in Sand Springs, Oklahoma. Mr. Rowen L. Simms wrote, "Robert Dan is following in his father's footsteps and is now a judge in the district court in Tulsa." He married and had a child.

Issue:

3821-211. Larry Simms, born about 1951.

3x21-21. LESTER EVERETT (see page 115) was born March 6, 1927, married Henrietta Jones. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists:

Everett, Lester F., Jr., estimator Williams Beck & Hess Inc, Route 4.

Issue:

3x21-211. Rex Everett.

3x21-22. MAX LEON EVERETT (see page 115) was born October 24, 1930, married Barbara Mahorney. The 1967 city directory of Crawfordsville, Indiana, lists:
Everett, Max L (Barbara J) prs opr Donnelley's, 407 Wallace Ave

Issue:

3x21-221. John Everett.

3x21-222. Tommy Everett.

3x21-223. Mary Ann Everett.

3x21-224. Candis Everett,

3x21-23. MYRON KEITH EVERETT (see page 115) was born September 11, 1932, married (first) Dorothy Wellington. They separated and he married (second) Sue Cox Weliver.

Myron Keith Everett and Sue Cox Weliver had issue:

3x21-231. Kimberly Everett.

3x21-31. NORMA EVERETT (see page 115) married Vernon Wilson. In 1968 they were living in Florida.

Vernon Wilson and Norma Everett had issue:

3x21-311. Debbie Sue Wilson

3x21-312. Jeffrey Wayne Wilson.

3x21-32. EUGENE EVERETT (see page 115) married Elizabeth Anderson.

Issue:

3x21-321. Michael Eugene Everett.

3x21-322. Mark Allen Everett.

3x21-323. Amy Jean Everett.

3x21-324. Beth Ann Everett.

3x21-33. ROBERT WAYNE EVERETT (see page 115) married Susan Pendleton. In 1968 he was in Viet Nam and his wife was living in Georgia.

Issue:

3x21-331. Susanne Everett.

3x21-332. David Wayne Everett.

3x22-21. JOYCE FRY (see page 115), born Crawfordsville, Indiana, married Norman Pedersen.

Norman Pedersen and Joyce Fry had issue:

3x22-211. Denny Pedersen.

3x22-212. Carla Pedersen.

3x22-213. Timothy Pedersen.

3x22-22. BETTY FRY (see page 115) was born in Crawfordsville, Indiana, married Paul Proctor. They were divorced.

Paul Proctor and Betty Fry had issue:

3x22-221. Russell Proctor.

3x22-222. Joe Proctor.

3x22-31. ARGEL LAWSON PARKER (see page 116) was born May 11, \_\_\_\_, Montgomery County, Indiana, married Doris Endicott.

Issue:

3x22-311. Donna Jean Parker, born May 13, 1950.

3x22-312. Argel Dale Parker, born July 16, 1951.

3x22-313. Cheryl Ann Parker, born July 4, 1952.

3x22-32. DONALD PARKER (see page 116) was born July 28, \_\_\_\_, Montgomery County, Indiana, married Phyliss Massing.

Issue:

3x22-321. Theda Colleen Parker, born December 29, 1950.

3x22-322. Donica Ruth Parker, born September 29, 1952.

3x22-323. Teresa Ann Parker, born October 31, 1958.

3x22-324. Donald Albert Parker, born September 25, 1959, killed December 6, 1966.

3x22-33. DAVID PARKER (see page 116) was born September 14, \_\_\_\_, Montgomery County, Indiana, married (first) Betty Olds. He married (second) Shirley Zackery.

David Parker and Betty Olds had issue:

3x22-331. Terry Lee Parker, born February 9, 1953.

David Parker and Shirley Zackery had issue: 3x22-332. Michael Leslie Parker, born April 29, 1959. 3x22-333. Kurtis Timothy Parker, born March 28, 1961. 3x22-334. Dewayne Eric Parker, born August 28, 1962. 3x22-335. Cris Randel Parker, born May 20, 1964. 3x22-336. Rebecca Ann Parker, born May 17, 1965. 3x22-34. ESMOND PARKER (see page 116) married Jackie Massing. Issue: 3x22-341. Amanda Lee Parker, born January 18, 1961. 3x22-342. Douglas Andrew Parker, born November 22, 1963. 3x22-35. BRYCE PARKER (see page 116) was born October 31, \_\_\_\_\_, Montgomery County, Indiana, married Minta Dehna. Issue: 3x22-351. Karisia JoAnn Parker, born November 7, 1967. 3x22-62. NANCY SUTTER (see page 116) was born June 1, 1943, Lafayette, Indiana, married September 28, 1962, Terry L. S. Harrington. Issue: 3x22-621. Tracy A. Harrington. 3x34-11. KAREN YOUNG (see page 117) was born October 25, , married April 4, 1964, Ray Polster. She was born in Crawfordsville, Indiana. Ray Polster and Karen Young had issue: 3x34-111. Tinny (or Jinny?) Polster. 3x34-112. Crissy Polster. 3x41-12. RICHARD ROBISON (see page 117) married Fay \_\_\_\_\_ from New York. Issue: 3x41-121. Jackie Robison. 3x41-122. Shelia Robison. 3x41-123. Loretta Robison. 3x41-124. Melinda Robison. 3x41-125. Timmy Robison. 3x41-126. Gail Robison. 3x41-127. Mike Robison. 3x41-13. MARIAN ROBISON (see page 117) married Kenneth Keller. Kenneth Keller and Marian Robison had issue: 3x41-131. Krystal Keller. 3x41-132. Kimberly Keller. 3x51-12, MAXINE LYON (see page 118) married Richard Bacon.

3x51-121. Linda Bacon, married and has a daughter.

3x51-122. Ricky Bacon.

3x51-123. Johnny Bacon.

3x51-124. James Bacon.

3x51-125. Charles Bacon.

3x51-13. DONALD LYON (see page 118) married (first) Jessie \_\_\_\_\_, married (second) Helen

Issue:

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3x51-131. Donnie Lyon.

3x51-132. two other children.

3x51-31. PATRICIA JOAN HARWOOD (see page 118) was born January 11, 1931, Lafayette, Indiana, married September 6, 1952, Montgomery County, Indiana, James Lee Thomas, born July 4, 1931.

James Lee Thomas and Patricia Joan Harwood had issue:

3x51-311. Mark Ryan Thomas, born March 23, 1955.

3x51-312. Karla Jo Thomas, born July 18, 1957.

3x51-32. JACK LEE HARWOOD (see page 118) was born August 19, 1936, Crawfordsville, Indiana, married (first) July 14, 1956, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Barbara Ann Haase. They were divorced October 26, 1962. He married (second) July 25, 1964, Corona, California, Delores Quantona.

Jack Lee Harwood and Barbara Ann Haase had issue:

3x51-321. Michael Leroy Harwood, born February 19, 1957.

3x51-322. Randell Wayne Harwood, born April 29, 1958.

3x51-323. Roslyn Harwood, born December 5, 1959, died December 5, 1959, buried in Oak Hill Cemetery in Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Jack Lee Harwood and Delores Quantona had issue:

3x51-324. Russell Harwood, born February 8, 1965, Riverside, California.

3x51-51. JAMES ROBERT MUSTER (see page 118) was born October 30, 1937, married March 1956 Judy Aslaksen. They were divorced in 1958.

Issue:

3x51-511. Cherie Muster, born October 1, 1956.

3x51-52. BEEBE DARLENE MUSTER (see page 118) was born July 20, 1941, married December 6, 1961, Jerry Edward Slater (son of Lester Lee Slater of Canton, Illinois).

Jerry Edward Slater and Beebe Darlene Muster had issue:

3x51-521. Timothy Alan Slater, born August 3, 1962, Riverside, California.

3x51-522. Kenneth Lee Slater, born February 12, 1965, Omaha, Nebraska.

3x51-523. James Edward Slater, born September 24, 1967, Ontario, California.

3x51-53. GERALD DOUGLAS MUSTER (see page 118) was born January 1, 1945, married July 24, 1964, Rolee Jon Terpack (daughter of Conrad John Terpack and Gweneth Eudene Atkins).

Issue:

3x51-531. Gerald Douglas Slater, Jr., born March 26, 1966.

3x51-61. ROBERT LOYD LYON (see page 119) was born January 11, 1937, married December 21,

963, Nancy Jane Payne.

Robert Loyd Lyon and Nancy Jane Payne had issue: x51-611. John Emerson Lyon, born November 17, 1964.

3x51-62. BEVERLY KAY LYON (see page 119) was born January 13, 1939, married September 25, .964, Dennis Lepper.

Issue:

3x51-621. Mark Bryon Lepper, born May 25, 1966.

3x52-11. WANDA CAROL LYON (see page 119) was born August 11, 1945, married December 8, 1963, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Larry Gordon Brown, born March 8, 1940.

Issue:

3x52-111. Dwayne Alan Brown, born January 24, 1965.

3x52-112. Larry Gordon Brown, born June 29, 1966.

3x52-71. DONOVAN EUGENE MIKELS (see page 120) was born January 19, 1942, Montgomery County, Indiana, married September 18, 1962, Montgomery County, Indiana, Carolyn Sue Runion.

Issue

3x52-711. Dennis Lee Mikels, born November 1, 1962.

3x52-712. Kimberly Anne Mikels, born July 9, 1965.

4111-41. FLORENCE N. SIMS (see page 121) was born September 26, 1887, Hannibal, Missouri, died September 8, 1967, Quincy, Illinois, married May 6, 1906, Baptist Church, Quincy, Illinois, Byron F. Moore (son of Milton Moore and Lorena Bridges), born October 30, 1881, Jacksonville, Illinois, died May 25, 1964, Quincy, Illinois. They were members of the Baptist Church. They are buried in Greenmount Cemetery, Quincy, Illinois.

Byron F. Moore and Florence N. Sims had issue: 4111-411. Dale Reid Moore (1908-), married Helen C. Uppinghouse. See page 149.

411-42. GROVER LEE SIMS (see page 121) was born April 26, 1889, Ralls County, Missouri, died November 15, 1967, Quincy, Illinois, buried Greenmount Cemetery, Quincy, Illinois. He married September 27, 1908, Quincy, Illinois, Myrtle Marie Boots (daughter of Calvin Fletcher Boots and Annie Mae Shear), born March 25, 1890, Marion County, Missouri. They were both members of the Methodist Church. In 1968 her address was 720 Spring Street, Quincy, Illinois 62301.

Before his retirement in 1945 he was district superintendent of the Commonwealth Edison Company of Chicago. He was an employe of the company 35 years. He was a 50-year Mason.

Grover Lee Sims and Myrtle Marie Boots had issue: 4111-421. Kenneth Gerald Sims (1911- ), married Margaret Dunn. See page 149.

4111-43. HUGH WILLIAM SIMS (see page 121) was born December 20, 1898, Hannibal, Missouri, died July 22, 1967, St. Louis, Missouri, married September 13, 1917, Quincy, Illinois, Bessie Bode, born February 26, 1893, in Oklahoma. He is buried in Greenmount Cemetery, Quincy, Illinois.

Issue:

4111-431. David Eldon Sims (1921- ), married Norma Hillebrenner. See page 149.

4111-63. HOWARD CHRISTIAN SIMS (see page 121) was born October 31, 1903, married December 8, 1933, Anita T. Broemmer of Hannibal, Missouri. In 1968 his address was 2828 E. 4th Street, Caspar, Wyoming 86201.

Issue:

4111-631. Harold Sims.

4111-632. Julie Sims.

4113-11. ABNER BLAIR SIMS (see page 122) was born March 24, 1878, Palmyra Road, Marion County, Missouri, died October 22, 1938, New Franklin, Missouri, married November 1922 New Franklin, Missouri, Georgia Douglas Brookman, who died March 23, 1926, Boonville, Missouri. Both are buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, New Franklin, Missouri. He was an engineer on the North Division of the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railway.

Issue:

4113-111. Ellsworth Blair Sims, born October 10, 1923, New Franklin, Missouri.

4113-112. William Raymond Sims (1925-), married Dollie Hewitt Collins. See page 149.

4113-13. WALTER WILLIAM SIMS (see page 122) was born 1881 Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, died March 18, 1904, Carbondale, Illinois. He is buried in Antioch Cemetery, Ralls County, Missouri. He was not married. He was a member of the Fifth Street Baptist Church in Hannibal, Missouri.

Mrs. William Raymond Sims (Dollie Collins) wrote, "William Walter Sims died March 18, 1904, at Catholic hospital, Belleville, Illinois. Died of mail crane accident sustained on St. Louis-Collinsville branch of Illinois Central Railroad. Was said to be the youngest engineer on Illinois Central at that time. Possessed an inventive, creative turn of mind; had completed International Correspondence School Engineering course as prescribed at that time by Illinois Central for its training engineers. Built several miniature locomotives of various types and parts as a hobby. Interred in father's plat at Antioch."

4113-14. EDGAR HAYS SIMS (see page 122) was born October 29, 1883, Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, died May 24, 1962, Decatur, Illinois. He is buried in Graceland Cemetery, Decatur, Illinois. He married November 22, 1910, Fifth Street Baptist Church, Hannibal, Missouri, Helen E. Colborn (daughter of Sylvester Colborn and Nora Winders), born January 10, 1887, Hannibal, Missouri. They were members of the Antioch Baptist Church in Ralls County, Missouri, and of the First Baptist Church in Decatur, Illinois.

Edgar Hays Sims and Helen E. Colborn had issue: 4113-141. Margery Colborn Sims (1911-), married Chester A. Knierim. See page 150.

4113-31. HUGH C. ROBINSON (see page 122) was born September 12, 1881, died December 20, 1964, Palmyra, Missouri, married December 27, 1903, Margaret Allen, born 1884, died 1932.

Issue:

4113-311. Aileen Robinson, married Rollie Dryden. See page 150.

4113-32. ELGIN ROBINSON (see page 122) was born February 18, 1883, died October 6, 1960, Fulton, Missouri, married October 1, 1913, Hannibal, Missouri, Bertha O'Neal.

Issue:

4113-321. Damon Robinson, married Thelma Burdett. They have three daughters.

4113-322. Elgin Carol Robinson, married Mildred Burdett. See page 150.

4113-33. ARCH ROBINSON (see page 122) was born April 9, 1885, Hannibal, Missouri, died July 19, 1959, Hannibal, Missouri, married January 12, 1911, Spalding, Ralls County, Missouri, Willie Alexander, born August 17, 1892, Spalding, Missouri. She is the daughter of William Emery Alexander and Eliza Jane Robinson.

In 1968 she was living on Route 19, New London, Missouri. She has the family Bible.

Arch Robinson and Willie Alexander had issue:

4113-331. Sophia Mae Robinson (1920- ), married Russell Ketsenburg. See page 150.

4113-36. PERRY M. ROBINSON (see page 122) was born July 23, 1897, Ralls County, Missouri, died April 30, 1968, Hannibal, Missouri, married April 26, 1923, Frances L. Wright. In 1968 her address was 1811 Broadway, Hannibal, Missouri 63401.

## Issue:

- 4113-361. Hildred Eugene Robinson, married Gladys Lorene Pabst. See page 150.
- 4113-362. Virginia Ardella Robinson, married Robert Dyke. See page 151.

4113-41. AMY SIMS (see page 122) married Cooley. In 1960 she was living in Idaho.

Issue:

4113-411. Franklin Cooley. He lived in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

4114-31. HELEN SIMS (see page 122) was born April 25, 1896, Hannibal, Missouri, married (first) August 18, 1918, Palmyra, Missouri, Tracy Proctor Hollon (son of John Edmond Hollon and Minnie Potter), born April 4, 1898, Cora, Missouri, died April 18, 1955, Kansas City, Missouri. He is buried in Memorial Park Cemetery, Kansas City, Missouri. He was a Methodist. She married (second) April 11, 1945, Quincy, Illinois, Clarence C. Bruner.

She is very much interested in the family history and has a great number of records, photographs, letters. In September 1968 she took me on a tour of Ralls County, Missouri, and showed me where the various members of the Sims family had lived. We copied inscriptions from the Barkley, Crawford, Flint Hill cemeteries and sampled a few of the Sims apples fresh off the trees (very good indeed!).

She is a member of the Presbyterian Church. In 1968 her address was R. R., Plymouth, Illinois 62367.

Tracy Proctor Hollon and Helen Sims had issue:

4114-311. Francis Hollon (1925-), married Frances Leonard Holliday. See page 151.

4114-32. MARION LAMAR SIMS (see page 122) was born August 3, 1904, Hannibal, Missouri, married July 10, 1925, Goree, Texas, Henrietta Cook, born August 18, 1896, Quincy, Illinois. In 1967 they were living in Detroit, Michigan.

## Issue:

- 4114-321. Helen Lee Sims (1926-), married Robert J. Burmann. See page 151.
- 4114-322. Kathleen Sims (1928-), married LeRoy D. Taylor. See page 151.

4114-33. ALLEEN SIMS (see page 122) was born July 20, 1907, Hannibal, Missouri, married May 9, 1931, Quincy, Illinois, Donald J. Arrowsmith (son of Joseph Arvis Arrowsmith and Edna Martin), born December 4, 1906, Quincy, Illinois. They were members of the Christian Church. In 1968 their address was 1677 Maine Street, Quincy, Illinois 62301.

Donald J. Arrowsmith and Alleen Sims had issue:

- 4114-331. Kent Arrowsmith, born June 3, 1936, Quincy, Illinois, married December 30, 1961, Camp Point, Illinois, Sharon Butcher. In 1968 their address was 3655 Aldea Drive, Decatur, Georgia.
- 4114-332. Joyce Arrowsmith, born September 16, 1940, Quincy, Illinois. In 1968 her address was 1271 Fairview Road, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia 30306.

4114-35. ROBERT SIMS (see page 122) was born April 23, 1915, Quincy, Illinois, married July 8, 1945, rural Plymouth, Illinois, Mrs. Margaret (Hooper) Hunter (daughter of Harry L. Hooper and Rosa Mae Hoskins), born May 19, 1916, Barry, Illinois. Her first husband was Peter C. Hunter.

They are both members of the Christian Church. In 1968 their address was 1513 Spruce Street, Quincy, Illinois 62301.

Robert Sims and Margaret Hooper had issue:

4114-351. Christine Gaye Sims, born February 18, 1946, Quincy, Illinois, married November 25, 1967, Raymond W. Chamberlain, Jr. In 1968 their address was Palmyra, Missouri.

4114-72. FRANCES SIMS (see page 122) was born September 3, 1914, Hannibal, Missouri, married March 1931, Hannibal, Missouri, J. R. Treon. They had eight children.

In 1968 Mrs. Mary Sims Shade wrote, "Frances has eight children: Pat, Elva, Jerry Ester, Michael, Thomas, Jackie Steven, Aloha (Carmichael, Calif.)."

4114-73. MARY SIMS (see page 122) was born January 12, 1917, Hannibal, Missouri, married January 12, 1951, Pittsfield, Illinois, J. F. Shade. In 1968 her address was 807 N. Dutton Street, Pittsfield, Illinois 62363.

J. F. Shade and Mary Sims had issue:

4114-731. Bernard Shade.

4114-732. Larry Shade.

4114-733. Johnnie Shade.

4114-74. MILTON C. SIMS (see page 122) was born July 9, 1919, Hannibal, Missouri, married (first) Vivian Arnett, who died 1941. He married (second) October 14, 1942 (or 1943), Hannibal, Missouri, Velma Woodsmall (daughter of Lee Woodsmall and Bertha \_\_\_\_\_\_), born October 19, \_\_\_\_\_, Hannibal, Missouri.

In 1968 his address was 4233 N. 32nd Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona.

Milton C. Sims and Vivian Arnett had issue:

4114-741. David Sims (1941-), married Sandra Fleetwood. See page 151.

Milton C. Sims and Velma Woodsmall had issue:

4114-742. Mary Frances Sims, born August 1945, Hannibal, Missouri, married 1963 Phoenix, Arizona, Jimmie Mills. In 1968 they had no children.

4114-743. Milven T. Sims (1947- ), married Ella Louise Howes. See page 151.

4114-76. LUTHER EARL SIMS (see page 123) was born March 5, 1924, Ralls County, Missouri, married 1945, Phoenix, Arizona, Dorothy Williamson. In 1968 their address was 3619 W. Lincoln, Phoenix, Arizona.

Issue

4114-761. Patty Sims. In 1968 she was living in Phoenix, Arizona.

4114-78. ALMA MAE SIMS (see page 123) was born December 13, 1931, Hannibal, Missouri, married 1950 Phoenix, Arizona, Walter E. Stiles, Jr. In 1968 they lived in Phoenix, Arizona.

Issue:

4114-781. Diana Stiles.

4114-782. Michial Stiles.

4114-783. Betty Ann Stiles.

4114-82. ROBERTA DUNBAR (see page 123) was born June 8, 1898, Hannibal, Missouri, married (first) February 15, 1917, Robert Hurt. She knows nothing about her first husband as they were separated many years ago. She married (second) Burton Benziger. In 1968 her address was 7520 N. Seeley Avenue, Apt. 2E, Chicago, Illinois 60645.

Robert Hurt and Roberta Dunbar had issue:

4114-821. Robert W. Hurt, born November 30, 1917, died March 12, 1950, married October 23, 1949, Chicago, Illinois, Evelyn Meyers.

4114-83. LAVERNE DUNBAR (see page 123) was born December 20, 1902, died November 10, 1957, Mount Vernon, Westchester County, New York. He was cremated and his ashes buried in Acacia Park Cemetery, Chicago, Illinois. He was an Episcopal minister. He never married.

Miss Edna Margery LaVoo wrote November 30, 1967, "I note on the list of Marion County marriage licenses which you sent me an entry under December 28, 1892: Robert L. Dunbar and Miss Fannie Sims of Ralls County. Their son, Laverne Dunbar, was a pupil in my English classes at Central Junior High School about fifty years ago, about 1915. Fannie Sims is, I believe, a daughter of Enoch, but that needs verification. She is a sister of Arch Sims (and Charles). I recall that LaVerne was in a school play, 'The Spirit of '76.' I can still hear his wonderful boy soprano voice singing the background music for the play. It strikes me now that he possessed some inherent characteristic of his ancestors, mayhap, the three old soldiers of the Revolution. LaVerne worked his way through Missouri University, I have been told, then on to New York to continue his voice study. He became soloist and director of music for one of the large Episcopal churches there and studied at Sorbonne in Paris. He went back to New York where he became Father Jerome at Episcopal church in charge of music and services. He died within the past decade. I offer this bit of digression about LaVerne because it might be well to include him in some chart of the Sims family history."

4114-al. BERNICE CATHERINE SIMS (see page 124) was born June 14, 1919, St. Louis, Missouri, married April 15, 1939, Hannibal, Missouri, Robert B. Adams (son of Robert J. Adams and Melissa Barnes), born January 9, 1916, Louisiana, Missouri. They are both members of the Baptist Church. In 1968 their address was 517 N. Abat, Mexico, Missouri 65265. The 1967 city directory of Mexico, Missouri, lists:

Adams, Robt (Bernice) Bob Adams Erection Co h 517 N Abat

Robert B. Adams and Bernice Catherine Sims had issue:

4114-a11. Robert B. Adams, Jr., born July 20, 1942, Hannibal, Missouri, died November 21, 1964, Higginsville, Missouri, in an automobile accident. He is buried in Mexico, Missouri.

4114-a2. DOROTHY MAE SIMS (see page 124) was born November 3, 1921, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, married July 15, 1943, rural New London, Missouri, Billy George Hufty (son of Donald Thomas Hufty and Mary Aileen Chapple), born August 28, 1921, Bowling Green, Missouri. They are members of the First Christian Church of Paris, Missouri. In 1968 their address was 330 W. Monroe Street, Paris, Missouri 65275.

Billy George Hufty and Dorothy Mae Sims had issue: 4114-a21. Bradley Sims Hufty, born April 6, 1952, Hannibal, Missouri.

4114-a3. RUTH VIRGINIA SIMS (see page 124) was born May 21, 1925, Galena, Kansas, married June 2, 1946, Hannibal, Missouri, Carl A. Jurgens (son of Paul W. L. Jurgens and Stella \_\_\_\_\_), born January 14, 1925, Hannibal, Missouri. They are both members of St. John's Lutheran Church in Hannibal, Missouri. In 1968 their address was 1405 Vermont Avenue, Hannibal, Missouri 63401. The 1967 city directory of Hannibal, Missouri, lists:

Jurgens, Carl A (Ruth V) clk N&W RR h 1405 Vermont Av

Carl A. Jurgens and Ruth Virginia Sims had issue:

4114-a31. Carl A. Jurgens, Jr., born June 20, 1947, Hannibal, Missouri.

4114-a32. David L. Jurgens, born May 13, 1952, Hannibal, Missouri.

4116-42. DeFORREST LESLIE SIMS (see page 125) was born January 20, 1907, Hannibal, Missouri. married September 12, 1925, Hannibal, Missouri, Emma Jane Herrington, born April 11, 1909, Hannibal, Missouri. In 1967 his address was 1918 Broadway, Hannibal, Missouri.

DeForrest Sims, Sr., and his sons, DeForrest Sims, Jr., and Royden Sims, maintain a nursery and fruit farm a few miles southwest of Hannibal in the Salt River area near New London. They have a retail outlet at Oakwood.

De Forrest Leslie Sims and Emma Jane Herrington had issue:

- 4116-421. De Forrest Sims, Jr., married Joann
- 4116-422. Royden Eugene Sims (1927- ), married Mary Louis Dryden. See page 151.
- 4116-423, possibly others.

4118-22. GEORGE GROVER YATES (see page 125) was born June 1, 1885, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, married (first) September 4, 1912, Shelbina, Shelby County, Missouri, Maude Alice Buckman, who died November 24, 1951. He married (second) February 15, 1953, St. Stephen's Church, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, Ellen Lillis, born February 18, 1901, Monroe City, Missouri.

In 1968 his address was 232 E. Cleveland Street, Monroe City, Missouri 63456. He was quite interested in the family history and generously supplied the records on his part of the family.

George Grover Yates and Maude Alice Buckman had issue:

- 4118-221. Mary Agnes Yates, born February 18, 1915, Monroe City, Missouri, unmarried in 1968.
- 4118-222. Elizabeth Ann Yates (1916-), married Raymond Janes. See page 152.
- ), married Maria Broughton. See page 152. 4118-223. Henry D. Yates (1918-
- 4118-224. Lucy Jane Yates (1920-), married Leo T. Broughton. See page 152.
- 4118-225. George Anthony Yates (1922- ), married Juanita Greenwell. See page 152.
- 4118-226. Rita Marguerite Yates (1924- ), married D. T. Maher. See page 153. 4118-227. Frances Catherine Yates (1926- ), married Robert Maddox. See page 153.
- 4118-228. Virginia Yates (1929- ), married Jack Holt. See page 153.
- 4118-229. Robert Gregory Yates, born 1932, Monroe City, Missouri. In 1968 he was a Catholic priest, a missionary in Indonesia.
- 4118-23. HENRY D. YATES (see page 125), called Harry, was born September 8, 1887, Indian Creek, Monroe County, Missouri, died April 1959 Harlingen, Texas, where he is buried. He married Mrs. Louise (Hays) Pike, widow of Oscar Pike. They were married in Holy Rosary Church, Monroe City, Missouri. By her first husband he had a daughter, Bettie Pike, who married Finis Easterling.

Henry D. Yates and Louise Hays had issue:

- 4118-231. David Yates, married and had several children. He lived in Harlingen, Texas.
- 4118-232. Thomas Yates, married and had several children. He lived in Harlingen. Texas.

4118-31. LEE TURNER (see page 125) married Bertie Bledsoe of Monroe County, Missouri.

Issue:

- 4118-311. Bledsoe Turner.
- 4118-312. Christine Turner, married \_\_\_\_\_ Crook.
- 4118-313. Mary Margaret Turner, married Lilly.
- 4118-41. ARTHUR LUTHER BYNUM (see page 126) was born October 8, 1886, Withers Mill, Marion County, Missouri, married January 9, 1909, Susie A. Dowell, born 1892, died June 4, 1952.

- 4118-411. Christine Elizabeth Bynum (1911-1952), married Lawrence Kroeger. See page 153.
- 4118-412. two children who died in infancy.

4118-42. CORDELIA BYNUM (see page 126) was born 1888, married (first) Jack Shackelford. Later she married (second) in New Orleans, Louisiana, Persike.

Jack Shackelford and Cordelia Bynum had issue:

4118-421. Estel Shackelford.

4118-422. Jack Shackelford.

4118-43. ETHEL BYNUM (see page 126) was born 1890, died 1960, married Joseph Rodgers of Monroe City, Missouri.

#### Issue

- 4118-431. Julia May Rodgers, married Arthur Woodward. See page 153.
- 4118-432. Robert Rodgers, married in Mexico, Missouri, and has one child.

4118-62. THOMAS ELZEA BYLAND (see page 126) was born October 18, 1894, Covington, Kentucky, died April 17, 1922, Monroe City, Missouri, married Ruby Jane Umstattd (daughter of James Thomas Umstattd and Mary Helena Greenleaf). In 1968 her address was 20 Kehoe Avenue, Moberly, Missouri 65270.

#### Issue:

- 4118-621. Elsie Virginia Byland, born February 9, 1922, unmarried in 1968.
- 4118-622. James Thomas Byland (1923- ), married Elizabeth Ann Osbourne. See page 153.
- 4118-623. Benjamin Allen Byland (1926- ), married Mary J. Davis. See page 154.
- 4118-624. Anne Helene Byland, born October 6, 1931, married Donald A. Downing (son of Claude C. Downing and Estelle Anderson). They live in Edina, Missouri.
- 4118-625. Daniel Eric Byland, born October 6, 1931 (twin of Anne Helene Byland), died October 21, 1931.

4122-11. ELLA STRODE (see page 126) was born September 23, 1876, Ralls County, Missouri, died March 22, 1939, St. Louis, Missouri, married October 16, 1899, Ralls County, Missouri, John Scott Wood (son of John Oliver Wood and Elizabeth Broadley), born December 29, 1872, died November 23, 1957. They are both buried in Barkley Cemetery, New London, Missouri. They were both members of the Christian Church.

John Scott Wood was president of the board of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

John Scott Wood and Ella Strode had issue:

- 4122-111. Dorothy Jane Wood, born October 7, 1900, New London, Missouri, married April 3, 1925, Chester A. Sunder. In 1968 her address was 604 Windrush Drive, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122.
- 4122-112. John Scott Wood, Jr., born March 7, 1909, New London, Missouri, died June 1, 1955, Tucson, Arizona, married Reno, Nevada, Alice Halley. No children.
- 4122-12. CHARLES E. STRODE (see page 126) was born 1878 Ralls County, Missouri, died 1929 Hannibal, Missouri, married Ralls County, Missouri, Alberta Glascock, born 1877, died 1948. They are both buried in Barkley Cemetery, New London, Missouri.

## Issue:

- 4122-121. Susan Strode, married Nolan A. Waller. In 1968 her address was RFD 2, Hannibal, Missouri.
- 4122-122. Charles Edward Strode. In 1968 his address was 4906 Wyaconda, Hannibal, Missouri.
- 4122-123. Lloyd Strode. In 1968 his address was 5 Ridgewood Drive, Hannibal, Missouri.
- 4122-124. Frances Strode, born 1903, died 1906.
- 4122-13. WILLIE S. STRODE (see page 126) was born 1880 Ralls County, Missouri, died 1962 in San Mateo, California, married November 12, 1903, Ralls County, Missouri, L. Morris Anderson (son of Walter D. Anderson and Martine Smith), born March 22, 1879, Hannibal, Missouri, died 1945 Hannibal, Missouri. They are both buried in Hannibal, Missouri. They were both members of the Presbyterian Church.
  - L. Morris Anderson was an attorney in Hannibal, Missouri. He served as mayor of Hannibal for

three terms beginning in 1921. There is a long biographical account of L. Morris Anderson on page 356, volume 3, Missouri Democracy--A History by W. R. Jackson, 1935.

L. Morris Anderson and Willie S. Strode had issue:

4122-131. Martine Anderson, born 1904 Hannibal, Missouri, died 1911 Hannibal, Missouri.

4122-132. Jane Anderson (1911- ), married Harold L. Sargent. See page 154.

4123-21. VANGIE CRAWFORD (see page 127) was born October 8, 1898, Atlanta, Macon County, Missouri, married October 17, 1925, Macon, Missouri, Vernon Edward Leist, born May 12, 1899. In 1967 her address was 208 Lamb Avenue, Macon, Missouri 63552.

Vernon Edward Leist and Vangie Crawford had issue:

4123-211. a daughter who married B. Dale Gilman. In 1969 her address was West Street, St. Charles, Missouri 63301.

4123-212. possibly others.

4123-32. JONATHAN C. HOLLYMAN (see page 127), married Anna M. \_\_\_\_\_. He was a clergyman and in 1964 was retired and living at 5542 Roeland Drive, Roeland Park, Mission, Kansas.

4123-33. ANNA MAY HOLLYMAN (see page 127) was born May 13, 1890, Atlanta, Macon County, Missouri, married (first) August 30, 1911, Atlanta, Missouri, Harry B. Gwinner, born 1889 Macon, Missouri, died August 30, 1949, Atlanta, Missouri. She married (second) C. C. Emmons. In 1967 her address was Atlanta, Missouri 63530.

Harry B. Gwinner and Anna May Hollyman had issue:

4123-331. Ada Elizabeth Gwinner (1912- ), married Paul Edwin Carver. See page 154.

4123-332. Walter I. Gwinner, born Atlanta, Missouri.

4123-34. JAMES HOLLYMAN (see page 127) was born January 18, 1892, Atlanta, Macon County, Missouri, married May 20, 1922, Carrollton, Missouri, Oma Opal Romjue (daughter of James F. Romjue and Sarah Martha Thompson), born February 18, 1901, LaPlata, Macon County, Missouri. He is a farmer, a Baptist, and a World War I veteran. In 1967 their address was 906 Crest View, Macon, Missouri 63552.

Mrs. Hollyman wrote in 1967, "Romjue is a French name. My great grandfather came from France. Only one is left of my grandfather's eight children. His name is M. A. Romjue. He was Congressman from our district for 20 years." She referred to Milton Andrew Romjue, who has since died.

James Hollyman and Oma Opal Romjue had issue:

4123-341. Galena Hollyman (1923- ), married Ronald William Shoush. See page 154.

4123-342. Wanda L. Hollyman, born October 25, 1928, married January 23, 1953, St. Louis, Missouri, Allan Beall Cook (son of Matthew Cook and Hines). The 1967 city directory of Fort Worth, Texas, lists: Cook, Allan B., eng Bell Helicopter, 8266 Lonford Drive. See page 154.

4123-52. STARK FLINCHPAUGH (see page 128) was born May 24, 1899, Atlanta, Macon County, Missouri, married August 16, 1936, Moberly, Missouri, Marian M. Pennick.

Issue:

4123-521. Lena Mae Flinchpaugh, married \_\_\_\_ Coe.

4123-522. Patricia Ann Flinchpaugh, maried Michael P. Spicer. See page 155.

4123-53. GARLAND FLINCHPAUGH (see page 128) was born April 23, 1905, Atlanta, Macon County, Missouri, married Mabel Norris.

Issue:

4123-531. Jane Flinchpaugh, married Richard Birkeness. See page 155.

1114-241. BARBARA RINGO (see page 129) was born January 21, 1932, Detroit, Michigan, married James Lee Martin.

Her picture appeared in the <u>Washington Post</u>, Washington, D. C., Sunday, May 26, 1968, in an article entitled, "The Girls Behind Humphrey." The article reads, "Barbara Martin, a slim, glamorous brunet from Bethesda, is co-chairman of the hospitality room at headquarters. She comes from a California Republican family but switched to the Democratic party after marriage to James Lee Martin of Maryland. They met at a Campus Crusade for Christ summer camp in California while she was a student at Berkeley and he a student at the University of Maryland. She subsequently sang with Freddie Martin's orchestra and won a scholarship with the San Francisco Opera but gave it up to work for Campus Crusade for Christ. She was brought into national politics in 1964 by Mrs. Hale Boggs and was one of 20 women who did advance work with Mrs. Boggs on Lady Bird Johnson's whistlestop tour through Dixie.

James Lee Martin and Barbara Ringo had issue:

1114-2411. John Paul Martin.

1114-2412. Susy Martin.

1114-321. EDWARD H. ALLEN (see page 129) was born October 26, 1912, Alameda, California, died July 14, 1965, in an airplane accident in New Jersey, married December 1938, Reno, Nevada, Marian Meyer.

#### Issue.

- 1114-3211. Edward H. Allen, Jr., born February 15, 1940, Alameda, California, married July 27, 1968, San Bruno, California, Gwendolin Reid.
- 1114-3212. Marcia Anne Allen, born June 16, 1944, Great Neck, New York, married September 9, 1966, Redwood City, California, Perry West.

1114-331. LLOYD WINSLOW ALLEN (see page 129) was born August 2, 1917, Alameda, California, died August 22, 1966, Saignon, Viet Nam, married August 29, 1942, Chowchilla, California, Alice Marian Parker (no kin).

## Issue:

- 1114-3311. Lloyd Winslow Allen, Jr., born May 8, 1944, Merced, California.
- 1114-3312. David Edward Allen, born July 22, 1947, Palo Alto, California.
- 1114-3313. Barrington Parker Allen, born April 9, 1954, San Jose, California.
- 1114-3314. Lawrence Henry Allen, born April 26, 1956, Livermore, California.
- 1114-3315. Robert Roy Allen, born November 13, 1957, Livermore, California.
- 1114-3316. Eleanor Susan Allen, born January 19, 1959, San Rafael, California.
- 1114-3317. George Augustus Allen, born November 27, 1962, San Rafael, California.

1115-111. EDWARD BENNINGTON HALL (see page 131) was born March 25, 1916, Springfield, Missouri, married December 28, 1935, Lebanon, Missouri, Barbara Louise Jones (daughter of Harold Glenn Jones and Eva Baer), born August 26, 1918, Springfield, Missouri. In 1969 their address was 5175 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri 63108.

He graduated from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1935 and did graduate work. For a while he was research director for the Taxpayers' Federation of Illinois living in Springfield, Illinois. From 1947 to 1951 he worked at the Oak Ridge, Tennessee, plant of the Atomic Energy Commission operated by Tennessee Eastman Corporation, where he was superintendent of the production control department and later was deputy chief of the branch of the Atomic Energy Commission responsible for establishing and maintaining accounting control over the nation's uranium and plutonium. He then joined Price, Waterhouse and Company in 1952 as Management Advisory Services specialist first in the New York-Newark area (when he lived in Summit, New Jersey) and since 1962 in the St. Louis office.

Edward Bennington Hall and Barbara Louise Jones had issue:

- 1115-1111. Michal Hall (1940- ), married Steven Edward Lindblad. See page 155.
- 1115-1112. Harold Edward Hall, born June 30, 1951, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.
- 1115-1113. Susan Hall, born December 15, 1952, Summit, New Jersey.
- 1115-1114. Stephen Hall, born July 26, 1954, Summit, New Jersey.
- 1115-1115. Jane Hall, born November 26, 1955, Summit, New Jersey.
- 1115-113. JEAN HALL (see page 131) was born November 16, 1922, Northfield, Minnesota, married January 24, 1949, Urbana, Illinois, Francis Ludwig Seyfarth, born September 8, \_\_\_\_. In 1969 their address was 1505 Grandview Drive, Champaign, Illinois 61820. He teaches mechanical engineering at the University of Illinois.

Francis Seyfarth and Jean Hall had issue:

- 1115-1131. Marion Seyfarth (a daughter), born November 5, 1950, Urbana, Illinois.
- 1115-1132. Elizabeth Seyfarth, born September 9, 1952, Urbana, Illinois.
- 1115-121. WILLIAM HALL SEYMOUR (see page 131) was born January 26, 1908, Springfield, Missouri, married May 1933 Gertrude Aduddell. In 1969 their address was 2214 Balsam, Los Angeles, California.

#### Issue:

- 1115-1211. Elizabeth Ann Seymour (1936-), married Kenneth Douglas Cook. See page 155.
- 1115-1212. William Hall Seymour, born March 2, 1938, Wichita, Kansas.
- 1115-122. VERNON KNOX AUSHERMAN (see page 131) was born December 30, 1920, Springfield, Missouri, married (first) February 5, 1949, Grosse Pointe, Michigan, Gertrude Doris Spencer (daughter of Harry Lincoln Spencer and \_\_\_\_\_\_). They were divorced and he married (second) July 31, 1965, Detroit, Michigan, Mrs. Connie (Constant) Formiller. In 1969 his address was 1308 Lakepointe, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan 48230.
- Vernon graduated from Drury College in 1942 (BA) and served as a captain in field artillery in the U. S. Marine Corps during World War II and during the Korean War. After graduating from the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration (MBA) in 1947 he worked for Studebaker Corporation in South Bend, Indiana, and later in the financial department of General Motors Corporation in Detroit, Michigan.

His first wife, Gert, graduated from Brenau College with an AB degree in French and later taught French. After the divorce she married again to a man who also had children by a previous marriage. In 1969 they were living in Florida.

Connie Ausherman, Vernon's second wife, is of Greek descent. She has two children by her first marriage--Rita and Dean.

Vernon Knox Ausherman and Gertrude Doris Spencer had issue:

- 1115-1221. Vernon Knox Ausherman, born November 15, 1951, Santa Ana, California.
- 1115-1222. Kathryn Louise Ausherman, born November 28, 1953, South Bend, Indiana.
- 1116-321. PEGGY ANN DELBRIDGE (see page 132) was born October 16, 1931, St. Louis, Missouri, married December 22, 1953, Kirkwood, Missouri, Fred Paul Wolf (son of Fred Henry Wolf and Ruth Backs), born June 5, 1929, St. Louis, Missouri. In 1969 their address was 8302 Buddie, Hazelwood, Missouri 63042.

Fred Paul Wolf and Peggy Ann Delbridge had issue:

- 1116-3211. Fred Charles Wolf, born September 30, 1954, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 1116-3212. Elizabeth Joanne Wolf, born December 15, 1955, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 1116-3213. Steven Scott Wolf, born February 13, 1959, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 1116-3214. Lisa Anne Wolf, born September 9, 1960, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 1116-3215. Carrie Annette Wolf, born September 9, 1960, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 1116-322. ELIZABETH RINGO DELBRIDGE (see page 132) was born January 12, 1940, St. Louis, Missouri, married April 24, 1965, Kirkwood, Missouri, Robert Stimson Dubiel (son of Edward Albert Dubiel and

Olive Odell Calkins), born June 15, 1940, Perry, New York. In 1969 their address was 914 Flying Fish, Foster City. California.

Robert Stimson Dubiel and Elizabeth Ringo Delbridge had issue:

- 1116-3221. Edward Scott Dubiel, born February 5, 1966, Providence, Rhode Island.
- 1116-3222. Jeffrey Charles Dubiel, born May 29, 1967, Rochester, New York.
- 1116-3223. Douglas Robert Dubiel, born December 28, 1968, San Mateo, California.

1614-112. ROBERT STEELE WITHERS (see page 134) was born August 18, 1947, Kansas City, Missouri, married Janis Dell'Olio. In 1968 he was a student at Yale University.

Issue:

1614-1121. Donovan Withers.

3821-121. ROWAN LEE SIMMS (see page 135) was born July 14, 1933, Tulsa, Oklahoma, married 1959 Tulsa, Oklahoma, Janet Nichols of Chillicothe, Missouri. He is an Episcopalian. In 1968 he was studying to be a doctor of osteopathy and was interning in Detroit, Michigan.

Issue:

- 3821-1211. Bryan Scott Simms, born August 22, 1960, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- 3821-1212. Kelley Allen Simms, born October 20, 1966, Kansas City, Missouri.

4111-411. DALE REID MOORE (see page 139) was born January 15, 1908, Quincy, Illinois, married January 28, 1928, St. Louis, Missouri, Helen C. Uppinghouse, born September 1, 1908.

Issue

4111-4111. Donald Alan Moore (1931- ), married Patsy Jean Seeland. See page 155.

4111-421. KENNETH GERALD SIMS (see page 139) was born May 26, 1911, Quincy, Illinois, married July 14, 1934, Hinsdale, Illinois, Margaret Dunn (daughter of Robert Burns Dunn and Alma Maude Parks), born September 2, 1911, Paonia, Colorado. She was known as Margaret McWade as her mother's second husband was named McWade. They were both members of the Congregational Church (United Church of Christ). In 1968 their address was Route 2, Box 130, St. Charles, Illinois 60174.

Kenneth Gerald Sims and Margaret Dunn had issue:

- 4111-4211. Sandra Lee Sims, born September 29, 1937, Hinsdale, Illinois.
- 4111-4212. Kenneth McWade Sims, born June 13, 1944, Hinsdale, Illinois, married June 17, 1967, Wayne, Illinois, Sandra Jean Duerr.

4111-431. DAVID ELDON SIMS (see page 139) was born December 25, 1921, Burlington, Iowa, married December 25, 1942, St. Louis, Missouri, Norma Hillebrenner (daughter of Adolph F. Hillebrenner and Esther Wonning), born November 22, 1923, Quincy, Illinois.

Issue

4111-4311. Terry Eldon Sims, born June 1, 1947, Quincy, Illinois.

4113-112. WILLIAM RAYMOND SIMS (see page 140) was born July 9, 1925, Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, married August 1947, Hannibal, Missouri, Dollie Hewitt Collins. In 1967 she was secretary at the Missouri Highway Department in Hannibal, Missouri. Their address was 1405 Union Street, Hannibal, Missouri 63401. The 1967 city directory of Hannibal, Missouri, lists:
Sims, Vella R (Dollie C) 1405 Union

Issue:

4113-1121. Georgia Carin Sims.

4113-1122. Robert William Sims.

4113-141. MARGERY COLBORN SIMS (see page 140) was born November 7, 1911, Saverton Township, Ralls County, Missouri, married November 11, 1933, at the old William Stark Sims home in Ralls County, Missouri, Chester A. Knierim. They have lived their entire married life in Decatur, Illinois, where he is a buyer with Evans Grain Company. In 1967 their address was 3876 Constant View, Decatur, Illinois.

Chester A. Knierim and Margery Colborn Sims had issue:

- 4113-1411. Helen Ann Knierim, born Decatur, Illinois. She has B.A. and M.A. degrees from Iowa University. She is a public school teacher in high school, Lake Forest, Illinois. She was on the faculty of Hanover College, Hanover, Indiana, and took study trips abroad. She taught at the University of Bagdad, Iraq, during the 1966-67 term.
- 4113-1412. Margery Lois Knierim, married Samuel W. Wilcoxen. In 1967 their address was 63 S. Alfred, Elgin, Illinois 60120. He was minister of education at the First Baptist Church.
- 4113-1413. Jeanette Knierim, married Julian J. Brix. He was an engineer with Western Illinois Power. In 1967 their address was 620 Caldwell Street, Jacksonville, Illinois.
- 4113-1414. Charlene A. Knierim. She was a policy writer for Federal Mutual Insurance. In 1967 her address was 3876 Constant View, Decatur, Illinois.

4113-311. AILEEN ROBINSON (see page 140) married Rollie Dryden.

Issue:

4113-3111. Lloyd Dryden.

4113-322. ELGIN CAROL ROBINSON (see page 140) married Mildred Burdett.

Issue:

4113-3221. John Robinson.

4113-3222. Marilyn Robinson.

4113-331. SOPHIA MAE ROBINSON (see page 141) was born May 28, 1920, Spalding, Missouri, married January 12, 1939, Ralls County, Missouri, Russell Ketsenburg (son of Alfred Fredrick Ketsenburg and Edith Corder), born November 24, 1916, Grainfield, Kansas. In 1968 their address was R. R. 1, New London, Missouri 63459.

On October 17, 1968, she wrote, "After my Dad died I knew very little about the Robinson family so with what I could get out of the Bible and with the help of a cousin in Quincy I have it up to date now. We used to live in St. Louis but after Russell came back from Service he wanted to farm so he and my Dad farmed together while he lived and now he and our son farm together. We live three miles out of New London on Highway 19. Will be within ten or twelve miles of the Cannon Dam if they ever get it finished. I work at the Ralls County office of Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture. Have been here 15 years."

Russell Ketsenburg and Sophia Mae Robinson had issue:

- 4113-3311. Karen Ruth Ketsenburg, born December 25, 1942, St. Louis, Missouri, married January 12, 1964, Hannibal, Missouri, Richard E. Cole.
- 4113-3312. Jerry Russell Ketsenburg, born December 5, 1946, Hannibal, Missouri, married June 14, 1964, Hannibal, Missouri, Elva Frances Williams.

4113-361. HILDRED EUGENE ROBINSON (see page 141) married Gladys Lorene Pabst.

Issue

4113-3611. Patricia Ann Robinson, born September 17, 1943.

4113-3612. Donna Frances Robinson, born July 1, 1945.

4113-3613. Constance Lee Robinson, born January 26, 1953.

4113-362. VIRGINIA ARDELLA ROBINSON (see page 141) married August 21, 1954, Robert Dyke.

Issue

4113-3621. Alyn Eugene Dyke, born July 9, 1956.

4113-3622. Frances Ann Dyke, born April 1, 1958.

4113-3623. Debra Lynn Dyke, born May 17, 1961.

4113-3624. Alicia Rene Dyke, born October 30, 1963.

4114-311. FRANCIS HOLLON (see page 141) was born December 10, 1925, Quincy, Illinois, married June 4, 1949, rural Plymouth, Illinois, Frances Marie Leonard Holliday (daughter of Hugh Eugene Holliday and Martina Lichtenhan), born March 13, 1918, Wamego, Kansas. He is a member of the Baptist Church. She is a member of the Catholic Church. In 1968 their address was 2501 Vermont Street, Quincy, Illinois 62301.

Issue

4114-3111. Connie Hollon, born September 7, 1961, Atchison, Kansas.

4114-321. HELEN LEE SIMS (see page 141) was born September 21, 1926, Breckenridge, Texas, married January 25, 1947, Detroit, Michigan, Robert J. Burmann (son of Ervin E. Burmann and Martha E. Spencer), born February 11, 1924, Armada, Michigan. In 1968 their address was 559 Nawakwa, Rochester, Michigan. They are both members of the Evagelical Lutheran Church.

Robert J. Burmann and Helen Lee Sims had issue:

4114-3211. Alan Robert Burmann, born July 28, 1953, Detroit, Michigan.

4114-3212. Lee James Burmann, born October 8, 1960, Detroit, Michigan.

4114-322. KATHLEEN SIMS (see page 141) was born September 5, 1928, in Missouri, married October 8, 1948, Detroit, Michigan, LeRoy D. Taylor (son of Irwin John Taylor and Lena Mae Plassey), born October 18, 1926, Highland Park, Michigan. They are both members of the Congregational Church. In 1968 their address was 5920 Cobb Creek Ct., Rochester, Michigan.

LeRoy D. Taylor and Kathleen Sims had issue:

4114-3221. Barbara Joanne Taylor, born September 17, 1949, Highland Park, Michigan.

4114-3222. Douglas Duane Taylor, born September 17, 1952, Highland Park, Michigan.

4114-3223. David Mark Taylor, born February 6, 1963, Pontiac, Michigan.

4114-741. DAVID SIMS (see page 142) was born August 1941, Paris, Missouri, married 1963 Phoenix, Arizona, Sandra Fleetwood.

Issue.

4114-7411. David Gregg Sims.

4114-7412. Sandy Sims (a daughter).

4114-743. MILVEN T. SIMS (see page 142) was born July 9, 1947, Hannibal, Missouri, married 1962 Phoenix, Arizona, Ella Louise Howes.

Issue:

4114-7431. Louise Sims.

4114-7432. Milton Sims.

4116-422. ROYDEN EUGENE SIMS (see page 144) was born January 8, 1927, Hannibal, Missouri, married October 1, 1947, Hannibal, Missouri, Mary Louis Dryden (daughter of Clarence Lemuel Dryden and Cleo Patea Harwood), born August 8, 1926, Hannibal, Missouri. In 1967 their address was 2701 Fulton Avenue, Hannibal, Missouri.

Miss Edna Margery LaVoo wrote November 30, 1967, "Royden Sims, Route 3, Hannibal, Missouri 63401, was a member of the State Legislature from this District but was defeated the last election or his District was voided by the new redistricting. It may be that he has much data on Rhodom Sims as he lives and conducts a business in the old Rhodom Sims area. He and his father conduct an orehard and landscape business."

Royden Eugene Sims and Mary Louis Dryden had issue:

- 4116-4221. Jayne Lynn Sims, born November 23, 1948, Hannibal, Missouri.
- 4116-4222. Karen Leslie Sims, born June 8, 1953, Hannibal, Missouri.
- 4116-4223. Gregg Royden Sims, born August 5, 1959, Hannibal, Missouri.

4118-222. ELIZABETH ANN YATES (see page 144) was born July 5, 1916, married Raymond Janes (son of William Janes and Essie Yewell).

#### Issue:

- 4118-2221. Bettie Lee Janes, married Francis Vogt. See page 155.
- 4118-2222. Raymond Janes, married Sandra Hopple. See page 156.
- 4118-2223. Gene Marie Janes, born Monroe City, Missouri.

4118-223. HENRY D. YATES (see page 144) was born August 6, 1918, Monroe County, Missouri, married Maria Broughton of Shelbina, Missouri.

#### Issue:

- 4118-2231. David Yates, born Monroe City, Missouri. In 1968 he was in the U. S. Navy,
- 4118-2232. Mary Angela Yates, born Monroe City, Missouri.
- 4118-2233. Ann Yates, born Monroe City, Missouri.
- 4118-2234. Regina Yates, born Monroe City, Missouri.
- 4118-2235. Stephen Yates, born Monroe City, Missouri.
- 4118-2236, Helen Yates, born Monroe City, Missouri.
- 4118-2237. Daniel Yates, born Monroe City, Missouri.
- 4118-2238. Mark Yates, born Monroe City, Missouri.

4118-224. LUCY JANE YATES (see page 144) was born September 9, 1920, Monroe City, Missouri, married April 10, 1944, Leo T. Broughton of Shelbina, Missouri, born December 20, 1918.

Leo T. Broughton and Lucy Jane Yates had issue:

- 4118-2241. Janie Broughton, born January 27, 1945, Shelbina, Missouri.
- 4118-2242. Carol Broughton, born March 22, 1947.
- 4118-2243. Margaret Broughton, born July 8, 1948.
- 4118-2244. Catherine Sue Broughton, born October 2, 1949.
- 4118-2245. Donald Broughton, born December 2, 1950.
- 4118-2246. Barbara Jean Broughton, born April 26, 1952.
- 4118-2247. Patricia Broughton, born October 13, 1953.
- 4118-2248. Jacqueline Broughton, born January 25, 1956.
- 4118-2249. Thomas Broughton, born October 30, 1957.
- 4118-224x. Leo Broughton, Jr., born May 10, 1959.
- 4118-224a. Mary Theresa Broughton, born July 31, 1961.
- 4118-224b. Joseph Gregory Broughton, born December 17, 1962. 4118-224c. John Dominic Broughton, born September 19, 1964.

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4118-225. GEORGE ANTHONY YATES (see page 144) was born August 16, 1922, Monroe City, Missouri, married Juanita Greenwell of Shelbina, Missouri.

#### Issue

- 4118-2251. Anthony Yates, born Monroe City, Missouri.
- 4118-2252. Cordelia Yates.
- 4118-2253. Joan Yates.

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4118-2254. Alice Yates.
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4118-2255. Paul Yates.

4118-2256. Theresa Yates.

4118-2257. Kathleen Yates.

4118-2258. Carolyn Yates.

4118-2259. Douglas Yates.

4118-225x. Melany Yates.

4118-226. RITA MARGUERITE YATES (see page 144) was born November 19, 1924, married D. T. Maher of Monroe City, Missouri.

## D. T. Maher and Rita Marguerite Yates had issue:

4118-2261. Cecilia Ann Maher, married Thomas Baugh of Centralia, Boone County, Missouri.

4118-2262. Nancy Maher.

4118-2263. Dorothy Maher.

4118-2264. Denise Maher.

4118-2265. Deborah Maher.

4118-2266. Thomas Joseph Maher.

4118-2267. Sarah Maher.

4118-227. FRANCES CATHERINE YATES (see page 144) was born December 1926, Monroe City, Missouri, married Robert Maddox of Monroe City, Missouri.

Robert Maddox and Frances Catherine Yates had issue:

4118-2271. Janice Maddox, married Charles Maubry. See page 156.

4118-2272. Martha Ann Maddox, born Monroe City, Missouri.

4118-228. VIRGINIA YATES (see page 144) was born 1929 Monroe City, Missouri, married Jack Holt of Carthage, Illinois. He died 1964.

Jack Holt and Virginia Yates had issue:

4118-2281. Jon Holt.

4118-2282. Beverly Holt.

4118-2283. Susie Holt.

4118-2284. Julie Holt.

4118-411. CHRISTINE ELIZABETH BYNUM (see page 144) was born October 11, 1911, died June 10, 1952 (six days after her mother died), married October 15, 1928, Lawrence Kroeger, born July 12, 1902, died 1967.

Lawrence Kroeger and Christine Elizabeth Bynum had issue:

4118-4111. Bernardine Kroeger, married Leslie Carson of Palmyra, Missouri. They have four children.

4118-4112. Wilfred Lee Kroeger, married and has seven children.

4118-4113. Karen Ann Kroeger, married Robert Porter of Palmyra, Missouri.

4118-4114. Arthur Eugene Kroeger, married Sarah Disselhorst of Palmyra, Missouri. They have four children. He was called Sonny.

4118-4115. Betty Louise Kroeger, married David Ravenscraft. They have three children.

4118-431. JULIA MAY RODGERS (see page 145) married Arthur Woodward.

Issue:

4118-4311. Rodger Woodward.

4118-622. JAMES THOMAS BYLAND (see page 145) was born October 28, 1923, married Elizabeth

Ann Osbourne (daughter of Guy Osbourne and Zehma Mudd).

James Thomas Byland and Elizabeth Ann Osbourne had issue:

- 4118-6221. James Donald Byland, born August 11, 1947. In 1968 he was a senior at the University of Texas in Austin, Texas.
- 4118-6222. Thomas Eric Byland, born February 14, 1950. In 1968 he was a senior at Junior College, Moberly, Missouri.
- 4118-623. BENJAMIN ALLEN BYLAND (see page 145) was born December 21, 1926, married Mary J. Davis (daughter of Robert Davis and Mabel Malloy).

Issue:

- 4118-6231. Bruce Allen Byland, born April 25, 1958, Cherry Point, North Carolina.
- 4118-6232. Barrie Lee Byland, born February 7, 1960, Hubert, North Carolina.
- 4122-132. JANE ANDERSON (see page 146) was born 1911 Hannibal, Missouri, married 1932 Annapolis, Maryland, Harold L. Sargent, born 1910 Hannibal, Missouri. In 1935 he was an ensign in the Navy in California. They are both members of the Congregational Church. In 1968 their address was 988 Flying Fish Street, Foster City, California 94404.

Harold L. Sargent and Jane Anderson had issue:

- 4122-1321. Joel A. Sargent (1939- ), married Carole Altermatt. See page 156.
- 4122-1322. Holly Sargent, born 1944, Annapolis, Maryland, married 1967 San Francisco, California, Kenneth Hoppe.
- 4123-331. ADA ELIZABETH GWINNER (see page 146) was born July 28, 1912, Atlanta, Macon County, Missouri, married June 24, 1938, Atlanta, Missouri, Paul Edwin Carver, born December 10, 1907, Neosho, Newton County, Missouri. He is a Democrat and a Presbyterian. In 1967 he was Circuit Judge of the Circuit Court of the 40th Judicial Circuit of the State of Missouri. In 1967 their address was P. O. Box 117, Neosho, Missouri 64850. There is a biographical sketch of him on page 259 of Missouri Official Manual 1959-60.

Paul Edwin Carver and Ada Elizabeth Gwinner had issue:

- 4123-3311. John G. Carver.
- 4123-3312. Tom D. Carver.
- 4123-3313. Paula Ann Carver.
- 4123-341. GALENA HOLLYMAN (see page 146) was born February 25, 1923, Atlanta, Macon County. Missouri, married June 27, 1943, Macon, Missouri, Ronald William Shoush (son of Robert Shoush and Pearl Glascow), born October 27, 1920, Macon, Missouri.

Ronald William Shoush and Galena Hollyman had issue:

- 4123-3411. Mary Kay Shoush, born October 3, 1946, Macon, Missouri. In 1967 she was a senior at Northeast Missouri State College in Kirksville, Missouri.
- 4123-3412. Holly Ann Shoush, born April 11, 1948, Macon, Missouri. In 1967 she was a junior in college at Kirksville, Missouri.
- 4123-3413. Billy Shoush, born May 14, 1951, Macon, Missouri.
- 4123-3414. Judy Shoush, born March 6, 1953, Macon, Missouri.
- 4123-3415. Ronnie Shoush (a son), born November 13, 1955, Macon, Missouri.
- 4123-3416. Betty Gay Shoush, born December 2, 1957, Macon, Missouri.
- 4123-3417. Cindy Shoush, born January 17, 1960, Macon, Missouri.
- 4123-342. WANDA L. HOLLYMAN (see page 146) was born October 25, 1928, married January 23, 1953, St. Louis, Missouri, Allan Beall Cook (son of Matthew Cook and \_\_\_\_\_\_ Hines). He was an engineer with Bell Helicopter in Fort Worth, Texas. In 1967 their address was 8266 Longford Drive, Fort Worth, Texas.

Allan Beall Cook and Wanda L. Hollyman had issue:

4123-3421. Larry Allan Cook, born October 3, 1954, St. Louis, Missouri.

4123-3422. Beth Cook, born October 17, 1967, Fort Worth, Texas.

4123-522. PATRICIA ANN FLINCHPAUGH (see page 146) married June 30, 1960, Michael P.

Spicer.

Issue:

4123-5221. John Stark Spicer, born May 14, 1961.

4123-5222. Daniel Pierce Spicer, born March 20, 1964.

4123-531. JANE FLINCHPAUGH (see page 147) married December 24, 1956, Richard B. Birkeness. The 1967 city directory of Kansas City, Missouri, lists:
Birkeness, Richard B (Jane), Traffic Genl Mtrs, h 6514 N Michigan Dr, Gladstone 64118

Richard B. Birkeness and Jane Flinchpaugh had issue:

4123-5311. William Birkeness.

4123-5312. Jane Ann Birkeness.

1115-1111. MICHAL HALL (see page 148) was born May 22, 1940, Springfield, Missouri, married September 1, 1962, St. Louis, Missouri, Steven Edward Lindblad (son of Walter Lindblad and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_), born March 22, 1940, Evanston, Illinois. They both graduated from Northwestern University in 1962. In 1969 he was working for Price, Waterhouse and Company. In 1969 their address was 614 Long Road, Glenview, Illinois 60025.

Steven Edward Lindblad and Michal Hall had issue:

1115-1111-1. Tyler Wade Lindblad, born May 27, 1963, Evanston, Illinois.

1115-1111-2. Christopher Boyd Lindblad, born May 22, 1964, Evanston, Illinois.

1115-1111-3. Stacey Lindblad (a daughter), born April 30, 1969, Evanston, Illinois.

1115-1211. ELIZABETH ANN SEYMOUR (see page 148) was born June 29, 1936, Wichita, Kansas, married April 3, 1953, Yuma, Arizona, Kenneth Douglas Cook. In 1969 their address was 5584 Bonnie Brae Street, Montclair, California.

Kenneth Douglas Cook and Elizabeth Ann Seymour had issue:

1115-1211-1. Kenneth Douglas Cook, Jr., born December 23, 1953, Arlington, Virginia.

1115-1211-2. Deborah Ann Cook, born January 3, 1956, Pomona, California.

4111-4111. DONALD ALAN MOORE (see page 149) was born April 6, 1931, Quincy, Illinois, married May 29, 1954, Quincy, Illinois, Patsy Jean Seeland (daughter of Clarence Seeland, Sr., and Mildred M. Naderhoff), born September 19, 1937, Quincy, Illinois. They were both members of the Lutheran Church. In 1968 their address was 1023 Gerard, Quincy, Illinois.

#### Issue:

4111-4111-1. Donald Alan Moore, Jr., born January 22, 1955, Quincy, Illinois.

4111-4111-2. Rodney Kent Moore, born January 28, 1957, Springfield, Illinois.

4111-4111-3. Steven Gregory Moore, born February 20, 1960, Springfield, Illinois.

4111-4111-4. Donna Jean Moore, born April 18, 1965, Decatur, Illinois.

4118-2221. BETTIE LEE JANES (see page 152) married Francis Vogt of Ste. Genevieve, Missouri.

Issue:

4118-2221-1. Michael Francis Vogt.

4118-2222. RAYMOND JANES (see page 152) was born Monroe City, Missouri, married Sandra Hopple of Palmyra, Missouri.

Issue:

4118-2222-1. Billy Ray Janes.

4118-2271. JANICE MADDOX (see page 153) married Charles Maubry of Edina, Missouri.

Issue:

4118-2271-1. Deborah Maubry.

4122-1321. JOEL A. SARGENT (see page 154) was born 1939 Baltimore, Maryland, married 1962 Berkeley, California, Carole Altermatt.

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4122-1321-1. Gregory Sargent, born 1964 Long Beach, California.

### NOTES ON OTHER FAMILIES

#### ASHBY FAMILY

"The famous Ashby family of Virginia" is the way my Aunt Lizzie Pipkin always described them. Undoubtedly many of the Ashby family were well known and, since they all originated from the same area in Virginia (Stafford, Fauquier, Frederick Counties) they all apparently were the same family. Much has been written about them and much of that which is written is contradictory. With so many records missing it is difficult to be certain about the early generations. In the records the name is variously spelled: Ashby, Ashbie, Asbee, etc. And, of course, it has been confused with Ashley.

On page 82 of Stafford County, Virginia, Deed Book P it states that Robert Ashby, the elder, and Elizabeth, his wife, sold 120 acres of land on July 14, 1747, to Elias Ashby. Then in turn Elias Ashby and Winifred, his wife, sold this land on January 21, 1755, to William Garrard. On March 9, 1755, William Garrard and Mary, his wife, sold the land to Weedon Smith.

This Robert Ashby, the elder, was so-called to distinguish him from a younger Robert Ashby who also lived in Stafford County at that time. The younger Robert Ashby's wife was named Mary and they had children whose births are recorded in Overwharton Parish Register during the period 1752 to 1751.

Robert Asbee, Senior, left a will recorded on page 479 Stafford County Will Book O. The will was written April 17, 1762, and was proved November 12, 1764. It is indexed as Robert Ashby. In it he says he is aged and infirm. He bequeathed "all my estate, real and personal, to my loving and dutiful son, John Asbee, with the provision that he pay to my grandson, Jesse Asbee, son of Margery Asbee, a good feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, and five pds. current money, and my gun . . ."

The Register of Overwharton Parish, Stafford County, Virginia, 1723-1758, and Sundry Historical and Genealogical Notes by George Harrison Sanford King, 1961, contains the following Ashby entries (among others):

Elias Ashby and Winifred Million married September 4, 1745.

William Asbee, son of Elias and Winifred Asbee, born April 23, 1746.

Fransisina Ashby, daughter of Elias and Winifred Ashby, born March 15, 1749.

Jesse Ashby, son of Margery Ashby, born May 20, 1750.

Thomas Ashby and Mary MacCullough married November 14, 1751.

Mary Ann Asbee, daughter of Thomas Asbee, born July 30, 1752.

Elisha Ashby, son of Elias Ashby, born December 26, 1752.

Elizabeth Asbee, wife of Robert Asbee, died October 15, 1754.

Elizabeth Asbee, daughter of Thomas and Mary Asbee, born November 3, 1754.

John Ashby and Sarah MacCullough married February 26, 1756.

John Ashby, son of John Ashby, born June 6, 1756.

Hankuson Ashby, son of Thomas and Mary Ashby, born February 6, 1757.

Balley Ashby, son of John and Sarah Ashby, born November 22, 1758.

The following land grants by Lord and/or Lady Fairfax, proprietors of the northern neck of Virginia, were made in Stafford County, Virginia:

Book A, page 81--October 1, 1724--180 acres on the Beaverdam Run of Acquia (Creek) to Robert Ashbey.

Book E, page 364--November 18, 1741--300 acres on the Drains of the North Branch of Chappawam-sick, adjoining lands of John Hall and Thomas Seddon, etc.--to Robert Ashbey.

Book E, page 375--November 26, 1741--433 acres, adjoining his own lands - Mr. Blackburn - Samuel Breedwell - and Thomas Botts - etc., to Robert Ashbey.

Book F, page 123--July 27, 1743--274 acres on Middle Run, of Chappawamsick - adjoining lands of Thomas Botts - William Green - (Thomas) Seddon - etc., to Robert Ashbey.

Book A #2, page 340--November 26, 1810--192 acres, adjoining lands of J. Botts - Bridewell -

Newton - to Benjamin Ashbey and Valentine Peyton, etc.

The following two affidavits are recorded on pages 263 and 264 of Stafford County, Virginia, Deed

Book AA:

I hereby certify that I was 1st Lieutenant in Capt. Wm. Washington's company of the 3rd Virginia Regiment on continental establishment during the American Revolution, that I personally well knew John Ashby and Bailey Ashby who enlisted as common soldiers in the said company for two years, and that this deponent believes they died in the service, and further this deponent saith not.

William Mountjoy

Stafford County Sct

Personally appeared before me a justice of the peace for the county aforesaid the above Wm. Mountjoy and made oath to the above certificate.

Wm. Brent jr. July 8th 1811

I certify that I was a surgeon's mate in the 3rd Virginia Regiment on continental establishment during the late revolutionary war, and that John Ashby the father and Bailey Ashby the son were soldiers in the said Regiment belonging to the company of William Washington, and that they both died in my presence in the hospital at Philadelphia, either in the month of November or December one thousand seven hundred and seventy-six, being both at that period soldiers of, and belonging to said Regiment - and further certify that Robert Ashby, at whose request I give this testimony, is the reputed eldest son of the above named John Ashby dec<sup>d</sup>. Given under my hand this 27th day of December 1810.

V. Peyton

Stafford Sct

Before me Benjamin Tolson, a justice of the peace for the said county, this day personally came Valentine Peyton and made oath to the facts stated in the foregoing certificate. Given under my hand this 27th day of December 1810.

 $Benj^n$  Tolson

At a court held for Stafford county on the 14th day of October 1811

The foregoing affidavits of William Mountjoy and Valentine Peyton, relative to John & Bailey Ashby, was presented in court, and ordered to be recorded.

Teste

V. Peyton, CSC

Mr. Charles Hughes Hamlin commented on the above record, "Now here is a most beautiful genealogical record. It is logical that this John Ashby (Revolutionary War soldier) is the same John Ashby who was left the whole estate, real and personal, of Robert Ashby, the elder, in his will of 1762, and whose wife, Elizabeth, died in 1754. It is indisputable that he is the same John Ashby who married Sarah MacCullough in 1756 and whose child, Bally (Bailey), was registered as born November 22, 1758. In addition to this, refer to the Personal Property and Land Tax lists from 1782 to 1820 which record (in 1782-1786) Sarah Ashby, widow (who must have been Sarah MacCullough, wife and widow of John Ashby), who reported a son Robert with her in 1787 and whose land was later divided (or apportioned) to Robert Ashby and Benjamin Ashby. That there was also another son, John Ashby, is proven by his will, as follows:

"Page 102, Stafford County Deed Book GG: Last Will and Testament of John Ashby, dated July 22, 1814, probated March Court 1826. It mentions his mother but does not name her and leaves his land and property to Sarah Read, for her life and then to 'my two children, Lucinda and Gustavus Ashby.' He also leaves \$100.00 cash to Selucius Million, daughter of Amey Million. He named as executors 'my two brothers, Robert Ashby and Benjamin Ashby."

The tax records of Stafford County, Virginia, show that the only Ashby listed for the period 1782 through 1786 was Sarah Ashby, who paid taxes on 180 acres. In 1787 she reported herself and Robert Ashby. Sarah Ashby continued to pay taxes on 180 acres until 1800 when 50 acres went to Benjamin Ashby. The clerk notes these 50 acres came to Benjamin Ashby from Robert Ashby. From 1806 through 1809 Robert Ashby paid taxes on 115 acres which came to him from Sarah Ashby. He continued to pay taxes on these 115 acres through 1820 and Sarah Ashby is listed without land. Benjamin Ashby also paid taxes on 50 acres through 1820. Also listed in 1810 were

Joseph Ashby and John Ashby.

The 1785 census enumeration of Stafford County, Virginia, lists Sarah Ashby with 10 white souls, 1 dwelling, and 1 other building. She is the only Ashby listed.

The 1810 census record of Stafford County, Virginia, lists Sally Ashby living in Falmouth with 1 female over 45, 1 female 26 to 45, and 1 female 10 to 16. On the same page are listed John Ashby, Joseph Ashby, Presley Simms and Richard Simms.

Sarah Ashby is also listed in the 1820 census record of Stafford County, Virginia, with a family consisting of 2 females over 45. On the same page of the record are listed Benjamin Ashby, John Ashby, and Robert Ashby.

Mrs. Milton A. Schneider (Thelma Jeanne Morris) applied to the D. A. R. for a supplemental line by reason of her descent from John Ashby, who served in the Revolution and died 1776 at Philadelphia. The line was approved. In the D. A. R. records Mrs. Schneider lists the children of John Ashby and Sarah MacCullough as:

Robert

John

Bailey

Benjamin

Elizabeth, who married Richard Simms

Mollie

Nancy

In the copy of the D. A. R. record which I saw no reference was given for this list of children. Possibly there are other documents on file with the D. A. R. concerning this which were not included in the actual lineage record of which they furnished a copy.

Mr. George Harrison Sanford King, who edited the Overwharton Parish Register, wrote July 22, 1967, "I have worked the Ashby family to a very limited degree and find I have the Revolutionary record of John Ashby; his wife Sarah survived him as did several children and among them in the records I have reference to his daughter, Elizabeth Simms. . . I will send photostat copies of the papers proving John Ashby's Revolutionary Service, his death, heirs &c. . . The charge for this service, \$75."

Since we already had records proving the Revolutionary War service and death of John Ashby, it seemed hardly worth \$75.00 just to find out where Mrs. Schneider obtained the list of children for John Ashby and Sarah MacCullough.

It is interesting that the State of Virginia issued a Military Warrant No. 9907 for 100 acres of land to the heirs of Bailey Ashby for his services three years as a private in the Continental Line. The warrant was issued April 7, 1870, by the Virginia Land Office, Richmond, Virginia, but the warrant does not list the heirs.

In summary, it would seem:

ROBERT ASHBY, Sr., died about 1764, married Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_\_, who died October 15, 1754, Stafford County, Virginia. Robert Ashby was possibly the Robert Ashby who was granted 180 acres on the Beaverdam Run of Acquia Creek, October 1, 1724 (page 81, Land Book A). Robert and Elizabeth Ashby sold a tract of 120 acres in Stafford County to Elias Ashby on July 14, 1747 (page 82 Liber P). Robert Ashby left a will in Stafford County (page 479 Liber O), dated April 17, 1762, proved November 12, 1764. He mentions his son John Ashby, his grandson Jesse Ashby who was a son of Margery Ashby. He had issue:

- A1. John Ashby ( -1776), married Sarah MacCullough. See below.
- A2. either a daughter or a daughter-in-law, Margery Ashby, who had a son Jesse Ashby, born May 20, 1750.
- A3. probably: Elias Ashby, married September 4, 1745, Stafford County, Virginia, Winifred Million.
- A4. probably: Thomas Ashby, married November 14, 1751, Stafford County, Virginia, Mary MacCullough and had at least the following children: Mary Ann Ashby, born July 30, 1752; Elizabeth Ashby, born November 3, 1754; Hankinson Ashby, born February 6, 1757.

A5. possibly others.

A1. JOHN ASHBY (see above) died November of December 1776 in hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, while serving as a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He married February 26, 1756, Stafford County, Virginia, Sarah MacCullough. She continued to live in Stafford County, Virginia, where she owned 180 acres of land,

at least through 1820. John Ashby and Sarah MacCullough had issue:

- A11. Robert Ashby.
- A12. John Ashby, who left a will in Stafford County, Virginia, written July 22, 1814, proved March 1826. In it he mentions two children, Lucinda and Gustavus Ashby.
- A13. Bailey Ashby, born November 22, 1758, Stafford County, Virginia, died November or December 1776 in the hospital at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, while serving as a soldier in the Revolutionary War.
- A14. Benjamin Ashby.
- A15. Elizabeth Ashby, married Richard Simms. See page 11.
- A16. Mollie Ashby.
- A17. Nancy Ashby.

The MacCullough family was said to be Welsh.

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#### BRIDWELL FAMILY

The Bridwells were an early and a large family in Stafford County, Virginia. There are ten of them listed as living in Stafford County in 1785 as heads of families:

Bridwell, John--with family of 5 , Abraham--, George--4 , William, Sen<sup>r</sup>--10 , Moses--12 , Benjamin--7 , Simson--3 Bredwell, George--4 , Jacob--6 Bridwell, William --\*\* 12

These amount to a little less than 75 Bridwells in Stafford County alone and there were others by then living in the adjoining counties. It is little wonder that they have not been as yet assembled into an orderly genealogy.

From Virginia the family moved westward and there were many Bridwells in Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, and the western and southern states. Mr. Charles E. Simms, writing in 1919 (see page 9) about Nancy Bridwell who married Presley Simms, said, "Grandsire's wife was named Bridewell, English people, very large people with light complexion. She had two brothers that weighed nearly 300 lbs." Presley Simms and his wife lived in Lawrence County, Indiana, in 1820. Rev. Harry T. Bridwell, 158 W. Weber Rd., Columbus, Ohio, wrote, "There are more Bridwells in Lawrence County, Indiana, than any place I know."

I have not been able to identify Nancy Bridwell who married Presley Simms. She had a son Langthorn Simms and it is interesting to note that Isaac Bridwell who left a will in Prince William County, Virginia, in 1833 had a son Langhorne Bridwell.

Major General Erbon W. Wise of Jackson Barracks, New Orleans, Louisiana, in 1968 compiled a 65 page book, The Bridwell Family of America, which summarizes much of the available knowledge. It is interesting that he states on page 29, "Jacob Bridwell was born between 1750-60 in Virginia and died 11 February 1841. His wife, Elizabeth, born 25 March 1752, died 8 March 1846. It is to be noted that they lived to an advanced age and that direct descendants, in succeeding generations, inherited this characteristic, reaching great age before death." Their son John Bridwell was born in 1779 in Virginia and supposedly reached the age of 105 years.

This rather suggests that the three Simms brothers who served in the Revolutionary War and each of whom lived to be almost 100 years old may have inherited their longevity from their mother, Elizabeth Bridwell Simms.

Elizabeth (or Betty) Bridwell, who married October 15, 1750, Stafford County, Virginia, Richard Simms, was the daughter of Abraham Bridwell. This is shown by a deed recorded on page 106 of Stafford County Deed Book AA which speaks of "a tract of land Given in a deed by Abraham Bridwell to his daughter, Betty, now Betty Simms" (see page 5).

Abraham Bridwell was the son of Samuel Bridwell as is shown by a deed recorded on page 151 of

Stafford County Deed Book P in which Samuel Bridwell speaks of "the natural love that I bear unto my three sons namely William Moses and Abraham" (see below).

On October 6, 1724, Samuel Breedwell of Stafford County was granted 538 acres lying in said County joining Thomas Botts (page 85 Land Book A).

Part of this land he gave to his sons in a deed recorded on page 151 of Stafford County Deed Book P as follows:

To all to whom this present writing shall come sendeth Greeting. Know ye that I Samuel Bredwell of the County of Stafford for divers good causes and considerations but more especially for the natural love that I bear unto my three sons namely William Moses and Abraham Have given granted and confirmed and by these presents do fully freely and absolutely give grant and confirm unto my said three sons and the heirs of their respective bodies lawfully begotten forever the respective tracts of land as follows First I give to my son William Bredwell one hundred and thirty three acres in the said County of Stafford where his plantation is upon a Great Branch of the Beaver Dam between the road that goes from the Beaver Dam Run to Prince William Courthouse and upon the said branch and over the said branch to the south boundary of my pattent Secondly I give to my son Moses Bredwell one hundred and thirty three acres of land joining on the southeast side of his brother Williams part and upon the land of Ransdale and also upon the remaining part of the land in my possession Thirdly and lastly I give to my son Abraham Bredwell one hundred and thirty three acres of land joining to his brother Moses his brother William and myself The said tracts being part of a patent granted me the sixth of October 1724 for five hundred and thirty eight acres together with all houses edificies buildings garden orchards meadows trees woods underwoods ways waters and watercourses easements profits commodities advantages Emoluments hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining to the same free and clear from claim or claims of any person whatsoever To the only proper use and behoof of my said sons William Moses and Abraham the heirs of their respective bodies lawfully begotten forever and to no other intent use or purpose whatsoever to have and to hold the said lands and appurtenances & every part and parcel thereof with their and every of their appurtenances to my said sons William Moses and Abraham and the heirs of their bodies lawfully begotten forever In confirmation whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirteenth day of September in the year of our Lord 1757 in the thirty first year of his Majesty King George the seconds reign Also I do hereby give the timber on the said lands to be equally divided between my three sons and their heirs forever Signed Sealed and Acknowledged The Mark of X Samuel in the presence of Bredwell

Seal

At a Court for Stafford County the thirteenth day of September 1757 Samuel Bredwell acknowledged his deed of Gift to his sons William Moses and Abraham Bredwell

Test Henry Tyler C C

On January 16, 1786, Abraham Bridwell and Margret his wife sold the above 133 acre tract to William Carr of Prince William County. By this time his father was dead. The deed is recorded on page 392b of Stafford County Deed Book S as follows:

This indenture made the sixteenth January One thousand seven hundred and eighty six between Abraham Bridwell and Margret his wife of the county of Stafford of the one part and William Carr of the county of Prince William of the other part Witnesseth that the said Abraham Bridwell for and in consideration of One Hundred pounds current money . . . . one hundred thirty three acres acknowledged in Stafford court to me by my father Samuel Bridwell and also my share of an undivided tract willed to me as will appear by my fathers will same as afores d containing fifty acres at least.

The deed was witnessed by John Smith, Robert Overall, John Murray, Alexander Bruce, James Park, and Henry Hope.

It is unlikely that Abraham Bridwell was left landless as a result of this deed because he had received several land grants in Stafford County, Virginia:

Book E, page 55, dated May 21, 1739--To Abraham Breedwell of Stafford 187 acres lying in the

County of Stafford, joining on Mr. John Lee and Richard Fristow and on the South Run of Chappawansick and joining Cedar Run.

Book F, page 2, dated November 19, 1742--To Mr. Abraham Breedwell 408 acres of waste land on the South branch of the Main Run of Chappawansick joining lands of Capt. William Brent and Capt. John Lee.

Book I, page 75, dated August 4, 1761--To Abraham Bridwell 371 acres lying on the branches of Chappawansick joining land formerly granted to Richard Fristoe.

The Register of Overwharton Parish in Stafford County, Virginia, lists:

William Bridwell, son of Abraham Bridwell, died April 5, 1743. Isaac Bridwell, son of Abraham and Mary Bridwell, born June 17, 1743. Sarah Bridwell, daughter of Abraham Bridwell, born July 25, 1747. Isaac Bridwell, son of Abraham Bridwell, died May 2, 1750.

It will be noted that in 1743 when his son Isaac was born his wife is named as Mary. In the deed of 1786 his wife is named as Margaret.

In summary, it would seem:

SAMUEL BRIDWELL, probably born about 1680, died between 1757 and 1786 (probably about 1770), was granted 538 acres of land in Stafford County, Virginia, in 1724 (page 85 Land Book A) and deeded part of this land to his three sons in 1757 (page 151 Stafford County Deed Book P). The three sons named in the deed were:

- B1. William Bridwell.
- B2. Moses Bridwell.
- B3. Abraham Bridwell. See below.
- B3. ABRAHAM BRIDWELL, probably born about 1700-1710, received several land grants in Stafford County, Virginia 1739-1761, apparently married twice, first to Mary \_\_\_\_\_, and second to Margaret \_\_\_\_. He was alive in 1786 as shown by the deed of January 16, 1786 (page 392b Stafford County Deed Book S), and was therefore probably the same Abraham Bridwell listed in 1785 as head of a family of ten, although the ten very likely included other relatives than children. Abraham Bridwell had issue:
- B31. Elizabeth (or Betty) Bridwell, born about 1730, died between 1813 and 1820, married October 15, 1750, Stafford County, Virginia, Richard Simms. See page 5.
- B32. William Bridwell, died April 5, 1743, Stafford County, Virginia.
- B33. Isaac Bridwell, born June 17, 1743, died May 2, 1750, Stafford County, Virginia.
- B34. Sarah Bridwell, born July 25, 1747, Stafford County, Virginia.
- B35. probably others.

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## ELLIS FAMILY (Information supplied by Mr. Charles R. Ringo)

ROBERT ELLIS of Virginia married a second time to a widow Barker and to this second marriage were born three children:

- E1. Mahala Ellis, born 1806.
- E2. Miranda Ellis.
- E3. Robert Binns Ellis (1812-1873)--see below.

E3. ROBERT BINNS ELLIS was born December 4, 1812, Sussex County, Virginia, died January 12, 1873, Carson City, Nevada. He moved from Virginia to Kentucky with his father when he was six years old. He became a doctor and moved to Richmond, Ray County, Missouri, in 1837. In 1841 he moved to Gallatin, Missouri. He also practiced in St. Louis, Missouri, before going to California.

He married (first) 1834 Elizabeth B. Collier (daughter of Franklin Collier and Mary M. Basye), born November 20, 1817, in Kentucky, died March 23, 1843, Jefferson City, Missouri. They had three children: E31. Robert Henry Ellis, born 1835, died 1910. See page 77.

E32. Mary Elizabeth Ellis, born April 1, 1838, Richmond, Missouri, married Samuel A. Ringo. See page 77. E33. Adrian Collier Ellis, born 1840.

Dr. Robert Binns Ellis married (second) Rosa Goodrich (daughter of Hiram P. Goodrich) and they had two children. The family then lived in St. Louis, Missouri. Dr. Robert Binns Ellis crossed the plains to California in 1850. In 1852 he married (third) Martha Jane Buckner and they had five children. He practiced medicine in Sacramento, California, until 1860 when he moved to Reno, Nevada. He was one of the organizers of the California Medical Association and was its president 1859-60.

## HALL FAMILY

The Halls were a Scottish border family. The first of whom we have record was PETER HALL, who married Helen Yule. Their son:

H1. George Hall was born April 9, 1763, in Duns, Berwickshire, Scotland, and married Elizabeth Oliver (daughter of John Oliver, a merchant and lint drawer of Hawick, Scotland, and his wife Agnes Ekron), baptized February 3, 1771, in Hawick, Scotland, died September 13, 1839, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The Olivers were another border family occupying small farms in the Jedforest district of Roxburghshire, Scotland. Gilbert Olipher, listed in 1669 as living at Dykeraw (a farm about 11 miles east southeast of Hawick), married a Douglas and had a son, James Oliver, baptized March 9, 1694, in the parish of Southdean. This James Oliver was tenant at Earlside, a farm 7 miles south southeast of Hawick. He married (second) 1729 Margaret Douglas, born 1708, daughter of James Douglas of Trows who was also laird of Earlside. James Oliver and Margaret Douglas had a son, John Oliver, merchant and lint drawer of Hawick, whose second wife was Agnes Ekron, born June 23, 1748, died April 5, 1780. Agnes Ekron was the daughter of James Ekron (baptized August 6, 1721, died April 26, 1787), merchant of Hawick (and the son of William Ekron, workman in Hawick, and Mary Graham).

Miss Marion Clothier of Philadelphia still owns a catechism which has Agnes Ekron's name in it. The Clothiers speak of Agnes Ekron as "the first Agnes" after whom the others were named (Agnes Hall Evans, Agnes Evans Clothier, Agnes Clothier Whitlock).

Mrs. Joseph Miner Baker (Lillian Hall) of Selma, Alabama, had an old Bible printed in Scotland in 1760 with "Betty Oliver - Hir Book" written on one of the pages.

A grandnephew of Betty Oliver Hall was Sir James Augustus Henry Murray, who compiled the New English Dictionary-see page 397 of Dictionary of National Biography 1912-1921.

There is considerable information about these families in <u>Transactions of the Hawick Archaeological</u> Society (especially during the years 1935 and 1936); <u>The Annals of A Border Club (The Jedforest) and Biographical Notices of the Families Connected Therewith</u> by George Tancred of Weens, Jedburgh, 1899; and <u>Rulewater and Its People</u> by George Tancred of Weens, Edinburgh, 1907.

H1. GEORGE HALL (born April 9, 1763) and his wife Elizabeth Oliver (1771-1839) came to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he soon died leaving his widow to support the family with a small tobacco shop. Philadelphia directories list her at 8 Prospect Alley. In the Old Parochial Register of Duns, Berwickshire, Scotland, George Hall is described as a "brewer in Clockmill." However, Lillian Hall Baker wrote that he "died of yellow fever on his ship" and she thought he was a sailor. Elizabeth Oliver Hall died September 13, 1839 (of "mortifications," according to her death certificate) and is buried in Lot 43 Section Six of Laurel Hill Cemetery in Philadelphia. There was talk of one of the Halls who was captured by the British (in the War of 1812?) and died in Dartmoor Prison but nobody could remember just who it was. George Hall and his wife Elizabeth Oliver had issue: H11. John Hall (1796-1862), married (first) Elizabeth Williams. See below.

H12. George Hall, born July 8, 1798, Duns, Berwickshire, Scotland, died October 1, 1875, married Margaret D. Sturgis. He was a silver plater and later worked for the U. S. Mint in Philadelphia. He was the father of George Washington Hall, a Philadelphia merchant who was once in partnership with John Wanamaker (see page 190, volume 1 of An Historical Catalogue of The St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia with Biographical Sketches of Deceased Members 1749-1907. Printed for the Society 1907).

H13. Agnes Hall, born 1800 in Scotland, died February 12, 1884, married 1816 Jacob Evans, who died June 7, 1875, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Their descendants still live in Philadelphia. Robert Clarkson Clothier, a great grandson, was president of Rutgers University.

H11. JOHN HALL (son of George Hall and Elizabeth Oliver) was born December 5, 1796, Duns, Berwickshire, Scotland, died September 5, 1862, St. Louis, Missouri. He came with his family to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and there married (first) January 11, 1818, in the Fifth Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Elizabeth Williams, who died March 2, 1850. Their first child, Elizabeth, was born February 3, 1819, and baptized April 25, 1819 in Gloria Dei (Old Swedes) Church in Philadelphia. The church entry reads, "The father is a blacksmith; the mother is a sister of Henry Berry's wife." (Jane Williams married Henry Barry.) Apparently John Hall lived at 16 Sugar Alley in Philadelphia. "An alley in Colonial days was a quiet, respectable, residential street on which homes fronted, and not a thoroughfare for service and commercial vehicles as it is generally thought of now."

In 1828 John Hall and his family moved to Nashville, Tennessee, where they lived ten years. In 1838 they moved to St. Louis, Missouri. John Hall is listed in the 1850 census record (page 187 number 162-243) as an engineer and he is said to have established the first waterworks of the city of St. Louis. Later he became a steamboat captain and is so listed in the 1860 census record (page 250 number 1404-1611). He ran the river packets out of St. Louis while his son, John Thomas Hall, ran them out of New Orleans. Elizabeth Williams Hall, his first wife, went to visit her married daughter, Mrs. Lapsley, then living in Selma, Alabama, and perished enroute when the Orleans-St. John steamboat caught fire and sank in the Alabama River near Camden, Alabama (see Lloyd's Steamboat Directory and Disasters on the Western Waters by James T. Lloyd, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1856). After her death John Hall married a widow with daughters. He lived at 84 Olive Street (on the south side between Sixth and Seventh Streets). He died September 5, 1862, and is buried in Block 44, Lot number 1123, Bellefontaine Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri.

John Hall and his wife Elizabeth Williams had issue:

- H111. Elizabeth A. Hall, born February 3, 1819, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, died 1868 Selma, Alabama, married Joseph M. Lapsley and lived in Selma, Alabama. In 1943 one of her descendants was connected with the Lapsley-Baker Lumber Company in Kansas City, Missouri.
- H112. Lucinda P. Hall, married a man named Talbut. She lived in St. Joseph, Missouri, but died quite young.
   H113. Emily Jane Hall, born about 1826 in Nashville, Tennessee, died in Kansas City, Missouri, married
   Mordecai Oliver, who was U. S. Congressman from Missouri 1853-1857.
- H114. John Thomas Hall, born 1831 in Tennessee, died 1904 in New Orleans, Louisiana. He was a steamboat captain who lived in New Orleans, Louisiana. He married three times and had children.
- H115. Theodore Augustus Hall, born June 18, 1833, Nashville, Tennessee, died 1897 Selma, Alabama, where he was a shoe merchant. He married Harriet Coleman. His granddaughter, Belzora Baker Kemp, was living in the family home at 520 Dallas Avenue, Selma, Alabama, in 1969.
- H116. William Alexander Hall (1834-1909), married Delia Florence Ringo. See page 78.
- H117. Laura Hall, died with her mother in the sinking of the Orleans-St. John, March 2, 1850, near Camden, Alabama.

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### RINGO FAMILY

Much work has been done on the Ringo family during the past 30 years yet surprisingly little has appeared in print concerning the family. One of the foremost workers on the Ringo family history has been Mr. David Leer Ringo, Jr., 1203 Carew Tower, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, and most of those interested in the family send him their genealogical findings in the hope that in time he will get out a Ringo book. I have also found Mrs. Irving C. King (May Ringo), 1550 Taylor Street, Eugene, Oregon 97405, to be both interested and able in gathering Ringo information.

The following is a brief summary of the family:

PHILIP JANSZEN RINGO was born about 1618 in Flushing (Vlissengen) on the Island of Walcheren, Holland. He immigrated to New Amsterdam in 1643 and on August 11, 1647, in the Reformed Dutch Church there, he married Geertje Cornelis, widow of Jan Philipszen. Mrs. King lists her as Geertje Cornelis Trommels, while another record says, "Geertje Creles, widow of Philip Jans<sup>n</sup> Ringo." Dutch names were often variously written.

Philip Ringo owned small ships and as a trader dealing in sugar, tobacco, and beaver skins he made many trips from New Amsterdam to Brazil and Holland until in a storm in March 1662 he was washed overboard from his ship, The New Netherland Indian. He had five children:

- R1. Janneken Ringo, baptized June 1, 1648, Reformed Dutch Church in New Amsterdam.
- R2. Cornelis Ringo, baptized November 14, 1649, Reformed Dutch Church in New Amsterdam.
- R3. Jan Ringo, born about 1653, died 1731 Hunterdon County, New Jersey.
- R4. Albertus Ringo (1656-1733), married Jannetje Stoutenburg. See below.
- R5. Peter Ringo, baptized October 23, 1658, Reformed Dutch Church in New Amsterdam, died 1730 intestate in Hunterdon County, New Jersey.
- R4. ALBERTUS RINGO was baptized July 9, 1656, Reformed Dutch Church in New Amsterdam, died 1733 near Trenton, New Jersey. He married August 13, 1679, Reformed Dutch Church in New York City, Jannetje Stoutenburg (daughter of Pieter Stoutenburg and Aeftje Van Tienhoven), baptized August 30, 1656. Albertus Ringo and his wife lived in New York City, where he was a cordwainer (shoemaker), until 1705 when they moved to land on the Rariton River in New Jersey. In 1698 Albertus was one of two members of the governing board of the College of the Dutch Reformed Church in New York City. Issue:
- R41. Aefje Ringo, baptized May 8, 1680, Reformed Dutch Church, New York City, died young.
- R42. Philip Ringo (1682-1757), married (first) Jane Cook, married (second) Catherine \_\_\_\_\_. See below.
- R43. Aefje Ringo, baptized 1685 Reformed Dutch Church in New York City, married February 3, 1705, in the same church, William Van de Water.
- R44. Geertruyd Ringo, baptized July 10, 1686, Reformed Dutch Church in New York City.
- R45. Pieter Ringo, baptized September 15, 1689, Reformed Dutch Church in New York City, died 1730 Hunterdon County, New Jersey.
- R46. Jannetje Ringo, baptized March 21, 1694, Reformed Dutch Church in New York City.
- R47. Cornelius Ringo, baptized May 2, 1695, Reformed Dutch Church in New York City, died 1768 Maidenhead, New Jersey. In 1746 he was a member of the council of Trenton, New Jersey. He left a will written February 13, 1768, proved April 18, 1768, leaving all his estate to his wife Frances. No issue.
- R42. PHILIP RINGO was born November 2, 1682, baptized November 15, 1682, Reformed Dutch Church in New York City, died May 10, 1757, Amwell Township, Hunterdon County, New Jersey. He left a will. He married (first) May 13, 1721, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, Jane Cook (daughter of Henry Cook and Wyntje Klauw), born June 13, 1701, died December 20, 1750. He married (second) Catherine \_\_\_\_\_\_, who survived him. He operated Ringo's Mill and held numerous public offices in Hunterdon County, New Jersey. He was a judge for many years. In 1712 Philip Ringo was treasurer of the movement for the foundation of Hunterdon County. Issue: R421. Albertus Ringo, born October 8, 1722, Hopewell, New Jersey, lived and died in 1800 in New Jersey. He married (first) Katherine Godown. He married (second) Mrs. Mary Rittenhouse. He had no issue by either wife. R422. Henry Ringo (1724-1803), married Margaret Major. See below.
- R423. Peter Ringo, born June 1, 1730, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, died December 22, 1750, Hunterdon County, New Jersey.
- R424. John Ringo, born March 18, 1736, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, died April 12, 1779, Ringoes, New Jersey. He married Martha Henson Hudnut. He operated Ringo's Tavern, where Lafayette once spent the night. He served in the Revolutionary War. No issue. There is a long article about him on page 7, Hunterdon County Democrat, Flemington, New Jersey, March 3, 1932.
- R425. Cornelius Ringo, born April 28, 1739, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, died 1815 Nelson County, Kentucky. He married November 3, 1758, Reformed Dutch Church in New York City, Margaret Switcher. They moved to Virginia in 1768. They had three children.
- R422. HENRY RINGO was born December 14, 1724, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, died May 12, 1803, Montgomery County, Kentucky. He married March 21, 1749, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, Margaret Major, born June 21, 1732, died January 20, 1795. About 1766 Henry Ringo moved from New Jersey to Prince William County, Virginia, from there, about 1795, he and his sons moved to Montgomery County, Kentucky, settling near Mount Sterling. His will, written May 12, 1802, proved August 22, 1803, is recorded in Montgomery County Will Book A, page 131. Issue:
- R4221. Philip Ringo, born August 23, 1750, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, died March 10, 1785, Loudoun County, Virginia, married about 1772 in Virginia, Margaret Ervin. They had seven children.
- R4222. Peter Ringo, born December 13, 1751, in New Jersey, moved with his father to Kentucky, died 1829 in Montgomery County, Kentucky, unmarried.
- R4223. Cornelius Ringo, born September 11, 1753, near Pennington, New Jersey, died September 30, 1836, Henry County, Kentucky, married July 26, 1792, Bourbon County, Kentucky, Sarah Morgan, born July 14, 1774, died August 18, 1843. He served in the Revolutionary War enlisting from Prince William County, Virginia. About

1800 he moved to Montgomery County, Kentucky, and then settled in Henry County, Kentucky, near Campbellsburg. He lies buried in the Sulphur Fork Baptist Cemetery eight miles south of Carrollton, Kentucky. He had ten children.

R4224. Major Ringo (1755-1838), married Elizabeth Hazelrigg. See below.

R4225. John Ringo, born April 9, 1758, Hunterdon County, New Jersey.

\_\_\_\_ . See below. R4226. Samuel Ringo (1761- ), married Catherine

R4227. Joseph Ringo, born March 12, 1763, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, died February 6, 1852, Montgomery County, Kentucky, married December 6, 1798, Montgomery County, Kentucky, Mary (Polly) Ratliff (daughter of Zephania Ratliff and Philadelphia ), born June 2, 1781, died January 10, 1826. They had twelve children.

R4228. Frances Ringo, born August 4, 1766, died March 16, 1796.

R4224. MAJOR RINGO was born August 15, 1755, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, died July 15, 1838, Montgomery County, Kentucky, married 1786 in Virginia, Elizabeth Hazelrigg, who died October 1852. They lived in Montgomery County, Kentucky. Issue:

R4224-1. Mary Ringo, born September 10, 1787.

R4224-2. Frances Ringo, born February 28, 1789.

R4224-3. Peter Ringo (1791-1859), married Margaret Henderson. See below.

R4224-4. William Ringo, born July 26, 1793, died August 1817. He was captured at the Battle of the Raisin in Michigan in the War of 1812.

R4224-5. Richard Ringo, born May 21, 1795.

R4224-6. Nancy Ringo, born April 13, 1797.

R4224-7. Betsey Ringo, born April 9, 1799.

R4224-8. John Ringo, born September 19, 1801, died 1888, married 1823 in Kentucky, Elizabeth Rice.

R4224-9. Daniel Ringo, born October 27, 1803, in Kentucky, died September 3, 1873, in Arkansas, married June 19, 1834, Mary Ann Cocke, born December 13, 1816, died January 25, 1859. He was the first Chief Justice of Arkansas.

R4224-x. Graham Ringo, born December 20, 1805, died September 1806.

R4224-a. Lucinda Ringo, born August 28, 1810, died December 1840.

R4226. SAMUEL RINGO was born March 16, 1761, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, moved in 1766 to Prince William County, Virginia, and in 1795 to Montgomery County, Kentucky. He married about 1785 in Virginia, Catherine \_\_\_\_\_. Issue:

R4226-1. Margaret Ringo, born January 3, 1786.

R4226-2. Henry Ringo, born November 27, 1787, died 1850. He was captured at the Battle of the Raisin in Michigan in the War of 1812. He married 1812 Sarah Lyle. See The Lyle Family.

R4226-3. Robert Ringo, born August 11, 1789, died 1841, married September 24, 1818, in Kentucky, Sarah Hodge, born 1799, died 1885. He, together with William and Henry, was captured at the Battle of the Raisin in Michigan in the War of 1812. After his death in Missouri his widow and her children went with the Pruett family to Oregon crossing the prairies in 1851.

R4226-4. Elizabeth Ringo, born February 28, 1791.

R4226-5. Joseph Ringo, born January 14, 1793.

R4226-6. John Ringo, born November 29, 1794.

R4226-7. Catherine Ringo, born January 1, 1796.

R4226-8. Samuel Ringo (1798-1854), married Elizabeth Ashby Wirt. See page 53.

R4226-x. Cornelius Ringo, born February 19, 1800. ) twins R4226-a Nanov Ringo, born February 19, 1800. )

R4226-a. Nancy Ringo, born May 15, 1802.

R4226-b. John Ringo (second so named), born March 8, 180 (probably 1805).

R4226-c. Andrew Hodge Ringo (1806-1879), married Margaret Simms Wirt. See page 56.

R4224-3. PETER RINGO was born June 29,1791, died August 8, 1859, married 1813 Margaret Henderson, born March 20, 1794, died May 15, 1849. Issue:

R4224-31. Joel Ringo, born September 27, 1814, died March 21, 1888, Little Rock, Arkansas, married March 6, 1876, Mrs. Emma Frances (Smith) Ringo, widow of Albertis Ringo (who as the son of --R4227--Joseph Ringo and Mary Ratliff). They lived in Greencastle, Indiana, and in Little Rock, Arkansas.

R4224-32. Elvira Ringo, born April 5, 1816, married December 6, 1832, John R. Funk, born August 3, 1808.

R4224-33. William H. Ringo, born November 24, 1817, died October 13, 1852, married November 20, 1844, Prudence L. Lewis, born December 30, 1821, died July 17, 1861.

R4224-34. Martin Ringo (1819-1864), married Mary Peters. See page 65.

- 1224-35. Albert Ringo, born November 22, 1821, died July 23, 1851.
- 1224-36. Hamilton Ringo, born February 3, 1824, died January 12, 1852, married Mary Ann Martin, died 1880.
- 4224-37. Manica Jane Ringo, born January 7, 1826, married March 31, 1846, Elias F. Halliday, born January 17, 1824.
- 4224-38. Pugh Ringo, born February 27, 1828, died April 12, 1828.
- 4224-39. Waldo Ringo, born May 18, 1830, died December 29, 1853.
- 4224-3x. John Ringo, born March 19, 1832, died May 24, 1875, married April 24, 1856, Melinda E. Humbert, born May 15, 1831.
- 4224-3a. Martha E. Ringo, born July 9, 1834, married November 1, 1854 Albert H. Black (son of Alexander Black), born July 11, 1829, died December 22, 1864.
- :4224-3b. Marshall C. Ringo, born December 27, 1838, died 1891. For years he worked in the State Auditor's office in Little Rock, Arkansas.

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# SHALLENBERGER FAMILY (Information supplied by Mr. Charles R. Ringo)

The early Shallenbergers were Mennonites or of similar German churches. The name comes from a mountain in Canton Bern in Switzerland known as the Schallenberg. There is another mountain known as the Schellenberg in another canton. Most historians give Canton Bern the credit for being the home of the Shallenbergers in Switzerland.

ULRICH SHALLENBERGER was born 1694 in Switzerland, died 1761, in Pennsylvania. He married
August 14, 1719, Maria They came to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in 1727. Issue:
S1. John Shallenberger, born 1720 in Switzerland, died January 7, 1793, married Barbara Cable, born 1717, died
June 6, 1805.
S2. Magdalina Shallenberger, died before 1767. She married 1760 Peter Witmer.
S3. Jacob Shallenberger (1735-1812), married (first) Magdalina, married (second) Anna See
below.
S3. JACOB SHALLENBERGER was born 1735, died 1812, married (first) Magdalina, who
died 1789. He married (second) 1790 Anna, who died 1811. By his first wife he had a son:
531. Jacob Shallenberger, born July 29, 1759, who went to Columbia, County, Ohio. See below.
S31. JACOB SHALLENBERGER, born July 29, 1759, had issue:
3311. Martin Shallenberger, married Elizabeth .
S312. Fanny Shallenberger, married Tretts.
5313. Jacob Shallenberger ( -1845), married Catherine Miller. See below.

- S313. JACOB SHALLENBERGER died September 25, 1845, married Catherine Miller. He owned a grist mill. Issue:
- S3131. John Shallenberger, born October 11, 1812, Wayne County, Ohio, died September 1895, married February 2, 1845, Eleanor Murry, born July 18, 1825. He was county surveyor of Wabash County, Indiana.
- S3132. Abraham Shallenberger.
- S3133. Mary Shallenberger, born March 11, 1816, married Mark Stratton in 1835. Their daughter was Gene Stratton Porter, the famous author and naturalist.
- S3134. Jacob Shallenberger.
- S3135. Levi Shallenberger, died in Mexican War.
- S3136. Aaron Shallenberger (1826-), married Sarah Ann Kitson. See below.
- S3136. AARON SHALLENBERGER was born June 16, 1826, in Ohio. He went to California in 1850 in search of gold where he had mines near Nevada City in Nevada County, California. In 1860 he returned to Indiana on the death of his mother. He visited at the Stratton home. While there he met Sarah Ann Kitson, born February 12, 1836, died August 16, 1886, Nevada City, California, and they were married October 6, 1860, Wabash County, Indiana. They then returned to California. Issue:
- S3136-1. Laura Ann Shallenberger, born June 1, 1862, died January 2, 1864, Nevada City, California.
- S3136-2. Emma Shallenberger (1864-1952), married Henry Ellis Ringo. See page 101.
- S3136-3. Franklin Grant Shallenberger, born February 5, 1866, married Matilda Agnes Barnhardt.

- S3136-4. Mary Elizabeth Shallenberger, born February 14, 1868, married William J. Gilliland on September 5,
- S3136-5. Aaron Charles Shallenberger, born December 28, 1872, married Maude Thompson.
- S3136-6. Bertha Gertrude Shallenberger, born January 23, 1877, married Col. Randolph Smith Keach Fitzhugh of Virginia.

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#### STARK FAMILY

(Information supplied mainly by Mrs. Mildred F. Roberts, 3833 Lynwood Avenue, Orange, California 92667, and taken from The Register of Overwharton Parish, Stafford County, Virginia, 1723-1758, and Sundry Historical and Genealogical Notes, by George Harrison Sanford King, Fredericksburg, Virginia, 1961)

JOHN STARK, born 1665 Glasgow, Scotland, settled in Londonderry, New Hampshire, in 1710. He had the following children:

- St1. Archibald Stark, born 1693 in Scotland.
- St2. John Stark, born 1697 in Scotland.
- St3. Richard Stark, born 1699 in Scotland.
- St4. Louise Stark, born 1701 in Scotland.
- St5. James Stark (1695-1754), married Elizabeth Thornton. See below.
- St6. Daniel Stark, born 1703 in Scotland.
- St7. Samuel Stark, born 1705 in Scotland.
- St8. Susanna Stark, born 1707 in Scotland.
- St9. Silas Stark, born 1709 in Scotland.
- St5. JAMES STARK, born 1695 in Scotland, died April 12, 1754, Stafford County, Virginia, married 1716 in New Hampshire, Elizabeth Thornton. They moved from New Hampshire to Stafford County, Virginia, about
- 1720. Mrs. Roberts states he named fifteen children in his will. He had issue:
- St51. John Stark, born 1717 in New Hampshire.
- St52. James Stark, born 1719 in New Hampshire.
- St53. Thomas Stark, born 1721.
- St54. Jeremiah Stark, born 1722.
- St55. William Stark, born 1725, married Susannah \_\_\_\_\_.
- St56. Mary Stark, born 1727.
- St57. Susannah Stark, born 1729.
- St58. Elizabeth Stark, born 1730.
- St59. Sarah Stark, born August 23, 1731, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St5x, Jean Stark (Mrs. Roberts lists her as Jane), born February 22, 1734, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St5a. Anne Stark, born February 9, 1736, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St5b. Benjamin Stark, born September 27, 1738, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St5c. Daniel Stark, born May 30, 1744, Stafford County, Virginia. He died in Spotsylvania County, Virginia, leaving a will written May 12, 1815, proved April 8, 1817.
- St5d. Isabella Stark, born June 25, 1746, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St5e. Lydia Stark, born June 30, 1748, Stafford County, Virginia.

St51. JOHN STARK, born 1717 in New Hampshire, died 1781 Stafford County, Virginia, married (first) January 1, 1746, Stafford County, Virginia, Howson Porter (daughter of Thomas Porter and Ann Calvert), born about 1730, died April 11, 1755. He married (second) 1756 Hannah Eaves.

John Stark and Howson Porter had issue:

- St511. Ann Stark, born October 26, 1746, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St512. Elizabeth Stark, born August 16, 1749, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St513. Sarah Stark, born January 29, 1752, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St514. Capt. William Stark, born December 14, 1754, Stafford County, Virginia, died 1838, married Mary Kendall.

  John Stark and Hannah Eaves had issue:
- St515. James Stark, born February 7, 1757, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St516. Thomas Stark, born May 6, 1759, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St517. John Stark, born December 15, 1761, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St518. Mary Stark, born December 6, 1762, Stafford County, Virginia.
- St519. John Stark, born September 10, 1765, Stafford County, Virginia.

St51x. Susannah Stark, born April 16, 1768.

St51a. Joseph Stark, born April 19, 1771.

St52. JAMES STARK, born 1719 in New Hampshire, died May 6, 1761, "in the Carolinas," married Catherine \_\_\_\_\_\_.

The following children are listed in Overwharton Parish Register:

St521. Mary Stark, born June 12, 1746, Stafford County, Virginia.

St522. James Stark, born December 21, 1747, died 1829 testate in Fauquier County, Virginia.

St523. Sarah Ann Stark, born November 25, 1749, married 1765 Edmund Hoomes.

St524. Jeremiah Stark, born June 11, 1752, Stafford County, Virginia, died testate Abbeville County, South Carolina.

Mr. King adds the following:

St525. Henry Stark, died intestate Stafford County, Virginia.

St526. William Stark, died 1807 Fauquier County, Virginia.

Mrs. Roberts also includes:

St527. John Stark.

St54. JEREMIAH STARK, born about 1722 or 1723, died about 1804 leaving a will in Stafford County, Virginia, married January 29, 1747, Stafford County, Virginia, Tabitha Lowry. The births of two of their children are listed in Overwharton Parish Register:

St541. John Stark, born November 6, 1748, Stafford County, Virginia.

St542. Mary Stark, born May 19, 1753, Stafford County, Virginia.

St55. WILLIAM STARK, born 1725, married Susannah \_\_\_\_\_\_. He is not mentioned in Overwharton Parish Register. Possibly he did not live in Stafford County, Virginia. Mrs. Roberts states he had the following children:

St551. John Stark.

St552. William Stark.

St553. Nancy Stark.

St554. Elizabeth Stark.

St555. Liner Stark.

St556. Mary Minor Stark.

St557. Susannah Stark, married Cockrell?

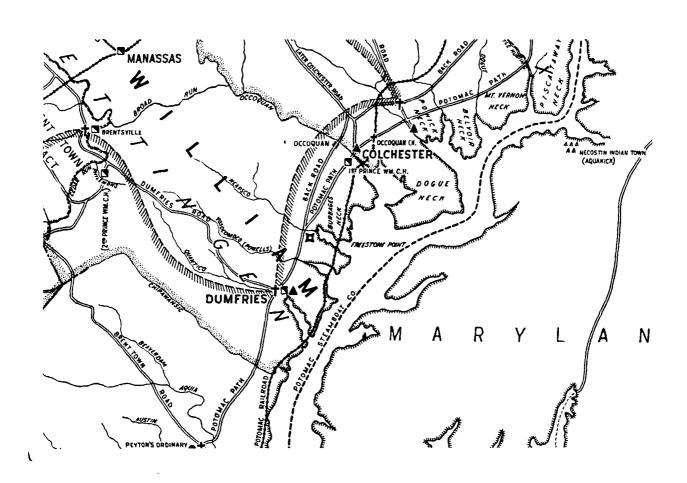
According to the Simms family record Rhodom Simms (1756-1853) married Mary Stark (1758-1847), "sister of General Stark."

The three Stark brothers living in Stafford County, Virginia, each had a daughter named Mary:

- (St518) Mary Stark--daughter of John Stark--born December 6, 1762.
- (St521) Mary Stark--daughter of James Stark--born June 12, 1746.
- (St542) Mary Stark--daughter of Jeremiah Stark--born May 19, 1753.

No one of these three was born in 1758—the supposed date of birth of Rhodom Simms' wife. But since these brothers seem to be the only Stark families living in Stafford County about that time one wonders if perhaps the date 1758 is incorrect. Of the three Mary Starks the most likely one to be the wife of Rhodom Simms is the daughter of John Stark, the Mary Stark born December 6, 1762. Rhodom Sims was more likely to marry a girl younger than himself and the other two Mary Starks were older than he was. Also John Stark's daughter Mary did have a brother who was a captain. Family traditions always tend to promote an officer a few ranks and this might explain the comment that Mary Stark Simms was a "sister of General Stark." However the question remains unsettled until further information comes to light.

It is interesting that there was a Thornton Sims in Ralls County, Missouri, in 1852. Is it possible he drived his name from Elizabeth Thornton who married James Stark (1695-1754)?



#### ADDTIONS AND CORRECTIONS

1532. LOU ANNA LEE SIMMS (see page 85) was born December 8, 1867, Holt County, Missouri, ied February 27, 1927, married John P. Harris (son of John E. L. Harris and Mary F. Armstrong), born anuary 1, 1863.

	They had issue:
532-1. Jo	ohn Alvin Harris, died March 4, 1964, Oregon City, Oregon, buried in Veterans Cemetery, Portland,
Oregon.	. He married Alice No issue.
532-2. Ve	esta Violet Harris, died 1944 Portland, Oregon, married (first) John Howell, married (second)
Scwabac	cker. John Howell was said to be an Englishman who returned to England. By this marriage there was
daughter	r, Josephine Howell, who in 1969 was living in San Francisco, California.
.532-3. Gu	uy Albert Harris, died March 1945, Coos Bay, Oregon, married

1533. EMMA MARIAN SIMMS (see page 85) married Oscar Van Hoy. Some records state that he vas Oscar Hamilton Van Hoy while other records give his name as Oscar Alexander Van Hoy. There is a biograph-cal account of him in History of Klickitat, Yakima, and Kittitas Counties, Washington, published in 1904:

OSCAR VANHOY, a citizen of Goldendale and a sheep man of Klickitat county, was born in Henry county, Missouri, January 28, 1854. His father, Hamilton J. Vanhoy, is of German descent and a farmer by occupation. Born in North Carolina in 1818, he was a pioneer of Missouri, also of Klickitat county, to which he came in 1877. Upon his arrival in the far west he took up land and engaged in farming, and he still resides upon the old homestead, though age and decrepitude have long since compelled him to desist from heavy work, for he is now eighty-six. His wife, whose maiden name was Louisa Henley, is likewise of German parentage, but was born in North Carolina in 1821. She also lives on the old homestead with her venerable husband. Oscar Vanhoy, who is one of a family of eight children, grew to manhood on the parental farm in Missouri, acquiring a common school education. On reaching his majority, he came west to California, where he lived two years, coming thence in 1877 to Klickitat county. At that time there was but one store in Goldendale. He took up a homestead and lived on the land fourteen months, engaged in farming, then bought a ranch in the Swale district, and farmed on the Masters place until August, 1898, when he moved into Goldendale, bought the livery barn of I. C. Darland and engaged in the livery business, continuing in the same until November, 1903. He then traded the barn for a half-interest in a band of 3,000 sheep, owned by A. B. Courtway, and he has since followed the sheep industry. He is the owner of some city property. When he came to Goldendale the Indian scare was at its height and the settlers had started to build forts, but these were never completed, and many of them moved to The Dalles, with their families. Mr. Vanhoy and his brother David, were on the homestead one night when the horses stampeded, and they were sure at the time the Indians were outside in numbers, but fortunately it turned out to be only a scare.

In 1885, Mr. Vanhoy married Miss Emma M. Simms, the ceremony being performed in Klickitat county. Mrs. Vanhoy was born in Missouri and came to Klickitat county in 1877 with her parents. Her father, Richard Simms, a farmer by occupation, resides in the county, some miles east of Goldendale. Mr. Vanhoy has four brothers and one sister living--John, now in Oklahoma; David, residing in the county, three miles west of Goldendale; James and George, living at the distances of nine and twelve miles respectively, from the same city, and Annie, now Mrs. Gilwater, residing with her husband, twelve miles south of Goldendale. Mr. and Mrs. Vanhoy have two sons and two daughters, living at home, namely Hamilton, William, Myrtle and Valinda. Fraternally, Mr. Vanhoy is connected with the K. of P. and the Woodmen of the World, and in politics he is a Republican, sufficiently active in the councils of his party to attend caucuses and conventions. He has also been on the central committee, and at all times has helped elect his friends to various offices when they have been nominated, but has never sought office himself. Being a man of integrity and sterling qualities, he commands the respect and esteem of all with whom he is intimately associated.

1534. DORA JANE SIMMS (see page 87) married William Lafayette Harris. There is a biographical sketch of him in History of Klickitat, Yakima, and Kittitas Counties, Washington, published in 1904:

WILLIAM L. HARRIS, a Klickitat county land owner and farmer, resides on his ranch two and a half miles south and two miles east of the city of Goldendale. He was born in Jackson county, Missouri, January 2, 1865, the son of John E. L. and Mary (Armstrong) Harris. His father, who was of German descent, was likewise a farmer by occupation. Locating in Jackson county, Missouri, he resided there until 1881, at which time he came west to Klickitat county and took up a homestead two miles and a half south of Goldendale, where he lived until his death in 1898. His wife, Mary, who is likewise of German descent, claims Tennessee as her birthplace, but now makes her home in Klickitat county. William L. Harris received his early education in Missouri and later attended school in this county, to which he came with his parents at the age of fifteen. He remained on the parental farm until twenty-three, then bought the improvements and filed on a homestead nearby, on which property he lived some ten years. In 1899 he traded his first place for the present home, removing to the latter farm soon after making the deal. His property holdings comprise 461 acres, of which at present he is cultivating 300 acres, the balance being pasture land. He has a number of kinds of stock on the farm, to which he gives his careful attention, and he is achieving a very enviable success in agriculture and stock raising.

In Goldendale, on Independence Day, 1889, Mr. Harris married Miss Dora Simms, whose father, Richard Simms, was born in Clay county, Missouri, December 23, 1839. He followed farming in his native state until the outbreak of the Civil war, then enlisted at St. Joe and served throughout the strife. He came to Benton county, Oregon, in 1874, and thence to Klickitat county three years later, and at present he resides about three miles and a half southeast of Goldendale. Mrs. Harris's mother, whose maiden name was Mary Carner, was born and married in Missouri, and passed away in Klickitat county in 1886. Mrs. Harris was born in Missouri on the 20th of February, 1871, but was educated in the common schools of Washington. She and Mr. Harris are parents of four children: Mary, born September 13, 1891; Annie B., born August 28, 1893; Clara, December 15, 1895; and Ethel G., January 17, 1900. In religion, Mr. Harris is a Methodist, and fraternally, he is connected with the Woodmen of the World and its auxiliary, the Women of Woodcraft. He is an active Democrat, taking great interest in all political matters. Interested deeply in the cause of education, he is now discharging the duties of the office of a school director. A successful agriculturist, a capable and honorable business man, a public spirited citizen, and a good neighbor, he enjoys a large measure of respect and esteem among those who know him well.

1538. MARTHA GARNER BENTON SIMMS (see page 87) and Charles Austin Tallman had issue:

1538-1. Frank Tallman.

1538-2. Fern Tallman.

1538-3. Hazel Tallman.

1533-6. ANNA BELL IVY VAN HOY (see page 110) married (second) Edwin L. Brown. The 1969 Tri-Cities directory listed:

Brown, Anna (widow Edwin L), Brown Haven Nursing Home, 420 N Owen Ave, Pasco, Wash.

1533-7. MAY BELL FERN VAN HOY (see page 110) married (second) Edwin (?) Smith. In 1969 she was a nurse at Brown Haven Nursing Home, 420 N. Owen Avenue, Pasco, Washington.

1539-43. RICHARD EARL WILHELM (see page 134) was born February 28, 1945, Los Angeles, California, married March 14, 1967, Fort Walton Beach, Florida, Sheridan Lee Stewart (daughter of Walter Claiborne Stewart, Jr., and Muriel Virginia Thatch), born March 28, 1948, Muchin, Germany. He is a Catholic and she is a Baptist. She is called Sheri.

They have issue:

1539-431. Denise Kimberly Wilhelm, born April 14, 1969, Glendale, California.

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# On page 132:

1531-11. SALLY KAY SIMMS, married (first) Larson. She married (second) Stevin Dale Smith. She married (third) October 3, 1969, Kent, Washington, Ronald M. Elsey (son of Ted Elsey and Dolly Anderson), born March 14, 1935, Seattle, Washington. Issue: 1531-111. Amy Denise Larson, born March 27, 1964, Seattle, Washington.

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1531-12. CAROLL LEE SIMMS married Warren G. Knutson (son of Arthur Knutson and Martha Weber). Issue; 1531-121. Eric Todd Knutson, born November 28, 1962, Renton, Washington. 1531-122. Gregory Warren Knutson, born May 15, 1964, Renton, Washington.

# CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE SIMMS BOOK

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Letter from Mrs. Ruth Powell, R. R. 1, Waveland, Indiana 47989: December 15, 1969: Received my book and wondered how many you sent out and also who or where did you get the information about me, which is incorrect or part of it is. This is the way it should be:

Ruth Hunter married Walter B. Mason (NOT Thomas Mason). Two sons:

Walter B. Mason, Jr., died infancy

Thomas L. Mason, unmarried.

I did marry John Powell ten years ago. I wondered how many printed with incorrect information. I could not find where my father and mother had passed on. Pearl Simms died September 1, 1939. James Hunter died February 3, 1957. I surely feel badly about the whole thing. Will you please let me know who gave you the information or where did you get it. Mother and father are buried at the Masonic Cemetery at Crawfordsville, Indiana.

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Letter from Mrs. B. G. Hufty, 105 S. Main Street, Paris, Missouri 65275: December 15, 1969: I received the book of the Simms family and have enjoyed it so much. However, an error was made in listing my family as two of my children were omitted:

On page 143--Children of Billy G, and Dorothy Mae (Sims) Hufty should be:

4114-a21. Bradley Sims Hufty, born April 6, 1952, Hannibal, Missouri.

4114-a22. Craig Donald Hufty, born December 11, 1953, Hannibal, Missouri.

4114-a23. Joy Aileen Hufty, born August 5, 1960, Hannibal, Missouri.

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Letter from Mrs. Ruby J. Byland, 20 Kehoe Avenue, Moberly, Missouri 65270: December 17, 1969: Thomas Elzea Byland and I (Ruby J. Umstattd) were married April 17, 1922. We had five children. In 1935 we were divorced. Later he married and had one child, Eva Lee Byland. I asked George Yates to fill in that part, the second wife's name and the dates of marriage and birth of the child. About a month before he died, he answered by saying that he did not know that 'Elzea had married.' He, I am sure, had just forgotten since we had discussed the event many times. I did not know the name of the second wife or anything about her except that she had named the child Eva Lee, much to the displeasure of Elzea Byland's stepfather, Charles (Mack) Green, who told me about it.

Always I have heard that one of the less pleasant results of compiling such a history is the immediate and numerous complaints about mistakes. I think I can understand why there are so many in the material George Yates sent in. Just for the record, I am sending you a list of errors in the Thomas Elzea Byland line.

On page 145:

4118-62. Thomas Elzea Byland (1894- ). April 17, 1922, is the date of his marriage--not his death.

4118-621. Elsie Virginia Byland was born February 9, 1923 (NOT 1922).

Letter from Mrs. Charles D. Chappell, 1321 Queen Anne Avenue North, Seattle, Washington 98109: March 28, 1970:

On page 133:

1534-311. KATHLEEN JANE STORY, born September 26, 1937, Goldendale, Washington, married June 12, 1955, Goldendale, Washington, Marion Robert Campbell, born March 31, 1935, Goldendale, Washington. His mother's maiden name was Mary I. Wiedeman and his stepfather was Arthur M. Niemela. Issue:

1534-3111. David Robert Campbell, born January 20, 1956, The Dalles, Oregon.

1534-3112. Ronald Lee Campbell, born May 21, 1957, The Dalles, Oregon.

1534-3113. Kenneth David Campbell, born July 8, 1959, The Dalles, Oregon.

1534-3114. William Joseph Campbell, born October 19, 1960, The Dalles, Oregon.

1534-3115. James Edward Campbell, born November 18, 1962, The Dalles, Oregon.

1534-312. CLYDE MILTON STORY, born May 12, 1941, Goldendale, Washington, married January 11, 1969, Goldendale, Washington, Rosemarie Hoctor (daughter of Charles Hoctor and Loretta Taphorn), born June 24, 1948, The Dalles, Oregon. They are both Catholic.

1534-313. BARBARA JOYCE STORY, born December 7, 1945, Goldendale, Washington, married July 7, 1968, Goldendale, Washington, Allan Lee Byers (son of Pastor Wayne W. Byers and Isabel D. Day), born September 7, 1946, Vincennes, Indiana. They are both Seventh Day Adventists.

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Letter from Mrs. Lee A. Shirley (Martha Lightburne), 351 Covina Avenue, San Antonio, Texas 78218: April 7, 1970:

On page 112:

1614-31. ALVAN RICHARD LIGHTBURNE married 1934

Ruth Huntington. Issue:

1614-311. Shirlee Elizabeth Lightburne, born 1936, married Thomas C. Christian and is living in Kansas City, Missouri. Their children are:

1614-3111. Catherine Christian.

1614-3112. Joseph Christian.

1614-3113. Thomas George Christian.

1614-312. Karen Lou Lightburne, born 1938, married Gladden Dye and is living in Kansas City, Missouri. Issue:

1614-3121. Debra Dye.

1614-3122. Michael Dye.

1614-3123. John Dye.

On page 134:

1614-32. MARTHA LIGHTBURNE married 1933 Lee A. Shirley, born 1905, died 1963. Issue:

1614-321. Carole Jeanne Shirley, born 1938, died in an automobile accident in 1960. She is incorrectly listed in the Simms book as a daughter of Kate Withers Lightburne and Alvan W. Lightburne (but they actually had only two children--Alvan R. and Martha Lightburne).

1614-322. James Lightburne Shirley, born 1947, now a college student.

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Letter from Mrs. Charles D. Chappell, 1321 Queen Anne Avenue North, Seattle, Washington 98109: April 8, 1970:

On page 133:

1533-411. SUSAN IRENE VAN HOY, born June 13, 1947, Seattle, Washington, married July 19, 1969, Seattle, Washington, Brian Craig Burchfield (son of Maurice Burchfield and Mildred Cecelia Solbak), born May 21, 1948, Anchorage, Alaska.

April 18, 1970:

On page 84:

1531-2. HENRIETTA SARAH SIMMS married March 12, 1920, Tacoma, Washington, Lester R. Jobson, born August 14, 1894, Portland, Oregon, died November 24, 1969. In 1970 her address was 25516 -- 51st Avenue E, Graham, Washington 98338. Their daughter was:

1531-21. Lois May Jobson, born May 4, 1923, Puyallup, Washington, married (first) June 15, 1941, Puyallup, Washington, Sidney M. Black, born April 1, 1914, Saskatchewan (or British Columbia), Canada. She married (second) July 3, 1947, Purney McCormick. She married (third) September 12, 1966, David E. Dix. Issue:

1531-211. Steven Milton Black, born October 20, 1944, Puyallup, Washington, married April 15, 1967, Seattle, Washington, Christine Marie Armer (daughter of Paul Armer and Mary Frances Ring), born December 19, 1946, Hollywood, California. They have one child:

1531-2111. Tracy Ann Black, born September 9, 1967, Seattle, Washington.

1531-212. Lester Joe McCormick, born April 30 (or October 30), 1948, Puyallup, Washington, married March 24, 1968, Puyallup, Washington, Penny Jane Rienks (daughter of Benjamin C. Rienks and Mildred L. Drew), born December 22, 1950, Puyallup, Washington. Issue:

1531-2121. Daniel Jon McCormick, born September 23, 1968, Puyallup, Washington. On page 153:

4118-622. James Thomas Byland was born August 28, 1924 (NOT October 28, 1923).
On page 154:

top line: Zelma (NOT Zehma) Mudd

4118-6223. Robert Lee Byland, born October 27, 1952. Junior in high school in Moberly, Missouri. He was omitted in the book.
On page 154:

4118-6232. Barrie Leah Byland, born February 17, 1960, Hubert, North Carolina (NOT Barrie Lee Byland, born February 7, 1960).

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Excerpts from letters from Mr. Frank Myrle Cushing, 1242 La Colina Drive, Tustin, California 92680:

November 11, 1969: My grandmother, Mary Peters Ringo, kept a diary during her trip West in 1864. My mother was only two years old at the time. I printed the diary some years ago and had it copyrighted, I intend to add a couple of chapters about family after they settled in San Jose including some true facts of the adventures of Johnny Ringo. I hope to get it attended to some time this coming year. Only 45 copies of the diary were printed for private distribution to historical libraries. None are for sale. During my mother's lifetime she was very much opposed to having anything printed about Johnny and I have respected her wishes. Now that all of the family have passed away I feel that some of the facts should be published to clear up some of the fantastic tales that have been circulated. I might go so far as to republish the diary for a limited sale.

January 27, 1970: I am gathering all the Ringo papers and mementoes which we have; some are here at my home in Tustin and my sister has some at her home in Malibu which she will bring in at the first opportunity. I have two Ringo Bibles, one belonged to Martin and Mary Peters Ringo and the other is one that originally belonged to John R. Peters. He left it to his daughter, Enna F. Miller, and when she died it was given to her sister, Mattie Parks, who at her death returned it to Robert Hugh Miller, who at his death gave it to my Aunt Enna Ringo and so on to myself. (It is confusing in the notation in the Bible in one place it mentioned Enna as wife of Miller and in another place as Enfield and Enfield is shown in the genealogy and no Enna so she might have been called Enna for Enfield.)

I have the chest used by Martin Ringo and which was taken by him to Sacramento when in the army and then carried across the plains on their migration. It was originally covered with leather and his initials were made with brass headed tacks. It is just holding together and I am giving it loving care. My Aunt Enna had the Simms stew pot carried by the Revolutionary War veteran who lived to be 100 years old. She left it to Fanny Jackson's son, Frank, and on his death his daughter gave the pot to a Mr. Allen A. Erwin together with Johnny Ringo's revolver and the original copy of Mary Peters Ringo's diary. This Erwin claimed to be a writer of American Western history and she must have fallen for him. . . I have tried to locate him but the letter was returned. . . My sister and I have all the Martin and Mary love letters and personal stuff.