

## PIKE CITY CANNON BALL FOUND AMONG COURT HOUSE RECORDS

Submitted by Wendy Richter

The Clark County Historical Association recently completed the Clark County Records Preservation Project, which included the arrangement, description, and preservation of records formerly housed in a basement storage area of the Clark County Court House. The records, the oldest dated 1819, were unorganized, uninventoried, and deteriorating in the humid environment of the courthouse basement. In late August 1990, the project began with the physical transfer of these records to the Archives of the Clark County Historical Association, Riley-Hickingbotham Library, Ouachita Baptist University. A preliminary inventory of the 122 ledgers/books was completed. In addition, thirty cubic feet of documents were dusted, flattened individually, and placed in acid-free file folders and boxes.

The types of records preserved as a result of the project include Lists of Jurors, Jury Reports, local WPA Records, Deeds, Bonds, Circuit Court Records, Justice of the Peace Reports, Indentures, Poll Books, Tax Notices, Lists of Road Overseers, Divorces, Chancery Court Records, Probate Records, Tax Assessment Records, Sheriff's Fee Books, Dockets, and Prisoner Registers, among others.

Of particular interest to Pike County researchers, however, is the Pike City Cannon Ball, a newspaper used as wrapping paper, enclosing some of the documents. This issue of the Cannon Ball was published in Pike City, August 7, 1897 (Vol. VI, No. 34). Anna E. Nash was Editor and Proprietor.

The following names can be found within local news items: Mr. Galloway, Dr. Thomasson, Parson Shaw, W. J. Covington, Edith Hollbrook, Mr. Aughtry, Mrs. Groth, Selas Meeks, James L. Whatley, Jefferson E. Oneal, Stephen B. Edds, William P. Oneal, J. A. Ross, J. W. Davis, J. P. Copeland, A. Pry, E. A. Whitmore, C. E. Miller, Mrs. M. Kitchens, Mrs. M. Olmstead, S. B. Stell, W. C. Clayton, R. L. Estes, J. C. Wilson, J. W. Adams, N. B. Wall, Nathan Adams, Alice Osborne, August Mohnkern, D. H. Nash, J. A. Jones, Ab Henderson, Mr. Hare, D. M. Watson, Mose Brock, J. T. Stell, D. P. Hodges, T. J. Elrod, C. C. Scott, J. P. Scott, L. L. Kar, A. M. Williams, Bettie Browning, G. W. Newton, Frank Buck, S. M. Barrett, Mrs. Clayton, Douglas McMillan, J. H. Crawford, Lue Young, J. L. Alcorn, G. W. Johnson, J. M. Nash, Barnett Kelley, A. L. McCoy, Josh Scott, J. G. Clark, W. L. Ellis, R. C. Gore, Henry Henderson, Wm. Burt, W. P. Devaney, T. H. Purcell, J. C. Pinnix, Mrs. Hall, and Mrs. A. J. Widener.

From local advertising: W. J. Covington, J. G. Ingle, W. D. Ingle, Mose Brock, T. J. Elrod, R. L. Dean, W. B. James, C. C. Scott, S. F. Mize, L. S. Corbell, G. W. Johnson, R. N. M'Gee, D. P. Hodges, T. H. Purcell, J. W. Conger, J. P. Copeland, A. L. Bennett, J. W. Bankston, and Lucy Lavin.

DAVID HUDDLESTON OF PIKE CO. AR.

David was the middle son of Fielding Huddleston born 1801 Person Co. N.C. His mother is not known. He lived in Person Co. in 1800-1810, Roberson Co. Tnn. 1813-14, Limestone Co., Ala. by 1823 where he married 1825-26 Mary Shull also of N.C. David was still in Ala. in 1832 (Nov) but paid Pike Co., Ar. taxes in 1834. Contrary to the first Arkansas History book, David did not arrive in Ar. 1830. He first was in Missouri Twp. Pike County (1840 Census). He lived somewhere near Bowen or Huddleston P.O. Some of his descendants still live in that area. on early maps it shows to be about half way between Antoine and Murfreesboro. Before 1850 David had moved on the Little Missouri River between Roy and Japany. I was surprised when I made a trip to Coatenport, Alabama and found their country looked so much like Roy and Japany with the Tennessee River near-by. David was buried on the banks of Little Missouri River at Japany with only cement marker and for several years trees grew and lost his grave. At least two of his wives are buried beside him.

David's first Judgeship of Pike County was 1840-1844 being third Judge. He was appointed Judge eight more times for a total of twenty Years ending with his death in 1880. He was a mason and his cap is on display in Masonic Hall In Murfreesboro.

David's oldest child was Elizabeth Catherine who married James M. Gentry of Clark Co. He moved this fine family to Texas during his induction in the Civil War and latter settled in Brownstown, Ar. where he and wife and lots of their children are buried. David's first son was William A. who married in Pike Co. but moved to Wise Co., Texas 1859 where he bought a farm. By 1868 he had moved to Bastrop Co. Texas and died that year. His widow married a DeVoe. Two sons and daughter Mary were still living in 1886 when a cousin and descendant of Benjamin Huddleston bought the estate in Boya, Wise Co., TX where one descendant still lives. Two of Davids daughters married Hudsons. Cynthia A. b. 1838 was the second wife of Andrew Jackson Hudson b. 1829 (He was a brother to John A. b. 1822) Cynthia & Andrew in 1860 Pike Co. Census. In 1870 Cynthia was married to Calvin J. Hawkins. They lived at the "T" in Sweet Home Community. David's son Aran A, born 1840 Md. Isaac Hudson. (He could have been son of David D. 1841

David's second wife was Elizybeth Blocker b. 1819 to John and Sarah Stone Blocker Sr. Sarah and Elizabeth were charter Members in the Church of Christ in Delight in 1830. They also had moved to Mo. River below Murfreesboro. John Jr moved to Texas leaving his mother with her brother Marion Stone (1850) Pike Co. Census. There were two William Stone's early in Pike Co. This Stone was from S.C.)

David's third wife was Mrs. Harriett Rhodes of Alabama born 1811 and died 1870 of Pneumonia. Her daughter, Martha Rhodes b. 1844 Ala. is belived to be the second wife of Patrick H. Brown, the brother to Thomas Mathey who married Elizabeth Helen Huddlestob and lived around Bengin and raised a large number of children. Including Sullivan's, Tollison's, Bryant's Tribbles Browns and others.

David, still Judge, died October 4, 1880 leaving his fourth wife Mary 7 44 and son Richard b. 1873. Richard was living with his half sister Mollie V. McClendon as single in 1800. There is a marker for Richard at Japany but no dates.

LEWIS HUDDLESTON. born 1805 Persons Co. N.C. was David's younger Brother who came to Arkansas with him. by 1840 he was married to Maria Holliday the daughter of Peter Holliday. Lewis was Sheriff of Pike Co. 1842 to 12 March 1853 when he was killed in Eagletown, Okla. chasing horse thieves. Relatives of the fugitives poised him at a lodge and later years she confessed to the murder on her death bed. Maria went to Eagletown and had a stone erected and she did not live many years after that. Their son, Lewis Fielding was raised by Dr. Mauney and both have descendants living in Murfreesboro, Bastrop, TX, Waco, Illinois and many other states.

David's oldest brother was William 1796 N.C. and died in Huddleston Community in Pike, Co 10 July, 1871. No known children but he had three known step-children. He first md. a Mrs. --- Lee in Limestone Co., Ala who had a 5 year old dau. M.E. Lee who md. William Rhodes (Huddleston Table In 1860 William was living with The William Rhodes and wife #2 Mary Eliz. Huddleston (Widow of Mack Ross, SR.) and a daughter of Wesley and Saraah who were closely related to William. William had started to join his brothers in Pike Co. when his wife Mrs. Lee died in Memphis, Tnn, William next married Mrs. Mary Corbel, widow of John A. Corbel who had a son Jarvis B. b. 1852 and Louiana I, b. 1856 in Arkansas. William volunteered as musician to entertain troops in 1814 war and was inducted at Springfield, Tenn. He also lived Little River Co. and Sevier Co, Ar.

David had three sons who lived in Pike County area and raised large families. Louis A. and Jasper Wooten. Most of Jaspers and Margaret Keys families stayed in the area. David Fealdon b. 1832 in Ala. md. Nancy America White the daughter of Griffith White and she was born 1835 and died before 1876 when he md. Francis Carey b. 1849 Henderson Co. Tenn. and the daughter of Green Carey Who Md. Lucrea Hudson Stewart (mother to Visa Hatch) Francis was first chartered member to join Sweet Home Methodist Church. She died of flue in 1921 and buried by Dave in Bengin Cemetery in unmarked grave. It is not known where N.A. is buried.

David's wife #2 was my mother's aunt. but my grandmother Gr. David's F. first wife was the mother of diamond John of whom later:

David's first son was James V. who lived Sweet Home area and buried in Mt. Tabor Cemetery. Next son born four years later was Louis Jackson in 1859. Jack md. Mary Morrow dau. of Hamilton and Cynthia of Wallaceburg Hempstead Co. She died 1881 same year and Jack went to Dangerfield, TX. With his friend John Wesley Carey, my mothers father, to help build the first railroad to the west. They both married and brought their new brides to Japany, Ark. Lewis Wesley, My father was born 1887 in the then White Home at Kimberly, Ar. Jack's farm was on the old highway north of the Japany Church where Don Smedley now lives and Don said John Huddleston lived next door. My father was very fond of John's oldest daughter Mary born same year as he. In 1901 L.J. moved to one mile west of Bengin, Ar. and built one of the finest houses in the area. He had a shingle mill and also a sorghum mill. he moved to Nashville in 1916.

John Wesley Huddleston born 1862 (by L.J.) md. Sarah Keys and they had a large family of girls. Mary was a refined beautiful girl who married Will Wallace a Furniture maker, She was md. to a McKinnon in 1941 on Nov 12 when her father John W. was buried at Japany, Ar. Many thanks to the persons who helped with the erection of his new marker. Many stories have been written about Diamond John. Some true and some untrue. As a child I heard various tales about his conduct. It was always talked that he was hunting uranium and I did not know what it was--nor do I now.

I doubt seriously if he was looking for gold . how here is a good one for you-- He swapped Sarah's hog for the down payment on the diamond farm. a weird example of some of the essays written about him. His brother and my grandfather was a real business man and tried to persuade John to invest his money in something profitable, But before 1930 his money was all gone. and in 1936 he was picking cotten with a friend who asked him why he did not save some of his money and he replied that "a little money couldnt last always" By 1930 Louis Jackson had lost nis entire savings in the bank in Nashville along with many other angry people. John Huddleston died in poverty no doubt but I am inclined to believe he dia not die with malice toward some who took advantage of him.

Editor's Note\* The preceding article was written and submitted by Georgia Huddleston Evans, 212 North Jones Street, Nashville, AR 71853. Ms. Evans also donated a compiled history of the HUDDLESTON family to the PCAHS library.



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## QUERIES

CASSLES, BOYD Seeking information for Henry C. **CASSLES** (age 64 on 1910 census) and wife, Martha Jane **BOYD CASSLES** (died by 1910 - need verification of exact date of death) and children: two daughters, Annie M. & Cornelia, and son, Robert N. (age 35 on 1910 census) with wife, Lucille and children: Rosa E, Henry C, Nancy J, Hettie A, Robert H and Floyd E. living Pike Co., AR in 1910. **Mrs. Mayme A. Drew, Box 387, Lone Pine, CA 93545-0387**

SANFORD, FLETCHER Need information on Elizabeth **SANFORD** born ca. 1837; dau of Robinson **SANFORD**; in Pike Co., AR by 1852. 1870 census shows Elizabeth as a **FLETCHER** with daus. Mary M. age 8 and Martha J. age 5. 1880 census shows "Lizzie" with two daus, Elen P. age 8 and Anna M. (no age). ca 1872 Martah Jane was "stolen" and brought to Wood Co., TX by an uncle, possibly William **SANFORD** and wife Francis. Who was the **FLETCHER** who married Elizabeth? Need info on Mary M, Elen P., and Anna M.

**Mrs. George R. Turner, 307 West Blair, Mineola, TX 75773 1604**

TOLLETT, BROWN, BREWER, HENDERSON, HOLMAN, CAMPBELL, SORRELLS, CHALMERS. Researching these families. David **TOLLETT** and his wife, Juliet **BROWN**, Oliver **BREWER, SR** and his wife Mary **HENDERSON**, John Burton **HOLMAN** and his wife, Ann **GIBSON CAMPBELL**, George Washington **SORRELLS** and his wife Mary B. **CHALMERS**. My paternal great grandfather was Francis Marion **HOLMAN** and my maternal great grandfather was Francis Marion **BREWER**. I believe all of these families came to Hempstead County in the 1820's. **Kathryn Widder, 1660 Markham Road, Fayetteville, AR 72701.**

JOHNSON, SANDERS I am looking for anyone who might have information about Charles **JOHNSON** b. ca. 1790 (shown as age 60 on 1850 census), paid taxes on land prior to 1840 in Sevier Co., AR in 1845, paid taxes on land in Sevier Co., AR as a NON-RESIDENT. In 1850 Sevier Co., AR Census, Charles **JOHNSON** living in household of Daniel **SANDERS**, who lived in or near Center Point, which prior to fomation of Howard Co., AR was very near the Pike Co., AR boundary. Daniel **SANDERS** listed on 1840 Pike Co., AR census...Charles **JOHNSON** may have been with him. Mr. **JOHNSON** died in 1859 and Daniel **SANDERS** took his will to court but the will has not been found and nothing about how the estate was settled. Charles **JOHNSON** may have been the father of Daniel **SANDERS'** wife, Mary. Records are not available in Pike Co., AR regarding land which Mr. Johnson may have bought or sold. **Mrs. C. C. Couch, P. O. Box 56, Nashville, AR 71852**

TALLEY, TALLY, JACKSON, BOSTWICK My grandfather, Ernest Lee Cleveland **TALLEY** or **TALLY** was born 22 Dec 1883 supposedly in Pike Co., AR died 08 Nov 1964 son of James Lee or James S. and Lucinda O. (maiden name unknown) **TALLEY** b. 1860. Can anyone help with info about this family? Also interested in these surnames **JACKSON** and **BOSTWICK**. **Mrs. Beverly R. Kent, 1036 Woodshire Circle, Shreveport, LA 71107**

WINK, NESBETT Seeking info regarding Phillip Henry **WINK** b. 1826 KY d. 1885 I.A and wife, Margaret Sarah **NESBETT** b. 1842 SC d. 1917 LA. This family lived in Murfreesboro, Pike Co., AR from about 1866 to 1875. **John D. Wink, Jr., 6512 South 69th East Place, Tulsa, OK 74133.**

## QUERIES

### SMITH, EDDLEMON, CARTER

researching William H. **SMITH** and wife, Susan Margaret **EDDLEMON** of Pike Co., AR, married in Garland Co., AR ca. 1889...children listed on 1900 Census; Eran b. 1890, Jame A. 1892, William M. 1894, Henry R. 1896, Annie Cordelia 1898 and Robert 1900. It is believed that Annie Cordelia married a **CARTER** and at one time lived at 201 East Laurel Street, Hugo, OK. Can anyone help?  
**Ella Eddlemon Short, 6969 Lincoln Blvd. Oroville, CA 95966.**

### STANDRIDGE, ELZY, HOWARD,

### WOOD, BRYANT, ALLEN, HENRY,

### FAGAN, HENDERSON Seeking info on

family of Rebecca **STANDRIDGE ELZY**, b. 1821 Habersham Co, GA, m. 1839, d. after 1900. Rebecca was the daughter of Samuel **STANDRIDGE**, her husband was John Barry Pendleton **ELZY**, who was Pike Co., AR Treasurer from 1860 to 1864. Family settled in Pike Co., AR about 1855, lived in Thompson twp. Her children were: Susannah E., wife of Allen M. **HOWARD**; Rebecca Annie, wife of J. T. **WOOD**, William **BRYANT**, husband of Louisa Alabama **ALLEN**; John Henry, husband of Amanda W.; Rosa Etta, wife of Henry F. **FAGAN**; C. R., and Robert R., husband of Levisa **HENDERSON**. Several family members are buried in Pleasant Home Cenetery. Her brother, James **STANDRIDGE** lived in Montgomery Co., AR.

**K. P. Baker, 6525 Magnolia Dr., Mabelvale, AR 72103**

### HANCOCK, REED, WISENER, OLIVER

Joseph **HANCOCK** b. ca. 1854 married Josephine (Josie) **REED**, before 1874, lived in Caney Fork, Pike Co., AR, had children. James Matthew b. 1881, Tom b. 1874, and Rosella b. 1879. Is there a connection to the **HANCOCK'S** still living in the Clark/Pike Co., AR area?

**Anita Ranells, 26 Highland, Seminole, OK 74868**

### COKER, BROWN, DAVIS, MORPHEW,

REVIS Seeking info re early **COKER** family of Pike Co., AR. Martha **COKER** is listed on the 1828 Sheriff's Census in Clark Co., AR and on the 1830 Arkansas Territory Census of Clark Co., AR. She is also listed on the 1840 Pike Co., AR Census. A Samuel F. **COKER**, a John **COKER**, and James J. **COKER** are also listed on the Pike Co., AR Tax records in the early 1830's. Martha signed an affidavit for William **BROWN** to secure his Revolutionary Army Pension in Pike Co., AR in 1839. She apparently knew the **BROWN** family in what is now Jonesboro, TN. John **COKER** also married Lydia **DAVIS** around 1834. She was the daughter of Jeremiah and Stacia **DAVIS**, who removed from IL to Arkansas Territory in the 1820's. Also seeking info re Silas **MORPHEW** and the Thomas Jefferson **REVIS** families who lived around Daisy and Langley in the Pike Co., AR area in the 1880's / 1890's. Silas **MORPHEW** buried in the Hall Cemetery at Langley. The **REVIS** family moved to OK after 1900.

**Del Lillard, 1524 Mt. Pine Road, Hot Springs, AR 71913**

CANNON My great grandfather, William Robert **CANNON** and his mother (who is said to have been a fullblood Cherokee Indian) came to AR from Birmingham, AL after the Civil War. He would have been a young man at that time because he died in the 1940's at age 93. William Robert **CANNON'S** mother supposedly lived near Caddo Gap or Glenwood and is buried in a cemetery near a place called "Rock Creek". The gravesite is marked only by a rock. I would like more information about the "Rock Creek" cemetery and any information that anyone might have about a **CANNON** family who lived in this area.  
**Barbara King, P. O. Box 694, Waldron, AR 72958**



## QUERIES

### ROBBINS, LITTLEFIELD, KELLY

Searching for info on a great uncle, Claude **ROBBINS**. Claude and his family. (Father) Joseph Afren **ROBBINS**, (Mother) Leitha Jane **LITTLEFIELD ROBBINS**, resided in Pike County from 1920 to 1927. During this time, Claude **ROBBINS** married Macie **KELLY**. She may have had a brother, Alvin **KELLEY**, who was witness on the cert. of marriage. The marriage is recorded in Book F, page 330. Claude had some trouble with a man's dog. Evidently the dog attacked Claude's daughter, Alice, and Claude killed the dog. The owner attacked Claude and Claude killed him. Claude served time for this and I need to know if it was in Arkansas or Texas. Since Alice was born in 1927, I feel it was Arkansas around 1930. The rest of the family returned to Texas around 1927, but I think Claude stayed in Pike Co., AR. Macie **KELLY ROBBINS** was institutionalized. I would like to know what became of her. We were told she died in an asylum. Was it a T. B. sanitarium? Alice was raised by Macie's parents in Arkansas. Do you have any records regarding Claude's sentence or where he served it or what happened to Macie **KELLY ROBBINS**? Will appreciate any help. Judy Flowers, 500 E. Marton, Denison, TX 75020

WILLIS, WHITE, GOLDEN, ROPER, COOK, ROBBINS, BATES. Would like to correspond with anyone researching John Henry **WILLIS**, David **WHITE**, Emily A. **GOLDEN**, and Mary Elizabeth **ROPER**, all of Pike Co., AR. Desendants still living in Pike Co., AR area. Also researching these Montgomery Co., AR surnames...**COOK, ROBBINS, BATES**. Arlene Willis, 1739 Cascade Vista, Burlington. WA 98233

WILLETT As the author of "THE **WILLETT FAMILIES OF NORTH AMERICA**", Southern Historical Press, 1985, I am continuing my research into

the **WILLETT/WILLET/WILLIT** families. The Caswell **WILLETT** family was a resident of Pike Co., AR. I would like any info regarding "paper" files or manuscripts on the **WILLETT** surname, researchers working on the **WILLETT** surname or information regarding wills, deeds, or other court records of this or any **WILLETT** family.

Albert J. Willett, 451 Hallmark Road, Fayetteville, NC 28303

### WESTERMAN, KIDD, GRESHAM

Need help with C. D. **WESTERMAN** and family. Liddy L. b. 1831, Tessie Sue b. 1835, Nancy Allise b. 1836 married Joseph Newton **GRESHAM**, Fremis M. b. 1845. Does anyone have any info regarding marriage dates and married names of children. Need information concerning a book written on the **WESTERMAN** family about 1870? I have all of John Wilson **WESTERMAN**'s children's names and dates and where they were married. Also have info re: Sarah Jane **WESTERMAN KIDD**.

Geraldine Westerman Barker,  
Rt. 2 Box 73, DeLeon, TX 76444

MAYS, GARNER, ANDERSON, KIZER, DEATON. Need info on any of the following - Alexander **MAYS** b. 1852, wife Margaret J., b. 1850; Thomas **GARNER** b. 1876 m. 1893 to Susan H. **MAYS** b. 1876; Isaac **GARNER** b. 1850 d. 1925, wife, Susan E. **ANDERSON** b. 1844 d. 1902; Benjamine Wuell **KIZER** b. 1859 m. 1884 d. 1929, wife Mattie **DEATON** b. 1868, Amity, Clark Co., AR d. 1903 Amity, Clark Co., AR.

Alice Shirley, P. O. 253,  
Glenwood, AR 71943

*\*Editors Note\** Ms. Shirley requests spelling correction which appears in her query. Spring 1991 issue of "THE **GEMS**", as follows - **RODGERS** to **ROGERS** and **McLANE** to **McLAIN**.

## QUERIES

WILSON Searching for Peary WILSON or his twin sons. The WILSON twins would be in their late 50's or early 60's. Peary WILSON'S daughter, by a later marriage, Mary Francis WILSON, age 56, would like to contact her father and brothers or any descendants, if they are still living. Please help!!

**Darrel A. Nickles, Rt. 5 Box 170,  
Weatherford, OK 73096**

STARNES Newton J. STARNES resided in Pike Co., AR in early 1900's. Listed on 1910 Mountain twp., Pike Co., AR census need data about this STARNES family. Also need info regarding Riley STARNES, father of Newton J. STARNES. Carl S. Starnes, 10509 Loring Drive, Austin, TX 78750

McHORSE, WILSON John W. McHORSE married Elizabeth WILSON ca. 1842, probably Pike Co., AR. Need help with marriage record, land record or any other record regarding McHORSE surname. Jerry C. Spain, Hd. D., 1507 Vincent, Brownwood, TX 76801

FAULKNER, LITTLEPAUGH L. W. FAULKNER (1813-1898) married Charlotta LITTLEPAUGH (1820-1900), both buried Bethel Cemetery, Umpire, Howard Co., AR, had eight children. One of the daughters, Catherine married (late in life) someone at Amity, Clark Co., AR. Does anyone have any data or records regarding Catherine FAULKNER. Myrle Dyer, Box 53, Umpire, AR 71971

NORMAN, BAKER, McCRAVEN, JACOBS, FRENCH James L. NORMAN, wrote a book in the early 1900's about his life, titled "A Moonshiner's Life in Arkansas". He is said to have been jailed many times because of his "handiwork", all of which took place in the Howard, Polk and Seveir County areas. Does anyone have ideas

about where to locate a copy of this book? Other surnames connected to the NORMAN family, include, BAKER, McCRAVENS, JACOBS, FRENCH. Mrs. S. Marlene Crane, 9104 So. Hillcrest Dr., Oklahoma City, OK 73159-6824.

PYLES, SWEDDEN, BROWNING, Nathan Hicks PYLES d. 1943 and Nannie Helen PYLES homesteaded land (supposedly located near Daisy State Park) about 1916 this property remained in their name until ca. 1942, property was sold ca. 1943, probably to William SWEDDEN. Alex BROWNING, an uncle had a joining property. Can anyone help with info about the PYLES family? Judy Starks, S# 20, 771 Gold Hill Rd., New Castle, CA 95658

MAGBY, McCLENDON, Interested in the family of Robert MAGBY b. ca. 1784 SC listed 1840, Walker Co., AL also living in the household was Vardry MAGBY, a Revolutionary War Vet, age 102 years. Robert MAGBY lived in Pike Co., AR 1850-1860, 1870 lived Muddy Fork twp. Probably related to McCLENDON family of Garland Co., AR. David MAGBY b. 1795 KY was a brother of Rachel MAGBY McCLENDON. Ms. Martha Heinemann, 705 North Belvedere, Memphis, TN 38107

JACKSON, PARKS In "The Early History of Pike County, Arkansas", page 158, there is a picture of Samuel Feirton "Tennessee" JACKSON and wife, Florence (nee PARKS). Samuel "Tennessee" and Florence PARKS JACKSON, were early settlers of Brocktown, Missouri twp., Pike Co., AR. Does anyone have more information about this family? Lois M. New, 1905 Regency Blvd., Moore, OK 73160

## QUERIES

McKINNON, McKION, McKINNEY, DAVIS, BELLAR, HAWK, HAWKS, CROSS, ROSS, Mary Ellen McKINNON/McKION/McKINNEY b. Mar 1870/72 in Pike Co. near Murfreesboro or Delight, AR, dau. of Van McKINNON/McKINNEY/McKION and Wilma or Willie CROSS/ROSS. Mary Ellen McKINNON/McKION/McKINNEY b. 1870/72 was married at least three times, (there may have been other marriages), Thomas **DAVIS**, Bill **BELLAR**, and John Albert **HAWK/HAWKS**. A son, Albert Walter **HAWKS** b. 18 Nov 1906 was born in AR and a dau. was born in Colorado Springs, CO in July of 1909. Please help! **Betty C. Runnells, 2111 / Hollywood Dr., Pueblo, CO 81005**

WALL, BROWN Interested in info concerning "The Old Walls Cemetery". Would like photographs, if available, of the grave of my great-great grandmother, Martah Elmira **BROWN WALL(S)**, wife of Isaac Berry Hillman **WALL** and mother of Hillman **WALL**. **Mary R. White, 2 Matlock Circle, Bella Vista, AR 72714. \*Editors Note\*** There is a Walls Cemetery located, off Strawberry Rd. between Pike City and Delight on Wolf Creek sometimes called Wolf Creek Cemetery, this is a "lost" cemetery. There is also a Wall Creek Cemetery located on Wall Creek Rd. about 8 miles off highway 27, near Tower Mountain.

EASTWOOD, PRUITT, REID/REED, LUDWELL. I am descended from Hiram and Margaret **PRUITT EASTWOOD** of Pike Co., AR and am interested info about this family or any of the surnames mentioned above. **Sharon Eastwood, P. O. Box 541, Boswell, OK 74727**

SELF, STANDRIDGE I am searching for information on Nancy Polly **SELF** b. ca. 1817 in AL m. James **STANDRIDGE, Jr.** ca. 1836 d. ca. 1880 in Montgomery Co., AR. **Ferra Kinnison, 1407 Old Mill Court, Independence, MO 64056**

FLEMENS/FLEMONS/FLEMINGS, JENKENS, STRAWN, BASHAM, FROST, SELF Would like to correspond with others who are researching these Pike Co., AR surnames. These families were also in MS, GA, TN, AL. **Florence Flemens, Rt. 4, Box 8, Sulphur Springs, TX 75482**

LANGLEY, PRICE, BUSH, HAYS, FLEMING, REEVES Would like to correspond with anyone researching the above surnames. These families lived near Langley, Pike Co., AR in the early 1800's to present. **Jean Fleming, 2922 NW 73, Oklahoma City, OK 73116**

WHITE, RODGERS, CUNNINGHAM. Does anyone have an ancestor named **DRUSETTA**, b. 1824 d. 1852/53, possibly lived in the Nathan/Muddy Fork area (Brewer twp in 1840). She married John **WHITE, Jr.** ca. 1842 of that area. They had 6 children: Marion 1843-1859, Lawson b. 1845, Jasper b. 1847 m. Nancy **RODGERS** (dtr of Alfred **RODGERS**), Joshua b. 1849 m. Leanna **CUNNINGHAM**, John b. 1850, William b. 1852. **Frances T. Hawkins, 8200 Wild Briar #601, Shreveport, LA 71108**

McBAY, McBEY Wants to correspond with anyone about General Marion **McBAY**, who was at one time in Pike Co., AR. **David Hill, 233 So. Elm St., Greensboro, NC 27401**

LINDSEY, LINZY, LINSAY, Charles and Lucinda **LINDSEY** listed on 1860 Muddy Fork twp., Pike Co., AR both born TN. Their first child born AL and next three LA, other children born AR. Charles deceased by 1870. Lucinda **LINDSEY** buried Biggs Chapel Academy Cemetery, Nathan, Pike Co., AR. Charles buried Lindsey Cemetery, Howard Co., AR. Please contact **Dorothy Kennedy Partain, Box 238, Murfreesboro, AR 71958** if you have any information about this family.

## QUERY

**DYKE, BURNS, HARPER, BURTON, BUTLER, WHITSON, MARSHALL.** Help: Need death date and burial place of W. Shay DYKE, born 1863, Dykesville, LA, Claiborne Parish. Son of Andrew Jackson Dyke and Drucilla B. (Harper) Dyke, who came to LA from Shelby Co., AL ca 1850. Married Synthia BURNS, 21 Dec 1884, Webster Parish, LA, daughter of John A. BURNS and Lucinda (WHITSON) BURNS of Shogaloo, LA. Killed while working for the Railroad in LA or AR about 1885-1888. Brothers: James H. 1854, Lee 1856, A. P. 1859, and Craton L. 1869, all living in Hope, AR about 1880. Sisters: Mary Louisa MARSHALL of Emmett, AR b. 28 Oct 1849, Orlean 1856, Berrie Cornelia BURTON Apr 1863. Also need her death and place of burial. She married James Edward BURTON in Webster Parish, LA on 09 Apr 1882. Children: James Lee 1883, John Oliver Apr 1886, Lacy C. 1887 and Ruby BUTLER 1890, married Jim Worley BUTLER, Webster Parish, LA. Desperate: Will greatly appreciate any information. Contact: Ella Jean DYKE BAUGH, 257 Burt Lane, West Monroe, LA 71291

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The following article was submitted by Merle Morphew of New Hope, AR. Ms. Morphew stated that the article appeared in "THE GLENWOOD HERALD" ca. 1933/1934.

PCAHS would appreciate receiving interesting newspaper clippings of this nature. Even obits have interesting facts in them. We cannot guarantee that your article will be published in "THE GBMS", but we will file all articles submitted, in the PCAHS archives.

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