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ELECTION RESULTS

By Dan Brinson

I waited until Sept. 30 to count the ballots returned. The following is my count. However, due to the large number of vacancies, I am asking the other officers to verify the count before delaring it official. I will not delay printing of TRAILS awaiting that confirmation. The three with higher votes are now Vice-Presidents. Mr. Terrell is now Treasurer.

VICE-PRESIDENT

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Mr. Terrell Marshall III
Miss P. J. Achramowicz
Mr. Sherman Thompson
TREASURER
Mr. Henry C. Terrell

CHARTER TREASURER PASSES

Eleanor Jackson PACE Terrell (05/22/1907--08/31/2000)

We regret to inform you of the loss of our Charter Treasurer. Mrs. Terrell was the widow of Lowell Sylvester TERRELL (12/18/1889--02/03/88).

She was the driving force behind the reunion held in Jonesboro GA in 1984. The Society was formed at a meeting after lunch in her home. Without her interest and assistance, there would not be a TERRELL SOCIETY.

I first received the following brief message.

September 5, 2000: Hi Dan,

Aunt Eleanor Terrell passed last Thursday night about 11 p.m. She had a stroke several weeks back and was in a Rehab. Center.

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I had visited with her a week or so after her stroke and she recognized me all ok. Her speech seemed to be ok, but she was of course slow of thought. I really thought she just might pull out of it. but that was not to be. Apparently she had a series of other little strokes and deteriorated quiet rapidly.

She had not wanted any heroics to keep her here and her family went with her wishes. Her obit says her body was donated to Emory University for research. There will be a memorial service Sat. (Sept 9th) at her church. She had wanted no flowers, but people could donate to the **HUIE Family Cemetery** here in Clayton County.

Aunt Eleanor was my "Buddy". I had spent many hours with her these past 10 years or so talking "family." She laid such a good groundwork on many of the collateral families of our TERRELLs -- several of whom I was able to pick up and move forward. I would always make up a packet of the newfound information, sequence it and take it to her. She would read through it over and over. I will certainly miss her!

Cal McBroom Morrow, Ga.

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Another cousin, Mrs. **Becky Wegener** of Sherman Oaks CA sent me copies of two obituaries. The first is from the Atlanta *Journal-Constitution*, Saturday, September 2, 2000, Section G page 8. by **Erin Behan, ebehan@ajc.com**. The second is from The *Daily* (Clayton County GA Newspaper), Section A, page 3 by **Kay S. Pedrotti**, city editor. The articles are too long to reprint verbatim. The following is abstracted and loosely paraphrased from these articles.

The first is headlined: *Eleanor Terrell*, 93 helped Forest Park build its first gym. A small photo is included.

When Eleanor Terrell carried the Olympic Torch through Clayton County in 1996 at age 89, she called it a "lifetime experience." That was only one of many accomplishments according to her daughter, **Barbara McDonald** of Jonesboro, GA. As a proponent of action and change, Mrs. Terrell was on Atlanta;s YWCA board of directors in the 1960s when its cafeteria integrated and she personally encouraged women and minorities to register to vote in Clayton county. She talked to judges & commissioners. She

didn't always get things changed, but they were conscious of her.

She took a special interest in the school system. In the late 1940s she was finance chairwoman of the Forest Park Youth Center, a group of concerned parents who raised funds to build Forest Park's first gym.

Afterward, she attended all the school's basketball games and brought her knitting. The more excited she got, the faster she knitted. People are still asking her daughter if she is still knitting. After her children graduated, she threw herself into genealogical work. She belonged to more than a dozen historical and genealogical societies. She never went anywhere that she did not stop to read historical markers or look up something.

She graduated from Fulton High School and worked at Western Union before marrying **Lowell S. Terrell** who was 17 years her senior in 1929. The Terrells were forced from their home in 1965 by expansion of the Atlanta Airport (now Hartsfield International Airport) and moved to nearby Jonesboro, GA.

The second article is headlined: *Community activist Eleanor Terrell dies*. Items not included in the first follow.

Terrell was born May 22, 1907 in Atlanta, GA. She was the oldest of 5 children of **Daniel Patton PACE** and **Lillie HARRIS Pace**. The family moved to Hapeville GA in 1910. She was a 1924 graduate of Fulton County High School. She married **Lowell Sylvester TERRELL** in 1929. He died in 1988. They built their first home at **Terrell's Mill** in Clayton county in 1930.

She was a member of Hapeville Methodist Church, Hapeville Presbyterian Church, and Jonesboro Presbyterian churches. She served as president of Hapeville and Atlanta Presbytery Women, Forest Park PTA, Philadelphia Home Demonstration Club and Council of Clayton county, and the Clayton county Library Board. She was finance chairman of the Forest Park Youth Center; vice-president of the Women's Auxiliary of Good Will Industries; executive secretary of the Clayton County Chapter of the Red Cross; board member of the Atlanta YWCA; and board member of the Reynolds Nature Preserve.

She was 1957 Georgia Homemaker from the 5th Congressional District and the 1973 Forest Park Women's Club Merit Mother entry in the state contest for Mother of the Year. She was a U. S. census taker in 1950, 1960, and 1970. She was delegate to a 6th Congressional District Democratic Caucus to elect national convention delegates. She and Lowell traveled to Washington DC on the "Peanut Special" train from south Georgia to attend the inauguration of President Jimmy Carter.

In the early 1940s, Mrs. Terrell championed revision of Clayton County voter eligibility rolls to include all citizens of age instead of only landowners. She visited the family of every Clayton County soldier killed or wounded in WWII as a Red Cross volunteer.

Her interest in history and genealogy is evidenced by leadership in these organizations: volunteer tour guide for Historical Jonesboro; regent of the Augustin Clayton Chapter of the DAR; trustee of the PACE Society of America; The GA Genealogical Society; Ancestors Unlimited; Daughters of the American Colonists; Descendants of Colonial Clergy; the Hereditary Order of Descendants of Loyalists and Patriots of the American Revolution; and the Jamestown Society. She co-founded the Terrell Society of America; and was instrumental in organizing the Huie Society to preserve what is thought to be the oldest non-Native American cemetery in the region near Philadelphia Presbyterian Church in Forest Park, GA.

From both: She is survived by four children: Barbara TERRELL McDonald of Jonesboro GA; Robert Lowell TERRELL, Sr. of Batesville, AR; William "Bill" Pace TERRELL [former TSA president] of Charlotte NC; and Mary TERRELL McAllister of Anderson S. C.; two sisters, Margaret PACE Allen of Atlanta GA and Lillian PACE Beckford of Ledgewood NJ; 15 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.

She continued her tradition of service to humanity by donating her body to Emory Medical Center in Atlanta.

[When I first met Mrs. Terrell about 1983, she had already made that commitment. She was in her 70s.

Her son, Bill, teased her unmercifully because "she had donated her body to science, but she was going to wear everything out before she let them have it." She was one of those rare persons that it is a genuine pleasure to know. I wish you could have known her too. *DFB*]

GOLANSVILLE UPDATE

Subject: Golansville MH & Cemetery Progress Re-

port -- submitted by Mrs. Fay Wade

Date: Thursday, July 27, 2000 4:41 PM

GOLANSVILLE MEETING HOUSE &

CEMETERY PRESERVATION TRUST

The ceremony on 10 June 2000 to dedicate the VDHR historic site highway marker was successful beyond all expectations. The ceremony was attended by more than 100, most of whom were descendants of the known families who had been members of the Caroline Religious Society of Friends. Many attendees had come from other states including CA, IA, AZ, VT, NY, PA, MD, NC, SC and GA, withstanding the typical Virginia early summer heat and humidity to hear our guest speakers tell of the history of our ancestors in Caroline County.

The ceremony began with a moment of silence in honor of the Caroline Friends which was led by Virginia L. H. Davis who explained the custom of the Friends' religious practice to sit quietly and meditate, recognizing their

need for this quiet time to come to know God.

Welcomed by Lt. Governor John Hager, attendees were reminded of the great importance of our ancestors' commitment to religious freedom which we still must maintain even in today's society, lest it again be lost.

Mr. **Hager** was introduced by Caroline County Supervisors' chairman, Mr. **Floyd Thomas**, who commented on the great importance of the Caroline Quakers. They were the first in Virginia to take organized action to abolish slavery, and who may even have been instrumental in making it possible for his ancestors' flight to freedom along the Underground Railroad.

Keynote speaker Delegate **Harvey Morgan** presented an impressive history of the Caroline Friends, tell-

ing of their many contributions to society that continue to impact our lives even today, and of their stalwart courage even in the face of dire persecution.

I introduced fellow Trust committee members Virginia L. H. Davis, Lt. Col. James W. Doyle, Jr., R. Arnold Ricks and Herbert R. Collins, outlining their unique attributes that have been so important in the success of this preservation effort.

The unveiling was accomplished by the committee members and Delegate **Morgan** while Lt. Gov. **Hager** read the following inscription to all:

Pioneers in asserting the right to religious freedom, the Caroline Friends (Quakers) held their first meeting nearby on 12 March 1739 together with their partner, Cedar Creek Friends Meeting of Hanover County. At a meeting on 9 May 1767, members issued a call to their fellow Quakers to end slaveholding, the first such movement in Virginia. The Friends testimony against slavery contributed to declining membership as many immigrated west to free states. The Caroline Friends continued to use their meeting house and burying ground until 1853. They then joined Cedar Creek and ultimately became Richmond Friends Meeting.

The success of this ceremony could not have been accomplished without the great cooperation and assistance of all involved. We are greatly indebted to, and a special thank you is extended to: Lt. Governor John H. Hager, Delegate Harvey B. Morgan Floyd Thomas, Chairman, Board of Supervisors Percy Ashcraft, County Administrator Economic Development office, Caroline County 1st Sgt. Anthony Lippa, Virginia State Police & staff Fredericksburg office, Virginia Department of Transportation Directorate of Logistics, A. P. Hill Ladysmith Rescue Squad Ladysmith Baptist Church, especially Sharlene Allen Mark Garner and son my husband, Ed Wade

At the luncheon following the ceremony there was much discussion concerning the future of the historic site. It was emphasized that ensuring protection from encroachment of development necessitates our group to incorporate as an IRS designated 501C-3 tax-exempt entity and to obtain title to the cemetery and meeting house site.

The estimated cost of legal and accounting expenses to accomplish the incorporation is \$3,000, but no estimate of land cost was proposed.

Through generous donations of the attendees, all expenses of the ceremony have been paid and we currently have \$1,300 on hand, with another \$600 pledged towards the incorporation, leaving a balance of \$1,100 still to be raised.

I hope you will seriously consider the opportunity we have before us and show your support for preserving our ancestors' place of worship and final resting place.

UPDATE:

On Tuesday, July 25, 2000 I met with Delegate Morgan, County Administrator **Ashcraft, Mrs. Lena Thomas** [Caroline County Tourism Committee, wife of Supervisors' chairman **Floyd Thomas**, and friend of **Juan Young**] and the landowner, Juan Young.

At the ceremony, Delegate Morgan and Supervisor Thomas both offered to mediate talks between our Trust group and Mr. Young. Upon our agreement to come together to discuss our mutual interest in the future of the historic site, Delegate Morgan arranged the meeting at the office of the County Administrator, Percy Ashcraft. Mr. Thomas unfortunately was called out of town on business, but Mrs. Thomas attended at the request of Mr. Young.

Although Virginia Davis and I have had numerous discussions with Mr. Young in the past, this was the first formal meeting to establish goals set forth by both parties, and to seek a logical agenda to accomplish those goals.

As spokesperson for the Trust, I presented the original list of goals established by the Trust committee in 1997:

- 1. **determine cemetery size** and boundaries through archaeological investigation;
- 2. **document** study and submit nomination for Historic Site designation;
- 3. **restore cemetery** to archeological specifications with boundary;
- 4. **fencing** appropriate to time period and Quaker simplicity;

- 5. provide **archaeological investigation** of meeting house foundation; remains and study of structural architecture:
- 6. **reconstruction** of meeting house;
- ensure **preservation** of cemetery and meetinghouse site in perpetuity;
- 8. **erect permanent marker** commemorating Quaker culture, their contributions to society and those families who worshiped at the Caroline Meeting House in Golansville [1739-1853].

[The eighth goal has been accomplished, see last issue DFB]

These are but a few of the possibilities designed to preserve the history of the Quaker culture, their contributions to Caroline County and society-at-large, and the heritage that remains, not only within this county, but all across the nation.

Mr. **Young** agreed to the importance of preservation of the site, although noting his skepticism of the foundation remains being those of the original meeting house. He also presented his views as a businessman who had purchased the property for development, but has been unable to initiate his building plan in the four years since the bulldozing of the site in 1997. Understandably, Mr. Young is interested in resolution which will have the least negative impact on future commercial development of the 22 +/- acres he had purchased in 1996.

Discussion pertaining to the possible size and configuration of a parcel containing the cemetery and meeting house remains to be sold to the Trust was interesting, several possibilities were outlined, and two points were agreed upon.

- 1] Mr. Young agreed to sell the pertinent property once definite cemetery bounds are established, with a configuration to the best advantage of his business plan, and at a reasonable market value.
- 2] An extended archaeological investigation would be in the best interest of all parties involved, and, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MAJORITY OF TRUST SUPPORTERS, the Trust will absorb 25% 33% of the cost of the survey to ensure our being able to purchase the cemetery and meeting house site.

The archaeological survey contract will be advertised through the Caroline County bid system. All bids will be reviewed by the parties involved; however, the final decision as to the TYPE of survey [i.e., ground-penetrating radar, soil resisitivity, soil scraping as in the original survey or other methods] will be determined by the landowner.

I'm sure you may have questions concerning this, and I will be glad to respond to your queries, but I hope you will agree to this important first step by forwarding your statement of agreement at your earliest convenience.

Fundraising for this aspect of the process, the additional funds for incorporating and the pending land purchase will begin immediately. Please carefully consider your interest in this project and PLEDGE YOUR CONTRIBUTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Funding for the archaeological survey will be needed within three months. My best estimate is \$1,500, but it is purely a guess.

Incorporation must be accomplished before the end of 2000, if at all possible. The landowner's timetable to initiate development of the surrounding land is eminent, and we must act with all expediency to ensure our ability to accomplish the outlined goals of the Trust.

PLEASE RESPOND ASAP!

With best regards,

Fay Wade

ROGER TYRRELL--THOMPSON LINE

CONCLUDED

Submitted by # 500 **Sherman Thompson** from his web page:

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Merwin Sherman TURRILL and Mary Letitia LINGO (along with the children below) are buried at Spring Grove Cemetery, Cincinnati, Section #14. Only Mary Letitia TURRILL (below) had descendants.

Children were:

1544 Florence Lucy TURRILL

1545 Margaret Theresa TURRILL

1546 Mary Letitia TURRILL m. Charles Christian SCHWARZ

1547 Olive Cornelia TURRILL m. Charles SHRINER

1548 Sherman Vincent TURRILL

1549 Anna Grace TURRILL

1546 MARY LETITIA TURRILL, born Cincinnati, Aug. 13, 1871 and died in Perris, CA. Jan. 25, 1963. She married (his 2nd) Charles Christian SCHWARZ in Cincinnati, June 11, 1902. He was born Oct. 4, 1859 in village of Lockland, OH, and died in Riverside, CA., Nov. 9, 1945. He's parents were Adam SCHWARZ (SCHWARTZ) born ABT 1834 in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, and Marie (Mary) GRUNINGER, born Jan. 20, 1824 in Wurtenburg, Germany, died July 20, 1904 in Cincinnati.

Mary and Charles and their five children moved west to Flagstaff, AZ in May of 1919 and afterwards, in 1926, to lived in Perris, CA and Riverside, CA.

After her husband's death, **Mary** lived with her daughter **Jean** at Beaumont, CA, till her death. Mary was an educated musician who played the organ at church and the piano in the silent movies.

Charles was a tailor by training although he and his brother **Fred**, about 1882, built a hardware and furniture store at "Schwarz Corners" in Cincinatti.

In his early marriage years, he was a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge. He started a tailoring business at Harriet and Wyoming about 1890.

In Flagstaff, he with his teenage sons cleaned the costumes of movie actors, filming on location near Flagstaff.

Charles was Secretary of the Democratic Party of Northern Arizona; a deputy sheriff and was part of a mountain rescue of a local Navaho chief's son.

My grandmother taught piano which included my mother.

Grandfather **Charles** ("C.C.") wanted to be a painter of pictures as a youth, but as his mother was from the "old country" and insisted he have a "regular trade," he had to take painting lesson in secret. In his retirement years, I would visit their home in Riverside and watch him paint. I also remember that he had a great

sense of humor and liked to do slight-of-hand magic tricks on me when I was very young.

Their children were:

5.A.a. Mary Turrill SCHWARZ

5.A.b. **Merwin Henry SCHWARZ** m. June 30, 1941 **Virginia Olds SMITH**

5.A.c. Sherman Frances SCHWARZ m. (1) Autrey BRYAN, (1) Ellen (Sue) YORT

5.A.d. Anna Margaret SCHWARZ m. Leo THOMPSON

5.A.e. Jean Corinne SCHWARZ

5.A.d. **ANNA MARGARET SCHWARZ**, born in Cincinnati, OH, Jan. 5, 1911, died in La Jolla, CA, Aug. 30, 1992. She married, in San Bernardino, CA, July 12, 1933, **Leo THOMPSON**, born in Summerland, MS, Sept. 19, 1907; he died in Chula Vista, CA, Oct. 30. 1982.

Mother loved her music and in my youth, there was always a piano at home. She lead a jazz band her school days in Perris, CA, sometimes playing Saturday night dances at Lake Elsinore, CA. She was Valedictorian of her graduating high school class.

I remember in the WWII years, my uncles, aunts and cousins would gather around the piano and sing old time songs. Later she had her organ at home; she was the church organist or church pianist; and entertained on the piano at DAR meetings in later years. Even in her 80's, mother would be coaxed to play the organ tunes we all loved, when we would visit her at her home.

When I left home in 1952 to do my service in the Marines, mother went back to work after 20 years of taking care of her family. She was deeply committed to her church and religious music was part of her life. She was fortunate to secure a long term of employment with the Homer Roderhaver Company in Los Angeles.

After my sister **Mary** was married, **Leo** and **Margaret** moved to Chula Vista, CA. where mother obtained, through the efforts of Uncle **Merwin**, a position as Registrar at Chula Vista Junior High School. (Dad's history is in Thompson document). She retired after 14 years of service. Both are buried at cemetery in Bonita, CA, along side mother's sister Jean.

Their children are:

5.A.d.1. Sherman Lee THOMPSON, m. (1) Sarah Lynn JENNINGS, (2) Ellen Pat DARLING, (3) Victoria Coy SCHIPK

5.A.d.2. Mary Jane THOMPSON

5.A.d.1 SHERMAN LEE THOMPSON, , married (1) Nov. 22, 1958, Sarah Lynn JENNINGS (daughter of Robert F. JENNINGS and Sarah A. LINGAR), born in Mt. Vernon, MO, July 31, 1938, div. 1966, died in Dallas, TX, July 13, 1983; married (2) Ellen Pat DARLING, div. 1975, no issue; married (3) May 15, 1977, Victoria Coy SCHIPK, (daughter of Victor O. SCHIPK and Margaret COY); div. ABT 1983.

Sherman grew-up in Inglewood, CA and spent eight years in the US Marines, after which he spent 2 years at Compton College. He was always active in journalism in school but realized his real love was in the graphic arts. He enjoyed drawing the cartoons for his school newspapers.

In 1957, after getting married to Sarah, he enrolled at Chouinard Art Institute in Los Angeles. (Now called Cal Arts and since moved to Valencia, CA.) There he spent the next three and one half years of intense study. In 1959, he won the Jose Drudis Painting Scholarship and won a first place award in the student art show for his cartoon work. It was while a teacher assistant that in 1961 he was referred to an animation studio for his first job.

Since that early start as an apprentice at Churchill-Wexler Films executing educational and medical classroom films, he has spent 20 years in the animation studios. He has been a president of the Screen Cartoonist Guild in Hollywood, CA. He has been a producer and executive producer on theatrical shorts and television cartoon specials that has won nominations in the Oscar and an Emmy awards.

As a partner and member of the Board of Directors of "Take One" in 1978-80, he was instrumental in establishing major animation studios in Taiwan, Korea and in Mill Valley, CA. Sherman joined Ogilvy & Mather Advertising, Los Angeles in 1981 as Senior Animation Producer and has supervised the production of their clients animated commercials.

In 1994, he was made a Partner (vice president). In 1993, he was elected by his animation peers as a Governor at the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. In 1998, Sherm retired from O&M. He is living, with his dogs Barney & Lydia, in Sun Valley, in the San Fernando Valley of Los Angeles, CA.

The 3 children of **Sherman Lee Thompson & Sarah Lynn Jennings** are:

5.A.d.1.1 Mark Allen THOMPSON

5.A.d.1.2 Whitney Anne THOMPSON b married Daniel James LADISHEW Children

5.A.d.1.2.1. **Daniel James LADISHEW** II, 5.A.d.1.2.2 **Sarah Elizabeth LADISHEW**, 5.A.d.1.3 **Roger Sherman THOMPSON** married **Stacy Lynn PACE** Child:

5.A.d.1.3.1. **Jacob Lee THOMPSON**,

Mr. Thompson also invites you to visit the NEW Shermans Of Yaxley web site:

http://members.aol.com/yaxleyinfo/soyhome.htm

For more speculation about the parentage of Roger TERRILL, see *Terrell Trails* pages 1232; 1233 for information previously submitted by Mr. **Thompson**. For the most recent book on *Roger & Abigail UF-FORD TERRILL* (\$29.00 by our most recent information) contact:

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CONVICTED UNDER HIS OWN LAW

Submitted by Ms. Bonnie Pendergraft (Frontenac, Kansas)

From When Kansas Was Young, by Thomas Allen McNeal

(The MacMillan Co., N.Y., ©1922), Lib. Cong. F681.M16, pp. 265-270

One of the members of the first Oklahoma territorial legislature was **Ira N. TERRILL** (descendant of **Roger TERRILL**), who had gone into the new territory with the first spectacular run and driven his stake in a choice quarter section of virgin Oklahoma land. If it had not been for the fact that another man also decided that he wanted this particular quarter section of land this story would never have been written, with its intermingling of comedy and tragedy. As a legislator TERRILL determined to leave his imprint on the laws of the new territory and future commonwealth. He introduced and successfully urged for passage a law providing for

capital punishment by hanging for first degree murder, treason, and possibly some other offenses.

The session had not much more than adjourned, however, when the quarrel between TERRILL and the man who was contesting his right to the claim culminated in a shooting. Perhaps TERRILL took the advantage; perhaps he was simply the better marksman, or maybe he got his gun out first. Anyway, the other man was dead and Ira N. TERRILL was arrested charged with murder. It seemed a queer irony of fate that he was the first man charged with murder and tried under the provisions of the bill he had introduced and caused to become a law. He was convicted of murder in the second degree on September 26, 1892, and as the territory of Oklahoma had no penitentiary, he was sent to the Kansas penitentiary under an arrangement made with the Kansas governor and warden, by which the state was paid so much per prisoner by the territory.

TERRILL had made some study of law before his conviction and was a zealous student of jurisprudence during the period of his incarceration. Acting as his own lawyer, he brought a habeas corpus proceeding in the supreme court of Kansas, demanding his release on the ground that the court which convicted him in Payne County, Oklahoma, was without jurisdiction, because the term of court had lapsed by the failure of the judge to put in an appearance within the time fixed by statute. The supreme court held that he was right in his contention, granted the writ, and ordered him released from the penitentiary, but did not discharge him entirely. He was ordered to be delivered to the sheriff of Payne County for such further proceedings as the prosecuting officer of that county might desire. The result was a new indictment, a new trial, and another conviction, but this time for first degree manslaughter. He was then sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary and again lodged in the Kansas penitentiary.

Again **TERRILL** applied for a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that the killing for which he had been tried and convicted had taken place on a government reservation (the shooting occurred in Guthrie on the government acre reserved for the United States land office). The supreme court this time ruled against TERRILL, holding that the question as to where the killing had taken place was one of fact and if an error

of jurisdiction had occurred it could only be taken advantage of on appeal.

Having failed on this **TERRILL** proceeded on a new theory, that no authority existed for holding in Kansas a man whose liberty was restrained by an Oklahoma court and that there was no law in Kansas which justified or attempted to justify such detention. Acting on this theory, all the time he was in the penitentiary he was in a state of chronic insurrection, refusing to work and evening resisting the officer when that gentleman undertook to compel him to toil.

In the early part of 1903 he again succeeded in getting the attention of the supreme court with another application for a writ of habeas corpus, based on the ground stated above. The court refused to grant the writ on the ground that the state of Kansas by permitting the warden of the penitentiary to enter into this contract with the territory of Oklahoma to care for the convicts had recognized the validity of the contract although it was not authorized by any act of the legislature. Two members of the court dissented from this decision. This ended the incursions of TERRILL into the courts and he sullenly served out the rest of his term.

At the time of his third application for a writ of habeas corpus, I had written a story about him in which I stated that he was the first victim of his own law and that he had been convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced to be hanged. This was a mistake on my part, but was innocently made and then it furnished the material for a better human interest story.

A short time after he had obtained his liberty I was surprised to receive a visit from the noted ex-convict, who had somehow obtained a paper containing the story I had written. He had this with him and proceeded without much preliminary statement to inform me that I had libeled him and that his reputation and feelings were lacerated to the extent that it would require \$10,000 to heal the wounds. In support of his demand, he called attention to the fact that he had not been convicted of first degree murder or sentenced to be hanged.

I countered first by deploring the fact that I lacked something like \$9,998.50 of having the \$10,000 about my person, then proceeded to argue that, granting what he said to be true about the convictions

in court, he really had no ground for complaint; that having been twice sentenced to imprisonment, once for life and once for twelve years, the sum total was really worse than only being sentenced to hang once. I argued with considerable earnestness that to be sentenced to serve at hard labor in the penitentiary after a man was dead was punishment more to be dreaded than the brief inconvenience of hanging, which would be over with in less than sixty seconds. I also urged that to have been sentence to be hung gave him a prominence he never could achieve by mere confinement in the penitentiary. Not many men have been sentenced to be hung and escaped, but millions of men have spent more or less of their lives in penitentiaries.

I must say, however, he did not seem to be much impressed with my argument and insisted that it was either a financial settlement or a suit for libel. He also included Senator Capper in his suit and made the same demand on him, but Mr. Capper mildly but rather firmly declined to dig up and the suit was brought. As this was the only time that any one ever considered it worth while to make me a defendant in a \$10,000 libel suit I was somewhat puffed up about it and interested in the outcome.

The case came to be heard before the late Judge A.W. DANA. The defendants were represented by ex-lieutenant Governor TROUTMAN, while Ira N. TERRILL was his own lawyer. When the jury had been duly impaneled and sworn, there commenced perhaps the most peculiar trial ever seen in a Kansas court.

TERRILL acted in a double capacity of lawyer and witness and with meticulous care maintained the distinction between attorney and client and attorney and witness. He announced to the court in an apparently wholly impersonal way: "Ira N. TERRILL will now be sworn."

"Mr. TERRILL will take the witness stand."

He then gravely asked, "Please state your name, age, and residence to the court and jury."

Having asked the question, he stepped up on the little platform, seated himself in the witness chair, and proceeded to answer the questions. He then stepped down and, again assuming the role of attorney, asked, "Are you the plaintiff in this case?" then took the witness chair and answered the question.

"Have you, Mr. TERRILL, in your possession a copy of the *Farmers' Mail and Breeze* of ______ date owned by one of these defendants and edited by the other?"

Again seating himself as a witness he answered, "I have."

Then assuming again the position of attorney for the plaintiff he announced, "We now wish to introduce this paper containing the libelous article, in evidence and mark it 'Exhibit A."

This proceeded through the trial of the case, the prosecutor alternating between the witness stand and the floor. The judge with great dignity and self-restraint preserved the decorum in the court, although one fat juryman, in his efforts at self-repression, showed evidences of pain and indications of apoplexy. [stoke *DFB*]

I may say in conclusion that the jury very kindly refused to find for the plaintiff, which relieved both Mr. **Capper** and the writer from financial loss and as **TERRILL** had filed, as I recall, a poverty affidavit when he started the suit and as his only witness was himself it was inexpensive, if fruitless, legal action.

What has become of this picturesque and peculiar character I do not know. For a few years after his release from the penitentiary I heard occasionally of his bringing suits for damages against various officials in Oklahoma and Kansas, but think they all ended about as did the one I described. So far as I know, however, he holds the record for at least two things: he is the only man in the United States convicted of a capital offense under a criminal statute of which he was the author and also the only man who, while in the penitentiary, acting as his own lawyer, brought three habeas corpus proceedings before the supreme court of a state.

Ancestry notes provided in August 2000 by **Donald L. TERRILL** of St. Augustine Beach, Fla., (son of **Henry George TERRILL**, below): The following information is printed with his permission.

Our subject, **Ira Nathan TERRILL (Sr.)**, [descendant of **Roger and Abigail UFFORD TERRILL**] was born in Clark Co., Illinois on 17 April 1853 and died 14 Oct 1921 at Wichita Falls, Texas. His wife was **Eliza Jane PARSONS** (b. 19 Aug 1853, Bucks Co., Penn.; d. 4 Nov 1920,

Columbus, Kan.), and they were married in Decatur, Ill. in 1874. Their children were:

- -- (daughter) TERRILL (b. 22 Jan 1875, Wichita, Sedgewick Co, Kan.; d. same day)
- -- **May Agnes TERRILL** (James) (b. 8 Dec 1877, Wichita, Kan.; d. 4 Aug 1958, Wichita Falls, Tex.)
- -- **Frank Leslie TERRILL** (b. 14 Feb 1880, Wichita, Kan.; d. 1956, Hartman, Ark.)
- -- **James William TERRILL** (b. 7 Feb 1882, Labette Co., Kan.; d. 6 Sep 1882, Cherokee Co., Kan.)
- -- Mary Anna TERRILL (b. 15 Jan 1884, Labette Co, Kan.; d. 25 Aug 1884, Wichita, Kan.)
- -- **Cora Bell TERRILL** (Taylor) (b. 10 Apr 1886, Wichita, Kan.; d. 26 Apr 1960, Columbus, Kan.)
- -- **Henry George TERRILL** (b. 21 Oct 1888, Wichita, Kan.; d. 6 Oct 1973, Pittsburg, Kan.)
- -- **Ira Nathan TERRILL Jr.** (b. 12 Jul 1891, Payne Co., Okla.; d. 21 Jan 1913, Columbus, Kan.)
- -- Charles Curtis TERRILL (b. 14 Jul 1893, Payne Co., Okla.; d. 5 Dec 1975, Stockton, Calif.).

Ira Nathan TERRILL (Sr.) (above) was the 7th child of **Ira Curtis TERRILL** (b. 1820, Ohio; d. 1883) and **Martha Maria BINGHAM** (b. 1822, Ohio; d. 1904) who were married on 7 Apr 1842 at Mt. Vernon, Knox Co., Ohio. Their children were:

- -- Cordellia TERRILL (b. 1843)
- -- **Henry Curtis TERRILL** (b. 1844, Ohio; married Susanne, b. 1854, Ohio)
- -- David Bliss TERRILL (b. 1846)
- -- Vesta Elvira TERRILL (b. 1847)
- -- Ester Elizabeth TERRILL (b. 1849)
- -- **Phebe TERRILL** (b. 1851)
- -- Ira Nathan TERRILL (Sr.) (our subject)
- -- John Horton TERRILL (b. 1855)
- -- Daniel Knowles TERRILL (b. 1856)
- -- Edna Victoria TERRILL (b. 1856)
- -- Hannah TERRILL (b. 1860).

In the next edition of "Trails" we shall publish a more balanced biography of Ira's life, written by his

grandson, **Donald L. TERRILL**. The ancestry of **Donald L. TERRILL** is:

Roger TERRILL or **John TERRILL**, born 1586 in Middlesex Co., England; died between 1618-1677; married on 7 Nov 1602 at London **Xpian Finche**.

Their son was:

Roger TYRRELL (**TERRILL**), born 1612 at Stepheney, Middx. Co., England; arrived in Connecticut on 26 Jun 1637 on the ship "Hector"; died Feb 1681/82 at Milford, Conn.; married in 1638 at Milford, Conn., **Abigail UFFORD**.

Their son (1st of 11 children) was:

John TERRILL, born 1640?; died 27 Feb 1711/12 at Milford?, Conn.; married (2nd) about 1675 **Sarah Willey**.

Their son (8th of 10 children) was:

Nathan TERRILL, born 22 Oct 1693 at Milford, Conn.; died 1754 at North Stratford, Conn.; married on 7 Jun 1721 at New Milford, Conn., **Ruth BUCK**.

Their son (8th of 11 children) was:

Nathan TERRILL, born 26 Feb 173637 at New Milford, Conn.; moved to Knox Co., Ohio, *ca.* 1817; died 24 Jan 1834 at Knox Co., Ohio; married (2nd) on 26 Feb 1778 at New Fairfield, Conn., **Dorothy PHELPS**. Nathan was a Revolutionary Soldier (1775 to 1778) (see pension claim W.4083).

Their son (8th of his 13 children) was:

Curtiss TERRILL (or Tyrrell), born 27 Feb 1787 at New Milford, Conn.; died in 1823 at Knox Co.?, Ohio; married **Phebe** (**SIMMONS?**).

Their son was:

Ira Curtis TERRILL, born 7 Jul 1820 near Mt. Vernon, Knox Co., Ohio; died Jan 1883 at Pine Bluff, Ark.; married on 7 Apr 1842 at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, **Martha Maria BINGHAM** (a descendant of Mayflower Pilgrim **Myles STANDISH**).

Their son (7th of 11 children) was:

Ira Nathan TERRILL (the subject of the story), born 17 Apr 1853 in Clark Co., Ill; died 14 Oct 1921 at Wichita Falls, Texas; married in 1874 at Decatur, Ill., **Eliza Jane PARSONS**.

Their son (7th of 9 children) was:

Henry George TERRILL, born 21 Oct 1888 at Wichita, Kan.; died 6 Oct 1973 at Pittsburg, Kan.; married on 14 Feb 1917 at Girard, Kan., **Leona Arlene TANNER**.

Their son(7th of 8 children) was:

<u>Donald Leslie TERRILL</u>, born 9 Sep 1930 at Ringo, Crawford Co., Kan.; married on 9 Jan 1962 at Centerville, Leon Co., Texas; **Cecil Doris ELLIS**.

Their son (2nd of 2 children) is:

Douglas Compton TERRILL, born 9 Sep 1964, Alameda, Calif.

WILLIAM HIGGINS TERRELL

b. May 24, 1784; d. October 15, 1857 married

Cynthia EDDY

b. August 21, 1790; d. May 20, 1844

William Higgins TERRELL was the son of Harry "Henry" and Anne DABNEY TERRELL. William and Cynthia were married in Jackson Co., GA. In 1817, William moved his family to Tuscaloosa, AL where he was a territorial judge. Both died in Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa Co., AL.

When I recently found that they had both lived and died in Tuscaloosa during the mid-1800s, I set out to find just where they were buried. All I could find was they were buried at *Bethel Church* in Tuscaloosa Co. There are *three* Bethel Churches in this county where I, too, live. So on a very hot June 24, 2000, my husband, **Anthony** and I, set out to find at *which* Bethel Church cemetery they were buried. Naturally we began at the closest one to our home in Northport.

Would you believe William Higgins and Cynthia Eddy TERRELL, as well as their oldest son, John Davis TERRELL, are buried about a mile from where I have lived since 1978? What luck! They are buried toward the back of the cemetery of a beautiful, small, country church, Bethel Presbyterian Church, Highway 47, Watermelon Road, Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa Co., AL. The three grave sites are surrounded by a low concrete block enclosure. The cemetery itself is beautifully kept year in and year



out.

William Higgins Terrell's memorial is a tall stone 4-sided monolith that tapers off at the top. His name is engraved on the front side. On the right side is inscribed "The noblest work of God – an honest man"; on the back is inscribed "Died in Tuscaloosa – Oct 15, 1857; and on the left side is inscribed "Born near Danville, VA May 24, 1784."

Cynthia EDDY Terrell's memorial is a 4-sided concrete box with the inscription on top: "In Memory of Cynthia Terrell."

Behind these three grave sites are two separate markers. One reads "In Memory of **Rachael EDDY**" and the second one reads "In Memory of **John EDDY**." These may be a sister and brother of Cynthia; I do not know at this time.

William Higgins and Cynthia Eddy Terrell had the following five children.

John Davis TERRELL: born February 2, 1814 in Jackson Co., GA and died August 18, 1857 in Bladen Springs, AL. He is buried to the left of his father in the Bethel Presbyterian Church Cemetery. His stone is also a tall four-sided monolith; however, it is shorter than his father's. His name is engraved on the front side. On the right side is inscribed "Oldest son of Wm. H & Cynthia Terrell; on the back side is inscribed "Born in Georgia – Feb 2, 1814; and on the left side is inscribed "Died at Bladen Springs – August 18, 1857."

Elizabeth TERRELL: born about 1815 in Jackson Co., GA. Spouse: **Pierce WALKER**

Lavinia Lane TERRELL: born about 1816 in Jackson Co., GA. Spouse: **Edmond PRINCE**

Andrew Jackson TERRELL: born 1817 in Jackson Co., GA; died October 22, 1870 in Wetumpka, AL. Spouse **Sarah A. HAGGERTY**

Sarah Leslie TERRELL: born August 23, 1820; died April 19, 1898 in Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa Co., AL. Spouse: **John Sutton CALDWELL, Sr.**

Submitted to *Terrell Trails* by **Johnnie Roden Gambel** 08/13/00

GENEALOGY? ASK DAN!

Q. General **William Henry Harrison TERRELL**, *Memorabilia of the History, Traditions, and Genealogy of the Terrell Family*, 1883, page 9, contains the following.

"From motives of curiosity, more than from any personal desire to show high descent or great or noble ancestry, I have made some little research in English, French, and Irish history touching this subject, and have nerved myself against any enthusiasm in the matter by recalling the estimate once placed upon hereditary titles by **Benjamin FRANKLIN**, quoted by **BANCROFT** in the 9th volume of his *History of the United States*. The philosopher said, 'An inheritor of the ninth generation represents at most but the 512th part of the ancestor!"

Is that estimate accurate?

A, I doubt it. Figures can be juggled to back up almost any theory that one wants to promote. More likely, **FRANKLIN** was merely expressing his contempt for persons who tried to elevate themselves by claims to heraldic ancestry.

In the first place, heraldic title, like real estate and other property, was inherited under the rule of primogeniture, i.e., the eldest son inherited everything and the others nothing unless the ancestor specifically stated so in his will. Females could inherit only in instances where there was not male heir. Under that rule, one would have **no claim** to heraldic title **unless** he could prove he was the eldest direct descendant of a series of generations of eldest sons.

I don't know what division **FRANKLIN** placed upon inheritance in the case of multiple sons, but there must have either been some or he merely pulled a figure out of the air to make his point. Personally I favor the latter possibility.

Since only one person in each generation could lawfully inherit the title, the only reasonably accurate analogy I can make is that of gene division. I read somewhere that genetic engineers estimate that a particular gene can survive and pop up in the 40th generation. I do not intend to waste space with that much calculation.

You received 100% of your genes from your parents, regardless of how many each of them passed to you from previous generations. If we assume that you received half of your genes from each parent (as unlikely as that might be) the calculation will be as follows.

- 1. 100% individual ancestor
- 2. 50% child
- 3. 25% grandchild
- 3. 12.5% g-grandchild
- 4. 6.25% gg-grandchild
- 5. 3.125% ggg-grandchild
- 6. 1.5625% gggg-grandchild
- 7. 0.78125% ggggg-grandchild
- 8. 0.390625% gggggg-grandchild
- 9. 0.19532125% ggggggg-grandchild
- 10. 0.09765625% ggggggg-grandchild
- 11. 0.048828125% ggggggggg-grandchild
- 11. 0.04662612570 ggggggggg-grandennu
- 12. 0.0244140625% gggggggggggggrandchild

13. 0.01220703125% gggggggggggggggggrandchild

One divided by 512 = 0.001953125 therefore, the 512^{th} part of an ancestor lies somewhere between the 12th and 13th generations. I hope you find this guess-timation amusing. DFB

CHANGES

Births, Marriages, Moves, Deaths You let us know: Who? When, Where?

NEW ADDRESSES

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PS-I just received a photo of my great grandparents, **John Greene TERRELL** and **Nancy Ella SMITH Terrell**, from a distant cousin. One can readily see

the family resemblance!

Whatever happened to the CD-ROM project?

[It is bogged down in other matters. I have most of the first 5 volumes of TRAILS scanned and part of them converted to web pages, but it is a slow, time consuming process. I'll keep plugging away at it. Sorry for the delay. *DFB*]

#7 Lee Y Ponder

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#87 Malon Gene Terrell

My e-mail address has changed it is now gterrell@home.com

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Yorktown, VA 23963

#484 Mrs. Frances Miers Muller

Please change my email address from Blusum-mit@aol.com to: **Tarpleykin@aol.com**. We will soon be dropping the Blusummit address. I don't want to lose anyone.

500 Sherman Lee Thompson

Added Line for Fax

Friends, Cousins, Associates:

So that you may not be miffed when I'm "online," as of FRIDAY, August 25, there will be a FAX trunk line added to my lifelines: **818-504-9629**. Please make a note. My regular phone for voice and computer remains the same: **818-504-0249**. This should make your ability to contact me, and give me more things to do, easier. Now to change all my stationary, etc.

Cheers,

Sherman Lee Thompson

QUERIES

Limited to two per member per year & limited to 50 words each maximum.

Dan, I am looking for my ggf and ggm. My grandfather, **John Austin THERRELL**, b.5-31-1881, and his sister, **Bertha** were listed in 1900 census with their maternal grandparents, **Augustus** and **L. TOMME** in Bowie, TX. Therefore, I know my ggf married a **TOMME**. Can you help? **Nancy: nlwilkins@AcademicPlanet.com**

My great grandfather **Bernard GRIFFIN** married **Catherine TERRELL** 8 Aug. 1893 in Quincy, MA, USA. Catherine was born in Ireland in 1867 to **James TERRELL** and **Anastasia BUCKLEY**. Catherine died 17 Apr 1919 in Quincy, MA, USA. Does anyone have a connection? **RAN-AN41@aol.com**

From: **Sandi Conley** <conl001@home.com>

I have enjoyed *Terrell Trails* very much. It has also saved me an enormous amount of time in researching my own Terrell lineage, since I am descended from a **William TERRELL**.

I am descended from the **William TERRELL**, alias **William Terrell FORD**, mentioned in old Wm Terrell's 1851 DeKalb County, GA will. I am trying to locate his parents and grandparent's names, which may be a quite a problem, since he was possibly (probably?) illegitimate. Also I believe there were some serious legal problems which occurred after he claimed the inheritance mentioned above.

This also causes many frustrations. I know several of his descendants who have plugged in the name **Coleman FORD** as his father, even though they have all heard the family legend that his father was called **Cleve** (don't know if this is first, last, or nickname; or the spelling) who went west and was never heard from again. (As my Aunt **Lois TERRELL** (age 90 in Tifton, GA) pointed out there were no missing persons investigations then.) I'm not sure how to deal with this.

Anyway, I'm awaiting the back issues of Terrell Trails I have ordered, because I saw an additional article on him in the index which will be of some value I hope. However, it lists him as **Wm. George TERRELL**, which I feel is not his name (but some family members say it is):

- 1. I asked my Aunt **Lois** did he ever use the middle name **George**. Her cryptic answer was "No, I think you are on to the track, **William** and **George** were brothers. But **George whom** I don't have a clue, because of the parentage problem.
- 2. Your article CSA soldiers Vol. X, no. 1, shows a Wm. M TERRELL serving with a James W CAR-LISLE (my Wm.'s brother-in-law or some relation to his wife Mariah CARLISLE, since he lived in his household in the 1860 census)

3. Several Terrells in his line have the middle initial M, where the M apparently doesn't stand for anything.

I know this is very long winded and I apologize, but as I said I am very frustrated by the family secrets continuing through several generations. #566 Mrs. **Sandra Terrell Conley**; 19100 Crest Avenue #33; Castro Valley, CA 94546- 510-481-2519 conl001@home.com

[First, I was under the impression that he was the son of a FORD who m. the daughter of William TER-RELL (d. DeKalb Co. GA) but she died and William reared him and named him in his will. I have not heard any conjecture that he was illegitimate. On the other hand, I have not seen any documentation of the marriage. Second, Cleve, in that era was probably short for Cleveland, and his first name if the family tradition is correct. As for your aunt's assertion that William and George were brothers, I have no clue. She may have been referring to William & George FORD (half-brothers, since William did not name a George), or a generation earlier, William & George TERRELL. I suggest that you ask her to clarify the remark if she can. We do know of at least one George TERRELL whose parentage remains a mystery. The mere fact that a James CARLISLE was living in the household with William Terrell FORD and Mariah CARLISLE in 1860 does not prove that he is the *same* one who served in the CSA. **James** is too common a name to jump to that conclusion without other evidence such as enlisting at the same time and place, etc. *DFB*]

I just found out day before yesterday, Jul 28, 2000, that I have an ancestor of **Susannah TERRELL**, married to **Edward GARLAND**. They would be my GGGGG or GGGGGG grandparents. I am trying now to verify which great they really are. What can I find out from the Association files, and/or where can I get verifiable information. I am disabled and unable to venture from home for at least another 6 - 8 months. Your help would be greatly appreciated. **Michael Gallegos Olinger Gallgos@msn.com**; 303-364-0417 (home) 303-360-9374 (fax).

I am interested in the **Robert TERRILL** (note the "I") September 19, 1697, **Mary FOSTER** union in Orange Co., VA. Robert was s/t **Timothy TER-RELL** b 1665, gs/t **Richmond TERRELL** b 1624

These folks are my husband's 5th Gr. grandparents. I don't see much on his Orange Co. branch? He also has MOORE and WALKER connections and I have LANDRUM and MILLS and WILLIS connections to the TERRELLs/TERRILLs. I also have some (Quaker) Terrell connections through my MOOR-MANS and CLARKS. Also some indirect TER-RELL connections through my maternal lines in KY. Is it possible to have my mother-in-law, Mary Elizabeth TERRILL of Orange co., VA, join posthumously?? She was a DAR vice-regent and I was thinking that it would have meant a lot to her. [Unfortunately, no. Memoriam donations may be made to the Society in memory of anyone, but membership is open only to currently living persons. At least, she is now recorded in our annuls. DFB]

Her branch of **TERRILLS** spells their surname with an "i", and seem to be continuously forgotten by the other Terrells . (This always surprises me as it's her Terrell/Terrill branch that connects your family to **Presidents MADISON & TAYLOR** through the **MOOREs**.)

Let me know if you would like something?? Looking forward to hearing from you. Fran Osborn: franinma@mediaone.net

We are in search of some family. Our fathers name is **Morris Calvin TERRELL Sr**. Born in Morgan co. Ala. DOB 08-01-1928. His Father name is **Herbert Cleveland TERRELL** born in Morgan Co. Dob 02-22-1900; Dod 03-08-1969. His father name is **Charlie A. TERRELL** Born 06-01-1875 DOD 03-05-1940 Buried in Marshall Co. Martling Cemetery. Had a brother named **Johnny TER-RELL**. If you have any more info please contact me at **darylj76@aol.com**. Thank You. **Teresa and Tina (Terrell) Jones; Sweet78598@aol.com**

To: <t7789ter@gte.net> [Forwarded by Leigh] Subject: Marie Wiggin's Genealogical Collection Hi Leigh. Recently I ordered a film that had the SELLERS, SIKES & TERRAL families. Have you viewed this film - #1597766? The research was done by the Institute of Family Research back in 1979. The professional genealogist, Bob BROWN, started his search with Jonathan THERRELL. In the first paragraph of his report he states, "first of all the name should be TERRELL not THERRELL." This line has always been very confusing to me as

everything seems to bog down in Chesterfield County and we still can't find the link.

I made copies of the film showing research on **Jonathan TERRELL**. Yes, he was married to a **Sarah**, a widow, but did not give maiden name. The 1790 census shows a **Edward** and a **Samuel** in Cheraws District. The 1800 census shows **Edmond** of Chesterfield, **Jonathan** of Darlington and a **John** in Marlboro and a **Joshua** of Darlington Counties.

Do you go into the **LISONBEE** line. If not, this is not your Jonathan. Jonathan was married and had a family and fathered **Coker LISONBEE**. Mary Jane **LISONBEE** was Coker's mother and Coker came west to Utah. Scott **LISONBEE** lives about a mile down the road from me and he is a descendant of this Coker **LISONBEE** and lots of research has been done on the LISONBEE family of Chesterfield County.

Also, on these papers is a woman's name - **Juanita TERRELL** of Hughes Springs, Texas, and she apparently did much research and lists her father, **Pharis Terrell**, 364-6693 of Salt Lake.

One day I called 5-6 TERRELLs and not a single one knew anything about family history. If there is someone here, please let me know as I would certainly like to look at some others research. Last year I met many of the THERELLS in the woods of Chesterfield and they couldn't tell me anything some couldn't remember their own children's' births. Leigh. Do I understand you to say that your Terrell line has Indian blood. My BOAN line is Indian and it was John L. P. BOAN that married Abigail **THERRELL** that no one has ever found anything. I am the family genealogist and have been researching ever since I was 13 years old. Thank goodness I have some great lines of my father that have had extensive research as all my mother's are from Darlington and Chesterfield Counties. It's this Jonathan Terrell that gives us all so much trouble and Bill THERRELL doesn't seem to think we have any connection to the TERRELLs. Thanks so much for your help. Simone (Barrett) Laurence: BSLAU-REN@aol.com

I'm sorry to bother you. I happened to run across some familiar names while searching the Internet. I see that you have a listing in the Terrell Trails of George Washington TERRELL & Rachel WILLIAMS Terrell. I'm interested in confirming wheth-

er they are the same ones as my great-greatgrandparents. My records indicated George Washington is the son of William TERRELL. George was born May 3, 1821 in Licking County, Ohio, and died June 28, 1907, in Cloud County, Kan. He married Rachel WILLIAMS Oct. 4, 1839, in Perry County, Ohio. They are parents of Nathan TERRELL, my great-grandfather. Grandparents of Andrew Gilbert TERRELL, my grandfather. And great-grandparents of Violet TERRELL, my mother. If you happen to have any information on hand, I will surely be appreciative. Best regards. Call David R. Corder, a freelance writer and 1984 graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Journalism, toll-free (877) 755-4791. Leave messages at (352) 650-6895. dcorder@tampabay.rr.com

Am descended from **Roger TERRILL** b. c 1612 Stepney Eng. d. 1682 Milford Ct through three of his children. Would be interested to learn Roger's family history, parents, etc. Am also looking for the surname of the wife of **Josiah TERRILL** b. 1689 d. 1749 NJ - her first name was **Hannah** and they were divorced. Josiah was Roger's grandson. **mcook1@core.com**

ELUSIVE PROOF

Hello Terrell List,

It is certainly interesting reading all the various stories everyone has collected about the Terrell family, past and present. Because some of us have a hard time finding proofs for all the stories presented, I have a wonderful idea. After each story, in Parenthesis, how about stating the proof for the facts presented, and where the proof can be located? At this late date, finding completely new facts concerning our colonial ancestors is interesting, and I want to go read/search that book, to find other new things.

If **Emma DICKEN**, in her book, *Terrell Genealogy* or **Virginia Lee HUTCHERSON Davis**, in her book, *Tidewater Virginia Families*, is wrong, why don't we all get together, and share that knowledge of the proof that proves they are in error.

We all know **Emma DICKEN** erred (we still pray that somewhere a marriage record exists) when she called **Elizabeth HARRISON** the legal wife of **John TERRELL**.

I seek proof that, **Jeptha's** wife **Obedience**, had the maiden name of **HOCKADAY**. It is all over the web, that the name is HOCKADAY, but no one will share the information of where I can find primary proof. If I am to claim the HOCKDAY lineage, I have to have an acceptable proof.

My line is William +Susannah; John Terrell and Elizabeth Harrison; Jeptha and Obedience (web says HOCKADAY, web says Obedience and Margaret sisters, web says Obedience's other name Margaretcan anybody give me primary proof?); Solomon & Amelia Spain ROBERTSON TERRELL; William Pitt TERRELL and Lucy JEFFRIES.

Reference: Terrell Genealogy by **Emma DICKEN**, and "Tidewater Virginia Families" by **Virginia Lee Hutcheson Davis**.

Terrell Genealogy can be borrowed/bought from The Terrell Society lending Library. I highly recommend it to others. This book is accepted as proof by DAR and Colonial Dames of the Seventeenth Century. It is in definite conflict with much of what is found on the web. If the book is wrong, please prove it to me! Just looking for proof for my lineage! #392 Betty Terrell Owens: BeTER77@aol.com

Am trying to find parents of **Esther TERREL** born at CT. Farms (now Union) NJ June 30 1753 and died there Dec 19 1818. She married **Jerimiah JAG-GERS** in 1775 and their daughter **Charity JAG-GERS** m **William THOMPSON** Aug 31 1801 and became my g-g-grandparents. I was so pleased to find your site. Thanks for any help you can give me. Sincerely, **Margaret C. Hunt: McHunt@aol.com**

Hi: I'm searching for the parents of **Susan TER-RELL**. She was born in 1816 in Bourbon, KY; she married **Dabo MC DOWELL** on June 1, 1837 in Ripley, Ind. The McDowells moved to Indiana shortly after Susan's birth. Do you, perhaps, have some info? I'd love to share info with you. **Bev Vorpahl: vorpahl@gte.net**

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To: <TERRELL-L@rootsweb.com>

Subject: [TERRELL] TERRAL surname - Descend-

ants of Edward Young TERRAL Sr.

Date: Thursday, August 24, 2000 8:38 PM

Would love to correspond with all spelling TER-**RALS.** Especially descendants of **Edward Young** TERRAL, Sr. These Terrals came out of South Carolina to Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas. I am not listing my file here as some time ago someone requested it and a short time after, they submitted it to a US GenWeb site with them taking ALL the credit for all that I put together! The nerve of some people!!! I do not mind sharing...at all! I just felt really violated that they posted a file that I was not even finished with, and they took all the credit, especially when we didn't even find a connection! I have a lot of proofs and sources if anyone is looking for a specific individual. I also have an unrelated Terrell line that I will post on later when I get back to working on it!!!! Thanks, **Beverly:** Nightphyre@aol.com Casper, WY:

From: Clyde & Sara Hackler

I am interested in the Terrell Roots. I have found a lot of information about my Terrell's but then get off on the wrong track. My Great Grandmother was Sarah Ann TERRELL in Knox County, KY. Her Dad was Esom TERRELL. Esom , Levi, & William had KY Land Grants in the Area. Sarah had a big hunk of Corbin, KY in her Farm etc. When I checked at the Knox County Court House, I was surprised how far her Land stretched out. I am assuming she inherited this Land from her Dad. I found a Marriage Bond for Sarah and William FLOYD. The Bond was signed by **Isom TERRELL**. I do not know of any Children that the Floyd's had together, even though there is a List. She then married Preston C. RAINS. They had the following Children; Charity Ellen RAINS Burk, Born 05-25-1876 and died 06-29-1916. Jennie RAINS born 01-07-1879 she died 02-01-1959. Rachel RAINS Skinner, and **Joseph RAINS**. Ellen was my Grandmother, and I

knew Aunt Jennie very well. Then Sarah Ann married Jim FORD, in Jellico, TN. They lived together three years and separated when she found out he was already married to someone else. He then left with his wife to be heard of no more. Jim FORD was the Father of Martin V. FORD in Clark Co. Ky. who passed away in 1961. Jim FORD raped Ellen RAINS while taking her to Wilton to the Dentist. She had my Father Bert FORD when she was 12 according to their Death Certificate information. My Dad Bert was born 12-28-1888. The Family hated this man.

The rest of the heirs are all familiar to the remainder of the Families. I just do not know about all the **FLOYD** children that **Sarah** was supposed to have had. There were reasons why on Aunt **Jennie RAINS** death certificate, her Granddaughter said her Dad was **Preston FLOYD** and her Mother **Sarah TERRELL**. She never married but had five wonderful children. I would love to follow on with the Terrell's. **Sarah Ford Hackler**, Bellingham, WA: **plastools@earthlink.net**

Editor's Note: To the casual observer, it would appear that the granddaughter confused the names of the two husbands listed above. It appears that she used the first name Preston (RAINS) and the last name (FLOYD) of the first husband. If she is accessible, I suggest that you ask her why. She may have a document to back up her statement. Death certificate information is less credible than other sources because the information is always given by someone other than the deceased and who may not have access to all the facts. *DFB*]

I am a Terrell. My father was **Johnny A. TER-RELL**; **Mother Fannie M. THOMAS Terrell**. My Grand Father **Frank TERRELL**; Grand Mother **Mary HART**, both are buried in Williamson, GA at Providence Baptist Church. I have 2 sisters, a lot of cousins, we know nothing about our family. any help would be great. {Thanks}

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Editor's Note: Subsequent e-mails have confirmed that this **Frank TERRELL** is descended from **Ignatius TERRELL** of Pike county GA & **John & Marian TERREL** of Henry county GA. *DFB*

My name is **Sally TERRAL** and I would like to correct a mistake in your children list for James Alexander TERRAL, Sr. (Samuel Heidelberg TER-RAL / James Stephens TERRAL, Sr / Edward Young TERRAL, Sr / Joshua TERRAL, Sr / Wil**liam TERRELL**). He only had one that lived passed childhood. This was my grandfather James Alexander TERRAL, Jr. Flora NEAL was his wife. He did have a sister that died in 1889 with their mother in a flu epidemic. We have been unable to get her name or find the graves. We do know that it was in Meridian, MS. Since it was an epidemic we feel they were buried very quickly and quietly with plans to go back later and put a headstone that never happened. My grandfather almost died from this. Because of this his growth was stunted and he was very short. He was very spoiled by all his Aunts and Uncles (poor little mother-less boy!). Since his father was so busy he was raised by servants and by staying with the different Aunts and Uncles.

This is what I have for J A TERRAL, Sr. born 29 August, 1860 in Quitman, Clarke, MS died 11 December, 1937 in Quitman, Clarke, MS. Married Maude MASSENGALE 16 January, 1885 in MS. Son of Samuel Heidelberg TERRAL and Mary Elizabeth MC LEOD. Married Ida "Miss Ida" WATSON 1893 in Nashville, Davidson, TN. She was born before 1873. They had Rufus Watson TERRAL who was Book Editor for the St Louis *Post-Dispatch* and wrote many books.

James (Mr. Jim) attended the University of Mississippi in Oxford where he was a member of the Beta Chapter of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity. He was a member of the Knights Templar and Hamasa Temple of the Shrine at Meridian MS where he was a thirty-second degree Mason and a member of the Knights of the Templer. He was the first Station Agent at Heidelberg, MS when the Northeastern Railroad was built there in 1882, and later Baggage Agent and Depot Master of the Queen and Crescent Railroad System in Meridian. He served for 3 terms as Mayor of Quitman. For 18 years he was cashier of the Bank of Quitman. "He was State Bank Examiner for the State of Mississippi." Was in the insurance business since 1918.

Maude MASSENGALE: born before 1871 and died 1889 in Meridian, Lauderdale, MS in flu epidemic. She was the daughter of George MASSENGALE and Martha MC GOWEN.

On my grandfather, James Alexander TERRAL, Jr., this is what I have: born 1 March, 1886 in Meridian, Lauderdale, MS died April, 1963 Quitman, Clarke, MS. Son of James Alexander TERRAL and Maude MASSENGSALE. Married 10 December, 1911 in Quitman, Clarke, MS Flora Matilda NEAL. Divorced 1925? . Married Rowena MC CURDY Ellis from Lockhart, TX

He and Flora had 2 children; Joseph Edward TERRAL (my father) and Maude TERRAL Lette I might have other things you don't on this branch. Please e-mail me at ymz4b@hotmail.com if you want more info or have any questions. I have really enjoyed reading all the info you have on our family.

What a great web site. I am new to a computer and just found your site today. I really enjoyed it. Thank you for all your hard work.

I am looking for a **Henry TERRELL** who married **Clara MORPHEW** in April 1904 at Muskogee, Indian Territory (now OK). That is all the information that I have.

I am also descended from the **SHIPP** family. I can go back for several generations and if we are on the same line I will be glad to share information. My g-g-grandfather was **John SHIPP**, the son of **Ambrose SHIPP**. son of **Martin SHIPP**.

I am visiting in OK now using my grandsons computer, my home address is **Papanmamalee@cs.com**. Will be here another week, until the 25 Feb. Then going to FL and AL for two weeks, then home. I would appreciate any information I can get and will exchange information. While in AL I will be going to Dale County. Their Court House has burned twice since the civil war, but I will be visiting there and also going to cemeteries. **Margaret Lee**

I am working on the TERRELL family and have a 431 page descendant chart of this family...The line I am working on left England, moved to Connecticut and one branch moved into Virginia. From all these names, I cannot figure for sure how to tie your line in with my TERRELSor even if they do tie in. Do you have any idea who is **William Jr. Terrell's** Father and Mother . Who did **William Jr.** marry?

The branch that I have done considerable work on is that of **Robert TERREL** and **Jane BALDWIN** born abt 1597 in Reading, Berkshire, England... I have emphasis on their sons **Robert** and **Richmond**

TERRELL born 17 Oct 1626 in Reading Bershire, England and died aft 1677 in New Kent County, Virginia. He had a son named **William** born 22 May 1649..If you interested in exchanging info or have any idea how your family might tie into this Terrell line. Thanks so much. **JeanCMcGee@aol.com**

Date: Wednesday, June 21, 2000 9:48 PM

Subject: TERRELL THEORY

Hi, I have been looking for the parents of my gr.-gr.-gr. grandmother for some time and now I think I have "stumbled" onto them by accident. I have no proof or documentation but want to get your input on whether it's possible: her name was **Gracie TERRELL**, born ca 1800, married to **William HILTON** around 1818 SC.

[TRAILS, p. 399 et seq.: **Richmond TERRELL** b. 1755 VA d. 02/13/1827 Lancaster county SC; m. **Catherine** _____?__ ca 1780; 5 children by 1790, 9 by 1800; apparently remarried at some point, by 1819 his wife's name is **Mary** on deeds. {Unless he has been confused with Richmond R. TERRELL below who m. Mary HOUGH in 1819.} 7 sons are named. 4 daughters are not named. One of these may have been **Grace**, but we have no record.

His first child, **Edward TERRELL** m. **Elizabeth MASSEY**, d/o **Thomas & Jane MASSEY**. They may have named a daughter **Gracy Sessions TER-RELL**. 3 sons are also named including **Dr. Edward TERRELL**, **Jr**.

Richmond's 4th child, **Richmond R. TERRELL** b. 1797 SC d. 01/./1873 in Lancaster Co. SC, m. **Mary** "**Polly" HOUGH** (1806--1887) in 1819; 14 children are listed.

Their 7th child, **Grace H. TERRELL** b. 10//1837, d. 1915; m. **William Beckham HILTON** (1834-<1900) 10 children listed between 1857 & 1875. There is no **Martha C. HILTON** listed. There is a **Margaret** and a **Miranda C.** No spouses are listed for these children. *DFB*]

Now a different line: **John MASSEY, Sr.** born 1744 & first wife **Johanna COOK**, had a daughter **Elizabeth MASSEY**, born ca1786, married Dr. **Ed TER-RELL**. Elizabeth and Ed had a daughter **Gracie Session TERRELL**, no other data on her.

Now back to the HILTON family, that **Grace & William HILTON** had a daughter, **Martha C. HILTON**, who married the half brother of **Elizabeth MASSEY** - **James MASSEY**; (his mother is the second wife of **John MASSEY**, **Sr.**); their son **John William MASSEY**, named one of his daughters **Grace Session MASSEY**!!!

Now if my theory is correct, then he would have named his daughter for his grandmother - **Grace Session TERRELL-Hilton**.

I know it seems very convoluted, but still, please let me know what you think. **Eleonore Crespo:** ejcsrac@flash.net

Editor's Note: Your onomastics (naming pattern studies) are headed in the right direction. However, in that era, it was common to give a girl **the full name-INCLUDING SURNAME** of her ancestor. If they adhered to that custom, **Grace Session MASSEY** was named for **Grace SESSION** -- **not Grace Session TERRELL**. It is possible that the mother of Gracie TERRELL was Grace SESSION, but I don't recall seeing anything to suggest that. Without dates on the MASSEY descendants, I cannot make a more educated guess. DFB

Thank you for sending me the information on the Terrell Assoc. I just received the marriage license of Mary TERRELL and Joseph FENTON from Garrard Co., Ky, dated 19 Feb 1802. She is the daughter of Henry TERRILL b. 24 Dec 1753 who married Susan PHILLIPS. I will be putting my line on the TERRELL-L ,shortly. Also, I am very interested in joining the Terrell Assoc. I understand I have a mistake in my line already and feel membership will help me get the "kinks" out. I will attempt to get my line on here, so you can see where I'm coming from. I understand I have at least one error on here----Richmond.

- 1. Richmond TERRELL
- 2. Timothy TERRELL b.1658 m. Elizabeth FOSTER
- 3. Robert TERRILL bapt 25 Dec. 1697 m. Mary FOSTER
- 4. **Robert TERRILL II** b. ca 1725 m. **Judith TOWLES**
- 5. **Henry TERRILL** b. 24 Dec. 1753 m. **Susan PHILLIPS**
- 6. Mary TERRILL b. ca 1780 m. Joseph FENTON
- 7. James Bluford FENTON b. ca 1811 m. Martha ELAM

- 8. William Thomas FENTON b. 20 Jan 1847 m. Nancy T. CAWVEY McMillan
- 9. Amanda Ella FENTON b. 25 Feb. 1873 m. James Clisby RIGGS
- 10. Bessie Helen RIGGS b. 18 Aug. 1901 m. Walter John HAMMER
- 11. Annella Marie HAMMER b. 08 Oct. 1937 m. Eugene Ralph BAUMANN

Mary FENTON came to Bond Co. IL.ca 1828, with her grown and nearly grown children. Her husband was later found in Ark with another wife and children. No one has determined, if a divorce took place or not. He was later found in Texas, with another wife and children. It is my understanding that Mary's grandfather, Robert TERRILL II was a Rev. War Soldier and I am looking for any and all proof of this. Also, if Timothy TERRELL is not the son of Richmond TERRELL—who is his father? I am also researching RIGGS, FENTON, CODY/CODAY/COADY, HAMMER and BUSHER Thanks again, Annella Baumann: ebxab73@gvc.ne

I am trying to obtain information on my Great-Great-Great-Great Grandmother, **Phebe TERRIL**. She was born around 1811 in Ontario. **Marg Graham-Trottman: mar-fra.trottman@sympatico.ca**

Thank you for all that great stuff! I've traced myself back to William THURRILL of Carolina at last. It took a while, since I insisted on doing it the hard way rather than just purchasing the book (ahem!). Anyhoo (as we say in Seattle- I was born there), I've found that Hannah SNELL (m. Oakes, son and g-son of succeeding Isaacs, son and gsons of succeeding Williams) traces back to the Mayflower IF you accept a common hoax perpetrated around 1900 that John ALDEN had a bastard son named Zacharia. Since my own sniffing suggested that bastard sons were not a hidden item in that time, the lack of paternal acknowledgment in the official record set my nose to twitching mightily. Indeed, there was something rotten in that direction. Now there are even web pages telling us about ancestral hoaxes. I've given you a bit of advertising with the MyFamily.com Tirrell cousins group. I made the mistake, however, of misadvertising my email address: It's TirrillM@myfamily.com I'd left off the M, so another lady will be getting my replies for a while.

I've loaded a ged.com file there, also available on Ancenstry.com, showing the straight line from the first William T to myself (I left my dear brother **William T** off, since I don't have his permission).

Now that my Tirrill line seems "down pat" I shall be spending more time on my wild Scots, who all seem to disappear around 1840. AND enjoy communing with my multitudinous cousins. Thank you for what you do for us all. Tirrill Leslie Mehana: TirrillM@myfamily.com; Tirrill@fcmail.com; Tirrill@welcometo.com; http://welcome.to/Tirrill

GEORGE TERRELL DESCENDANTS

Submitted by: Charles Stephen ("Steve") Shirah: Cshirah@aol.com

I plan to send in a membership application soon. These are my Terrell ancestors. The first one here, **George TERRELL** born about 1812 is the earliest one I have been able to trace.

Generation No. 1

George¹ TERRELL, Sr. was born about 1812 in South Carolina, and died unknown in AL. He married **Sarah UNKNOWN** in Unknown. She was born abt. 1817 in Unknown, and died Unknown in Unknown.

Notes for GEORGE TERRELL, SR.: Family page info is from 1850 Coosa County Census.

Children of George TERRELL and Sarah are:

- i. Francis² TERRELL, b. Abt. 1843.
- ii. Sarah TERRELL, b. Abt. 1845.
- 2. iii. **GEORGE W TERRELL**, b. June 10, 1848, AL; d. March 2, 1928, Chilton County, AL.
- iv. May TERRELL, b. 1850.

Generation No. 2

2. **George W**² **TERRELL** (George¹) was born June 10, 1848 in AL, and died March 2, 1928 in Chilton County, AL. He married **Sarah Matilda GUY** December 3, 1868 in COOSA County, AL, daughter of **James GUY & Candace Elizabeth**. She was born September 25, 1851, and died May 12, 1940 in Chilton County, AL.

George Washington TERRELL received a Confederate pension from the State of Alabama. He joined the Coosa County Militia in 1864 at the age of 16. As was the case with most all militia units the Coosa County Militia was combined with the regular Confederate Army. This is also indicated in George Terrell's pension records, however it is unknown what other unit they were attached to or in what engagements they may have participated. The Coosa County Historical Society has been contacted, however they do not even have a roster of the militia or any information on their service. This is not uncommon as many records of this type burned under various circumstances. There are some federal and state records containing George Terrell's name as a soldier in the militia.

Notes for **Sarah Matilda GUY**: Subj: Fw: Guy's of Coosa County; Date: 12/10/99 11:57:27 AM Eastern Standard Time. Children in next issue.

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