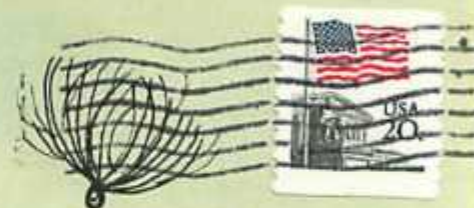


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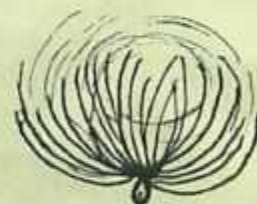
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According to professor John J. Waters, writing in the NEW ENGLAND HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL REGISTER: Among the names given to girls in the early 1700's were Charity, Desire, Experience, Frelove, Honor, Hope, and Mercy. Also used were the names Patience, Silence, Temperance, Thankful, and Tryal. Puritans believed names could inspire virtues. 'Virtue' names were not used as much for boys but some were called Return, Wait, or Waitstill. The 15 most popular names for boys were John, Daniel, Timothy, Jonathon, Ebenezer, Nathaniel, Josiah, Samuel, Joseph, Stephen, James, Thomas, David, Ichabod, and Benjamin. The top 15 for girls were Sarah, Mary, Elizabeth, Ann or Anne, Hannah, Abigail, Esther, Submit, Lydia, Susanna, Lucy, Ruth, Rebecca, Mindwell, and Mabel.

William Fine Coffey md. Priscilla Howard in Maury Co. TN in 1850. They started their family there with Jefferson b. 1852, Equilla b. 1855, Fountain b. 1857, William 1859 William (Willie) 1860, and Franklin P. b. 1862. When the conflict came William F. was made a Lieutenant in Co. B 48th Regt. (Voorhies) Tennessee Infantry. Records in the National Archives show only that he escaped from Fort Donelson in Feb. 1862. Franklin P. said later that when his father approached his home, sick or wounded, he was shot at his own gate by Yankees or bushwhackers in about 1864. Family and Friends offered to adopt different boys and Priscilla reasoned it out as follows: I can't give Jefferson away, he's my firstborn, I can't give Quill away he's the steady one. I can't give Franklin away, he's my baby. I can't give Fountain away, I can't give William away. Priscilla supported her brood by sewing and knitting and eventually took them to Farmersville in Collin Co. Texas. It was there Franklin married Molly E. Brewer and had a son Roy, who was the father of a girl, named Elizabeth. Elizabeth is now our new cousin, Betty Coffey Moody.

DEAR COUSIN:

We're still enjoying the glow from the convention and really looking forward to the next one. The convention was only one of the great strides made by our family in the last year. Others were the fine book by Bennie Loftin and now the one by Marvin Coffey. We also have to consider the continued growth of CCC new nother great stride. Our group is now truly a powerful, effective force used by a common interest. Let us flex our new muscle in the ways suggested by minutes in the following pages.

Cousins not in the category of great strides, but a significant success nevertheless: We have begun the indexing of CCC. As a matter of fact we have alphabetically indexed all of the 1981 issues for the 400 plus persons born with the bet's of Coffee or Coffey. It will take only a few hours to add those who married or descended from a Coffey and move on to the '82 and '83 issues. We are proud grateful to Bonnie and Jim Culley for showing us the tool that makes this possible at last. We should certainly have all of 81, 82, 83 indexed by years and be able to tell how to reproduce it in the most economical form.

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*Thomas, Thomas,
See you in Nashville,*

SPECIAL REPORTS

Cousin Tom

We have benefitted from MARVIN COFFEY'S sabbatical because it resulted in the publication of JAMES BLUFORD COFFEY His Ancestors And Descendants In America VOL 11. The title page adds 'Together with Information on Related and Some Unrelated Coffey Lines and the Related Families of Powell, Stapp, Graves, Mayfield, Wade, Cleveland, Lane, Dabney, and Others.' That is too modest for there is a great amount of data on all Coffee/y lines. Marvin gives due credit to all sources. A good number of the sources are CCC cousins. "But more are original documents that Marvin has evaluated unprejudiced by legend. This unbiased approach resulted in a major shock to one of the 'accepted facts' about the Coffeys in America. This is an important work for all interested in any Coffee/y family. You can add this 227 p. illustrated, hard bound, gold lettered volume to your library by sending \$20.00 (includes postage) to Marvin D. Coffey 1018 Clay Street, Ashland OR 97520

Do you remember Brenda Wood's suggestion to dedicate issues of CCC to selected county reports? Her motion was seconded. You therefore are invited to send data that you have collected that pertains to the selected area for a page in the December '84 CCC. If there is an overwhelming volume of material we will try to include that which is the most likely to be exclusive, unique, and not readily available at the standard sources. The first area reported will be: The original Green/Madison counties in Kentucky that later included Adair and Russell. Dig in your notes and see if you know something your cousins might not know, and send it in.

RUSSELL MARSHALL would like to have data on all persons who are reasonably sure their ancestry extends to Edward and Ann Powell Coffey. Russ plans to index and later computerize. He requests names, birthdates, maiden names, birthplaces etc. back to themselves. Russ will later publish data for all to use. Russ lives at 9357 Bruce Dr., Franklin, OH 45005.

CCC is getting its name on some mailing lists. We're pleased because it is a tribute to the fine work and enthusiasm of the membership. Among the mailings was 'a very special offer from' GENEALOGICAL PERIODICAL INDEX of Bowie Md. that lists surname periodical publishers. Another was from MICRO-ROOTS, a computer, family roots, genealogical journal. A third was from THE GOLD BUG that sells maps. If you would like a map of a certain Old World area or early maps of various U.S. areas, or postal and railroad guide listing old towns and settlements write for a list to the Gold Bug, P.O. Box 588 Alamo, CA 94507. Prices range from \$.75-5.00. The nicest letter of all came from the LIBRARY OF CONGRESS. Yes THE library of congress of the U.S.A. The meat of the letter appears elsewhere in this issue. Needless to say they are now supplied with the complete set of CCC and will be on OUR mailing list. So any of you whose life ambition has been to have his name appear in 'America's Library'—It's there. You and your findings are there.

Jim and Betty (James V. Coffey and Mrs. Robert H. Coffey) are working hard on the Nashville '85 plans. If you had a good time at Boone, You aint seen nothin' yet. Do your planning now for it will be time to go before you know it. That's the first weekend of May 1985 at Nashville Tennessee.

We derive great pleasure from the old 'County Histories' of the 1880's. In one hundred more years wouldn't your descendants get just as much value from a like project of today? If you think so we would like to invite compositions similar in style but on contemporary individuals who relate to the Coffee/y families. Perhaps, if you are young your subject could be your parents or grandparents. We're sure there are life stories you are as proud of as Betty Moody rightfully is of hers on the cover story. We have some very noted members now that will be covered.

WALKER J. COFFEY set the mood in Boone with this keynote address

We are gathered here today in this very first convention of the Coffey family. We are here because we care about our cousins. We made history and we want to record and preserve our part in it. From Boone's SIERRA ECHOES I quote. 'Happy is he who remembers his forefathers with pride, who with pleasure relates the stories of their deeds and then silently rejoicing, sees himself linked to the end of this good chain.'

Every one here would like to know just how we fit into this good chain. With names having dates and places, we are trying to find this answer. Cousin Len, the editor of our paper, Coffey Cousins Clearinghouse is trying to help us find the end of our chain. With more information sent to him by us, he can help us tremendously.

A look back, first to the 1790 census might help us understand where to look for our people. At this time in all of America there were just 44 families and 244 people named Coffey or Coffee. These people were located in these states: MASS 2, NY 4, PA 7, MD 2, VA 4, NC 21, and SC 4. So 25 of these families or 57% lived in the Carolinas.

Now all of us know that some significant things happened in the Carolinas between 1800 and 1850. There was a great migration to the west because: 1. The land wore out and the farmers could not make a living. 2. Vast areas of land became available in the states of KY, TN, AL, LA, and MS. So many Coffey families living in northwest NC migrated over the mountains to northeastern TN and southeastern KY. From there they moved on into central TN, and thence to northern AL, MS, and TX as well as from KY to IN. Others left southern NC and northern SC and came over the southern trail across GA to AL, on to LA MS and TX. I am not familiar with the movement of the families in PA and NY. Some Coffeys did go to CA in the 1849 gold rush and some came back.

In the 60 years that followed the 1790 census here is what happened. The 1850 census records these facts: KY-93 families, 30 in Russel County; TN-79 families, 23 in Grainger County and 10 in Bedford County; NC-47 in Caldwell County; GA-24; AL-21, 10 in Jackson County; TX-19; LA-19, 14 in Orleans Parish; MS-14; SC-6; AR-4. This is a total of nearly 400 families.

The Coffees in GA are descendants of Peter Coffee of Prince Edward County VA. One of his descendants was Genl John Coffee of 6A in the War of 1812. He is often confused with Genl John Coffee of TN who did so many wonderful deeds. Genl John Coffee of TN was also a descendant of Peter Coffee of VA.

The Coffees in AL came out of TN while the Coffeys in MS came out of southern NC via the southern trail. Some of the Coffeys in MS moved on to TX before the civil war because they did not believe the south should secede.

From what I have learned about the original Coffee or Coffey families in America a composite of a Coffee man would be one who was about 5 ft. 8 in. tall, weighed about 150 pounds, had blue eyes, a reddish complexion with sandy brown or more pronounced blondish hair. He would be a farmer, an honest man, a reliable man, who believed what he believed very strongly, with a quick fiery temper and one who is emotional. The Coffey women would be pronounced blonds, blue eyes, light complexion, pleasant face, loyal to their husbands, tireless driving workers, prolific bearers of children, married young because they were vivacious as well as pretty but had a short life span.

WELCOME OUR NEW COUSINS

AND THEIR ANCESTORS

MARIAN G. LACY	5800 Holmes; Kansa City, MO 64110	Charles Larkin(q)
DAVID N. STREETS	914 Holly Rd.; Black Mountain, NC 28711	Reuben (1759-1842)
BETSY BERRY	206 Shenandoah Rd.; Brandon, MS 39042	Hugh (1784-1861)
DR. NETTIE C. PARRETTE	Box 517; Robbinsville, NC 28771	
KERIN MAGDOVITZ	7290 Oak Run Dr.; Memphis, TN 38138	
EDWIN R. COFFEE	4104 Guilford Lane; Woodbridge, VA 22193	Larkin (b.1814 TN)
THELMA R. MATHIS	4714 Harvey Parkway; Oklahoma City, OK 73118	James Coffee
RUTH STUDER RR#1	Box 215; Lake Village, IN 46349	Martin(1762-1867)
RALPH WISWELL	707 E. Cherry St.; Duncanville, TX 75116	Joel (b. 1790 KY)
LESTER C. JONES	24716 Ave 95 RR1; Terra Bella, CA 93270	Martha Patsy
ELLOUISE LARSON	940 Sierra Dr.; Turlock, CA 95380	Martha Cleveland
BETTY COFFEY MOODY	Box 485; Childress, TX 79201	William F.(1830-65)
MARY A. HETHCOATT	Rt.2 Box 76; Burney, CA 96013	Beersheba C. Jones
RUTH L. HUFF	542 Waterloo Court; Bloomington, IN 47401	Reuben and Sally
MARGARET E. LYMAN	9075 S. 7th St. E. #227; Sandy, UT 84070	Joseph
MRS. GEORGE JOLLY	Rt. 2 Box 342; Hiddenite, NC 28636	Reuben and Sally
DELLA LEE MALONEY	6302 NW 34 St.; Bethany, OK 73008	Susie C. Burger
MARGARET DENNEY COFFEY	540 Palo Alto Ave.; Mountain View, CA 94041	Jasper Newton
RETURNING COUSIN		
RUBY P. BREWINGTON	301 Frey St.; Great Bend, KS 67530	John (1793-?)
ADDRESS CHANGES		
MARVIN D. COFFEY	1018 CLAY ST.; ASHLAND, OR 97520	
KENNETH R. FORTNER	P.O. Box 146 Winona, TX 75792	
SHIRLEY DAWSON	Rt. 17 Box 86; West Plains, MO 65775	
MELBA MC CASKILL	2527 W. Wadley; Midland, TX 79705	

BETSY BERRY and KERIN MAGDOVITZ are daughters of WALKER COFFEY. DR. PARRETTE is his sister. Mrs. JOLLY is EDITH VINES' cousin.

DEAD END ROADS

THELMA REEVES MATHIS calls our attention to the Coffee/y family reunions' held in Amarillo, TX and one at Ada, OK. The one at Ada is attended by descendants of a Lewis Coffee while the Texas people descend from Joel Coffey. Thelma's grandmother was b. in TN in 1828 and was the daughter of a James Coffee. But Thelma cannot find proof of a James with a daughter Elizabeth that matches her data among the many of that name in NC and TN areas.

BETTY MOODY, a new cousin is enthusiastically searching back issues of CCC for any information on Calvin Coffey who was b. in Adair Co. KY ca 1805. He married Elizabeth (Betsy) Fine b. AL ca 1809. Probably m. in TN? Who was Calvin's father?

DELLA MALONEY is a descendant of Lydia Burger b. 1819 and Timothy Pack of TN. Lydia was the daughter of John and Susie Coffee Burger. Who were Susie's parents?

MARTHA CLENDENIN welcomes any suggestions on how to further trace data on Nancy Coffee b. 1823 TN, and m. John Hicks. They had a son Benjamin b ca 1850 in Smith Co. TN and other children: S. Emanine, John W., Mary Delilah (Deed), Tom R., Wm. K., and Sitha J. in Henry Co. TN.

Beersheba Coffee married William Jones and had 14 children. No wonder we find so many Joneses, says MARY HETHCOATT. SKETCHES of RABUN CO. (6A) says Beersheba was the sister of General Edward Coffee who moved there from SC. Coffee and Jones bought land in Rabun Co. in 1821. To which family do these Coffees belong?

RUTH HUFF may be forced to write a book in self defense. She would like to get her husband's (Fred Huff) Coffeys untangled since they criss-cross all over the place. Fred comes from the line of Benjamin and Exa Saphronia Stepp. Their daughter m. David Allen. She feels that Exa may also be a Coffey from the family of Joshua Stepp/Stapp and Martha (Patsy) Coffey. Ruth says there are some generations yet to fill in before this is proved. (CCC note: see BRANCHES for more)

LESTER JONES indicates on his charts that Joshua Stapp (1688-1783) and Martha (Patsy) Coffey were the parents of Joshua, Jr. (1724-1814) who m. Hanna Durham. Joshua and Hanna had a daughter Lucy in 1750 who married John Wilhoit (Wilhite). The Wilhites were to be some of the early ones to leave the Old Dominion for the Bluegrass after their son Achilles was born in 1768. Achilles took Mary Ann Hall (Polly) as his bride. Their son John Wilhite was born in Woodford Co. Ky in 1796. Achilles died in KY in 1833 but Polly went to Montgomery Co. IN where she died in 1845 and her son John died in 1872. John and Charlotte (Charity Ann) had been parents of Lucinda Matilda Wilhite Jones who with her husband John W. died in Brown Co. KS. He in 1912, she in 1904. Their son Charles Wilford was b. in Mercer Co. IL in 1861 and died in Rock Island Co. in 1947. His son Clarence Grover was the father of our new cousin LESTER CHARLES JONES.

DOROTHY SHAMBLIN who has been a tireless researcher in many lines remains at an impasse beyond her Daniel Coffey, b. ca 1806 in NC. He first appears in the 1830 census of Rockingham Co. in 1830 with 1st wife ? and baby James. In 1840 same county he is shown with new wife Nancy and children James b. 1830, Robert b. 1833, Nancy R. b. 1835, and Pleasant b. 1840. In 1850 Daniel is in McMinn Co. TN with Nancy and additional children Matilda 1841, Delila 1843, Henrietta 1845. all b. in NC and Jeremiah 1847, and William H. 1848 b. in TN. Another Daniel Coffey was listed in Caldwell Co. NC in 1850. His wife was Clarissa and he is supposedly the son of William Coffey and Anna Boone. Strangely Dorothy's Daniel named children William and Anna but the NC Daniel did not. In McMinn Co. in 1860 the census shows the family now includes John 1851, Anna 1853, Sarah 1854, Isabelle 1855, Martha E. 1858. Not shown was Mattie b.-1860. Daniel d. in 1878, Nancy after 1880. Dorothy welcomes any data or speculation as to Daniel's ancestry.

Joseph Coffee drove a supply wagon for the colonists during the Revolution. There may have been a Joseph Jr. and a Joseph Sr b. in England. One of them md. Patience Tatum and they lived in Burlington NJ, later moving to Lancaster PA. Their children were Joseph Jr, Tom, and a daughter. The daughter married Thomas Logan and was the 4th gt. grandmother of MARGARET LYMAN.

ELLOUISE JACKSON LARSON gives her lineage: Henry Gillaspay Jackson b 1875 md. Emma May Rowcroft. Lucy Jane Gillaspay b. 1855 md. Asa Meeks Jackson. Robert Cleveland Gillaspay b. 1829 md. Angeline Mildred Hill. David Gillaspay b. 1781 md. Jane Brown. David Gillaspay b. 17__ md. Elizabeth Cleveland who was the daughter of John Cleveland and Coffee. Margeret is stopped there on the Gilaspays and Coffees but has more generations on her other lines. She enjoys historical reading and her lat-book was James' LIFE OF JACKSON which refers extensively to Gen. John Coffee of TN.

One might think that with the elusiveness and modest size of most Coffee/ys that perhaps they are the leprechauns of Irish legend. However Walker Coffey tells that General John Coffee of TN was an imposing figure of a man 6 feet 6 inches tall.

DEAD END ROADS (CONT)

Jeremiah Newton Henson was 7 years old when the 1850 census was taken. He was the son of Robert Henson of TN, then age 37. It appears they had come to Texas about 1839 from Alabama. Along with the Hensons in Titus Co. was the family of Joel Coffey. Joel was 60 then and had in his household 'Mrs. C.', 52; Cyrus 25; Nathan 21; John 10; Sarah 16; Adison 12; and Mary 8. Joel was b. KY the others in AL. Jerry Henson enlisted Co. E, 1st Battalion, (Stirmans Sharpshooters' of the Ark. Cavalry on 9 Oct 1861. He was captured then paroled on 13 Oct 1862. On 21 Apr 1863 he md. Sarah A. Coffey in Denton CO. TX. Cousin RALPH W13WELL is a descendant of this family and would appreciate any further information about them.

RUTH STUDER is asking for information on the children of Wm. Martin (b. 1838) and Rhoda Holt (b. 1835) Coffey of KY, Children included Wm. 1861, James 1864, Major 1865, John O'Neal 1867, and Thomas 1872. She is also interested in James b. 1818 and Patsy (Martha) Tucker Coffey of KY, and also good old Martin that 1. 1762-1867.

MARIAN LACY is doing the family genealogy and needs data on Charles Larking or Larkin Coffey who m. Cora Belle Tyler in MS in 1897-8.

THE MAIL BOX

J.C. and MARY took a little trip after the Boone Convention. They visited the area where the Thomas Coffey plantation was on the Yadkin River. Thomas was first laid to rest in the Hull Hill cemetery. Later his grandsons moved his remains to the Harper's Chapel cemetery. Both are near Paterson NC and are on the original plantation. Included were snaps of the stone and church that look just like any country churchyard anywhere. Mary says the Boone meeting with all of J.C.'s brothers in attendance kind of renewed he concept of 'family'. As a result they have organized their own reunion that will take place on 1 Sept. 1984 in Danville AL. They have really set this one up with computerized notices and invitations, video filming, genealogy, and entertainment by the STAR BOUND, a group of young Coffey family musicians. We can't wait to see the results of this reunion. CCC note: It does seem that there is a resurgent interest in family ties. In our own family, reunions that were nearly abandoned 10 years ago have enjoyed a renewed enthusiasm and are now well attended.

Librarians seem to attribute the increase in genealogical research to Alex Haley and the 'ROOTS' phenomenon. But we're not so sure the interest now is still just the holdover from 'ROOTS'. Do you?

Dorothy Coffee Walker inquires from Bx 42 RT 4; Muskogee, OK 74401 about her Coffees. Her grandfather was Joseph (Joe) G. Coffee of Wilburton, OK.

JEAN ROW has turned loose these additional tidbits from her 'NKC file:
A.) William Coffey is on a list of delinquents of the Lower Company of New Castle Hundred for the months of May, June 1779. (Delaware Archives Military Records Vol. IV pp 799,800). B.) William Coffee on a list of taxable inhabitants in New Castle Hundred for 1778 (New Castle Co. DE taxlists 1-17 1738-1783 Reel 923-924).
C.) Francis Rountree granted letters of administration on estate of William Coffee late of Newcastle Co. DE upon the renunciation of Alexander Portare, 8 Dec 1783 (Will and Adm index to 1900 L-1-396, Registrar of wills, Newcastle Co. Ct. Hs. DE.)

ELMER RENAUD is a grandson of Delia who was the daughter of John and Bridget Donnelly Coffey. Records found say Delia was b. 22 May. One shows 1852 the other 1854. She m. Louis Jean Marie Renaud in St. Louis in 1872. There were five children: Louis Tancrede b. 1873 St. Louis; William Achele Francois b. Chicago 1874; Mary Elizabeth Camilla Chicago 1876; Tancrede Theophile Chicago 1878; and Achille Aime b. Holyoke MA 1880. Delia was b. in Wheeling, WV but neither the Diocese nor the Genealogical Society of Wheeling can locate her there. Elmer has traced the Renauds to France and now would like to learn about the Coffeys in America and Ireland. Elmer's address is 4165 Kettler Rd.; St. Louis MO 63123.

DAVID H. STREETS says he's sure we are familiar with the family of Reuben Coffee the Revolutionary veteran. David descends from Sarah, daughter of Reuben who married Joseph Owens.

JACK WILLIAMS says he came to the Boone convention because he had never really got started on his Coffey connections. We hope Jack and his brother Frank had fun there because those around them did. (Jack is under the cowboy hat in the photos of last issue) He tells of a prior stay in Boone when he got into the library by mistake. While there he asked an employee if they had anything on the Coffeys. The reply was that between the Coffeys and the Graqs that was about all they did have. Maybe Jack (who signs as 1/2 Coffey) will Tet us have his story about a Coffey who disagreed with a witness at a trial and expressed it with a hand gun.

Loretta Fiebrandt, 1720 Santa Maria Pl.; Orlando Fl 32806 is interested in Amy Coffey who m. John Foley VA? ca 1741. They had Ursilla, John, Richard, Henry Elizabeth, and Hannah. 3s John Jr. the John Foley who m. Nancy Owens?

THE MAILBOX (CONT)

RUBY BUCK and the Mecklenburg, NC Genealogical Society tell us the residents of that county in 1850 included: James Coffey, farmer age 44, his wife Eliza age 37, and their children; Mary 20, Marqt. 18, James 13, Benjamin 9, Sarah 5, and Rufus 2. The Steele Creek Presbyterian Church Cemetery contains these COFFEYS in area 7FW: RUFUS A. 1848-1935; AMANDA A. wife of RUFUS 1848-1892. LAMAR ALEXANDER son of A. M. and R. A. COFFEY 1888-1889. CLAUDE, 1874-1910. JAMES S. age 23 died 1858. JAMES MORROW 1805-1893 born in Lancaster County SC. ELIZA AGNES 1809-1870 wife of J. M. COFFEY. In area 10BE are BENJAMIN M. 1842-1915 Co. H. 11th N.C. Reg. C.S.A. and LUCINDA ROBINSON 1849-1931 wife of Benj.

EDWIN R. COFFEE discovered us when he visited the NC archives in Raleigh on May 13. He could have made it to Boone the week before had he known about the convention. We hope Ed and his father plan to make Nashville in '85. Ed's dad is Virgil Oren. Virgil Oren Coffee has spent a lifetime in government service. He entered as a private in the Coast Artillery in 1935 and retired as an Army Major in 1956. His service included WW II and Korea. As a civilian he was with the AID mission in Saigon during the Tet Offensive. He now is retired (since '73) after duty with the Defense Nuclear Agency. Edwin is a supervisory archivist in the National Archives. He researches extensively in the Library of Congress, the Library of the DAR and in a branch library of the Mormon Church. Disappointed to see so few Coffees, he understands that we are really one family. He also has seen Coffes. One document had Coffee and Coffey both. (An indecisive clerk?). Ed. reminds us that there is a lot of Coffee/y data in THE DESCENDANTS OF ISRAEL BOONE by Alice H. Boone. For the cousins interested in Hugh Coffee there is A REED FAMILY IN AMERICA by Forrest Reed. It starts with a Hugh arriving in MD ca 1725 but moving to VA on the Cowpasture River in Augusta county. Getting back to the Boone family, THE DAILY POST ATHENIAN of Athens TN printed in 1969 the story of Jessie Boone. He was the first Boone in McMinn County. He moved from Coffey's Gap that was in Rowen County NC in 1790. Jessie's father was Israel Boone b.ca 1726 on the Yadkin River in NC. Israel died about 1756 and his wife died about the same time. This left his children to be raised by their Uncle Daniel. Jessie m. Sarah McMahan about 1772. He entered land in Burke Co. about 1777. About 1810 he went to Coffey's Gap and lived there until about 1823. He and his wife joined the Three Forks Baptist Church near present day Boone. Jessie d. in McMinn about 1829. Asbury M. Coffey and son, Israel Boone were executors of his will. The children were Jonathon 1774. Daniel 1776, Israel 1780, Sarah m. Jonathon Wilson, Hannah m. Smith Coffey, Anna m. William Coffey, Celia m. William (Buck) Graqq, and Rachel m. Marvil Coffey. The BOONE FAMILY by Hazel Atterbury Spraker is a well done history covering the family back to origins in England. It was published in 1922.

The meat of the letter from Peter Bridge is shown below



THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

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EXCHANGE AND GIFT DIVISION

Refer to: AC
July 24, 1984

Dear Mr. Coffey:

The publication noted below is needed for the collections of the Library of Congress. Would it be possible for you to present a copy to the Library?

Sincerely,

Peter H. Bridge
Chief

WILL DUNCAN and LEN COFFEY may yet find they are related through the mysterious James, Micajah, or Anis of Stokes county NC. That James seems a good candidate for a parent of Len's Lewis M. b. in 1798. He has found that James Coffee appears in records also involving a William Lewis family in the Dan River area. Wm. Lewis lived there. He was b. about 1748 and d. in 1793. One of his daughters was Nancy. James Coffee was bondsman when William's son Washington married, and executor for another son, William, Jr. in 1802. Lewis M. Coffey's first daughter was Nancy and his first son, James. A John Lewis was the bondsman for Lewis M. in Pulaski Co. Ky in 1818.

WILL DUNCAN needs to sort out a Hiram Coffee/y that apparently is not the Hiram that was a son of Ambrose. One of Will's latest inquiries is into the James Coffee of Jefferson Co. TN. His will of 1807 (it might be read as 1811) lists: son Robert and daughters Margaret Wier and Mary Smith, but no wife. Other material from Jefferson Co. shows a James Coffee m. Charity Murray in 1797, and in 1798 Leah Coffee m. Francis Hickman. Will is also looking to Guilford Co. NC. Guilford records include the wills of Joshua (d.1798) and John (d.1785). That Joshua must be the son of Peter I. (see CCC No. 12 p. 8) Could that John also be an unlisted son? Will has other material on these families, including a comparison he made between the census data for Susannah (widow of Peter I) and the Coffees of Stokes Co. Some interesting speculations possible. Willard also has a 'dream' of correlating data on this family from those who supply standard 5 generation charts to him. He feels he could then have a joint chart for study at Nashville in '85. You should contact Will to participate. He, however will be in the field in NC, NJ, VA, and elsewhere in late August and early September. It presses CCC to report all Will's findings for he fs most actively researching. CCC extends condolences to Will upon learning of the death of his brother 8 Aug 1984. George Wardell Duncan age 74 died in Cincinnati and was buried in Cambridge, Ohio. Also Will's daughter, Julie Wilber is recovering at home in Rochester, IN after surgery. Will assembled these notes from Quaker meetings in Virginia:

Fairfax Meeting in Louden Co.-John Coffee Jr. m. 1784 Rachel Pidgeon. in 1788 John and Rachel and two small ch., John and William gct South River monthly meeting. South River Meeting in Bedford Co.-Lists John and Rachel Coffee with ch. William, b. 1786, John b. 1787, Joseph b. 1789, Rachel b. 1791, Mary b. 1793. The story of this family continues in most typical pioneer fashion with their moves to OH, IN?, IA. It contains the marriage records of the children, deaths of the parents. If interested check the ENCYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN QUAKER GENEALOGY.

WE SEE IN THE PAPERS

THE BOONE FAMILY by Hazel A. Spraker (see Edwin Coffee p. 6) is a principal authority on the Boones through 11 generations. Ancestral lines are arranged to make forward or backward tracing easy. It is 707 pages, \$30. from Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore.

OLD KENTUCKY ENTRIES AND DEEDS by Jillson (1969,78) lists 45,000 entries dating from 1779 when it was Kentucky County of Virginia. It is 571 pages and also can ordered from Genealogical Publishing.

A great help to genealogists are the many publications of the Federal Government. Two of these are LETTERS FROM THE SECRETARY OF WAR, TRANSMITTING A REPORT OF THE NAMES, RANK, AND LINE OF EVERY PERSON PLACED ON THE PENSION LIST... (1820). And If you didn't choke on that title there is A CENSUS OF PENSIONERS FOR REVOLUTIONARY OR MILITARY SERVICES, WITH THEIR NAMES, AGES, AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE, AS RETURNED BY THE MARSHALLS OF THE SEVERAL JUDICIAL DISTRICTS, UNDER THE ACT FOR TAKING THE SIXTH CENSUS (1841). The above have recently been indexed. To find these and other similar works you can refer to A DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUE OF THE PUBLICATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES 1774-1881, by Ben Perley Poore. It was published in 1885 has 1392 pages and is indexed. One document referred to is IMPRESSMENT OF AMERICAN SEAMEN, by Sec. James Madison, 1805. This might yield names of some Coffee/ys who were lost ever after in U.S. records.

Perhaps it is timely to list in one place some works known to have Coffee/y data:

DESCENDENTS OF SALATHIEL COFFEY, 1800+ names	Mickey Dunqan	1978
THE COFFEY CLAN FROM 1690, 139 pps.	Frank R. Moore	1969
LIZZIE'S LEGACY AND OUR COFFEY COUSINS. 188 pps.	Bennie Coffey Loftin	1984
JAMES B. COFFEY, VOL II: ANCESTORS, 227 pps.	Marvin D. Coffey	1984
THE COFFEYS OF WAYNE COUNTY, 148 pps.	Jacqueline Coffey Sexton	1974
JOURNAL OF A JOURNEY, 145 pps.	WALKER JACKSON COFFEY	1980
THE CHESLEY COFFEY FAMILY, 18 pps.	Timothy E. Peterman	1981
THE COFFEY FAMILY OF CLINTON CO. PENNSYLVANIA, 19 pps.	W. D. Coffey, Sr	1981
THOMAS COFFEY AND HIS DESCENDANTS, about 100 pps.	Laurence H. Coffey	1931
LEWIS M. COFFEY AND HIS PIONEER FAMILY, 18 pps.	Leonard N. Coffey	1983

JUST UNDER THE WIRE

Jim Coffey, Chairman for the Nashville '85 convention, says the site has been virtually locked up. It is the Airport Ramada Inn, near the junction of I-65/I-24 in the southeast part of town. Rates are the same as in Boone. Please be doing your planning for we will likely be asking for your comitment in the Dec. CCC.

If you have read this far you have noticed something different about this CCC. Is the print smaller? No, not really; but the spaces between the lines are less. The new look enabled us to increase the amount of material by 30% without adding more pages or more postage. This issue is equal to 10 1/2 pages of the old CCC.

BRANCHES OFF THE TREE

W. LOREE MILLER feels that on the cousins lists she should be shown descended from both Mary and Chesley Coffee. She believes that Mary and Chesley Jr. were brother and sister. Loree may also have an indication that some of the Edward Coffey clan lived on Goulds Fork of the Pee Dee River area in SC. She has found no evidence that Chesley Jr. was in that area. John Gilbreath sold his land in the Greenville Dist. SC in 1795. He and Mary were parents of a son born there in 1792 and a daughter in 1794. The Gilbreaths were residents of KY after 1795. Their line:
Gen. I Mary Coffee b. 1758 Chesley Coffee b. 1755

John Gilbreath b. 1768 Margaret Baldwin b. ??

Gen. II James Gilbreath b. 1792 Gracie Coffee b. 1785
Betsy Baker b. 1798 Andrew Turnbow b. 1780

Gen. III Wm Henry Gilbreath b. 1823 Nancy L. Turnbow b. 1822
Nancy L. Turnbow b. 1822 Wm Henry Gilbreath b. 1823

Gen. IV John Chesley Gilbreath b. 1851 Gen. V Haywood Gustini Gilbreath b. 1894
Lucy C. Barbee b. 1855 Helen Kate Looney b. 1899

Gen. VI W. Loree Gilbreath b. 1915 married Fred Haskell Miller b. 1911.

Benjamin Coffey (ca 1790-1843); son of Reuben Coffey and Sally Scott. Prob. b. Burke Co. NC. m. ca 1817 Exa Saphronia Stepp. Prob. m. NC Their children were:
Jesse b. 1818 m. Lucinda Dorcas Burpo 1840 Morgan Co. IN, d. 1855 Gentry Co. MO.
Lawson H. b. 1820 m. 1. Mary A. Litten 1851 Monroe Co. IN 2. Eliza Campbell 1856. d. 1904
Nancy J. b. 1823 Monroe Co. IN m. David Allen 1842 Owen Co. IN d. 1866 Monroe co. IN
Matilda Catherine b. 1827 Monroe Co. IN m. 1. Elijah Miller 2. Calvin Denver Lyman (Laymon) d. 1917
William W. b. 1830 Monroe Co. IN m. Malinda Emeline Litten 1850 Monroe CO. IN d. 1865
Sally Ann b. 1832 Monroe Co. IN m. Kingston Litten 1849, m. 2. George Liggett/Luckett/Luggett, m. 3 Ira Graham, d. ??
Milton Hyatt b. 1835 Monroe Co. IN m. Cynthia J. Nicholas 1858, d. Gentry CO. MO 1915.
submitted by RUTH HUFF

Larkin Coffee b. ca 1814 in TN m. Amanda ?? b. ca 1825 KY. Their children were;
William E. (1846 TN-); James Anderson (1848 TX-1939) m. Mary J. Lane 1879.
Mary (1854 TX-) m. D. H. Fause 1879; George Washington (1856 TX-);
Larkin (1858 TX-); Sarah (1862 TX-); Ambrose L. (1863 TX-) m. Minnie Keeler.
James Andersgn Coffee b. 18 July 1848 at Peerless, Hopkins Co. TX, m. Mary J. Lane in 1871. They were both bur. Hugo, Choktaw Co. OK. He in 1939, she in 1943.
Their children, all born in Texas were: Georgia A. 1872 m. Martin Winterbauer;
Martha 1874 m. Erasmus Magee; Lizzie Belle 1877 m. Jesse Rogers; William A. 1879
Robert Lee 1882 m. Ida Vizant; James Carrol 1884 m. Lelia Jane Kendrick;
Mary Jane 1887 m. Henry Augusta Tooke; John Luther 1889; Eula H. 1892 m. Ross A. Herren; Amanda Ola 1894 m. Gerther Jones.
James Carrol Coffee b. 3 Aug 1884 m. Lelia Jane Kendrick in 1906 in Kiomichi Co. Choktaw Nation, Indian Territory. He died in Hot Springs AR 1962. She died in Albuquerque NM 1983. Their children, all born in Hugo, Choktaw, OK were:
Jefferson Davis 1907; Eula Mae 'Margaret' 1909; James Haskell 1911 m. Anna E. Luther; Virgil Oren 1913 m. Iva Fern Wingfield; Edwin Russell 1915 m. Wanda Margarete Dodds; Arneze 'Nadine' 1918.
Virgil Oren Coffee b. 5 Oct 1913 m. Iva Fern Wingfield 1938. Their children were born in CA, AZ, CO. and NM. They are:
Edwin Russell 1940; Iva Fern 1942; Virgil Oren, JR. 1946; Barbara Jean 1948;
Patricia Laverne 1949; Dale Scott 1954; Daniel Lee 1955.
Submitted by EDWIN R. COFFEY

Additional new cousins arriving at the last minute include;
LOIS SMITH Bx 4230 Estrelle RD.; San Miguel CA Matilda C. Fauset
LARRY GULLEY 703 Burwell St. Sparta, GA 31087 Sarah Coffey (widow)
Lois is a cousin of Will Duncan. Larry descends from the above Sarah who in 1850 lived in Washington Co. TN with children: William Crumwell, John Calvin, Rufus, Sarah Louisa, and Amanda and her husband James Underhill. Who had Sarah married?

Don't forget! Next issue is our Kentucky special. (See p.2)