



Dear Cousin,

In this issue are reports of American Indians as well as Jewish families bearing our name. We also have Cousin Cuffez in Belgium who feels that he is one of the Coffe e/y family. We welcome them all. In the U. S. there are black families tracing their roots. Some of them are Coffe e/ys. Some may have adopted the name; some may be true descendants. We are not aware of any blacks who may have contacted us, but we would welcome them as we do anyone searching for their first Coffe e/y ancestor in America. From the start we have been a group dedicated to telling the stories of all the Coffe e/y families of North America.

*Cousin Len*

Genealogical and Historical Records  
of the  
SEPT COBTHAIGH  
now COFFEY  
Collected and arranged by H. A. COFFEY  
for private distribution only  
DUBLIN: John O'Daly, 9 Anglesea Street, 1863

For the benefit of descendants of the grand old clan, who at one time, were the lords of nearly all the south of Ireland, descended, too, from Ith, of the royal family of Spain, and, through the female line, from the royal family of Gaul.

The first mention of the name in Irish history is Cobhthach Caelmbreagh (Caelmra), i.e., Coffey the Slender, of Bregia. From the time of this monarch, downwards, there are frequent references to princes, poets, and sages, bearing the name. Dr. O'Brien who published his dictionary at Paris in 1768, says there is not a single member of this sept occupying the position of gentleman; but it is a fact that a direct descendant of the Cobthaich, from whom the writer's family descends, possessed a most beautiful tract of the county of Kerry under the Mac Carthy More. They held this position from 1703 to 1753. The present generation have again come to the surface in various parts of the world and rank once more as men of position and station in the lands of O' Cobhthaigh. Generations have passed away and still the name has come down. Anglicised, as the language and circumstances of the country necessitated; but its identity has been preserved to the present hour. H. A. Coffey, Dublin, April 1863.

[From the Irish-English Dictionary, Paris, 1768]

Cobhach, stout, brave, valiant.

Cobhthach, victorious, hence it became the proper name of many of the Irish kings. It was the proper name of an Irish Chief, from whom the ancient family, called O' Cobhthaich, derive their name and descent. They were Dynasts or chief lords of the territories now called Barryroe, east and west, in the county of Cork. They were of the Lugadian race, which gave the name of Corca-Luighe to all the southwest parts of Cork (containing) the River Eilean, which forms the harbor of Baltimore.

WELCOME OUR NEW COUSINS

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AND THEIR ANCESTORS

Robert (NC ca 1814)  
Hugh (1784-1861)  
Rebecca C. Gault  
Larkin (1814)  
Nancy Agnes  
Jas-Hanna:R'ben  
Hugh (1784-1861)  
Caroline Celina  
James Daniel  
N. C. Coffey  
Benjamin  
Jesse-1798  
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Benjamin 1747-1834

A GENEALOGICAL HINT

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## CURRENTS IN THE STREAM

TRESSA NOLEN was on the way to join with sister LAURA "QUINCY" EASTMAN and attend the convention. But Tressa suffered eye problems and had to return home. We hope Tressa gets better and both can attend in '86 when it will be in Quincy's "back yard."

BOB and BENNIE LOFTIN were transferred from Texas to Oklahoma by Bob's employer, the USPS. They are busy remodeling an older home in McAlester, OK and disposing of their former home in Garland, TX. This made it impossible to attend Nashville -'85 but I'll bet we see them in Tulsa -'86.

Pamela Pence and her mother, **ILLAH MERRIMAN** flew in to Nashville. Pam is promoting the COFFEE-COFFEY reunion in Amarillo, Tx. She's the Secretary of the group and wants all Coffe e/y's to know they are welcome. They do a well organized reunion with emphasis on the family history. Pam's first draft of the announcement reveals that you should be at The First Christian Church 3001 **Wolplin** by 12:30 on August 11, 1985 for for the doin's. Better yet, come a day early to the Quality Inn for the pre-reunion visitation. If you need more info, write Pamela Pence, 3642 **Broadmead** Dr. Houston, TX 77025.

## DEAD END ROADS

MARILYN DASE is researching for her grandchildren's benefit. Their mother is descended from James Daniel Coffey, whose daughter, **Maude(1895-1920)** m. Noah Rudd(1891-1970). They all lived near **Salyersville** in Magoffin Co. KY. Maude and Noah were parents of **Madell(1911)**, **James Earl(1911)**, **Reva(1913)**, **Vernie(1916)**, **Mearle(1918)**, and **Ula(1919-20)**. James Daniel m. Rosie Belle Reed. Their children besides Maude were: **Henry(1892)**, **John B.(1897)**, and **Dewey(1899)**. Dave Coffey was age 33 in 1880. He had a James in the house. Could that James have been James **Daniel?**

LAVERNE GOOD PARSONS is the g-g-g-granddaughter of Caroline Selina Coffey.

Rancher, BECKY FARRAR, would like to know the parents of her Nancy Agnes Coffey b. 1795 Lancaster, SC. Nancy m. Samuel Caskey and was the mother of John Coffey Caskey b. 1814, Lancaster SC d. 1899, Florence, TX.

BETTY HAGEN is a new cousin wanting to explore the William **Gault/Rebecca** Coffey family. The Gaults lived in the NC-SC area. William d. in 1803 and Rebecca then moved to TN. (See also CCC #4 - P. 3)

CHARLES DOLAN WEBB is the son of Russell Terry **Webb(1889-1962)**. Russell's father was William Delbert Webb (1861-1880). His parents were James C. Webb (1832-1858) and Susan E. Coffey (1839-1925). James C. was the son of Tyre Webb and Margaret Coffey. Susan was the daughter of Cleveland Coffey and Susan Hayes who lived near Grandfather Mountain in NC. PAMELA C. WEBB would like additional information on these Coffeys.

Nina Helgerson, 3224 NE 32nd Drive, Lincoln City, OR 97367 is trying to locate Coffe e/y relative of the Taylor family of Missouri and **Campti**, LA.

Robert Coffee, age 46 is in the 1860 census for LacLede Co. MO. He was born in NC. His wife Maranda was 42, b. TN. Children were Sarah 18, b. TN, Elizabeth 18, b. TN, Margaret 13 b. IL, Marina 11, b. MO, **Celia** 9, b. MO, Sabo 7, b. MO. New cousin DAVE WILLHITE is the great grandson of Marina and would like to know more of his family.

8ETTY COFFEY is still looking for ROBERT H. COFFEY'S ancestors beyond John, b. Augusta Co. VA 1730 m. Susannan **Watson**. d. Lancaster Dist. SC.

## THE MAILBOX

From cousins VIRGIL COFFEE and PEGGY SWENSON and US NEWS AND WORLD REPORT we learn that the named publication has it's first new Editor in Chief since 1960. He is a Tennessean who grew up on Lookout Mountain. He is the son of a prominent attorney and the grandson of a U. S. Senator from Tennessee. Combining his studies of American and Roman history at the University of Virginia with wrestling and boxing, he now continues his athletics as a runner. He finished the New York Marathon of 26 miles. He is a desciple of his Alma Mater's founder, Thomas Jefferson. A journalist since 1968, starting with the WASHINGTON POST, he is 38 year old Shelby Coffey III.

(CCC received a personal note from Mr. Coffey on May 13. he thanked us for our congratulatory letter and said he would keep the Coffey Cousins and their conventions in mind.)

While we're discussing the media Liz Stevenson, classified advertising Sales Rep. of the Washington Post, 1150 15th St., N. W. Wash DC 20071 advises us of a special monthly genealogy page they began in 1984. It will cost about \$11.00 if you are in the metro Washington area, or about \$37.00 if outside, to place a notice or announcement. Your notice will reach over 2 million adult Sunday readers.

Homestead land in Michigan is selling for \$1.25 an acre! So read the news in 1839 in Marion, Ohio. John Coffee b. in Ireland in 1812 landed with his parents in Cumberland, Co. PA in 1815. They moved to Marion Ohio in 1834. The news enticed two good friends to be, John Coffee and Richmond Gooding to make a 250 mile hike through spring mud and rains to Grand Rapids, MI., sleeping on the ground, drinking from wagon ruts, hacking their own trail. Richmond bought 160 acres, John 80 acres. They built a cabin, planted a crop, hewed a road at the edge of western settlement then walked back to Ohio. Early in 1840, Richmond married Macy Lyon who had invited him to a square dance a year earlier. John married Richmond's sister, Jane Gooding. With their brides they returned to the Michigan farms by boat from Cleveland to Grand Haven then by ox wagon the remainder of the way. Today, John Charles Coffee, the son of John Charles Coffee, who is the son of John Ransom Coffee is an orchardist on those lands. The younger John Charles is our CCC cousin and the fourth John Coffee of the line. But not the last. His son, John Ransom, is now a junior at M. I. T. (from an article in North Press of Grand Rapids, MI)

DOROTHY SHAMBLIN has a new letterhead with every missive. The latest was "Old genealogists never die, They just lose their census." What Dorothy told us was that she is a descendant of Capt. Joseph Brant, the leader of the Six Nations. She spent an interesting afternoon in his old Council House at Oshwegan which is now a library. She was surprised to find Coffees in the Baptism Register there and feels there were and are full blooded Indians bearing the name. Names in the Register included: Lawrence Coffee, 1829, son of Thomas and Magdalene-Mohawk Tribe. Susannah, 1839, daughter of Thomas and Lydia Coffee-Mohawk Tribe. Thomas Coffee, 1849. Leah, 1843, daughter of Samuel and Sarah. John, 1843, son of Thomas and Catherine. Confirmed by Mohawk Church by Bishop of Toronto, 1848, Samuel Coffee, 22 Yrs. Sampson Coffee, 1846, son of Samuel and Sarah. On another excursion, Dorothy found that in 1870 in Sebastian, Co. AR there were Coffees: Albert 20 and Laura 17; Matilda 38 lived with Pistale?; Joseph 25 and Ellen 21.

Dorothy will be traveling again in July when Peace College of Raleigh, NC sponsors a workshop on the "North Carolina-Tennessee Connection" on the 12-14th.

WILL DUNCAN was on the road for 30 days, visited 30 people and logged 8000 miles, returning home in mid April. Among his finds were: 1. There are Jewish Coffeys in California including Rabbis. 2. More data on Hiram and Washington Coffee in Texas, Arkansas, and California. 3. Hiram's daughter, Matilda married a Fauset and had a son, Robert Thompson Fauset. Will visited with R. T. Fauset's daughter Louella who is 88. She possesses her grandmother's Testament that contains references to Monticello, KY and the 1834 Young Men's Bible Society of Cincinnati, OH. It was printed in 1837.

Other material found by Will, was a biographical account of a Caffee family founded by James Caffee of Virginia and his wife Charity Murray, m. in Jefferson Co. TN 1797. At times they were in Cocke Co. TN, KY, and McMinn Co. TN. Are these Coffe e/ys?

JOSEPH B. COFFEY is the manager of two canals near Blackfoot, ID. Since the snows were staying in the mountains so late this year, Shirley said the problem of leveling the waters might keep them away from Nashville. (It did)

The Genealogy Club of America says that the ancestry of Americans in 1979 showed about 50 million of German Ancestry. Followed by Irish, 44 million, English 39, African 16, Scottish 14, French 13, Spanish 12, Italian 10, American Indian 9, Polish 8, Dutch 7, Swedish 5, Norwegian 4, Russian 3, and Welsh 2.

DONALD R. COFFEY is president of Texas Drywall Supply, Inc. of Farmer's Branch, TX.

ANDRE' CUFFEZ would like the names of the people in the group photo at Boone in 1984. We intended to get help on these at Nashville but were carried away by other business. We can name 90% of them. Would appreciate a left to right naming from anyone who can name 100/.. We'll get it eventually, Andre'.

OBITUARY-Mrs. Margaret Henly, wife of J. B. Henly. was born in Fayette Co. TN October 15, 1815, and died in Ashley Co. AR, Nov 10, 1874. She was a sister of the Rev. Hugh Coffee, of Tennessee, and D. P. Coffee of Arkansas. In her youth she was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. After moving to Arkansas in 1858, she joined the M. E. Church. South. The husband and children remain.- A. B. WINFIELD. (Sent to us by Mr. P. R. Dafft, P. O. Box 121, Carrollton, TX 75006.)

Betty Steele, Rt. 1, Box 700, Grove. OK 74344 is a descendant of Keziah Coffee and Thomas Logan. Keziah was the daughter of Joseph Coffee and Patience Tatum; and the granddaughter of Joseph S. Coffee. Betty would like to correspond with someone also interested in this family.

ELIZABETH WELCH is another cousin battered on the American roadway. She is recovering and also is enjoying reading James Bluford Coffey, Vol II by MARVIN COFFEY.

Mary Stokes and Patricia Cooper would like to sell you a poster size set of "The ultimate family tree chart". It is an artistic drawing in browntones on parchment with colored stickers that you can assemble into an 11 generation display of roots and branches. The Roots chart is \$6.95 as is the Branches chart. Order 5 complete kits and its \$10.95, from: Genetics, 1660 NW Kline, Roseburg, OR 97470.

J. ASKEW COFFEY descends from Robert Walker Coffey(1871-1946); son of Harris H.(1814-1874). CCC also knows you can find him in JOURNAL OF A JOURNEY by WALKER JACKSON COFFEY.

JUNE COLWELL says she is new to family research and hopes to learn. We think she's doing fine. You'll find her work on page 8.

BRENDA WOOD remembers visiting Nashville about ten years ago. She saw The Hermitage and another nearby mansion with a portrait of Gen. John Coffee over the mantle. Was it the general's home? Brenda has evidence that her ancestor, Benjamin Skinner, was the overseer of the estate during the War of 1812. While The Ladies Hermitage Association could not confirm this, they did have a record of Skinner loaning money to a Donelson. Brenda commented, "Ha! They wanted information from me while I was asking them for data."

ROBERT C. COFFEY of California would like to trace his ancestry to John Coffey of Lenoir, NC. then to the uncle or nephews that founded COBH in County Cork, and then to Asher, seventh son of Jacob.

LEN COFFEY recommends The Lion of Ireland by Morgan Llewellyn. It is a story of Brian of Ireland, (941-1014). He was the force that for the first time, united Ireland's numerous kingdoms into a nation. It clarifies the attitudes, struggles, and beliefs of the Irish in their wars against each other and the invading Norsemen. And makes Robert C. Coffey's theories sound quite plausible.

WILL DUNCAN found records of Coffeys in Guilford Co. NC: Robert Thompson bequeathed in 1839 to his daughter, Levina Coffey, granddaughter, Zilpha Coffey and to Henry Coffey. John Coffee will, prob. 1785 mentioned sons, John, Michael, and Thomas. It also mentioned daughters, Elizabeth Milford, Nancy Bell, Sophia Baines, Sarah Beach, and Mary Dimon. James Davis will in 1831 listed wife, Sapphier, son Michael Coffey Davis, and daughter Jane Caffey.

MARGARET DENNEY COFFEY shares her recent letter from the Rev. BILL COFFEY of Australia. Bill says the Coffeys are a real Irish family, his having no English, Scottish, Welsh, or Continental blood. He continues with: "There are three distinct family groups today. 1. The Coffeys of Clonkeen near Lough Ree (a widening of the River Shannon) in the west of County Westmeath where the ancient tribal lands of the Coffey Clan are situated. My Coffeys of County Fermanagh seem to be of the same stock, as we are near the source of the Shannon and we are Church of Ireland, equivelant to the Episcopal Church in the USA. 2. The Coffeys of County Down centered around Kilkeel and are mostly fisherfolk. Billy Graham, the evangelist's grandfather was one of them. They are Presbyterian or belong to evangelical sects. 3. The Roman Catholic Coffeys are scattered over the south of Ireland, but we all have common characteristics. so I imagine that a thousand years ago we were all one. The family motto is 'Not by Prudence but by Victory' i.e. throw caution to the wind and go on and win."

LOREE GILBREATH MILLER enclosed the account of her **grandfather's** death on Sept. 21, **1894** in Dublin TX.: John Chesley Gilbreath was attempting to tie on a bale of cotton when he lost his balance and fell under the wagon. The team started and a wheel passed over his chest. There was about 2000 pounds on the **wagon**. The team went to the Live Oak Church and stopped. He was buried the next **day** at the Barbee graveyard, the funeral procession being a very long one. Mr. John Gilbreath was one of our very best citizens, a pioneer of Erath County. An ex-sheriff, he was one of the best, truest, most fearless officers Erath County ever had. Loree adds: John Chesley Gilbreath was born April 6, 1851 in Pope Co. AR. He was named for his great grandfathers John Gilbreath b. 1768 and Chesley Coffey, b. 1755. Loree's father Haywood (Hayward) "**Gustine**" was only six weeks old when his father died. Loree spent much time as a child with her grandmother, Lucy C. Barbee Gilbreath, whose father Jones Barbee gave the **land** for the cemetery. It is the resting place of Jones and Frances Lloyd Barbee, **William Henry** and Nancy Turnbow **Gilbreath**, and Nancy's mother, Gracie Coffey Turnbow, daughter of Chesley. The **Turnbows** and Gilbreaths moved to Erath Co. in 1855. Chesley Turnbow was the likely leader of the wagon train.

BETTY COFFEY (Mrs. Rob't H.) found these records.  
 Benjamin Coffey and Sally Waggoner m. 1830 Stokes Co. NC  
 Michael Coffey and Hannah Buck m. 1805 Stokes Co. NC  
 Peter Coffee came from Newgate prison to VA on the "Forward Galley" 1730.  
 William Coffee from **Newgate** to VA on "Duke of Cumberland" 1739  
 Osborn Coffey Sgt. of VA (1759-1840) m. Mary Nightingale. Amherst Co. VA  
 Peter Coffey, Pvt. of VA (1750-1803) m. Sarah Smith.  
 Edmund Coffey, age 21 m. **Tildy Fitzgerald**, spinster 1798 Amherst Co. VA  
 William Coffey Jr. m. Polly Rippetoe 1790 Amherst Co. VA.  
 William Coffey m. Betsey Giles 1800 Amherst Co. VA.  
 James Giles m. **Jemimah T. Coffey** 1797. Consent by **Winneyford** and Thomas Hays.  
 Thomas Hayes and Winneford Coffin 1792 Amherst Co. VA. Certificate says Winefred Coffy.

Thomas Coffey "was a blueblood who rode to hounds", in **Kilmacthomas**, Co. Waterford, Ireland. He made the mistake of marrying a "servant girl" from nearby **Tarrykilshoon**. Thomas was disowned and found it necessary to come to America to earn a living. Thomas and Julie (Hanley) with their baby, Mary, settled in Akron NY where he "found work as a gypsum miner. The family prospered with 11 more children. Then he died in 1890 at age 47 from "white lung" disease. Julie d. **1892**, age 46. Two of the children died in infancy, but the others survived from 1925 until the last, Bridget "Bess" died in 1960 at age 84. Karen White, 894 West Ferry, Buffalo, NY **14209** is a descendant and would like help as a novice genealogist in tracing her family.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS (CCC's BooBoos)

NOREVA and HERSCHEL SHARR are patient and forgiving cousins. CCC has botched their info three times and yet they stay with us. Herschel is a Coffey descendant. Noreva says the data by Jean Row and her "NKC" file (CCC #17 p. 6) is the family of her Great Aunt who married her **grandfather's** brother: The James and Mary Leeper Coffey family of PA. James and Mary had a son Thomas (1788-1852) m. Mary Jane Miller (1795-1857). Thomas' son Thomas Whitfield Coffey (b. 1824 TN) m. Mallissia Davison. Their daughter was Mary Miller Coffey (1858 Bedford Co., TN-1949 **Marshall** Co. TN) m. James Alexander Pope Neill. **Herschel's line** is of the Benjamin **Coffey/Saphronia** Step family which includes James Marion Coffey. (see CCC #13 p. 8). Noreva traces to the Neill's and Harris's.

COFFE E/Y CONVENTION - NASHVILLE 1985

If we were required to describe a Coff e/y Convention in three **words**, those words could only be, "Laid back fun". The reserve and formality of a "first timer" lasts only about a minute. After that he's "family". At Boone in 1984 we probably spent two hours on official business. I guess we're more efficient now, for at Nashville there could not have been more than an hour devoted to the necessities. Yet, in that hour, the 1985 site was selected, "officers" were "**elected**", the price of membership was altered, and the format of CCC revised, and **the** question of a "family association" was dispensed with once more. (We're a'gin it for now).

We remember the one-on-one **conversations** we enjoyed: Walker commenting on how nice it is to visit with "kin". Marcus telling of his varied career as warehouseman, postmaster, **author**. **Lori Okel** showing the photo of her home in Washington surrounded by majestic fir trees. **Clarence** telling of his work with the Tennessee Dept. of Conservation and of the elderly Coffey in Memphis who is a renowned authority and recorder of bird calls. When you come to the convention you find that apart from the genealogical **relationships** you are still meeting with vital, fascinating people. There were educators, nurses, archivists, bankers, a union president, engineers, executives, ex-military, state employees, and tax consultants. Some delightful, young video-game experts, and one dilapidated old **ex-trucker**.

When the 1986 Coffe e/y convention site was being proposed, thtrt were several locations in the running. As it turned out on the first vote, thtrt was a 20-20 tie between Richmond, VA and Tulsa, OK. The second round of voting selected Tulsa. One of the votes for Tulsa was Edith Foley's. Htr sisters that traveled with Edith from the Richmond area were most surprised for thty art all from near Richmond. Furthermore, it appears Edith will be in Hawaii that week. Edith had lots of good-natured flack after the vote, and probably was not allowed to forgtt her decision on the trip home.

When the cousins introduced themselves and thtir anctstors at tht bufftt wt learned that Ben Coffey is a descendant of Adam and Eve and thtir more recent descendant Reuben Coffey, b. 1759. His wife, Juanita, is also dtstndtd from these three. (CCC claims only the first two). Some time ago MARIE EASTON sent us a stack of file cards on Cofft t/ys that sht had collected and no longer applied to her area of search. We're happy to rtport to Marie that the cards were reveiwd by people at the convention and eventually all claimed for more examination, by various cousins,

We really missed those who did not make it to Nashville. Those who did make it were: Phyllis and Edwin Coffee, daughter, Deborah; Ed's parents, Iva and Virgil; Ethelyn and George Coffey; James V.; Betty (Mrs.R. H.); Jessie and Walktr, Juanita and Ben; Sadie and CT. "Click"; Eva and Cecil; Bonita and Clarence; Donna and Len: H. Marcus Coffey.

Also: Willard Israel, Laura and Don Spitler; Brenda and Ned Wood; sisters Lillian Harrell and Juanita Long; Kerin and Lawrence Magdovitz, children Beth Ann and Larry; Sarah and Tom Holland; Anne Konkle; sisters Edith Foley, Marit Ryals, Annt Brooks; Jack Williams; Bonnie and Jim Culley; Linda Allen; Lillian and Tom Neighbors; Illah Merriman and daughter Pamela Pence; Lorie Okel and mother, Marjorie Hector.

Also: Mary and Bob Reeves; Patsy and Don Nye. These four are the planning committee for the 1986 convention at TULSA, OKLAHOMA. They are energetic, outgoing people who volunteered themselves and Tulsa. Mary is editor of Tufsa Annals, for the Tulsa Genealogical Society. They are already working on the plans. Tulsa is their home court. You will receive details and be asked for a commitment earlier than ever. Her team has already revealed one novel touch to recognize the gotrs. We think the 1986 convention will be the best planned, ever. It remains scheduled for the first weekend in May.

BETTY JIM LEN

BELOW. TOP ROW: GEORGE, LILLIAN H., JUANITA L., TOM N., (H), (H), LEN, (H), (H), LORI, BRENDA.  
 SECOND ROW STANDING: MARIE, ETHELYN, ANNE B., PAM, BONITA, ILLAH, LILLIAN N., LINDA. CH), EDWIN.  
 FIRST ROW STANDING: LAURA, BETTY, BONNIE, ANNE K., EVA, JESSIE, SARAH, MARJORIE, IVA, PHYLLIS, VIRGIL.



KNEELING AT LEFT: JACK, JIM, CECIL, CLICK, WILLARD, WALKER, CLARENCE.

(H) = HIDDEN COUSIN

## BRANCHES OFF THE TREE

From Bible and Family Records Vol XIII, California DAR:

The Joel Coffee Bible: Births; Joel Coffee Dec 20, 1808, Martha Moore July 22, 1815, Stockard W. Coffee Sept. 16, 1838, Martha A. Howell April 4, 1850, Manerva A. Coffee July 28, 1871, John A. Coffee Sept 29, 1872, Jasper W. Coffee May 18, 1874, Henry J. Coffee Apr 17, 1876, Darthula A. Coffee Feb 7, 1879, Leatha M. Coffee Feb 2, 1883, Charles Stockard Coffee May 4, 1887.

Deaths: Joel Coffee ~~Julu~~ 31, 1848, Stockard Coffee Apr 7, 1917, Martha E. Wooten May 8, 1896, Martha A. Coffee Dec 14, 1935, Minerva E. Coffee Aug 14, 1871, John A. Coffee Aug 11, 1945.

Marriages: Joel Coffee and Martha E. Moore Feb 7, 1833, Stockard W. Coffee and Martha ~~Howell~~ Nov. 3, 1870.

Submitted by EDWIN COFFEE.

SARAH HOLLAND was b. in Myrtle, Ms, 6 Aug 1919. Her father was James Andrew Coffey(1887-1963). James A. was the son of Andrew Hugh (1856-1942) and Dora Lee Anderson(1863-1925). Andrew was the son of Andrew B. Coffey (1818-1884) and Harriet ~~Barry(1835- ? )~~. The parents of Andrew B. were Hugh Coffey b. 1784 d. 1861 and Margaret Walker b. 1789 and d. 1854, also the ancestors of Walker Jackson and J. Askew Coffey.

Elwood Gerald ~~Collwell~~ is the son of Charles Robert Colwell and May Essie Litten. Elwood and JUNE (RUDD) COLWELL have three children and 6 grandchildren. June supplied beautifully done charts showing the Colwells, Littens, Hughes, and Coffeys. Mae Essie Litten (1885-1926) wa's b. in MO. Her parents were David A. "Gus" Litten (1853-1936) and Mary Alice Hughes (1856-1931). Gus was the son of William Kingston "Kink" Litten (1824-1900) and Sarah "Sally" Ann Coffey (1831-1914). Sally was the daughter of Benjamin Reuben and Exa Saphronia Steppe. Benjamin Reuben was the son of Reuben Coffey and Sally Scott. June lists also the 8 children of William and Sally, the 8 children of Gus and Mary, and the 17 children of Jesse Coffey and Lucinda ~~Burpo~~. June can give you even more info on these pioneers of NC, IN, MO.

GLORIA CRAIL is the mother of six daughters and, herself, the daughter of Margery Audrey Pauley and Victor Pearl Cramer. ~~Margery(1904- )~~ is the daughter of James Abraham Pauley(1861-1943) and Rosa Etta ~~Coffey(1868-1920)~~. Rosa Etta is the daughter of James David Coffey (1837-1899) and Martha Jane Coffey (1841-1893). James was the son of Archelaus Coffey and Rachel ~~Wilson~~ and the grandson of James (1786-1869) and Hannah Alloway Strange (1790-1871). Martha Jane "was the daughter of ~~I som~~ Coffey and Martha Smock. She was the granddaughter of Reuben Coffey (1772-1851) and Naomi Hays (1778-1857); James Smock (1782-1872) and Rebecca Gibson (1791-1861).

In the 37 years that Gloria and Calvin ~~Craill~~ have been husband and wife, they have lived in six different cities in Iowa, and also in Indiana, Michigan, Texas, Missouri, and Illinois. But they have always been in Iowa for the census years and expect to be there in 1990. Future researchers should take note and warning. A lot can happen to a family in ten years that does not show in the census.

## AT THE VERY LAST MINUTE;

We received from Mr. John T. Coleman, '890 Foxcroft Trail, Marietta, GA 30067 a very exciting packet of material on Coffees of South Carolina and Rabun Co. GA. Mr. Coleman, sent copies of numerous documents mentioning his ancestors: Jesse Cleveland Coffee 1755?-1807 and Nancy?, » Cleveland Coffee 1775?-1843 and Martha Brown?, ) Nancy Coffee 1826-? and William Semore York, ) Martha Zenoba York and Andrew Jackson Justus, ) Delia Justus and John Creighton Howard, >) Ruby Zenoba Howard and Norman Coleman. He also reveals that ~~Barshaba~~ Coffee Jones (CCC tt 16, P. 4 and #15, P. 4) was the daughter of Jesse Cleveland Coffee. For more info see CCC #20 or write Mr. Coleman.

The memento for the convention was a natural finish, solid walnut placge with an engraved metal plate carrying the COFFEE-COFFEY names. There were nine extras left over. Attractive on the wall of the den or on the desk, these nine are available for \$7.50.

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