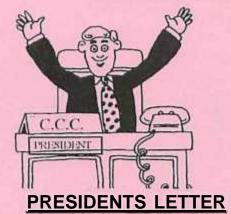


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Dear Cousins,

Jack and Nelda did a really good job of setting up our reunion in Baton Rouge this year and those who were not there missed meeting new cousins, as well. Only one couple now hold the record for not having missed a single reunion since they began and this was number 12!! Those people are out illustrious newsletter editor and her husband - Bonnie and Jim Culley more affectionately known as Bonnie and Clyde. No one had missed just one and there were about three who had missed only two. I happen to be one of those. How interesting it is to meet new cousins each year and see the enthusiasm evidenced in pouring over the various materials there for the looking - mostly brought by Bonnie.

Now, mark your calendars for April 25 - 28, 1996 and set your course for BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. A first timer for our reunion - Gail Bachman - offered to host us next year and already we have heard from her. She is into it and promises to set up a most interesting reunion for us. SO PLAN NOW—APRIL 25-28, 1996—BALTIMORE, MARYLAND.

Jeff

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Dear Cousins,

I can't thank Jack & Nelda Coffee enough for hosting the great convention in Baton Rouge. JeffCoffey kept things interesting for us again. Even the weather was good. It wonderful to be able to spend time with some of the cousins again and meet new ones I think family reunions are addictive. Once you meet and make friends, you want to see them as often as possible.

This has been a wonderful and busy quarter. I've heard from so many of you that some material will have to wait until next issue. This doesn't happen often. I have eliminated graphics to make space for family information and queries. Not as pretty, but lots of reading!

We don't know how Tom Veale from Irealnd heard of us, but we appreciate him sending the Co. Cork Baptism records that we will print next issue. (See box, next column.)

We have already heard from Gail Bachman concerning the '96 convention. This is going to be a great one.

I'm running a little behind. It has rained so much in Missouri. We came home from convention to water in the basement. We live on a hill, but the ground is so wet that anything that can leak, will! It's averaged almost a half inch of rain per day here in the month of May. I'm just getting my books unpacked. We'll probably wish that we had some of this rain "come July".

Hope you can find a little time for genealogy during the summer. Let me hear from you often.

Stannic

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Jack and Nelda Coffee, hosts of the '95 Convention Baton Rouge, Louisiana

NEXT ISSUE

Coffee & Coffey Baptismal Records from YOUGAL, Co. CORK, IRELAND St. Mary's Parish, Yougal. 1807 thru 1951. Sent to us by Tom Veale of Dublin, Ireland. We didn't get them in time for this issue but look forward to publishing these records.

Thanks to Tom Veale.

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New Cousins

* John Gray has researched his Coffey line to 1) Edward and Ann Powell Coffey, through 2) John and Jane Graves Coffey and 3) Reuben b. abt 1744 Spotsylvania Co. VA and d. abt. 1813 Burke Co. NC. He married Sarah (Sally) Scott on 10 Oct 1779 Albermarle Co. VA. 4) is son Jesse Coffey b. abt 1771 Burke Co. NC, d. 31 Jan 1840 Burke Co. NC. He married Margaret (Nancy) Edmiston. 5) is son Cleveland Coffey b. abt 1810 Wilkes Co. NC, d. abt. 1839 Wilkes Co. NC and married Susan Hayes b. abt 1813 Burke Co. NC, d. abt 1839 Grainger Co. TN. 6) Andrew Jackson Coffey b. 1 Dec 1833, Ashe Co. NC, d. 3 Dec 1903. Ozark Co. MO. He married Louisa Jane Hutchinson. 7) James Timp Coffey b. abt 1862 Ozark Co. MO, d. abt 1914 Ozark Co. MO and married Martha Jane Anderson. 8) William Wesley Coffey, b. 28 June 1886 Gainesville, Ozark Co. MO, d. 27 Feb 1930 Comerce, **OK and married Ida Florence Manning** on 1 Sept 1912 Ozark Co. MO. They had a daughter Frankie Melissa Coffey who married Orville Gray. Frankie and

Orville Gray are the parents of John Gray. John's address is in the new cousins list.

* James A. Wardley has researched his Coffey family line as follows: 1) Edward Coffey d. 1716, 2) John Coffey **1700-1775** and wife Jane Graves, 3) Thomas Coffey b. 7 Mar 1742, d. Apr 1825, m. Elizabeth Smith, 4) Smith Coffey b. abt 1776, d. 1841, m. Hannah Boone, 5) Morgan Coffey b. 1805, d. aft 1860, m. Elizabeth Day, 6) Hannah Coffev b. 6 Oct 1836, d. 29 Mar 1926, m. Joel Thompson, 7) Sarah Elizabeth Thompson, b. 22 May 1858, d. 24 Dec 1916, m. Conard Ervin Weaver, 8) Frank Alan Weaver b. 6 Mar 1883, d. 30 Nov 1936, m. Rilla Mae Hooper, 9) Ruth Elizabeth Weaver b. 27 Sept 1910, d. 25 Aug 1994, m. John Kenneth Wardley and is the mother of James A. Wardley. James' address is in the new cousin list.

* Marie C. Ryals is an old friend who just took a year off. She is descends from both Jesse and Reuben Coffey. contd. next page

* Carol Vande Voorde is a cousin who we are glad to welcome back. We have her ancestor listed as William Coffey who married Sarah Green.

* Glendon T. Johnson says that he is "stumped" in trying to finding the parents of his G. G. Grandfather Langston Coffey who was born 11 Aug 1807 in Adair Co. KY. He married Melvina (or Mervina) Coffey who is reputed to be his fourth cousin. She was born 22 Mar 1814 in Kentucky. Langston was in Simpson Co. KY in 1829 and was in southern Jackson Co., AL by the early 1830's. He was one of the earliest Postmasters of Langston (previously Coffeytown) Jackson Co. AL: owned land there and had 2 small children buried there. He and 3 brothers (cousins, uncles or relatives) moved to Titus Co. TX c.1845 - 1855. "History of Jackson County" (AL) by J. R. Kennamer, 1935, gives the following account in Chapter 31, page 174 entitled: "Coffeetown, Langston and Sand Mountain":

"Coffeetown took its name from four brothers who settled here after the Cherokee Indians were moved to the West in 1836-38. Their names were Brent, Hugh, John and Gig Coffee. All went to Texas before the Civil War.Langston Coffee was the first Postmaster, in 1845.....old cemetery, known as Coffeetown Cemetery no vestiges of a town to be seen at the present."

Glendon says that his family's history verifies that Langston, Brinton and Hugh Coffey were brothers, they came to Titus Co., TX c. 1850 and they and and Elizabeth Atwood Hutchings; their wives are buried in Morris Co., TX Frank Larned Coffey and Blanche Marie which in the 1850*s was part of the old Titus County. Glendon has only found 2 references to Langston's parentage east of the Mississippi River and they disagree on who Langston's parents

were.

in the Columbia, Adair Co. KY Library show Langston's parents as James (1774-1826) and Elizabeth (Coffey) Coffey (1871-). 2) Court House Probate Land Records of 1868/9in Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL show Langston as a legatee in Titus Co., TX, the son of Absolem Coffee who died intestate in 1848 in Jackson Co., AL. There was a 21 year delay in disposing of this land in Alabama. Langston's move west of the Mississippi River and the Civil War period would have made continued communication quite difficult. If you can help Glendon with his research, write him at the address listed above.

1) A collection of Family Group Sheets

* Joe Mosley descends from Ambrose Coffee 1762-1818, son of James and Elizabeth (Cleveland) Coffey. Joe then descends from Ambrose Coffee's daughter Elizabeth Coffee Jewell, who married George Washington Jewell. Joe says that he is interested in gathering materials on all twelve of Ambrose's children and is particularly interested to see the information and theories provided in a recent CCC issue by a descendant of Ambrose's daughter Alice. Joe's address is in the new cousins list.

* Arden Brame Jr. II's wife Patricia Louise (Verret) Brame is a descendant of Peter Coffee (d. 1771) and Susannah, via Capt. Joshua Coffey and Elisabeth Graves; Gen. John Coffey and Mary Donelson; Col. A. J. Coffey Elizabeth Pitard; Dorothy Pitard Coffey and Lee Joseph Verret (Patricia's parents). Patricia and Arden's address is in the new cousins list.

- * John Caffey was introduced to us by the Brame's. He descends from John Caffey (1729-1785 of Dorchester Co. and Guilford Co. NC and 1st wife, Sophia; John Caffey, Jr. (1752-1826), b. Dorchester Co., MD and d. Montgomery Co., AL; Charles Caffey (1789-post 1850) b. Guilford Co., NC, d. Montgomery Co. AL and his wife Nancy Lewis: Hooper Van Caffey (1832-1901) b. Montgomery Co. AL and d. ?Lockhar, TX m. 22 Dec. 1857 to Amy Pruitt Richardson: John William Madison Caffey (1860-1919) b. Florence, AL c. Greenville, Miss. - m. Mary Elizabeth Godby, 2 Dec. 1888 in Bastrop, TX: Oscar B. Caffey (1890-1938) b. Hemphill Prairie, TX and d. San Antonio, TX - m. Joyce Alice Carter 17, Sept. Shirley. The children are: Mary Jane b. 1916 at Uvalde, TX; Johnny Edgar Caffev b. 23 Mar 1924 at Long Beach, CA (father of John Caffey). Family tradition states that John Caffey (1729-1785) was the son of a Michael Caffey & Mary Hooper being the daughter of a Bishop Hooper of the Church of England VA; Jacob W. b. 4 June 1871; John (Ireland). John Caffey, Jr. (1752-1826) was a private in the Revolutionary War and m. Mary Buchanan - served in Dorchester Co. MD. The Caffey name is often spelled Coffey by transcribers of Dorchester Co., MD and Rockingham & Guilford Co.s, NC records. If you have any information on this family for John, his address is in the new cousins list.
- * Tom Coffey descends from Marvel Coffey and Rachel Boone who moved to Missouri in ca.1835 and settled in Maries Co. Rachel was the daughter of Jesse Boone and a sister of Jonathan Boone. We are not sure who Marvel's parents are but he was born in TN. Tom did a lot of research on this line when he was younger (he's 89). Research was harder to do then. (No copy machines, etc).

- * Marguerite Yates, Gail Bachman and Mary Ann Hiesiger are Bernie Coffey's cousins. This makes them descendants of Michael Coffey b. 1861. We met them at the convention in Baton Rouge where they became subscribers. Gail is going to host the convention in 1996.
- * Shirley E. Houk descends from Jesse C. Coffey b. 12 Jan1833 in Virginia. He died in the Dayton OH area. (Rumor is that he was murdered in Hamilton OH. He married Nancy F. Allen b. 6 June 1840 d. 30 Apr. 1915 in Tippecanoe City, OH. Their marriage & birth of their children are handwritten in their bible now in the possession of 18 June 1853; Joshua Elmo b. May 3, 1857, Staunton VA; Beatrice Ann b. 24 July 1860 (m. 1st David Roginson, 2nd ? Neely); William Garland b. 3 June **1862**; Nancy Elizabeth b. 21 May 1864; Allen F. b. 27 May 1866, Rockbridge Franklin b. 20 Apr. 1874 (m. Willie Windsor); Emily Susan b. 19 July 1878: James R. b. 22 Feb. 1881. Shirley descends from the second child, Joshua Elmo Coffey thru his daughter Edith. Joshua married Emma Breidenbaugh and died In 23 Oct. 1934 in Lima OH. Edith (Edythe was b. 27 June 1885 in Waverly, OH and is the grandmother of Shirley Houk. Shirley also send information on Allen F. Sherman Coffey who is the 6th child of Jesse C and Nancy (Allen) Coffey. He was b. 27 May 1866 Rockbridge Co. VA (Shirley thinks this should be Amherst VA) and d. 13 Apr. 1913 in Lima OH. He married Susan Virginia Hamilton b. 1875 Rockbridge Co. VA and d. Aug. 1912 in Lima, OH. Shirley has the list of children for this family. She would like to correspond with others working on this line. Her address is in the new cousins list.

CONVENTION 1995 - BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

Coffee/y conventions have always been a lot of fun and this years convention has been no exception. Jack and Nelda Coffee selected a very comfortable place for us to meet. Our hospitality room had plenty of space for visiting and research and our library is growing all of the time. We filled three tables to overflow with Coffee/Coffey books and related research materials.

We took a tour Nelda had planned and saw the historical side of Baton Rouge. We visited one of the earliest plantations in the area, the State Capital of Louisiana and had lunch at the University. The tour was fun but the food was exquisite.

The guest speaker was Virginia Rogers Smith, Chief Librarian of the Louisiana Section of the State Library

of Louisiana, Baton Rouge. Can you believe it? She is also a Coffey descendent. She gave us a very interesting lesson on what we needed to know to do genealogy research in Louisiana. We have added her library to our mailing list and hope that she will let us know how she descends from the Coffeys.

The banquet and meeting was chaired by Jeff Coffey (who knows how to keep us in line). Nelda Coffee recorded the minutes for Betty Coffey who could not attend because of her husbands illness. Existing officers are to be retained for another year. Of course one of the most important questions raised at the meeting is where we will meet in '96

and this year a new member, Gail Bachman, (Bernie Coffey's cousin) offered to host it in Baltimore, MD. April 26 - 28. Gail says that Baltimore is often called "Charm City". Jeff Coffey accepted Gail's invitation and we are now planning for next years convention. Door prizes were given: Afghan to Bernie Coffey, and Baskets of Louisiana products provided by Jack & Nelda Coffee to: Ellen Mohr, Willard Israel, David Mitcham, Thurman lanning and Gail Bachman.

The most important part of the convention is the friendships we develop. Those who attended this year are: Gail Bachman, Josie C. Brumley, Anna S. & Anita Cassell, Carol & Fifi Coffee, Edwin R. & Phyllis Coffee, Jack K., Nelda, & Chris Coffee, Virgil 0. & Iva Coffee, Bernard M. & Millie Coffey, James C. &

Marguerite Coffey, T. Jeff & Kitty Coffey, William J. (Bill) & Virginia Coffey, Reams & Virginia Goodloe, Mary Ann Hiesiger, Willard A. Israel, Glen & Mary Johnson, Bill & Kathryn Johnson, Thurman & Ruth lanning, Barbara Manning, Donald & Bernice Mathes, David, his wife, & baby Susanna Mitcham, Mr. & Mrs. Mitcham (David parents), Ellen Coffey Mohr, Tom & Lillian Neighbors, Charles & Pamela Webb, Marguerite Yates and our speaker Virginia Rogers Smith and her husband Doug Smith. Of course my husband Jim Culley and I (Bonnie) were there.



Oldest - Virgil Coffee & Youngest -Susanna Mitcham

SEE YOU IN BALTIMORE.!

CONVENTION 1995 - BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA



OBITUARIES

I. W. SANDERS Mr. Sanders died Feb. 16, 1994 and is the brother of **Elma** Sue Davis.

WILLIAM 0. DAVIS Mr. Davis died July 29, 1994. He is from Hickory Valley, TN and is the husband of your Coffey Cousin, Elma Sue Davis. We wish to extend our sympathy to Elma Sue and her family.

ROBERT W. JOHNSEY Mr. Johnsey, 78, a longtime Dallas resident, died Jan 16, 1995. He was born Mar 15, 1916 in Westminster, TX. Mr. Johnsey was an avid genealogist and member of several genealogy organizations. He is survived by his wife Fran Johnsey of Dallas, sisters Rena J. Banks, and Ruby J. Wright both of Brownwood TX. Mr. Johnsey was buried at Lauel Land Memorial Park, Dallas.

JOSEPH MONROW COFFEY Joseph Monrow Coffey was born 29 Jan. 1913 and died 31 Oct. 1994. He leaves one brother David Pinkney Coffey and a sister Edith Vines. We wish to express our sympathy to Edith and her family.

CLIFTON THOMAS COFFEY Clifton Thomas (C.T.) Coffey died in the Decatur General Hospital. He was born 1909 in Lawrence Co. AL. He is survived by his wife Sadie T. Coffey; two sons, Thomas Marlin Coffey of Birmingham & Bobby Martin Coffey of Kansas; one daughter, Kay Terry of Decatur; two brothers, Carl Coffey of Decatur; and one sister, Norean Roden of Moulton. Mr. Coffey was buried at Roselawn Cemetery.

NORMAN SHOCKLEY

Mr. Shockley died 30 Jan 1994. His wife Charline is a faithful Coffey genealogist researching Mr. Shockley's Coffey lineage. We offer our sympathy to Charline and her family

Dr. ROBERT J. COFFEY Dr. Robert J. Coffey, 86 a retired surgeon died Jan 26 in Georgetown University Medical Center where he served for 22 years as chairman of the department of surgery. His credits are much too long to list here, but his most famous patient was President Franklin D. Roosevelt when the battleship Iowa took the President to the allied summit conference in Tehran in 1944. Another of his patients was Vencent T. Lombard!, coach of the Green Bay Packers & Washington Redskins. Dr. Coffey a resident of Washington, was born in Elmira, NY. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Mary Catherine Mundell Coffey of Washington; four children, Christine Coffey Ryan of Bethesda, Anne Coffey Proctor of Chevy Chase, Joseph Mundell Coffev of Ardmore, PA, and Dr. Robert James Coffey Jr. of Nashville; a brother, Dr. Jerome Coffey of Hollywood, FL; a sister, Mary Alice Coffey of Elmira.

NEW ADDRESSES

* Vincent Terry Mobley, 1245 S. W. Goucher St., McNinnville, OR 97128

* Judity M. White, P.O. Box 630,

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* Cherry Jones, HCR 2 - Box 20-J, Medina, TX 78055

* Bennie Loftin, Rt. 1, Box 270, Kiowa, OK 74553-9727

* Virginia R. Smith, P.O. Box 517, St. Francisville, LA 70775

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DIVISION OF CORRECTIONS

* Joyce K. Evetts sent a correction for the March CCC issue 58, page 7. She descends from John Coffey (b. 1775, d. before **1816**). He is the one who married Esther Givens (1775-1850) in Lancaster District SC in 1793. This John is the son of Hugh Coffey (b. 1750) and Agnes Montgomery. John and Esther's four children are Agnes "Nancy", William Givens, Hugh Wiley and Samuel W. Coffey. The other John Coffey (b. 1752) is the

The other John Coffey (b. 1752) is the son of John Coffey and Susannah Watson and a brother of Hugh Coffey (b. 1750).

Joyce says that this is very confusing because of the habit of naming children after relatives, but according to their family information, the above is correct.

- * Charles Moreland wishes to comment on the story about Denzia Coffey in the March CCC issue 58, page 6. It seems that Frances Harding Endwright of Elletsville, Indiana researched this family years ago and insists that her name was Diniza. She thinks a typo was made by or to the Family History Library. Charles says that it sounds right to him!
 - * David L. Coffey writes that I made an error in listing his lineage. He lists it as 1) Edward; 2) John; 3) Edmund; 4) William; 5) Edmund Eff; 6) John Jack; 7) Charles Edward; 8) Edwin Horsley; 9) Charles Walker; 10) is David who's address is 122 Caldwell Dr., Oak Ridge, TN 37830-7738.
 - * Barbara Edmisten Manning says that I gave her gg grandfather Reuben Coffey a death date. (Issue 58, p3) Heaven knows where I arrived at this, as I can't find it now.

MAIL BOX

- * Dr. Wanita Bailey writes that she has been ill. We hope that she is feeling better by now.
- * Cherry Jones writes that she has just bought a new IBM compatible computer and **is** interested in selling her FISCHE reader. These readers are used to read **film** usually acquired from the Mormon Church Genealogy Section. If you are interested write her at HCR 2, Box 20-J, Medina, TX 78055.
- * We missed Bennie Loftin and her husband at convention because she had been called to Jury Duty. Bennie also wrote that her cousin Sarah Poff, daughter & grand daughter went down to Thorn Hill for the dedication service for the Colby Rucker marker. (Wish we could have been there. Ed.)
- * John Gray writes that he has a first cousin in Superior Arizona who's son grew up with Frank Crosswhites children. They didn't know that they were related until John joined Coffey Cousins. We need John to convince Frank Crosswhite to get back into research on his Coffey lines.
- * Wayne Mower said that he was unhappy that they couldn't make vacation time match with the convention. Jean would have loved to have time in the Louisiana libraries as her gggrandfather, William T. Coffee, lived in Mandeville and many of her cousins still live in the area. Wayne also offered to help cousins 'hung up' in Pennsylvania. He is concentrating on Cumberland, Franklin and York Co.s with his own family. Wayne & Jean live at 19 Ruby Dr., Claymont, DE 19703-1420.

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- * John Taylor says that it's hard to believe that it's been a year since the convention in Richmond and wishes to invite us back again sometime in the future. Richmond is in the process of building a new State Archives which will be conpleted in 96/97. He says that Mary Ann and Mark would love to have seen "all those happy and lucky Irish folk dancing in the streets and speaking Cajun French with an Irish accent"! (Congratulations on the new Mac computer.)
- * Carol Coffee wrote that he and Fifi had to sandwich the Coffee/y Convention in as he is supervising the printing of his book FROM TRACEDY TO TRIUMPH about the 66th Division's participation in World War II and Fifi was expecting family from Europe.
- * Marjorie **Smeltzer** Stevenot wrote that she has just returned from a two month stay in the hospital. She slipped on the stairs and fractured her femur. We hope that she has recuperated by now and appreciate her offer to send a list of some Northern Coffeys.
- * Connie **Platt** is spending her time lately cataloging and repairing books for the Oregon Genealogical Society. She ways that she just doesn't have time to read any of them. (Watch for Coffee/eys,OK!)
- * Anne Konkle had planned to bring her daughter Joan to the convention in Baton Rouge, but fate was not on her side. She had major surgery in December and is slowly recovering. Anne is a charter subscriber to CCC and one of the people who supported Leonard Coffey in it's founding. We hope to see Anne and her daughter at the 96 convention.

DEAD END ROADS

- * Mary Hethcoatt is researching her ancestor, Basheba Coffey Jones. Mary states that the Jesse Coffey born prior to 1755 was certainly her father. Information on this Jesse is very sketchy but other researchers show his parents as Edward Coffey Jr. and Grace Cleveland. This would make Jesse Coffey's grandparents Edward Coffey Sr. and Ann Powell. If you wish to correspond with Mary, her address is 38273 Hwy. 299, #15, Burney, CA 96013.
- * Robert D. Banks is looking for relatives of William B. and Mary Eliza**beth** Coffee who were ln Lockhart. Caldwell Co. TN for the 1850 census. William B. was the first merchant in Lockhart, and when the county was organized, he was the first County **Clerk.** They moved to Burnet Co. before the **1860** census and their son Albert Banks Coffee was born in 1859. Mary Elizabeth ran the family's General Store and served as Postmaster in the City of Burnet from 1871 until 1887. Albert Banks Coffee grew up to help run the store, served as Deputy Tax Assessor and Collector in Burnet, served as Deputy Clerk in the United States Court at Austin and was appointed a Texas Ranger, 1 Aug. 1879. He married Mattie Simmons and they had four children: Albert Preston b. 3 Jan 1885, d. 30 Dec. 1981: William B. b. Dec 1886, d. 12 Sept 1958; Sadie b. Jan **1890** and Arthur Bryan b. Feb. 1899, d. 1 Oct. 1932. Albert Banks Coffee died 2 Dec. 1933 at the home of his daughter and son-in-law Sadie and U.G. Hardison in Colorado City, TX and he was buried next day in Oak Wood Cemetery in Austin. Mary Elizabeth (Banks) Coffee died in Austin 16 Feb

- 1912 and is buried in 'The Old Burnet City cemetery. Robert (Bob) will be happy to exchange information with anyone having more current information. His address is 902 Whippoorwill Dr., Austin, TX 75551-1952.
- * Ramona Coffee writes that she and her husband William would like to hear from others working on the Peter Coffee line. Ramona is the mother of Jean Mower one of the very active researchers for this line. Ramona's address is 2842 East A. St., Torrington, WY 82240.
- * Grace Harry wants to hear from someone who has information on Ananias and Jane Hindman Coffey's son John David Coffey. Grace says that she has always thought that he was the father of Ananias Coffey who married Mary Skelton. She thought John David married Martha Gray in Indiana. John David Coffey fathered three children of which Ananias b. 29 Jan 1846 was the oldest. Here is the puzzle: The John that Grace thought was the father of Ananias (1846) lived on a farm in Indiana -Warrick Co. and disappeared before 1860 census leaving Martha and the children. The story Grace heard was that he went on a business trip and was never heard from again. — In the supplement to Marvin Coffey's book "James B. Coffey Vol II: Ancestors" pp.44, lists John David Coffey married 30 Nov. 1852 to Sereptia Chambers!! Grace would like to know if anyone has more information about him? Could this be the same person??? Grace says that she is a descendant of John David Coffey though his grandson James Thomas Coffey b. 7 Oct. 1876, d. 11 July 1942, and though grandson John D. Coffey b. 9 Aug. 1909 d. 31 Mar 1988. The last is Grace's father. If you can help Grace, her address is Rt. 1, Box 92K, Lamar IN 47550.

* Valerie Marlowe O'Loughlin is searching for information on the family of her great grandmother, Nancy Hanks Coffee Ragan. She was born Feb 10, 1857 in Stanford, Lincoln Co. KY and married Rev. John Godby Ragan on July 14, 1878. They moved around quite a bit and finally settled around Wheelerburg OH, where Nancy died on Oct 26, 1928. She is buried in Vanceburg, Lewis Co. KY. Nancy was the daughter of James and Martha (Tucker) Coffey. James was a farmer in Lincoln Co. and was probably born around 1819. Martha was a year younger and was also known as Patsy. Their other children were Henry I. b. 1850; Robert b. 1851; Milly b. 1854; Elizabeth b. 1862. Other children may have been Albert G. b. 1848 and George A. b. 1845. The last two follow James' listing in the 1870 Lincoln Co. KY census. Ages are also based on this census. If you can help Valerie, her address is 1763 Middletown-Eaton Rd.,

Middletown, OH 45042

- * Sue Chaffin is looking for information on the family of Martin Coffee who married Mary Bailey on 21 Sept. **1873 in** Ray Co. MO. If you can help Sue, her address is 1006 W. Taliaferro, Madill, OK 73446.
- * Timothy S. Stowell is researching the line of Smith Coffey, son of Thomas Coffey and Elizabeth Smith. He then descends through Smith and Hannah Boone Coffey's son John Morgan Coffey. John Morgan married Elizabeth Day. We have heard from Tim because of Anna Cassell. He has corresponded with her through e-mail. Tim would like to correspondwith others working on this line. His address is 4869 on this line. His address is 4869 on this line. His address is 4869 Hillsdale Cir., Chattanooga, TN 37416-1225 (see p. 3 James Wardley)

MARVIN'S MESSAGE

The following is corrections or additions to JAMES B. COFFEY, VOLUME II: **ANCESTORS, SUPPLEMENT** by Marvin D.. Coffey

1. p. 17 in book and p. 2 in supplement: It was William Moseley, not Edward for whom Edward Coffey was a servant in Essex Co., VA and whose will mentions Edward Coffey.

2. p.4 of Supplement: Virgil Coffee says that, concerning the first son of Cleveland (Joel William), William Coffey md. Elizabeth Ann Moore 12 Jan 1848 in Limestone Co. AL and produced John James Coffey in 1851 who md. Martha Virginia Epperson. However, I do not believe this William was the Joel William, son of Cleveland & b. 1807. It may be that he did not marry an Elizabeth Ann Moore, but he did marry an Elizabeth as shown in the Murray Co. census in 1850. He was listed here as Joel (as well as in other records I have seen) and his children were John W., 19; William H., 7; Andrew J., 5; Sarah, 3; and Lydia, 1. The William mentioned must be from another family. Anybody have any answers??

3. p. 11 of Supplement: bottom paragraph -James' 4th child, Marvel was md. ca. 1842, probably in Caldwell Co., NC.

NORTHERN LINES

Noreva J. Sharr not only descends from Edward and Ann (Powell) Coffey, but she also descends from James Coffey born in Chester Co., PA and died 20 Dec. 1836 in Bedford Co. TN. He married Mary Leeper on 5 April 1787 in Cumberland Co. PA. They moved to Bedford Co. TN with the families straddling the Bedford and Marshall County line through the years. James served in the Rev. War for PA. If you have in-

formation on this line write Noreva at PO. Box 770, Lucerne Valley, CA 92356-0770.

Bill and Virginia Coffey are also researching a Northern Coffey line. Bill's ancestor is David Coffey born 1820 and died 1821/23 in PA. David married Sarah Barnes. Bill & Virginia live at 709 Delaware Trl. Mercer, PA 16137.

BRAIN TEASER

Spencer T. Coffey sends us a question that will make us all get our books out and take another look at those records. It is as follows:

In Williamson Co. TN in 1802, John Coffey and Alexander Hamilton of Montgomery Co. sold part of a 640-acre tract, a military warrant previously granted to Henry Coffey by the state of NC. Henry had left this tract to "....John Coffey his son & his 4 sisters Ellender, (..?..), Mary & Elizabeth Coffey". Who was this Henry Coffey? A military warrant of 640 acres would seem to indicate officer status. "Reed Family in America" says Rev. War Capt. Henry, of Sumpter's Brigade, a son of John and Susannah, did move to TN, Davidson Co., but names only one child, daughter Margaret. Were there two Henry Coffee/eys, officers in the Revolutionary War?? or were these one and the same? Whom did the son John and his 4 sisters

marry? Spencer's address is 8220 Russell Rd., Oak Grove, MO

64075.

(Send CCC a copy of your answer too, please.)

CURRENTS IN THE STREAM

* Edic Cleveland and I (Bonnie) shared a table at a dinner party in February and discussed our genealogy. She has sent a copy of the Cleveland newsletter called Cleveland Family Chronicles Research Society, c/o Vikki Lyn Cleveland, 328 Vincent, Salem, IL 62881-1831. Vikki charges \$20 a year. The issue I have has 22 pages and is indexed. Cousins doing Cleveland research will find this newsletter very interesting.

* Myra Baker wishes to let us know that her research has changed her lineage as listed in the March issue of CCC. She says that she descends from Chesley Coffee Sr. through two of his sons, Nathan and Salathiel Coffee as Nathan's daughter married Salathiel's son Eli... Myra had originally thought her ancestor was Joel, but she now knows that he was the uncle.

* Virginia Smith says that she would like to correspond with anyone about: Nebuzaraden Coffey, 1831-1901 m. Anna Baxter. Nebuzaraden was the son of Willis Coffey, 1804-1896 m. Velota Haynes. Willis was the son of Eli and Mary Polly Coffey, son of Salathiel d. 1785. Virginia's address is PO. Box 517, St. Francisville, LA 70775.

* Margaret Welsch writes that she is happy that we publish our list of CC subscribers and identify who they are researching. She states: ''That gives us an opportunity to get in touch with our fellow 'Cousins'. There are several of them on the list who are researching my line — the brothers Salathiel and Nathan Coffey who are part of my family line from Chesley Coffey Sr. In fact, I am just now in touch with Dana Mireles because we have just found out

that we are both descendants of the same Barnes Clark and then I find we also have a Coffey relationship loo." Hopefully other Coffey Cousins will use the list in the same way Margaret has.

Keep up the good work!

* Bennie Loftin sent the obituary and lineage chart for Robert William Johnsey. His mother was 1) Ella C. Coffey b. 18 Jan. 1880, Collins Co. TX and d. 19 Sept. 1972 Eastland Co. TX. She married 22 DEC 1901 Collins Co. TX to Robert Lee Johnsey (1875-1936). Ella was the daughter of 2) James Perry Coffey b. 18 Jan. 1851 Casey Co. KY and d. 16 Jan. 1931 McKinnev Collins Co. TX. He married 8 DEC 1875 to Sarah Margaret Griffin (1854-1943). James Perry was the son of 3) Jesse P. Coffey Jr. b. 17 Mar 1823 Casey Co., KY, d. 5 Apr. 1906 Collins Co. TX. and married 27 Jun 1843 to Tabitha Cook Slaughter (1822-1909). Jesse P. was the son of 4) Colonel Jesse P. Coffev b. 26 May 1784 Amherst Co. VA, d. 18 July 1850 and married 15 Feb 1805 Puľaski Co. KY to Elizabeth Tabitha Riffe (1785-1842). Col. Jesse P. was the son of 5) Osborn Coffey b. 29 July 1759 Amherst Co. VA, d. 31 Mar 1840 Casey Co. KY and married 18 Feb. 1783 Amherst Co. VA to Mary Nightengale (1761-1847). Osborn was the son of William Coffey d. 1808 and Elizabeth (probably Osborn?). If you would like more information on this line, write to Bennie Loftin at Rt1, Box 270, Kiowa, OK 74553-9727.

Benie Loftin writes that the Hawkins
Co. TN has another publication, FAMI-LIES OF HAWKINS CO. It is a history of people who lived there. Bennie says that there is an error in the story about her family. It should read Nancy Hayes Coffey born in 1802 NC and died in Rockcastle Co. KY in 1874. Nancy's

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parents were Thomas and Sarah Hayes, both born in Virginia. The book is available from Hawkins Co. Genealogical & Historical Society, PO. Box 429, Rogersville, TN 37857.

HENRY E. COFFEY

Henry E. Coffey, 87 of Oak Park, IL, a musician & former Musical arranger for the "Don McNeill Breakfast Club" radio program, died 25 Jan 1994 in Hill Top Sanitarium in Lake Bluff. He graduated from Indiana University in 1928. A pianist, he was the music arranger with the popular Chicago radio program for 25 years. The program, which aired from 1933 to 1968, was the longest running nationwide radio program in history, He is survived by his wife, Martha; a son, Peter; a daughter, Janice Nieland. Extracted from the Chicago Tribune, Sat., Jan 29, 1994.

DOCUMENTS GALORE

Margaret Billing sent the following marriage records that she extracted from the Wilkes Co. Genealogical Society, Wilkes Co. NC. Vol. 16, #3 pg. 6, Fall issue 1982.

Cleveland Coffey m. 11 Feb 1795 to Jane Witherspoon

Wit. Thomas Coffey - Chas. Gordon CC James Coffey m. 30 Aug. 1794 to Sarah Coffey

Wit. George Hays - Chas. Gordon CC James x Coffey m. 31 Aug. 31 to Lilly Farguson

Wit. Moses Farguson - Wm. B. Lenior Joel x Coffey m. 22 Aug. 1793 to Jane Coffey

Wit. Benj. Coffey - Chas. Gordon CC John Coffey Jr. m. 3 Oct 1796 to Hannah Wilson Wit. Eli Coffey - Mary Gordon Levi Coffey m. 17 Aug. 1799 to Dolly Edmundson

Wit. Wm. Edmiston - Wm. B. Lenior Lewis x Coffey m. 10 Dec. 1795 to Bedunt Moore

Wit. Ambrose Coffey - Chas. Gordon William Coffey m. 3 July 1796 to Polly Coffey

Wit. Benj. Coffey - Chas. Gordon CC

William Johnson Auton found the following Coffey families which aren't listed in Marvin Coffey's book; so thought someone might be interested.

1850 Census Eagle Township,

LaSalle Co. IL

Name Timothy Coffey	<u>age</u> 39	<u>born</u> Ireland
Mary	40	Ireland
Catherine	14	NY
Maria	9	${f IL}$
Margaret	7	${f I\!L}$
Tomas	7	${f I\!L}$
Eliza	3	\mathbf{IL}
Timothy	1	IL

Tom Coffey of Vienna, MO gave me a letter that he had received from Isabel Kirchner, dated Dec. 19, 1973. It may add some supporting information for someone's line. I quote:

Cambria, Iowa Dec. 19, 1973

Dear friend,

First I want to thank you for the yard stick from Coffey's "Swap Shop" that you gave to Eddie Relph, a friend of ours, to give to us.

I was a Coffey and am anxious to know something of your family. Some few years ago we tried to do some research on our family. It was quite interesting. Our family lived near Terre Haute, Indiana. Then moved to Stonington Ill. where many of the family live in that area. My great grandfather, Newton Coffey lived near Stonington III. He was a Baptist Minister - a father of 13 children which my grandfather was the oldest. Benjamin Coe, my grandfather, had 4 children, 3 sons & one daughter all deceased. My grandfather, his brother Uncle Bill, and a sister Aunt Nan Williams finally moved to Iowa. All the Coffeys in this area are decendents of these three. Then another brother Uncle Cleve lived in Des Moines. The other original family stayed in Ill. near Stonington. My father Ophy lived on a farm near Cambria & Humeston area. There were 8 in our family. Each generation scatters to different areas. Just two of us remained in the region. I am very proud to be a Coffey, and to be raised in a good Christian home. Most of the Cousins in my dads generation have passed on.

We had snow last night with many school closings in this area. It would be a pleasure to hear from you and to know something of your family history. Mr. Relph said you were a very nice fellow to visit with.

As ever Isabel Kirchner

CLEVELAND COFFEY AND JESSE T. COFFEY by John Gray

Cleveland and Jesse T. Coffey were brothers, sons of Jesse and Margaret (Edmiston) Coffey. A 1844 land transaction involving heirs of Jesse Coffey in Ashe Co., NC, names Cleveland and Jesse T. Coffey of Grainger Co., TN as his sons. They came to Tennessee before the 1840 census was taken. Cleveland was a farmer and mechanic, he helped establish the Cedar Spring Baptist Church, near Thorn Hill, Grainger Co., TN, in 1846. Cleveland had more than one wife, the mother of

his first four children was Susan Hayes. His second or third wife was Malinda Coffey, married Nov. 11, 1839 in Grainger, Co. We know of five children. They moved back to North Carolina before the 1860 census. I think Malinda was the daughter of George and Margaret Rucker Coffey. Cleveland and Susan's children:

and Susan's children: 1. Andrew Jackson Coffey, born 1 Dec 1833 in Ashe Co. NC, died 3 Dec 1903 in Dugginsville, Ozark Co. MO and marriedlSept 1851 in Grainger Co. TN to Louisa Jane Hutchinson, the daughter of Jeremiah and Mary (Polly) (King) Hutchinson. They moved to Ozark Co. MO, in Nov. 1854, the journey took twenty-six days. He rented land for one year after his arrival in Ozark Co. MO, then lived on Little North Fork until the opening of the War. During the struggle between the North and South his family lived in Douglas and Webster counties. Andrew Jackson served in the Home Guard until the fall of 1861, when he joined Col. John S. Phelps' regiment of Six Months' troops and was stationed at Rolla, MO most of the time. At the end of his term of enlistment he served in the Missouri State Militia, after which he was in the Sixth Provisional Regiment until the spring of 1864, when he was detailed home to raise a corps, and in the fall of that year joined the Forty-sixth Missouri Infantry as second lieutenant of Company I, and was thereafter in Ozark Co. MO. He served as sheriff of Ozark Co., being appointed by the Gov-

He was elected to a 6 year term in March 1867. After serving as sheriff he was elected In 1873 to the Missouri State Legislature on the Democratic ticket and served on the Committees on Retrenchment and Reform, County Boundaries, etc. On March 16, 1867 Andrew Jackson Coffey applied for his

ernor to finish a term in May of 1865.

pension that he had earned because of his duty in the Civil War. The following is the statement that was listed as his qualification for pension. *That* while a member of the organization aforesaid, (Phelps regiment of Missouri **Vols** commanded by Capt. George Evans) Andrew Jackson Coffey was honorably discharged at Springfield, Missouri on the 12 day of May 1862; that his personal description **Is** as follows: age, **54 years;**height, 5 feet 9 inches; complexion, fair; hair, dark; eyes, black. That wile a member of the organization aforesaid, in the service and in the line of his duty, at Lebanon, in the state of Missouri, on or about the A. Susan J. Coffey, b. abt 1857 day of February **1862**, he from exposure on the march from Rolla to Springfield, MO was taken sick and left at Lebanon, MO, for 4 weeks with little hope of recovery - said fever or sickness resulted in spinal affection and con tin ued misery in right side near the b. 28 June 1886, Ozark Co. MO, kidneys which has continued to the present time. He was not treated in hospital. After his injury he is now fully three fourths disabled from obtaining his substance by manual labor, by reason of his injuries, above described, received, in the service of the *United States; and he therefore makes* this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the invalid pension roll of the United States. Andrew Jackson and Louisa had eight children. After Louisa's death he married Rachel Imes daughter of William and Mary Ann (Hutchinson) Imes on 11 Jan 1872. Rachel Imes was a niece of A. J. Coffey's other wife Louisa Hutchinson, but no blood kin to A. J. They had eleven children. In 1893 A. J. took for his wife Nancy (Hamilton) Tannehill, they had one child. This made a total of twenty children for Andrew Jackson Coffey. According to

Basil Coffey of **Pontiac**, MO. a grandson

of A. J., through Albert Coffey the son of A. J. and Rachel **Imes**, A. J. had a wife at the age of sixteen. The records do not show her name, but she died of a "spell" after seventeen days of mar**riage.** This made four wives for Andrew Jackson. In the 1850 census Andrew Jackson **is** seventeen and listed as living with James and Elizabeth McAnelly in Grainger Co. TN. I have researched this and I don't know how or why he is living with the McAnally's and there is no record indicating any relationship to A. J. The following are children of Andrew Jackson and Louisa Jane Hutchinson: B. Thomas J. Coffey, b. abt 1859 C. William W. Coffey, b. abt **1860** D. James Timp Coffey, b. abt **1864**, m. Martha Jane Anderson, d. abt. 1914. James & Martha had **11** children: a. William Wesley Coffey, d. 27 Feb 1930 bur. Commerce OK. **1st** wife- Dora Uption, died in child birth 1912. They had 1 child: 1. Rufus Timp Coffey, b. 21 Mar **1912.** d. 12 Nov. 1992 in Balckwell, OK. m. Flora Lay Second wife - Ida Florence Manning, b. **11 June** 1892 Cedar Gap, Wright Co. MO. d. 11 May 1958 Hominy, OK., **m.** 1 Sept 1912. They had 6 children: 1. Margie Pauline Coffey b. 12 May 1914, d. 29 Apr 1973, **m.** 15 June 1934 to James Ray Iness. They had 3 children: a) Sonny Edward Iness b. 9 Feb 1936 Marshall, Searcy Co. AR.

d. 29 Apr 1973

bur. Cleveland OK b.) Shiela Jean Iness. b. 6 June 1939 Prue, OK. m. 1st Charles Toothan, m.2nd Bob Cole. c.) Shirley June Iness, b. 10 Oct 1941 Pawhuska, OK m. Henry Elledge.

2. Franke Melissa Coffey,

b. 9 Oct 1916.

m. 12 Nov 1936

to Orville Houston Gray. They had 2 children:

> a. Johnnie Eugene Gray, b. 24 Mar 1939 Boston Pool, Osage Co. OK. m. Allene **Sharpnack**, **23** June 1961 Cleveland OK. **b.Jimmie Earl** Gray, b. 26 Sept 1942, Lake Charles, LA. m.1st. Patricia Ann Ellis in Oklahoma City, OK. m.2nd Deborah J. Keeling, 1 Sept 1973 Oologah, OK.

3. Virgil Coffey, b. 25 Sept 1919,

d. 22 Sept 1944.

m. Dolly Cravens, 4 Mar 1939. They had 1 child born after the death of Virgil Coffey.

a. Linda Kay Coffey, b. 25 Dec 1944 m. Jim Huben.

4. Lucille Coffey, b. 15 Feb 1922.

m. James Bailey, 28 Aug 1941.

They had 2 children:

a. Barbara Bailey, b. 17 Aug 1942,

m. Frank Nancarrow.

b. Susan Bailey,

b. **8 Oct** 1951

m. Paul Medlock

5. Eugene Willis Coffey,

b. 2 Feb 1925.

m. Betty Delonas, 28 May 1949.

They had 2 children:

a.) Vickie Elaine Coffey,

b. 27 Nov 1950 m. Keith Reagan.

b.) Elizabeth Gene Coffey,

b. **2 Dec** 1955

m. Dandy Pierce.

6. LaVerne Coffey,

b. 5 Apr 1926, d. 17 Mar 1965. **m.** Virgil Biggs, **11** Sept 1944.

b.) **Alta** Coffey b. 1888, m. Orr Carr.

c.) Delphia Coffey, b. 15 June 1889,

d. 16 Oct 1984. m.Will **Meade.**

d.) Walter Coffey, b. abt. 1892. m. Ethel

e.) Dorothy Coffey, b. abt. 1896. m. Lee Mayfield.

f.) H. A. Coffey, b. abt 1900.

m. Mildred

g.) **Oma** Coffey, b. 19 Dec 1901,

d. 24 July 1988, m. Dewey Payne.

h). Fronia Coffey, b. 20 Mar 1904,

d. **21** July 1986,

m. Carl Hancock on 11 Mar 1929.

i.) Arizona Coffey, b. abt 1906. Her dress caught fire and she died from the flames at 3 years of age.

j.) Marlon Coffey, b. abt 1908, d. 17 Sept 1964, **m.** Lou

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The Coffee-Coffey Reunion in Texas More Dead End Roads

'The Coffee-Coffey Reunion Association announces it's 59th annual reunion to be held on Aug. 13, 1995 at 12:30 pm at the First Christian Church, 3001 Wolflin, Amarillo, TX. This years special family outing is in the planning which is expected to include an afternoon trip to Cal Farley's Boys' Ranch near Amarillo. A cowboy breakfast is also being planned. For more information, write Lyne Tumlinson McElroy, 2501 Allison, Lawrence, KS 66046.

* Joe Carroll is seeking information, parents or siblings of Eliza Coffee, born c1821 in TN, who was the second wife of Wyatt Walker (b.29 Aug 1805 in New Kent Co. VA; d. 12 Sept 1889 in Maury Co. TN). They had eight children; Frances P, b. c1852; John Riley, b.1Jan 1854; Josephine P., b. c1855; Rebecca, b. c1857; Alexander Franklin, b 12 Apr 1859; Sarah, b. c1861; Para Lee, b. c1863; and Margaret Eliza, b. 15 July 1864. If you can help Joe, his adress is 465 Sunset Terrace, Cedar park, TX 78613.