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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *(written in July)*

Dear Cousins,

I am still enjoying the memories of our reunion in Calgary. Donna certainly did a wonderful job. Shame on those of you who missed this experience.

Now, don't let it happen to you again next year. Make your plans NOW to attend the reunion being put together for us in EUGENE, OREGON by Ruth and Thurman Lanning. It promises to be another good one and our first on the West coast. Mark your calendars NOW for May 28-30 IN EUGENE OREGON.

We have an offer already for the next year (1999) and your Executive Committee (President, Secretary & Editor) have assumed the responsibility and accepted the invitation of Harold Butz and Darlene Clark to meet in IOWA in 1999. They are working on it and we will give more details later.

Now we want you to be thinking about *inviting* us to your *baillwack* in 2000. More and more we have been finding that a year is not enough time to have some options as to when and what hotel/motel we can use. Many reunions, conventions, etc. are scheduled so far ahead it becomes difficult to do things where and when we want.

This is one reason for sliding the date in 1998 to the last of May. SO - BE THINKING ABOUT IT AND BRING YOUR INVITATION FOR 2000 TO THE 1998 REUNION IN EUGENE, OREGON. THINK OREGON - MAY 28 - 30, 1998

Cousin Jeff

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Dear Cousins,

I can't believe that summer is over already. It has passed so very fast. There are a lot of things I would like to write but only room for a little.

Jim and I want to express our condolences to Jeff Coffey and his family. We will certainly miss Kitti as will all who knew her. Then I want to thank Bernie and Millie Coffey for sending material so we could print the obituary. They were able to attend the graveside services.

Our thanks goes to Jack Coffee who is offering several services. We will print a few pages of his computer Data Base each issue. It should be a great reference base for Coffee/ey material. He also has a Web Page that attracts new Coffee/ey researchers and now he is even putting some of your queries on the web. This will create a broader audience to our query page - so get our queries in. You won't have to have a computer, Jack is doing it for you!

I have finally selected "the computer of my dreams" and it is a MAC 3400 laptop and will run PC software. I do have email now and my address is BCuley@AOL.COM. (Note spelling of Culley - only one I.) Case is not important. If all those with email addresses will send them, I will print a list in the next issue.

Always remember that each of your efforts is important to the whole. It is amazing how much has been accomplished in Coffee/ey research because so many has shared their work. Each little piece makes a difference.

Don't forget to make your plans to attend the convention in Oregon, May 28-30, 1998.

Your cousin,

Bonnie Culley



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Bennie gave Roy our address. We hope he will send his lineage for the next issue. Address in the new cousins list.

*Cheryl Harris says that her mother was a CCC subscriber several years ago and she thought we were gone by now. She's having no luck finding Coffey relatives back further than late 1800's but is starting to look seriously at census, etc. Cheryl will send her lineage later. Her address is in the new cousins list and email is CHarris575@aol.com

*Robert H. Isbell, D.D.S. is researching his wife's Coffee/ey family. He would like information on Horatio Roberts Coffee and his wife Juliet M. and their siblings. Horatio was b. 5 Oct. 1794 in Maryland, d. 24 Oct. 1877. Juliet M. was born 6 Oct. 1804 in Virginia and both are buried in the Raleigh Cem. Salem Co. IL. Their children are: 1) Adaline (b. 1826 m. Wm Burkhart), 2) James C. (b. 14 Feb 1828, d. 1 May 1897, m. Matilda Hamilton), 3) Allen B. (b. 13 Jan 1830, d. 15 May 1907, m. #1 Harriett M. Grimes, #2 Sarah M Leech), 4) George (31 Jan 1831, d. 4 Dec 1906, m. Nancy J. Simmons), 5) Susan Darcus (b. 1834, m. John Heathman), 6) Sarah E. (b. 1834, m. Alexander Hunt), 7) Richard M. (b. 1839, d. 1918, m. Mary Catherine Upchurch), 8) Robert A. (b. 1841, m. #1 Mary C. Upchurch, #2 Nancy J. Moore), 9) Clara E. (b. 1848, m. James E., Barnes). Robert has a note on this family sheet: "If the marriage records and Cem records are correct, Robert A. first married Mary C. Upchurch, They apparently divorced and she married his brother Richard M. and is buried with him." Robert's Norma descends from the oldest son James C & Matilda Coffee, then through their son George and Amanda J. Abney Coffey and their son Otto and Edna Ruth Ziles Coffey, who died in Stoddard Co. MO where Norma Imogene was

born. If you can help Robert & Norma with this line, write them at 230 North Catalpa, Dexter, MO 63841.

*Susan Hammond is researching William and Emma (Mesley) Coffey for her daughter, Wm.'s g-g-g-granddaughter. Susan says: "William Coffey was born July 4, 1829 in New York and his mother was from Vermont There was an Anthony "Coffee" from Hampton, NY, who married Lucy Greer on 1 July 1827 in Wells, VT; Who were his parents?"

William married 1) Margaret Knickerboc died in 1866; and 2) Emma Mesler, on 29 Mar. 1868 in Michigan. "Pioneer Families of SE Michigan - Livingston Co." by Helen Lewis, lists these Coffeys, among others: Samuel W. b. 1816, VT.; Nelson b. ca 1818, NY; Levi b. ca 1822, NY; Martin b. ca 1826 NY; and Abel b. ca 1830, NY. Were these brothers? Susan would like to correspond with others with info on these families. Address is in the new cousins list.

*W.V. (Don) Withers learned of CCC from Barbara Detrick. He descends from Edward Coffey through 2) John, 3) James, 4) Joel, 5) Nathaniel, 6) Eben Clevelan, and 6th is Don's grandmother Mary Ann Coffee. Don needs help completing the dates and places on this line. His address is in the new cousins list.



OBITUARIES

CARLETON C. HELM

**CATHERINE "KITTI" McCALLUM COFFEY**

Catherine (Kitti), age 76 of San Antonio, died Friday Aug. 8, 1997. She leaves husband, Jeff Coffey; children, Fran Garrett and husband Larry, Sally Etlinger and husband, Robert, Tracy Coffey and wife, Julia, Becky Pederson and husband, David; 10 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren; a brother William McCallum. Services were held at St. Mathew's United Methodist Church, San Antonio.

Graveside services "A Celebration of Life" was held Aug. 15 at Grove Hill Memorial Park, in Dallas TX. The procession to the graveside was led by a bagpiper playing Flower of the Forest. Tapes were played of her grandchildren singing Jesus Loves Me and the another of Amazing Grace. Another grandson played the guitar and sang.

Kitti was a retired teacher and very active in her church. She attended many Coffey Conventions and will surely be missed.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial contributions be made to St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, Kitti Memorial Fund

Mr. Carleton C. Helm of Plant City, a Hillsborough Co. science teacher, died Sat. June 21, 1997 at his home. He was born in Annapolis, MD., on Feb. 17, 1938, the only child of William A & Naomi Helm. He moved to Plant City in 1946. He met his wife, Betty Jo Sims in Atlanta. They were married 26 Nov. 1966.

Interment will be in Dallas, GA. Extracted from THE LEDGER, Mon. 23 June, 1997

(Mr. Helm was Helen Steinecki's only first cousin. She finally got in touch with him a little over 2 years ago after losing contact for 40 years. Helen gives credit to Shirley Houk for helping them find their Coffey line.)

DOROTHY L. COFFEY

Dorothy L. Coffey, 71, Sunrise Beach, MO died Sat. Aug. 16, 1997 at Villa Marie Skilled Nursing Facility. She was born May 21, 1926, in Worcester, MA, a daughter of Manly B. & Dorothy G. Hammond Root. She married June 14, 1946 to James G. Coffey who died April 20, 1996.

Survivors: son, Robert Dale Coffey, Little Rock, AR, daughter Barbara Craig, Coal City, IL. Remains were cremated.



DEAD END ROADS

*Robert Travis heard of us from a lady on Prodigy. He descends from Robert Hopkins and Harriet Coffey who married in Adair County KY in 1830. Harriet is the daughter of Ananias Coffey, but Robert has no information on Ananias. He hopes someone can help. He would also **like** to know if anyone has info on Robert Hopkins, husband of Harriet Coffey. Robert Hopkins died in Ringgold Co. IA. Robert's address is 5603 Kingstree Ct., Arlington, TX 76017-4660.

*Yvonne Coffey is working on a history of the Coffey families of Natchitoches Parish, LA "Three immigrant brothers in my line who arrived in the **1850's**, Addison Polk Coffey and Newton Coffey (from KY?) comprise the five Coffey groups who have lived in the parish. The name "**Salathiel**" runs in the **Newton** Coffey family. He was in LA by the time of the **1840** census; he died in the late **1860's**. Addison Polk Coffey married Julia Ann **Butler** in Caddo Parish, LA in 1876. A granddaughter maintains that A. P. was from TN and went to TX, where he fought for the Confederacy, before coming to **Natahitoches** Parish and marrying Julia. The family was in LA only a few years. A family tree indicates Addison was born in AL; he died in Dallas TX in **1909**. All of his children were daughters." Yvonne would appreciate hearing from anyone with more information on Addison and Newton and will be happy to share data with others. Her address is 100055 **Smitherman** Dr., Shreveport, LA 71115.

*Ray Haney send the following query: Patrick Coffee b. abt 1845 in Ireland m. Martha Jane HAYNIE on 19 Nov 1870 in Princeton, Caldwell Co., KY. Martha Jane was b. 20 Dec 1855 TN and was

the dau., of William L. Haynie and Virginia A **Falk**. Patrick died 12 Jan 1882 and is supposed to be buried in a Catholic Cemetery in Murphysboro, Jackson Co., IL. Ray has not been able to verify this. Patrick and Martha Jane's children were;

- 1) James M. b. 6 Nov 1873, d. 22 Jan 1895, **m.** 1893
- 2) Margaret Virginia (Maggie) b. 15 Oct **1876 Nebo, KY**
- 3) William M. b. **18 July 1878**, d. 2 Dec 1932 bur. Meadows Chapel FW Baptist Chur Cem. Jefferson Co. AL with wife Mary M. b. 19 May 1871, d. 25 July **1961** and their son Troy Frank b. 8 May 1912, d. 22 Mar 1916 (Their other known children- Leonard, Robert, Ethel) After the **death** of Patrick, Martha Jane **m. D. C. Cline** 26 Aug **1882**. According to an elderly cousin, Martha Jane (**Haynie-Coffee**) Cline was either buried in Graham KY, or AL, possibly Walker Co. Ray would like to correspond with others who are working on this line. His address is 5409 Charles Hamilton Rd., McCalla, AL **35111-8477**.

***The CLEVELAND FAMILY CHRONICLE** had a query from Mildred B. LaSlater, 1007 Pleasant Grove Road, Woodville, AL 35776 that possibly could be answered by one of the Coffey Cousins.

She is seeking information on Benjamin Coffee, b. c **1793** in KY. He was in Wayne Co. KY in **1820** and in Jackson Co. AL in 1830. William and Rutherford were with him in Jackson Co. He may have died in the first part of 1859. Known Children were James, Andrew, William, Elizabeth, John, Benjamin, Jackson, Campbell, Lettia(?), Martin and Cleveland. Benjamin's wife was Mary; she died in **1849**. The 1850 census says that he was a shoemaker. Mildred believes that her Benjamin is part of the Chesley Coffey line and probably a son of Martin! Can you help this Cleveland/Coffey researcher?

*Brad Howland sent a very **large package** of records. After trying to **determine** how I would use them to benefit **our readers**, I decided to **break** them into smaller pieces. Here is the first installment:

DEATH RECORDS/BEDFORD Co. TN

*Coffey, Charley: #1491, 5th Dist.; age 56yrs, 11 mo, 25 da. Bedford Co; d. 1/15/1909, Vannatta, TN; Black; male; married

*Coffee, Emaline: #325, 18th Dist.; age 88 yrs; TN; d. 6/12/1923; bur. **Belfast** TN; Black; female; widow; informant: Clarence Arnold

Coffey, A.S.: #439, 19th Dist; b. 1853, TN; d. 12/20/1924; **Bur: Lone** Oak Cem. Father T.W. Coffey, TN; Mother: Melissa Davidson, TN; White; male; married; informant, T.D. Coffey

Coffey, Calvin Leeper: #86 19th Dist: b. 1/29/1830, SC; d. 4/18/1914; bur. Round Hill; **Father** Thos. Coffey, SC; Mother; Polly Miller, SC; white, singel, info: Mrs Tom Boodard.

(same person, different Dist.)

Coffey, Calvin Leeper #97, 3rd Dist b. 1/29/1830, TN; d. 4/18/1914; bur Round **Hill**: Father, Thos. Coffey, GA; Mother, Mary

Miller, **NC; white**; infor J.L.Fowler Coffey, Margaret: #349, 7th Dist.; b. 3/23/1897, Bedford Co. d. 4/2/1920, bur. Mt. Arratt; Father, Sam Ray, TN; Mother, Emma Givin, TN; Black; female; married; info Wm. Coffey

Coffey, Garland Rice: #294; b. 6/30/1847, Bedford Co.; d. 2/10/1916; bur. Coffey Cem; Father, Henry B. Coffey, Hanharts Co, VA; Mother, Sallie Edmondson, VA; white, single; info, G.E. Hariin, Wartrace.

Coffey, Willie Elmo: #43, 3 Dist.; b. 8/20/1885 Bedford Co; d. 8/9/1915; bur. Coffee Cem; Father, **I.L.** Coffey, Bedford, Co; Mother, Mary Catherine Rainey, Bedford Co; white; male; singel; info. O E Finney

Divens, Inez: #289, 7th Dist; b. 12/1/1896 TN; d. 3/30/1917; bur: Seedar Grove; Father, Henry Williams, TN; Mother, Ada Coffie, TN; black; female: info. Eddie Divens.

McBride, Ann: #348, 1st Dist; b. 3/28/1832, TN; d. 7/14/1919; bur. Beech Grove; Father, Wm. Farrar; Mother, Mary **Kirkland**, TN; white; female; md. Info Mrs. **P.C.** Coffee; Wartrace.

Burke Co. NC 1815 Tax List

Coline Coffey is trying to prove that William Coffey is a son of Benjamin Coffey. It seems that Benjamin was bondsman for William and his wife Polly just as he was for Marvel and Rachel (Boone) **Coffey**. William and Marvel, both lived in Mulberry in **1815**, as well as Israel Boone.

Coline also told us about a privately published book "Burke Co.. NC 1815 Tax Lists". It has a copyright but after writing to Betsy Pittman author of the book, we have permission to reprint a section but we must retain the spellings, which are spelled as they were in the original document (It was hard. I hope I haven't made any mistakes!; Ye ED.) "Stud horses" was unreadable in my copy. Continued next page 8

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CAPTAIN COFFEY'S COMPANY

(Caldwell County - Glove/Johns River/Mulberry)

A List of Cap. Coffey District for 1815		Land Value	white <u>poles</u>	black stud <u>poles</u> <u>horses</u>
Wm. Edmason	Mulberry	250 500		1
Wm. Loving	Do	180 600	1	
Wm. Coffey	Do	250 450	1	
George Dowel	Do	405 800		
Isrel Boon	Do	225 1000	1	
Micager Crisp	Do		1	
Joseph Puet	Do	300 1000	1	1
Reubin Coffey	Do		1	
Jonathan Willson	Do	150 50		
Smith Coffey	Do	150 500	1	
James Williams	100 acres on littel river	100 100	1	
Absolum Struttin	lower creek	200 100	1	
John Hays	mulberry	150 300	1	
John Peaness	DD		1	
Wm. White	John river	558 1000		7
Wm. White	agent for John weakes 200 accors Land yallow mountain	200 100		
Reubin White	Do yallow Mountin	100 25		
Reubin White	John river	<u>600</u> <u>2000</u> 700 2025	1	1
Wm. Pendley	willsons Creek	150 300		
John Crossno	Do		1	
Ransom Hays	mulberry		1	
Calberd Hays	Do		1	
James Gilbard	Globe	293 600	1	
James Hays	mulberry	200 500	1	
John Stapp	Jur.		1	
Elijah Moor	Globe		1	1
Wm. Midearis	mulberry		1	
Abram Alleway	franklin creek	100 100	1	
John Loving	Do	500 520	1	1
Elisha Thomson	mulberry		1	
Larkin Estes	Wilsons Creek	450 500	1	
Joel Coffey	Do	100 17?	1	1
Joel Coffey	Eighthent for Barned sigmoh decaasd	100 400		
Overton Ridley			1	
James Ridley			1	
Lemul Holte			1	
Marvil Coffey	mulberry	150 100	1	
Joseph Coffey	Wilsons Creek	100 300	1	

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A List of Cap. Coffey

<u>District for 1815</u>		<u>Land</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>white poles</u>	<u>black stud poles horses</u>
Reubin Webb	Johns river	166	500	1	
Wm. Sumter	Littel Mulbery	235	400		
Read Hight	John river	200	600	1	4
JoleChrisp	Lower Creek	58	140	1	
John Stapp Sen	Littel mulbery	940	1500	1	
Wm Puet	Mulbery	1386	3100	1	
George Hollaway	Littel Mulbery	732	1000	1	3
Solaman Chrisp				1	
Bennet Chrisp				1	
Wm. Beard				1	
Len Estes Esq.	Littel Mulbery	912	1500	1	8
Coleman Puet	Mulbery	708	1800	1	4
Robert Edmison	Mulbery	100	100	1	
Thomas Hays Ser. Do		570	1100	1	
Thomas Hays Jr. DD				1	
Charles Collet	Johns river	866	2100	1	
John Webb Do		276	800	1	
Reubin Coffey	Globe	225	600	2	1
Robert Gragg				1	
Bengeman Gragg				1	
David Harris				1	
Wm. Carey	Globe	100	100	1	
Wm. Coffey				1	
Jesse Moore Jur. Do		1000	2500	1	1
John Harris	Johns river	200	500	1	
Minyard Harris				1	
Joal A Diar				1	
Jesse Moore Ser.	Globe	212	2000		5?
Elisha Chambers	Globe	479	600	1	1
Leban Estes	Johns river	340	1000		4?
Reubin Parkes				1	
Laban Estes Gardien for Greef Linsey				1	
Michal Gilbard	Globe	50	300		
Dannel Moor Esqr. Do		490	1825		1
John Green	Globe	250	300	1	
Wm. Gragg	Do	375	315		
Richard Baker				1	1
Charles Wackfield	Johns river	341	1500	1	1
Charles Wackfield	200 acors tow river	200	150		
James Webb	Johns river	140	400	1	1
Isaac Emmons	DD	310	400	1	
Lues HarrisDD		547	800	1	
George Rowe				1	
Archelus Coffey	Globe	190	200	1	
Elijah Chambers		250	500	1	
Langston Estes	Johns river	200	800	1	

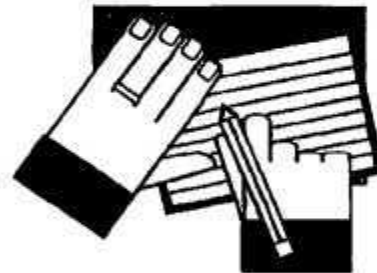
A List of Cap. Coffey District for 1815		<u>Land Value</u>		<u>white poles</u>	<u>black stud poles horses</u>
Lance Estes				1	1
Delphe Estes widow	Dp				1
Charles Emmons				1	
John Gragg	Globe	75	150	1	
John Wackfield				1	
Wm. Dickson	Mulbery	1600	5000	1	2
James Gragg				1	
Josiah Baker	Johns river	290	250	1	1
Nancey Baker	Johns river	300	1000		8
Lot Estes	Do	450	1200	1	
Moses Jackson				1	
Gabriel Jackson				1	
Totals		21643	49092	141 polls	3 studs

About the author: Betsy Pitman does genealogy research for others. She is the resident genealogist for Burke Co. NC. Her charges appear to be very reasonable. If you need help in Burke Co, I suggest that you write to her at 107 Hilltop Ave. Valdese, NC 28690, or call (704) 874-0661. Burke Co. NC was formed in 1777 from Rowan Co.. Burke originally extended westward to the Tennessee line. Counties totally or partly formed from original Burke are: Alexander, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland, Haywood, Iredell, Lincoln, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Rutherford, Watuga, Wilkes and Yancey. Some court house bound volumes and papers were burned in the Civil War. But there are numerous miscellaneous records, including estate and land records, in the NC State Archives. There are, in the Archives, several cubic feet of records as the courthouse served several western counties.

NEW COLUMN

by
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Jack has been creating a data base (computer file) on Coffee/Coffeys for several years now. He has offered to let us print a few pages of his data base in each issue. If you want more on the name he has listed, write him or contact him with email. Starts on page 11 and 12 of **this** issue.



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From the Files of Jack Coffee (jcoffee@ix.netcom.com)
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Number	First	Year	St	Spouse	Event
3	ELLA	1893	TX	J. M. WRIGHT	MARRIAGE
4	LOUIS	1880	AR		CENSUS
5	JAMES	1962	AR		DEATH
6	MARY	1857	AR	JACKSON A. BENNIGHT	MARRIAGE
7	SAMMY	1880	AR		CENSUS
8	H.	1859	MS		WILL
9	A.	1859	MS	ANNIE AMELIA WILLIS	MARRIAGE
10	AMBROSE		VA		INFO
11	THOMAS	1864	AL	HANAH ANDRESS	MARRIAGE
12	LOWELL	1918	TX		DEATH
13	W.	1933	TX		DEATH
14	ALEXANDER	1801	SC		BIRTH
15	NANCY	1809			BIRTH
16	ZIDNER	1810			BIRTH
17	CABELUS	1811			BIRTH
18	ALFRED	1880	TN		CENSUS
19	W.	1880	AR		CENSUS
20	JOSEPHINE	1880	AR		CENSUS
21	D.	1880	AR		CENSUS
22	EDWARD	1716	VA		DEATH
23	BRAGG	1870	AR		CENSUS
24	DAVE	1910	LA		CENSUS
25	GEORGE	1870	AR		CENSUS
26	JONATHAN	1860	AR		CENSUS
27	JAMES	1761	PA		BIRTH
28	JOSEPH	1870	AR		CENSUS
29	LEWIS	1870	AR		CENSUS
30	LILBURN	1870	AR		CENSUS
31	MARIAH	1870	AR		CENSUS
32	SAMUEL	1808	VT		BIRTH
33	THOMAS	1870	AR		CENSUS
34	W.	1870	AR		CENSUS
35	CHARLES	1848			DEATH
36	WILLIAM	1870	AR		CENSUS
37	JENNIE	1875	VA	HOLLOWAY COFFEY	MARRIAGE
38	CLYDE	1976	AR	NELL J. HELMS COFFEE	DEATH
39	DALE	1900	AR		CENSUS
40	GILBERT	1860	MS		CENSUS
41	J.	1860	MS		CENSUS
42	J.	1860	MS		CENSUS
43	J.	1860	MS		CENSUS
44	JOHN	1860	MS		CENSUS
45	LEVINIA	1860	MS		CENSUS
46	M.	1860	MS		CENSUS
47	ALLEN	1850	MS		CENSUS
48	HARRIS	1850	MS		CENSUS
49	HUGH	1850	MS		CENSUS
50	HUGH	1850	MS		CENSUS
51	JOHN	1850	MS		CENSUS
52	D., JR.	1880	AR		CENSUS
53	HENRY	1830	SC		CENSUS

COFFEY COUSIN'S SLEAZENGRASS

From the files of J. J. Cook, Jr. (jcc@eic.net) on 09/28/97
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Number	First	Year	State	Address	Event
54	LIA	830	LA		CENSUS
55	A.	840	LA		CENSUS
56	E.	840	LA		CENSUS
57	JOHN	850	LA		CENSUS
58	ANGEL	850	LA		CENSUS
59	ELIZABETH	850	LA		CENSUS
60	HERMODLY	850	LA		CENSUS
61	J.	850	LA		CENSUS
62	MARY	850	LA		CENSUS
63	NEWTON	850	LA		CENSUS
64	PATRI C	850	LA		CENSUS
65	PATRI C	850	LA		CENSUS
66	PATRI CK	850	LA		CENSUS
67	PATRI CK	850	LA		CENSUS
68	R/LAN D	825	VA		CENSUS
69	JESSE	825	VA		BIRTH
70	TED	893	VA	RUTH GADDY	DEATH
71	CHESLEY	752	OK	ALTA LEE ROSE	CAFEHARD
72	NORMAN	850	VA		INFO
73	SARAH	850	AR		CENSUS
74	LILBURN	850	AR		CENSUS
75	SALATHIEL	784	AR		CENSUS
76	LARRICO	840	AR		DEATH
77	ALESEO	840	NC		CENSUS
78	JAMES	850	MS		CENSUS
79	JAMES	850	MS		CENSUS
80	ALFREW	880	AL		CENSUS
81	JAMES	860	AL		CENSUS
82	JOHN	860	AR		CENSUS
83	JOHN	869	AR		CENSUS
84	MELISSA	890	AR		DEATH
85	MCNATHAN	890	AR		CENSUS
86	LILBURN	860	AR		CENSUS
87	PATRICK	860	MS		CENSUS
88	WILLIAM	860	AR		CENSUS
89	JOHN	860	AR		CENSUS
90	LULA	860	AR		CENSUS
91	TEREMIAH	880	AR		CENSUS
92	MARTHA	880	AR		CENSUS
93	DANIEL	850	TX		CENSUS
94	THOMAS	850	SC		CENSUS
95	TEREMIAH	850	SC		CENSUS
96	JEWTON	854	SC		INFO
97	N.	840	SC		CENSUS
98	BENJAMIN	823	SC		BIRTH
99	JAMES	840	NC		CENSUS
100	SARAH	870	TN		CENSUS
101	BENJAMIN	830	IL		CENSUS
102	BOEL	830	SC		CENSUS
103	CHARLES	855	AL		CENSUS
104		855	AL		CENSUS

DIVISION OF CORRECTIONS

Last issue I missed printing the correction sent by Elizabeth Coffey Downs. I just missed the **file** in my computer. I apologize.

Elizabeth writes: "In March, 1997 issue, pg. 10, item 10, concerning Jesse Coffey/Coffee. I contacted John Hawkins and Alan Poe some time ago seeking the microfilm or the original document for the Yadkin Baptist Church Minutes since I (Elizabeth) was told that the transcription of Sept. 1790 contained an entry for Jesse and Elizabeth Coffey and a slave named Dinah. All other records indicated that his wife was Nancy and I wanted to see the original for verification." Elizabeth finally located the film at Chapel Hill in the Southern Historical Collection. Elizabeth says "After reviewing the actual film, it is evident that a transcription error was made (there is no membership list as mentioned in your article.) All the local experts here in VA. Beach and others working on our line agreed with me that what was misread as "Jesse and Elizabeth" is, in fact, "Sister Elizabeth." It is **well** known that Jesse was in SC.. at this time anyway. Elizabeth says that she would like this passed on so as to avoid errors in the future.

Elizabeth believes that the child of Edward Coffey named "Austes" is actually a daughter named "**Annister**" (probably correctly spelled Ann Ester). She says "Edward Sr. had one daughter named "Ann" and one named "Annister". I (Elizabeth) believe that on the original will Annister is there as "Anstes", a daughter, not a son." Elizabeth also enclosed a copy from the original records in Essex Co., VA on Annister Coffey and her "base born child".

The court record reads:

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At a court commissioned and held for Essex County at Tass On the six th day of November ano **Domi** MDCCXXXVI (1736)

Present: James Waring, James Garnett, Alexander Parker, Francis Smith, and Philip Jones (**all** are titled "Gents") skip to pg. 44

Ann **Beasley**, Hannah Anthony and Annister Coffey of St. Anns Parish being presented by the Grand Jury for having each of them a base born child. It is ordered that the Clerk of this Court to give the Church Warden of the said parish notice thereof.

CURRENTS IN THE STREAM

*Marvin D. Coffey is looking for a current address for Martin Coffey of Dublin, Ireland. Marvin is planning a trip to Ireland in November to do some research. He would also like to hear from anyone else who has visited Dublin to research. He would appreciate information on where to go and what to see, especially as it relates to the Coffeys. His address is **4771 Hillcrest Rd., Medford, OR 97504.**

*Timothy L. Coffey wrote to thank us for printing his letter in the June issue of CCC. He says, "With the help of your readers and researching all past publications of the Coffey Cousins **Clearinghouse** publications stored at the Huntington Beach, California library, I was able to trace my family line as far back as Martin Coffey who was born in **1762. BUT MORE IMPORTANT**, because of the printing of your letter in the June publication, I received a response letter from a Coffey Cousin named Harding Coffey. It turns out that Harding Coffey is my uncle who I didn't realize was still alive and kicking. Here I thought that **all** of my rela-

tives were deceased. Hopefully, I will be able to see Harding at the next Coffey Cousins convention or by visiting him at his house in Texas. I am 45 years old and I don't ever recall knowing Harding, so this was a real shock when I received his letter. My father had 6 brothers and 3 sisters, but I guess the family was not very close, as I **only** remember 2 of my father's brothers (two uncles both deceased). I can't wait to hear from Harding again to learn about my Coffey family line." [This is one of the best success stories that I've read in a long time! YE ED]

* While on one of our vacations, we returned to a phone message on the machine. I couldn't understand the name of the caller, but the message was interesting. The caller said that the Rev. Billy Graham was a Coffey descendant. His Coffey ancestors are Lucinda and Ben Coffey. (Sorry for not getting the name. I'll have to buy a better answering machine.)

Jerry Coffee sends the following:

North Texas pioneer was wife's 'dead hero'
HollandCoffee may have predicted his own killing.

Holland Coffee might well be termed the father of North Texas. His Red River trading post was the center for much of the activity that resulted in the creation of Grayson and nearby counties - and the city of Dallas, John Neely Bryan, founder of Dallas, was one of Holland Coffee's agents when he heard stories of the Three Forks region, which led to his decision to form a town there.

But Col. Coffee, as he was known, died

a pathetic death, if stories are true. At age 40, he had married notorious and beautiful, Sophia Aughinbaugh, 23. She was reported to have had intimate relations with Sam Houston among others.

Holland Coffee was held to be "a good man" known for his considerate dealings with the American Indians. But he was smitten with Sophia. At Coffee's Station, he built an imposing two-story log home named Glen Eden, where hospitality was lavish. But Sophia's ways with men were as famous as her hospitality.

In 1845, Holland Coffee established the town of Preston on the Red River and the road there, through Dallas, became today's elegant Preston Road. James Galloway opened a store at Preston and his brother Charles arrived early in 1846 and brought two lots from Col. Coffee. Something between Charles Galloway and Sophia must have come up because Col. Coffee added a codicil to his will dated May 17, 1846, stating: "...Being apprehensive that surrounding circumstances may soon terminate my life...require that my wife Sophia be executrix without any security or bond whatsoever."

A few days before this, Charles Galloway, 28, had married 13-year-old Eugenia Coffee, Holland Coffee's niece.

On Oct 1, Col. Coffee had **come** into the Galloway store, witnesses said, and attacked Charles, who killed him with a bowie knife. The younger man was exonerated by a plea of self defense. A contemporary account states there was no known friction between the two.

But some said that Sophia had played up to Charles Galloway, who rejected her advances. It is said that Sophia reported to her husband that Mr. Galloway had told insulting tales about her, and she demanded that Col. Coffee challenge him. Holland Coffee told her

it would be certain death, that Mr. Galloway was a well-known fighter, but Sophia scornfully replied that she had rather be married to a dead hero than a live coward.

Thus, Holland Coffey accosted Charles Galloway and died for Sophia's sake. (A.C. Green is an author and Texas historian who lives in Salado.)
Extracted from The Dallas Morning News, Sunday, July 13, 1997 and offered to us by Jerry Coffey Piano, TX.

Jerry Coffee wrote: "I think the "Cousins" may find the Holland Coffey story interesting. My line of Coffees are not related to Holland Coffee, at least in the U.S., since the birth of Peter Coffee in 1691. Holland has many, many kin. He had no children of his own, but had 15 siblings so that line is everywhere!! [The settlement of **his** father Ambrose Coffee's estate list 12 children, but Marvin's book has 11 by Millie Moore and 2 by his second wife. YE ED] Wonder if any of our CCC cousins are related? I've (Jerry) done a lot of research on Holland Coffee, just because he was a prominent person, not on genealogy research. James Bowie (the Alamo) wrote a letter to Sam Houston stating that Coffee was a **scoundel!** That was in the early 1830s, before the Alamo of course. Well, Bowie was no angel either!! It was thought that Holland hired Indians from the Indian Nations to come into Texas and steal livestock. That he paid the savages off with beads and whiskey. In fact, the roads from Ft. Washita and others in Oklahoma to Coffee's trading post were known as "Whiskey Roads"! Jerry's address is 1621 Sylvan Dr., Piano, TX 75074-6015.

MAIL BOX

*A quote from Ellen Mohr's recent letter: "I am still thinking about our wonderful trip to Calgary back in May. Weren't we fortunate to visit that magnificent part of the world? - and to be accompanied by all those good people!" Thanks Ellen.

*Bernie Coffey mailed us the invitation to The Federation of Genealogical Societies & The Dallas Genealogical Society's conference on genealogy held Sept. - 6. I am not able to attend at this time, but I do suggest that our researchers get on their mailing list. They have the best list of genealogy offering that I have ever seen and they have a noted leader/speaker, Lloyd Bockstruck. Their address is Federation of Genealogical Societies, P.O. Box 830220, Richardson, TX 75083-0220. (Wish I could attend.)

*Marguerite Yates-Jobes wrote to tell us that she and Bill enjoyed the Calgary Convention. I quote: "The McDonalds went all out with arrangements, amenities, and to top it all off, an open house in their lovely home with a buffet suitable for the Prime Minister."

*A Coffee - Coffey Reunion was held on Aug. 2 in Amarillo TX. The always have a great time and their barbecue sounds delicious. To get on their mailing list, write to Nancy Coffee 2142 Aspen, Pampa, TX.

MORE DEAD ENDS

*David G. Coffee wrote to clear up a matter: (See query page 3) The Alex Coffee that he is descended from is **black**. He sent the 1900 Union Co., Jackson Twp., N.C. census. George was born in SC and his father in NC. I can't read the names of the children on this document but the wife Mary was b. in



NC and her parents in NC. There are 4 children listed, as **F-1900, M-1894, F-1896 & M-1899**. David says that he is interested in knowing the connection to the Coffees. The names of the children do reflect some association and also the location, of the other Alexander Coffee. David would **like** to know if anyone has any documentation such as freed slaves by the Coffee's that may have owned this **Alex** Coffee or who farmed for a Coffee. David says possibly there is a will somewhere that might list his ancestor and any **help** will be greatly appreciated. His address is **319 E. Euclid, SanAntonio, TX 78212**.

*Camilla LaFavers sent a beautiful photo. (Wish I had the ability to print it.) It is of her husband's great **grand**-mother Ann Mariah (Grosser) Rexroat, Genettie Rexroat and Genettie's husband, Waldon Edker Coffey,(b. 20 Apr 1880, d. 3 July 1938). Genettie was b. 8 July 1885, d. 3 Mar 1936 and both are buried in Clear Springs Cemetery, Hwy 619 So. of Russell Springs, KY. Camilla would be glad to share the photo with anyone wishing a copy. Her address is 704 LaFavers Rd., Russell Springs, KY 42642-2953.

*Bob Coffey, a new member last issue, sends his lineage. He descends from 1) John Coffey, (b. June 1853) in Maryland and married Mary Sheehan (b. June **1854**) in Ohio. 2) John (Jack) Thomas Coffey (b. Feb **1871**) in Ohio who married Jacintha Rosalie Crippen (b. C1870 OH). John (Jack) married 2nd to Mary Shannon b. 1877. 3) Fred Roy Coffey (b. 13 Feb 1887) in Broadwell, OH and married Grace Patterson Fife (b. **13 Nov 1892**). 4) William Rex Coffey (b. **25 Jul 1928**) in Athens OH and married Betty Jean Keeling. The latter is Bob's parents. His chart also gives siblings of #2 John (Jack). They are:

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David Earl b. Oct **1873** OH; Mary A. b. 1874 OH; Nora b. Sep 1875 OH; Lawrence b. 21 Aug 1877 Athens Co. OH; Catherine (Berty) b. 13 Mar 1879 Athens Co. OH; James Francis b. 19 Mar **1881** in Alice, OH; Michel E. b. 14 Dec **1882** Huntington, OH; Timothy J. b. 20 Apr **1884** Alice, OH; Clara C. b. 13 Apr 1887 OH; Margaret b. 1 Jul 1889 Huntington OH; & Andrew **A.** b. Apr 1891 OR

NEW FINDS

*M. Yvonne Coffey **100055 Smitherman** Dr., Shreveport, LA **71115** sends the following:

Photocopy of the marriage record of John Coffee(y) and Mary Inez Sny(i)der, as it appears in the registers of St. Matthew Church, Monroe.

Note that it is recorded in Latin as was the custom at this particular date.

x Coffey et Snider x
Die 5 Novembris, **1913**, ego
infrascriptus (**mutuo??**) consensu
contrahentium habiti per verba di
praesenti **matri monio**, conjunxi
Joannem P. Coffee ex loco Vicksburg
Miss

natum die 5 Sept. **1891**
et **filium** Joannis Coffey et **Idae**

McMurray

et **Mariam** Inez Snider, ex loco

natam die 2 Aprilis 1896.

ex **Wilelmi** C. Snider et **Zillie** Philips

Testes fuerun x Tom Dupree, Florence

D. Snider, Mrs. D. A. Faulkner

N. V. Vandegaen, Rector

Dispendatione a 2 **bm** publicationbus.

(Diocese of Shreveport, The Catholic Center, 2500 Line Ave, Shreveport LA 71104)

*Another New Find: Janice Autry wrote that after several trips to Denver to the Federal Archives Center, she

finally found old Benjamin Franklin Coffey (Coffee). According to the 1900 Census, Benjamin Franklin's father, C. O. Coffey, was born in Kentucky. His mother, Dianna **Blansett**, was born in Missouri. His wife's name was Rebecca and she was born in Georgia and was eleven years older than he. Janice hasn't checked the **1850** census because the area of TX to which CO. Coffey came ca 1849 was "Bexar Territory". That part of the state was really

back in the "**boonies**".

We had an earlier letter from Janice to thank Raymond Coffey from Stockton, MO for helping her with CO. Coffey (Charles Oliver). She also contacted Lois Bertram because of her query in the March issue of CCC and determined they are indeed working on the same line. If you have anything on this Charles Oliver, or Benjamin Franklin Coffey, write to Janice at 225 Morning Star Ct, Woodland Park, CO. 80863

COFFEY CONVENTION 1998 - MAY 28 / 30 EUGENE. OREGON

Ruth & Thurman Lanning have worked hard to find a good place for us to meet and it sounds like they have found a winner. Let me make a suggestion that you make reservations now. If something happens that you can't make it, you can always cancel. Assuming you do get to attend, you **will** have the room of your choice at convention rates. They next reminder will be in the December issue of CCC and it's hard to find time for things like May conventions in December. I know!! All you have to do is call the telephone number listed under the **Ramada** Inn address.

RAMADA INN
225 Coburg Road
Eugene, Oregon, **97401**
Phone #541-342-5181
Convention rate - \$62.



(please use reservations as a member of Coffey Convention" This gets our meeting rooms. What would we do without a room? It's your contribution to the cause.)

BANQUET SPEAKER

Dr. Marvin D. Coffey
He is going to Ireland this fall to research. I can hardly wait to hear **what** he has **found!!**

OREGON BANQUET

Filet of salmon & London broil -all for only \$21.00

The Lannings are **still** working on a tour and will bet us hear more about this in **December**. (Sounds really exciting!)

Mr & Mrs. Thurman Lanning
91019 Hill Road
Springfield, OR 97478

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KERIN COFFEY MAGDOVITZ

On April 20, 1997, the Skipwith Historical and Genealogical Society of Oxford, Mississippi dedicated the Kerin Coffey Magdovitz Genealogy and History Research Room. This room was added to the Oxford Library and named in honor of Walker Coffey's late daughter, Kerin Coffey Magdovitz. This was made possible by a generous donation from Walker Coffey, a matching contribution by the AT & T Corporation, a gift of Mr. Lawrence Magdovitz and support of the Society members and friends.

In addition to his financial contribution, Walker is donating more than 3000 books collected over the years of his "second career" of being a genealogical and historical researcher.

The 89 year old Walker was an employee of AT & T for 40 years. He moved back to his hometown of Oxford, MS in 1967. He became a member of the Skipwith Society and has served as president of the 150 member organization more than once. Walker has written 2 books on genealogy and history - JOURNAL OF A JOURNEY, primarily relating to Coffey family history and LAFAYETTE COUNTY LEGACY, a detailed record of 1,785 men from Lafayette and surrounding counties that volunteered in the Confederate Army during the Civil War.

This room grew from Walker and his son-in-law's decision to do something in Kerin's memory.

Walker and Jessie's health has deteriorated. Walker is confined to a wheel chair and Jessie has had a stroke. We remember them as very active researchers when they attended early Coffey Conventions. We wish them well. Cousins can send them cards at 1306 S. Lamar, Oxford, MS 38655. (Information from Sara Coffey Holland, Oakland, MS - thanks Sara.)

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Jefferson City, MO 65101