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MAKE CONVENTIION RESERVATIONS BEFORE MARCH 10

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Cousins-

TIME IS SHORT! YOU NEED TO ALREADY HAVE YOUR RESERVATION AT BOONE TAVERN IN BEREA, KENTUCKY. IF YOU HAVE NOT MADE THEM - THE DEADLINE IS MARCH 10 - SO GET ON THE PHONE AND MAKE THEM NOW.

Hope the winter weather has been good to you wherever you are. I sure don't envy anyone shoveling snow. That can be dangerous for your health. Some of us have health problems without any outside assistance.

I am looking forward to our gathering at Berea, Ky. The trip up and back should be interesting and scenic. Plan carefully and you will find a scenic drive regardless of where you start.

IF YOU HAVE NOT MADE YOU RESERVATIONS - DO IT NOW - TOMORROW MAY BE TOO LATE.

Cousin Jeff

P.S.

(It's been suggested that you bring a pedigree Chart to share.)

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EDITOR'S LETTER

Dear Cousins,

CONGRATULATIONS! For the 90th lime, you, the Coffey cousins, have been willing to share enough of your hard work to fill a newspaper. I have a couple of Irish jokes that I've saved forever, to use as filler but haven't needed it. I hope all of you look for something in your lineage that you have been needing for some time, and share your finds with us for the next issue. Wouldn't that make a great newsletter.

Be sure to RE-READ page 16 in the December, issue 89, of Coffey Cousins for all of the activities that Bennie and Sarah have planned for the convention. There are some important things to take note of - like you need reservations for the night of May 1 as the first tour starts the next morning at 7a.m. Then, you need to make your own reservation for the Renfro Valley Show by calling the 800 number. It looks like a lot of fun and really reasonable so we hope to see lots of you there.

Bennie is urging us to make reservations by March 10. In May there are a lot of college events and the hotel will not hold rooms for us beyond the 10th. It is very likely that there will "be no room in the inn" much beyond that date. Make your reservations now, if somethng comes up that you can't attend, you can always cancel the hotel reservations.

We haven't received renewals from all of our subscribers yet. Please check the date on your mailing label. If it says 12/31/02, your subscription of \$10 is due.

I wish to thank all of you for your good wishes and support.



Sincerely, your cousin,

Bonnie

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NEW COUSINS

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Bonnie Kendrick, 690 Old US Hwy 25 N, Berea KY 40403	Benjamin

NEW COUSINS

* Gwendolyn McConathy's query was in the December issue of Coffey Cousins' Clearinghouse. She was surprised that her nephew Edward Hongess had written about the same time that she had. They share information. She descends from Edward through John, James and his son Ambrose. Her address is in the new cousins list.

* Betty Street is the cousin of Darlene Clark. They descend from Chesley Coffey Sr. through Salathial Coffey and then his son Newton Coffey. Darlene says that they only have documentation through Newton Coffey. The other two are accepted because of time and place. If you have any more information for Betty and Darlene, Betty's address is in the new cousin list.

* Brad Heflin is a cousin of Billie Coffee McKinney. They descend from Peter Coffee through his son William Coffee of King George Co. VA. Billie's lineage is printed in the December issue on page 11. If you can help Brad and Billie, Brad's address is in the new cousins list.

* Nell Coffey Salinger descends from Jordon Coffey of Coffeytown, VA. Donald M. Coffey, a cousin, entered a subscription for her. It seems that

her husband, Rev. Harry Salinger was listed in the December newsletter as having conducted the funeral of one of the Coffeys. Her address is the new cousin list.

*Gaye Seals is a new cousin who wanted to see a newsletter before she attends the Coffey Cousin Convention in Berea. We will publish her lineage later. Her address is in the new cousins list.

* Timothy Peterman is no stranger to Coffey Cousins. We have printed several of his works in the past but have missed him lately. He descends from Chesley Coffey through both Salathiel and Newton Coffey. Salathiel's son Eli Coffey married Newton Coffey's daughter Mary and produced Rev. Newton Eli Coffey. We welcome Timothy back into the fold as an active researcher of the Chesley Coffey line. Timothy's address is in the new cousins list.

* Bonnie Kendrick is a cousin of Bennie Loftin who is going to help with the convention in Berea, KY. She works for the Renfro Valley Barn Dance which we plan to attend. Bonnie descends from Benjamin and Polly (Hayes) Coffey through their son John Coffey. Bonnie's address is in the new cousins list.



DIVISION OF CORRECTIONS

Jerry Coffee of Piano Texas sends the following correction:

"I noticed in the CCC that Billie COFFEE McKinney is doing research on her Peter COFFEE line. There is some question in my mind if Peter Coffee, Sr. came over to the Colonies on the galley "Forward" as an indentured prisoner. Personally, I don't feel that he did. I believe that Peter Coffee, Sr. was born in Virginia ca **1691- 1695**. According to Samuel Coffey in Prince Edward County VA, Peter Coffee Sr. and Susannah are buried somewhere on the property in Prince Edward County VA. Sam Coffey is a descendant of William Coffee and still lives near the original Peter Coffee land. He changed his name from Coffee to Coffey in the 1930s because he got tired of the jokes.

There were at least two Peter COFFEES in the Virginia Colony. One Peter Coffee, a convict, landed in Virginia in October 1730. He was transported on the prison galley "Forward" that left Newgate Prison in London and arrived in the colonies in the fall of 1730. A few months after this date, another Peter Coffee, in King George County Virginia, on 2nd April, **1731**, is listed on the County Court Orders, and was being bound for his appearance at court for abusing his servant woman, Jane Lewis. I feel like the Peter Coffee in the court records in King George County VA, is the Peter Coffee Sr. of our line and he was born in Virginia and not in the British Isles. An indentured prisoner could not have owned a servant girl within a few months after got off the boat and certainly could not have been bound over in court. If Peter Coffee, Sr. was born in Virginia in 1691-1695, as I feel that he was,

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that would make Mary Coffee's marriage date to James Kendall on Feb. **25, 1745** possible and probably correct. That makes my conclusion that Peter Coffee, Sr. was born in Virginia more likely correct.

Peter Coffee b. ca **1691**, Price Edward Co. **Virginia**. d. ca 1771 Prince Edward Co., **Virginia**. m. Susannah Mathews.

* Listed below are the children of Peter Coffee in descending birth dates as well as I can place them:

- 1) Mary, b. ca **1729**, d. ? m. James Kendall, Feb. **25, 1745** in Overwharton Parish, Old Stafford County VA,
- 2) James, b. Jan. **26, 1740** Stafford Co. VA, d. ?, m. ?
- 3) William, b. ca Dec 1740, d 1798, Buckingham Co VA m. Mary McAllister
- 4) Lydia, b. Jan. 25, 1742 Stratsford County VA, d.?, m.?
- 5) Benjamin, b. Oct. **19, 1743**, Stafford County VA. d. ? m. ?
- 6) Peter, Jr., b. ?, d. Feb **6, 1804**, Hancock Co. GA; m. Sarah Smith.
- 7) Joshua, b. Jan **26, 1745** Prince Edward Co. VA; d. Sept. **8, 1997** Rockingham Co. NC. m. Elizabeth Graves
- 8) **Catherine, b.?, d. ?, m. ?**
- 9) Hannah, b. 1814, d. ?, m. James S. Weakley
- 10) Elizabeth, b.?, d.?, m. ?
- 11) Frances, b. ?, d. Oct. 19, 1743, m.?

The information is the same for the descendants of Peter Coffee as supplied by Billie McKinney in CCC, so I will not list it again." Jerry Coffee

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OBITUARIES**WILLIAM C. (Bill) COFFEE**

William C. (Bill) Coffee died on Dec. 24, 2002 at the Torrington Community Hospital, Torrington, WY. He was born on Aug 29, 1915, at the family homestead north of Node, WY in Miobrara Co. He was the son of Samuel and Mary Margaret (Bannan) Coffee. He married Ramona Hanson on Sept. 26, 1940 in Harrison. The couple lived in Harrison until 1945 when they moved to a ranch in the Prairie Center area. Bill ranched, and drove the school bus. They moved to Torrington in 1967. Bill was active in many ways; church, Elks, Stock Growers Assn., democratic committeeman, and school board. He is survived by his wife Ramona; two sons, Robert Coffee and wife Sharon of Shoshoni, WY, and Donald Coffee of San Francisco, CA; three daughters, Jean Mower and husband Wayne of Claymont, DE, Joanne Coffee of Torrington and Carolyn Coffee and her companion Tracy Page of Torrington; two brothers, Robert Coffey and his wife Barbara of Torrington and Arthur Coffee of Minneapolis, MN; seven grandchildren, seven great grandchildren and one g.g.grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Beatrice Burnham and Anna Eberspecher; and four brothers, Samuel David, Jack Lloyd, Keith Michael, and Thomas Anthony Coffee. Funeral was at the Rose Catholic Church and burial at the Valley View Cemetery.

(Info: Ramona Coffee)

LOWELL W. (Toss) COFFEY

Funeral Services for Lowell W. "Toss" Coffey, 83 of Zephyr were held on Monday, Sept. 9, 2002 in the Davis-Morris Funeral Home Chapel.

Toss was born in Zephyr on Nov. 21 1918 and was a lifetime resident of Zephyr and a member of the Zephyr United Methodist Church. Toss graduated from Zephyr High School. While in high school, he set a state record for the 100 yard dash in track, running on a dirt track and wearing regular tennis shoes. He served in the U.S. Army in WWII; after returning from the war, Toss was a cowboy for the rest of his life. He worked and managed a number of large ranches in Brown County. He worked at the Brownwood Cattle Auction for 40 years. In addition to worked as a substitute mail carrier for 23 years. Toss was the announcer at youth rodeos in the area. He recently received a plaque from the Elm Grove Rodeo Association for 50 years service. He also refereed high school basketball games.

Toss is survived by three sisters, Alla Ray Lyons and Adelene Neislar of San Antonio and Bonnie Priddy and husband, Tom Frank of Austin; nieces & nephews including locals, Charles Coffey of Brownwood; Otis Coffey of Saginaw and Frances Edmondson of Zephyr; also his long time care giver, Nora Birdwell.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Z.B. And Kate (Graves) Coffey; brother, C.F. Coffey; sisters, Madelene Gardner and Mary Jo Allcorn.

{Obituary I Sept. 9, 2002 issue of Brownwood Bulletin}

BESS COFFEY

Bess Coffey, widow of Fran Coffey of Tucson, AZ , passed away on December 1, 2002. She had a stroke on Nov. 17 and just never got any better. Bob Coffey writes that they will miss her just as they still miss Fran. Coffey Cousins sends our condolences to their family.

PAMELAH COFFEE-WEAVER

Pamelah, born Mar. 14, 1961. She was educated in DISD, she attended the Business Magnet High School for 3 years and graduated from James Madison High School in 1979. She went to El Centre Junior College and into private duty nursing. She also attended Velma B.'s Cosmetology School until her health failed.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Karen Rachelle Coffee. She leaves her husband LeRoy Weaver, one daughter, Zindzil Coffee-Simmons; her parents Mari Coffee Walker and John Louis Coffee; two sisters, Deblezcia Coffee Jones Bray and Tamikah Coffee Busby Bray; one brother, D. K. Walker all of Dallas, TX. Funeral was Sat. Dec. 2, 2002 at Greater New Bethel Church, 3817 S. Malcolm X Blvd. Dallas, TX (The Dallas Morning News, Dec 6 2002. Sent by Ilah Merriman)

ALVA M. SPEAR

Alva M. Spear died on January 3, 2003. She was born June 29, 1917. (Info: Bennie Loftin)

WILLIAM EDWARD LEON SMITH

Leon Smith died Nov. 28, 2002. He was born on March 9, 1920 to John Henry and Martha Susan (Coffey) Smith in Hughes Co. OK. He attended the 1986 Coffey Convention held in Tulsa, OK. He is survived by his wife Avalon, son David and daughter Renee. He graduated from Dustin, OK High School and served in the Air Force during WWII. Leon and son David have Smith's Welding on S. Union in Tulsa, OK. (Info; Bennie loftin)

**MAIL BOX**

* Donna and J.R. McDonald sent a Christmas letter. They have a new grandchild, Ryan, born to Lorisa and Graham in September. Donna says that he and his cousin, two year old, Davin, son of LeeAnn and Sean, keep them well entertained.

* Jim Coffey of Spring Lake, MI wrote that he will probably not be able to attend the Convention in Berea as Marge is not well and Jim had a hip replacement in February. We wish for better days for them.

* Gayle J. Carson says that she reads the newsletter and then places it in the library at the Tulsa Genealogical Society. They are available for anyone visiting the library and anytime she wants to reread one, they are readily available. (Thank you Gayle.)

We think this is a very nice gesture and she is not the only cousin who does this. I know that Bill Amell gives his copy to a library in Ontario Canada in memory of his late wife, Marie.

* Jerry Lou Rickman slipped on a grape in the market the day before Thanksgiving and broke her knee cap. She said that she was doing well and is in therapy. We hope she is much better by now.

* Cecile and Jack Purcell have had a rough December. Cecile had surgery on Dec. 13 to remove a benign brain tumor at Mayo Hospital. Jack was diagnosed in Nov. with compression fracture of the spine. Cecile says that they are both mending well and hope to be well enough to attend the convention in Berea.

* Jo Langwell went into the hospital on Jan. 3 for knee surgery. She was ex-

pecting to stay in the hospital for about 3 weeks. We certainly hope her surgery was successful and she is home and recovered by now. (Don't try to do it all the first week JO!!)

* **Bill Amell** of Peterborough, Ontario, Canada sent his subscription renewal tucked into a menu of the "East City Fish & Chips". It made a good **disguise** for the check but sure made me hungry. (Wish I was there!)

* Al and Sue Carhart write that they will not be at the convention this year as Al fell and broke some ribs and then Sue had surgery and is not to travel for some time yet. We hope they are both better.

* Kathryn Johnson wishes that she could attend the convention. She used to spend a lot of time in Berea, KY area and says that she thinks the Coffeys donated the land for the Old Town RenFro Valley. Her grandfather Dan Hayes was born in Wilder, KY before the family moved on to Cass Co. MO. Hope **Kathryn's** health improves so we get to visit with her this year.

1. V. Crawford **sends** a cemetery record:
 BETHEL CEMETERY, Jones Co., ANSON, TX
 Father: Coffey
 Arvin **Lavelle**, 1901-1968
 Mother: **Ila Paralee**, 1905-1976
 COFFEY
 Caroline W. Wm. H.
 1875-1949 1865-1944

MONTICELLO, KY - RICKY COFFEY, 46, and Joseph **I.lee** Frost, 36, brothers in-law, of Route 4, died Saturday of **injuries** received in a traffic accident in Cumberland County. Mr. Coffey, a factory worker, was the husband of Sandra Coffey. Mr. Frost, a painter, was the son of Glenn and Emma Frost. Joint services 1 p.m. Friday, Marvin S. Hicks Funeral Home.
 From **the** Lexington Herald Leader 14 Oct 1999

DEAD END ROADS

***Shearie** (no last name given) wrote: "Searching for any info on Timothy Dalton who married Delpha Coffee. They had a daughter named **Ollie Dalton 21-Sept-1837**. She married John Brewer 11 on **26-Dec-1858 TN**. **Ollie** died 17-July-1906. Any info at all on any of these would be appreciated. Thank you,"
Shearies@aol.com

* Patsy ??? Is looking for information about Lola Coffey who married Ralph Bolden. Ralph was born in **1918** in AR and died in **1981** in Texas. They had 5 children. Ralph's father may have been from Missouri and old stories say that he was a Pentecostal Minister. Lola's parents are **Limuel** Coffey and Betty Williams believed to be for Arkansas also. Family stories say that there was Cherokee blood in the line. **Limuel** Coffey was born in **1899** and died in 1965. If you can help Patsy, her email address is patsybilly33@yahoo.com

*Robert Cornealius Coffey's line is as follows; Austin Coffey; wife: Polly Coffey; Joshua Coffey; wife: Selena Storie; Thomas Calvin Coffey; wife: Mary Huston; **Corneilus** (Doc) Coffey; wife: Susan Margaret Moulder and **Father:** Raymond Robert Coffey; Wife: Irene Moore. Robert would like to correspond with others working this line at rccoffee@quixnet.net

*Reams Goodloe asks, "Our Methodist winter church school quarterly "Adult Bible Studies" lessons are written by John Hargis of San Antonio. In the introduction it says he is married to Linda Coffey, a San Antonio dermatologist. Do you know of any connection?" Ream's address is P.O. Box 942,

Ormond Beach, FL 32175

email: 102751.3473@CompuServe.com

* William B. Coffey is searching for his family and his story is best told in his own words.

'My parents were never married. My Mom had two children by Berry. He left us in Michigan. He moved back to TN and married Mary Margaret. They had two children Becky and Mike. One of his sisters names in Spradling, she was married to Jim. My Mom thinks her name was Claudia. I went there once and visited for three days just to get to meet my father.. Everyone's phone number that I had, and addresses have been changed. He lived on Helton Road and his pride and joy was an old 1950s car that he kept in his barn type garage. They lived across the street from the cemetery where his parents were laid to rest. He was the grounds keeper for it. The church they went to surprised me, they had no music in it, just people signing. i thought that was the coolest thing I have ever heard. People just lifting their voices up to God.

I live in Chicago now and have been here most of my adult life. I am William Berry Coffey DOB 07/13/1958 and my sister is Debra Susan Coffey-Ortiz DOB 12/27/1960. She married Richard Ortiz and they have two children Ricardo Ortiz and Cordero Ortiz. My mother is Patty Leigh Long, born in 1939

I tried to find Becky through the phone company and there is no number listed for them anymore, for Berry in Bean Station or Cisco, Georgia.

I have been receiving letters from my father from for years, now nothing." If you can help William find any of his family, his email address is; WILLIAMBCOFFEY@aol.com

*Jamy Lambert writes, " My gr-grandmother was Hattie Coffey. Her father was Cornelius J Coffey and her mother Martha Gragg Coffey. I am trying to locate information regarding her daughter Helen Coffey. Was Hattie married? Who was Helen's father? Helen was born in 1904 her death certificate shows Lemuel Coffey as her father? Any info would be greatly appreciated. " jamyz75@yahoo.com

* Joyce Grigsby wants to know if anyone has found anymore information on the parentage of Chesley Coffey, Sr and anything about his wife Jane Cleveland. Joyce descends from Chesley Coffey, Jr who died in Maury Co. TN in 1818. Chesley Jr's wife was Margaret Baldwin. If you have anything that might help Joyce, her address is 1224 County Road 363, Lexington, AL 35648.

* Deb Jones is looking for Harvey Coffee, who married a Martha Cook. They were married Sept. 17 1861 in Morgan County KY. She found this in a Morgan County marriage book which lists the names of the couples and the date they were married. Deb would appreciate any help you could give. She thinks Wiley Coffee may be Harvey's father but has not been able to prove this or go any futher back. She thinks that Martha was Harveys 2nd wife and that he had 1 or 2 more after her. Deb says that is all she knows about Harvey Coffee at this time. Her e-mail is mamajones_us@yahoo.com.



CURRENTS IN THE STREAM

* From: "Lloyd Bockstruck"
<ldbockstruck@dallaslibrary.org>

Subject: definition of "orphan"

An orphan in a legal context is an heir to an estate who is under legal age. A child who inherits from a grandparent would be designated an orphan even with both of his parents alive.

This might be of interest to the Coffey descendants who have a family history of Indian heritage from early eastern ancestors.

Subject: [AMERIND-US-SE] Native American DNA test
"Donald Panther-Yates"
<dpanther@gasou.edu>

As a Native American, I have **been** reading the latest spate of messages on DNA tests on the **GENEALOGY-DNA-L** with great interest. I am currently constructing a DNA study with Dr. Elizabeth Hirschman (author of *Melungeons: The Last Lost Tribe in America*) to determine the extent of intermarriage between southeastern tribes and Sephardic Jews (often called Black Dutch or Melungeon). Your messages make it clear that it **will** be a difficult subject to study.

We have already found that at least one surname tests out as Native American by the Y chromosome test (Sizemore). Not a single test subject taking the mitochondrial DNA or maternal test in Family Tree DNA's database has tested **positive...yet**. The only American Indian haplotypes they have in the database are Sizemores & "real" jungle-reservation-Eskimo-type Indians from Michael Hammer and other **researchers'** anthropological field work. The theory I would **like** to prove or disprove is that Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek and other southeastern tribes gave chiefs' daughters as

wives to Sephardic Jewish traders, and their children, the first mixed-breeds, largely accounted for tribal leadership and survival. Oral tradition and genealogy supports this thesis in the case of such families as the Colberts (Chickasaw), Coopers (Choctaw-Cherokee) and McDonalds (Cherokee and Creek), among others. I am thus most interested in human subjects who have a tradition of **chiefs'** lineage combined with Judaism. The test will be free. I would like to hear the list's ideas for constructing a genetics research protocol to test this theory. Feel free to copy and paste and distribute this request.

Donald Panther-Yates, Assistant Professor of Public Relations
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Web site Panther's Lodge <http://www2.gasou.edu/facstaff/dpanther/>

* Joseph Comstock Jr. Writes:
I **will** not renew my membership in our organization. I have thoroughly enjoyed your reporting. It was thru Coffey Cousins that I contacted my Canadian relatives. It was an Eliza Coffey who was my ancestor. She married another Irish immigrant, James McGlennon. They were Great Lakes boat people- schooner, freighters. It was a **15** year member of the clearinghouse, the late Mr. Kay Coffey, that was my contact. Eliza Coffee was b. **1807** Christened in **Inch**, County Down, Ireland, daughter of Tom Coffy and Anne Shields. She died in **1893**, Lake Port, Ontario, Can. Keep up the good work. Sincerely yours; Joseph B. Comstock, Jr

* Virgil Coffee has been in and out of the hospital but is still planning to see us in Berea, KY. He is also working on his Cherokee and Choctaw lineage on

his mother's side. He says that it would be easy if the Dawes Report was perfect but it isn't. His great grandfather is shown by Dawes to be 1/4 Indian; his wife is not given any Indian blood, yet Dawes says that the children of William Spring and Jane Leflore are 1/2 Indian blood. He has contacted his Senators and they have asked to Bureau of Indian Affairs at Okmulgee, OK to check the records for him and forward them to Virgil. We will be waiting to hear how the search turns out.

* Reams Goodloe writes, "All of the CCC # 89 has now been added to the index. One thing bothers me a little. Of the seven obituaries of married women in # 89, five of them do not identify the maiden surname of the deceased. I hope as genealogists that any chance we get to influence obituaries and eulogies of married women, that we will do our best to get the maiden surname included. A simple statement saying she was the daughter of Mr _____ would do it. Also if the editor knows the maiden surname, she or he could add it in some manner." (Ye Ed., The funeral director usually collects this info and forwards it to the newspaper. They also need to be aware of our desires.)

Jama LaVonne Hoel sent a clipping from THE OKLAHOMAN, Business section, page 1 (there is no date) about Virgil Coffee, Chief executive, chairman and president of TVC Marketing Associates Inc.. His bio says that he is 60 years old and has a wife Linda, three sons and eight grandchildren. He lives in Oklahoma, City. He attended Texas Tech University majoring in education. The article is about his marketing company and it appears to be a very interesting company.

DOCUMENTS GALORE

* We thank Kenneth Coffey for the following story about the grandson of Lewis Russell Coffey, Wayne Co. KY. Ken's email address is kcoffey30@hotmail.com

Ken says that this is just a little history on Shelby Moore Cullom some of this you might know and some of it is my thoughts after reading what books I can find on his life and my personal notes from being at his grave and knowing the relationship that he, and his dad, had with Lincoln.

SHELBY MOORE CULLOM

Shelby Moore Cullom was born 22 Nov 1829 in Monticello, Wayne Co KY the son of Richard Northcraft "Dick" Cullom who married on 16 March 1819 in Wayne Co KY Elizabeth "Betsy" Coffey daughter of Lewis Russell Coffey and Bidant "Biddy" Moore. When Shelby was just a few months old the family moved to Tazewell Co IL and his father became friends with Abe Lincoln over the next twenty years. When Shelby decided that he wanted to be a lawyer his dad sent him to Springfield (IL) to look up Lincoln who was practicing law there. Shelby made the journey and found Lincoln. Lincoln was very pleased to see the son of his old friend Dick and they sat and talked. Even then Lincoln was known as a "talker" so I can only think that Shelby had to listen to tales and had a good time and formed a personal friendship with Lincoln that Shelby never forgot until the day he died. So after a few hours of Shelby listening I can just see Lincoln finally asking him "now my young friend what is it you came for?" If Lincoln was relaxed he would not be sitting in a chair like most people do. You have to remember that Lincoln was a tall man and the chairs back then were small compared to his height so he would take his chairs lay them on the floor with the back up and lean against them as he sat on the floor this is how he played with his children at home in the parlor. Shelby asked Lincoln if he would take him into his firm and teach him the ropes to become a lawyer (note: At that time most lawyers never went to law school in that part of the country, they apprenticed with practicing attorneys and learned the trade). Lincoln told Shelby that he was pleased

that his friend Dick had sent Shelby to him and he would like to have him work for him, but that because of his duties of riding the circuit and the amount of time he would be away that he thought that it would be more in Shelby's interest to go in with another firm and learn. So Shelby was pointed in the right direction to a **firm** that he learned the trade with so that in 1855 he was admitted to the bar and the same year he became the City Attorney for Springfield and married his first wife Hanna M. Fisher (on the 12th of Dec.) Shelby and Hanna would have two daughters, Ella and Carrie. Ella married William Barret Ridgeway in 1882. He was the son of Charles Ridgeway founder of the Springfield Iron Co. and grandson of Nicholas Ridgeway who had sold the State of Illinois the land to build the State Capital Building on in Springfield. (Note: This is the building now referred to as the "Old State Capitol" it was taken apart stone by stone, each one numbered and stored for many **years** (when I was in high school in the **1960's**) at the state **fairgrounds**, when it was restored and is just as it was in the **1800's** when Lincoln was in the house of representatives there, and later Shelby Cullom).

Carrie married Robert Gordon Hardie a well known artist of the time from Washington DC. In 1856 Shelby was elected to the **Ill** House of Representatives and also was a presidential elector. He was **re-elected** to the house in **1860** and became the Speaker of the House.

In 1861 President Lincoln remembered his friend and called on Shelby to rally Illinois for the Union cause. On the evening of 25 April 1861 Shelby introduced Stephen A. Douglas "The Little Giant" to a joint session of the **legislature** so **he** could speak. Later in his life Shelby would recall this speech as **the** most moving speech I **have** ever heard in my long public life, "In all my experience before and after I was never so impressed by the power of a man speaking to an audience and Douglas spoke with great earnestness and power." What should have been a good year for him in 1861 was saddened by the death of his wife Hanna. (March 18th). In 1862 Shelby returned to law practice with Milton Hay, son-in-law of Judge Stephen T. Logan who had been Lincoln's law partner and the uncle to John Hay Lincoln's Secre-

tary of State. Also in 1862 President Lincoln appointed him Commissioner for the Accounts of the US Quartermaster and Commissary Officers to investigate the department at Cairo, IL.

On 5 May 1863 Shelby married Julia Fisher sister to his first wife, and two years later ('65) on 14th of August their son Richard Northcraft Cullom (named after his father) was born, and Shelby was elected to as a US **Representative** to the 39th Congress. Every time good things happened in his life there seemed to be something bad to keep his feet on the ground, his son Richard died just past his first birthday (21 Aug 1865)

Shelby joined the movement to oust President Johnson from office in 1867 and '69 saw him **re**-elected to the 40th then 41st Congress, and on 20 Aug 1869 his daughter Elizabeth Coffey Cullom (named after his mother) was **born**, a bright spot that was short lived she died on 8 March 1871. Shelby would remain in congress until 1870 when returned to Springfield and formed the **law** firm of Cullom, Zane, and Marcy (with Charles S. Zane and G. O. Marcy) and also would become the head of the State National Bank (note: This is something that Shelby would recall later as something he was not meant to be, a banker.)

In 1872 Shelby Moore Cullom was chosen to be Chairman of the Illinois Republican **Nat'l** Convention in Philadelphia and he placed General Grants name in nomination for president. This speech to this day is the shortest nominating speech ever given for any president. The complete nominating speech was; "On behalf of the great Republication Party, of Illinois and that of the union, in the name of liberty, of **loyalty**, of justice, and of **law**, in the interest of economy, of good **government**, of peace I nominate U. S. Grant for president of these United States."

Again in 1873 he was elected to the Illinois House of Representatives and chosen a second time to **be** Speaker of the House. In **1876** he was to become the governor of Illinois and re-elected a second term as governor in 1880. Then in **1883** he would start his long career as a U.S. Senator which he would remain until he decided to retire because of health problems later in his life. During his terms of office he was chairman (and founder) of the Interstate Commerce Commission, member of

committees on appropriations, census, foreign relations, and the Library of Congress. He also served as a regent of the Smithsonian Institution 1884 saw him again Chairman of the Illinois Republication Delegation to the National Convention this time in Chicago, and in 1892 the same position in Minneapolis.

For once things settled down until in 1909 his second wife Julia died, after her death, Julia and Hannah's sister Victoria moved in with Shelby to care for him which she did until he died.

The one last thing that was most important to Shelby was the commission to build the memorial to President Lincoln which he headed, after many delays it was finally approved and it was one of the last things Shelby worked on.

On 22 Jan 1914 Shelby Moore Cullom died in Washington DC at the age of 84, the last person alive that had been on President Lincoln's funeral train in 1865.

He was laid to rest in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, IL on a hill overlooking Lincoln's Tomb.

REPORT TAKEN FROM "ON WHITE ROCK"

by Jean Helm

Submitted by: Sharon Spiva Hanks

REPORT TAKEN FROM THE BOOK "ON WHITE ROCK" WRITTEN BY JEAN HELM:
Very early in the settlement of McDonald County, Mo., two large related families came to White Rock Prairie: the Coffees and the Hoppers. Family records indicate that the Coffees came to McDonald Co., about 1835. JOHN COFFEE, a widow, brought with him to Missouri, a son MEREDITH whose mother was REBECCA RAGSDALE. Both father and son subsequently married HOPPER sisters, daughters of JOHN DAVID HOPPER and MARY (POLLY) DAVENPORT. Both men had large families: JOHN COFFEE with his second wife, JANE HOPPER and MEREDITH COFFEE by his only wife, ELIZABETH "BETSY" HOPPER.

MEREDITH'S son, WILLIAM HARRISON COFFEE married the daughter of JACOB

CAUDILL, early surveyor in McDonald County and resident of White Rock community. Another son, JOE COFFEE, married ELVA TENNESSEE CLARK. His brother, DAVID COFFEE, married her twin sister MIRIAH PARALEE CLARK. Meredith's daughter, MARY REBECCA COFFEE, married JAMES SMITH "WHISKEY JIM" DAVENPORT. DAVID COFFEE'S son, HICE FREDERICK, married NORA FORD. It is their descendants who are the most numerous "on White Rock" today. A daughter of DAVID COFFEE'S, NANCY ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" COFFEE married WYLIE ROSS RUSSELL; they also have many RUSSELL descendants "on White Rock" today.

The Coffee's were ambitious people merchants, traders, trappers, beekeepers, and teachers as well as farmers. Some said they were very artistic doing woodcarving, delicate rockwork, and other highly skilled trades. TRUMAN COFFEE has a "White Rock Trading Post" in 1997. E.E. COFFEE served several terms as County Collector at Pineville, Mo. HARVEY NEAL COFFEE was County Clerk.

JOHN and JANE COFFEE lost two sons, JOHN H. COFFEE and HENRY COFFEE to the Confederate cause during the Civil War. JOHN H. enlisted at Pineville, Mo., on Sept 2, 1861. He was captured in McDonald County, Mo., action on 2 May 1862, and taken to a military prison at Alton, Illinois, to be exchanged with Confederates at Vicksburg, Mississippi. He was not heard from again. HENRY COFFEE, 18 years old, enlisted at Pineville, Mo., as a Private in Co. K, 4 Regiment of Missouri Infantry on 2 Sept 1862. He was captured near Carthage, Mo., in Jasper County, on the 20th of May 1863. He was sent to St Louis, Mo., and then to City Point, Virginia, for prisoner exchange. He was admitted to the Army of the Cumberland after exchange, and was wounded in a skirmish near Kennesaw Mountain, Georgia. He later died from this abdominal wound in the Army Hospital.

MEREDITH COFFEE is listed by "GOODSPEED" as one of the McDonald County civilians, bearing arms that was captured by Federal Forces. WAT CLARK, listed in "GOODSPEED" as having been killed by Federal

Scouts, was the father of MIRIAH PARALEE CLARK and ELVA TENNESSEE CLARK, wives of DAVID and JOE COFFEE.

JOHN DAVID HOPPER was born 3 July 1789 and MARY "POLLY" DAVENPORT HOPPER was born 24 Feb 1793. They were from Chattanooga, TN, near Look Out Mountain. They had the following Children: JANE b. 18 Aug 1812; SARAH b. 4 Jun 1814; ELIZABETH b. 23 Nov 1816; JAMES b. 24 Jan 1819; WILLIAM b. 27 Oct 1823; DAVID b. 12 Sept 1825; ROBERT b. 28 Oct 1833.

JANE HOPPER married JOHN COFFEE, who was also from Tennessee. JOHN COFFEE was born 8 Oct 1793 and JANE was born 18 Aug 1812. JOHN COFFEE had been married and widowed and had a grown son when he married JANE HOPPER. The son, MEREDITH COFFEE was born 6 Jan 1822. He later married ELIZABETH HOPPER, younger sister of his Step-Mother. She was known as Aunt Betsy and was a very good woman. JOHN COFFEE was the same age as his wife, JANE'S mother. JOHN and JANE had the following children:

- 1) JOHN b. 29 Jan 1841. He **servcd** in the Civil War and died far from home.
- 2) JAMES b. 30 Nov 1842. He was a very large man and the father of six children. His wife, MANDY CORDIAL (CORDELL) died when bitten by a black bottle spider leaving a family of small children. It was she that sang so clearly on her deathbed "Bear Me Away On The Snowy White Wings".
- 3) HENRY b. 8 May 1845. He also served in the Civil War and was never heard from again.
- 4) MARY JANE b. 24 Dec 1847. She married JOHN LEWIS PARISH and was the mother of eight children. Also raised a step-son. She d. 28 Mar 1917. Her husband J.L. PARISH d. 22 Oct 1935. (John's first wife was MALINDA STARNES. They had 2 children, JESS and **CASPER**. CASPER **died very** young. JESS was **the** father of EVERETT PARISH. EVERETT married WINNIE PRITCHARD, they had 2 children, JOHN and ANNA LEE PARISH. JESS married FRANCES REARRICK).
- 5) RICE COFFEE b. 15 Sept 1850. He was a good man, was the father of seven children. He

married ANN DAVENPORT. She died leaving a baby seven months old. This was AMANDA COFFEE BROWN. MARY JANE COFFEE PARISH nursed her along with her son, WILLIAM. There was another daughter ELIZABETH. RICE later married and had five children.

6) SARAH b. 27 Nov 1853, she married JACK CALDWELL. They had no children of their own but raised three orphans, BILLIE **CARNES**, an orphan boy and ELIZABETH and AMANDA COFFEE, the children of Sarah's brother, RICE.

7) **MYRIA** b. 22 Aug 1856, she died at the age of 15.

The 1860 census shows JOHN **DAVID** HOPPER and ROBERT HOPPER as having been residents of White Rock Community. They had come to Missouri at the same time that JOHN COFFEE came, and the two families were connected by marriage. The daughters of JOHN DAVID HOPPER both married COFFEES, and the daughter MALINDA HOPPER, married WILLIAM HENRY BULLARD, another of the Civil War Veterans and a family that was well known in the history of White Rock.

NOTE ON WILLIAM HENRY BULLARD: he was born 14 Dec 1842 in Dog Hollow, near Pineville, Mo. He lived there until he was 3 month old and then they moved to Benton Co., Ark. He lived there until the Civil War. He was converted and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church when he was 18 years old. He volunteered for service in the Confederate Army when the first call was made. His parents owned slaves and he often spoke of his love for his old negro **nurse, Mammy....** He fought the 4 years of the war seeing service in the following battles: Helena, Ark; Pea Ridge, Ark; and Bunker Hill. He crossed the field in the famous Picket's Charge at the Battle of Gettysburg. He would choke up and cry when he talked about this bloody siege. When the children would fail to obey the orders of their parents, he would refer to Picket's Charge and what happened there because others did not carry out the orders that had been given to them. He fought 4 years and was never wounded. (Letter of family member to B. Jeffers).

His first wife was SUSAN CAUDILL, daughter

His first wife was SUSAN CAUDILL, daughter of JACOB CAUDILL mentioned in "GOODSPEED" as the first surveyor of McDonald County. She was also the sister of HILLEAD OKLA CAUDILL COFFEE, wife of WILLIAM HARRISON COFFEE. SUSAN and W.H. BULLARD had 3 children: JACOB ALEXANDER, JAMES RUSSELL, and THOMAS JEREMIAH. MR. BULLARD'S second wife was ELIZA COFFEE PITTS, daughter of MEREDITH COFFEE, and no known children were born to them.

MR. BULLARD'S third wife was MALINDA ELLEN HOPPER. They had seven children, two of whom lived in Pineville, Mo., for years. LILVIA ACENITH BULLARD married DR. WILLIAM HENRY HORTON, a practicing medical physician who was also affiliated with the Hall Drug Store in Pineville as a pharmacist. Another daughter, CARRIE EDYTH BULLARD, married JAMES ARTHUR "ARTIE" JOSLIN.

MALINDA HOPPER BULLARD'S grandmother was a DAVENPORT. Another of her great grandmothers was ELIZABETH GAMBLE, daughter of MARY RUSSELL. The DAVENPORTS, COFFEES, BULLARDS and HOPPERS were all closely related. ELIZABETH RUSSELL, daughter of CARLISLE ROSS RUSSELL, married ROBERT HOPPER.

MEREDITH COFFEE (only child of John Coffee/Rebecca Ragsdale) b. 6 Jan 1822 at Grainger County. Tennessee; died 10 Feb 1892 at Jane, McDonald Co, Mo. buried at Jane Cemetery; married 1841 in Tenn., to ELIZABETH (BETSY) HOPPER, b. 23 Nov 1817 Hamilton Co., Tenn., died 18 July 1899 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., buried at Jane Cemetery, daughter of JOHN DAVID HOPPER and MARY (POLLY) DAVENPORT.

MEREDITH COFFEE and ELIZABETH (BETSY) HOPPER CHILDREN:

D.ELIZA b. 1842 in Tenn; died 9 May 1880; married (1) PITTS 4 Oct 1875 White Rock Prairie, Mo (2) WILLIAM HENRY BULLARD.

2).NAME UNKNOWN b. Tenn

3).WILLAM HARRISON b. 24 Feb 1843; died 6 July 1921 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., buried

Jane Cemetery; married HILLEAD OKLA CAUDILL on 22 Jan 1868 at McDonald Co., Mo.; she was born 26 Jan 1850 at Robinson County, Kentucky; died 6 Feb 1912 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., buried at the Jane Cemetery; daughter of JACOB CAUDILL (CAUDILLE) and MARY W. KIRBY (KIRBEY); both of Kentucky.

4).JOSEPH (JOE) A. b. 18 Mar 1846, Hamilton Co, Tenn., died 5 May 1913 at Jane. McDonald Co., Mo., married ELVA TENNESEE CLARK on 26 Sept 1869 at McDonald Co., Mo., she was born Jan 1853 in Arkansas and died 16 Mar 1936 in Bentonville, Benton Co., Ark, at the home of their daughter, MRS. J. E. PIERCE at Bentonville, Ark., she is buried at the Jane Cemetery. She was the daughter of WAT CLARK and NANCY E?? (Also she was the twin sister of MIRIAH PARALEE CLARK).

5).DAVID b. Jan 1850 died 1918 buried at Jane Cemetery, Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., married MARIAH PARALEE CLARK (twin sister of Eva Tennessee Clark) on 25 July 1869 at McDonald Co., Mo. she was born Jan 1853 in Arkansas, and died July 1919 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., and buried at Jane, Cemetery; she was the daughter of WAT CLARK and NANCY E. ??

6).MADISON b. 1851 in Tenn., died between 1860- 1870

7).MARY REBECCA COFFEE b. 26 Oct 1852; died 29 May 1914, is buried at Jane Cemetery; married JAMES SMITH DAVENPORT on 26 Aug 1869; he was the son of THOMAS GARRISON DAVENPORT and HELENA ANN RUSSELL.

8).JAMES MILO b. July 1857; died May 1913, buried at Jane Cemetery; married HARRIET J. RUSSELL, she was the daughter of JAMES LARKEN RUSSELL and SUSAN CLARISSA.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM HARRISON COFFEE and HILLEAD OKLA CAUDILLE (CAUDILL):

1). JAMES "MILO" b. 9 July 1869 at Jane, McDonald Co. Mo.: died 23 Mar 1936 at Fairview, Newton Co., Mo. buried at Dicey Cemetery; married (1) SARAH HORNER (2) MARIANNE LEWIS.

2). MARY ELIZA b. 8 Jan 1873 at Jane,

McDonald Co., Mo.; died 22 April 1933 at Pineville, McDonald Co., Mo., married on 24 Oct **1889** to **JAMES WILLIAM ROSS**.

3). **EDWARD ENOCH** b. 27 April **1874**, at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died 27 May 1961 at Pineville, McDonald Co., Missouri; married on 6 Sept **1903** to **PEARL CLOE WHITESIDE**.

4). **MINNIE ZERONIA** b. 16 Oct 1875 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died 29 May **1943** at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo.; married on 26 Mar 1893 to (1) **SAMUEL HEITT LARGENT**; (2) **GEORGE**

5). **ALBIE RAVENDALE** b. 27 Jan 1877 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo.; died **11 Mar 1923** at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., married (1) **WILLIAM H. CARNES** (2) **E.E. PARSONS**

6). **ALEX M.** b. 8 June 1878 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died Aug 1879 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., buried at Jane Cemetery.

7) **ARTHUR E.** b. 8 Oct 1879 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died 4 Feb **1938** at Sioux City, Woodbury Co., IA; **m.** 26 Oct 1902 to **NORA BELLE VICKREY**

8) **JOHN FINIS** b. 23 Jan 1881 at Jane, McDonald Co, Mo., died 2 Jan 1957 at Rogers, Benton Co., Ark.; married in 1909 to **CORA LEE ANGLIN**.

9) **MEREDITH** b. 26 Feb 1884 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died May 1885 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., buried at Jane, Cemetery.

10). **ALBERT** b. 26 May 1885 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died **1887** at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo.

11) **PEARL C.** b. **12 July ??** at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died at Elk Point, South Dakota; buried at Elk Point Cemetery; **m.** to **NOAH LANDERS**.

12) GRACE b. 20 Mar 1890 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died 5 Aug **1921** at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., buried at Jane, Cemetery; married **ART SLINKARD**.

13) **OMA** b. 13 June **1893** at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died 7 Sept 1958; buried at Brush Creek Cemetery, south of Pineville, McDonald Co., Mo., **m.** on May 1910 to **LUTHER ALLEN WINTERS**.

CHILDREN OF **JOSEPH A. COFFEE** and **ELVA TENNESSEE CLARK**:

1). **FLORENCE BELL** b. Sept 1870 in MO; died 1923; **m.** in 1886 to **WILLIAM HENRY BUNCH**

2). **SARAH E.** b. Dec **1872** in Missouri

3). **PRISSA L.** b. June 1879

(NOTE: **JOE** and **ELVA** raised two grandsons and could have possibly adopted them because one grandson, Price Bunch, always went by Price Coffee. They are the children of **FLORENCE BELL** and **WILLIAM HENRY BUNCH**.)

4). **PRICE BUNCH** b. Oct 1888

5). **MARTIN BUNCH** b. Jan 1890

CHILDREN OF **DAVID COFFEE** and **MIRIAH PARALEE CLARK**:

1). **NANCY ELIZABETH (LIZZIE)** b. 1870 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died 1953 and is buried at Jane Cemetery; **m.** **WYLIE ROSS RUSSELL**, He was b. in 1869 and d. in **1942**; he was the son of **CARLISLE ROSS RUSSELL** and **ALVIRA CAROLINE (ALLIE C.) DAVENPORT**.

2). **CHARLES L.** b. Sept 1872 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo.; died 1953 is buried at Jane Cemetery; **m.** to **MYRTLE E ANGLIN** (1883-1966)

3) **ROSA** married ?? **RUSSELL**

4). **PIERCE** b. 31 Dec 1877 at Jane, McDonald County, Mo.; d. 4 Nov 1940 and is buried at Jane Cemetery; **m.** May 1901 (1) **SARAH LAMB** (2) **KATE KNISLEY**.

5). **HICE FREDERICK** b. 27 June 1883 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died 1953 and is buried at Jane, Cemetery; married in 1901 to **NORA GERTRUDE FORD**.

6). **THOMAS G.** b. Sept **1886** at Jane, McDonald Co.. Mo., **m.** **LILLIE B??**

7). **HENRY** b. Nov 1889 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo.

CHILDREN OF **HICE FREDERICK COFFEE** and **NORA GERTRUDE FORD**:

1). **LILLIE FERN** b. 6 July 1903 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., died 25 Dec **1925**; married **DUTCH HOBBS**

2). **DELLA MAUD** b. 9 July 1905 Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., d. 19 Dec 1973; **m.** **JOE BARKLEY**

3) **ELLA VAUD** b. 9 July 1905 at Jane, McDonald County, Mo., died 12 Dec 1977; married **JOHN KAUFFMAN**.

4). **FRED LEROY** b. Jane, McDonald Co., Mo.,

5). **DELMER "LOYD"** b. 1 Nov **1910** at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., **d. 1912**.

Mo., d. 26 June 1984 at Bentonville, Benton Co., AR.; m. LILLIAN SPARKLE YEARGAIN (BROWNIE).

7). CLIFFORD "PRICE" b. 29 Sept 1916 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo.; m. WANITA SCHELL.

8). CLEO "RALPH" b. 13 Feb 1918 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., d. 27 April 1992 at Lanagan, McDonald Co., Mo.; m. 12 Aug 1960 at Miami, Ottawa Co., OK., to ANDREA SUE BREWER.

9). HARVEY NEAL b. 27 July 1920 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., d. 30 April 1966, buried at Jane Cemetery; m. 7 Dec 1941 to LULIMAY CARDEN

10). NORA "VELMA" b. 14 Nov 1922 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., d. 1995 and is buried at the Jane Cemetery; married GEORGE TOWNSEND.

11). LETA "OLLIDEAN" b. 15 Feb 1925 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., m. REECE EDWARDS.

12). TRUMAN ELMER b. 7 Mar 1927 at Jane, McDonald Co., Mo., m. CLEVA STEVENS

CHILDREN OF NANCY ELIZABETH COFFEE and WILEY ROSS RUSSELL:

(1) DAVID BENTON b. 20 Aug 1889 at Jane, MO; d. 1952; buried Jane Cemetery; m. NORA LENORA HARTMAN on 12 Apr 1909, in Jane, McDonald County, MO. (DAVID BENTON RUSSELL ran for Lieutenant Governor for the state of Missouri, not sure what year, as a Democratic Candidate. It listed his qualifications as: 7 years as a teacher in common schools in the state of Missouri; Clerk for 2 years in State Senate of MO; 2 years as Assistant Prosecuting Attorney of St., Louis County, MO; 4 years as Representative 1st District of St. Louis County, MO; and 26 years as a practicing attorney. His son, DAVID BENTON RUSSELL II, ran as a Democratic Candidate for State Representative, 1st District of St. Louis County, MO.

(2) WADE CARLYLE b. 30 July 1892 b. in Indian Territory; d. 16 May 1970 at Morenci, AZ; m. GRACE FERN CONRAD on 30 Nov 1920, St. Louis, MO. She died on 13 July 1970 at Morenci, AZ.

(3) LAURA DORA b. 18 Mar 1894 at Jane, MO; died 6 Jan 1975; m. (1) JAMES HENSON on 25 Feb 1915 at Jane, MO; m. (2) MILO SANDERS

(4) CLARISSA ETHEL OGUSTA b. 13 Oct 1896

at Jane, MO; d. 10 Sept 1977 buried at Jane Cemetery; m. HARRISON IRVIE HOLLAND on Jan 1917.

(5) LAWTON THOMAS b. 23 Dec 1897 at Jane, MO; d. 22 July 1954 at Santa Barbara, CA.; m.

DORA PLATT on 9 May 1921 at Springton, AR.

(6) MACK McKINLEY b. 20 July 1899 at Jane, MO; d. 16 Feb 1973 buried at Jane, Cemetery; m. ELLA MAE HOUGH.

(7) ROSA (ROSIE) CHRISTINA FRANCIS b. 20 Jan 1903 at Jane, MO; d. 1981 buried at Jane Cemetery; m. EVERETT (SLIM) ALBERT HARRINGTON. He was b. 1891 and d. 1853.

(8) MAGGIE MAHALIE (JOHNNIE) b. 25 Jan 1905 at Jane, MO; d. 1984 buried at Jane, MO; JOHN (HICE) MERCER on 7 Apr 1922. He was b. on 10 May 1897 and d. 31 May 1964 buried at Jane, MO.

(9) JEWEL (twin to BUEL) b. 14 Aug 1907 at Jane, MO; m. FINIS DODSON in 1926.

(10) BUEL (twin to JEWEL) b. 14 Aug 1907 at Jane, MO; m. HUGH HARNSELY on 1926.

(11) GEORGE (DOC) LONGMIER b. 14 July 1910 at Crook County, OK; d. 16 May 1979 buried at Jane Cemetery; m. MELVINA PARKER on 5 Apr 1940 buried in Jane Cemetery.

(12) JUANITA b. 29 Sept 1915 at Jane, MO; m. CALVIN McKNIGHT on June 1936.

Sharon sends thanks to Jack Coffee and Bennie Loftin for their help in getting this information out to the Internet on COFFEE COUSINS' CLEARHOUSE and for hand carrying the information to the Coffee Convention 2003 in Kentucky. It was instrumental in putting the Coffee of Jane, McDonald County, Missouri on the map.

Gratefully,

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COFFEY COUSINS ' CONVENTION 2003

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(Before March 10 please)

For RESERVATIONS call 1-800-366-9358 or 1-859-985-3705, ask for Dorothy Brown or Eileen Venturi. Be sure and tell them you are with the Coffey Cousins Convention and which nights you **will** NEED the room. A block of rooms will be held until MARCH 10, 2003 for May 1st - 4th. The special rate is \$67.50 plus tax. Reserve early for your choice of rooms. A free continental breakfast, coffee pot in room. If valet service is needed, a \$2.25 fee for each bag, notify when making reservations.

NO SMOKING HOTEL

TOURS - free

Friday..May 2nd
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Saturday, May 3rd
Old Town Berea, on your own.
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BANQUET

Saturday May 3rd, 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. in the Oak Room at the hotel. Choice of Boneless Pork Chops the Tricky Way or Chicken Flakes in Bird's Nest, includes soup, salad, spoonbread & desert, 21% tax and gratuity included in the \$20 cost of the banquet meal.

Make banquet reservations with Bennie Loftin. **MUST HAVE MONEY BY APRIL 1ST, CANCEL** before April 15th to RECEIVE A REFUND .

Sunday, May 4th
Great Salt Petre Cave
(to see, check yes box)
Coffey family cemeteries

Names of those attending CCC, make room reservations to hotel before March 10, 2003.

Number attending Saturday afternoon banquet @ \$20.00 per person, all charges included.
Please indicate dinner choice- Pork Chops _____ or Chicken Flakes _____

TOTAL enclosed \$ _____

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Do you want to tour the Great Salt Petre Cave on Sunday, May 4, 2003? Yes ___ No ___

COMPUTER NEWS

Hello Cousins,

I have uploaded some new text files on the Coffey Cousins' website, and hope you find them useful. They are:

Austin Julien Coffey:

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~coffeycousins/Text_Files/AJCoffey.html

Elijah Coffey:

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~coffeycousins/Text_Files/ElijahCoffey.html

Finley Patterson Coffey

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~coffeycousins/Text_Files/FPCoffey.html

Isaiah Bert Coffee

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~coffeycousins/Text_Files/IBCoffee.html

You can see all of the text files (wills, etc) here, then click on your choice of files:

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~coffeycousins/text.html>

I'll be working on extracting more files as the winter gets colder, and when it's too windy to fish! Regards - Jack

Coffey cousin, Michael searches for ancestors in the 1880 census using the recently created index by FamilySearch.

<http://www.ancestry.com/library/view/news/articles/4597.asp>

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