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The Central Florida Genealogical and Historical Society was organized in 1969. The Society welcomes everyone interested in genealogy, the history of our state and nation, and in furthering the objectives of our Society. Annual membership begins the first day of March and ends the last day of February.

The regular monthly meetings are held on the final Thursday of the months September through May at the Orlando Public Library or a place designated by the President.

All meetings are open to the public. We welcome visitors and urge members to bring guests.

#### CALENDAR

November 18

December 16

January 31

The November and January meetings will be held at the Orlando Public Library Auditorium. Time: 7:30 p.m.

Plans for the December Christmas Party will be announced.

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

HAPPINESS IS "seeing 61 members and guests of our Society at the September meeting. Let us hope that the rest of the 1976-1977 year will be as successful.

I hope that everyone attending the meeting enjoyed themselves as much as I did. We will have some lectures during the coming year, but there will also be some more meetings without planned activities. In this way we will get to know each other better.

Our greatest need now is participation of members. As you will see, we now have a new editor for the Newsletter-Mrs. Andrea H. White. Mrs. White has recently completed the first volume of a set of books she plans to write about her family. Please give her your cooperation and help.

Thank-you.

Betty Brinsfield Hughson

#### BIBLE RECORD

Commentary On The Old Testament and The New Testament Edited by the Reverend Robert Jamison D.D., Minister St. Paul's Parish, Glasgow Scotland. Publiched by James S. Birtue. City Road and Ivy Lane--London. No publishing date given.

#### Marriages

B. E. Young and Mennie L Smith married May 15, 1900
Jennie Barnett Young and Robert L. Campbell married Aug. 8, 1930
Adelade Young and Robert M. Reeves married Jan. 6, 1945
Marion Campbell and Dr. Franklin Walter Cory married
July 26, 1957

(Contributed by Mrs. Marion Campbell Cory of Orlando DAR Chapter, Orlando, Florida)

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DID YOU KNOW that many of the censuses are indexed and these indexes are available at the Orlando Public Library. Look for a complete listing of these indexes in the next issue of the Newsletter!

#### WOOD FAMILY

The following information was copied and submitted by Mrs. Curtis McDowell.

#### SAMUEL AND SARAH REIVES WOOD

#### Issue:

1. Wm. (Named for grandfather b. 6-13-1773, Loudoun Co., Va.

in England)

- d. 1-11-1851; bur. Clear Fork Cem.
- m. (1) Eleanor (Nelley) Ryan b. 3-14-1814
  - d. 11-23-1822; bur. Clear
  - Fork Church Cem.

    2) Mary (Polly) Cardile
  - (2) Mary (Polly) Cargile b. 3-26-1826 l child

- 2. James
- 3. Samuel Jr.
- 4. Thomas
- 5. Abraham
- 6. John
- 7. George

#### REUBEN BAYLESS WOOD

b. 1-22-1805

d. 1861-Cumberland, Ky.

Lived on Spring Creek-son of Thomas and Mary Bayless Wood

R. B. Wood m. on 2-3-1828, Elizabeth Gibbons, b. 1-22-1803, KY., d. 3-23-1902, Ky

#### Issue:

- Nancy Parnetta
   Irene Belle
- 2. Irene Belle 3. Robt. White
- 4. Thos. Lafayette
- 5. Celina Amerann
- 6. Armstead Armstrong
- 7. Jas. Elvin
- 8. Elizabeth Gibbons

- b. 5-13-1829, d. 10-27-1844
- b. 11-8-1830
- b. 5-1-1833
- b. 9-1-1835
- b. 11-10-1837
- b. 3-16-1840
- b. 5-24-1842
- b. 4-13-1845

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#### FOR YOUR DIRECTORY

It is wonderful to see new faces at our meetings and we welcome each of them!

#### New Members

- 1. Blomquist, Mrs. Ann N. #152 427 E. Richmond St. Orlando, Florida 32806 Ph. 423-3738
- 2. Compton, Mrs. Thelma #151 5605 Bishop Grady Court Apt. 3 Orlando, Fl Ph. 298-4738
- 3. Downs, Miss Pamela Barbara #157 5573 N. Semoran Blvd. Apt 803 Winter Park, Fl. 32792 Ph. 671-1994
- 4. Gorin, Mrs. Minnie A. Thorpe #150 721 Innsbruck Dr. Orlando, Fl 275-8608
- 5. Gowan, Mrs. Lafay Eastman #151 2157 Shady Brook Lane Birmingham, Al, 35226 823-0476
- 6. Huggins, Miss Melonie #155 1031 N. Bumby Ave. Orlando, Fl 32803 Ph. 896-5559
- 7. Pope, Mrs. Eva Jane #153 1225 E. Tulone Dr. Altamonte Springs, Fl 32701 Ph. 862-4250
- 8. Richardson, Mrs. Norma Patten #149 1408 Clematis Lane Winter Park, F1 32792 Ph. 678-2629
- Russell, Mrs. Jane Ann Breham #154
   2204 Mosher Drive
   Orlando, Fl 32810
- 10. Shaw, Mrs. Doris #156 633 London Road Winter Park, F1 32792 Ph. 671-5214
- Mr. James H. Hornbeak has a new address: P. B. Box 396
  Yankeetown, Florida 32698

#### Reinstatement

- 1. Loures, Mrs. Peggy S. 1243 Queensway Rd. Orlando, Fl Ph. 293-3571
- 2. Wylie, Mrs. Iola Wallace
  #62
  315 Seminole Blvd, Apt 62E
  Casselberry, Florida 32707

### NEWNANSVILLE A LOST FLORIDA SETTLEMENT

By: Susan Yelton From: T e Florida Historical Quarterly

The history buff interested in the growth pattern of Florida or in lost settlements will find this article most informative. Ms. Yelton explains how the settlement of Newnansville helped pave the way for the growth of interior Florida and at the same time sowed the seeds of its own destruction.

Once Newmansville was the county seat of Alachua County, a territory known as "inland Florida" extending almost from the Georgia Line to Charlotte Harbor. The bustling settlement of the 1840's, located on the Santa Fe River, grew out of the land-hungry dreams of men like James Bell and his two brothers, who refused to be kept away from the fertile acreage even though it was deemed unsafe because of Indian hostilities.

Eventually (1824), the Indians were removed to a reservation below present-day Ocala but the population growth remained low until the end of the Second Seminole War in 1842. Even then, the Indians would continually leave the reservation and posed a constant threat. Newnansville became a haven of security for travelers as well as for the surrounding agricultural community. The settlers of this wilderness were determined to hold the area against the hostile Indians and to grow in population. However, their best efforts were not to bring success.

Many factors contributed to the demise of this seemingly prosperous settlement; disease, poor roads, and of course, the Indians. But the Death blow was delt when the Railroad passed a mile South of Newnansville instead of coming through the town. This coupled with the earlier movement of the County Court house to Gainsville made Newnansville what it it is today—nothing but fields. What a poor reward to a community who willingly held open the door to "Interior Florida".

Andrea Hickman White

#### DID YOU KNOW

A copy of a book listing all of the marked graves in Pierce County, Georgia can be obtained from the compiler, Randell M. Walker, Jr., P. O. Box 227, Jesup, Georgia 31545. Cost \$5.00. 55 p.p.

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#### BENNINGTON CENTER CEMETERY

OLD BENNINGTON, VERMONT

"The Bennington Center Cemetery is the oldest landmark in Bennington, Vermont. Mrs. Bridget Harwood was buried there November 1762. Her grave is just beyond the treed on the right side of the cemetery roadway. Mrs. Harwood died seventeen months after arriving with the first party of settlers.

The oldest graves lie either side of the cemetery Rev. Jedidiah Dewey, the first minister of roadway. the church, is in the first row with a quotation from Shakespeare's Richard II on his stone. Also in the front row are the graves of Jonas Fay, author of Vermont's Declaration of Independence; Stephen Fay, proprietor of the Catamount Tavern; Samuel Robinson's cenotaph, etc. Nearby lie Anthony Haswell, founder of the Vermont Gazatte; Moses Robinson, Bennington's first Town Clerk, member of the Council of Safety, Judge of the first State Supreme Court, governor of the state and member of Contress; Issac Tichenor, Deputy Commissary General of the Northern Department during the Revolution, who held nine state offices including Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court, Governor for eleven consecutive years and three terms United States Senator. In all five Governors of the state and seventy-five revolutionary soldiers are buried in the cemetery. Hessian prisoners who died of their wounds in the old meeting house which was used as a hospital after the Battle of Bennington, August 16, 1777, are buried in a common lot to the left of the roadway marked with a large square block of granite.

By resolution of the Vermont Legislature the Bennington Center Cemetery was, together with the Old First Church, created Vermont's Colonial Shrine in 1937. A register of burials, as complete as possible, together with a map, may be found in the Church, the Museum, or the Office of the Twon Clerk, to aid those trying to trace relatives."

The above was taken from a brochure obtained by Kathryn Cameron Stewart when she visited this cemetery several years ago.

NOTE: Robert Frost, the farmer, teacher and famous poet is buried in this cemetery.

#### ROBERT LEE FROST

MAR. 26, 1874 - JAN. 29, 1963
"I HAD A LOVER"S QUARREL WITH THE WORLD"

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#### EPITAPHS FROM THE BENNINGTON CEMTER CEMETERY

In Memory of the Revd Mr.
Jedidiah Dewey, First Pastor of the
Church in Bennington, who after
a Laborious Life In the Gospel
Ministry, Resigned his Office in
Gods Temple For the Subline
Emplo-ment of Immortality,
Decmbr 21st 1778
In the 65th year of his Age
Of Comfort no Man Speak

Let's talk of Graves and worms and Epitaphs, Make dust our Paper and with Rainy Eyes Write sorrow in the bosom of the Earth.

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To the Memory of Mr. Slisha Strong who died February the 8th 1794 Age 75 years

Reader! behold the fate of All Information from the tomb receive

Attend! for Wisdom gives the call Since DEATH is certain Learn to Live

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Sacred to the memory of Mrs. RUTH ROBINSON
The Amiable Consort of Capt. Mosses Robinson
Who departed this life in
Hopes of a Blessed immortality
September the 29 AD 1796
In the 28 Year of her age

Life has a Soft and Silver thred.
Nor is it drawn too long
Yet when my Vaster hopes persuade,
I'm Willing to be Gone.
Farewell bright Soul a short Farewell
Till we shall meet again above,
In the Sweet Groves Where pleasures dwell
And Trees of life bear fruits of love.

### OAK RIDGE CEMETERY ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL AND BEE LINE HIGHWAY NEAR ORLANDO, FLORIDA

Note: Where maiden name is given, listing appears under both names.

В

K. S. Bennett Mar. 15, 1934-September 29, 1941

Baby Bennett Died Nov. 24, 1940

Neater Balkcom March 7, 1901-October 3, 1939

Cleveland Bratcher 1887-1942

Mamie Bratcher 1888 no other

Alice M. Baumann Jan. 12, 1886-Feb. 19, 1956

Andrew H. Baumann Nov. 10, 1886-Aug. 8, 1962

Richard Bowen Died Jan. 19, 1939, age 4 years, 5 months, 12 days

Linnie Barton 1877-1948

D. Jackson Brown Aug. 8, 1892-Sep. 19, 1920

George B. Berry Oct. 12, 1913-Apr. 10, 1967

Annie M. Berry Oct. 12, 1913 no other

Ronald Thomas Berry May 22, 1941-Jan, 25, 1942

Fannie Lee Berry No dates

George B. Berry unreadable

Ether L. Berry Died Nov. 27, 1965, age 70

Lucille V. Bailey Feb. 23, 1914-Sep. 29, 1966

Henry W. Bailey Apr. 6, 1901-Feb. 8, 1938

William Earl Bailey Oct. 18, 1932-June 18, 1934

George R. Brickley 1884-1956

Ruth E. Brickley 1915-1916

John B. Brickley 1914-1942

C

Clinton Wesley Cobb, Ga S Sgt. U.S. Marine Corps WWI Korea Nov. 28, 1927-Aug. 10, 1970

William R. Cain Feb. 21, 1865-Oct. 1, 1956

C

Edna M. Cantrill 1910-1970

Perle R. Cantrill Aug. 2, 1908-Feb. 9, 1965

"Poppy" W. T. Curry June 21, 1900-July 12, 1970

Leona Curry Apr. J.9, 1903 No Other

D

Gerald W. Davis Aug. 22, 1940-Aug. 22, 1946

Jacob Derenburger (top of stone). On side, Flomer Felt Nov. 25, 1839-Feb. 16, 1915

Janell Dunn Died Oct. 2 (year unreadable) age 61 years, 7 mo., 14 days.

Nannie Daughtry 1852-1943

 $\mathbf{E}$ 

Dorris Johns Etty 1901-1938

Charles Thomas Etty Fla. PFC U. S. Marine Corp WWI, Sept. 8, 1923-Feb 20, 1945

Robert C. Etty 1898-1960

F

Leonard Franklin Folds Died Aug. 7, 1969, age 41 years, 6 months, 5 days

Betty Jean Folds 1932-1962

Luella Futch Died March 17, 1938 age 44

James M. Futch Nov. 13- unreadable

Anna Adell Franklin 1878-1965

Catherine I. Gartman 1869-1939

Nathaniel Gartman 1867-1938

Haskell Gartman 1868-1941

Helen B. Greenacre Died May 15, 1961, age 91 years 2 months, 19 days

Η

Nathaniel B. Harris June 24, 1874-Apr. 19, 1935

Daisy I. Harris Nov. 29, 1879-June 15, 1962

Eldridge C. Harris Fla. Pvt. 91 Signal Co, 91 Inf. Div. WWII May 4, 1903-July 14, 1957

#### OAK RIDGE CEMETERY

Η

Juanita "Moe" Joy Holwell Apr. 30, 1955-Aug. 7, 1970

Infant son of Rob. J. Hansel 1940

Nancy Harris No dates

Michael Hansel No dates

William Harris No dates

Rufus J. Hansel Dec. 6, 1884-Jul22, 1948

John P. A. Hermann Feb. 17, 1857-June 16, 1923

Elizabeth Hermann July 20, 1861-Jan 16, 1917

Mildred D. Henderson Oct. 13, 1899-Mar. 21, 1910

Martha J. Hayes 1864-1939 Died Feb. 9, 1939 Age 74 years 10 mo., 17 days

Irwing Franklin Harris May 4, 1801-Jun 16,1904

Carrie I. Hogue Mar. 14, 1866-Dec. 5, 1951

Chas. L. Hoque Nov. 1, 1864-Dec. 3, 1940

Sallie Johns Harris 1875-1896

John Hill Co. D 11 PA Inf. No other

J

Edith M. Jones Dec. 30, 1912 No other

R. L. Jr. (Bud) Jones July 20, 1915-Oct. 19, 1959

Charles E. Jones Died Feb. 22, 1960, age 79 years

Josephine Johnson Died Nov. 7, 1942, age 69 years, 6 mo.,

13 days-Next grave is possibly husband, but it is unreadable

Lillian M. Jones 1892 No other

Andrew F. Jones 1885-1960

Mr. ? Curtis Jones Died June 6, 1951, age 69 yrs., 6 mo., 13 days

Dwight P. Johns Jan. 25, 1907-Mar. 30, 1960

Charles F. Johns June 6, 1867-May 3, 1947

Margaret P. Johns Aug. 15, 1868-July 23, 1942

Dorris Johns Etty 1901-1938

Mildred, child of Mr. & Mrs. S. F. Johns Sep. 4, 19?-Nov. 9, 190?

Baby Johns Died June 13, 1892

Marzella Johns 1839-1930

J

Burb Johns Died Sept. 28, 1906, age 74

Cornelius Johns May 1821-May 13, 1912, age 91. Enlisted

in Indian War 1837 and discharged at close of same. Enlisted in Seminole War 1858. Enlisted in Confederate War 1861 and paroled a prisoner Apr. 10, 1865. Co. E 10th Regt, of Fla. Inf.

Madison A. Johns 1874-1958

Sallie Johns Harris 1873-1896

Daniel Elmore Johns 1906-1955

Grace E. Johns Walker 1918-1969

K

Frank A. Kaufman 1893-1971

Leanna Kitchings 1856-1942

Mabel Keen Died Dec. 9, 193? 46 yrs, 6 mo., 6 days Nex-Albert K.? Post 37 Gar. May not be the same as above. May be Ka?

Charles L. Knudson 1913-1957

Gus C. Knudson Nov. 16, 1881-Feb. 3, 1945

Ira Knudson 1904-1938 Died 8 Nov., 1938, age 34

John Keene June 24, 1864-Aug. 6, 1950

David G. Keen June 9, 1877-Oct 5, 1908

Oregon D. Keene 1859-1898

(above names are as written-Keene and Keen.)

L

Baby Lowery Died Jan. 20, 1941

Theron L. Lurry June 1, 1878-July 21, 1934

Viola C. Lurry Jan. 2, 1880-Jan. 7, 1928

Mc

Mottley McKain Co. F 1 Mo. Engrs. No dates

Perry McGee Fla. Sqt. Air Force WWI Aug. 6, 1924-Apr. 2, 1969

Myrtle E. McGee Aug. 6, 1923 No other

Julia A. McGill 1878-1959

William A. McGill 1879-1952

#### OAKRIDGE CEMETERY

М

Louis Leslie Miles Jr. Dec. 25, 1941-Mar. 9, 1942
Benjamin F. Miles Aug. 9, 1891-Apr. 10, 1961
Belle Miles Died Feb. 8, 1971 age 70 years
John Robert Mack Jan. 3, 1868-Jan. 14, 1968
Lyda A. Mann Mar. 30, 1889-Jan. 26, 1970
Fred E. Mann Nov. 18, 1885-May 10, 1949

William F. Mallory July 3,, 1898-Mar. 14, 1955

Wm. H. Middlebrook Died July 11, 1936, age 80

Nash E. Mears 1900-1930

N

Dale L. Register 1966-1968. Died July 2, 1968, 1 yr., 9 mos. 9 days

Hugh B. Rooney Feb. 14, 1886-Oct. 12, 1961

Ruth A. Rooney Feb. 11, 1891 No other

James I. Rector Sep. 5, 1927-Feb. 8, 1961

Perry F. Rainsy Apr. 15, 1896-Apr. 16, 1968

Ralph Harry Rainey 1929-1957

Marguaritte Saunders Rogers Died 8 Aug., 1952, 86 yrs., 10mo., 3d.

Dorothy Reed Died June 15, 1960, Age 81

Dewey W. Rayner Died Sep. 6, 1938, 3 yrs., 10 mo., 23 days

S

Jeanette M. Sphaler 1915-1969

Blanche L. Sphaler Oct. 6, 1908-Mar. 19, 1968

W. A. Sphaler Oct. 22, 1902 No other

Betty J. Sphaler May 7, 1933-Nov. 19, 1962

Aldrich L. Sphaler Mar. 15, 1929 No other

Mary Alice Singletary July 15, 1905-Sep. 19, 1953

Homer S. Singletary Oct. 17, 1907-Dec.25, 1967

Mary E. Singletary Jan. 12, 1908 No other

Margueritte Saunders Rogers Died Aug., 1952, 86 years., 10 mos., 3 days

Robert e. Scott 1867-1967

William Louis Smith No dates

Fred M. Smith Feb. 25, 1893-Mar. 9, 1960

#### OAK RIDGE CEMETERY

S

Annie O. Smith Mar. 7, 1900 No other

Baby Smith May 1958

Mary F. Sutley June 11, 1921-Nov. 20, 1941

Fredia E. Smith Jan. 6, 1930-Nov. 25, 1931

Larry E. Smith June 18, 1931-Nov. 7, 1931

Baby Smith Mar. 9, 1951

T. Smith Apr. 29, 1935, age 66 yrs., 6 mo., 9 days

Lillian E. Sullivan Died Dec. 18, 1944. Age 41 years, 2 mo., 2 d October 16, 1903-Dec. 18, 1944

Larry Wayne Sullivan Dec. 13, 1956-Oct. 22, 1952

Leonard Sullivan Aug. 1, 1903-May 1, 1954

Sphaler Infant Dec. 19, 1942

Т

Ellie M. Toole Feb. 27, 1873-Dec. 16, 1957

Ruby B. Tootle 1896-1963

Emmett L. Tootle 1890-1963

John H. Tanner Nov. 28, 1881-June 28, 1959

Maggie M. Tanner May 29, 1886 No other

George E. Tanner Apr. 25, 1936-Dec. 25, 1962

William C. Tanner Died Feb. 6, 1963, age 70 yrs. 11 mo., 10 days Charles V. Tanner Died June 23, 1967, age 60 yrs., 9 mo., 19 days Beatrice Tice 1913-1914

W

Frances Waller 1922-1967

James M. Ward Died Sep. 21, 1950. Age 64 yrs., 6 mo., 15 days.

George O. Winegard July 23, 1895-Aug. 18, 1960

Flora A. Winegard Mar. 29, 1899 No. other

Cora Elizabeth Williams. Died Dec. 26, 1970, 73 yrs., 9 mo., 11 d

George W. Williams. Died Mar. 6, 1958, age 56 yrs., 9 mo.

Clark P. Watson Fla. Sgt. U. S. Marine Corps Korea

Mar. 24, 1933-June 15, 1969

Robert H. Walker 1915 No other Grace E. Hohns Walker 1918-1969

Contributed by: Mary Jane Knisely

#### AN OLD LETTER (Continued)

That is my belief. I had no idea of such lace in Atlanta. a thing until lately but I stopped with Mrs. Chase in Barnwell and she was the sister Blodgetts wife and Blodgett knew us in Augusta. I believe Lieb Adas husband is into it and will be quiet until I drop. All he wrote to Ada that he was hunting up records and for her to say nothing and tell her ma to say nothing and he talked so much we payed no attention and it was well but the rest of you look out. See if there is not some of you smart too but he had Senitar Norton to help him. He went away about the time that we saw the advertisement in the papers for it was a paper he brought to the house I saw I believe our land in Savannah takes in the parks and all those beautiful lots around it so you see the necessity of being sly. If they find out what we are up to there is towns to fight against and the present administration. your pa and see if you cant get Mr. Taylor to get his father to peep into it. I believe we are all watched and if we do anything we must get the records first and they are in Sav. and Atlanta. I have wrote to lawyers but they are pretty clear of committing themselves. They dont say they cant find them as they did when I wrote for the record to be searched from Lion to the U. S. in trust. They are silent, they wont even say we cant find it. That looks bad but maybe we will out wit them all yet. Ask your Pa if he dont remember how we all used to talk when we were little about Uncle Bens Gold mine. I do and I always thought Uncle Ben gave all his land to Cousin Bill. well when we were talking at the time he told me of selling the land I asked him if Uncle Ben did not give him all of his land and he said he did not know he had never been able to find but two pieces and I said  ${\tt I}$ thought he had a great deal and he said so did I but I have not found it and as he did not find his money I can believe him as he knew nothing of it and I told him of the gold mine

#### AN OLD LETTER (continued)

and he said he had heard of it too. Now you know the U. S. had a mint in Deloniga and they broke it up in time of the rebellion. Put this and that together dont it seem reasonable. I have seen accounts of that too and there was always mentioned made of so much for and the United States and so much for the heirs. I am writing and hope you will get it. If you do write me word you have got my letter. If you do anything dont write it as I believe all my letters are inspected before I see them and am sure they have been mislaid.

We are all well except rising. I have had a good many and have not been able to do anything all summer. I have been looking for Sarah but I suppose she is married in this time. Willie is a large boy. Can say nothing more but remain your affectionate aunt.

A. M. Seaver

This letter was written in 1876 in Palatka, Fla. It was written to Mary Taylor whose father was Albert Roberts and whose mother was Ann Mizell. It was her brother who was the first sheriff of Orange County. He lies buried in the beautiful Leu gardens which surround the ancient Mizell Cemetery.

Allen Taylor

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#### POLITICS!

Right now <u>The Election</u> is on everyones mind. The following article taken from The <u>Homerville Chronicle</u>, Homerville, Georgia, is a colorful account of an elction of another time and another place.

STATE AND COUNTY ELCTION

A Regular Democratic Landslide

The Most Brilliant Victory ever gained in the County

(From issue of Oct. 9, 1896)

Clinch county polled the largest Democratic vote that she has polled since Populism was born. Many Populists came back to the fold. The Democratic majority for Governor Atkinson is 284; and of a total vote of 700 every Democratic nominee is elected from Senator down to Coroner. Populists opened their campaign early in the year and they have made the most fuss for a little crowd that we have ever They have claimed the earth and elected nothing. They are now crying fraud and unfairness when everybody knows that there was never a fairer election held in the county. Populism has petered out in old Clinch County! They ought now to know that the Democratic Party is invincible in old Clinch. They have put up good men to be sacrificed until they should feel humiliated and consciencestricken, to say the least.

Every one elected are good men, and Clinch will not only have a good Representative, but as fine a coterie of county officials as any county in the State. Too much praise cannot be given the defeated candidates in the Democratic Primary held in July. They all put their shoulders to the wheel and helped make a clean sweep. It means better and more peaceable times to the people of the county.

#### POLITICS!

The vote of each candidate stands as follows:
For Governor, Atkinson, Democrat, 480; Wright, Populist, 198.
Atkinson's majority 282. For State Senator, Wilcox of
Coffee, 466; Morton, Populist, 198. Wilcox's majority 268.
For Representative, R. G. Dickerson, Democrat, 464; Martin
S. Corbitt, Populist, 209. Dickerson's majority 255.
For Clerk of Court, S. W. Register, Democrat, 472; W. A.
Ecord, Populist, 209; Register's majority 268. For Sheriff,
Bryant O'Steen, Democrat 396; M. S. Eason, Populist, 279;
o'Steen's majority 117. The remainder of the Democratic
candidates had no opposition. Every Democrat is elected
from State Senator to Coroner. The Democratic rooster
still crows!

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#### DUPONT NEWS

From the Homerville Chroncile Chronicle Issue of Aug. 18, 1894)

Rev. Rachels of Homerville delivered a very able sermon here last Sunday to a large congregation.

Miss Lawson Tomlinson visited friends here last week.

Dr. B. F. Julian of Archer, Fla., was shaking hands with his many friends here this week.

Miss Bessie Sirmans of Waycross is visiting relatives here this week.

Mrs. F. M. Swaile died at Homerville last Sunday. Her remains were carried to Fernandina, Fla., for interment.

Miss Bessie Eason is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. M. Kinrey, on Montgomery Avenue here.

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The two preceding articles were taken from a collection of Newspaper articles compiled by Judge Folks Buxford of Homerville, Georgia.

It is interesting to note that what "made the news" in the mid-1890's was much milder than what we get on the 6:00 o'clock news!

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#### FRAGILE AND BATTERED. BUT REVERED

From: Sentinel Star, Orlando, Florida 15 September 1975

Still in use by the Orange County courthouse, in the city of Orlanda, Florida, is a fragile and battered book entitled the "Register of Orange County Officials." The register is kept in the office of Clerk of the Circuit and county courts. The first signature is of E. S. White, Justice of the Peace, and is dated 16 October 1878. The last one is of Betty H. Shuman and is dated 22 August 1975.

Many of the entries cover petty problems, but oddly enough quite a few refer to divorces, an unusual occurance back in the early days of this century.

Fortunately the officers of Orange County realize the value of this record book and make certain that it receives the loving care that it deserves. It is gratifying to learn that so many people are interested in preserving the historical records of our community.

Betty Brinsfield Hughson

#### QUERIES

- 1. GWINN, HURLEY, McCOLLISTER. Want info on Wm. W. Hurley, b. c. 1803; m. Henritta Gwinn, b. c. 1813, on 24 Dec. 1832; Also info on Algernon Hurley, b. c. 1816; m. Mary Ann McCollister. Socrates Hurley, s/o Wm. and Henrietta, m. Sophia Hurley, d/a Algernon and Mary Ann, on 18 March 1861. All lived Drawbridge Dist., Dor. Co., Maryland. Contact Mrs. C. W. Hughson, 1148 Neuse Ave., Orlando, Fl., 32804
- 2. WESTBERRY: Need any info on the parents or relatives of Moses Westberry, Sr., b. 3-2-1772, in the high hills of the Santee, S. C.; m. Elizabeth Bennett, b. S.C.. Later lived and preached in Georgia. Contact Andrea H. White, 2454 Carolton Rd., Maitland, Fl. 32751

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#### BROWSING CORNER

On a Browsing occasion at the Library, Betty Hughson found this helpful information for us.

#### AT THE TIME OF THE 1790 CENSUS

Maine was part of Massachusetts
Kentucky was part of Virginia
West Virginia was part of Virginia
Alabama and Mississippi were part of Georgia
Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan were known as
the Northwest Territory
Western New York was a wilderness, with Elmire and
Binghamton detached hamlets
With the exception of a small part of Kentucky, the
territory west of the Allegheny Mountains was
unsettled and scarcely penetrated
Detroit and Vincennes were so small and isolated, they
were not included in the census
Boundaries of towns, counties and states were very indefinite.

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#### Heredity

"Somebody labored years ago
Whose name I do not even know
Ploughed ground or sailed the open sea
And loved a maid that I might be.

Two centuries ago or more
A woman at an English door
Looked fondly on a lilac tree
And passed that bit of pride to me.
One stood enraptured when he heard
The music of a singing bird,
And now with each returning spring
I find I do the self-same thing.
Could we entangle all our lives
And learn how much in us survives,
We might discover just how far
Goes back what makes us as we are."

Edgar A. Guest

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REMEMBER: The Orlando Public Library is now open on Sunday afternoon.

#### LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Friends,

Betty Hughson, who has done a fine job editing your Newsletter for some time, has asked me to take the responsibility as editor since she now has so many duties as your President. I have accepted the job and I am looking forward to knowing and working with all of you.

However, I must ask for two things from the membership. I need your indulgence and your help!

Not only am I new to this type of job but I am new to your organization. No doubt, I will make mistakes such as misspelling names, leaving out names, failing to give proper credit of members, etc., until I "learn my way". Your patience and constructive criticism of such "goofs" will be greatly appreciated.

Certainly the primary goal of the Newsletter is to serve the needs and interests of the Society's membership. Announcements of workshops, new member listings, library acquisitions and general Society news will always be included for after all, these are things we all want and need to know.

In addition, the Newsletter should appeal to other Genealogical Societies so that it can be a basis for exchange, thus helping us build our store of information. To facilitate exchange, the Newsletter should contain varied items about Central Florida so readers from distant states will find it a useful source of clues for their research of our area.

Obviously, one person alone can not acquire all of the needed information. I must ask you to help me. If you have Bible records, Cemetery Censuses, Family Histories, Courthouse records, or any information of a historical nature, either about Florida or other states, please share this material with the Society and other Societies by allowing it to be published in the Newsletter.

Wouldn't it be great if each member of our Society published something once a year!

Don't forget the Queries section of the Newsletter—This is a way the Newsletter can serve you! Just call me, or see me at a meeting and I'll be glad to include your Query in the next issue.

Involvement by the membership is the key to a successful Quarterly. Everyone has something to contribute! Won't you become involved?

Andrea Hickman White 339-2787

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#### PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP!

The following is a list of Genealogist in North Carolina who might be helpful to those doing research in that area.

- 1. Claude Moore-Turkey, N. C.
- 2. Mrs. Wanda Campbell---Courthouse, Elizabethtown, N. C.
- 3. Miss Caroline Cunningham-P.O. Box 2225, Raleigh, N. C.

#### A REAL BARGAIN!

A very good set of N. C. maps can be ordered from the Division of Publications, State Department of Archives and History, Box 1881, Raleigh, N. C. 27602.

For \$5.25, the set includes 15 map facsimiles of significant maps of N. C. from 1585 to 1896. A booklet explaining the maps accompanies them.

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OUR LIVES are the gift of our many antecedents
OUR GOALS are to perpetuate their names and activities
OUR LABOR is to gather and preserve that left to us.
OUR LOVE to extend both backward and forward, so that
OUR CHILDREN may feel close to their fold and their land.
OUR DUTY is to share all gathered information, while
OUR HOPE is to interest others and to assist each member.

"The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage." Psalms 16:6