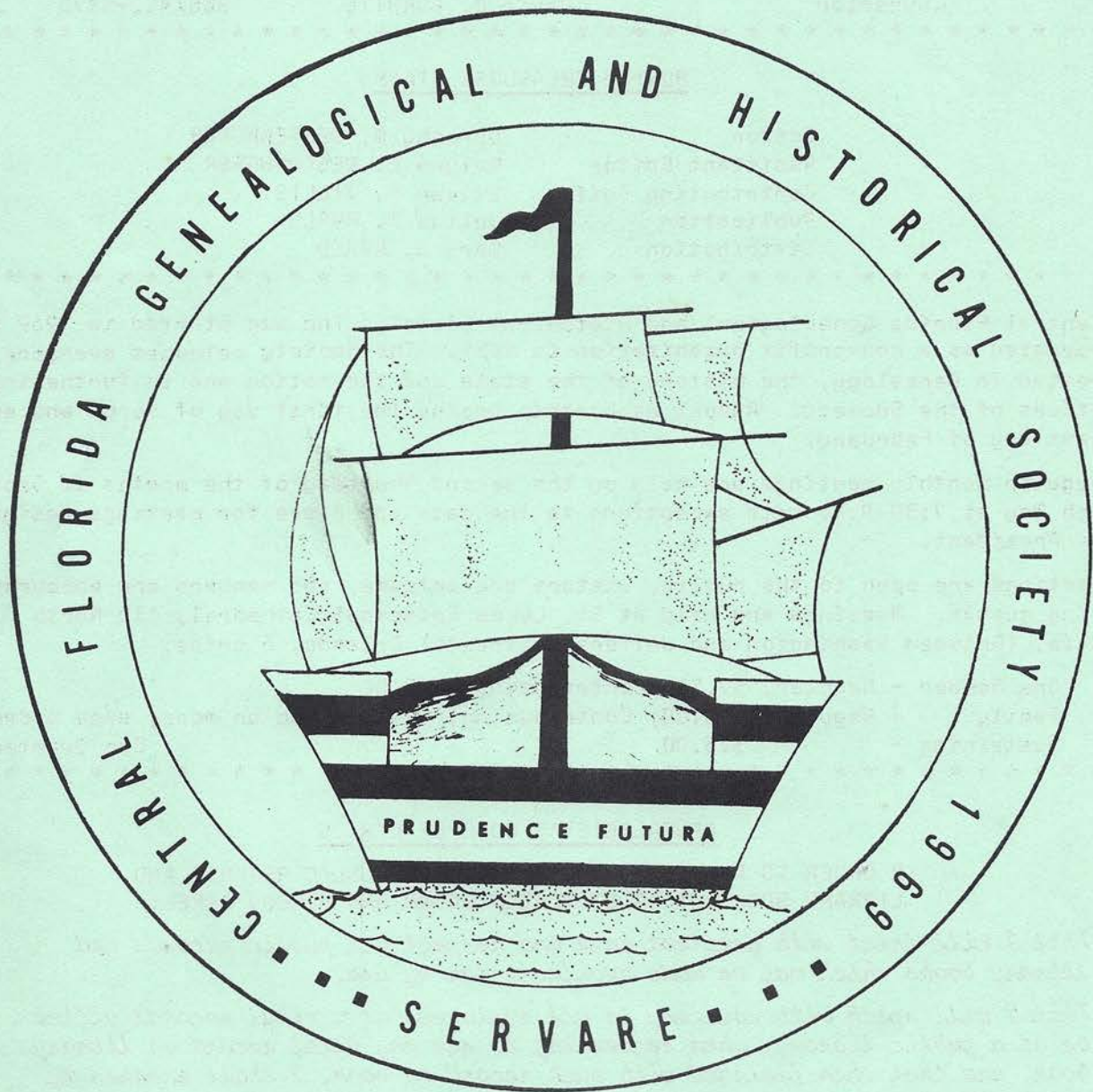


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

How EXCITING new beginnings are!

With summer memories behind us and the holidays fast approaching, what a joy fall is with her special magic. The Central Florida Genealogical and Historical Society also has its new beginnings each fall with the installation of its officers. I am very proud and pleased that I was chosen by our members to fulfill the duties of President this year. I affirmed in the installation ceremony and again affirm that I will carry out this great responsibility to the best of my abilities.

Former President, Joe Ryals left a legacy of a great organization and many accomplishments. I would like to take this opportunity to thank him on behalf of myself and of the entire Central Florida Genealogical and Historical Society. We are also very glad that he has consented to stay on as our Treasurer this year. He announced at our last meeting that our long sought non-profit and tax exempt status has been granted by the Internal Revenue. Thank you, Joe.

We are all going to miss Glen Lamb. He was offered a position in the North that he just couldn't refuse. We wish he could have stayed, but all good things must end some day. Glen, we wish you and Jo the very best in your new life. Think of us and keep in touch.

Our new Vice President is Carl Patin. Carl is a man of many talents including great organizational abilities, and we feel very lucky to have a man of his calibre to work with us.

Corresponding Secretary, Ralyne E. Westenhofer; Recording Secretary, Leona S. Parrish; Counselor, David C. Burnite; and Historian, Helen P. Wilkins have all recommitted themselves and will again be serving as officers this year. Their support, enthusiasm and dedication will continue to guide the Society to greater heights. Thank you all.

Our Committee Chairmen are in place and beginning this year's work with zeal and commitment. We have four workshops planned for the year (November 6, 1982; February 12, March 19, and May 7, 1983), our Christmas Party (December 9, 1982), the summer picnic, great speakers and several commitments to the community. With all of us working together, we will make our 14th year the very best year yet. I look forward to working with each member of the Society to further our personal goals of research of the highest quality and to find those ancestors who have gone before us and left us the most wonderful of all treasures 'the rich heritage we enjoy.'

Bonnie Lee Ward
President

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SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Turning to the early history of this country we find that those called "freemen" had at least two hundred pounds and belonged to a church. They also were able to vote, to wear better clothing, and to be called "mister".

OF HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

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The following article appeared in the New York Times on July 23, 1982 and is reproduced with the permission of Millard Coggeshall, member of CFG&HS. Millard, his wife, son and granddaughter attended the 350th anniversary reunion of the Coggeshall family this summer. This grand affair was also covered on the CBS Evening News and ABC's Good Morning America and Nightline. Tombstone rubbings were made of the original John and his wife in Newport, Rhode Island.

COGGESHALLS DESCEND ON THEIR HOME STATE

by Dudley Clendinen
Special to The New York Times

PORTSMOUTH, R.I., July 22 -- As the steam rose from a clambake here the other evening, there stood a Coggeshall. And there a Coggeshall. And there. And there. And there.

From 36 states and several foreign countries, almost 700 people "with the funny name," as one of them put it, came home this week to their roots in Rhode Island. Drawn by their own curiosity and the determined prodding of a cousin in Ohio, Robert A. Coggeshall, a man with a sense of family and a private mission of his own, they came back to savor history and explore the ground of their common ancestor, John Coggeshall.

John Coggeshall came from England to settle in Boston 350 years ago, in 1632, but fell out of favor with the narrow theology of the Puritans. He left in the company of Anne Hutchinson and Roger Williams to found the more tolerant colony of Rhode Island. In 1647 John Coggeshall became the first president of the Providence Plantations, an association of the four main towns established by early dissidents, and all people in the United States of Coggeshall blood are descended from him.

No one knows how many Coggeshalls there are, but four years ago, Robert A. Coggeshall, a young banker with a nagging gap in his own family, came to a decision. He placed an inquiry in the genealogical section of Yankee Magazine and then left for Michigan on vacation.

600 FAMILIES FOUND

When he got back to Struthers, Ohio, he said, "there were 100 letters waiting for me." More came in. He answered them all, asking them to contact other Coggeshalls that they knew. An association was formed. He began a newsletter, and then a reunion committee.

The sense of occasion gathered like a snowball, and on Tuesday the Coggeshalls came rolling in to stay at various motels, a dormitory at nearby Roger Williams College, and a campground that grew damp with rain. "Just think," Kenneth Coggeshall of the Maryland Eastern Shore said wonderingly at dinner last night, "he's found 600 families. You know there must be another 1000 out there!"

First cousins, 11 times removed, 12th cousins, once removed, or somewhere on either side or in between, they compared pronunciations, attitudes, told funny Coggeshall stories and took one another's measure.

One cannot always tell a Coggeshall, as Dr. Lowell T. Coggeshall of Alabama pointed out, and one cannot tell him how to pronounce his name. Half a century ago, as a young physician passing through New York on his way to inspect malarial conditions in the swamps of Georgia, Dr. Coggeshall said, he rode for two hours on a bus tour of the city.

At the end, his seatmate, a silent man, stuck out his hand. "Name's Cog-sell," he said. "What's yours?"

"Cogg-e-shawl," Dr. Coggeshall replied.

NEW ENGLAND-LIKE TRAITS

Wherever they now come from, the Coggeshalls as a group exhibited certain New England-like traits in common: they are white, middle class or upper middle class, mostly Protestant, conservative in appraisal, and not much given to tobacco or many drinks. "Not much," the barmaid at the Ramada Inn in Portsmouth said. "Moderate, I'd say."

The Ramada Inn, the group determined, stands on land that was once Coggeshall farm land. That decided, they set off on tour, to look for other traces of themselves in the old towns of Portsmouth and Newport.

Sometimes they found others wanting in a properly Coggeshallian sense of history. "There's your name!" the hired guide sang out as the lead tour bus passed a colonial cemetery with the prominent old Rhode Island family name of "Coddington" chiseled in the entry posts.

"No! Coggeshall!" the busload of dentists, teachers, bankers, a fireman, a beekeeper and a stockbroker jointly cried.

Other layers of history kept intervening. As the bus moved up Bellevue Avenue, the street of 19th and early 20th century mansion "cottages" for which Newport is famous, the guide had to be reminded that the next road over was Coggeshall Street.

As the bus passed along the huge houses built by fortunes made from Carter's Little Liver Pills, Oleo margarine, GEM paper clips, Standard Oil and Old Crow bourbon whisky, a sense of in-law humor rose. "If you Coggeshalls are so smart, where is your mousetrap," Elita Coggeshall of Chicago and Ft. Lauderdale,

Nancy Berry had the privilege of attending the 98th anniversary of the founding the First Baptist Church in Sanford in 1982 and thought this article would be of interest listing its Charter Members from seven states and a complete list of the pastors. Four generations of her family attended this church -- her Great Grandmother, Grandmother, Mother, and Nancy.

HISTORY of the FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SANFORD, FLORIDA

The First Baptist Church of Sanford, Florida, was organized on February 3, 1884. At that time Chester A. Arthur was President of the United States and W. D. Blazham was Governor of the State of Florida. Sanford was a town of about two thousand population as the 1890 census lists the population at two thousand and sixteen.

Sanford was then a town in Orange County; Seminole County was not formed until 1913. The territory was in the citrus belt but the freeze of 1895 caused the people to turn to the raising of other crops, among which was celery.

The church was organized under the leadership of Rev. W. N. Chaudoin with the help of Rev. J. W. Butts. Rev. W. N. Chaudoin at that time was the state secretary for missions of the Baptist convention of the state and Rev. J. W. Butts was the pastor of the Orlando Baptist Church. The church called as its first pastor, Rev. J. W. Butts. He preached twice per month in Orlando and in Sanford.

The list of the charter members of the church with their place of previous residence is as follows:

John Fink	New Lisbon, Wisc.	Henry C. Tuxbury	Saco, Maine
Mrs. John Fink	New Lisbon, Wisc.	Lawrence Sword	Mt. Holly Baptist Church, N.J.
Mrs. Virginia Denman	New Lisbon, Wisc.	Mrs. Lawrence Sword	Mt. Holly Baptist Church, N.J.
Mrs. Sophia E. Dupee	Hall County, Georgia	J. R. Kelley	Talladega County, Ala.
James F. Prince	Apopka, Florida	Mrs. J. R. Kelley	Talladega County, Ala.
Mrs. James F. Prince	Apopka, Florida	Willie B. Kelley	Talladega County, Ala.
Miss Mary Lambert	Sheaklyville, Penn.	Mrs. Lizzie W. Clark	Augusta, Georgia
Chas. H. Tuxbury	Saco, Maine	Mrs. Emma E. Cox	Longwood, Florida
Mrs. Chas. H. Tuxbury	Saco, Maine	E. S. White	Unknown

There were in all 18 charter members representing seven different states.

The membership of the church did not increase very fast at first and it was not until twelve years after its organization that the church could report 110 members in 1896. According to the records there were no baptisms in the church until 1886 when four joined for baptism: George Beatly, Holt Cox, Susie Kelley, and Emma Hicks. The first letter of dismission to unite with another church was granted to Mrs. Lizzie W. Clark, one of the charter members, who united with the Baptist Church at Thomasville, Georgia.

The first deaths to occur among the members of the church were the deaths of Lewis Buck and E. S. White. Both of these died in May of 1884. Lewis Buck was a young man who had been a member of the church by letter from Montrose, Pa. on May 3, 1884, and died on May 17. E. S. White was the first of the charter members of the church to pass away. No further deaths are reported among the membership until 1888, when James F. Prince, another charter member died.

At this time the church had one Negro member named Flora Evans who joined the church by letter from a church in Chesterfield County, South Carolina on May 1, 1885. She appears to have remained in the membership of the church until she was dismissed by letter in 1891. She is listed in the records as being colored and was probably an antebellum Negro who had never been a member of any other church than a white church. Both colored and white prior to the Civil War were members of the same church all through the South -- there being a reserved section for all of the colored members. She returned to a church in South Carolina.

The church has had two church buildings in which it met for worship. The first building was erected in 1884, a small frame building about 32 by 50. It was not completed on the inside until about the last of 1887, when the ladies of the church helped in raising funds to build a baptistry in the rear of the building and helped to finish the interior of the house. One item of interest is that the church was given a handsome pulpit, two pulpit chairs, a communion table, a communion service, a library case, which the church with the help of the Publication Society filled with 60 volumes. The church met in the school house for worship prior to the time it entered its first building.

The present church building was erected during the pastorate of Dr. George Hyman. The front part -- Sunday School -- was erected during Dr. Hyman's first pastorate and the auditorium was built during his second pastorate, in 1913 and in 1920, respectively.

The lot on which the church building stands was given to the church for the sum of one dollar by the Florida Land and Colonization Company of London, England. This deed was given in 1884 and specifically states that the land was given for the express purpose of placing thereon a Baptist Church and should the land ever cease to be used for that purpose, the deed would become null and void. This deed was signed for the London Company by Edwin Dawes, George Thompson, and Anthony Norris, trustees of said company in London, England. The church was incorporated by petition to the Circuit Court in which petition was approved Sept. 3, 1917. Charter recorded in record of Incorporation's Book 1, Page 104, records of Seminole County.

PENNSYLVANIA COURTHOUSE RESEARCH SOURCES

COUNTY	COUNTY SEAT		DAYS	HOURS	COPY	DATE CREATED	PARENT COUNTY
ADAMS	Gettysburg 717-334-6781	17325	M-F	8:00 - 4:30	25¢	22 Jan 1800	York
ALLEGHENY	Pittsburgh 412-355-4180	15219	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	10¢	24 Sep 1788	Westmoreland Washington
ARMSTRONG	Kittanning 412-542-2711	16201	M-F	8:30 - 4:00	25¢	12 Mar 1800	Allegheny, Lycoming, Westmoreland
BEAVER	Beaver 412-728-5700	15009	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	25¢	12 Mar 1800	Allegheny, Washington
BEDFORD	Bedford 814-623-9211	15522	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	25¢	09 Mar 1771	Cumberland
BERKS	Reading 215-375-6121	19601	M-F	8:00 - 4:00	\$1	11 Mar 1752	Lancaster, Chester, Philadelphia
BLAIR	Hollidaysburg 814-695-5541	16648	M-F S	9:00 - 4:00 9:00 - 12:00	25¢	26 Feb 1846	Huntingdon, Bedford
BRADFORD	Towanda 717-265-2870	18848	M-F	9:00 - 5:00	25¢	21 Feb 1810	Luzerne, Lycoming
BUCKS	Doylestown 215-348-2911	18901	M-F	8:15 - 4:15	25¢	-- Nov 1682	Original County
BUTLER	Butler 412-285-4731	16001	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	25¢	12 Mar 1800	Allegheny
CAMBRIA	Edensburg 814-472-5440	15931	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	\$1	26 Mar 1804	Huntingdon, Somerset Bedford
CAMERON	Emporium 814-483-3349	15834	M-F	8:30 - 4:00	20¢	29 Mar 1860	Clinton, McKean, Elk, Potter
CARBON	Jim Thorpe 215-325-2261	18229	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	50¢	13 Mar 1843	Northampton, Monroe
CENTRE	Belleville 814-355-3314	16823	M-F	8:30 - 12:00 1:00 - 5:00	25¢	13 Feb 1800	Huntingdon, Lycoming, Mifflin, Northumberland
CHESTER	West Chester 215-431-6000	19380	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	\$1	-- Nov 1682	Original County
CLARION	Clarion 814-226-4000	16214	M-F	8:30 - 5:00	25¢	11 Mar 1839	Venango, Armstrong
CLEARFIELD	Clearfield 814-765-4771	16830	M-F	8:30 - 4:00	50¢	26 Mar 1804	Huntingdon, Lycoming
CLINTON	Lock Haven 717-748-3515	17745	M-F	8:30 - 5:00	15¢	21 Jun 1839	Centre, Lycoming
COLUMBIA	Bloomsburg 717-784-1991	17815	M-F	8:00 - 4:30	50¢	22 Mar 1813	Northumberland
CRAWFORD	Meadville 814-336-1151	16335	M-F	9:00 - 5:00	\$1	12 Mar 1800	Allegheny
CUMBERLAND	Carlisle 717-249-1133	17013	M-F	8:00 - 4:30	50¢	27 Jan 1750	Lancaster
DAUPHIN	Harrisburg 717-255-2656	17101	M-Th F	8:30 - 4:30 8:30 - 4:00	\$1	04 Mar 1785	Lancaster
DELAWARE	Media 215-891-2011	19063	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	25¢	26 Sep 1789	Chester
ELK	Ridgway 814-776-1161	15853	M-F	9:00 - 4:30	50¢	18 Apr 1843	Jefferson, McKean, Clearfield
ERIE	Erie 814-456-8851	16501	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	10¢	12 Mar 1800	Allegheny
FAYETTE	Uniontown 412-437-1541	15401	M-F	8:00 - 4:30	25¢	26 Sep 1783	Westmoreland
FOREST	Tionesta 614-755-3526	16353	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	25¢	11 Apr 1848 31 Oct 1866	Jefferson Venango
FRANKLIN	Chambersburg 717-264-4125	17201	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	25¢	09 Sep 1784	Cumberland
FULTON	McConnellsburg 717-485-4212	17233	M-F	9:00 - 4:30	25¢	19 Apr 1850	Bedford
GREENE	Waynesburg 412-627-7370	15370	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	25¢	09 Feb 1796	Washington
HUNTINGDON	Huntingdon 814-643-2740	16652	MTTF WS	8:30 - 4:30 8:30 - 12:00	\$1	20 Sep 1787	Bedford
INDIANA	Indiana 412-465-2661	15701	M-F	9:00 - 4:30	25¢	30 Mar 1803	Westmoreland, Lycoming
JEFFERSON	Brookville 814-849-8031	15825	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	50¢	26 Mar 1804	Lycoming
JUNIATA	Mifflintown 717-436-8991	17059	M-F	8:00 - 4:30	30¢	02 Mar 1831	Mifflin

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LACKAWANA	Scranton 717-961-6711	18503	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	\$1	13 Aug 1878	Luzerne
LANCASTER	Lancaster 717-299-8238	17602	M-F	8:30 - 5:00	\$1	10 May 1729	Chester
LAWRENCE	New Castle 412-658-2541	16101	M-F	8:00 - 4:00	10¢	20 Mar 1849	Beaver, Mercer
LEBANON	Lebanon 717-272-0771	17042	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	50¢	16 Feb 1813	Dauphin, Lancaster
LEHIGH	Allentown 215-434-9471	18105	M-F	8:00 - 4:00	50¢	06 Mar 1812	Northampton
LUZERNE	Wilkes-Barre 717-823-6161	18702	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	\$1	25 Sep 1786	Northumberland
LYCOMING	Williamsport 717-323-9811	17701	M-F	8:30 - 5:00	25¢	13 Apr 1795	Northumberland
MERCER	Mercer 412-662-3800	16137	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	50¢	12 Mar 1800	Allegheny
MIFFLIN	Lewistown 717-242-1449	17044	M-F	8:00 - 4:30	25¢	19 Sep 1789	Cumberland Northumberland
MONROE	Stroudsburg 717-424-5100	18360	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	15¢	01 Apr 1836	Northampton, Pike
MONTGOMERY	Norristown 215-275-5000	19404	M-F	8:30 - 4:15	\$1	10 Sep 1784	Philadelphia
MONTOUR	Danville 717-275-3441	17821	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	25¢	03 May 1850	Columbia
McKEAN	Smethport 814-887-5571	16749	M-F	8:30 - 12:00 1:00 - 4:30	\$1	26 Mar 1804	Lycoming
NORTHAMPTON	Easton 215-253-4111	18042	MWTF T	8:30 - 4:30 8:30 - 5:30	25¢	11 Mar 1752	Bucks
NORTHUMBERLAND	Sunbury 717-286-7721	17801	M T-F	9:00 - 5:00 9:00 - 4:30	25¢	21 Mar 1772	Cumberland, Northampton, Lancaster, Berks, Bedford
ONTARIO	Renamed Bradford County 24 March 1812					21 Feb 1810	Luzerne, Lycoming
PERRY	New Bloomfield 717-582-2131	17068	M-F	8:00 - 4:00	\$1	22 Mar 1820	Cumberland
PHILADELPHIA	Philadelphia 215-686-6263	19107	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	\$1	-- Nov 1682	Original County
PIKE	Milford 717-296-7231	18337	M-F	8:30 - 4:00	25¢	26 Mar 1814	Wayne
POTTER	Coudersport 814-274-8370	16915	M-F	9:00 - 12:00 1:00 - 4:30	\$1	26 Mar 1804	Lycoming
SCHUYLKILL	Pottsville 717-622-5570	17901	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	\$1	01 Mar 1811 03 Mar 1818	Berks, Northampton Columbia, Luzerne
SNYDER	Middleburg 717-837-5412	17842	M-F	8:30 - 4:00	50¢	02 Mar 1855	Union
SOMERSET	Somerset 814-445-2096	15501	M-F	8:30 - 4:00	50¢	17 Apr 1795	Bedford
SULLIVAN	LaPorte 717-946-7361	18626	M-F	9:00 - 5:00	15¢	15 Mar 1847	Lycoming
SUSQUEHANNA	Montrose 717-273-2425	18801	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	25¢	21 Feb 1810	Luzerne
TIOGA	Wellsville 717-724-1906	16901	M-F	9:00 - 4:30	25¢	26 Mar 1804	Lycoming
UNION	Lewisburg 717-524-4461	17837	M-F	9:00 - 4:30	10¢	22 Mar 1813	Northumberland
VENANGO	Franklin 814-437-6871	16323	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	50¢	12 Mar 1800	Allegheny, Lycoming
WARREN	Warren 814-723-7550	16365	M-F	9:00 - 5:00	25¢	12 Mar 1800	Allegheny, Lycoming
WASHINGTON	Washington 412-225-0100	15301	M-F	9:00 - 4:30	\$1	28 Mar 1781	Westmoreland
WAYNE	Honesdale 717-253-5970	18431	M-F	9:00 - 4:00	\$1	21 Mar 1798	Northampton
WESTMORELAND	Greensburg 412-834-2191	15601	M-F	8:30 - 4:00	25¢	26 Feb 1773	Bedford
WYOMING	Tunkhannock 717-836-2924	18657	M-F	8:30 - 4:00	25¢	04 Apr 1842	Luzerne
YORK	York 717-848-3301	17401	M-F	8:30 - 4:30	25¢	19 Aug 1749	Lancaster

Contributed by Eileen B. Willis

Rip Ford and the Old Southwest

John Salmon (Rip) Ford was born in Greenville District, South Carolina 26 May 1815. His family originated in Virginia. This book is a history of his life in Texas, part of which was spent with the Texas Rangers.

Other familiar names: Captain T. E. Cater; O'Quinn (Tonkawa War Chief); Captain Samuel Plummer (at Ft. Merrill on the Nueces River); General Sam Houston; Adolphus Glavaeke; General Twiggs; Major Samuel P. Heintzelman; Colonel Robert E. Lee (later commander in chief, Army of Virginia, Civil War); State Senator Forbes Britton; Governor Rannels; Pitts; Fountain Woodruff; Pete Tomlinson; Stoneman; Lt. Manning Kimmel; and Captain Wade Hampton. The latter, in 1852, with William R. Scurry, owned the Texas State Gazette, on Congress Ave., Austin, Texas. Hampton and Ford were not friends. Ford published the South Western American. John Marshal bought out Wade Hampton. In later years, Hampton was a Ranger Captain under Rip Ford.

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1. Matthew Duty who d. 1782 Caswell Co., N.C., wife Amy Ballard
2. Solomon Duty, born ca. 1772, wife unknown.
3. Joseph Duty, born 6 March 1801 (or 1799??) Sumner Co., Tenn., married 16 Jan 1829 Louisa Turner. Joseph died 11 Sep 1855 in Travis Co., Texas. Louisa died 3 May 1896 in Travis Co.
One of their sons:
4. MILTON TURNER DUTY, b. 3 Feb 1836, d. 22 Feb 1867, Corporal, Texas Rangers.

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Contributed by Clifton O. Duty

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LETTER FROM LYMAN BEECHER ADDIS TO HIS WIFE NANCY ROBERTS ADDIS

Finley Hospital April 11th, 1865

Dear Wife i received your letter Saturday that you wasn't well but the mumps - this monday morning at day-light the cannon are rouring for the serrender of Lees whole army old abe was there in person he gives officers there side arms and horse to ride home on there will be a great day here in washington today i am afraid some of the temperence men will break there pledge today that money came just in time we had to hundred and 15 men go away to make room for the wounded and i bought an overcoat as good as my other one but the sleeve linings are gone now you see one dollar made five i would not take six for it new ones are \$13.50 the blankets are 7 dollars and not as good as that counterfict one was we willbe home next month i suppose i can have my discharge any time by asking for it any of the boys of the potomac that have not got more than three or four months i guess i will come the first of may if i do i will write you can come down and make a visit you can come to or three days before i come up i want to rite to but i forgot the number again Suffolk Street some where

news Just come that Mobile is taken some say that Johnson has surrendered his army the cannon are roaring here again for some new result the wounded die pretty fast we lost a good many one died today to yesterday you did not rite what was goeing on up there plenty of shad here now fish of all kinds in abundance it is time onions and pease and early potatoes was out bill ought to work one day rite away i rote Orrin about some bean poles put out about 30 i like pole beans and corn plant some corn twice some later you can keep the weeds out yourself and hoe in between the roes don't forget the peppers plant them in a base of rich dirt and water it then set them out they will be earlier April 12th it has rained here ever since day before yesterday another victory the cannon are roaring this noon Sherman has got Raleigh North Carolina the capitol of that state there wont be any more fighting it will take some time to straiten things up I dont see how Lot is going to see Tom if he is dead or any use of going down there there is no passes given from washington rite soon there will be more news in a day or to kiss Limmaneta for me

L. Addis

Submitted by Mary Muth

SEARCHING FOR ANCESTORS IN FLORIDA'S OLD LAND RECORDS

(Continued from July 1982 Issue)

By Robert C. Fraunberger, Genealogist & Surveyor

Part III. Second Spanish Occupation of Florida 1783-1821

Spain at this time was also in control of Louisiana, so again it appointed two Governors. One for West Florida including Louisiana and the other one for East Florida. This gave Spain more land than it previously had in North America. Runaway slaves and Indians caused much trouble to the Spaniards. In 1787 a census was taken by the Spanish Governors. Amongst others, they found 460 survivors of the New Smyrna colony raising crops and cattle. Some Spanish intermarried with negroes and Indians. Some Americans migrated from the north but when the U.S. acquired the Louisiana Territory, many left Florida for the west.

Several large merchant companies such as Panton, Leslie, and Forbes prospered and acquired much land, some of which they resold. Scottish and Irish names from Charleston and Savannah were common amongst the new settlers. The peaceful Indian tribes of the Creeks, Chickasaws, Choctaws, Cherokees, and Catawbas sold land to John Forbes & Co., involving 1,200,000 acres, known as the Forbes Grant on the lower Apalachicola River. It was later confirmed by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1835.

Cattle ranching, rice, cotton, and sugar cane were grown with the help of much slave labor. During this period Zespedes was Governor. In the Claims lists there are names from A to Z -- such as Allen - Zespedes.

During the early years of the 19th century when it became more apparent that Spain would have a difficult time holding on to Florida with the U.S. coveting it, many Spanish land grants were made. Especially toward the end of the second decade, many grants were made to get in under the time limit when the United States would no longer consider a claim valid. This accounts for many of the Unconfirmed Claims in Volume I of the listing in the Bibliography.

Much has been written about the things leading up to the transfer of Florida from Spain to the Territory of U.S. Florida, which will not be repeated here. It was a long drawn out affair of diplomacy, almost war -- unlawful invasion by the U.S. and the impatience of General Andrew Jackson who eventually became the first Governor of the Florida Territory. He exchanged flags at Pensacola with Spain's Gov. Callava, under President Monroe.

The unfriendly Indians usually known as the Seminoles, but including other tribes plus runaway slaves were a constant source of trouble to the Spanish. While Spain wanted to hold on to Florida it found it difficult, but did not easily relinquish control. Actually, although it is considered as a purchase by the United States, Spain was to get \$5,000,000 but claims against Spain by U.S. citizens amounted to this much and were paid from this money so Spain actually ended up giving Florida to the U.S.

Still many Spaniards remained in Florida, especially around St. Augustine, Tampa, and Pensacola. Land deeds in various counties show many Grantors and Grantees with Spanish surnames.

It is probably little known that the U.S. actually took over by force a strip of Spanish land in 1810 from the Mississippi River along the Gulf to the Perdido River. Spain was troubled with revolutions in Central and South America and did not want war with the United States who felt this strip of land was part of the Louisiana Purchase, but Spain never accepted this. The final treaty with Spain, in exchange for Florida and Spain's rights in Oregon, and the U.S. giving Texas back to Spain, ended Spanish ownership of La Florida. With the acquisition of Florida, the area of the U.S. was increased by over 50,000 square miles. It's troubles with the Indians were similar to Spain's with the long and costly Seminole Indian Wars that followed.

Part IV. United States Territory of Florida 1821 - 1845

Shortly after Florida became part of the United States, it began to be laid out by U.S. Surveyors following the rectangular system approved by Congress in 1785. It is most important for the genealogical researcher to understand how this system of land division is used in legal descriptions in deeds in all of the Public Land States. While some classify Florida as a Public Land State, the writer feels that it should be termed both a Public Land and a State Land state. Why? Because of the nature of land deeds and legal descriptions of land conveyances in Florida. Those readers who own land in Florida and have an Abstract of Title might find it interesting to turn back in the Abstract to the original owner of the land he owns. Was it a Spanish Land Grant, British Land Grant, U.S. Land Patent, "Trif" Deed (Trustees for Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida) or was it from a Murphy Act Deed from the State? All of these types of deeds will be explained below. But first is given the U.S. General Land Office rectangular land system.

As shown in Figure I (next page) on the map of Florida, will be seen the point near Tallahassee where the public land system numbering starts. Here an east and west Base Line crosses a Principal Meridian. This point was established much as a navigator at sea establishes his position from celestial readings and time calculations, tables, and charts. It was done crudely but accurately then. Now with electronic instruments it is faster, more accurate, and easier. There are many such points covering the Federal Land Surveys in all the Public Land States, mostly west of the original thirteen states, and their western territories.

Now looking at Figure II (next page) note the system of numbering Townships by Town (T) and Range (R). The example is given as T 2 N, R 3 E, or in the second tier of townships north and the third range of



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Figure I

BASE & MERIDIAN DIAGRAM

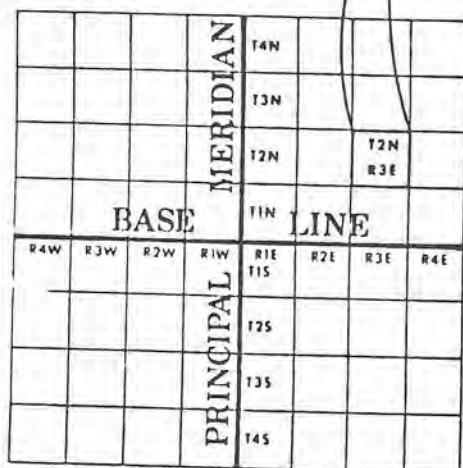


Figure II

SEC. 6	SEC. 5	SEC. 4	SEC. 3	SEC. 2	SEC. 1
SEC. 7	SEC. 8	SEC. 9	SEC. 10	SEC. 11	SEC. 12
SEC. 18	SEC. 17	SEC. 16	SEC. 15	SEC. 14	SEC. 13
SEC. 19	SEC. 20	SEC. 21	SEC. 22	SEC. 23	SEC. 24
SEC. 20	SEC. 29	SEC. 28	SEC. 27	SEC. 26	SEC. 25
SEC. 31	SEC. 32	SEC. 33	SEC. 34	SEC. 35	SEC. 36

Figure III

Section Corner

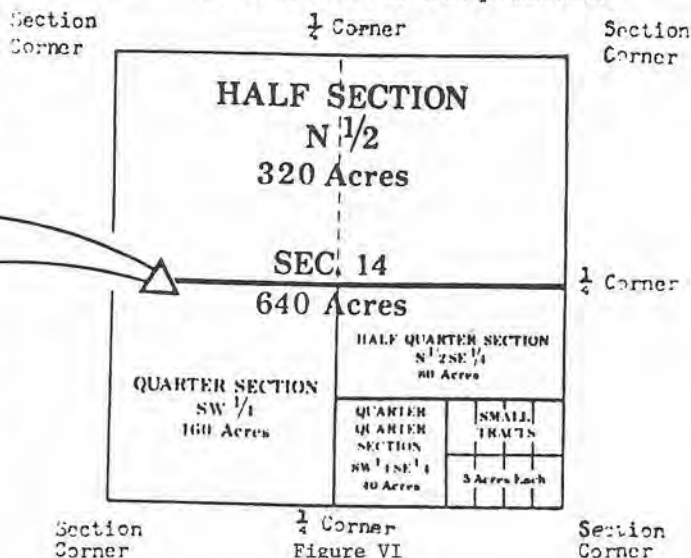


Figure VI

Sectional Map of a Township with adjoining Sections

36	31	32	33	34	35	36	31
1	5	5	4	3	2	1	6
12	7	8	9	10	11	12	7
13	18	17	16	15	14	13	18
24	19	20	21	22	23	24	19
25	30	29	28	27	26	25	30
36	31	32	33	34	35	36	31
1	6	5	4	3	2	1	6

Figure IV

One Rod—16 1/2 Feet

One Chain—4 Rods or 66 Feet or 100 Links

One Acre—43,560 square Feet or 160 square Rods

An Acre is 208.71 Feet Square

All measurements in Government Surveys are indicated by chains and links

CHAINS	RODS	POLES	FATHOMS	YARDS	FEET
1	4	22	66	66	66
2	8	44	132	132	132
3	12	66	198	198	198
4	16	88	264	264	264
5	20	110	330	330	330
6	24	132	396	396	396
7	28	154	462	462	462
8	32	176	528	528	528
9	36	198	594	594	594
10	40	220	660	660	660
11	44	242	726	726	726
12	48	264	792	792	792
13	52	286	858	858	858
14	56	308	924	924	924
15	60	330	990	990	990
16	64	352	1056	1056	1056
17	68	374	1122	1122	1122
18	72	396	1188	1188	1188
19	76	418	1254	1254	1254
20	80	440	1320	1320	1320

Figure V

Note: SMALL TRACTS are given lot numbers where legal subdivision is not possible.

townships to the east of the starting point at Tallahassee.

In Figure III is a township of 36 one-mile square Sections beginning with Section 1 in the northeast corner. Looking at Figure VI one sees a section -- 14, in this example, one mile square containing 640 acres, 80 chains on a side (See tables for 160 acres or a quarter section. An example is given as the

SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 14. Forty acre tracts are described as SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, being one quarter of a quarter in the SW corner of the section. Various combinations of fractions can be used, such as a small 2.5 acre tract -- the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

In Figure IV there is a sectional map of a township with its sections numbered showing the adjacent sections in adjoining townships. In the northeast corner see Section 31 with Section 36 immediately to its west and Section 6 to its south, etc.

Now you are ready to go to the Court House to research land deeds, trying to fix an ancestor at a time and place. It might be interesting practice to run down your own abstract of title if you own land in Florida. You are the last Grantee as shown on your Deed which will also be stamped with the Book and page number where it is recorded. If you don't have an abstract and know a person that does or even know a person who may own land, look him up in the Grantee Index. Let's assume he owns only a city lot. From the legal description one may find what plat book it is in and the Section and Township. He may also trace back by the Grantor-Grantee Indexes as far back as the original owner, whether he got the land from a Grant, U.S. Patent, or State Deed. Check others with your surnames. In Orange County and in Seminole County, the records have been microfilmed so it is easier than handling the heavy Libers (Books) of original county Deeds. The indexes are sometimes on microfiche which are also easy to handle. Clerks, in Orange County will do this for you, while at Seminole County it is on a "do-it-yourself" basis. Old tax records may also be checked in the Tax Collector or Assessor's offices. The oldest Deed Book in Orange County, Orlando is Deed Book "D". The ones older than this were destroyed by fire in Court House fires. The only reason Deed Book "D" is still available is that the Clerk took it home to work on it the night the court house burned. For those interested, while it has been microfilmed, the original book may be seen in the vaults in the basement of the Court House in the Microfilm Department. For those who are not Paleographers (students of old-time American handwriting) there is a translation typed and certified as correct.

Browsing through Deed Book "D" one sees U.S. Patents signed by Presidents Taylor, Fillmore, and Monroe and others. One interesting Deed is U.S. Patent #12 to Aaron Jernigan given a quarter section under the "Armed Occupation Act of 1842", on page 104. It was signed by President Zachary Taylor. Perhaps, as the reader knows, Orlando area was once called "Jernigan". Originally this area was Mosquito County with its seat at St. Lucie. It was a vast area from which eight other counties were formed. Later the county seat was Jernigan and finally Orlando. But for the generosity of Cattle Baron Jake Summerlin, Orange County seat might have been moved to Sanford where General Sanford, a former Ambassador to Belgium was bringing pressure for it to be moved to his town previously known as Ft. Mellon. "King of the Crackers", Jake Summerlin loaned the County \$10,000 for a new Court House in Orlando; they accepted. Another interesting Deed in Deed Book "D" is to Constant Potter; still another to Virgil Dupont, a Private in Harrison's Florida Volunteers giving him a quarter section; the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 6, T 19 S, R 31 E which is along the northeast shore of Lake Monroe near where Deltona is now. Another was Patent No. 25 to Henry A. Crane for Lot #1, Section 30, T 30 S, R 31, E signed by President Zachary Taylor 19 April in the year of our Lord 1850, and of the Independence of the United States, the 74th. It is located in the city of Sanford where real estate is now valuable but Crane got the 182.75 acres for free under the Armed Occupation Act. He later became Sheriff.

Concerning lots, as shown in Figure VI "Small tracts are given lot numbers where legal subdivision is not possible. As the original Land Surveyors (in this area one of the best was Henry Washington possibly related to George Washington, First President and before that a General and before that a Surveyor) ran into lakes of more than 25 acres or navigable streams, such as the St. Johns, so-called "meander" lines were run along the shores as it was impractical to survey watered areas. The land under the water is considered sovereignty lands (owned by U.S. or State) but to the high water mark it could be sold along the meander lines to private individuals. Also in the Sanford area, one encounters several Spanish Land Grants - Moses E. Levy, Pedro Miranda, and Philip Young or Yonge. When U.S. surveyors came to the lines of a Spanish or British Land Grant they did not sectionalize the area as usual. Instead Section numbers in addition to the usual 36 sections were used. For example, northwest of Sanford there are several Townships with additional sections where the Levy, Miranda, and Young Grants are located. Some sections, as Section 37, T 19 S, R 30 E has 8,174.93 acres in it. There are sections as high as 37, 38, 39, & 40, in this locality. For the location of sections, townships and ranges in the Central Florida area, Champion Map Co., Charlotte, N.C. is one of the best. It shows an area in Central Florida in Orange, Seminole, Lake, Osceola and Polk Counties about 70 miles square from T 18 S, R 24 E to R 32 E and south to T 29 S, R 31 E and eastward to R 31 E.

Also in County Court Houses there are maps in greater detail showing the information above. Some counties have old "Tract Books" showing early land owners. In appreciation for his services, the U.S. awarded a Township of land to General, the Marquis de Lafayette near Tallahassee. Many French names may be found there. In 1842 the "Armed Occupation for Florida Act" was passed giving 200,000 acres of land to settlers willing to improve the land and protect it. In a year's time about 1,000 permits were granted from St. Augustine and Newnansville using up most of the land offered. Most settlers went to central Florida, Indian River, St. Lucie, and Lake Worth. An example of a Patent Recorded in Deed Book "D" Orange County is Register & Receiver's Certificate No. 25 from U.S.A. to Henry A. Crane, Lot #1 of Section 30 T 19 S, R 31 W containing 182.75 acres located where Sanford is now.

This article will be continued and completed
in the January 1983 issue of BURIED TREASURES.

CLAIMS OF THE SOLDIERS OF WAR 1812

No. 5553

CLAIM OF EDWARD COOK

For contingent expenses of clothing and equipments, depreciated, worn out, lost and destroyed in the War with Great Britain, declared June 18th, 1812.

Presented in conformity to an Act "For the relief of certain Volunteers and Militia called into service," &c., passed April 21st, 1818, and 9th April, 1819.

DECLARATION

United States of America - State of Michigan - County of Kent

On this 31st day of October A.D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, Edward Cook aged 63 years, a resident of Cascade, Kent County in the State of Michigan who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Edward Cook who was a Private in the Company commanded by Capt. Ingersol in the Artillery Regiment of Militia commanded by Col Greives in the war with Great Britain, declared by the United States on the 18th day of June, 1812. That he volunteered or was drafted under the General orders of the Governor of the State of New York for its defence at Fort Niagara on or about the 15th day of September A.D. 1813 for the term of three months and continued in actual service in said War, for the term of three months and fourteen days and was honorably discharged from said service on or about the thirtyth '30' day of December 1813, at Lewiston, N.Y. for which he has received from the United States his Land Warrant, No. 39402 for Forty '40' acres, and that he has not received any portion of the sum directed to be paid him by the Act entitled "An Act for the relief of certain Volunteers and Militia called into service for the defence of the frontiers of the State in the late War, and for other purposes," passed April 21st, 1818; and the Act of 9th April, 1819. And further, in the performance of the service before recited, also furnished, at his own cost the following clothing and equipments, as directed by the "Act to organize the Militia of the State of New York," &c., passed March 29th, 1809, and the General Orders heretofore referred to:

CLOTHING and EQUIPMENTS

1 Hat.....\$	1 Pair Pantaloon....\$	6 1 Bayonet.....\$
1 Plate and Plume.. 2	1 Overcoat.....	16 1 Sword and Belt..... 7
1 Military Cap..... 3	1 Blanket.....	3 2 Pr. Stockings..... 1.50
1 Chapeau.....	1 Knapsack.....	2 2 Shirts..... 5
1 Plume.....	1 Canteen..... .50	1 Pr. Shoes..... 2
1 Uniform Coat..... 15	1 Musket.....	1 Pr. Gaiters..... 1.50
1 Ordinary Coat..... 10	1 Rifle.....	1 Pr. Suwarrow Boots..
1 Vest..... 2	1 Cartridge Box.....	1 Neckerchief..... 1.50
1 Stock.....	2 Belts.....	
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\$32	\$27.50	\$18.50

CONTINGENT EXPENSES

Cash paid for Transportation and other expenses to Fort Niagara	\$ 4
Cash paid for Transportation and other expenses from Lewiston to Ovid	10
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	\$ 14

Which clothing and equipments amounting to seventy eight (78) dollars, were depreciated, worn out, lost or destroyed in said service, for which he has not received payment, either in part or whole. And that the said sum, together with contingent expenses, as above stated, amounting in the whole to ninety two (92) dollars, is justly due and payable to him, with interest thereon, for his services and contingent expenses as Volunteer or Draft in the Militia of said State, for its defence during the said War, as provided to be paid by the Act entitled "An Act for the relief of certain Volunteers," &c., passed April 21st, 1818, a copy of which is hereunto annexed, and to be audited and allowed by the Act of April 15, 1857.

Declarant further saith that he was called on at Ovid, Seneca County in the State of New York being about one hundred and fifty miles from Fort Niagara and about one hundred and forty from Lewiston as above named.

I do hereby constitute and appoint, irrevocably Harvey Williams of Charlotte Michigan my true and lawful Attorney for me, and in my name, place and stead, to ask, demand and receive from the State of New York, or from any officer or person appointed or directed to pay the same, the amount due me as above stated, or any sum that may be found to be justly due me, giving and granting said Attorney full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite to be done in and about the premises, as fully, to all intents and purposes, as I might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution, and revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said Attorney or his substitute shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Sealed and delivered in presence of

Witness my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

/s/

/s/ Edward Cook

NEW YORK ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE INDEX OF AWARDS
ON CLAIMS OF THE SOLDIERS OF 1812

No.	Name of Applicant	Residence of Applicant	Amt. Allowed
5,553	COOK, Edward	Cascades, Kent Co., Michigan	\$50.00

Submitted by Carl A. Patin, great³grandson of Edward Cook

I I

PHILADELPHIA'S HIGH STREET

When Thomas Holme, surveyor for William Penn, laid out Philadelphia in 1682, he gave the name High Street to the street running east and west from the Delaware River to the Schuylkill. On it were the most important markets.

As early as 1758, High Street was called Market Street. Merchants advertised that their place of business was on High Street, commonly called Market Street.

To avoid this confusion, the Councils of Philadelphia passed an ordinance September 1, 1858, which legally changed the name of High Street to Market Street.

Researched by Mary Muth

ORIGIN OF THE NAMES OF U.S. STATES

Named for/by Indians

ALABAMA	Indian for tribal town, later a tribe (Alabamas or Alibamons), of the Creek confederacy
ARIZONA	Spanish version of Pima Indian word for "little spring place" or Aztec arizuma, meaning "silver-bearing"
ARKANSAS	French variant of Kansas, a Sioux Indian name for "south wind people"
CONNECTICUT	From Mohican and other Algonquin words meaning "long river place"
IDAHO	Shoshone derivation. State calls it "light on the mountains"
ILLINOIS	French for Illini or land of Illini. Algonquin word meaning men or warriors
INDIANA	Means "land of the Indians"
IOWA	Indian word variously translated as "one who puts to sleep" or "Beautiful land"
KANSAS	Sioux word for "south wind people"
KENTUCKY	Indian word variously translated as "dark and bloody ground," "meadow Land" and "land of tomorrow"
MASSACHUSETTS	From Indian tribe named after "large hill place" identified by Capt. John Smith as near Milton, Mass.
MICHIGAN	From Chippewa words mici gama meaning "great water," after the lake of the same name
MINNESOTA	From Dakota Sioux word meaning "cloudy water" or "sky-tinted water" of the Minnesota River
MISSISSIPPI	Probably Chippewa: mici zibi, "great river" or "gathering-in of all the waters"
MISSOURI	Indian tribe named after Missouri River, meaning "muddy water"
NEBRASKA	From Omaha or Otos Indian word meaning "broad water" or "flat river" describing the Platte River
NORTH DAKOTA & SOUTH DAKOTA	Dakota is Sioux for friend or ally
OHIO	Iroquois word for "beautiful river"
OKLAHOMA	Choctaw coined word meaning red man proposed by Rev. Allen Wright, Choctaw-speaking Indian
TENNESSEE	From 1784 to 1788 this was the State of Franklin, or Frankland. Tanasi was the name of Cherokee villages on the Little Tennessee River
TEXAS	Variant of word used by Caddo and other Indians meaning friends or allies, and applied to them by the Spanish in eastern Texas. Also written texias, tejas, Teysas.
UTAH	From a navajo word meaning upper, or higher up, as applied to a Shoshone tribe called Ute, Spanish form is Yutta, English Uta or Utah. Proposed name Deseret "land of honeybees," from Book of Mormon, was rejected by Congress
WISCONSIN	An Indian name, spelled Ouisconsin and Misconsin by early chroniclers. Believed to mean "grassy place" in Chippewa. Congress made it Wisconsin
WYOMING	The word was taken from Wyoming Valley, Pa., which was the site of an Indian massacre and became widely known by Campbell's poem, Gertrude of Wyoming. In Algonquin it means "large prairie place."

Named for/by Royalty

DELAWARE	Named for Lord DeLaWarr, early governor of Virginia: first applied to river, then to Indian tribe (Lenni-Lenape), and the state
GEORGIA	for King George II of England by James Oglethorpe, colonial administrator, 1732
LOUISIANA	Part of territory called Louisiana by LaSalle for French King Louis XIV
MARYLAND	For Queen Henrietta Maria, wife of Charles I of England
NEW JERSEY	The Duke of York, 1664, gave a patent to John Berkeley and Sir George Carteret to be called Nova Caesaria, or New Jersey, after England's Isle of Jersey
NEW YORK	For Duke of York and Albany who received patent to New Netherland from his brother Charles II and sent an expedition to capture it, 1664
NORTH CAROLINA	In 1619 Charles I gave a large patent to Sir Robert Heath to be called Province of Carolina
SOUTH CAROLINA	from Carolus, Latin name for Charles. A new patent was granted by Charles II to Earl of Clarendon and others. Divided into North and South Carolina 1710
PENNSYLVANIA	William Penn, the Quaker, who was made full proprietor by King Charles II in 1681, suggested Sylvania, or woodland, for his tract. The king's government owed Penn's father, Admiral

	William Penn £16,000, and the land being granted in part settlement, the king added the Penn to Sylvania, against the desires of the modest proprietor, in honor of the admiral
VIRGINIA	Named by Sir Walter Raleigh, who fitted out the expedition of 1584, in honor of Queen Elizabeth, the Virgin Queen of England

Named for other various reasons	
ALASKA	Russian version of Aleutian (Eskimo) word, alakshak, for "peninsula" or "greatlands"
CALIFORNIA	Bestowed by the Spanish conquistadors (possibly by Cortez). It was the name of an imaginary island, an earthly paradise, in "Las Serges de Esplandian," a Spanish romance written by Montalvo in 1510. Baja California (Lower California, in Mexico) was first visited by Spanish in 1533. The present U.S. state was called Alto (Upper) California.
COLORADO	Spanish, red, first applied to Colorado River
DIST. of COLUMBIA	For Columbus, 1791
FLORIDA	Named by Ponce de Leon on Pascua Florida, "Flowery Easter," on Easter Sunday 1513
HAWAII	Possibly derived from native word for homeland, Hawaiki or Owhyhee
MAINE	From Maine, ancient French province
MONTANA	Latin or Spanish for "mountainous"
NEVADA	Spanish, meaning snow-clad
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Named 1629 by Capt. John Mason of Plymouth Council for county in England
NEW MEXICO	Spaniards of Mexico applied term to land north and west of Rio Grande in the 16th Century
OREGON	Origin unknown
RHODE ISLAND	Named Roode Eylandt by Adriaen Block, Dutch explorer, because of its red clay. Name of Roger Williams' settlement was added to give the small state its long official title: State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
VERMONT	From French words Vert (green) and Mont (mountain). The Green Mountains were said to have been named by Samuel de Champlain. The Green Mountain Boys were Gen. Stark's men in the Revolution. When the state was formed, 1777, Dr. Thomas Young suggested combining vert and mont into Vermont.
WASHINGTON	Named after George Washington. When the bill creating the Territory of Columbia was introduced in the 32d Congress, the name was changed to Washington because of the existence of the District of Columbia.
WEST VIRGINIA	So named when western counties of Virginia refused to secede from the United States, 1863.

DIXIE

The name Dixie is popularly associated with the southern states of the U.S. Several possible origins have been suggested.

One is said to be the French word dix (ten) which was printed on \$10 bills used in early Louisiana which were called "dixies" by Americans. Louisiana became known as "Dix's Land" or "Land of the Dixie's."

Some sources suggest that the name originated from a kind-hearted Dutch farmer, Dixie (Dixye), who unsuccessfully tried to cultivate tobacco in Harlem, N.Y. City, in the late 1700's. When he sold his slaves to a farmer in Piedmont County, S.C., they are said to have longed to return to Dixie's farm and sand of its joys.

In the South many consider Dixie a derivation from the "Mason-Dixon Line" which divided the free and slave states.

Compiled from the *World Almanac & Book of Facts*

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To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition; to know even one life has breathed easier because you lived. This is to have succeeded.

-- Ralph Waldo Emerson

SOURCE: George Wightman of Quidnessett, R.I. and Descendants
Compiled by Mary Ross Whitman

In this manner the family name Wightman has been explained. It has been interpreted as meaning a "man from Wight" -- i.e., the Isle of Wight. By others it is confidently seen to signify "a man of might" -- wight signifying valiant, strong. The former interpretation may easily be accepted because of its very obviousness; the latter, equally obvious, is supported by the ancestral motto of the family: "A Wightman Never Wanted a Weapon."

There seems nothing fantastic in the suggestion that an individual from near or far, following the fortunes of war under the leadership of a feudal lord had finally become established, founding a family; and that through some relationship of service within the influence of that chieftan had in those feudal days acquired a surname, lands, and position.

In both English and colonial records the name is variously spelled, appearing as Wyghtman, Wightman, Whiteman and Whitman. In the early colonial records it is spelled interchangeably Wightman, Whitman, and occasionally Weightman, even when relating to the same individual, and furthermore, in all lines. In the Providence records especially it appears Whitman, and the descendants of Valentine of Providence have uniformly spelled the family name Whitman. In the four lines from George Weightman of Quidnessett, the spelling is not uniform. Descendants of the eldest son, Rev. Daniel of Newport, have usually kept the form Wightman, as do most of those descended from the youngest son, Rev. Valentine of Groton, Conn. A more frequent variation appears among the families descended from George of Warwick and John of Exeter, the latter especially spelling the name Whitman quite as often as Wightman.

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QUERIES

- #82-3-29 BROOKHART - Need help in locating parents of Daniel Brookhart, b. 1791 in York County, PA. There are two men listed in 1800 census of York County who could have been his father. Name is sometimes spelled Bruckhart, Bruchhart, Burckhart or Burkhart.
- #82-3-30 BISHOP/HOUCK - Who were the parents of Nimrod Bishop? He was born in Winchester, VA in 1811. First appears in History of Knox County, OH by H. H. Hill, Jr. as postmaster of Centreburgh. He married there, Elinor, daughter of Jacob and Matilda Houck in 1837. Was he related to Arnold, Gardner, Benjamin, Smith and other Bishops residing there at that time? Later lived in Hardin County, OH, and Henry and Fulton Counties, IL. Died in Cumberland County, TN.
 Reply to: Eileen B. Willis, 2041 Dundee Drive, Winter Park, FL 32792
- #82-3-31 COOK/CHANDLER/JOHNSTON - Am seeking info. on the date and place of death of Job Cook. Job, born c. 1767 at Shrewsbury, NJ, is the son of Edward Patterson Cook and Lydia Chandler. His wife was Mary Johnston. In 1805, Job and Mary sold land in Monmouth County, NJ; 1810 Federal Census - Job in Ovid, Seneca, NY; 1820 Federal Census - Job in Covert, Seneca, NY. Dr. Alfred Cook stated that Job and family moved first to NY and then to MI. Jane Fiske believes Job died in Covert, Seneca, NY. I have not found a cemetery listing for Job and/or Mary in Seneca County, NY or any info. of Job reaching MI.
 Reply to: Carl A. Patin, 200 Bauer Drive, Casselberry, FL 32707
- #82-3-32 McBURNEY/ELLIOTT - Elizabeth McBurney b. (?), m. July 4, 1852 to Ambrose Boustead Elliott, d. January 1, 1871, Philadelphia, PA. Seeking date of birth, names of parents.
- #82-3-33 IRTHINGTON, ENGLAND - Seek info. about village of Irthington, Cumberland, England, and any personal contact there which might be established to obtain pertinent info.
 Reply to: Mary B. Muth, 279 W. Lake Faith Drive, Maitland, FL 32751
- #82-3-34 TROUT/HENNINGER - Need info. on George Trout b. 1788 Mifflin Co.(?), PA. married c. 1812-13 to Catherine Henninger, removed to Erie Co. 16 children. Died 1876 Girard Twp.
- #82-3-35 GRAGG/LAKIN - Who were parents of Anna Gragg (?Griggs/Gregg?) m. 1758 William Lakin, Groton, MA. She was Scots-Irish, referred to as "Noted Doctress."
 Reply to: Nancy Turner Pennypacker, 516 E. Church Street, Orlando, FL 32801
- #82-3-36 BRUCE - Seek info. on John Bruce (Jr.) who died c. January 1818, Halifax Co., VA; probably m. 3 times, Nancy Haskins, Susanna Roberts and Lucy Monday. Children: Sarah (Mrs. Wm. Webb); Polly (Mrs. John Cox); Patsy (m. 1806 Ephraim Crews); Tabitha; Racheal (m. 1821 James H. Hall); Nancy (m. 1823 Larkin Gibson); Harriet; James; Susannah (m. 1823 Richard Jeffries). He is prob. son of John Bruce, Sr., who d. 1816 in Halifax Co., VA, whose children were: Rebekah (m. 1798 Jesse Monday); Winney (m. 1787 John Morefield); Polly (m. 1793 Henry Wilkerson); Elizabeth (m. Mr. Wood); Sally (m. Mr. Seemore); and John, Jr. (who d. Jan. 1818 above).
- #82-3-37 HALL/BRUCE - Need info. on family of Bapt. Min. James H(ur?) Hall, b. Aug. 9, 1801, VA; m. Racheal Bruce (b. June 2, 1799 VA); moved from (Halifax Co.?) VA to TN c. 1832 settling in Carroll Co. then Weakley Co. by mid-1840's where he d. Sept. 30, 1856; she died c. Sept. 1889 also in Weakley Co. Their children: John R(obins?) b. Jan. 22, 1823; Lucinda (m. Joseph Bell); Prescott H. b. Feb. 6, 1826; Hiram W. b. Dec. 3, 1826?; S. Elizabeth (b. Aug. 1831 VA, m. 1850 Dr. George Washington Dibrell); James H. b. Nov. 7, 1833 TN; Emeline born c. 1835; Jacob B. b. Oct. 28, 1836; and Wm. M. born c. 1838.
- #82-3-38 MURPHY/TIFFIN/WALSH - Seek info. on Thomas T(iffin?) Murphy, b. 1824 Pittsylvania Co., VA, son of John Murphy and his wife Lucy Tiffin (Dau. of Elizabeth and Thomas Tiffin). Thos. T. m. Oct. 14, 1844 (Todd Co., KY?) Sarah Ann Walsh. Family living Pettis Co., MO, in 1860, then moved back to Pembroke, Christian Co., KY by 1870 Census. Children: James H(iram?) born c. 1847; John W(illiam?) born c. 1849; Lucy Jane (b. June 20, 1852 Christian Co., KY, m. there 1873 to Benj. Franklin Wood); Thos. Jefferson (b. May 20, 1854, m. Dec. 1876 Weakley Co., TN, Mary McConnell Dibrell); Livingston Lewis (b. Oct. 8, 1856 m. (1) Lenora E. McRae (2) her sister Mary); Elizabeth C. (b. Jan. 1859 m. 1880 Robert Lawrence Moore); Ann Eliza (b. 1863 MO).
 Reply to: Pat Murphy, 121 West Minnehaha Avenue, Clermont, FL 32711
- #82-3-39 McMULLEN/NESBITT - Seek info. on children of John Mercier McMullen and Sarah Charlotte Nesbitt of Brockville, Ontario, Canada. Birth? Marriage? Death? Children: Mary Anne b. 1848 Ireland; William N(esbitt?) was wife's maiden name Winslow?; John Gerald b. 1851 Canada; Sarah Charlotte (Hutchinson); Margaret Grace (Giffin); Nora D. (Ross); Ellen Wynne (Coleman); Alice Colclough (Bate); Florence Elida (Mole); Henrietta Rose (Eaton? Stewart?). Who were parents of Sarah Charlotte Nesbitt?
- #82-3-40 BEECHER/McADAMS - Who were parents of Emma Beecher b. 1861 Canada? Was Beecher family from Brockville, Ontario, Canada? Did Emma marry James Alexander McAdams in Canada? Where/When? Who was Amber? How was Isaac Beecher related?
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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 to
preserve that left to us*

*OUR LOVE to extend both backward
and forward, so that*

*OUR CHILDREN may feel close to
their folk 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
Godly heritage.'*

*****Psalms 16:6*****

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