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Dear Members and Friends:

With Summer comes plans for family reunions, vacations and perhaps a genealogical research trip. Before leaving home, don't forget to pack your research supplies—notes, paper, writing instruments, tape recorder, camera, maps. Be prepared for any opportunity which comes your way to add to your information, or to share what you know with others.

Early summer months are traditional times for "decoration days" in local cemeteries. These are times for families to come together and honor their ancestors and reflect on the past. Someone once stated that "a cemetery is a 'history' of people—a perpetual record of yesterday—a loving remembrance of lives and loves." And so, we visit these places with love to discover something of our past.

May this Summer be a safe and enriching one!

Tanya C. Miller

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President

TIME AND THE MIGHTY PEN

Down through the ages, stories have passed from parent to child to neighbor to friend; many of the facts of the past have been lost or changed through the process as memories fade.

Only through the effective use of the mighty pen can the stories be preserved for posterity's sake, for once it has placed its indelible marks on the page, through time can the stories endure.

So, here are a few; from out of the past, their trips down memory's lane have been long; the wording has changed on some I'm sure, but the messages they tell are still strong.

So here's to the almighty pen; it has written again; these stories will now go unchanged, for their permanent place in history has been found, thanks to the pen, to the paper, and to

THE HARD WORK OF A LOT OF PEOPLE

Harvey P. Nelson

MAJOR ANNIVERSARY DATES OF THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

"'Tis done. We have become a nation."

Benjamin Rush, Continental Congress

Constitutional Convention	summer
Constitution Day (signing of the Constitution)	September 17
WE THE PEOPLE television series airs	fall
RATIFICATION CELEBRATION begins state by state	late 1987
Delaware Ratification (first state to ratify Constitution)	December 7
Pennsylvania Ratification	December 12
New Jersey Ratification	December 18
1988: "RATIFYING THE CONSTITUTION: THE PEOPLE CONSENT"	
Georgia Ratification	January 2
Connecticut Ratification	January 9
Massachusetts Ratification	February 2
Maryland Ratification	April 29
South Carolina Ratification	May 23
New Hampshire Ratification (critical 9th state needed to establish the Constitution)	June 21
Virginia Ratification	June 25
New York Ratification	July 26
1989: "ESTABLISHING A GOVERNMENT UNDER THE CONSTITUTION"	
Anniversary of George Washington's election as first U.S. President	February 4
Anniversary of first session of First Congress (Special Joint Session of Congress scheduled)	March 4
Inauguration Anniversary of President George Washington	April 30
Bicentennial of establishment of Supreme Court	September 24

THE YEAR OF RATIFICATION

Anniversary Date in 1987–88		Date		Original Date Ratified/ Entered Union™		
December		1987	Delaware* December Pennsylvania* New Jersey*		1787 1787 1787	
January	2 3 4 6	1988	Georgia* January Alaska Utah New Mexico	2 3 4 6	1788 1959 1896 1912	
	9 26 29		Connecticut* Michigan Kansas	9 26 29	1788 1837 1861	
February	6 14 14	1986	Massachusetts* February Oregon Anzona	6 14 14	1768 1859 1912	
March	1 3 4 15	1988	Ohio March Nebraska Florida Vermont Maine	1 3 4 15	1803 1867 1845 1791 1820	
April	28 30	1988	Maryland* April Louisiana	28 30	1788 1812	
May	11 23 29 29	1988	Minnesota May South Carolina* Wisconsin Rhode Island*	11 23 29 29	1858 1788 1848 1790	
June	1 15 20 21 25	1988	Kentucky June Tennessee Arkansas West Virginia New Hampshire* Virginia*	1 15 20 21 25	1792 1796 1836 1863 1788	
July	3 10 26	1988	Idaho July Wyoming New York*	3 10 26	1890 1890 1788	
August	1 10 21	1988	Colorado August Missouri Hawaii	1 10 21	1876 1821 1959	
Septembe	er 9	1988	California September	er 9	1850	
October	31	1988	Nevada October	31	1864	
Novembe	2 2 8 11 16 21	1988	North Dakota Novembe South Dakota Montana Washington Oklahoma North Carolina*	2 8 11 16	1889	
Decembe	10 11 14 28 29	1988	Illinois Decembe Mississippi Indiana Alabama Iowa Texas	10 11 14 28		

[&]quot;One of the original thirteen states which ratified the Constitution.
"All states formally accepted the Constitution upon entering the Union.
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BRITISH MONARCH REIGNS

When genealogists trace their lines back to Britain, often they find that dates are written "in the third year" of the Monarch's reign. Hopefully, the following schedule will be advantageous to your research:

MONARCH	BORN		1	REIGN		DIED
William I	1027	Dec	25.	1066 -	1087	1087
(the Conqueror)		200	,	2000	1007	1007
William II	1056?	Sen	26	1087 -	1100	1100
Henry I	1068				1135	
Stephen	1097?				1154	
Henry II	1133				1189	
Richard I	1157			1189 -		1199
(Coeur de Lion)		COP	0,	1105	1177	1100
John	1167?	May	27	1199 -	1216	1216
Henry III	1207				1272	
Edward I	1239				1307	
Edward II	1284			1307 -		1327
Edward III	1312			1327 -		1377
Richard II	1367			1377 -		1400
Henry IV	1367				1413	
Henry V	1387			1413 -		1422
Henry VI	1421			1422 -		1422
	7.77	оср		1470 -		1471
Edward IV	1442	Mar	Λ	1461 -		74/1
ADVENCE OF			-,	1471 -		1483
Edward V	1470	Ann	Q	1483 -		1483
Richard III	1452			1483 -		1485
Henry VII	1457			1485 -		1509
Henry VIII	1491			1509 -		1547
Catherine of Aragon		1000		t wife)		1536
Anne Boleyn	1507			d wife)		
Jane Seymour	1509?			d wife)		1536
Anne of Cleves				h wife)		1537 1557
Catherine Howard				h wife)		1542
Catherine Parr				h wife)		1548
Edward VI	A CANADA CALADA				1553	
(son of Henry VIII &			20,	1047	1333	1333
Mary I	1516			1553 -	1558	1558
(Mary Tudor; Bloody		ouz	0,	1000	1330	1336
Philip & Mary		Jul	25	1554		
Elizabeth I	1533			1558 -	1603	1603
(daughter of Henry V		Bole	(ave	1000	1000	1003
James I	1566			1603 -	1625	1625
Charles I	1600			1625 -		1649
Commonwealth					1013	1049
Charles II	1630	Jan	30.	1649 -	1685	1685
(son of Charles I)	413.27		/		2000	1000
James II	1633	Feb	6	1685 -	1688	1701
Interregnum	49 Z E			1688 -		1701
- and all of the state			,	2000	2003	

MONARCH	BORN	REIGN	DIED
William III & Mary II	1650	Feb 13, 1689 - 1694	
(Mary II)	1662		1694
William III	1650	Dec 28, 1694 - 1702	1702
Anne	1665	Mar 8, 1702 - 1714	1714
George I	1660	Aug 1, 1714 - 1727	1727
George II	1683	Jun 11, 1727 - 1760	1760
George III	1738	Oct 25, 1760 - 1820	1820
George IV	1762	Jan 29, 1820 - 1830	1830
William IV	1765	Jun 26, 1830 - 1837	1837
Victoria	1819	Jun 20, 1837 - 1901	1901
(Prince Albert)	1819	(consort)	1861
Edward VII	1841	1901 - 1910	1910
(son of Victoria)			
George V	1865	1910 - 1936	1936
George VI	1895	1936 - 1952	1952
(wife - Elizabe	eth Angel	a Marguerite Bowes-Lyon;	
par	ents of E	Elizabeth II)	
Elizabeth II	1926	1952 -	
(daughter of G	eorge VI;	wife of Prince Philip;	

mother of Prince Charles)

Abstracted from California Central Coast Genealogical Society and supplimented by Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary.

This article is not indexed.

BOOK REVIEW

THE NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND, ANCESTORS OF NATHAN BULL, III

by

Robert Edward Swisher, Box 298, Capitol Station, Richmond, VA 23202. \$12.85 p.p. Soft-bound, acid-free paper.

This small book is a delightful surprise. Against a rich historical tapestry beginning circa 1610 in England and meandering through some of the most exciting times of our struggling young country up to the present time, we meet a total of 121 Bull ancestors. There's the courageous Colonial Governor who accepted the risky honor when no one else dared to - twice! We read about the famous Quaker lady who was hanged by the Puritans in Boston after speaking her mind once too often. We learn about the horrors of the slave trade through two of its ships' captains. There is a wealth of historical and family research, copious footnotes, interesting pictures, drawings, maps, etc. All in all, a valuable and fascinating book for any researcher.

Anne Hammond Connell

August 27, 1987

AITKEN FAMILY

Copied from the Aitken Bible owned by Everett Perkins, 1887 Lindle Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee. Bible printed in Edinburgh, Scotland by Sir D. Hunter Blair and J. Bruce printers to the King's most magesty, 1811.

John Hall Aitken was a native of Edinburgh, Scotland. He came to American in 1817. In 1821 he married Miss Mary Frances Rutherford of Russellville, Alabama. John Hall Aitken's death occurred April 1827.

March 1828 Mrs. Aitken with her two children, William and Mary and her father Samuel Rutherford moved to Hardeman County, Tennessee and settled where the town of Grand Junction now lies, or about two and one half miles south of the railroad crossing.

John Hall Aitken came to the U.S. from Edinburgh, Scotland where he was born and educated. He came to the U.S. looking for a new location while here he met Nancy (Polly) Rutherford of Russellville, Alabama and married her.

Their children:

William John married Nancy Jane Nevill, who was born near Raleigh, North Carolina and moved to Carroll County, Tennessee then moved to Forrest Hill, Tennessee where she was married lived and was buried in the Nevill burying ground by side of her husband, William John. The children of William John and Nancy Jane Nevill were:

Nancy Jane married Daniel Levi Perkins of Forrest Hill, Tennessee. Their heirs:

- (a) Daniel Trigg married Tommie
 Hart or Host of Collierville,
 Tennessee
 - (1) D. T.
 - (2) Dorothy Thelma
- (b) James Everett Perkins married Jennie Taylor of Carrollton, Mississippi
- (c) Cassandra married John Beasley
- Mary Louise was a daughter of John Hall Aitken and Nancy (Polly) Rutherford. She married Ezekiel E. Low of Saulsbury, Tennessee. They had one son, John, who married Josie Guy of Columbus, Texas.

AITKEN FAMILY (continued)

John Hall Aitken came to U.S. from Edinburgh, Scotland on August 7, 1814 -- this date in small Bible he brought in a small chest with his Masonic Apron and some gold nuggets. The apron was white satin with black silk fringe, made by hand. Apron lined with linen. The gold nuggets were made into a pin.

The above William John joined the Masonic Lodge at Lagrange, Tennessee in 1848.

Mrs. John Hall Aitken's second husband was Dr. E. S. Burroughs. Her first husband died April 18, 1827. Ezekiel E. Low of Tippah County, Mississippi married her daughter Mary Louisa Atken on September 5, 1847 at Mrs. Burroughs' home.

DEVILBISS AND KOLB BIBLE RECORDS

David Kolb was born in the year 1793, December the 3rd.

David Kolb and Elizabeth Caston were married 1815 on the 12 of June.

David Kolb died April the 17th 1862.

James T. Kolb died July the 11, 1864.

Charles I. Kolb died July the 26, 1865.

Mary M. Kolb died October the 5, 1874 (nee Staub).

George I. Kolb died February 28, 1894.

Joseph Devilbiss and Anna Elizabeth Kolb Devilbiss joined hands in August the 31st, in the year of our Lord, 1856.

Mary Susan, daughter of Jos. and Anne E. Devilbiss was born Sept. 8th 1857.

Wm. Henry, son of Jos. and Anne E. Devilbiss was born March 27th, 1860.

Joseph Milton, son of Jos. and Anne E. Devilbiss born Nov. 27, 1862.

Sarah Ellen, daughter of Jos. and Anne E. Devilbiss was born May 1865.

Ida Myrtle Devilbiss, daughter of Joseph and Ann E. Devilbiss was born on the 16th day of November 1867.

Eve E. Devilbiss, daughter of Jos. and Ann E. Devilbiss was born Jan. 23, 1870.

Emma Catherine, daughter of Joseph and Ann E. Devilbiss was born on the 12th day of March, 1872.

Anna Elizabeth Devilbiss died Monday June 4, 1894, aged 62 yrs., 2 months and 29 days.

The Devilbiss and Kolb families mentioned above lived in Frederick County, Maryland, in the vicinity of Creagerstown. These records were copied verbatim from the Bible now in the possession of Ida Myrtle Devilbiss who lives at Walkersville, Frederick County, Maryland. Said Bible published and sold by Kimber and Sharpless at their book store, No 3 South 4th St., (no city mentioned) Stereotype Edition, stereotyped by Washington Custis chapter DAR, Baltimore, Maryland.

THANK YOU WINIFRED HARRIS

MEDICAL TERMS

The following list of medical terms is a compilation of articles from the St. Clair County, IL Newsletter, The Prairie Pioneer and the Putnam County (FL) Genealogical Society:

Anasarca	a pronounced generalized dropsy
Bronchitis	inflamation of the membrane lining of the bronchial tubes
Catarrh	inflamation of a mucuous membrane which is usually associated with emphysema or with bronchitis; respiratory tract
Cerebritis	inflamation of the brain, especially the cerebrum
Congestive Chill	excessive accumulation of blood in the blood vessels, caused by exposure to the cold
Consumption	tuberculosis in the lungs
Debilitas	a weakness of the functions of the body
Diarrhea	morbid frequency of bowel evacuation, due to diet, irritation or inflamation of the mucuous membranes of the intestines; Diarrhea a. = acute; Diarrhea c. = chronic
Dropsy	edema - collection of fluid in an organ
Dysentery	inflamation of intestinal mucuous membrane, accompanied by ulceration, fever and bloody evacuations
Enteritis	inflamatio of the intestines, especially the small intestine; similar to catarrh
Fever Congestive	fever caused by congestion
Fever Intermittent	fever occurring at infrequent intervals
Fever Remittent	fever abating for a time
Fever Typhus	fever from an acute contagious disease; similar to Fever Typhoid
Flux	abnormal discharge from the bowels
Gangrene	the putrefaction of soft tissue; a form of necrosis; may be due to frostbite, crushing injuries or amputation
Ictus Solis	common sunstroke
Marasmus	emaciation; occurs almost wholly as a sequel to an acute disease
Overlaid	thought to mean the accidental smothering of an infant sleeping in bed with it's parent
Phthisic or Phthiriosis	infection by lice
Phthsis	pulmonary consumption
Pleurisy/	an inflamation of the pleura - the membrane
Pleuritis	which enfolds the lungs
Pneumonia	inflamation of the lungs, with a filling of fluids
Quincy	inflamation of tonsils
Rheumatism	a disease with fever, pain and inflamation and swelling of joints
Scorbutus	a deficiency disease due to the lack of vitamin C; aka Scurvy

	burning, cramping, great thirst, weakness, can go into gangrene. Also, in extreme instances severe, bizarre hallucinations can
	result as one of the alkaloids in ergot is the active ingredient in the drug LSD.
St. Vitas Dance	chorea, involuntary convulsive motion of the limbs
Sycrosis	disease characterized by eruption of tubercles on hair of beard or scalp
Worm Fever	probably tapeworms
Yellow Jack	Yellow fever, a slang term common in maritime circles

LATE 18th CENTURY DEFINITION

Canine Madness Commotion Corruption Costiveness Cramp Colic

Extravasated Blood Falling Sickness Flus of Humour French Pox Green Sickness Hallucination Hip Gout King's Evil Lues Venera Lung Fever Lung Sickness Mania Mortification Nostalgia Putrid Fever Remitting Fever Sanguinous Crust Screws Ship's Fever/Jail Fever/ Camp Fever Sore Throat/Distemper Strangery Venesection

20th CENTURY DEFINITION

Hydrophobia Cuncussion Infection Constipation Appendicitis also Typhlitis Ruptured Blood Vessel Epilepsy Circulation Venereal Disease Anemia Delirium Osteomylitis Scrofula Venereal Disease Pneumonia Tuberculosis Insanity Infection Homesickness Diptheria Malaria Scab Rheumatism Typhus Quincy Rupture or Stricture

Ulcus

PROBATE RECORDS of Lemuel Coburn Died April 15, 1829

The account of James L. Wales administrator on the Estate of Lemuel Coburn late of Wales decased -

I the said accountant charges himself with the personal estate of said decased as the same was sold by order of the Jude of probate for the county of Hampden

	unting to the sum of	819	95
1829	Sundry debts recived, one of Washington	2-3	
harry all	Munger note		40
Dec 14	Cash not inventoried	14	
1830	Marquis Conven on note	69	37
Mar 5	Cash of Elbridge G. Fuller order on	100	9.12
	Turnpike Corpor	33	18
Мау б	Cash of Alvin Jones allowed him for	1.0	.00
	court of inquest	7	20
May 12	Cash of 'Elisha Willis' on note		79
May 18	Cash of Leonard M. Morris on acct		08
		\$972	95
	and prays allowance of the following		
	charges and payments, on June 13 paid		
1829	printer advertising	1	-
June 17	Taxes paid Groverner May	6	.50
July 11	To paid Rebecca Blodget acct	1	50
Aug 4	To paid Jasper Needham chopping cole wood	7	
Sept 8	To paid Widow of d'd allowed her by the		
	judge	150	
Sept 24	To paid Alvin Jones Corinor holding		
	Court of inquest	2	
Sept 24	To paid Jury & officers holding Court		
	of inquest	5	50
Oct 8	To paid Loring Wales taxes for 1829	6	91
Oct 8	To paid A Baxter acct	4	
Oct 8	To paid Ejas Tiffany assisting at vendue	1	
Oct 20	To paid Solomon Shaw acct, 25 note 3.75	4	00
Oct 30	To paid Jacob Nichols on note	28	72
Nov 19	To paid Elisha Willis acct		87
Nov 19	To paid Alonco Coburn acct for work	11	26
Nov 20	To paid Loring Wales acct	1	72
Nov 27	To paid Coln Robert Andrews acct	1	50
Nov 27	To paid Oliver Wales acct	2	19
Dec 2	To paid Capt Baxter wood acct	6	43
Dec 8	To paid Josept Town acct	1	02
Dec 9	To paid Doctor John Smith acct	6	92
Dec 12	To paid Elijah E. Babcock note 11.56		
	acct 3.17	14	73
Dec 14	To paid Royal P. Wales note		19
Dec 14	To paid Benjamin Agard note 72.11 acct 4.		
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(NOTE: copied verbatum)

LEMUEL COBURN

A "death certificate" and appraisal for probate received from the Town Clerk of Wales, Massachusetts on Lemuel Coburn were received by member, Beryl Coburn. The handwritten copy which appears here is from the Compendium of the History, Genealogy and Biography of the Town of Wales (latest entry 1873) by Absalom Gardiner. Mrs. Coburn notes that "A. Gardiner was not famed for accuracy and we have found this warning to be apt, but his comments on the townspeople are most interesting, and his literary style remarkable."

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Hampden :: To John Perry, William Nelson of the Town of Wales and Elisha Marcy of Holland all in the County of Hampden aforesaid freeholders - Greetings Whereas the Estate of Lemuel Coburn late of said Wales in the County of S Hampden Who hath latly died intestate lies More than ten miles from the dwelling place of the Judge of the Court of probate within and for the County of Hampden aforesaid I Do therefore by virtue of a law of the Commonwealth aforsaid herby appoint and impower you to take an inventory of all the Estate whereof the said Lemuel Coburn died seized in said county of Hampden (according to your best skill and Judgment) truly and justly to - apprais the same in dollars and cents according to the present value therof and when you shall have completed the said -inventory you are to return the same to geather with this Warrant to the said Judge as soon as may be given under my hand this twentyfifth day of May A.D. 1829

James L. Wales Justice of the peace for the county of Hampden

Hampden :

May 25, 1829 Then the above named John Perry William Nelson and Elisha Marcy personally appeared and made oath that they would faithfully discharge the trust to which they were appointed by the above Warrant

Befor me James L. Wales justice of the peace for S'county

An inventory of the Estate of Lemuel Coburn late of Wales in the county of Hampden, deceased appraised upon oath by us the subscribers, duly appointed to that servis by James L. Wales one of the justices of the peace for said county of Hampden

Real Estate

Home farm situate in T Wales and Holland set off	2400	
South Perrey Wood lot 58 acres	314	
North Perrey Wood lot 74 3/4 acres	598	
1/2 pew in the Meeting house in Wales No. 11	6	
1/2 saw mill privilede	5	
	3323	00

tree whom his own farm did he hang himself with his horse halter. Of maught 1. Service From Holland come he to this Journ in 1822; thereafter stand and farmily, and finally leading him to the revolting dead of the self-destroyer - 1 2. Abigail - News married a second line; was one very smal, while, intelligent Semuel Coburn - -Hango . abhornesses of such an act. The writer hereof disclusions having over heard anything, Migail Stratton -ity and of his young children, especially should have stored his mind with a just munch, according much unhappines to himself, and great houble to some of his besides, a just purental regard for the interests and well-being of his respectable formdied here. This homestead was we the 3. E. section of the Town and is particularly Abigail S. - Sikness in youth partially dothroused her intellect never regained charged against his mount character. described in Mere. 1- No. 1-p. 266 . On his last years difficulties of some sorts As wath Colium- Sinte Man wormans Her children owner did more than repay the dulet of qualitude they owed her. Aligaid & Colum D. - Nov. Ourisiscience purhase only knoweth what, operated to esteprize and popular his ct. Sec. Yo. 6- 4. 617. Louisa John Cobunu Sin func Coburn-Shin Sub: Cohum S. - Nov. Memoundumo. M. March 12, 1805. 21, 1820 -23.1201 ---4 - 1806 - (M= 3. S. Maultan Star 35- 4. 495.) 17.1815 15,1812- (M. J. L. Burkey - No. 1-4. 58) - d. Mail 15. 1880 a. - 20. (No. 3 - h. 97. (No. e, on this page.)

THE NAME AND FAMILY OF COPELAND

The surname COPELAND is thought to have been derived from a township in the parish of Kirk Newton, Northumberland. It is found in various spellings of Coupland, Cowpland, Cowpland, Copeland, Coupland, Copeland, and Copeland of which the form last mentioned is that most commonly used in America at the present time.

Families bearing this name were located at early dates in the British Counties of Northumberland, York, Lancaster, Chester, and Stafford. They were for the most part of the landed gentry and yoemanry of Great Britain.

Among the earliest records of the name in England is that of John De Coupland of Northumberland. He was a hero at the Battle of Neville's Cross in 1346, in which he took David Bruce prisoner. At a slightly later date David De Coupland, a burgess of Northumberland, represented that county in London. In 1379 John de Coupland resided in Yorkshire, and in 1611 William Cowpland was established in London as a merchant. His brother, Henry Cowpland or Copeland, is registered as a burgess of Lancashire.

William Copeland of Asbury, Cheshire, and of Hollybush, stake-on-trent, married Ann Eaton, by whom he had issue of William and Hannah. William married Mary Fowler and was the father of William Taylor Copeland of Cliff Bank Lodge, Staffordshire, who was appointed Lord Mayor of London and later elected member of Parliament of Stoke-on-Trent. William married Sarah Yates by whom he had William, Edward, Alfred, Richard Pirie and Sarah. Of these, William married Elizabeth Lane, while Alfred married first Marianne Capper and secondly Frances Grassam.

Richard Pirie married Emily Wood and resided with her at the family seat of Kibblestone Hall, Staffordshire. Richard had as issue, William Fowler, Richard Ronald John, Alfred Gresham, Mary and Henrietta.

William Fowler Copeland married Beatrice Geddes and had John Richard Geddes and Mary Beatrice and Irene Baily. Richard Ronald John Copeland married Ida Fenzie of Italy and was by her the father of Richard Spencer and Ronald Geoffrey.

One branch, at least, of the Copelands went into Ireland at a comparatively early date. According to historians, the Copelands were among the followers of John de Courey who, with his forces overran a great part of the counties of Down and Antrim. The records of this line are not, however in evidence.

Possibly it is descended from the Scottish branch of the family. which was seated in the Counties of Dumfries and Kirkcudbright about the beginning of the seventeenth century. At this time one John Copeland was a Provost of Dumfries and died in 1695, aged seventy-eight, having had a son of the same name. The last John died in 1687 and the family estates went to his son, William Copland or Copeland, who was Profost of Dumfries from 1702 to 1708. William had a son of the same name who married Margaret, daughter of Alexander McGowan, and was the father by her of at least two sons, Alexander and Thomas. Of these, Alexander was married in 1735 to Anne, daughter of Sir Thomas Gordon, Baronet, and left issue by her of William, Alexander, Ann, Margaret, Catherine and Susan.

Thank you, BARBARA MANLOVE, for sharing your many ancestors!

As the following articles tie in with our theme of programs for this year regarding reflections of the early 1900's and how the life and times of those years made an impact on your family, the Editor thought you would be interested in one man's view during World War II. The articles appeared in the SACERS (State Association of County Engineers and Road Superintendents) Newsletters dated July and September 1987. Permission has been granted for reprint by its Editor, E. L. Dougherty, P.E. (a professional engineer with the firm of Glace and Radcliffe, Inc., Maitland, Florida).

The Merry, Merry Month of May

The month of May means a lot of things to a lot of people. To me it means graduation from high school, entrance into Army life, V-E Day, graduation from College, birth of a daughter, two sons and a granddaughter, not to mention Mother's Day and Memorial Day. Plenty for a scant 31 day period! It's very difficult, with all those important mile stones to choose from, to select any particular date in May that is more important than any other, but the other day I got to thinking about it and it suddenly struck me that I don't even remember what date V-E Day fell on!

It probably isn't important any more, certainly not important enough to warrant special attention, but at the time it was the most memorable day of my life. I remember the events of that day, today, as clearly as it had occurred within the past year or so instead of a long 42 years ago.

Everyone at Framlingham Air Base knew it was going to happen soon, but no one knew exactly when, as far as I know. When the German surrender finally did occur, all the MP's on the Base were pulled out and sent to the surrounding towns and local pubs to insure the peace, leaving security of the Base to the few combat crews who had not already been issued leaves (or managed to flee the confines of the Base without leave). I drew perimeter guard, together with a young fellow from the Base hospital. Our assignment was to circle the airfield in a jeep equipped with twin 50's and make sure that no civilians entered the base and no soldiers left it. We went on duty at dusk, my fellow guard driving the jeep and yours truly at the machine guns. Our orders were to shoot anyone leaving or entering the Base who refused to stop when ordered to do so. Had we followed those orders that night, Britain would have lost hundreds of it's citizens and the U.S. Army would have lost more than a few combat veterans. There was a constant flow of people over the fences, under the fence and through the fences. We did, for a brief period make a half-hearted attempt to stem the tide, but finally gave it up, accepted the bottle of scotch one of the returning G.I.'s brought us, parked the jeep as far from the tower as we could and as deep into the trees as it could safely go, then proceeded to enjoy the opportunity to relax.

It was a beautiful night, as I remember, reasonably clear and, except for the occasional sound of someone entering or leaving the Base near where we were parked, quiet and peaceful. We were joined later that evening by a couple WAF's, who seemed to find quiet contemplation, with an occasional pull at the scotch, preferable to the hustle and bustle of the local pubs. It was a lovely evening.

What triggered that memory was a conversation with a friend who mentioned he had been talking to an employee of Ford Motor Company who had been complaining about recent lay-offs at the Ford Plant. My friend thought it was strange the man would complain, since he drove a VW and his wife drove a Toyota. That got me thinking and I suddenly realized that WW II was not truly a war, but only a battle. The U.S. won the battle all right, but we're in a fair way of losing the war. Not only are we buying more and more imports but our erstwhile enemies are buying up our land, along with many of our strategic industries. Soon all that will be left will be our memory of what was and regrets at what might have been. I guess it doesn't matter too much, in the overall order of things, but somehow, I feel a little sorry for that lad in 1945 and wonder if perhaps he wouldn't be just a tad disappointed in the way it has come out.

AUGUST - IT WAS THE BEST OF TIMES

A reader responding to our article on VE day reminded us that VE Day meant little or nothing to "______ us gyrenes in the South Pacific." and he is absolutely correct. VJ Day, on the other hand, meant a lot to all of us. To those guys in the South Pacific it meant a certain amount of relief, though we understand not all Japanese surrendered and there was still some fighting after VJ Day. Never the less there had to be a feeling of relief for most of them. For those of us who had survived the European Theater it meant we wouldn't have to go to the Pacific Theater. August, 1945, a time to remember.

We were at sea, aboard the Queen Elizabeth, coming home when the rumor started about some "secret weapon" the U.S. had used on Japan that would end the war real soon. Within hours an announcement over the ship's P.A. system advised us a "new type bomb" had been dropped on the City of Hirosima (we pronounced it Hero-she-mah back in those days) and had thoroughly destroyed the City. A single bomb! We were on a troop train when the news finally came that the war had ended.

The train pulled out of Camp Kilmar late one morning. There were 220 (plus or minus) in my shipment, mostly veterans with several months combat, some with 2-3 years. Our orders were to report to Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas for reassignment. We passed most of that first day and a good part of the first night on sidings while

fast freights rumbled by. Right about noon on the second day, maybe a tad earlier, we crossed Mississippi River and into St. Louis. Cooped up in box cars we couldn't see a whole lot, nor were we all that interested in looking out, but as we passed through St. Louis the horns, the bells, the shouting people brought all of us who could crowd there to the one open door in the car. It was quite a sight! People were hanging from windows waving flags and shouting us as we chugged along. They were too far away to make out the words but we knew something big must have happened. It was nearly 8 p.m. before we found out the war was over, however.

The sun was down and it was start to turn dark when we pulled into a small town in either Northern Missouri or Southern Iowa and stopped. Engines, in those days, ran on steam and needed water ever so often. Our train's engine was no exception. As was customary during one of those stops we were given freedom to disembark to the platform and most of us did just that. Within minutes a large crowd had gathered and descended on us like a storm. My clearest recollection of the moment was when a smiling red-haired lady shoved a bottle of soda in one hand, a sandwich in the other, planted a big kiss on me and said "Welcome home!" Before I could move she disappeared in the crowd. That's basically how the war ended for me, that evening when we discovered the Japanese had agreed to surrender.

HOWE INVENTORS

The Howe monument facing the main thoroughfare is approximately 10-12 feet high, by 6 feet wide, by 4 feet deep. The front side of the monument has bronze busts of the Howe inventors noting each name. Also displayed is a 2 x 3 foot, three-dimensional bronze of the birth house of the Howe inventors by the Jno. Williams, Inc., Bronze Foundry. Years of birth and death of each inventor is engraved under their portrait with the words, "Inventors born in Spencer, Massachusetts". The monument is erected on the lawn of a school yard on the corner of School Street and Route 9.

William 1803 - 1852 Elias 1819 - 1867 Tyler 1800 - 1880

Plaque on the reverse side of monument:

Inventions

Truss Bridge 1840 William Howe Sewing Machine 1846 Elias Howe, Jr. Spring Bed 1855 Tyler Howe

Erected 1909

(transcribed by Ralyne Westenhofer while on vacation in New England)

HUNT BIBLE RECORDS

This is copied from the Hunt Bible, that is from notes sent by Mrs. Leroy E. Allen (nee Mitty Ahunt) owner of the Bible who lives at 1348 East 20th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 74120. Information in () seems to have been added. Copied from notes by Henry Grady Parrish, 511 East Lake Dr., Gladewater, Texas, 75647. A note sata "Copied from Bible".

Rev. Henry Hunt was born Nov. 28th, 1744.

Ann, his wife, was born Feb. 2, 1745

Urisey Hunt, daughter of Henry and Ann was born Nov. 21, 1766

Benjamin Hunt, son of Henry and Ann was born Jan. 29, 1769

Tajoe (?) Hunt son of Henry and Ann was born May 8, 1771

Tabitha Hunt, son of Henry and Ann was born April 19, 1777

Hardy Hunt, son of Henry and Ann was born Jan. 18, 1783

Henry G. Hunt was born March 14, 1825

Jane W. Hunt was born Feb. 14, 1822 (seems to be wife of this Henry; last name not given)

Hilton B. Hunt, son of Henry and Jane was born May 30, 1847 James G. Hunt, son of Henry and Jane was born Feb. 12, 1849 Sariah G. Hunt, daughter of Henry and Jane was born Nov. 24, 1850 Alemins(?) G. Hunt, daughter of Henry and Jane was born March 16, 1853 Charles N. Hunt, son of Henry and Jane was born June 22, 1854

Hardy Hunt was born Jan. 14, 1783 Nancy Hunt, wife of Hardy was born Sept. 14, 1786 Patience Hunt, daughter of Hardy and Nancy was born April 3, 1803 John T. Hunt was born March 18, 1807 James T. Hunt was born June 7, 1810 Wilson D. Hunt was born May 6, 1813 Eliza Ann Hunt was born Aug. 15, 1815 E. T. Hunt was born Feb. 22, 1818 Elizabeth T. Hunt was born July 13, 1820 William Crittenden Hunt was born Dec. 13, 1822 Henry G. Hunt was born March 14, 1825 Rev. Harry Hunt and his wife Ann were married Jan. 31, 1766 Hardy Hunt and his wife Nancy were married Jan. 5, 1803 Henry G. Hunt and Jane were married Aug. 25, 1846 William M. Hunt was born Nov. 12(?), 1835 Matilda W. Hunt was born Dec. 12, 1817

Ann Hunt, wife of Henry Hunt died May 30, 1824
The Rev. Henry Hunt died June 16, 1825
Tabitha Hunt Thomas died March 6, 1858 - she was wife of Josiah Thomas
Nancy Hunt, wife of Hardy Hunt died Nob. 16, 1851
Hardy Hunt died Sept. 1st, 1860
Sariah G. Hunt daughter of Henry G. Hunt and Jane W. died Sept. 29, 1852
Alcanine(?) G. Hunt daughter of N. G. and J. W. Hunt died July 29, 1854

This Hunt information was collected by Mr. Grady Parrish (April 2, 1966) 511 East Lake Drive, Gladewater, Texas.

These Hunts were from North Carolina. William B. Parrish moved to Gibson Co. Tenn. William B. Parrish born 1806 in N.C. married July 22, 1832 Mary Thomas in Franklin Co., N.C. This Mary Thomas was daughter of Tabitha Hunt Thomas. They were parents of seven children.

Contributed by Eileen Willis

HISTORY

During the late 1800's it had become fashionable for railroads to own hotels where important shippers and celebrities could be lavishly entertained, and whose patrons would help to create passenger traffic for the railroad. Henry Bradley Plant, the owner of a southern railway system, and the man recognized as Florida's greatest 19th century railroad developer, spent seven years searching for the ideal location for just such a luxury resort. Thousands of acres were purchased in the Belleair and Harbor Oaks sections of Clearwater, and construction of the Belleview began in 1895. An army of workmen moved in to clear the land, but only the trees which had to be removed to accommodate the hotel were sacrificed. The rest of the lofty native pines and massive water oaks were preserved, and many still stand, including the hugh oak at the East entrance.

On January 15, 1897, the Belleview opened its doors and almost overnight became the favored winter retreat of railroad presidents, steel magnates and other industrial barons. As many as fifteen private railroad cars were parked at one time on the hotel's special siding, and vacationers continued to arrive directly at the Belleview by rail until 1942.

Following his father's death in 1899, Morton F. Plant actively guided the Belleview's destiny through 1919. He felt strongly that the game of golf, then in its infancy, would play a very important role in the resort's growth and development. Thus, by 1915 the Belleview had two eighteen-hole courses designed by Donald J. Ross, dean of American golf architects. Famous for his clever use of natural features, Mr. Ross created two celebrated courses, and the Belleview became the golf mecca of Florida. An article in Life magazine described the fourteenth hole on the East Course as one of the "Eighteen Great Golf Holes in



THE BELLEVIEW BILTMORE HOTEL

America." In 1973 both courses were completely renovated, but Donald Ross' original concept was not lost, and the courses remain unique in coastal Florida.

In 1919 the Belleview passed from the Plant family to John McEntee Bowman and, with the addition of the name "Biltmore," it became part of the Bowman hotel chain. In the early 40's under the ownership of Arnold Kirkeby, the hotel was leased to the U.S. Air Force for use as a barracks for McDill and Drew Fields in Tampa. As many as 3,000 Air Force personnel were housed at one time on the premises.

In 1946, the hotel and its environs were sold to a group of Detroit people including Mr. & Mrs. Bernard F. Powell, Mrs. Norma Mae Peabody, and Roger L. Stevens. Within a few years these four had bought out the minority interests, and today, remain the owners of Belleview Biltmore, with Mr. Powell as majority stockholder and managing director.

The reopening of the resort for the

winter season of 1947 is a saga in itself. The Air Force had left the buildings a series of empty shells, with no maintenance in more than four years. All of the furniture and furnishings, supplies and equipment had been removed to make room for the Air Force in 1942. The procurement, immediately following the end of World War II, of the furnishings required to outfit the lobby and public rooms plus nearly four hundred guest rooms and some two hundred employee rooms was a Herculean task. The golf courses, which had been neglected for more than four years, were the object of an extensive-and expensive-rebuilding, and by 1957, both courses were back in full operation. The grounds required special attention, with many citrus trees, exotic trees, and flowering shrubs planted in strategic locations. An entirely new organization of employees

had to be engaged brought into an unfamiliar locale, and quickly welded into an efficient working crew. All of this was done in such a manner as to preserve the charm and warm hospitality which the years have bestowed upon "The White Queen of the Gulf."

The Belleview Biltmore, the largest occupied wooden structure in the world, has served four generations who have sought the warm sunshine, the gracious leisure, the wide variety of recreation, and the relaxing serenity of this spacious private resort estate.

On March 7, 1980, Bernard F. Powell was presented a plaque which recognized the Belleview Biltmore's listing on the National Registry of Historic Places as an Historic Site. Last year alone over \$10 million was invested to renovate and refurbish all the public areas as well as guest rooms. Management is committed to continuing the restoration of the property and maintaining its Victorian style.

At a recent visit to the Belleview Biltmore Hotel in Clearwater for a Florida Women in Government meeting, the manager escorted the Executive Committee on a tour of the facilities. He was proud to show his sumptuous rooms and suites, some with adjoining children's, governess's and maid's rooms. The dining areas are resplendent with crystal chandeliers and abundant flowers. He also told us of the train tracks that run underneath the main building where the private railroad cars were stored while visitors enjoyed their stay. Our thanks for his permission to reproduce the above article in its entirety.

RECORDS FROM SEARS FAMILY BIBLE Our appreciation to former member Marcia Morgan Wright

The names in parentheses were not actually in the Bible, but were supplied to me by my Grandmother, Marcia Morgan (maiden name: Marcia Ridley Sears). Otherwise, it is copied exactly.

BIRTHS

William M. (monroe) Sears and Marcia E. (Elbertina) Cook were married January 18th, 1866.

Eula Bornham(?) Sears was born April 10th, 1869.

Leila Lovena Sears was born January 23rd, 1874.

Willie Calhoun Sears was born July 12th, 1876.

Cora Elbertina Sears was born October 17th, 1878.

Edgar Louis Sears was born March 1st, 1881.

Butter Freeman(?) Bird(seed or song, this is hard to read), born June 16th, 1838 in LaFayette, Chambers Co., Alabama. (This entry is older than the rest and in a different hand. I have no idea who this is or the connection with the Sears)

Wilson C. (Calhoun) Sears was born July 23rd in the year of our Lord, 1810.

Martha A. (Ann) H. (Hightower), wife of the above, born Sept. 1, 1814 (the above were married December 9th, 1829.

Allen T. Sears was born August the 18th, 1833.

Mary Jane Sears was born December the 3rd in the year of our Lord, 1836.

Sarah Ann T. Sears was born February the 15th, 1839.

William M. (Monroe) Sears was born May the 7th in the ear of our Lord, 1847.

DEATHS

Leila Lovena Sears died September 19th, 1875.

Mrs. Martha A. H. Bell died November 5th, 1892 (she married Mr. Bell after the death of Wilson C. Sears.)

Claude Alexan der Sears was born March 31st, 1883.

Annie May Sears was born April 9th, 1885.

Eunice Cleveland Sears was born December 30th, 1887.

MARRIAGES

Eula B. Sears was married to Zeptha A. Reeves December 31st, 1884.

Milford W. (Wilson) Sears and Ada G. Reeves were married July , 1889.

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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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