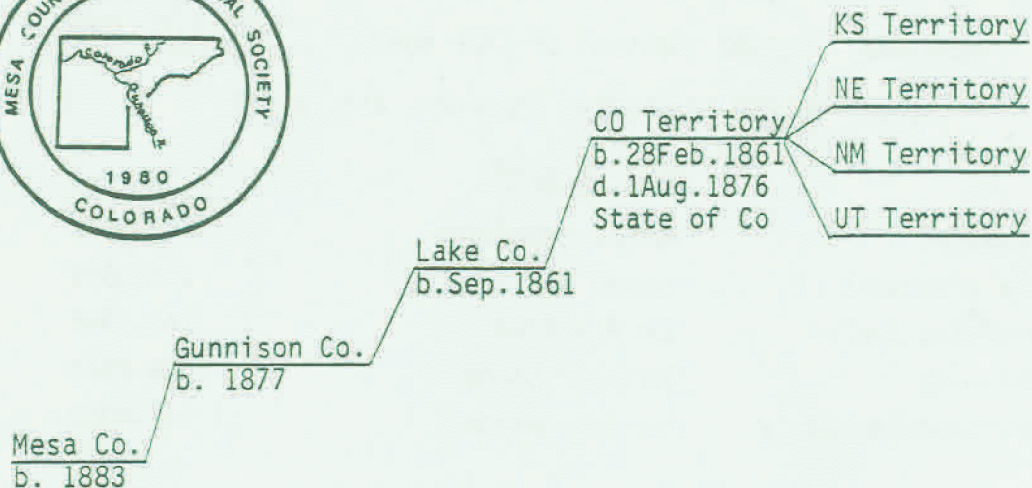
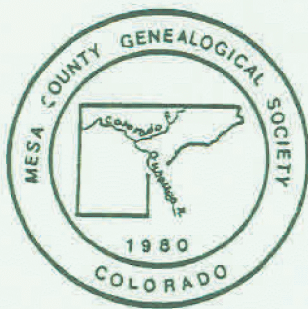


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WHEN YOU THINK YOU HAVE SEEN EVERY ROLL OF FILM THAT YOU CAN ON YOUR FAMILY, THINK AGAIN!!!

I, along with 14 others went to Salt Lake City to the Family History Library on May 7, 8, and 9. I thought I would be able to go clear through all sides of my families. However, I still have a lot of work to do as I did not even come close to seeing everything I could see to finish my search. Come September I will have more things to research and another long list of names. If you haven't been to Salt Lake, do go but plan on a week.

As I was doing a review before typing the obits, I came across the article below. As I read the article I realized that it was my brother Glen. I call my sisters and the answer I got was "You don't remember that" !!! Well at first I felt a little foolish. All this happened on 27 Sep 1945. After some deep thinking, I remembered that Charles (the baby) had been born and had passed away, but I didn't remember the fire. To make a long story short, I found I wasn't senile, I was only 9 years old.

DEATH, FIRE STRIKES AT HOME MONTROSE SOLIDER

Montrose, Colo, Sept 17 - Death and fire struck within a few hours to sadden the 30-day furlough of Sgt Glen Kralieck of Montrose. A baby boy born Monday to the European war veteran's wife, Mrs. Inez Kralieck, died last night. Early today fire virtually destroyed his home. (from The Daily Sentinel, Thursday 27 Sept 1945 pg 3)

Have a happy summer researching

Wynona

OBIT FILE

The obituary file is steadily growing. We have finished taking the 1942 obits off microfilm and are currently typing 1943 and 1945. The 1944 obits have been typed and filed. The cards which have the old (1882-abt 1913) obits have also been typed and filed. This leaves us about 28 years still to be done. If anyone would like to help with this project, please give Sue Martinez () or Dorothy Inscho () a call.

Refreshments 1992 - June - Mary Kronvall
July - Donna Roberts
Aug - Annual Picnic

Typing Current Obits - June - Betty Ann Morse
July - Phil Powers
Aug - Jo Lea Plumlee

We still need people to type current obituaries for Sept, Oct, Nov and Dec. Please sign up, Sue or Dorothy will be glad to show you how.

TOGETHER WE GROW

We are fortunate to be genealogists or family historians, whichever title you prefer, here in this area. We have a great cooperative effort among several organizations, our own Mesa County Genealogical Society, The Ancestor Shop, The Museum of Western Colorado, Mesa County Library, LDS Family History Center and even the continuing Education Department of Mesa State College. All these groups aid and help us in our efforts and "together we grow". If you aren't taking full advantage of the opportunities, "Listen Up" and grow along with us.

The Ancestor Shop houses the library collection of our Genealogical Society at their office at 1460 N. Ave (corner of North Ave and 15th St). They also have many personal books of Phyllis George and a copy machine. It is not a checkout library but come and use the books there any time from 9:00 to 5:00 Monday through Friday. As you know our society meets the 2nd Thur. of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the museum. The museum also has books and historical materials very helpful to genealogists. It is helpful if you can call ahead (242-0971), ask for Judy, Donna or Carolyn. Mesa County Library has a useful collection of genealogy books as well as excellent lending library services, The Daily Sentinel on microfilm back to the late 1800s and the obituary file to which our organization contributes on a regular basis. Also available at Mesa County Library are many oral history tapes made by people in this area. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Family History Center at 543 Melody Lane has two computers. One has only the PAF (Personal Ancestral File Program) where you can put your own family information on a computer disk. The other has the Family Search program which includes the IGI (International Genealogical Index), Ancestral File, Military Records, Social Security Death Index, as well as the PAF program and the Family History Library Catalog. Most of these things are also available on microfiche. There are numerous microfilm and microfiche readers and a copier which will copy microfiche and microfilm. Hours are 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Mon., 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. Tue through Fri.

Mesa State College has conducted three classes in the use of the PAF program and will probably have more this fall. A PAF users group has been organized. They call themselves the PAFers. For more information call 243-6473 or 245-3959. Fifteen happy people just returned from the Museum Field Trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. If you missed this one, mark your calendar for Sep. 9. Whether you stay home or vacation this summer why not spend a little time "visiting" and/or finding your ancestors? Visit our local resources first - they can give you better ideas about where to look when you travel

Dorothy Roper

OTHER NEWS

As many of you know, the Social Security Administration is planning to destroy the original 37 million applications for Social Security. These records show the address of the applicant, the date and place of birth, father's name and mother's maiden name. If you would like to write and ask that these files be turned over to the National Archives for Genealogical Research, please write to: Social Security Administration, 6401 Security Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21235. A letter to your congressman would help too.

A scholarship from Brigham Young University in Provo, Ut has been awarded to Jo Lea Plumlee of our society. It covers the cost of any three credit hour course in Independent Study of the recipient's choice. Joe Lea has chosen Hist 397R Writing Family Histories with William G. Hartley, M.A. as professor. She attended two classes of Prof. Hartley's while at the seminar in Provo last Aug. The course includes 23 lessons and one research paper. The criteria for being awarded such an award is at least a B+ average of at least one previous Indep. Study course, financial need, proven ability in managing Indep. Study courses, and a written essay as to why the student wants to take the course, what they plan to do with it after they have completed it and what goals they have for their educational background. These scholarships are awarded four times a year and only one per year to any student. Our congratulations go out to Jo Lea.

WHAT A BACKGROUND

Next time you're feeling rather unimportant, try a little arithmetic trick based on the undebatable fact that it took two people, your parents, to get you here. Each of your parents has two parents, so in the generation just prior to that of your mother and father, there were four people whose pairing off and sharing love contributed to your existence. You are the product of eight great-grandparents, 16 great-great-grandparents, 32 great-great-great-grandparents etc. Keep on multiplying the number by two. If you figure an average of about 25 years between each generation, you'll discover that a scant 500 years ago, there were 1,048,576 people on this planet beginning the production of you. (from Rev Gene Britton in East Point, GA, Southside Sun. Reader's Digest)

QUERIES

Information requested on MERLY DALTON SORTEN (SORTIN) born in Trumann, Poinsett County, AR 6 Nov 1930, died ? in Scott County, MO. Also seeking descendants of JOHN THOMAS BRYANT AND MARY E. SALLEE BRYANT married Douglas County, MO in 1876. I believe him to be the brother of HOWELL BRYANT who married ELIZA JANE MORGAN of Pulaski Co, MO at Bryant Creek, Douglas, MO. in 1860 registered in 1876. Douglas Co. Courthouse burned and records are almost non-existent. Jo Lea Plumlee, 557 North 26th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501

ORIGIN OR "DIXIE"

Back in 1833, Louisiana was French Territory and the Citizen's Bank of Louisiana decided to issue currency for its French population. The French word for ten is "dix". When the ten dollar bills got up North, people called them "Dixies" - then called the area they came from "Dixie".

TIDBITS

When checking indexes in county record books, be sure to check under the letter "H". Many times records are indexed as "Heirs of ...". (from Old Fort Genealogical Society Inc. Fort Madison, IA Jan. 1992)

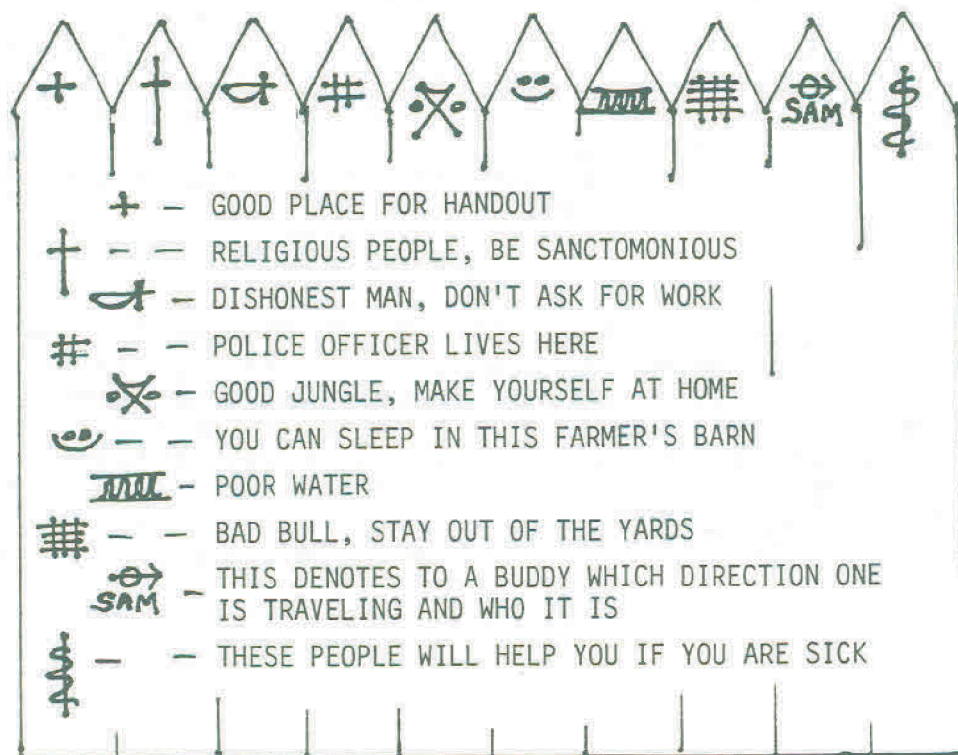
Before 1880, IA meant Indiana. Be sure to double check this on the early censuses, as it could be confusing. (from Mahoning Co. OH Mahoning Meanderings, Jan 1991 pg 19).

From Grand Junction News - 21 Dec 1882

S.B. NO. 104 - An act amending the criminal code and providing for the punishment of persons obstructing railroad trains.

H.B. NO. 86 - An act to establish the County of Montrose

HOBO MARKS



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DE BEQUE

De Beque could be called the "Oil Shale Town of Mesa County", although ranching has provided a more stable economy for the community. The town, incorporated in 1890, is at the mouth of Roan Creek. Robert Eaton, L.T. Stewart, and George Gibson filed homesteads and water rights claims on Roan Creek in 1882. J.C. Crotty and John Larkin established claims in the Bluestone area on the south side of the Colorado River, the Bluestone area was later developed by Judge Joseph E. Ong. In 1884 Dr. Wallace A.E. de Beque and three companions, Fred Webster, John Bouldin and Dick Smith, traveled over the Bookcliffs to the head of present-day De Beque Canyon. There Dr. de Beque staked a homestead named Ravensbeque. The doctor brought his wife, Marie Bonholzer, to his log cabin - and in 1885 the area's first post office opened in their home. One of the last Indian scares in Mesa County occurred on Roan Creek in 1886. A few Indians had remained on the White River Indian Reservation and a report circulated that they were on the warpath and headed for the De Beque area. Women and children assembled in a stone house at the mouth of Roan Creek and men armed themselves, but not one Indian appeared.

Dr. de Beque moved to the present site of De Beque 1886 and built a log cabin. He later constructed a house where his son Armand, lives today. The post office was also moved and became "De Beque" in 1888. De Beque had cement sidewalks in 1907, a water system in 1912 and movies in 1916. The Kimball brothers drove the first large herd, 500 head, into the area in 1883, but sheep were not welcome. The largest slaughter of sheep in the local cattle and sheep war reportedly took place on Clear Creek when 4,000 sheep were cudgeled or driven over cliffs. The railroad arrived from the East in 1890, and De Beque prospered. For a time in 1918, 1919, and 1920, more cattle were shipped through De Beque than any other place in Colo. The town boomed with the railroad and declined when the stockyards closed.

A large stone school was built in 1892. Dr. de Beque climbed inside the belfry at the dedication and raised the American Flag, the first one flown over a public building in De Beque. Grades one through eight were taught in the first years of the school. One high school grade was added each year starting in 1908; the first class graduated in 1912 with two seniors receiving diplomas. De Beque is now in School District 49, organized in 1950. After settlement, hunters from all over the nation began coming to the area, which became known for wild mountain lions, deer, bobcats, coyotes and bear. A mountain lion hunt was an annual affair for several years, and a game reserve was built in the 1890s. Boom and bust has played a major role in De Beque history, due chiefly to oil shale. Although oil was discovered in 1902, nothing was done with the seventeen wells discovered. The first shale boom occurred in the early 1920s with repeat "booms" at twenty-year intervals in the 1940s, 1960s, and late 1970s-80s. The area's first distillation plant was built in 1917 on Dry Fork, a tributary of Roan Creek.

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DR. DE BEQUE A PIONEER OF VALLEY DEAD
FOUNDER OF TOWN OF DE BEQUE AND ONE OF SLOPE'S MOST INTERESTING
FIGURES PASSED AWAY

Dr. W.E.A. De Beque, pioneer physician of this city and of De Beque, died at 3:15 o'clock this morning at his home in De Beque, resulting from weakness of old age. In his death, one of the interesting figures of this region is taken from Western Colo. He was 89 years of age, his rugged health making him active in his community up to almost his last hours. Arrangements for his funeral have not yet been completed because of uncertainty as to the coming of a dau to lives in Washington. The service will probably be on Friday unless it has to be deferred for her arrival. Dr. Wallace Alvare Eugene De Beque was born July 18, 1841, in Woodstock, New Brunswick. He moved later to New England and went to the Civil War with the Second main cavalry regiment. At the close of the Civil War he came to the then territory of Colo, settling at Fairplay in 1868 or '69. He later entered the medical school of Denver University as one of the earliest students, graduating in the class with Dr. H.R. Bull of this city. He began the practice of medicine in Fairplay remaining in that place until he came to Grand Junction in 1883. After a year here he went to De Beque where he practiced his profession for several years. In 1896, he entered the service of the New York Life Insurance Company, giving up his profession and this connection continued until his death. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Marie Louise De Beque, and four children; Mrs. Flora De Beque Hart, Washington, D.C.; Wallace A. E. De Beque, Carbondale, Armand and Roland De Beque, De Beque. (from The Daily Sentinel - Wednesday 10 Sep 1930 pg1)

DEATH OF MRS. MARY T. DE BEQUE

The very sad intelligence was received in this city late yesterday afternoon that Mary T. De Beque, the wife of Dr. W.A.E. De Beque had died very suddenly during the afternoon. The suddenness of the announcement cast a gloom over the many friends of the De Beque family in this city. Mary T. De Beque, the deceased was born in Munich, Bavaria thirty-seven years ago. She has however, been a resident of this country for a number of years. She leaves a husband and one child, a little boy about four years old, to mourn her sudden death. Dr. L.F. Ingersoll left for the home of Dr. De Beque on last evening's train and arrived home at noon. He said as far as could be ascertained the death resulted from Belliary Colic. The deceased took sick about ten minutes after six yesterday morning, and died about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The funeral will take place tomorrow from their late residence in De Beque. (from The Daily Sentinel, Friday 26 June 1896 pg 1)

MARIE deBEQUE, WIDOW OF TOWN FOUNDER DIES HERE

Mrs. Marie Louise deBeque, 72, widow of Dr. W.A.E. deBeque, one of the founders of the town of De Beque, died late Wednesday afternoon at St. Mary's Hospital. Mrs. deBeque entered the hospital several weeks ago for an operation, after a brief illness. The body is at the Callahan Funeral home, and arrangements will await the arrival of her son, Pvt Armand deBeque, who is stationed at Camp Wolters, TX and who left last night for home. Marie Louise deLavillette was born July 6, 1872, in Mexico City, Mexico, and she was educated there and in Paris, France. She met Dr. deBeque when he went to Mexico City on a business trip, and they were married there July 14, 1911. Two sons, Roland and Armand, were born to the union, Roland was killed in an auto accident between De Beque and Grand Valley Oct 22, 1932. Dr. deBeque died Sept 6, 1930. Mrs. deBeque was well known in the Grand Valley. She was a talented musician and spoke both Spanish and French fluently. She made frequent trips to Mexico City to visit relatives and friends before the outbreak of the war. Mrs. deBeque was devoted to her home and family and left participation in affairs of the community to her husband. She was a member of the Catholic Church. Dr. deBeque first went to the future site of the town in April 1884, and returned the following year to establish a ranch and home. His ranch was first named Ravensbeque, and the first post office was located there. In 1888, the settlement which was to become a booming town serving Roan Creek and other surrounding livestock areas became De Beque. The post office also changed its name at that time. He operated a drug store and practice medicine for many years and was later engaged in the insurance business. Surviving besides Armand are four sisters, Mrs. Helen Dillman, and Misses Maria and Margo deLavillette, Mexico City, and another sister who lives in France whose name was not known here; a brother, Henry, Mexico City; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Flora Hart, Washington D.C. and three grandchildren, Marianne deBeque, dau of Armand, and Wallace deBeque, who is in the navy and Miss Mary A. deBeque, Denver, children of the late Wallace deBeque, a stepson of Mrs. deBeque.
(from The Daily Sentinel - Thursday 30 March 1944 pg 2)

AN INTERESTING OBITUARY

OLDEST CONVICT, FROM GUNNISON COUNTY, DIES

Canon City, Colo. Jan 25 - The oldest convict at the state prison - George W. Crawford, 86 died Monday and was buried Tuesday in the prison cemetery on Woodpecker hill. He had been an inmate since May, 1923. He was sentenced to life imprisonment from Gunnison county for slaying a fellow dryland farmer, Ed Cornforth. Crawford's number was 12, 092. Prison numbers are now in the 23,000s. He had the run of the prison for several years and for a decade did no work because of his age. The longest service records in the prison is that of Bo Bohannon, who was received in 1897 to serve a life term for killing his father.
(from The Daily Sentinel - Jan 25, 1945)

MORE TIDBITS

During the Revolution, the Militia was made up of local men. The records of their service will very possibly be found at the county level. When a soldier joins a state regiment, he is "enlisted". When his regiment was taken into Federal Service, he was "Mustered-in". If the soldier left the service while his regiment was on active duty, he was "discharged". If he was still with the regiment when it was released from Federal Service, he was "mustered-out". During the Revolutionary War, those holding the rank of Captain, Lieutenant or Major were considered to be educated. They may have attended school for as few as three years. Anyone holding the rank of Sergeant or lower, probably had not attended school. Revolutionary records that should not be overlooked: Descriptive Rolls (compiled for identification in case of desertion), wounded lists, hospital lists, deserter lists and prisoner exchange lists. If you know your ancestor served under a certain Captain or Colonel, but don't know where he lived...research the officer. They lived in the same county as the privates who served under them. (from Old Fort Genealogical Society Inc. Fort Madison, IA Jan 1991)

A FINE KETTLE OF FISH

Scottish fishermen thought they could get the best flavor out of their fish by cooking them on the spot in large kettles and used no seasoning. But when this was tried by others, it didn't work and so it was said "Kettle of Fish". That became a sarcastic way of saying something of a big mess.

WILLIAM BOURLAND, OLDEST DELTA RESIDENT, DIES IN HOTCHKISS

Delta, Colo Sep 25 - Delta county's oldest resident, 106-year old William Bourland, died today at the home of his daughter. Bourland was born Jan. 22, 1842 in Smithville, Itawamba County in Mississippi. He was a soldier in the Confederate Army, fighting at Shiloh and witnessing General Robert E. Lee's surrender to General Ulysses Grant at Appomattox. For the past one and one-half years he had made his home in Hotchkiss. Funeral services will be held from the Hotchkiss Assembly of God Church at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Taylor Mortuary will have charge of arrangements and burial will be in Tucumcari, Miss. (from The Daily Sentinel Sunday 26 Sep 1948 pg 2).

HELP HELP HELP HELP

What would you like to see in the quarterly? If there is something special you would like to have us print in the quarterly, please let us know. We would like to have more queries. If you would like to put a query in the quarterly, please contact Sue Martinez. This is your quarterly, please let us know what you want in it.

FAMILIES OF SUE MARTINEZ

The Haskins family was from NY. Lincoln Haskins was b 1779 and he married Peddy. Calvin was b abt 1805 and married Ezelpha Slaton. Calvin moved his family from NY to MO in 1836 and by 1850 they are in Lee Co. IA. William Haskins was b 1833. He married Polly in 1853. Polly d in 1868. William married again and moved his family to Scotland Co. MO. Loren David Haskins was b in 1860 and grew up in Scotland Co. MO. It was here that he married Mary Virginia Hise in 1881. Loren d in 1907. Mary stayed in Scotland Co until 1913 when she moved her family to NE. In the late 1920's she moved to the state of WA. She d there in 1937.

The Black family came from VA. Jonathan Black married Judith Harlow or Faires. Burwell Black was b in 1784 and married Christiana Johnson b in 1782. She was the dau of Walter and Margaret Johnson. By 1830 Burwell has moved his family to Oldham Co. KY. While there, they met the Foree family. Having come from France the name was spelled Faure. It was changed to Fore and then Foree. Peter Fore II moved his family from VA to KY and was killed in 1780 by Indians. Several of his children were taken prisoners. One was killed while being taken to Canada and the others were later returned. Hezekiah Fore was one of these children. After his return he stayed in KY. His son, Hezekiah Foree moved to Clark Co. MO. It was here that his daughter Malinda Foree married Henry Black (son of Burwell Black).

George W. Black (son of Henry) married Mary Elizabeth Ballard. The Ballard family was from VA with Bland Ballard Sr. being born in 1700. He d in 1791. His son Bland Ballard Jr. went to KY along with Daniel Boone. He married a Miss Williams. They had seven children, two of whom died in infancy. He married a second time to Miss Tyler. Bland Ballard Jr., his wife, and three children were killed by Indians in 1788. Another daughter was scalped and left for dead but survived. Bland Williams Ballard married Elizabeth Williamson. She was the dau of John W. Williamson who was killed by Indians in 1783. A brother was also killed at that time and another brother was taken prisoner. James Ballard was the only son of Bland W. and Elizabeth Ballard. He married Elizabeth Shackelford in 1812. James d in 1841 and Elizabeth in 1854. Their son James Thomas Ballard married Lotsy Cross in 1854 and moved to Clark Co. MO. James Thomas d in 1868.

The Oard family came to IN from MD. William Oard was born in 1754 in Charles Co. MD. He fought in the Revolutionary War and then moved to KY for a short time. He then moved on to IN and d in Parke Co. IN in 1833. Augusta Oard married Susan Bullock in 1819 in Clark Co. IN. She was the dau of William Bullock and Sarah Ord. William Bullock also fought in the Revolutionary War spending time at Valley Forge. Jesse H. Oard, son of Augusta married Martha Young. She was the dau of Thomas Young and Susanna Price. Jesse and Martha both d young. Jesse d in Apr of 1865, their youngest son d in May of 1865, and Martha in Feb 1866. They left six minor children. Martha's brother came from Lewis Co. MO to bring the children to live with him. John Thomas Oard was one of these children. He married Sarah Nancy Foree in 1875. They were the parents of 12 children but only 4 lived to adulthood. Sarah's parents were James Foree and Martha Smith. James was a brother to Malinda Foree and son of Hezekiah Foree.

According to family tradition, John Hoffman came to New Orleans

when he was seven years old, abt 1830. By 1850 he had married Catherine Rifer. They settled in Brown Co. KS in Apr 1857. Catherine died in 1865 and John in 1881. Lawrence Hoffman homesteaded in Cheyenne Co. KS and it was here that he married Virginia Ellen Cress. Her parents John Cress and Louisa Morelock had come from VA in 1885. They settle for a short time in Brown Co. KS and then moved to Cheyenne Co, KS. John and Louisa were married in Lee Co. VA in 1870. John died in 1927 in MO. Louisa Morelock Cress lived until 1956. She was 104 years old. The Cress family was from PA and came to VA after the Revolutionary War. George Cress fought in the war and was wounded and left for dead. He survived and found his company the next day. He had been shot in the side with the bullet coming out of his chest. George and his wife Christiana moved to Gallia Co. OH where they both died.

George Morelock and Elizabeth Bachman were from PA but with their son Samuel Morelock and his wife Elizabeth Stacy moved to Green Co. TN. Yancy Morelock married Winny Light in Hawkins Co. TN abt 1830. Winny was the dau of Joshua and Nancy Light. James Henry Morelock married Mary Bailey, dau of William "Billy Buck" Bailey and Sarah Patterson. "Billy Buck" lived to be 103 years old and his father William "Flea Buck" Bailey lived to be 104. There were a number of William Baileys in Hawkins Co. TN but each one had their own nickname.

Constantine Smith was born in 1819 in Wash. Co. VA. He married Mary Moore, dau of Shade and Annie Moore. Mary died in Lee Co. VA in 1890 and Constantine in 1894. Lafayette was b in 1847 and was 16 years old when he married 15 year old Lydia Polly or Pauley. Lafayette fought for the Confederacy during the Civil War. Lydia died in 1913 and Lafayette in 1935. Joe Cephas Smith was born in 1865 and married Mary Lee Speaks in 1888. Joe died in 1898 leaving Mary with four small children. Mary moved from KY to Lee co. VA to be near her parents.

Lydia Polly or Pauley's parents were Isaac Pauley and Lucretia Hobbs. The Pauley family was from Plymouth Mass where Daniel Pauley married Lucinda James. Their son Joseph moved his family to VA shortly after he married Nancy Kirkham in 1750. Thomas Pauley was b in Augusta Co. VA in 1764 and d in Giles Co. VA in 1855. His son Isaac also died in 1855 while on his way to California. Thomas Pauley married Abigail Munsey, dau of Skidmore Munsey and Mary Scott. Skidmore is a family name coming from his mothers side of the family. Skidmore parents were Samuel Munsey and Mary Skidmore. Samuel Munsey's parents were Francis Muncy II and Abigail Skidmore. The Skidmore and Muncy families were from DE and NY. Lucretia Hobbs was b 1811 in Russell Co. VA. After her husband, Isaac Pauley died she raised her family in Lee Co. VA. She died in Bell Co. KY in 1898. Her parents were Solomon Hobbs and Winiford James.

James A. Speaks was the father of Mary Lee Speaks. He fought for the south during the Civil War. He married Susannah Bumgardner in 1864 and he died in 1868. James' parents were John Speaks and Mary Dean, dau of Reuben Dean and Catherine Mountain. His grandparents were Nicholas Speaks and Sarah Faires. Nicholas was a minister in Lee co. VA and help start the Methodist Episcopal Church. He donated land on which the church was built. The first church burned down but it was rebuilt. It is still standing today. Susannah Bumgardner was b in Wash. Co. VA in 1846. She brought my grandmother to KS by train in 1909. She died in Brown Co. KS in 1910.