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GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH IN NEW YORK STATE

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New York State furnishes a very satisfactory place for genealogical research because of its extensive and well preserved records. These records have been gathered together by historians and genealogists, so as to be available to those interested.

The United States Census is a most valuable aid to genealogical research in New York, as well as in other states. The most satisfactory place for the study of the Census records is in the Archives building at Washington, D.C. In 1790, the State of New York had 15 counties with a population of 340,120. By 1800 there were 29 counties; by 1810, 46 counties. Now there are 62 counties. In working with the Census, it is essential to know when census records were first made for each county to be studied. To assist in such work, The National Archives and Records Service, General Services Administration, Washington, published 1951, a paperback book entitled SPECIAL LISTS NO. 8, POPULATION SCHEDULES, 1800-1870, giving Volume Index to Counties and Major Cities of the United States. This Volume shows all Census Records available for use in the Archives building at Washington. The 1790 Census is the only one that has been printed. This, of course, is available to all.

Research in County-seat towns and cities must be made for family data, such as deeds to property, marriage records, and wills. They often can be found in no other way. Certain cities in New York have libraries with local historical and genealogical sections as departments, such as

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MICROFILM USES AS SHOWN IN DALLAS HERALD FILES

Local newspaper files, more than almost any other source of information, point up the fact that local history and genealogy are always part and parcel of each other.

Not only in news columns of the very early issues, but in advertisements and official publications, and even in editorials, one can often find the relationship of a family to the community and of the community to that family. Many times advertisements will present names of partners whose families might have needed information, names and addresses of businesses, property sales, names of early doctors whose records might be available today, and names of schools which might produce rolls of students.

If we remember that today's small town newspapers use every item of possible interest about the town's citizens (within the limits of our present shortage of newsprint), we realize that yesterday's small-town publications did exactly the same thing. Often we find family news that we had no idea existed, and often the small news of 1856 formed the beginning of the big news of 1956.

Let's take, for example, what was going on in Dallas just a hundred years ago:

The DALLAS HERALD for April 5, 1856, lists the Democratic ticket for the state election, giving names of candidates and the county from which each comes. It also lists candidates for the Dallas County election.

The paper further comments that "election for town offices comes off

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SURNAMES UNDER SEARCH

Jones, John Wharton, born Kentucky, date and place unknown, married Susan Holmes, born Massachusetts. Both lines needed. Mrs. Robert M. Hayes, 1115 S. Glenwood Blvd., Tyler, Texas.

Morris, Thomas J., New York State, probably Herkimer Co., married Mary Anderson, Tullahoma, Tenn. Both lines needed. First name of Thomas J. Morris' father not known. His grandfather, John Morris, married Mary Birdlong of New England. Bird-long line also needed. Thomas J. Morris had sister, Elizabeth and brother, Sam. Frances E. Thomas, 6006 Tremont, Dallas 14, Texas. TA-5723

Maxey, Radford, family of Virginia lived on Den River, Va., Halifax Co., M. Elizabeth Fuqua, Huguenot, children: James, Josiah, and William. Compiler of Maxey Genealogy is Eugene Bray, c/o Paris News, Paris, Texas.

Stephenson, James F. Belfast, Ire. 1720, c.N.C. 1820, M. Salley Kelly, before 1745; John d. 1794 N.C. after living in the "West" wife Thompson. Any information desired, data exchanged, Mrs. W.G. Dixon, 3612 Asbury, Dallas, Texas.

Armstrong, Mark, Col. in Rev. War. Is found in Saffell's and Va. Mag. of Hist. in Surry Co., Virginia. We know he married Mary Calvert who was a descendent of the Baltimore Calverts. They had a dau. Nancy who married Epps Gibbons in Surry, Co., Va. and came to Texas in 1840. Wanted to learn anything about earlier family of both. Mrs. Thos. L. Cowan, Micas S.L.P., Mexico

Tipton: Interested in line of Thos. Tipton, b. 1771-1775 in Frederick (later Shenandoah Co. Va.) 8th son of Col. John Tipton and his first wife Mary Butler Tipton. H.M. Sarah Broyles - two children: Jacob (reported to have been killed by Indians while young) and Ruth reported to have been born Aug. 1791. Washington

Co. Tenn. and married Joshua Jobe. Other records say that a Thomas Tipton m. Rebecca Lacy. Tom L. Tipton, 717 Singleton Blvd, Dallas, Texas

Hickman: Va., Tenn., Ark. want ancestors of Dr. Elliott Hickman, Fayetteville, Tenn. Mrs. J.F. Huntley, 4505 Fairway, Dallas, Texas.

Taylor-Nancy, N.C. Tenn. Texas, 1837-39. Want parents of Nancy Taylor who married John Martin and lived in Jonesboro, Tenn. Came to Texas in 1837-45. Nancy had two brothers who were doctors in Virginia. John Martin's father was Robert Martin, b. Dublin, Ire. Mrs. E.C. Schieffer, 815 E. Woodfin Blvd, Dallas, Texas.

Key - Penn. Va., Ga., Tex., William Bibb Key line descendants of Martin and Nancy Bibb Key of Albemarle Co. Va. want "The Key Genealogy." Tracy Gary, 2032 Wilshire Blvd; Ft. Worth, Texas.

Cravens - No. and Ark.
Hask - Tenn. and Va.
Sparkman - Tenn.
Shico & Chico - Miss.
Jas. Wolfe - Tenn.
Tarneshill - S.C., Ky, Ill.
Wm. Madison, Brown, Ky.
Prellman, Va.
Fuller, Va. Ohio and Ill.
Have Blackburn, Va. Genealogy by Rankin, Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Thaxton, 1917 8th St., Lubbock, Texas.

Goodwin-Guest - Texas, Miss, Tenn, S.C. Mills Goodwin, b. South Carolina, 1792-70, Tenn. 1800 either Humphrey Co., Tenn or Lafayette or Panola Counties, Miss. to Texas 1846, M. Mary (Polly) Guest B. 96th Dist. Pendleton Co. S.C. 1796. Seek information on parents, Joseph C. Hammond, 506 N. Catherine, Terrell, Tex.

Individuals interested in joining the Local History & Genealogical Society are cordially invited to write John Flath Green, Kirby Building, Dallas 1, Texas, for details regarding membership.

NEW YORK RESEARCH, continued:

Binghamton, Buffalo, Brooklyn, Rochester, New York, Syracuse, Newburgh, and others. But the State Library at Albany, and the New York Public Library on 42nd St., and Fifth Ave., have an abundance of material gathered from all over the State.

The Dutch Reformed Church Record of eastern New York State supply us with some of the best church records in existence. The Dallas Public Library has recently purchased the Dutch Reformed Church Records of New York City, some eight or ten volumes. Many of the church records have been translated into English by a Miss Vosburgh. They are found in the Albany State Library and are known as the Vosburgh Records. They include the records of Albany, Schenectady, Schoharie, Fonda, Herkimer, and many other places.

THE NEW YORK GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD, published since 1879 is most valuable for genealogical material, offices at 12 1/2 E. 58th St., N.Y. City. The Schenectady First Dutch Reformed Church records from 1694 to 1785 are printed in the January 1942 issue of this magazine. No genealogist the State of New York continues his work long without consulting this publication..

THE STATE LIBRARY AT ALBANY is one of the choice spots in the country for the genealogist. Here are gathered data from all over the State, cemetery inscriptions, records of wills and deeds, family histories, old Bible records, local histories, church records, etc. Much of this material has been carefully indexed. The library assistants are competent and helpful. Mrs. Margaret Scruggs Carruth, of our group, remarks that when she gets in this library, she hates to leave.

The book entitled, The REFUGEES OF 1776 FROM LONG ISLAND TO CONNECTICUT, by Frederick G. Mather, published 1913 by L.B. Lyon Company, al-

ready in the Dallas Library, is very helpful to those with ancestors residing on Long Island at the time of the Revolutionary War. The patriots who wanted to fight for their country found it impossible to enlist on Long Island as it was under the control of the British. By the thousands they left for Dutchess County where the records show that they enlisted.

The WESTWARD MOVEMENT beginning with the opening of the Northwest Territory, saw thousands of emigrants from Connecticut, Massachusetts and the other New England States, pass through New York on their way to Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and states further west. This movement was accelerated by the opening of the Erie Canal in 1825, and later by the discovery of gold in California in 1849. Some families remained in New York two or three generations before continuing westward. For these families research will take genealogists to Hartford and to Boston, where they may work to their heart's content.

MICROFILM USES, continued:

today". The first election of its kind in Dallas needs no further comment, although official advertisement of the election is published, under the hand and official seal of J. M. Patterson, Chief Justice, Dallas Co., Texas. The election is for a mayor, six eldersmen, recorder, treasurer and constable.

There is an editorial boast for McKenzie Institute, near Clarksville. The Rev. J.W.P. McKenzie, head of the institute, has a large ad in the paper.

The HERALD is under obligations to Hon. George W. Smythe for the "Explorations for a Railroad Route from the Mississippi to the Pacific" a large bound volume containing all the reports and surveys of the different projected routes to the Pacific".

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Capt. Rose is reported to have left Teas on the "24th ult." with two flat-boats loaded with cotton bound for the mouth of the Trinity, and Major Lee is to start down with another flat-boat about the first of May.

The HERALD notes that the Tyler REPORTER, Hon. Jack Davis, editor, denounces Gov. Pease in "unmeasured terms" for his opposition to the railroad enterprises in this state.

Among the professional cards are those of B. Warren Stone, McCoy and Nicholson, and John Jay Good, all lawyers.

The Steam and Saw Mills of Wheeler and Masten are advertised, as are the Steam Saw and Merchant Grist Mill of W.H. and P. Witt, and the Dallas Steam Mills of Gold and Donaldson. This firm also refers to a store convenient to the mill and in charge of W.K.Masten, "at the Cedar Spring, Dallas Co."

Nat Burford advertises land for sale.

The custom of dating advertisements must be considered by historians in establishing records. Date lines are found at the bottom of the ads. For example, the April 5, 1856 DALLAS HERALD displays the advertisement of F.F. Crutchfield, agent, for the Mail Line, with Four Horse Coaches, via Waco, Belton and Georgetown, assuring travellers of good teams, comfortable coaches, safe drivers, and punctual arrival. Despite the date of the paper, the ad carries the date of July 1st, 1854. On Feb. 16, 1856, Mr. Crutchfield had announced the new Shreveport line, with Four Horse Stages, which meant that passengers taking the stage at Dallas for Bonham would be landed at Shreveport in eight days; the through fare \$29.00.

In our paper of April 5, over a date line of Feb. 19, Nat M. Burford announces the dissolution of partnership with John H. Good in the practice of law because of Mr. Bur-

ford's election to the office of Judge of the 16th Judicial District, and authorizes John J. Good, Esq., to collect all debts due the firm and settle all demands against it.

In this issue of the HERALD and in other early ones, appear names of families that have helped to make Dallas the bustling "Big D" of today. We find Barnett, Swing and Harwood; W. Caruth and Bro.; J.W. Smith and Co.; Dr. S.B. Fryor (Dallas first mayor) and Dr. Chas. R. Pryor; Wallace Peak; John J. Eakins; Allen B. Ward; James M. Browder; G.W. Guess; R.J. West. With a date line of Feb. 24, 1855, Alex Cockrell advertises his toll bridge over the Trinity. R.G. Hart and Wm. Neale, counsellors and attorneys at law who will also act as land agents, give as references the "Hons. Sam Houston and T.J. Rusk, U.S. Senate".

And, even then, Dallas was conscious of its place in history. It had a Historical Society, with "N.M. Burford, Prest.", and "E.F. Nicholson Sec'y.", and meetings were held at the Society's Hall on the third Thursday of each month, "at early candle light."

If you've started a genealogical search you'll find yourself becoming more and more involved and interested in history. For local color for authentic period, for the feeling of actually "being there" with the people whose lives you are studying, use the microfilmed newspaper files such as those in the Texas, Local History and Genealogy Department of the Dallas Public Library.

---- Frances Thomas

Tuesday, April 24, 7:30 P.M., Mrs. Linnie Wright Barrett will lecture on "Researches in Virginia". All interested persons, including non-members, are invited to attend, without obligation, at the library.

NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

OLD LOUISIANA PLANTATION HOMES AND FAMILY TREES, by H. deB. Seabold, 2 vols. pub. 1941 R976.3, homes, tours, history, families, indexed.

HISTORY OF WALKER COUNTY, by J. A. Sartain, Vol.1 pub. 1932, gift of Mrs. Geo. C. Mitchell, Sr., Indexed. Good local material R975.8.

TENANTS OF THE ALMIGHTY, by A.F. Raper, pub. 1943. R975.8, gift of Mrs. Geo. C. Mitchell, Sr. Indexed, early data in appendix; pioneers, customs, history through date of publ. of Green County, Georgia.

VIRGINIA ANTIQUARY, Vol.1. PRINCESS ANNE COUNTY LOOSE PAPERS 1700 to 1789, by J. H. Greece, pub. 1954, gift of Mrs. G.C. Mitchell, Sr. Historical papers and documents - well indexed. R975.5 v.1.

GENEALOGY OF THE STEBBINS FAMILY, INCLUDING KINDRED LINES OF SWETLAND, WILCOX, AND CHENEY FAMILIES, by Wm. M. Stebbins, pub. 1940, gift of W. L. Greenslit. Good genealogical material with minor history, well indexed R.929.2.

GENEALOGICAL RECORDS, VOL.II PORT BYRON, ILLINOIS, RECORDS OF METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH 1833-1900, CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 1849-1900, and extracts from diary of AUGUST HENRY WENDT 1881 to 1900, compiled and pub. by Genealogical Records Committee, Mary Little Deere Chapter, Daughters of Am. Rev., Moline, Ill., 1951. Tabulated form for church records, indexed. R929.3.

GENEALOGICAL RECORDS VOL.IV. FAMILY AND COURT RECORDS compiled and published by Genealogical Records Committee, Mary Little Deere Chapter of D.A.R., Moline, Ill. 1953. Material contributed by members of chapter - various family, Bible, and other records, both place and persons indexes. R929.3

THE HISTORY OF WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT etc. by H. Bronson, pub. 1858. Indexed, much historical material, with

list of Revolutionary soldiers joining British, among other data. biography and families in appendix, lists of various officials. R974.6.

ROLLS OF SOLDIERS IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR, 1775 to May 1777 comp. and edited by I.W. Hammond, pub. 1885-1889 4 vols. R974.2. Each vol. indexed. Important New Hampshire records.

HISTORY OF MARTHA'S VINEYARD, DUKES COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS vols. 1 & 2 by C. E. Banks, pub. 1911, indexed in each vol. History and Genealogy. R914.4.

THE BOOK OF PROMINENT PENNSYLVANIANS Leader Pub. Co, 1913 R.974.8, gift of Sawmie Aldredge, Jr., indexed biography.

RECORD OF SERVICE OF CONNECTICUT MEN IN THE I. WAR OF THE REVOLUTION & II WAR OF 1812. & III MEXICAN WAR by Conn-Adjutant General, pub. 1889. First part indexed, latter part has rosters in alphabetical order. Massive amount of valuable military material, R974.6.

A HISTORY OF KENTUCKY AND KENTUCKIANS, ETC., by E. P. Johnson, 3 vols. R976.9 pub. 1912. Indexed in Vol. 3, biographic and historical, index is very incomplete, as names in certain lists are not included. -nor George Rogers Clark "page indexed" although several pages list exploits.

RECOLLECTIONS OF ROBERTSON COUNTY, TEXAS, by Richard Denny Parker, pub. 1955 R976.4, biographical - excellent data on genealogy (Texas Collection)

THE FIRST 100 YEARS IN COOKE COUNTY, by A. Morton Smith, pub. 1955. R976.4, history and genealogy - lists of officials in index. (Texas Collection).

OLD HOMES OF WACO AND THE PEOPLE WHO LIVED IN THEM, by Lavonia J. Barnes, Heritage Soc. of Waco Bull. No. 2, pub. 1955. R728 -slight book - no index, describes old homes and something of families, not too detailed. (Texas Collection).

FAMILY RECORDS MISSISSIPPI REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS, by Alice Tracy

Welch (compiler), Miss. Society, DAR pub. 1955. R929.1 Good index, lineage records, going back to other states and sources quoted.

NORTHERN ALABAMA, HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL, Smith and Deland, Birmingham, Ala., pub. 1888, indexed in rear, R976.1

THE STATE RECORDS OF NORTH CAROLINA, N.C. 1886-1907 vols. 11,12,13,14 data from 1730 to 1780, not indexed, in these. R975.6

CALENDAR OF VIRGINIA STATE PAPERS AND OTHER MANUSCRIPTS, pub. 1875-93. Vol. 1,4,6,8,9,10,11, indexed in Swen and in the back of each volume. R975.5.

CEMETERY AND BIBLE RECORDS, by Miss Genealogical Society Vol 2, 1956, Excellent data.

HISTORY OF SOME SEWELL FAMILIES IN AMERICA, by W. L. Sewell, R929.2, S5173 s.

LOUISIANA, by Fortier, Vol. 3, biographical R976.3 pub. 1909 gift of Friends of Dallas Public Library.

THE STARK COUNTY STORY, Vol. IV, part 1, FREE PEOPLE AT WORK, 1917-55, by E. T. Heald, pub. Canton, Ohio, 1955. R977.1

CAPON VALLEY, It's Pioneers and Their Descendants, 1698-1940 by Maude Pugh, pub. 1948. 2 vols. Biography, families, letters, etc. Gift of Eugene Bray.

ORIGINS OF NEW MEXICO FAMILIES IN THE SPANISH COLONIAL PERIOD, by Frey Angelico Chavez, Pub. 1954 by Hist. Soc. of N.M. A fine history of the Spanish families, their origin and incidents and personal data concerning them. R929.1

THEY CAME WITH THE CONQUEROR, by L.G. Pine, Pub. 1955 N.Y. Story of the Norman Conquerors, and their families.

HISTORY OF METHODISM IN ALABAMA, R287, Pub. in 1893 by Rev. Anson West, D.D. There is no index but

there is a good chapter index which includes names.

COLONIAL RECORDS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Journal of the Board of Commissioner of Indians Trade from 1710-1718. Indexed, R975.7

BIOGRAPHICAL AND HISTORICAL MEMOIRS OF MISSISSIPPI, Pub. in 1891 in two volume (ask for them at the desk.) Good biographical data, indexed. R976.2.

SPECIAL SOURCES TO NOTE

North Carolina: The Library of the Presbyterian Church U. S. at Montreat, North Carolina, has a large collection of Presbyterian church records and histories, to which they are constantly adding. There are also tax, or poll, lists in North Carolina which are unpublished and available for search.

Virginia, Kentucky, and Texas: DONALD ROBERSON and HIS WIFE RACHEL ROGERS, by Anderson, is on microcards in the Dallas Public Library. This book has genealogical data on King and Queen County, Virginia, families -- many descendants of whom now live in Texas. Among families discussed are: Taylor, Rogers, Gwathmey, Semple, Maxey, Bradford, and January.

Family scrapbooks, tintype albums, old papers, business papers and accounting books: Attics of relatives may hold a wealth of this material. Obituaries, wedding stories, news stories of general nature may be found -- thanks to some long-gone, sentimental ancestor who thought to clip and save them. Family letters and deeds, business correspondence, and other clues to the entanglement of family roots may lie in a dusty trunk. The old general storekeeper may not have thrown out his account books -- wherein lie the names of his customers and each bolt of material, each sack of flour, and numerous plugs of "chewing" tobacco carefully recorded, as purchased. Pictures will help identify relatives, where labelled and stamped with city where photographed. They will also give you clues as to various physical characteristics of predominant nature that may carry from generation to generation.

MARRIAGE LICENSES OF FANNIN
COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF TEXAS, 1841-1845

(Mrs. Eddie Hodge of Bonham copied the following records, and presented a copy to the Dallas Public Library.)

1841
 April 20 Samuel Dalton - Mary Gambill
 May 17 William Cosley - Rebecca Shelly
 Aug. 2 James Roland - Murphy
 Aug. 25 I A Kuyendall - Mellisa Prieoler
 Oct. 4 Tilverton Kerr - Susannah Hampton
 Oct. 20 W.T Langford - Elizabeth Wryn
 Nov. 6 Daniel Montague - Mary Dugan
 Nov. 11 R W Lee - Susanah Jackson
 Dec. 27 Wm Gorham - Asernath Moody
 Dec. 20 Joel Fuller - Sarah English
 Dec. 20 Thomas Cowart - Eliz English

1842
 March M D Hart - May Green
 April 4 W.B Allen - Martha P Nicholson
 April 5 George W McNutt - May Kitchnon
 April 14 Chas Adams - Margaret Davenport
 April 21 I L Parrish - E Kelchings
 May 21 James N Gordon - Mary A Birch
 May 23 E Hamilton - Eliza Burke
 June 2 Jno C Williams - Rebecca Hart
 June 16 Harden Hart - Nancy Greene
 July 20 A Anthony - Nancy Chisson
 July 25 Thomas Jouette - Mary F Roberts
 July 30 William C Tritty - Rebecca
 Montague
 Sep. 15 John Gwaltnye - Ann Hamel
 Sep. 31 John F Hunter - Mary Darnell
 Nov 26 Samuel Johnson - Malinda K.
 Dec. 21 W Carter - R Cox

1843
 Jan. 9 Hogan James - Margaret B.
 Jan. 30 Campbell Seal - Eliz Hamilton
 Feb. 17 Albert Yates - Patty Ward
 Feb. 18 Silveston Lockwood - Catherine
 Whistler
 Feb. 28 Wm P Young - Orphy Crumpton
 March 26 John Davis - Catherine Goholone
 April 16 Alfred Hampton - Maria Parker
 May 4 Wm S Beaver - Lula Duncan
 April 28 Levi McCray - Prudence Roberts
 May John R Garnett - Margaret R Baker
 July 1 Wm Reader - Emily Jane Watson
 July 1 R R Beal - Jane Black
 July 1 James McNamara - Joanna Nole
 July 1 Saml Mop - Sarah Chatfield

June 8 R D Comshaw - Deborah Carpenter
 July 24 Gramella Scott - Priscilla Greene
 July 16 W K Daniel - Catherin Clemens
 July 23 G W Kingly - Sophia Sowell
 July 23 Benj F Keene - Mary Jamison
 July 28 James T Watson - Roxanna Hart
 July 28 F H Cook - Nancy Bingham
 Aug. 20 James Wills - Susan J Davis
 Sep. 10 Benj Bole - Malinda Jarnegan
 Aug. 24 John Hart - Elvina Jarnegan
 Sep. 5 Charles Jackson - Mary Morgan
 Sep. 14 Hezekiah Blankenship - Rebecca
 McFarland
 Oct. Thom G Hagood - Isabella Davis
 Nov. David Y Allen - Maryann McKinney
 Nov B R Houghton - A A Baker
 Dec. Uriah McKinney - Elizabeth
 Norton
 Dec. Nathan Walls - Elizabeth Morgan
 Dec. William H Allenn - Mary Word
 Dec. John Street - Louisa Ann Ervin

1844
 Jan. Isaac McKinney - Nancy Gwaltney
 Jan. Hardin Chenoweth - Eliz. ---
 Jan. Nelson Kicor - Elizabeth Barry
 April James Horbolt - Minerva Weaver
 April John Carr - May Barls
 April Bluford Clement - Rebecca
 Davenport
 April I R Turney - Rosa Ann Fox
 March Wm B Dagley - Susan Short
 March Perry Bougard - Prior Hart
 March L S Richard - A P Esson
 March Isaac Huston - Maryann Peters
 April William A Clark - Lucinda Hart
 April James R Oneal - Elizabeth
 Wheelock
 April Abraham Richards - Febe Hart
 Aug. N B Vernon - Rebecca Bouthom
 Aug. John Yorbough - Eliz Broom
 Aug. Henry Foster - Eliz Beeman
 Aug. G W Ford - Pamela Langston
 Aug. John N Pettigue - Prudence Smith
 Sep. Robert Fitzhugh - Catherine
 Worden
 Sep. William Martin - Patience Clark
 Sep. James Ragan - Emily Spiva
 Sep. William Lindsey - Isabell Davis
 Sep. Burke Cox - Eliz Lindsey
 Sep. John Dowdle - Hama Manary
 Oct. Renna Alred - Lydia Poplar
 Oct. Walter Yeary - Louisa Jane Butler
 Dec. E C Rogers - Maria Lacey

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FANNIN COUNTY MARRIAGES, continued:

1845	Henry Mouser - Leonder Bingham
Jan.	J B.Ford - Mary Boon
Feb.	Joseph Slater - Bayberry Mouser
Feb.	James M Lindsey - Margaret Shelton
Feb.	Oliver Williams - Jane West
March	Thos J Kile - Catherin Carter
March	Thos Trenson - Sophia Hensley
June	George Allen - Eliz Weachard
June	W Lyseebeet - M T D
June	Stephen Riggs - Rose
April	Alfred Johnson - Melissa Kelchings
April	George Wilkinson - Margaret Jane Smith
April	F T Whitney - Emily Dugan
May	John Compton - Lucretia Freeman
May	Isham Davis - Ann E King
May	John Holder - Eliz Kennedy
June	Daniel Howell - Polly Ellis
July	Robert L Gwyn - Hanna Crockett
July	Nathaniel Case - Thankful Jamison
July	Edward Tyrrett - Lucinda Pevler
July	Wm Amsworth - Mary Kirk

The city of Dallas has lost a valued civic leader, and the Society a brilliant historian and enthusiastic member, with the death of Ernest B. Comstock on April 4, at the age of 77. The establishment of Bible courses for credit and driver-training courses in Dallas schools are due largely to his tireless efforts. He was the author of several historical and genealogical publications, and was an energetic worker in religious, fraternal, and educational groups in Dallas.

BOOKS ON TEXAS FAMILIES

Those genealogists working on Texas families and individuals will find the following books likely to be of great help. In addition to these collective biographies, town, county, and regional histories should be consulted, as well as the censuses for 1850, 1860, 1870 and 1880 on microfilm. (All of this material may be found in the Dallas Public Library.)

TEXAS AND TEXANS, by Johnson, published 1914 and 1916. R976.4 (5 volumes)

INDIAN
INDIAN WARS AND PIONEERS OF TEXAS, by J. H. Brown, R920

TEXAS JURISTS, 1836-1936, by Speer, published 1936. R920

BIOGRAPHICAL SOUVENIR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, published 1889. R920

BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORY OF THE TEXAS CONVENTIONS AND CONGRESSES, 1832-1845. R328.764

TYPES OF SUCCESSFUL MEN OF TEXAS, by Daniell, published 1890. R920

PERSONNEL OF THE TEXAS STATE GOVERNMENT, WITH SKETCHES OF REPRESENTATIVE MEN OF TEXAS, by Daniell, published 1892. R920

THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE NEW WEST, published 1861. R920 (This includes Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, and "Indian Territory".)

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