NOVEMBER, 1988 MEETING

DATE: Monday, November 21, 1988
PLACE: Auditorium
J. Eric Jonsson Central Library
(Dallas Public Library)
1515 Young Street at Ervay
Dallas, Texas
TIME: 6:30 P.M. Registration and Coffee
7:00 P.M. Meeting and Program
SPEAKER: Lloyd DeWitt BOCKSTRUCK
TOPIC: "An Overview of Military Records"

From the earliest colonial days to the present, military records have always been a major source of information. The United States has been involved in at least 11 major wars, numerous Indian wars and two "conflicts" since the first colonial settlements were established. Remnants of records exist for every war that the colonies and states were involved in. The uses of U.S. service records and pension files, draft records, confederate records, etc., is obvious.

Lloyd D. Bockstruck is the Supervisor of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library and author of the recently published Virginia's Colonial Soldiers (Genealogical Publishing Company, Inc., 1988). Lloyd will give us an overview of military records and highlight the collection of military records owned by the Dallas Public Library.

A REMINDER: 1989 DUES ARE DUE JANUARY 1ST
THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With the arrival of November and the approaching holiday season, I am reminded that no other time of the year offers as much tradition with my family. Many of the activities observed at our house during the holidays have been passed down from previous generations. I am sure it is the same for most of you. The handing down of beliefs, customs, opinions and stories is vital to a genealogist. As we approach the holidays, take a few minutes to reflect on those traditions and the loved-ones who passed them on to you. Since we do not have a December newsletter or meeting, I want to take this opportunity to wish all of you a joyous holiday season.

DGS believes in traditions. One tradition we have built up over the years is good communication with the Dallas Public Library thru constant support of the Genealogy Section. We are pleased to announce the latest DGS sponsored project in conjunction with the Genealogy Section in continuance of that support. We have been advised by Lloyd D. Bockstruck and our Library Liaison, Lea Markoff, that to continue with the collection of military records, the Section is in need of GENERAL INDEX TO COMPILED SERVICE RECORDS, WAR WITH SPAIN (119 rolls of microfilm) and VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS OF THE PHILIPPINE INSURRECTION (19 rolls of microfilm). Your tax-deductible donation will enable the Genealogy Section and DGS to complete these valuable source records. Each roll of microfilm costs $20. Make a note now to present yourself with an early Christmas present by sending your check, made payable to Dallas Genealogical Society, P. O. Box 12648, Dallas, Texas 75225. It will be greatly appreciated!

Lately, I have been hearing from members about the direction DGS needs to take to continue to grow and serve the genealogical community. This COMMUNICATION from you is necessary if we are to reflect the wants and needs of our members. We welcome COMMUNICATION, face-to-face, over the phone, on paper or at a meeting. There are many ways of getting your ideas across and turning them into action.

Thanks for your help,

Sammie Lee

DGS MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Total DGS Membership as of October, 1988 ..... 728 !!!

Once again, it is time to pay our dues. Please use the Membership Application form to send in your dues. Thanks!

WELCOME NEW DGS MEMBERS

Gwendolyn W. BLOUNT; 227 Easton Road; Dallas, TX 75218; 348-3287
Dr. Theodore R. COLEMAN; 422 Coombs Creek Drive; Dallas, TX 75211; 339-4041
Ruth M. PARKER; 2434 Sherwood Drive; Grand Prairie, TX 75050; 647-1980
Carolyn S. QUINN; 5326 Monticello Avenue; Dallas, TX 75206; 826-3986
Sid and Alida RAPPAPORT; 6238 Rincon Way; Dallas, TX 75214; 361-0770

WANTED

PROOF READERS

For the Marriage and Cemetery Books
Call Margaret Ann Hudson 661-5126

RESEARCHERS WANTED

To copy Marriage Books and Cemeteries
Call Adrienne Jamieson 348-3414
YOUR GENEALOGY ... ITS IN THE BAG!

The Dallas Genealogical Society is now offering our own "DGS TOTE BAG", a sturdy, attractive canvas tote bag imprinted with the DGS family tree logo and "Dallas Genealogical Society" on one side. At 13½ by 12-inches with a 5-inch gusset, the tote bag is large enough to carry several notebooks. DGS tote bags may be purchased at the main desk in the Genealogy Section at the library or at DGS meetings and workshops for $8. They may also be purchased by mail (please add $2 for postage and handling).

Also, being offered for the first time is the DGS two-year (1989-90) pocket calendar and planner. Imprinted with the DGS logo, the two-year planner is only $2 (add .50 for postage and handling, if ordered by mail).

Order tote bags and/or pocket planner from DGS, P. O. Box 12648, Dallas, Texas 75225. Make checks payable to "Dallas Genealogical Society". Both of these items will make ideal Christmas gifts for those hard to buy for genealogists in your group. Hurry! We have a limited supply.

LOCATING CONFEDERATE SOLDIER'S GRAVES IN TEXAS

Solis/Bryan Researches, P. O. Box 1827, Quinlan, TX 75474, has undertaken the project of locating as many Confederate veterans buried in Texas as possible and plans to publish their findings in 1989. If you had Rebel ancestors or just know the burial site of a veteran, James E. Solis and J. L. Bryan would like to hear from you.

The Confederate Research Center of the Hill College History Complex, P. O. Box 619, Hillsboro, TX 76645, specializes in the Texas Confederacy. However, they also have a great deal of information on other southern states and will provide a capsule history of most of the southern units which includes the regiment's organization, the battles in which it fought and a map showing where it fought for a $5 fee. Also for $5 they will research a mail-in request. The center is free to the public. Colonel Harold B. Simpson is director of the Center and Peggy Fox is Assistant Director.

ELLIS ISLAND ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

The Ellis Island Oral History Project is looking for people to interview who immigrated through Ellis Island or worked there before 1924. Historians will travel across the country and interview 200 people from 30 countries to find out what life in their native country was like, why they made the decision to move, what the voyage was like, what their experience was like on Ellis Island and how they made adjustments in America. Taped interview and photos will become a part of the collection at the Ellis Island Museum. If you or someone you know meets the above qualifications, send name, address and phone number to: E.I.O.H.P., P. O. Box 20375, Greeley Square Station, NY, NY 10001.

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE ENCOURAGING AMERICANS TO "PLANT A FAMILY TREE"

Quoting from Anthony M. Frank, Postmaster General of the United States, in a brochure issued in October, "To encourage people to learn about their past and to develop a sense of history and tradition, we are urging people to 'Plant A Family Tree'. We have provided a fill-in family tree...to help you trace your family's history." The brochure contains an attractive four-generation ancestral chart with basic information on getting started and how to obtain more help. The brochure is free for the asking at your local post office. This can be a great way for your children or grandchildren to be introduced to genealogy and an interest in their family history.

"Pride in family is pride in ordinary people--who in our hearts and minds become extraordinary." Anonymous
QUERIES?? QUERIES?? QUERIES?? QUERIES?? QUERIES?? QUERIES?? QUERIES?? QUERIES?? Queries do not require a Texas connection and are free to the members of the Dallas Genealogical Society. Non-members should include $3.00 for each query. We reserve the right to abbreviate and condense. Send as many queries as you wish, and they will be printed as space permits.

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Also, seeking parents of Joseph Gilbert DELASHAW, b. 26 May 1808, Abbeville, SC; d. 14 Jan. 1884, Lawrence Co., AL; md. Rebecca KEITH of Pickens Co., SC. Their children George Washington GARRET!'. Samuel

Also, seeking parents of Johnson/John CAMP who md. Emily T. LACY, 11 Jan. 1838, to GA Volunteers (War of 1812) and settling in Kaufman/Van Zandt Co., TX. Any information regarding paternal or maternal ancestors of Samuel Pollus WARD/Nancy LEONARD and James Robert WARD/Adeline WESTAMYRE would be appreciated.

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AND MORE QUERIES ?? ??

LEDFORD
Mary Ellen LEDFORD, 702 Fouts Dr., Irving, TX 75061, needs help with the families of
Marcus "Mac" LEDFORD, b. Apr. 1853, NC; d. after 1900; and Alice W. McCALIP, b. Sept.
1850, IL. Children were William "Willie" T., b. 1875 in Indian terr.; Rosa, b. 1877,
TX, md. by 1900; James "Jim", b. 1878, TX, md. 1900; Lula M., b. 1879, MO; Alonzo, b.
1880, d. or md. by 1900; Tillie M., b. 1884, TX; Martha M., b. 1886, Indian terr.;
Jess M., b. 1892, Indian terr.; Virgie D., b. 1895, Indian terr.; Silvy I., b. 1899, Indian terr.
Siblings of Marcus LEDFORD were Curtis, Mary, James "Jim" Kenneth, John E., Moses, Zeb and Catherine.

LEDFORD
Also, needs help with families of Curtis S. LEDFORD, b. 1860, Marion Co., AR; d. after
1900, possibly Choctaw Nation Indian terr.; and wife Schlesta A. (?), b. 1861, TX.
Children were Emma, b. 1862, AR; Laraceena, b. 1884, AR; Rachel, b. 1886/87, AR;
Mary E., b. 1888, AR; Beonette E., b. 1889/91; Pearl, b. Mar. 1895, Indian terr.
Parents of Curtis were Samuel B. (Burton?) LEDFORD and Rachel.

LEDFORD
Also, needs help with families of Harrison Curtis "Kit" LEDFORD, b. 1870, AR; d. 1960,
OK; and Dollie PARKER, b. 1870; d. 1960, OK; buried Blanchard, OK Cemetery. Children
were Eady, Oma, Inez, Blaine, Vivian, Daisy, Troy S., Estell and Jim.

MATTIX
Also, needs help with families of Margaret Ann MATTIX, b. 1808/10, IN; d. Mar. 1861,
Cook Co., TX. Daug. of Edward MATTIX, b. 1783, IN; and Elizabeth BOND, b. 1787, IN.
d. 1858/59, Water Valley, AR. Margaret Ann MATTIX md. David HINDS, ca. 1823/24. He
d. 22 Feb. 1827, and Margaret md. (2) Dr. AUTRY. Can anyone help with families of
MATTIX and/or HINDS? David HINDS parents were John HINDS, b. 1775; and Ester (?)
b. 1778.

PARKER
Also, needs help with families of Sarah "Sallie" Rebecca PARKER, b. 1852; d. 1892,
Hunt Co., TX and husband Oliver Massey HARPER, b. 1852, Columbia, TN; d. 1918; md.
24 Dec. 1874. Did Sarah/Sallie have a brother by name of John Walker PARKER, b. 1856;
d. 1947, on Wilomet St. in Dallas, TX? J. R. PARKER was father of Sarah but complete
name of mother unknown. Could she have been Elizabeth M. STODDARD, b. 1837; d. 1897?
O. M. HARPER was son of Jesse HARPER, b. 1822, VA; and Elizabeth PRIM. b. 1827, TN;
d. 1897.

COWAN
Also, needs help with families of Samuel C. COWAN, b. 1825, Marion Co., TN; d. 1878,
Hunt Co., TX; and Mary "Polly" MAJORS, b. 1828, TN; d. 1862/65, Hunt Co., TX. Parents
of Samuel were William COWAN, b. 1800; d. 1865, TN; and Cynthia MORGAN, b. 1802; d.
1890, TN. Who were parents of Cynthia MORGAN? Parents of William were Samuel COWAN,
b. ca. 1777/79; d. 1830/40, possibly Tishomingo Co., MS; and Sarah Margaret KEITH,
b. 1785; d. 1849, possibly Mt. Vernon, TX. Who can help?

SOUTHERD
Gloria SOUTHERD, 15801 Dusty Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32234, needs names, dates of birth,
places of the parents/siblings of Elizabeth CHASTAIN, b. 3 Feb. 1844, Ockocknee, Thomas
Co., GA; d. 3 Sept. 1916, Thomas Co. Is she descended from Solomon CHASTAIN?

DIXON
Who were the parents and siblings of Thomas Long DIXON, b. 12 July 1854, near present
Thomasville, GA; d. 17 Jan. 1910, Thomasville?

DUNN
Need birth dates, places and names of parents of James Powell DUNN, md. Louisa Dorcas
HUDGINS, 1876; d. 1931, TX. Where in TX? When and where was Louisa HUDGINS born?

JORDAN
She was daug. of Silas HUDGINS, b. 6 Sept. 1830; d. Sept. 1899; and Mary Ann JORDAN
LIGHTFOOT (widow), b. 16 Dec. 1826; d. 31 Dec. 1865. Who were Silas HUDGINS' parents?
Who were the parents of Mary Ann JORDAN? When and where was she born?

MONTGOMERY
John L. MONTGOMERY, b. 1819 and wife Jane were living in Thomas Co., GA in 1860.
Where was he born and who were his parents?

REAGAN
Simpson REAGAN, md. 8 Nov. 1837, Elizabeth SMITH, b. 1852, SC. Where and when was he
born and who were his parents? Who were Elizabeth's parents and where in SC was she
born?

WEST
James E. WEST, b. 1805, NC. Who were his parents? He was married more than once.
Who were his wives?
DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

FALL 1988

GENEALOGY SYMPOSIUM

Saturday, Nov. 12
9:00 - 11:30
1:00 - 4:00

Casa Linda Presbyterian Church
9353 Garland Rd.
Dallas, Texas

MORNING SESSIONS

SUBJECT

FIRST  SECOND

BASIC WORKSHOP (Organization, Communication, Family Survey) M1
Renee Smith

BASIC WORKSHOP (Court House Research, Vital Records, Correspondence) M6
Renee Smith

PITFALLS IN GENEALOGY M2 M7
Lloyd Bockstruck

MAPS ESSENTIAL for GENEALOGY M3 M8
Helen Lu

FILLING OUT LINEAGE PAPERS & LEGAL TERMS M4 M9
Jeanne Tabb

RESEARCH IN THE DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY M5 M10
Patrick McKenna

LUNCH 11:30 - 1:00 LET'S DO LUNCH...Bring a sack lunch (drinks available for purchase). Tables will be marked with genealogical topics and knowledgeable discussion leaders will be at each table. You are invited to sit at the table of your choice. If you wish to go out, there are many places in the area.

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

SUBJECT

FIRST  SECOND

BASIC WORKSHOP (Land Records, Deeds, Wills, Probate) A1
Renee Smith

BASIC WORKSHOP (Tax, Census and Military Records) A6
Renee Smith

TWO MEN, SAME NAME - WHICH IS MINE? A2 A7
Lloyd Bockstruck

WRITE, EDIT & PUBLISH YOUR GENEALOGY A3 A8
Pat Hatcher

BASIC COMPUTER AND GENEALOGY A4 A9
Margaret Ann Thetford

HOW TO READ COLONIAL HANDWRITING A5 A10
Gwen Neumann

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 19

Check One: New Member ______ Renewal ______ Date: ___________

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DUES: (Check appropriate line)
Annual, per household, if paid by January 31 $12 ______
Annual, per household, if paid after January 31 $14 ______
Sustaining Member ($13 is tax deductible) $25 ______
Patron Member ($38 is tax deductible) $50 ______
Lifetime Membership $150 ______
FAMILY ASSOCIATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Family association newsletters and one-name family publications received by DGS are donated to the library to be placed in the vertical files in the Genealogy Section. We will review these publications and report on family organizations as space permits.

"Davenport Times", Vol. 1, June 1988, is a surname booklet pertaining to the surname DAVENPORT containing records, branches and queries relative to the surname. The intent of the editor is to publish four times a year. Vol. 1 is an 8½ by 11-inch booklet containing 42 pages including an every name index. Each volume is priced at $5.50 plus $1.25 for postage and handling. Order from the editor Peggy Butherus, Old Time Publications, North 3420 Donwood, Spokane, WA 99216.

"Fish Families Records and Lines", Vol. III, June 1988, is a surname booklet pertaining to the surname FISH containing records, branches and queries relative to the surname. Published on an irregular basis, vol. III is an 8½ by 11-inch booklet containing 44 pages including an every name index. Each volume is priced at $5.50 plus $1.25 for postage and handling. Order from the editor Laurine Mae Palmerton Logsdon, South 2827 Ivory, Spokane, WA 99203.

"Morrell, Morrill, Families Association Newsletter", Vol. VII, No. 1, March, 1988, is a quarterly publication (March, June, September and December), pertaining to the surname MORRELL and its variant spellings. Subscription price is $10.00 per calendar year. Vol. VII contains 28 pages of records and queries relative to the surname. Order from Ann Lisa Pearson, 3312 East Costilla Avenue, Littleton, CO 80122.

"Perkins Press", Vol. II, June, 1988, is a surname booklet pertaining to the surname PERKINS published on an irregular basis. Vol. II is an 8½ by 11-inch booklet containing records, branches and queries relative to the surname. The 44 page booklet has an every name index and each volume in the series is priced at $5.50 plus $1.25 for postage and handling. Order from the editor Jennifer Ann Perkins, North 5803 Ash, Spokane, WA 99205.

"The Smith Papers" is a periodical published by Martin and Mary Sims, Sims Publications, P. O. Box 9576, Sacramento, CA 95823. Billed as a SMITH genealogical aid and clearing house, our complimentary copy contained Bible records, cemetery records, many queries and more on the SMITH surname. The subscription rate is $12.50.

"Samuel Searcher", is a newsletter published four times a year as a service to all people interested in the genealogies of the SAMUEL(S) family. Queries are welcome as well as other information to be shared on the SAMUEL surname. To submit material or for information, write Barbara Samuels, 7805 Linda Lane, Anchorage, Alaska 99518.