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## 1860 CENSUS OF GWINNETT AT PRINTER BOOK LAUNCH AND AUTHOR'S SIGNING PARTY TO BE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

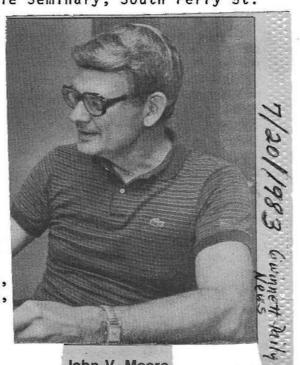
Member John V. Moore, Jr., of Upper Montclair, NJ, who began copying the 1860 census from microfilm at the Georgia Archives several years ago, completed annotating and cross-referencing the free schedule with the agricultural, slave and mortality schedules. The results, including index of heads of families and othersain each household by another name, is called Gwinnett County, Georgia: 1860 Gwinnett Historical Society, publishers, will hold an Author Signing Party to launch the book on Sunday, October 16 at 2:30 P.M. at Lawrenceville Female Seminary, South Perry St.

You can order your copy now for \$15 (less 10% before Sept. 19) and pick it up at the party. Or, add \$1 and it will be mailed Oct. 17.

The book has 336 pages and includes John's thoughts about the lives people led in the county in 1860, their occupations, diseases, wealth, etc.

John is professor of German and Russian at Montclair State College. The book is dedicated to his late father, J.V. Sr. and uncle, Sen. Albert F. Moore, whose ancestor, Thomas Matthews, lived here in 1860.

Hannon, Meeks & Bagwell drew a map of Gwinnett in 1860.



John V. Moore

Staff Photo - Kirk Duckworth

## ELISHA WINN FAIR OCT. 1 & 2 TO FEATURE QUILT SHOW, AUTHENTIC HOUSE FURNISHINGS, HIGH WHEEL BIKE...

Bill Baughman, chairman of this year's Elisha Winn Fair of 1812 to be held Sat. and Sun. Oct. 1 and 2 at the Winn house, 908 Dacula Rd., Dacula, announces some new ideas and plans for this year's fundraiser. A non-juried clothesline quilt show, with fair-goers voting for their favorite, will be coordinated by Jean Todd. (Jean, herself, has made the beautiful "Ohio Star" pattern quilt to be raffled at the end of the fair. Tickets for the raffle have been mailed to all local GHS people in hopes each can pre-sell a book of 15 at \$1 per chance.)

Another attraction this year will be Dean King's home-made high-wheel bike, which he says the English call "penny fair." Ed Crowe of the James W. Longstreet Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans, will bring a group to camp out and to display Civil War artifacts.

New this year is Norweigan painting (rosemaling) by Carolyn Jones, small blanket and rug weaver Debb Wasmund, wall stencil designs by Sharon McCullough and an **ap**portunity to pan for gold with Rev. Joe Tatum.

Marie Hilliard will have old-time kitchen furniture and artifacts displayed in the back parlor, where GHS and Winn Family Reunion registry will be using a dining table once used by Mariah Maltbie Terrell, a loan from Larry Mabrey. A real coup is the display this year of a Federal sofa, now covered in red velvet, once used by Richard Winn, who was born in the house in 1816. The sofa was donated to GHS by our newest Lifetime Member, Stephen P. Strickland, who also donated a framed oil painting of Georgia's state flower, the Cherokee rose. In charge of the house furnishings this year are Jean Todd, Betty Dixon, Mary Bryson and Kathy Bascom, as well as Mrs. Hilliard. Mae Burge will help with house tours, too.

Larry Mabrey has lined up many interesting old-time crafts people, many of whom have donated their time and expertise every year since the fair began in 1979. Brenda Harris will return with her quilting frame and Carole Adams with her weaver's loom, Petra Hoecht with pottery, stained glass by Pat Nutt, spinning by Ruth Izzard, painting and charcoal drawing by Gay Talbott, smocking by Sharon Drozek, crocheting by Mrs. J. T. Garmon and Mrs. Louise Aaron, cane weaving for chairs by Larry Grice. John Christopher will again squeeze fresh cider with a cider mill, Geraldine Arnold will churn butter, David Averyt will do his blacksmithing. Lisa Payne will display pine furniture.

For the children, Hiram Plunkett will have stilts for the wobbling pleasure. There will also be an old-fashioned rope swing and hoop rolling.

Food of all sorts will be under the direction of Beulah Melton. Any GHS member who has not been contacted to bake a cake, pie, fried pies, cookies or drinks, should call her and offer. Ph: 963-4139. Hog Mountain Baptist Church will again have biscuits baked in an old wood stove. South Gwinnett Genealogical Society's table will be manned by Gerri Majors and Jane Edwards. Others expected to have booths include Daughters of the American Revolution and Children of the American Revolution.

## FAIR OF 1812 CONTINUED

Publicity chairman for the Fair is Jon McDaniel who has high hopes that all three newspapers, Home Weekly, Gwinnett Daily News and Atlanta Constitution's new Thursday edition, Gwinnett Extra, will all support us and the Fair this year. An advertisement for "Fair specials" with 10% discount on all the books we have for sale will appear in all three papers. Home Weekly will give us a spread Wednesday, Sept. 28, to be included in their Newcomers Guide, which will give the Fair some advance publicity.

The house itself has been readied for the fair. Stones from the Winn farm have been placed as stairs at the front porch. Down by the barn, there was smuch clearing done by Gwinnett's prisoners and that created more space for exhibitors.

Fair hours: Sat. 10-5 Sun. 1-5

Volunteers needed to take tickets, clean up, make exhibitors' signs, cook and serve barbecue sandwiches, work in country store, etc. To volunteer, call Bill Baughman at 962-1480 or GHS at 962-1450.

Dacula Rd. (stop lite\_

Janet Swancey has musical entertainment lined up for each day.

Mary Bryson will make mantel flower arrangements.



Geraldine Arnold took time out from butter churning to let the younger folks handle the paddle.

by Harriet Cooper

Scenes from 1882 Fair

## GHS PROGRAMS FOR FALL AND WINTER

All programs are on Monday evenings at 7:30 at GHS headquarters.

Sept. 19-Patty Carter Deveau, chief of the recreation and interpretive programming unit, Historic Sites Division, Georgia Department of Natural Resources, will speak on <u>Furnishing a Historic House</u>. She supervises interpretation of exhibits, artifacts preservation, trails on parks and historic sites, helping people understand the state's cultural and natural resources. For two years, she was one of two historians in programming section of the State Parks & Historic Sites Division. During this time, she was site curator of Liberty Hall, home of Alexander Stephens, v.p. of Confederacy; Wormsloe, estate of Noble Jones who came to Savannah with Oglethorpe; and Hofwyl-Broadfield antebellum rice plantation.

Anyone connected with the Elisha Winn house restoration committee, or interested in furnishing any historic old house will find her talk and slides informative.

Oct. 17- Roger P. Belanger will present a slide lecture showing artifacts of prehistoric Indians in Georgia. He will be introduced by his cousin, GHS member Susan Bagwell. A graduate of Utah State U. and Yale U., he is a research forester with the U.S. Forest Service in Athens, GA. This has given him the opportunity to pursue his hobby of collecting Indian relics, many of which will be on display.

Bring your teen-age sons and daughters. This is something we all can enjoy.

Nov. 21- Dr. Webb Garrison, author of several books, including Oglethorpe's Folly: The Birth of Georgia, which is for sale (\$15) at GHS, will tell of the perilous ship passage of Oglethorpe and his 114 followers in 1733. The title of his talk is Six Weeks of Hope and Fear, referring to the voyage from an English port to Georgia, aboard the "Ann." This meeting will be close to the date of the 251st anniversary of the embarcation of the "Ann."

Dr. Garrison taught history at Emory, Vanderbilt, Scarritt, Christian Theological Seminary (Indianapolis) and was president of McKendree College in Illinois. Gwinnett Daily News will begin soon a new weekly column of his, "Georgia Put 'em On the Map."

If you haven't purchased his <u>Oglethorpe's Folly</u>, you may do so that night and ask him to autograph it, too.

Election of GHS officers that night.

Dec.12. Installation of officers for 1984. Short musical program is possible. Suggestions welcome. Call Alice McCabe 962-1450. We will have an anniversary party then, celebrating the 15th year of the chartering of GHS.

OUTDOOR SIGNS TO WINN FAIR DONATED

Art Wolfe of Art's Signs of Tucker is making 25 signs to be placed along the route to the Elisha Winn house. Bill Holt and his buddies will erect them and take them down after the fair. Art has also ordered --at cost -- an overhead banner to fly over US 29 at Dacula Rd. This also can be reused for many years.

# judge sworn in

Gail Hoskins Staff Writer

6/22/1983

Fred Bishop, 40, of Lawrenceville was sworn in as Gwinnett County's first Magistrate Court Judge last Tuesday by Probate Judge Alton Tucker at the Courthouse. Bishop and his wife, Barbara who is also an attorney, practice law in Lawrenceville.

The Georgia legislature replaced the Justice of the Peace Courts with a uniform court system for the state called Magistrate Courts, which will begin operation July 1. The magistrate courts will have civil jurisdiction for claims not exceeding \$2,500 in actions not reserved to the superior court, along with jurisdiction over dispossessory proceedings.

Under the new system, all civil actions will be filed in the county seat. Trials will be less formal than in courts of record, and parties may file and present their claims without an attorney.

The magistrates, acting as judges of the magistrate court, have the duty in criminal cases of issuing search warrants and arrest warrants, conducting commitment hearings, granting bail in certain cases, and presiding over the trial of charges of violation of county ordinances.

"I'm optimistic the Magistrate Court of Gwinnett County will provide an expanded and efficient forum for resolving many civil claims, in addition to expediting necessary procedures in criminal cases for the benefit of police officers and individuals charged with violations of the law," Bishop stated.

Bishop is a native of Alberville, Ala. and holds a degree in aerospace engineering as well as a juris prudence degree. The Bishops have lived in Gwinnett since 1976 and in the metro Atlanta area since 1965. They have two children, Ashley and Brad.



/1983 Home Weekly, Lawrenceville, GA



Probate Judge Alton Tucker administered the oath of office in his chambers last week to Gwinnett's first Magistrate Court Judge, Fred Bishop. Bishop, who practices law with his wife in Lawrenceville, will assume the part time judgeship when the new law takes affect July 1. Gail Hoskins/Staff

Fred and hiw lawyer-wife Barbara are GHS members.

## JAMES SAWYER HOUSE IN SNELLVILLE PURCHASED, PRESERVED (Clipping from Gwinnett Daily News 6/5/1983 p A-3)

By Carey Cameron

**Gwinnett Daily News** 

A fter 15 years in the commercial real estate business, John Hardy Jones of Van Nuys, Calif., knows that the safe way to buy property is to research the market to see if a profit is possible.

However, Jones says there wasn't time for that when he signed a contract to buy the 2.94acre Snellville tract that includes the 100-yearold Sawyer House, former home of James Sawyer, one of the city's founders.

Owner Harvie Ewing, wanting to turn his investment into a commercial venture, was about to raze the old house last month.

"There was no time for a market study. I wanted the house and I wanted those trees," Jones said Friday in a telephone interview from Van Nuys where he is a partner in Jones and Newman (Bob).

Because of the haste, Jones isn't entirely sure what will be done with the Sawyer property but his general idea is to work with a local group — Preserve Our Snellville Heritage — to restore the house and add commercial buildings with a similar architectual tie-in.

POSH is headed by business woman Cindy Welch who led a drive to keep the Sawyer House from being destroyed. When POSH failed to raise enough money to save the structure, Jones showed up and gave it an 11th hour reprieve.

There would be more room for commercial

property if the house wasn't there but Jones says he likes to build around historic structures.

"I definitely love that sort of a situation. I could see the merit of having the house.

"If the aesthetics of the commercial property blends well with the house, it will be more interesting than just having commercial. The center can be more desirable and more apt to attract a different quality of tenant — and the rents usually reflect that," Jones said. In Van Nuys, Jones and Newman took an old

In Van Nuys, Jones and Newman took an old J.C. Penney store which had little in the way of aesthetics, gutted it, sandblasted the brick to its original state and added skylights and other features.

With a bank as an anchor tenant, the former Penney's "has stayed full when other property with better locations have not," Jones commented.

Jones and Newman have been investing in Georgia about four years. They own some apartments and an office park in Sandy Springs and they are trying to get zoning for a 65,000-square-foot Williamsburg shopping center in Roswell.

A few weeks ago, Ed Gadrix, a Sandy Springs attorney who was familiar with Jones' work a told him about the Sawyer house.

Jones, in Atlanta in connection with his other Georgia projects, went to Snellville and met with Miss Welch.

At that time POSH hopes to save the Sawyer House were hanging by a thread. Ewing had delayed doing anything to the property near the North Road, Oak Street intersection to give POSH a chance to raise money to either buy all the property or buy the house and move it to another site.

POSH had not been able to get enough funds to do either and demolition had already begun. Some trees had been cut down and the front

porch collapsed when workmen tried to remove some of its stone.

After almost a full day of meetings on April 29, Ewing reached an agreement with a representative of Jones who signed a contract to buy the property within 60 days.

Not a large house, the old Sawyer home has been vacant for several years and the asbestos siding that was added years ago tends to make it look like "mid-20th Century cheap" to the casual observer.

However, if one looks closer there are some redeeming architectural features. Miss Welch points out that the house has nine gables and may be the only one in the state with that many.

Jones says it has an "interesting inside with a high ceiling," and the siding would be stripped off, leaving the original wood exterior.

At this point, a restorer for the Home hasn't been selected.

One possibility, Jones said, is deeding it to POSH and letting that organization restore it, possibly with the help of some state historical preservation funds. Once refurbished, it could possibly be used as a community center.

The house had a tin roof that has been at least partially covered with shingles. This suggests to Jones that a copper roof could be put on it.

While he anticipates that additional buildings (or building) on the property would be Williamsburg style with brick exteriors, some

copper trimming could be added to provide a common theme with the Sawyer House.

Ideal tenants would be a financial institution and a quality restaurant. Whether the latter can be attracted may depend on whether mixed-drink sales can be approved in Snellville, Jones said.

Currently, city officials maintain 1982 passage of a countywide mixed-drink ordinance doesn't apply to incorporated areas. Their stand has owners of an Snellville restaurant threatening a lawsuit.

If only the Sawyer property is developed, the space left for commercial development would be limited. A little more than 34,000 square feet has been mentioned.

However, Jones wants to explore the possibility of acquiring other property, getting the road in front of the house rerouted and working with other area commercial property owners in a common effort to establish some kind an overall plan for the space between Oak Road and U.S. 78.

"I like what Heritage Bank is doing. That is very attractive," Jones said.

## McDANIEL CABIN AT WESTVILLE





These small log buildings are characteristic of the type structures built by the early settlers, and were usually intended for use as temporary shelter for the pioneer family.

The clipping above is from Westville's tour guide for the restored town moved there from all over Georgia beginning about 1968.
The guide lists the Wm. McDaniel cabin with the Dabney house at site 17,

calling it simply a log structure. At the back door, is a plaque, reading

"This was the McDaniel home at Lilburn; Georgia, about 1840. Moved here 1933." That word, "here" refers to Jonesboro, where the cabin was originally moved to become part of Col. John West's collection of buildings, which he called "Fair of 1850." Many of his structures were purchased from Col. West and became the nucleus of Westville.

Janis Sawyer has been looking for the cabin at Westville for some time and finally found some one who could show her the place. It is not the two-story home recalled by Lucille McDaniel Baldwin, nor does it have a chimney on each end as remembered by William McDaniel descendants.

Everyone agrees the cabin once stood on Main St., Lilburn, where today's Gwinnett Chiropractic Clinic is. (Lot 147, Sixth District.)

Grace Flowers, however, had an interview last year with Mrs. Geneva O'Kelly McDaniel, widow of Dr. Mac Theron (Tweed) McDaniel, son of Washington Lafayette McDaniel and Senie Carroll. Washington Lafayette's father was William McDaniel, original owner of the cabin. Grace wrote: "She (Geneva) remembered the old (William) McDaniel house on Main St., Lilburn, at Lawrenceville Hwy. She said (Miss) Sally McDaniel (sister of Dr. Tweed) sold the house for \$50 and it was moved to Westville. She (Geneva) has been there and seen the house and believes it is the same house but said that some had doubts. Sally was a granddaughter of William McDaniel and never married."

William McDaniel and wife, Sarah Couch, raised 11 children of their own, as well as the orphans of William's sister, Mrs. Phillips. In 1840, the cabin was the location of the organizational meetings of Liberty Baptist Church.

#### REVIEWS

GENEALOGY TODAY, A Newspaper for Genealogists, 2815 Clearview Pl., Atlanta, GA 30340. Ph: (404) 457-7801. Pub. bi-weekly. Diane Dieterle, ed. Annual subscription \$26. 24-pages with three or four feature stories about genealogical searching or some aspect of it, ads of books for sale and wanted, book reviews divided by states, computer information. The largest space is devoted to a Surname, birth, marriage, death date and spouse name Index. Each entry is assigned a number for the contributor. That contributor is identified in the same issue. Unlike many other computerized surname indexes, this one gives all info in one entry. These names appear later in Computerized Surname Magazine. Another interesting regular column is on the front page of each issue: \_\_\_\_\_ (name is different each time)? Where are You?"with a By-line giving address of contributor. The questioner tells what he/she knows about an ancestor and where and why he is stuck in his research. It makes it fun--even to be lost!

SHACKELFORD NEWSLETTER, ed. and pub. by Mary Jane Kaiser, 5752 Wheelock Rd., Ft. Wayne, IN 46815. Quarterly with yearly index. \$7.50 per year sub. Covers all states, not just one geographic area. Subscribers are encouraged to share their own research, such as cemetery inscriptions, Bible records, diaries, letters, ledgers, newspaper clippings. The first issue (Feb. 1983) contained an explanation of the 1910 census and its index system and the Shackelford entries (white) for Alabama from Soundex. The second issue (Vol. 1 # 2)shows Shackelford marriages in Culpeper Co., VA up to 1811. This is a must for any Shackelford!

OKLAHOMA- Pontotoc County Quarterly.221 W. 16, Ada, OK 74820. \$15 yr. to members of Pont. Co. Hist. & Gen. Soc. Subscription only \$6 yr. A recent 28-page issue included newspaper extracts, county marriages 1917, a poem about a lost graveyard, Pedigree chart of a member, Enumeration of voters (no date given), three pages of marriages, but no heading to indicate subject covered, school board minutes 1919, St. Louis & San Francisco RR passes letters and telegraph accidnet reports. The index is on the front cover and a corrections page is stapled in front. (We receive this quarterly on an exchange basis.)

SEVENTEEN SEVENTY-SIX compiled and pub.(quarterly-no.sub. price) by Wm. A. Yates, P.O. Box 274, Ozark, MO 65721. Publishes at least 60 pp each issue, which contains genealogy "for anyone with ancestors who lived in the USA. Queries are free (comprised 14 pp in Vol II No. 1 issue). Fifteen pages of pedigree charts with preference given to those who go back to earliest generations. All surnames are indexed in back of issue. The one reviewed had also 17 pages of Pendleton County, KY, Order Books 1815-1823. Those entries included lists of delinquent tax payers 1816, estate letters granted, license to practice law, proof of land ownership, apprenticeship papers, wills, estate sales. The editor welcomes material especially old unpublished Bible records and scholarly articles. I think it would be better if their focus were on one section of the country. As it is, all the information is great-but so varied that it would be a miracle if you found YOUR own family here.

## Deaths 5/3/1983

## Lawrenceville Civic Leader G. Herman Tanner Dies

G. Herman Tanner, 76, 650 Crogan St., Lawrenceville, died today.

The funeral will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church of Lawrenceville with the Revs. Charles A. Farr and George Holden officiating. Burial will be in Shadowlawn Cemetery.

Members of the administrative board of the First United Methodist Church of Lawrenceville, Methodist Men's Club and the Glenn Edge Sunday School Class will serve as honorary escort.

Mr. Tanner, a retired hardware, feed and poultry merchant, was a graduate of Lawrenceville High School, attended Emory University and the University of Georgia.

He was a life long member of the First United Methodist Church of Lawrenceville where he served on the administrative board for many years. He had served on the Lawrenceville City Council and the Gwinnett County Board of Education, was a Kiwanian, a member of the Gwinnett Historical Society, and was a member and past Worshipful Master of the Lawrenceville Masonic Lodge 131 F. & A.M.



G. Herman Tanner

nounced by Tom M. Wages Funeral Service Inc., Lawrenceville.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret S. Tanner; daughters, Rachel T. Bronnum, Emily T. Channell and Leila Marian Tanner, all of Lawrenceville, Peggy T. Weiss, Atlanta, Nancy T. Sloss, Lewisville, N.C., and Dr. Susan L. Tanner, Atlantic City, N.J.; son, William G. Tanner, Lawrenceville; sisters, Anne T. Haley, Little Rock, Ark., Ruby Tanner and Mary E. Tanner, Lawrenceville, and Leila T. Ford, Dacula; brother, J. Noble Tanner, Lawrenceville; nine grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sanctuary Building Fund of the First United Methodist Church of Lawrenceville.

Tom M. Wages Funeral Service Inc., Lawrenceville is in charge of arrangements. We did not have time to write anything about Herman Tanner, our late Board of Trustees chairman, for the last Quarterly. Many GHS members attended his funeral and all will feel the loss of this kind man. Our condolences to Marg-ed aret and his children.

As is our custom, GHS donated to the designated charity, in this case, to the United Methodist Church.

Gwinnett Daily 1/9/1983 Food For Thought:

Phyllis and Richard Chesser of
Lawrenceville have been busy lining up
support for a super idea, which should start
taking shape some time this year. They want a
monument placed on the Gwinnett County
Courthouse grounds in memory of Vietnam
war veterans.

And, let's never forget that we had several Gwinnett County residents killed and numerous others injured physically or emotionally in that hell hole.

The Chessers' idea is not to glorify war or fighting itself but to memorialize the horrors of war. Their suggestion is a monument of a dying American soldier being held in the arms of one of his fellow fighting men. The title of the monument would be "A Last Moment For Friends."

There is no real need to recognize these brave men as heroes, although many of them are. There is a need, however, for the general public to recognize the terror, the heartbreak and the overall emotional cost of such conflicts. Hopefully, such would help us to avoid such situations in the future.

Look for a lot more on this later. Sheriff W.J. Dodd, who is in charge of the courthouse grounds, has told me he likes the idea and the Chessers probably will have a lot more to say soon about plans for such a Gwinnett monument.

RAVE REPORT

Mrs. Nixby Kannady of Cove, AR, wrote enthusiastically: "After receiving my first copy of your Quarterly, within a month, I received two letters from living, breathing, alive DANIEL kin! Stella Bowen wrote to say that her gf, Allen Columbus DANIEL and my ggf, Woodson DANIEL, were brothers. I was thrilled to receive pictures of my gf, James Nathaniel DANIEL, from her. Also heard from Gerald Craft of Derky, KS, who says we are kin. Just wanted to share the wonderful rewards I reaped from my first issue!

## PERSONALS

Howard Horton Harvey of Sherman, TX, wrote to all GHS members: I would like to express my thanks and gratitude for the memorial service and quarterly write-up concerning Isaac Horton (Revolutionary War vet) and the installation of his tombstone....When I get to come (to Gwinnett), I will remember how many friends I have in Georgia.

Randy Moore who addressed GHS last year on deciphering old-time handwriting, spoke on the subject to an adult education class in Calligraphy last winter. Randy was recently elected president of South Gwinnett Genealogical Society. Another of our members, Jerri Majors, is new vice president.

Bill Baughman talked to Rotary Club and South Gwinnett Optimist Club about Gwinnett history.

Marvin Worthy addressed a meeting of American Association of Retired Persons, Gwinnett Chapter.

GHS has donated towards a portrait of <u>Carroll Hart</u>, recently retired director of <u>Georgia Archives</u>. Miss Hart was a long-time friend of our society and an honorary member.

<u>Dixie Pharr Barber</u> of Orlando, FL, was appointed by the mayor there to a two-year term on the Historic Preservation Board for the city, a very interesting job, she says. Thanks, also, Dixie, for the donation along with your dues this year. We can use it many ways.

Belated thanks for the \$1,000 from the Trust Company of Georgia in honor of <u>Harriet McDaniel Marshall</u>, received by the Winn Restoration committee in 1980 for work on the house. Also received for the Elisha Winn restoration, in memory of GHS member <u>Clarence Montfort</u>, was a generous contribution from <u>Larry E. Pentecost</u> of Norfolk, VA.

<u>John Hood</u> spoke to Britt Elementary School children about life in early Gwinnett, also to Snellville Civitan Club., to Brookwood High School adult education class in genealogy, to Gwin Oaks Elementary School for two different classes.

Emma Alexander of Norcross has donated a Sears water pump to be used at the Elisha Winn house. We appreciate it, as do the Amost Hutchinses who live on the premises!

Alida Stancil has been elected librarian-curator for the needs tional. Children of the American Revolution, which has a museum in Washington, DC. With her parents, Dorsey and Jean, she attended the Georgia CAR meeting in Columbus last March.

Beulah and Dewey Melton of Daculamade the front page of the Food section of Gwinnett Daily News on 4 May 1983. Story told of Beulah's plain country cooking and canning, giving some of her favorite recipes. Meltons mentioned restoring in 1958 the old Harbins School and repainting it recently; it is now Harbins Community House.

## Memories Of A Farm Upbringing

By Pat Johnson

"We always had the necessities of life. If we were deprived, we didn't know it. Everybody else was in the same fix," said Mary Ellen Williams.

She grew up in a farm family that has lived for generations in the Oakland Community near

Lawrenceville.
Her first set of Williams grandparents was Isham and his wife, Gwynay, who moved from the Hog Mountain area in the early 1800s to a high slope above the Yellow River on Old Norcross Road. They rest (now in box tombs near this second house site.

Mary Ellen Williams, a caseworker for 22 years before she took an early retirement from DFCS in 1879, loved her work, but family considerations prevailed. She left on account of her mother's health.

Maude Hamrick Williams died a month later five weeks short of her 96th birthday.

"I had a lot of adjusting to do," said her daughter. "I didn't want to go back."

Now, she has arrived at the point where she can do what she wants to do, when she wants to do it.

Her father, Frank Young Williams, farmed the land of his forefathers.

Her mother and brothers put Georgia broilers on the market before the state even thought of having such an industry.

"They raised the chickens in that house," Mary Ellen indicated a small, formedconcrete building behind the family home on Oakland Road.

Early every Saturday morning, Maude Williams and her sons, Wallnee, Billy, Forrest and Donald, took iced fruit jars filled with fresh-dressed, lightly-salted,

cut-up poultry to the farmer's market held at Sears Roebuck on Ponce de Leon in Atlanta.

Large families bought the half-gallon size; families with fewer individuals bought quart-size jars of chicken.

"It began through
Gwinnett County home
demonstration clubs. The
market master at Sears
provides this outlet for
farmers to sell their
products. By growing her
own chickens and marketing
them that way, my mother
found it more profitable. My
father and I stayed at home
and took care of things here.

"The land — this property and all the lands that adjoined it — had been in the family since the land lottery in the early 1800s. The land was always divided.

was always divided.

'They took a lot of pride in ownership. Sometimes, I think they overdid it.

"They were farmers and grew their food and crops for livestock. My ancestors were all active in the community and everything that went on. My interest in genealogy stems from this." The Williamses, Craigs and Neshitts were all

"The Williamses, Craigs and Neshitts were all interrelated. They were the first ones here. I reckon they took all they wanted of the land. Unfortunately, most of it is gone.

it is gone.
"My father actually had about 75 acres. It had been divided through at least three generations—
especially through the male members of the family. They expected the girls to marry their share, but the girls in my grandparents' family got their share."

Named for her grandroothers, Sarah Ellen Williams of Oakland and Mary Lee Hamrick of North Carolina, Mary Ellen Williams recalls, "As long as they lived, I had to go by both names. If I had dropped one, a grandmether would have been disappointed."

Her older sister, Louise Smith, lives down the road a piece; her brother, Donald Young Williams, next door, All have family names. Wallace Williams resides in Cartersville; Billy Nesbitt Williams, in Ohio, and Forrest Miller Williams, in

Active in Fairview Presbyterian Church, Mary Ellen Williams was born into a Scotch family that migrated here from Ireland. Her mother's people were from Germany originally.

"I was surprised when I read the church history that my family had not always been Presbyterian. The church started in 1823. My great-grandparents compromised and went to Fairvew after that.

"A lot of people went to Fairview because it was one of the few churches around. Mt. Moriah Bispitiat and Zoar Methodist were early churches, too, but they have

no documented history.
"At Fairview, my mother was historian for her lifetime, and since my mother's death, I've inherited the job. I was the first and only woman, so far, to be an officer in the church.

"When I was elected deacon in 1976, I also became the treasurer. When I was made an elder in 1980, they also made me clerk of the session. It was a real honor to me."

Serving the church is a Williams' family tradition. As historian, Mary Ellen Williams did a survey of the cemetery. "One of the most

"One of the most interesting markers I came across was a head stone with the name, Cunagam Spraggins. I figured it was some small child." She found 455 marked graves—a lot, not marked.

For her own nieces and nephews, Mary Ellen Williams has established a memory board above the dryer on her enclosed back

porch. Here the common, everyday items of long ago farm life hold places of distinction.

Mane clippers for a mule, a soap saver, carpenter's scribe for drawing curves, an oil can, lernon squeezer and ice tongs puzzle many youngsters. A wrench for a two-horse turn plow is also there on the memory board.

"If you didn't farm in Georgia, you wouldn't know that one. You needed something heavy to plow this red ciay. It took a big plow to turn it."

A drag hook could be lowered on another rope to pull the bucket out of the well, if the rope broke.

Since she lived on a farm and knew something about farming, Mary Ellen's first job was with AAA — Triple A — Agricultural Adjustment Administration. She went on to make shoes at General

Shoe, then to Georgia Veterans Service here before joining the welfare department.

department.

"In the earlier years, I think I enjoyed working with the older people more. No resources were open to them. There was nothing they could do to help their financial circumstance. Then, Social Security took over all the adult programs.

"After that, we had aid to dependent children and the food stamp program. It became more of a service program dealing with a younger group of people with more to do things with to help themselves.

"I felt when people were in need and had asked for our help, that they knew that was why I was there, I was never threatened. Some places I wasn't really comfortable, but I was never afraid."



GHS member Mary Ellen Williams has had her "Memory Board" on display at Heritage Day at Gwinnett Elementary and will probably be seen at other such events throughout the year. We could use this at the Winn Fair of 1812--how about it, Mary Ellen?

CEMETERIES STILL NEED COPYING

Beulah Melton, Cemetery chairman, reports that, although several people have copied cemeteries and brought our lists of others up to date, there are still many that need to be found and recorded: Morgan, Cruse, Boggs, Abbott, Baggett, Eidson, Sammon, Crawford-Dodd. Tracy Chambers recently completed McKendree Methodist and First Baptist of Dacula. Bill Baughman completed several, especially in Snellville area and even did Walnut Grove Baptist. Buford City is being copied by Philip Anglin and Clark Dendy will copy Doby and Hawthorne burial groun ds.

Now that the weather is cooler, it is a delightful way to spend an afternoon, walking up and down the rows at an uncopied cemetery. Some find that reading the inscriptions into a tape recorded and transcribing the information later works well. Be sure to put a good description of how to locate any cemetery, then use the large wall map at GHS to learn its District and Land Lot #.

## (From Georgia Official & Statistical Register 1977-78)

GWINNETT COUNTY-Create	ed by Acts of Dec. 15, 1818
44. 1819	57. 1832 William Green
45. 1820-21 Ex. George Reid	58. 1833 William Nisbet
46. 1821 George Reid	59. 1834. Zachariah Cholson
47. 1822 Thomas Worthy	60. 1835 James Blackman
48. 1823 Thomas Worthy	61. 1836 James Blackman
49. 1824-25 Ex. Thomas Worthy	62. 1837 Hamilton Garmany
50. 1825 Thomas Worthy	63. 1838 Levi Loveless
51. 1826 Elisha Wynn	64. 1839 Levi Loveless
52. 1827 Thomas Worthy	65. 1840 Levi Loveless 66. 1841 James Blackman
53. 1828	66. 1841 James Blackman 67. 1842 Daniel N. Pittman
55. 1830 William Green	68. 1843 Daniel N. Pittman
THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT	
	71. 1849-50 Charles Murphey
69. 1845 Charles Murphey 70. 1847 James P. Simmons	72. 1851-52 James P. Simmons
GWINNETT	
73. 1853-54 Henry P. Thomas	75. 1857-58 Henry P. Thomas
74. 1855-56 J. Brown	76. 1859-60 M. L. Lenoir
THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT	
77. 1861-62-63	79. 1865-66-66 F. E. Manson
Ex. Samuel F. Alexander	80. 1868 Ex69-
78. 1863-64 Ex	70 Ex Milton A. Candler
64-65 Ex. James Polk	
81. 1871-72-72	93. 1894-95 Charles H. Brand
Adj Milton A. Candler	94. 1896-97-
82. 1873-74 Samuel J. Winn	Adj97 Thomas D. Stewart
83. 1875-76Winn	95. 1898-99 William M. Morrison 96. 1900-01 W. T. Smith
84. 1877	96. 1900-01 W. T. Smith 97. 1902-03-04 Paul Turner
85. 1878-79 Adj. George W. Bryan	98. 1905-06 C. M. Candler
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89. 1886 E. M. Word (died) -	12 J. W. Mason
1887 Adj J. L. Hamilton	102. 1913-14 M. D. Irwin
90. 1888-89 Adj. George 11. Jones	103. 1915-15 Ex
91. 1890-91 Adj. C. T. Zachry	16-17 Ex. E. M. Smith 104. 1917-18 Alonzo Field
92. 1892-93 Charles W. Smith	
FIFTY-FIRST DISTRICT	
Created Aug. 17, 1918 (C	Constitutional Amendment)
105. 1919-20 Walter Lenoir Bell	113. 1935Allen W. Darden
106. 1921-22 Oscar Adelbert Nix	114. 1937-38 Ex. Frank Quill Sammon
107. 1923-23 Ex	115. 1939 Ex. 39-40 Royston Albert Ingram
24Ed W. Gilstrap 108. 1925-26 Ex	116. 1941 Ex. 41-42 John Chapman
108. 1925-26 Ex 26 2d Ex. Walter Lenoir Bell	Houston
109. 1927 John Inzer Kelly	117. 1943-43 Ex
110. 1929-31 Ex. Marcus Mashburn	44 Ex Royston Albert
111. 1931 Lanie Eugene Jones	Ingram
112. 1933 Jesse Jackson Baggett	118. 1945-45
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	RTH DISTRICT
119. 1947-48	123. 1955-55
Ex. 48 2nd Ex. William Thomas	Ex56 Aubrey Mell Turner
Dean	124. 1957-58 Frank Quill Sam- mon, Jr.
120. 1949-49	125. 1959-60 Clarence R. Vaughn,
Ex50	Jr.
122. 1953-54William Thomas	126. 1961-62
Dean	Ex62 2nd Ex. W. Hugh McWhorter
FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT	
127. 1963-64 Ex	130. 1969-70 Steve Reynolds
64 Harold Harrison	131. 1971-72 Steve Reynolds 132. 1973-74 Steve Reynolds
128. 1965-66 Dr. J. Albert Minish	132. 1975-76 Steve Reynolds
129. 1967-68 Dr. J. Albert Minish	134. 1977-78 Steve Reynolds

## MEMBERSHIP Nov. 1851

(From booklet of By-Laws and Constitution of Lodge given to GHS by Celia Kelley Alford.)

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#### Louise Cooper, President Cherokee Garden Club Lawrenceville

## Cemetery Boosted

#### EDITOR:

It has been my dream for years to clean up and make the old city cemetery in Lawrenceville a place of beauty — a beautiful place for our pioneer citizens of Lawrenceville and Georgia to rest.

I presented the idea to my Cherokee Garden Club members and they were eager to begin the project, but we had no funds. I went before Lawrenceville City Council and the mayor (Tom Cain at that time) and they accepted the idea and plans were set in motion.

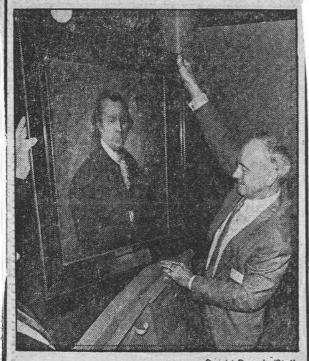
The beautiful tall monument and marker was given by Mrs. Eunice Spence. The city built the beautiful red brick wall. This was designed by Don Martin, Lawrenceville city manager. The landscaping was done by Bill Baughman, agent chairman for Gwinnett County Extension Service. The Cherokee Garden Club furnished all plants with the help of the Stonewall Jackson chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Mrs. John Martin, past UDC president, gave \$100 in cash for plants and the two beautiful benches.

The Cherokee Garden Club has paid for all labor on the project, including the tops for the columns and carving on the monument and markers

As president of the Cherokee Garden Club, I contributed the two balls that top the columns and labor for them to be installed.

A cleanup project is to be done in the near future. We hope this will involve all citizens of Lawrenceville. This will include cleaning up the old monuments and seeing that they are moved in correct positions, as many have toppled over. Magnolia and cedar trees are to be planted and a walk is to be extended for several feet.

We, the members of the Cherokee Garden Club, wish to express our deep appreciation to all who have helped with this project — especially the city of Lawrenceville, which is keeping the lawn beautiful by mowing it regularly.



Dwight Ross Jr./Staff
Bob Watson of Fulton Federal holds portrait

Gwinnett representatives at the Capitol on Gwinnett Day, included (seated, I to r): Charles Ashworth, County Commission chairman; Alida Stancil of Children of American Revolution; Rev.Kirk Nesbit, GHS chaplain who gave the invocation; Bill Baughman, GHS president, who told briefly about Button Gwinnett.

# Rare signature now on display

By Steve Harvey Staff Writer

A signature and portrait of Button Gwinnett, Georgia's first of three signers of the Declaration of Independence, was unveiled in ceremonies at the state Capitol Wednesday.

The signature, one of America's rarest, was appraised at \$52,000 in 1943, but current estimates range up to \$250,000.

The signature is on permanent display at the Capitol. The portrait is owned by Fulton Federal Savings & Loan and will be placed on longterm display at the new High Museum of Art when it opens in October, Fulton Federal officials said.

Gwinnett served as speaker of the Georgia Assembly and governor of Georgia. He was one of four Georgia delegates to the Second Continental Congress. He is credited with helping to draft most of the state Constitution and is said to have designed the state seal.

Yet, 206 years after his death from wounds suffered in a pistol duel, Gwinnett remains an enigma. Of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, his is the only grave that has never been found. The only known portrait of Gwinnett was found in 1958 in a New York art gallery. Because there are only 36 known Gwinnett signatures in existence, they are treasured by collectors.

In 1979, a handwritten letter by Gwinnett fetched \$100,000 at a New York auction, according to Steve Dykes of the Secretary of State's office.

Georgia's other two signers of the Declaration of Independence — George Walton and Lyman Hall — are entombed beneath Signers Monument, a 50-foot granite structure in Augusta.



Other GHS members who attended are: John Hood, Edith Green, Mary Robinson, Marvin Worthy, Alice McCabe, Dorsey & Jean Stancil, Lynn Moon, Mrs. Jay Summerour, Mrs. Chas. Pittard, Jerri Majors, Grace Puckett, Gene Chatham.
Peter Lyden of WDYX of Buford rode to Atlanta with the historical society members.

## GENEALOGICAL QUERIES

- Lillian Bowman, 5965 Castana Ave., Lakewood, CA 90712: Seek names of Georgia-born parents of Robert Pounds BOWMAN (1/9/1851 Ala.-4/3/1920 Sanger, TX) who m 1871 AL Louisa KENNEDY (1852 AL-1932 TX), dau. of James KENNEDY, b GA, res. 1850s AL. Who was his wife, b GA?
- 2. <u>Judi Bruce</u>, 8217 Pinehurst Cr., Yampa, FL 33615: John D. Pittman (5/26/1827 Taliaferro Co., GA-11/16/1906 Gwinnett Co.) was a Baptist preacher. Does anyone know where he preached or know of any ceremonies over which he presided? Who were parents of John Coda BUREL (1853-1909) who m Mary Frances PITTMAN and had 11 children.
- 3. Robert L. Bryan, 3992 Gloucester Dr., Tucker, GA 30084: Jesse Sanford BRYAN (6/13/1819 GA-10/23/1873 Gwinnett) m #1 1849 Sarah E. POWELL in Gwinnett, m #210/15/1868 (where?) Mrs. Lucinda C. RAWLINS. He was in 42 Regt. in Civil War, and in 1st GA Vols. in Mexican War. Was Sarah BRYAN (nee \_\_\_\_?) shown as age 53 in 1850 and age 60 in 1860 census, Gwinnett, mother of Jesse S.? Who was her husband? What was maiden name of Lucinda, whose first husband was P.O. RAWLINS? The old BRYAN house stood back in the woods with a graveyard nearby (with 5 graves, no markers). The cemetery on one acre was deeded in perpetuity to Dorcas Powell MEAD (sister of Jesse BRYAN?) and Elizabeth R. LEE. The land is owned by Troy Thomason, Snellville.
- 4. Sheila Cameron, Rt. 1 Box 192-B, Sanford, FL 32771: Enclosed are some corrections for p. 67, Gwinnett Co. Families on the Willard Hugh BRITT write-up. Also on p. 188, I believe the father of James FLOWERS was another James, not Washington FLOWERS, as listed. Where can I purchase Vol. II History of Gwinnett by J.C. Flanigan?

  Ans. to last: Does anyone have a copy for sale? It is out of print.
- **5.** Mrs. James Dannelly III, PO Box E, Jefferson, TX 75657: John M cGILL of Jefferson Co. drew lot 24, 7th Dist. of Gwinnett in 1821. He died intestate in 1824 in Jefferson Co. On 5/20/1824, John MURPHEY, adm. de bonis non, applied for leave to sell those 250 acres. Was any land given as bounty in Gwinnett for service in Revolution? Trying to prove descent from John through dau. Elizabeth who main Augusta 1805 John MARSHALL.

Ans: No bounty land given in Gwinnett, but vets of all wars had an extra draw in land lottery of 1821, as did their orphans and widows.

According to the information I have Jubal Watson and his wife Sarah Calvert Watson lived in Gwinnett County during the 1860's and '70s. They are both buried in Gwinnett County, possibly near Grayson or Walnut Grove. Their son Francis M. Watson married Elizabeth Nix of Gwinnett County. I am trying to locate the home of Jubal Watson and also his burial site. I also need dates.

I would greatly appreciate any help you might be able to give me, and would like to correspond with someone in Gwinnett County who might have such information. Elizabeth C. Piechocinski

Elizabeth C. Piechocinski Apt 11, 727 South Main St. Hinesville, GA 31313 7. I have a particular need for material regarding the early establishment of Gwinnett County, some of the early settlers there, and perhaps geographic changes made in the county, etc.

I believe that Robert H. Knight was born in this county in 1810. I know he was born in Georgia. I think his father was Presley Knight who lived in Gwinnett County at that time. Can anyone tell me anything about this family? Where did they come from? Is there any kind of biographical material on them.



- 8. Mrs. John Edison, P.O. Box 444, Balsam, NC 28707: Thomas EIDSON/EDSON m 1827 in Greene Co., GA, Mary HODGES. A Thomas EDSON was in 1840 census in Gwinnett with 2 males under 5; 1 male 40-50; i fem. 10-15 and 1 fem. 30-40. When and where did they die? In 1850 census, DeKalb Co., Joseph and Sarah BUTLER of Shallowford Dist. had living with them Robert Shelton EIDSON, age 10. Who were the Butlers? What happened to other children of Thomas and Mary?
  - 9. Debi Ewing-French, 4437 Clipper Ct., Boulder, CO 80301: I have traced my ggf Hudson D. EWING's family back five more generations and would be glad to share with others. I have copies of wills.) Also, I have a copy of the book, Ewing Clan of Scotland by Elbert Ewing.
  - 10. Mrs. Bob Fore, 412 E. 14 St., Hope, AR 71801: Need didates of parents of Nancy Frances ARMISTEAD b 7/22/1847 GA, dau. of John and Elizabeth ARMISTEAD. Nancy m 1866 GA (what county?) Reddick Howell BETTS. Moved to AR about 1870.
  - 11. Chaniva Fortson, P.O. Box 112, Powder Springs, GA 30073: Looking for Bible or other records of Samuel C. BORN (1778 SC-1852 Sugar Hill) m 12/18/1805 Oglethorpe Co. to Isbell EDWARDS (not Isabell DELANEY, as listed on p. 50, Gwinnett Families). Also for Daniel D. BORN (1813-1864) m Jane M. Styles (1824-1874). Daniel and Jane's dau. Missouri C. BORN m 2/23/1865 in Gwinnett Joseph VAUGHN. Who were their children? Are any descendants alive today? Will reimburse for copies and postage.
  - 12. Mrs. Benj. Frink, 1611 Doncaster Dr. NE, Atlanta, GA 30309: Heard from a g-gr.dau. of Ruth DOBBS MADDOX, saying Ruth was bur. at Mt. Moriah Bapt.; she will find out the date for me. Thanks! Will exchange info on Lt. Col. Thomas BALLARD, who stated in application for Rev. War pension that he came to Gwinnett 1818 from SC. His first wife, Elizabeth GRAHAM d before 1796 Kershaw Dist., SC. He m #2 as her third husband Mary PARKS (LEONARD) STAFFORD. After her death, he returned to SC in 1838 to live with dau. Susannah BALLARD CASTON in Lancaster Co., where he d 1843. Born in Albermarle Co., VA 1751, he served in Rev. and War of 1812. Will research in recs. of Kershaw, Lancaster, Chester, York Co., SC, for others.
  - 13. Martha Layson, 4217 Theresa Ct., Tucker, GA 30084: Reference Query #18 June issue, book by James H. Nash, Georgia Descendants of Edward Nash of Greenville County, SC, can be obtained from: Goodspeed Bookshop Inc., 7 Beacon St., MA 02108.
  - 14. Judy C. Lee, Admin Co., 498th Spt. Bn, APO, NY 09355: Seek more info Francis Marion SMITH (ca 1800 Stone Mt., GA? -after 1850) and wife Elizabeth HILL (ca 1802 GA-ca 1869 Tuscumbia, AL), dau. of John HILL (1760 NC-1831 Walton Co.) and Annie Naomi CAMP (ca. 1862 NC-after 1850 Walton Co.) According to tradition, Francis M. was son of one of four bros. (Bill, Jim, Austin and Frank SMITH) who came to America from Eng. or Wales, paying their fares by fiddling for dances. Elizabeth HILL SMITH m #2 Jacob AWTRY 12/8/1856 in Calhoun Co, AL.

## GENEALOGICAL QUERIES (cont.)

- 15. Mrs. Delores Garmon Mathews, 1516 25th St., Wichita Falls, TX 76301: Elias FINCHER b 1800 NC and wife Marion WEST b ca 1803 SC, res in 1830 census in Gwinnett with 2 males under 5, 1 male 5-10, 1 10-15, 1 20-30, and 1 female 5-10 and one fem 20-30. Elias of Barker's Dist., Gwinnett, in 1832 drew land in Cherokee lands (now Walker Co.). In 1840 cen., he was in Forsyth Co., until 1860, then in Murray Co., 1870 -80 in Whitfield Co. One of Elias' sons was Joseph L. FINCHER b ca. 1830 Gwinnett, who d at end of Civil War. Where is his grave? Was he shot off a horse in Confederate service?

  Ans: You can write to Civil War Room, Georgia Dept. of Archives.
- $\overline{\text{Ans}}$ : You can write to Civil War Room, Georgia Dept. of Archives,  $\overline{\text{330}}$  Capitol Ave., Atlanta, GA 30334, giving as much info as possible, and ask for records on Joseph L. Enclose a long SASE and they will bill you for copies.
- 16. Mary Marquess, 4001 Rogers, Apt. 20, Ft. Smith, AR 72903: Who were siblings of Alfred Burton GREENWOOD (1811-1899)son of Hugh GREENWOOD? Alfred studied law in Lawrenceville. He m 1833 in Decatur Sarah A. HILBURN.
- 17. Eugene McElroy, 3148 N. Marina Pky., Lake Wales, FL 33853: Want parents, date of death of Margaret E. CLARK b 1/13/1866, m 4/13/1893 Robert Duffie McELROY (7/5/1872- 1/1/1942). Issue: Rosa b 1893, Alvin H. b May 1897, Ethel A. b 1898, Ill Adell b 1900, Owen (4/22/1902-5/5/1916), Lawrence Alexander (3/8/1906-3/9/1933) and Duffie m Dollie Mae SMITH. Alvin m Katie CAPES and Joseph m Lela BARRETT. Who did the rest marry?
- 18. John Claude Williams Morse, 2103 Roxboro Rd., Atlanta, GA 30324: Want to determine Cherokee ancestry of Sarah Elmina HALL POGUE, b 4/7/1830 d 10/1/1888, bur Williams Cem., who m as his second wife William Pittman WILLIAMS.
- 19. Mrs. C. J. Newsome, Rt. 1 Box 318, Odessa, TX 79763: I have copy of lawsuit 1827 in Gwinnett against Thomas PAYNE by Hugh B. GREENWOOD, who had died in 1822. Meanwhile, (his wife) Elizabeth had m Frederick BALDWIN and both were named in suit. My ggf had a sister Amanda GREENWOOD b 1816 m George W. (or James) FOOTE. Hugh and Elizabeth (INGRAM) GREENWOOD had three other children, oldest of whom was Alfred Burton. History of Arkansas says Alfred Burton Greenwood was educated in Lawrenceville, GA. There was also a Granderson. Frederick and Elizabeth BALDWIN were supposed to have gone to Mississippi. Hugh Byrd GREENWOOD's mother was Cary HUDSON, dau. of Christopher and Carey(BYRD) HUDSON of Middlesex Co., VA
- 20. Annette Nichols, 120 Poplar Cr. Rd., Lawrenceville, GA 30245: Researching WARBINGTON, PICKINS, BOWEN, WRIGHT in Gwinnett before 1911; also HANEY (all sp.) before 1905 in Gwinnett, Jackson, Hall Co. Ans: You need our book, Gwinnett Families 1818-1968 for many answers to your questions. Book is \$30 from GHS; add \$1 if it is to be mailed.

## GENEALOGICAL QUERIES (cont.)

- 21. Pat Orona, Box 364, Springerville, AZ 85938: Who were the natural parents of my ggf, Albert Alexander ("Ellick") HUNT? He was b 1856 m 1877 Annie BILLIEN. He told a grandson that his father was Judge Nathan L. HUTCHINS. In 1860 and 1870 there were two HUNT women living two dwellings from the HUTCHINS family. I understand that women who had illegitimate children sometimes verified in court that they could care for the offspring and sometimes the court papers listed the names of the real fathers.

  Ans: Does anyone have any family history to help?
- 22. Mrs. Marshel O'Shields Sr., 937 N. Lake Shore Blv., Lake Wales, FL 33853: Seek info on Charlie O'SHIELDS. Who were his parents and did they come from SC?
- 23. OWSLEY Family Historical Society's 1983 membership chairman is Albert W. L. Moore, 1420 N. Spring, Independence, MO 64050.
- 24. Hope C. Pees, 11743 E. Pacific Pl., Aurora, CO 80014: Cherrie Ann Deliah OWENS (11/25/1855 MS- 5/16/1927 Attala, MS) had parents OWENS and Nancy BRIDGES, both b GA. Does anyone connect?
- 25. <u>Dorene Philen</u>, 3017 Brookview Dr., Plano, TX 75074: Will do research in Dallas Pub. Library genealogy section and in county courthouses in northeast and north central Texas, in exchange for research in Gwinnett County. Send SASE for further info.
- 26. Lee Y. Ponder, Rt. 2 Box 409, Waynesville, NC 28786: Zachree or Zachariah LEE (ca 1800-1845) m in Gwinnett Co. Rebecca BROOKS b 1803. Their son William Owen LEE m Lucy Ann WIDEMAN. Need to know parents of Zachree, other children, other descendants.
- 27. Earlane Simpson, 1203 W. Main St., Walahachie, TX 75165: Exchange info on Jeptha A. WHORTON (6/10/1818 GA- 1/10/1883 TX). Who were his parents? He res. Reid's dist. of Gwinnett 1832 when he drew land in Cherokee Lottery. Res. 1841 Stewart Co., m 1843 Frances Harris NICHOLSON in Muscogee Co., 1850-75 in Marion and Stewart Co., 1875-1883 res. Freestone Co., TX.
- 28. William Stapp, 1020 E. 7575 South, Midvale, UT 84047: In your Ancestor File, do you have anything on STAPP, COUCH, HARRELL? Ans: All we have is on a Jasper HARRELL b 1830 Augusta, GA, m Martha BACONm researched by Luella Lawther, 2843 Harvard Dr., Visalia, CA 93277.
- 29. Marion E. Watkins, ;434 Hawthorne Way, East Point, GA 30344: Does anyone know where Matthew STRICKLAND Cemetery is? My other line of research is BYRD.
- 30. Max Williams, 1305 N. Pierce #105, Arlington, VA 22209: Want contact descendants of Littleton HUNT, Rev. soldier, who res. 1840 with dau. Sarah CHAMBERS in Gwinnett. Believe William Ethan HUNT was son or grson of Littleton. William migrated from GA to Arkansas ca 1848. His bro. George once lived in Carroll Co. and perhaps a bro. Littleton who settled in Hempstead Co., AR.

## GENEALOGICAL QUERIES (cont.)

- 31. Shirle Williams, 9015 E. 28 St., Tulsa, OK 74129: Who were parents of Leroy LAMP (1847 GA-1940 Little Rock, AR) Was his mother Dorcas? Who was widow Sarah LAMP in 1830 census in Gwinnett?
- 32. <u>Helen Sigman Wright</u>, 8633 Park St., Bellflower, CA 90706: Who were parents, siblings of Lemuel H. WRIGHT b 1799 SC and wife (m 1820) Priscilla TAYLOR b 1799 GA. They res. Warren Co., TN. Where did they live before then?



## Atlanta Constitution 7/14/83 DeKalb/ Rainey marker returned

The Gwinnett Historical Society did its part Wednesday to help preserve a little of DeKalb County's history.

A DeKalb historical marker, stolen about two years ago from a site along Shallowford Road near the DeKalb-Peachtree Airport, was found in the woods in rural Gwinnett this week and handed over to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, which plans to restore it to its rightful place.

The sign marks the site of the Rainey Plantation, where federal troops camped July 18, 1864.

It will take some time to get to the Rainey Plantation marker, according to repair technician Ken Carlsrud of the parks and historic markers workshop at Panola Mountain State Park in Henry County. "It will have to go through the refurbishing shop, and right now I'm snowed," he said.

## THREE HISTORIC PHOTOS WILL BE IN CALENDAR

Gwinnett Council for the Arts sponsored a photograp, contest this summer for pictures of Gwinnett locations. One photo will be used each month and the calendar will also mark special events in the county, such as the Elisha Winn Fair of 1812 the first weekend of October. Winning photos included the following of historic places:

Gwinnett County Courthouse fifth building used for county government. Photo shows the present building, built in 1885, with balcony at left where bailiff used to announce court cases and results.

Elisha Winn House where the first county elections were held, as authorized by then Gov. William Rabun. House build c. 1812, now being restored by Gwinnett Historical Society.

Lawrenceville Female Seminary, a Greek Revival building constructed in 1853, replacing one that had burned in 1851. Used as a school for females and later for males (1869) until Lawrenceville began its own city schools about 1901. Building restored by Gwinnett Boshbyic. Societ,

GHS member Charlie Pentecost was among the judges.

## ACQUISITIONS

Nancy Cornell of Riverdale publishes <u>Georgia Genealogical Survey</u> under the masthead of Inkwell Publications. We are fortunate that we receive these books that reproduce various collections of Georgia records. In a recent one (Vol. 2 No. 2, 1982) she published 1827 constitution of Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, one mile south of Norcross on Hwy. 23. This church merged in 1957 with Nancy Creek Primitive Baptist, Atlanta. The minutes cover a period 1827-1881.

Elizabeth Cowles McCole of Duluth has donated photocopy of "I Remember," the reminiscences of Marian Caroline Smith, daughter of Chaples H. Smith ("Bill Arp") and Mary Octavia Hutchins. The latter was daughter of Nathan L. Hutchins I. She had a humorous way of writingand a good memory for det ails. 'Tavia told about her parents' winter house, Mitford Hall, in Lawrenceville's lot 2, and mentions the family's other place on Chattahoochee River Bottom land, 40 miles from Atlanta, which they called "Egypt," because the plantation bore such fine corn. The day Atlanta was shelled, the Hutchins could sit on the river bank and hear the cannon. This will go in <a href="Smith">Smith</a> file.

Mitford Cottage was located originally at 606 E. Pike St.facing US 29. It was moved to the NW corner of U.S. 29 and McArthur St. and was burned pretty badly a few years ago.

GWINNETT HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC. P.O. Box 261 Lawrenceville, GA 30246 (non profit tam.)

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