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Stephen C. Sanders, Son of Nimrod, Moved to Washington County, Ark.

The following was furnished by Sam Sanders, 5800 Bunker Blvd., Watauga, TX 76148, <samacalc@msn.com>.

Stephen C. Sanders was born March 28, 1813 in Montgomery County, North Carolina, one of many siblings whose parents were Nimrod Saunders and Mary Ricketts. During Stephen's early years, his father took the family to Georgia and then to Alabama. When Stephen was of age, he made a move to Tennessee, leaving the rest of the family in Alabama. Stephen began his family while farming in Madison County, Tennessee.

Early West Tennessee marriage records show that Stephen married Heiksey H. Simmons (Hexie and Huksey) on 8 Jan 1838 in Hardeman County, Tennessee. She was born in 1820 in North Carolina. Not much is known of Heiksey except that she likely died in Tennessee between September 1850 and October 1853. In the marriage of Stephen and Heiksey, there were four children, Levi Thomas, Isom Hurney, Elizabeth Ann, and Mickey.

Early West Tennessee marriage records show that Stephen married a second time, this time to Amy Moore on 25 Oct 1853 in Hardeman Co., Tenn. Amy was born in 1834 in North Carolina. Little is known about earlier years of Amy. Census records show Amy, age 17, living with her parents and siblings and grandparents in Hardeman County. Stephen went south both times to Hardeman County to get married.

It is interesting to note that the bondsman in both marriages was Elijah Simmons, a family member of his first wife. The Simmons and the Moores were neighbors. Stephen traveled south to Hardeman County to get married, most likely on account of the courthouse located there at that time. Perhaps with the frequent family visits, Stephen had the opportunity to become acquainted with the Moore family.



Stephen C. Sanders

Stephen and Amy moved to Cane Hill Township, Washington County, Arkansas, in early 1856. He farmed 80 acres of land west of Prairie Grove. During the Civil War, Stephen held to his convictions and chose to be a Union man while two sons, Levi and Isom, joined the Confederate Army. After the Civil War, Stephen filed a claim for \$516.50 for items taken by the Union Army between 1862 and 1864. Two sorrel horses, a mare and colt, 150 bushels of corn and fodder were taken at various times. He received \$337.00 for these items. His farm was only three miles from where the Battle of Prairie Grove was fought. Rhea Mill was four miles and Cane Hill was two miles from their farm. Soldiers were camped at both places and raided the near-by farms for food and supplies.

His farm was in cultivation each year of the war except 1865 when he belonged to a Union colony near his house. He cultivated abandoned land in connection with the colony.

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My Opinion About State Abbreviations

Maybe it's living in a state whose postal service abbreviation is confused with two other states, or maybe it is my years of working in the editing business and trying to adhere to the *Chicago Style Book* or the *Associated Press Style Book*, but I have come to have strong opinions about the use of the postal abbreviations where they were not intended.

After a few years of rebellion, I now use the postal abbrev. when addressing envelopes. There is a good reason to do this. The OCR machines that read the addresses are programmed to read those for the proper state (if you used the right two-letter code).

Here are the *AP Style Book* abbrev:

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| Ala. | Ill. | Mont. | R.I. |
| Alaska | Ind. | Neb. | S.C. |
| Ariz. | Iowa | Nev. | S.D. |
| Ark. | Kan. | H.H. | Tenn. |
| Calif. | Ky. | N.J. | Texas |
| Colo. | La. | N.M. | Utah |
| Conn. | Maine | N.Y. | Vt. |
| Del. | Md. | N.C. | Va. |
| D.C. | Mass. | N.D. | Wash. |
| Fla. | Mich. | Ohio | W.Va. |
| Ga. | Minn. | Okla. | Wis. |
| Hawaii | Miss. | Ore. | Wyo. |
| Idaho | Mo. | Pa. | |

These are the state abbreviations I plan to use in this newsletter, except when giving someone's address. There is no doubt what state is intended when you use AP style!

What I hate most to see is someone using postal abbrev. when typing up an obit clipped from an old newspaper published before the codes were introduced by the government.

Just my opinion, but I guess I can do that in my newsletter! ■

Don Schaefer, editor

Sanders/Saunders Reunion Will Again Be Held At Pickwick Landing Park

Received from Lee Hoover:

The Sanders/Saunders Name Reunion will be held June 4-5, 1999 at Pickwick Landing State Park on the Tennessee River. Headquarters will again be in the suite of Doc and Lee Hoover.

It was very comfortable last year with kitchen facilities, large meeting room and three bathrooms. We will have Friday evening June 4th for a "get acquainted /hello again" meeting starting 4:00 until ? Saturday will be a day of sharing pedigrees, pictures, books, and anything else the folks want. Saturday evening will be a no host catfish buffet at the Mary Christopher Restaurant between Pickwick Landing and Savannah, Tenn. Most will be traveling home on Sunday.

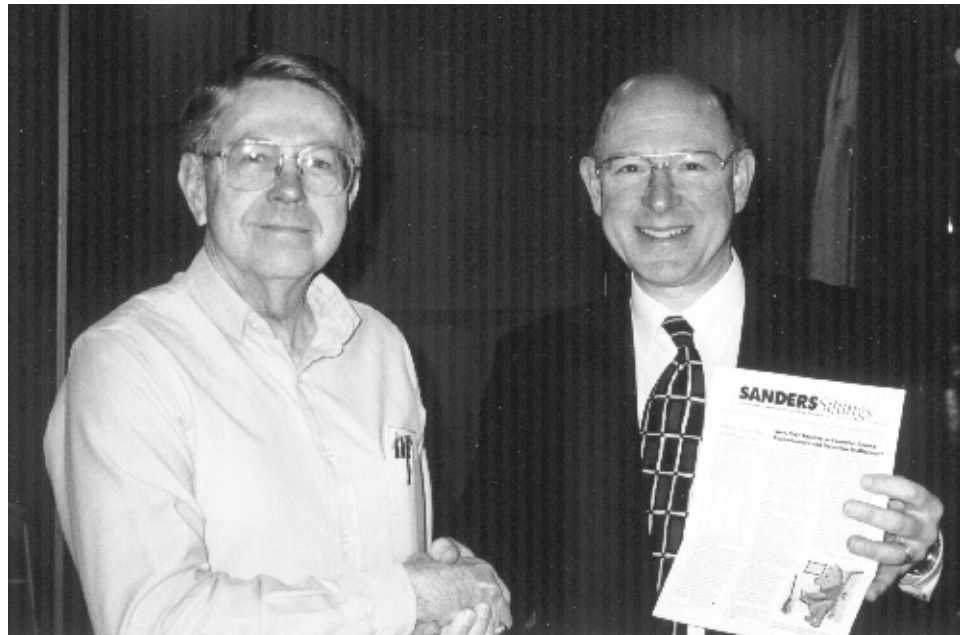
For reservations at the Inn call 1-800-250-8615 and ask about the Sanders/Saunders reserved rooms. They are limited so hurry !!! For a complete list of other local facilities, call Hardin Co Tourism 1-800-552-3866. For those of you who have never been to Pickwick Landing it is 12 miles south of Savannah, Hardin Co., Tenn. (Catfish Capitol of the World). We chose this as it is where Tenn., Ala., and Miss. almost meet and there were lots of Sanders/Saunders in those three states.

Other than the reunion there are many local sights of interest. The Shiloh National Military Park and other places are just minutes away from where the reunion will be held.

We will have the Mormon International Genealogical Index (IGI) on microfiche, and two microfiche readers, also a laptop PC with Internet access capabilities with a portable printer. PC has a 3 1/2 inch floppy disk drive if anyone has anything they want to share. We will have several Tennessee counties 1850 census records in book form. Please bring your records and share.

Invite other Sanders/Saunders researchers as you never know when you will meet a new relative....Last year we had "cousins" from Texas, Illinois, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana.

For further information contact: Lee Hoover, P.O.Box 125, Centerville, TN 37033, fax/phone (931) 729-9281, <hooverdo@juno.com>. ■



Don Schaefer, editor of *Sanders Siftings*, with Roger Sanders in London December 22, 1998.

First Copy of January Issue of *Sanders Siftings* Delivered Personally in London

Don Schaefer, editor of *Sanders Siftings*, finished the January issue (No. 17) before he and his wife Shirley spent a week in London, England, in December. On December 22 they met with Roger Sanders, a *Siftings* subscriber, in the coffee shop of the London Museum where Don presented Roger with the first copy of issue No. 16.

Here is Roger's query:

Roger D. Sanders, 7 New Place, School Lane, Welwyn, Hertfordshire, England AL6 9QA, <roger@mspat.demon.co.uk>. Roger has traced his Sanders back this far in the U.S. (although he is a native of Canada). He would like to correspond with anyone having connections or more information.

John Sanders (b. 1779 Va.) married Mary Combs (b. 1783 Cherry Hill, Va.), daughter of John Combs and Sarah Mabry.

James M. Sanders (b. 19 Dec 1804 Cherry Hill, Va., d. 20 Mar 1880 Union Township, Logan Co., Ohio), son of John and Mary above, married on 29 Aug 1830 in Jefferson Co., Va. Rowena E. Bales (b. 15 Nov 1813 Va., d. 20 Jan 1858 Union Township, Logan Co., Ohio).

Albert Henry Sanders (b. 17 Nov 1852 Lakeview, Ohio, d. 24 Aug 1924 Elkhart, Ind.), son of James and Rowena

above, married Bessie L. Buchanan (b. 1867), daughter of Clinton C. Buchanan and Louisa McPherson. Albert Henry is Roger's great grandfather. ■

A Tip For Using Deeds

Now for something practical that was first published in *CSGA Newsletter* (1996) 14, no. 2 in *Dearborn Genealogical Society Newsletter* (1996) Dec 4. Again published by *Ford Motor Company Employees Genealogical Club*, Second Quarter 1998.....

"Land Record Tip

"In the lower left corner of most old deeds, you will find signatures of two to four witnesses. The first signature is always from the husband's side of the family. The next is always from the wife's side, to protect her one-third dower rights under the law. Nothing you will ever use will give greater clues to maiden names than witnesses to old deeds. In addition, in the 1880s and before, it was traditional when the daughter married, as part of her dowry, for the father either to cover the loan or carry the note for the son-in-law. If you know the husband's name and not the wife's maiden name, find out to whom they made their mortgage payment. About 70% of the time it will be to her father." ■

Stephen C. Sanders, Son of Nimrod (continued from page one)

Two horses were believed taken by Rebel soldiers during the night in 1863. He never received any payment nor saw the horses again. Two Rebel Bushwhackers once told Stephen that they were going to kill any Union man. Stephen naturally thought that they included him, since he had reported a rebel to the Union Army. He was scared nearly to death, but they did not follow through with any threat. Even though Stephen was a Union man, he stated that he did not assist his sons to support or enlist in the Rebel Service. Stephen's quote was once written:

"At the beginning of the Rebellion, I sympathized with the Union cause. My language was for the Union and against secession. I voted against secession and exerted my influence against it. After the State seceded, I remained a Union man. I never got rebelish at all."

Other friends and related family members testified on behalf of Stephen, including D. Alexander Edmiston, Isaac W. Marrs, and Stephen's wife, Amy.

(The above information and other items are located in the National Archives, Washington D.C. They were located in the Southern Claims Commission. Record Group 217. File number 9656. Report No. 4. Year 1874. Status paid. Stephen Sanders, Washington County, Arkansas. There are over 27 pages in this file.)

Stephen never learned to read or write, however he was a very respected man by his neighbors. He was a very hard headed man and spoke his opinion quite often. Even though he was threatened, he spoke out for the Union and against secession quite often.

From Stephen's second marriage there were three sons and two daughters: William Harrison, Alexander, James R., Mary, and Martha Ellen.

Stephen was faced with many life's challenges. Other than his Civil War encounter, it is likely his first wife died, and possibly a child (Micky), in Tennessee. Later in life Stephen outlived son Isom and daughter Martha Ellen, and grand children, who lost their lives to an epidemic that sweep through Washington County. These family members, along with Aunt Marrs and Grandmother Moore, all died from the same disease in 1886, within a two month period.

Siftings Back Issues Available

Back issues of SANDERS Siftings are available at \$3.00 each. They are: No. 2, Jul 1995; No. 3, Oct 1995; No. 4, Jan 1996; No. 5, Apr 1996; No. 6, Jul 1996; No. 7, Oct 1996; No. 8, Jan 1997; No. 9, Apr 1997; No. 10, Jul 1997; No. 11, Oct 1997; No. 12, Jan 1998; No. 13, Apr 1998; No. 14, Jul 1998, No. 15, Oct 1998 and No. 16, Jan 1999.

A copy of issue No. 1, April, 1995, will be included free with any order for a back issue. ■

Stephen died 22 Mar 1894, at the age 81 and is buried at Prairie Grove Cemetery near his sons, Isom Hurney Sanders (Sr.), Levi Thomas Sanders, and Alexander Sanders, Alexander's wife, Sarah Carney, and children, and Martha Ellen Sanders Moore. In years to follow Amy lived with her son, James, in 1910 in Coal Creek Township, Pawnee County, Oklahoma. It is believed that she died there before 1920.

There was a short obituary printed for Stephen Sanders in the *Prairie Grove Banner* and in the *Springdale News*, April 6, 1894: "Stephen Sanders, one among the oldest and best citizens of our country, died last week after a long and patient suffering. He had lived a little in advance of his four score years and was appreciated by all who knew him as an honest man and a good citizen."

If you would like to see more information about Stephen C. Sanders or Nimrod Saunders and their descendants check out Sam's well-designed web page at <http://www.exmsft.com/~sams/index/html> or contact Sam Sanders at the address given at the beginning of this article. ■

James R. Sanders in Oklahoma

Chesley Sanders, 104 New Jersey Road, Browns Mills, NJ 08015, <WSand0345@aol.com> is looking for James R. Sanders, son of Stephen C. Sanders and Anna Amy Moore Sanders. He was born in May 1864 in Washington Co., Arkansas. Married to Hattie C. Ramsey. Children included William A., Carrie, Lydia "Liddie," Oscar, Maynard, Avery, and Lester. Family had moved to Payne Co., Oklahoma around 1892. Was last known living in Tulsa, Okla. area in 1930s. Trying to locate any descendants. ■

Here's How to be Creative With Troublesome Kin

Lets say that your great-great uncle Remus Starr, a fellow lacking in character, was hanged for horse stealing and train robbery in Montana in 1889.

A cousin has supplied you with the only known photograph of Remus, showing him standing on the gallows. On the back of the picture are the words: Remus Starr: Horse thief, sent to Montana Territorial Prison, 1885. Escaped 1887, robbed the Montana Flyer six times. Caught by Pinkerton detectives, convicted and hanged, 1889.

Pretty grim situation, right? But let's revise things a bit. We simply crop the picture, scan in an enlargement and edit it with image processing software so that all that is seen is a head shot.

Next, we rewrite the text:

Remus Starr was a famous cowboy in the Montana Territory. His business empire grew to include acquisition of valuable equestrian assets and imitate dealings with the Montana railroad. Beginning in 1885, he devoted several years of his life to service at a government facility, finally taking leave to resume his dealings with the railroad. In 1887, he was a key player in a vital investigation run by the renown Pinkerton Detective Agency. In 1889, Uncle Remus passed away during an important civic function held in his honor when the platform upon which he was standing collapsed.

Now we give Uncle Remus a distinguished place inside the family tree, not hanging from it.

From the Internet. ■

Rick Hambrock, 1115 South Bridge St., Portland, IN 47371, <jaycogen@jayco.net>. I am trying to find more information on Jacob H. Sanders born around 1810 in Philadelphia County, Penn., the son of William Sanders who served under General George Washington in the Revolutionary War. Jacob married Ruth Pennock in Columbiana Co., Ohio and they later moved to Jay Co., Indiana. I am at a dead end to this William as to whether he had other children or who his parents or wife was. I have a pension record from the war department that I think is him and it suggests he probably died in Columbiana Co., Ohio. I would sure appreciate any knowledge of this family. ■

Cornelius Sanders, Rutherford Co., Tenn.

This was submitted by Laine Sutherland, 2695 North Pebble Beach Drive, Flagstaff, AZ 86004-7419, <LaineBell@aol.com>. Who was Sarah Sanders? Why is she not mentioned in the will of Cornelius Sanders? Or was she?

Sanders, Cornelious Dec'd. Will

In the name of God Amen, I Cornelus Sanders Snr. of the County of Rutherford & State of Tennessee, being convinced of the certainty of death and the uncertainty of this Mortal life and being weak in body but of sound mind & rashonal, do make and publish this my last will and Testament and hereby revoke all wills heretofore by me made at anytime. Item 1st I give and bequeath unto my Son Isaac Sanders Forty acres of land off the east end of the tract of land I now live on containing one hundred & forty acres. Item 2d I give & bequeath unto my wife Mary Sanders the balance of my tract of land being one hundred acres during her natural life time and at her death, I give and bequeath the same land to my son Cornelous Sanders, Item 3d I give to my daughter Margaret Sanders one dollar. Item Fourth, I give my daughter Demaris Phelps heirs, one dollar to be equally divided between them, Item 5th I give to my daughter Rhoda Robertson one dollar to be divided between her heirs, Item 6th I give to my two grand children that is to say Joseph Flowers and Guilly Spain one dollar each, Item 7th I give to my grand daughter Lucinda Flowers an equal distributive Share of all my property that may be sold that is to say an equal division of the money, Item 8th I will that my Executors that I may hereafter name and appoint to Sell two tracts of land in the State of North Carolina in Nash County one tract containing one hundred acres, and the other tract containing one hundred & three acres and all of the property I die leised off that is not disposed of in the body of this my last will & testament.

That it may be distinnily understood I will name the heirs that I wish & equal division made between, that is to say~ the heirs of Eloner Wright and Lucinda Flowers, Isaac Sanders & Cornelus Sanders Junr & Nancy Flowers.

I hereby Constitute and appoint my two sons Isaac Sanders, Cornelious Sanders my Sole Executors and enjoin it on them to execute & carry out this my last will & testament, In Testamony

whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Sixteenth day of May Eighteen hundred and forty eight.

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Cornulus X Sanders
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Major Hedgepeth, C.G. Perry,
M.R. Buchanan
State of Tennessee, Rutherford County
County Court. March Term 1854

The execution of last will & testament of Cornelious Sanders deceased was duly proven in open Court at the above mentioned term by the oaths of Major Hedgepeth & M.R. Buchanan Subscribing witnesses thereto & was ordered to be recorded.

Recorded 23 March 1854
John Woods, Clerk

State of Tennessee
Rutherford County
County Court March Term 1854

To Sarah Sanders a citizen of Rutherford County, It appearing to the court, that Cornelus Sanders has died leaving a written will which has been duly proved in open Court, and you having been appointed by the court adm with the will annexed, and you having given bond and qualified according to law, and it having been ordered by the Court that letters of administration with the will annexed .?. to you, These are therefore to impower you the said Sarah Sanders to enter upon the excution of said will and Take unto your posesion all the property, and to return to this court in ninety days a perfect inventory thereof and make due collection of all debts and after paying all the just demands against the testator and settling up the leinings of Said estate according to law, you will pay over and deliver the property and its effects that may remain in your hands, and to do all the other things that may be required, according to the provisions of the Said will and the laws of the land. Witness J Woods, Clerk, at office the 6th day of March 1854 and the 78th year of American Independence.

Recorded 23d March 1854
John Woods, Clerk

County: Rutherford; Roll No.: 263;
Book: 16; Page: 799-801; Type Record: Will
Tennessee State Library and Archives ■

Roy Garvin Sanders of Stafford, Kansas

Janet K. Miller, 701 E. 45th Street, Kansas City, MO 641110-1506, <JKMil@aol.com>. My maternal grandfather, Roy Garvin Sanders, was born in 1892 in Stafford, Kan., and played professional baseball at one time. He had one brother, Joseph Sanders, a musician and band-leader in the 1920s (Coon-Sanders). Both died in Kansas City, Mo. Their parents were Joseph Harrison Sanders, and his second wife, Helena Soice. (His first wife was Amelia ?) Joseph Harrison Sanders was born in Hamilton Co., Indiana in 1858 to Issac Sanders (b. 1833 in Hamilton Co.) and his wife, Lavinia Pickerell of Virginia.

His siblings were Clara Sanders Rhoades (Atlanta, Ind.), Maud Sanders, Calvin Sanders, Nelly B. Sanders Nicholas (d. Farmington, Mo.), Daisie M. Sanders Heatherly (d. Topeka, Kan.), Harry Fletcher Sanders (d. Indianapolis 1956), Ellen Sanders Nelson. Issac's parents were Joseph (b. 1802 in Ohio) and Clarissa (b. 1809 in Pennsylvania). Issac's siblings were Herbert B., Albert F., Ferris T., Martha, John, Lydia, Benjamin and Sarah Sanders, all born in Indiana. ■

Is Your Sanders Line From Pennsylvania, Maryland?

Sue Jonke, 117 Cedar Street, Port Clinton, OH 43452-1232, <jonke@thirdplanet.net> is looking for the Sanders line from Pennsylvania and possibly Maryland and elsewhere. The only information that she has is as follows. Jonathan Sanders was born ca 1811 possibly in Franklin Co., Penn. He married Aquilla Oellig, the daughter of John Oellig and Catharine Nicodemus.

Their children were: John Oellig, b. 1835; Charles Levi, b. 1836; George Franklin, b. 1838; Josiah Courtney, b. 1840, m. Elizabeth Rhodes; Jacob Before b. 1842, m. Rebecca Shoemaker 26 Feb 1867; Jonathan Alexander, b. 1845; Lewis Daniel, b. 1849.

Josiah Courtney moved to Martinsburg, Penn. and was a druggist. This is my direct line in this family. I know that Josiah had a cousin in Waynesboro, Penn. by the name of Lambert Sanders. I hope someone is also researching this branch of the Sanders family and can shed some light on Jonathan's siblings and his children. ■

In 1954 Mr. & Mrs. James J. Saunders Have 50th Anniv.

Submitted by Ardeth Sanders Files, 1206 Goldenrod Drive, Garland, TX 75043-1829, <Ardflute@aol.com>. Below is the anniversary announcement of my great grandparents—James Jay Saunders and Ora Beatty.

From the *East St. Louis Journal*, E. St. Louis, Ill., Sunday, March 28, 1954:

"An open house reception will be held today to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Saunders of 3014 Douglas Ave. Friends are invited to call at their home between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Saunders live with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Volkman.

"Mr. and Mrs. Saunders were married on March 30, 1904, at French Lick, Ind. The ceremony was read in the home of the bride by the Rev. C. L. Griffin, pastor of the First Methodist Church of that city. Mr. Saunders was a resident of East St. Louis and following the wedding the couple made its home here.

"Mr. Saunders then was employed as a railroad switchman and was a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen for many years. After being disabled from that line of work, he became employed by the Certain-teed Products Corp. He now is retired.

"The five children of the couple are Donald E. Saunders of Vicksburg, Miss, Mrs. R. A. Richards of Alton, Ill., Frank E. Saunders of Belleville, Ill., Mrs. A.W. Barbeau and Mrs. Carl Volkman of East St. Louis. They have 10 grandchildren.

"Mr. and Mrs. Saunders are members of the First Christian Church. Mrs. Saunders is a member of the Queen City Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, and the Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen." ■

Angie Alexander, 423 South 141st Street, Tacoma, WA 98444, <alexanag@plu.edu>. The Sanders ancestors I have probably came from the British Isles. My grandmother, Angelia Sanders Bolger (Martinsburg, Penn., abt 1870-1925) was the daughter of Josiah Courtney Sanders, who also lived in Martinsburg most of his life. He was the son of Jonathan Sanders, and there the trail has ended for now. My mother and I have just begun trying to track this and would appreciate any help. ■

Seeking Henry and Hetta Smith Sanders, Both Born in Pennsylvania; Later Moved to Ohio, Iowa

Danella Laes, 2520 S. Linley Ct., Denver, CO 80219, <chachabuny@juno.com> is looking for information on Henry and Hetta Smith Sanders. Henry was born in Pennsylvania (birthdate unknown). His wife, Hetta Smith Sanders, was born in 1804 in Pennsylvania. She died on 21 Jun 1885 in Poweshiek Co., Iowa. They moved to Trumbull Co., Ohio and then later around 1851 moved to Poweshiek Co., Iowa. Henry and Hetta had four children that I know of. There could be more children that I don't know of. The four children were:

1. Rachel was born in Trumbull Co. She married Michael Kistler on 3 Oct 1863 in Trumbull Co., Ohio.

2. Harrison was born on 2 Feb 1838 in Trumbull Co. He died on 21 Jul 1920 in Poweshiek Co., Iowa. I have a little more info on him, but not much.

3. William H. was born on 12 Feb

1841 in Trumbull Co. He married Hilpa Ann Rundle. He died on 28 Apr 1915 in Poweshiek Co., Iowa. I have a lot more info on him.

4. Charles Jacob was born in 1850 in Trumbull County.

William H. Sanders is my gg grandfather. Anyone with information on this family, please contact me. ■

Erasmus Saunders, Welsh Clergyman, Early 18th Cent.

Found in *Eminent Welshmen: A Short Biographical Dictionary of Welshmen*, by T. R. Roberts 1908, Reprinted for Clearfield Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD, 1995. (on pp. 490-491)

"SAUNDERS, Erasmus, 1670-1724, clergyman and author, of Welsh parentage, completed his education at Jesus College, Oxford, graduating M.A. in 1696, and in 1712 he received the degree of D.D. He became vicar of Brockley, Kent, in 1705, and was prebendary of Brecon from 1709 till his death. An inscription was placed to his memory of the chancel of St. Mary's, Shrewsbury. He wrote, *A View of the state of Religion in the Diocese of St. David's, about the Beginning of the Eighteenth Century, with some Account of the Causes of its Decay* (London, 1721), the most important book on the history of religion in Wales prior to the Methodist Revival. This work throws light on the origin of Nonconformity in Wales, and is the basis of much that has since been written on the subject. He is also credited (Rees, loc. cit.) with having written *Short Illustrations of the Bible*, but this is probably the same work as that entitled *A Domestic Charge on the Duty of Household Governors* (Oxford, 1701). ("Dict. Nat. Biog.") See "Gent. Mag.," 1776, p. 47; Watts' *Bibliotheca Britannica*, ii., 883; Foster's *Alumni Oxon.*, early series; Nash's *Worcestershire*, 104-5; Owen & Blakemay's *History of Shrewsbury*, ii., 406; *Archaeologica Cambrensis*, 4th series, x., 72-3. ■

Do You Know of John Sanders in Edgefield Dist., S.C.?

Kathy G. Wells, 425 Evergreen Dr., Hurst, TX 76054, <rebeltrumpet@worldnet.att.net>. Need help with parents and siblings of John Sanders of Edgefield Co, S.C. John Sanders was born ca 1750/65 in Edgefield Dist., S.C. John Sanders died before Sept 1832 in Edgefield Dist., S.C. The inventory of his estate implies they had at least four sons, Moses, Bartley, John, and Joseph Sanders born ca. 1798, and married Emily (?) b.1802/10 S.C. Joseph died 1878/1887 Monroe Co., Ala., and Emily died after 1880 in probably Wilcox Co., Ala. They had several children who lived in Conecuh Co., Ala. Alvina married a Bolton. Their daughter was Sarah Eliz. Sanders b.22 Dec 1835 in Edgefield Dist., S.C., and married John Thomas Wells. They moved to Wilcox Co., Ala. where he was a confederate soldier in the Civil War.

John Sanders b.1750/1765 mentioned above, also had a daughter named Nancy Sanders, who married John Wells. John Wells was born 1780/90 possibly in Maryland. John Wells died in 1845 in Fairfield Co., S.C. leaving a will. Their son was John Thomas Wells, b. Sep 29, 1836 who married 1st cousin Sarah Eliz. Sanders mentioned above. ■

Sent to me by Kathleen M. Davis — Inventory/probate record, dated 1892, of George S. Saunders, an estate appraiser in Jewell Co., Kan. Will send to you if it meets your needs. —editor ■

ASSORTED QUERIES . . .

Dr. Jeanne Barfield, 95 Ardmore Place, NW, Condo 8, Atlanta, GA 30309-4314, <Jrbatjacks@aol.com> is doing research on the Sanders branch of her father's family. John A. Sanders married Kissiah (?), born in 1799, and produced a son, William Marion Sanders, born 4 Apr 1840 in Sharp or Izard County, Arkansas. William married Sara Angeline Allen, daughter of James L. Allen (born Ala.) and Mary Angeline Perry (also born in Ala.) on 14 Feb 1847. Sara Allen was born in Shelby County, Tennessee, near Memphis on 3 Feb 1855, and died 3 Mar 1927 in a community called Lone Oak, Arkansas. Sara and William Sanders were the parents of Owen Sanders, my grandmother, who married James Thomas Ratliff on 21 Oct 1902, in Smithville, Arkansas. She would appreciate help on extending the line backward from John Sanders or any help on this line.

Richard Daly Reddick, P. O.Box 757, Paso Robles, CA 93447, <rreddick@tcsn.net>. Joshua Sanders, b. 1755 Va., m. c. 1775 to Patience Williams; had ten children. Joshua died c. 1810 in Columbia Co., Ga. Revolutionary War service. Believe the children were all born in Columbia Co., Ga. between 1776 and 1790: Nathan, Patience, Reuben, John, Jeremiah, Malachia, Hannah, Mark, Jude, Thomas. Looking for parents to link to and descendants to share with.

Phyllis P. Belcher, 214 Martin St., Lake Placid, FL 33852-7369. I am looking for the parents of Jack (or John) Saunders (b. 1823 Va.,) m. 1844 to Caroline Shirkey (b. 1826 Va.). Migrated to W.Va. where his son Grandvale Gaston Saunders (b. Nov 1846, d. 29 Dec 1904) m1 Cynthia Mays, m2 Matilda Allen, m3 Martha Ann Quigley. I have marriage and death records of this and am trying to get more information on Jack (John) Saunders and Caroline Shirkey. Martha Ann Quigley Saunders is my grandmother and Grandvale Gaston Saunders my grandfather. From some records it tells that Jack (John) Saunders was born in Virginia and his father came from Germany by way of England as what they called debtors prisoners. Any help to extend this information will be appreciated.

Nancy Dempsey, 655 Castle Park, No. 113, Corpus Christi, TX 78418, <shevacloud@aol.com> is looking for John and Cynthia Ann Sanders; know one child, daughter, born in Harrison, Boone Co., Ark., 1908; there were other children. John d. 1916 and Cynthia d. 1918. Seek any information.

Frank S. Bristow, 8943 W. Stetson Place, Littleton, CO 80123-1817, <Greydove@all.net> is looking for a Ellis V. Sanders, Walker County, Alabama. Daughter is Mary Matilda Eveline.

Bob Mount, 1759 Bismark Lane, Springdale, AR 72762 is researching the Sanders family, particularly Griffin Sanders, b. abt 1797 in South Carolina. His family in 1850 census in Cole County, Illinois:

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| Sanders, | Griffin | 53 | SC |
| | Elizabeth | 36 | Ky |
| | Permelia | 12 | Ky |
| | Abraham | 10 | Ky |
| | Elizabeth | 8 | Ky |
| | Melinda | 6 | Ind |
| | Frances | 2 | Ill |

Mrs. Carl R. Saunders, 22552 Scottswood Drive, Franklin, VA 23851-2872, <bsaunders@amaze.net>. I'm looking for the families or information of three Saunders brothers. All were the sons of James Riddick and Diana Ophelia Eppes Saunders of Nansemond Co., Va. I have much more on this family and would like to share.

1. Leroy Eppes Saunders (b. 12 Jan 1856) moved to Pittsburg, Penn. and married Achsah Gillelan about 1883.

2. Hamlin Eppes Saunders (b. 27 Feb 1866) moved to Savannah, Ga. and married Carrie Glass on 9 Mar 1909. They had at least one son: William Glass Saunders (b. 1 Apr 1916, d. 8 Mar 1982 Baltimore, Md. but was buried in Savannah, Ga.)

3. Paul Eppes Saunders (b. 9 May 1868) moved to Tampa, Fla. and married Florence MacDonald about 1890. They had at least one son: Paul Eppes Saunders, Jr.

I would appreciate any information.

I also answer inquiries if any of your Saunders have questions from Southampton or Nansemond Co., Va.

There are at least two other Saunders lines that I have not connected.

Mitch McLaughlin, 3117 Northbrook Dr., Atlanta, Ga. 30341, <mitchann@mindspring.com> is looking for the parents of his ggg grandfather Alsey Sanders who was born in North Carolina circa 1775. He does not know where Alsey or his parents lived in N.C. There is one family story that the Sanders originally came from England or Ireland through Morehead City, N.C. Alsey left N.C. for Georgia about 1803 when he was about 28. He married Elizabeth Newberry 27 Feb 1805, in Green Co., Ga. He drew free land in the 1807 Georgia Land Lottery in Jones Co., Ga. Alsey had seven children all born in Jones County from 1806-20. They were girls—Lurana Kennedy, Marilla Wall, Mary Atkins, and sons—Willis P. (my gg g/f), Micajah, Burton Jackson, and Bluford. Alsey and family moved to Marion Co., Ga. about 1820 and remained there until Alsey's death in 1844. After his death, Willis, Burton Jackson, and Micajah moved to Miss. Bluford moved to Alabama and later settled in Texas. Any help or suggestions on where Alsey and his parents lived in N.C. or how to identify them would be greatly appreciated.

Kathleen Davis, 5676 Ridgeview, Mira Loma, Ca. 91752, <trow-k2@pacbell.net>. Would greatly appreciate any help in finding this Sanders family last known to be in Indianapolis, Indiana. Fredick "Thomas" Sanders, from Germany, married Maud. Their children: 1) Walter Clyde, b. 10 Feb. 1909, came to California and changed his name to Saunders, married Iola Bell Banister; 2) Laurance, may have had son Tom; 3) Peggy, married William Huffman.

Diana Collins Davis, 701 Fairway Lane, Columbia, SC 29210, <ddavis@logicsouth.com>. Her family knowledge starts with Catherine Louisa Sanders (b. 17 Mar 1793 Limbach, Pfalz; m. 24 May 1814 in Germany to Johann Jacob Luther, son of George Jakob Luther and Maria M. Hussong. They had ten children and she died in Deerfield, Illinois 11 Jun 1850. I am interested in learning of Catherine Sanders' parents and siblings and would like to know location of Deerfield, Ill.

Randall Lawrence, 31 Mayflower Lane, Shelton, CT 06484, <rslawrence@worldnet.att.net> is researching his Lawrence line family members who lived in Lawrence Co., Arkansas. What I know is limited to the following. James Lawrence married Loucinda Sanders (b. abt. 1832) on 25 Mar 1849. They appear to have had three children: Mary K. (b. abt. 1851), William C. (b. abt. 1854), and Alice (b. abt. 1858). Mary K. married Henry J. Tucker on 11 Jan 1866 in Lawrence Co., Ark. William married Patsy Patterson. Children of William C. Lawrence and Patsy Patterson:

1. Gaul Lawrence

2. Melburn Alonzo Lawrence, b. 11 Jan 1881 in Lawrence Co., Ark.; married Lula Evangeline Frisbee on 5 Sep 1901 in Lawrence Co., Ark.; d. 12 Jan 1976 in Antioch, Contra Costa Co., Calif.

3. James Pasco Lawrence

According to family legend, the children of William and Patsy were orphaned shortly after the birth of the twins, Melburn and James Lawrence. William M. Sanders (d. 1909) raised Melburn and James. William M. Sanders was the brother of Loucinda Sanders Lawrence. William and Loucinda's mother was Kizziah (b. abt. 1798). I would appreciate any information that will corroborate or expand my knowledge of this line.

Ray E. Leverich, HC 75, Box 109, Chama, NM 87520, <eagle@ravin.net> is looking for information about Martin

Sarah Sanders Died in Hermitage, Missouri, May 10, 1886

The Winter 1998 edition of the *OZark'in* reports the following data was published in the *Hickory County Newspaper* on May 20, 1886.

"In Memoriam of Sarah Sanders who died May 10th at the home of Wm Sanders, 3 miles southeast of Hermitage. She was born in Christian County, Ky. Sept. 22, 1807, a daughter of Oliver and Amy Dark. At age 23 she became the wife of Thomas Sanders and in 1853 they and children emigrated to Missouri settling in Hickory county, four miles North of Hermitage. In 1867 they moved to Crane Creek where William Sanders now lives. Her husband died in 1872 and she has made her home with son William. She leaves two sons and four daughters." ■

Brumett Sanders, (b. abt 1865, d. abt 1930 in Okla. or Texas); m. Nancy Reece (b. 1867, d. 28 May 1931, buried in Yukon, Okla.) probably in Metcalf Co., Ky. in 1883. Children were: Mary Elezabeth (b. 27 Apr 1884 Metcalf Co., Ky., d. 16 Apr 1969 Tulsa, Okla., buried in Okla. City); Anna Belle (b. 7 Aug 1888 Ky.); Herbert (b. 1900 Indian Territory, d. 1905, buried Yukon, Okla.); and Thelma (b. 12 Jun 1904 Indian Territory, d. 1921, buried Yukon, Okla. It has been rumored that Martin left Nancy after the death of Herbert and wandered off, remarried and had a daughter by the name of Velda. She came back to Tulsa in 1968-69 and took care of Elezabeth (Aunt Lizzie) for awhile.

Steve M. Hall 505 South 900 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84104-1302, <perh3976@juno.com>. I would like to contact the descendants of Zenus William Saunders, born about 1843 in Iowa and who m. Lydia Ellen Hall, dau. of Endimyon Hall and Sarah (Hale) Hall of Scotland Co., Mo., on 28 Aug 1866. I would like to know where Zenus and Lydia Saunders died. Also I would like to contact any descendants of theirs. They had five children: Don C., b. abt 1869; Stella G., born and died 1870; Louis H., b. abt 1873; Robert R., b. abt 1876; and Hettie B., b. abt 1879—all in Scotland Co., Missouri.

Amelia Morrow, 17410 Via Del Oro, Fountain Hills, AZ 85268, <amorrow@fas.harvard.edu> is looking for connections to William Henry Harrison Sanders, b. 12 Dec 1828, Hudsonville, Daviess, Ind., m1. Mary Ann Bayless 1850. m2 Susan Mary Smith 1855. Eight kids, incl twins Charles and Jacob, b. Daviess Co, Ind. Fought in Mexican War and in 4th Ind. Infantry in Civil War. Moved to Aurora, Lawrence, Mo. in 1874; d. 9 May 1914. Looking for info on his parents. The census says they're from Kentucky. Family bible says father is "Alfred" from Pennsylvania.

John Sanders, Civil War Soldier, Kentucky

From Mary Donna Foley: Marietta National Cemetery at Marietta, Ga., has over 10,000 Civil War soldiers buried there. Someone sent me the Kentucky men buried there, which includes John Sanders b. unk d. 23 June 1864 Private Co. H, 6th Ky. Inf. Reg.; location of grave C-1953. ■

Do You Have DeVee/DeVie With Your Sanders Line?

Myrna Myres, 1571 W. Cerritos Ave., Anaheim, CA 92802. Do any of you have a DeVee/DeVie in your Sanders line? This name appears in almost every generation of my Sanders line from 1790 to the present. Isaac DeVee Sanders, born in 1791 (probably in Virginia), married Margaret McDaniel in Kentucky in 1811. Margaret was a native of Kenton Co., the daughter and sister of 1812 veterans and died in Union, Ky., in 1882.

Shortly after their marriage, Isaac went off to fight in the War of 1812, taking a minie ball in the shoulder at the Battle of Fort Erie, Penn. He served for the duration of the war, fought in thirteen battles and then walked home to Kentucky when it was all over. Their children were L.D. (1822), Lodwick M. (1827-1884). George McDaniel (1831), and a daughter, Julian (1834-1855). Isaac died on June 31, 1855 on his Kenton County farm.

These Sanders were related to many of their neighbors by the names of Ellis, Leather, Sandford, and Worthington and some may have gone to Morgan Co., Indiana, and on to Iowa in the mid-1800s. Family stories say some were Presbyertian ministers though not the same ones reported to be bourbon-drinking horse racers. I have lots of documented data to share. ■

Joyce E. Oehler, 108 E. Forest Acres Drive, Brazil, IN 47834-6827 needs the parents of James Saunders (b. Ohio, d. 8 Feb 1845 Vigo Co., Ind.), m. Lucinda Lancaster in Vigo Co., Ind., 2 Sep 1827. They had the following children:

Martha H., m. Sanford Henderson
Hiram, d. in infancy
Emily S., d. in infancy
Julia Ann, m. Joseph F. Johnston
Edwin, died in infancy

William Saunders was the administrator of James Saunders' estate. It is quite possible that James and William are brothers, as William Saunders m. Susan Lancaster 28 Jan 1831 in Vigo County, also. It is also quite possible that Susan Lancaster and Lucinda Lancaster are sisters. ■

About This Issue

All queries received from subscribers to date have been included. Let me know if yours was missed. Queries from subscribers take precedence over queries from non-subscribers. Mostly queries from non-subscribers were used this time.

Thanks for the good stories. I had quite a few medium to long stories left over. Keep sending in those stories and other products of your research, but I need a few shorter ones. Also, more good pictures are needed.

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Sondra Bahre, P. O. Box 40, Sparta, IL 62286, <gsrba@egyptian.net>. I am searching for the information on my great grandmother's families. Mother was Mary Sanders, m. George Johnson. They lived in Randolph Co., Illinois in the 1870s. Lulu or Lula had a sister or possibly 1/2 sister, Mable Julia Johnson Ritter. Any information would be appreciated. ■

Lawyer Fights Title Proof With FHA

A New Orleans lawyer sought an FHA loan for a client. He was told the loan would be granted if he could prove satisfactory title to a parcel of property being offered as collateral. The title to the property dated back to 1803, which took the lawyer three months to track down.

After sending the information to the FHA, he received the following reply (actual letter):

"Upon review of your letter adjoining your client's loan application, we note that the request is supported by an Abstract of Title. While we compliment the able manner in which you have prepared and presented the application, we must point out that you have only cleared title to the proposed collateral back to 1803. Before final approval can be accorded, it will be necessary to clear the title back to its origin."

Annoyed, the lawyer responded as follows (actual letter):

"Your letter regarding title in Case No.189156 has been received. I note that you wish to have title extended further than the 194 years covered by the present application. I was unaware that any educated person in this country, particularly those working in the prop-

erty area, would not know that Louisiana was purchased by the U. S. from France in 1803, the year of origin identified in our application. For the edification of uninformed FHA bureaucrats, the title to the land prior to U. S. ownership was obtained from France, which had acquired it by Right of Conquest from Spain. The land came into possession of Spain by Right of Discovery made in the year 1492 by a sea captain named Christopher Columbus, who had been granted the privilege of seeking a new route to India by the then reigning monarch, Isabella. The good queen, being a pious woman and careful about titles, almost as much as the FHA, took the precaution of securing the blessing of the Pope before she sold her jewels to fund Columbus' expedition. Now the Pope, as I'm sure you know, is the emissary of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. And God, it is commonly accepted, created this world. Therefore, I believe it is safe to presume that He also made that part of the world called Louisiana. He, therefore, would be the owner of origin. I hope ... you find His original claim to be satisfactory.

"Now, may we have our [...] loan?"
They got it. ■

How About John Riley Sanders?

Martha Smith, 8930 Elkhorn Road, Springville, TN 38256, <sissys@usit.net> is looking for ancestors and siblings of John Riley Sanders (b. abt 1830, d. 1863 at Andersonville, Ga.) who married Martha Lindsey of Henderson Co., Tenn. Nov 1851. Also looking for descendants of John C. Sanders (b. 22 Apr 1872), Riley Sanders (b. 4 Aug 1884), James F. Sanders (b. 11 Apr 1886), and B. Harrison Sanders (b. 11 Nov 1889) in Henderson Co., Tenn. All these are sons of Wm. "Bill" John Sanders, one of the sons of John Riley Sanders above. These brothers are thought to have gone to Denton, Texas. ■

Need Information on Harvey Sanders

Jack W. Sanders 14305 Longtree Dr., Little Rock, AR 72212 1963, <s2428@alltel.net>. Seek ancestors of Harvey Sanders, merchant in DeValls Bluff, Ark., b. 1857 Madison Co., Miss., m. Elizabeth Loveioy 1895; children: Margaret, Ruth, Elizabeth. His father J. B. Sanders, b. 1834, Raleigh, N.C., m. Ezza Denson 1856 Madison Co., Miss.; lived Des Arc, DeValls Bluff (Prairie Co.) areas; d. in Forrest City, Ark. ■

Margaret A. Martinez, 315 North Linwood Ave., Charlotte, NC 28216-3919 is seeking names/dates of William Sanders and wife Ellen Prentiss Sanders. These were parents of Thomas Jefferson Sanders (b. 3 Jun 1884 and d. 1961 Rusk Co., Texas). Thomas Jefferson Sanders married Emma Bradley and had children Terrill J., Claude, Cecil, and Franklin James Sanders in Rusk Co., Texas. ■

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