APPENDIX C Excerpts from The Heritage of Craven County

Craven County Honor Roll 1861 Article L43

The Craven County North Carolina Honor Roll 1861 was compiled by Alex R. Miller, Captain of K Company, of the Second Regiment of the North Carolina State Troops shortly after the close of the War Between the States. The Second Regiment was organized with the following officers: Charles Tew, Colonel; William Preston Bynum, Lieutenant-Colonel; William R. Cox, Major; Nicholas Collins Hughes, Adjutant; William T. Faircloth, Quartermaster; Louis Hilliard, Commissary; W. H. Courts, Surgeon; George L. Kirby, Ass. Surgeon; Stewart Devane, Ass. Surgeon; Rev. Dr. Alfred A. Watson, Chaplain.

Company "K" Second Regiment: Capt. George C. Lewis; 1st Lieut. Alexander Miller Jr.; 2nd Lieut. Richard Hancock; 2d Brevt. Js. F. Hellen; Sgts: W.J. Streets; Benjamin Cook; James L. Jones; John M. Wise; William B. Bell; Corp: Richard P. Dowdy; Haywood Davenport; Charles Carter; Anson B. Wallace; Musician: Edward J. Parker; Pvts: Samuel R. Ball; Andrew F. Ball; Joseph W. Brinson; William R. Brooks; Calvin Burch; Richard J. Brock; Nathan F. Budd; Geo. W. Curling; William B. Cherry; Fred J. Cherry; Samuel Cuthrell; Lucas J. Dixon; Richard T. Daughtery; Louis H. Evans; William B. Fulford; Charles Fields; William Foskey; Henry Hall; Robt. Hancock; Samuel O. Hyman; Henry J. Hughes; James Hancock; Spencer Harper; Charles F. Hargett; Solomon Howard; Rett (should be Lott) W. Humphrey; Daniel Humphrey; Wiley Higgens; . Freman E. Ives; Stephen W. Jones; George W. Jones; William A. Johnston; John K. Land; Lemmuel S. Wood; Leroy Whitehurst; Benjamin T. Willis; Geo. W. Lamb; Leonidus Lane; John Lewis; Shade Lee; Lucas Landen; John B. McMartin; Jobb E. Mathews; Patrick Mahan; Leonidus J. Moore; Lemmel J. Merritt; James D. Oliver; Thos. K. Oliver; H. C. O'Neal; Barthmew O'Neal; Owen O'Neal; Levi N. Pitts; Chas M. Pittman; Henry L. Palmer; Owen C. Phillips; Elisha Robertson; Hardy Rodman; John Shipp; Samuel R. Street Jr.; Charles V. Squires; Jessee H, Searies; John B. Simpson; John Smithwick; Joseph B. Shines; Wm T. Sparrow; John Vickers; BenjaminWillis.

"I" Company Second Regiment: Capt. Daniel W. Hurtt; 1st Lieut. John P. Dillingham; 2nd Lieut. Edward K. Bryan; 2d Brevt. Sylvester Taylor; Sgts. Wm. G. Bryan Jr.; David W.Hayes; Stephen P. Sparrow; Edward H. Salter; Peter W. Wheeler; Cpls. John L. Bland; Churchill G. Dudley; James W. Hancock; Geo. W. Hall; Musicians Andrew J. Cook; David P. McCullen; Pvts. H. Aldridge; John W. Austin; John Q. Avery; Isaac T. Attmore; John R. Bowers; Geo. W. Blanery; Joseph H. Budd; Edward A, Brock; Edward J. Brooks; Edward T. Bacton; James T. Bryan; John H. Bryan; Joseph B. G. Barrow; W. W. Cook; James Cross; James P. Dowdy; Henry Ellis; Geo. W. Furlgham; Peter F. Felton; Noah Franks; Joseph Green; John L. Guthrie; Daniel Goodfield; Lewis Gaskins; Calib B. Gray: Harvey C. Gardner; Robt. J. Gilbert; John J. Hall; John J. Homer; Benj. J, Heath; Horatio Hancock; Geo. W. Hardison; John L. Heritage; John P. Ives; John H. Jones; James W. Luck; Thos. T. McCotter; Thos. A. Mozingo; Edward McLucklin; James H, Morris; Joel R. Medlin; David Nell; Albert B. Pernell; John D. Pfaller; James Pitts; Aaron Pitts; Alfred D. Rawls; Joseph Rose; John F. Rawls; Joseph H.

Styron; John S. Shaffer; Anson M Swindell; John H. Smith; Bernard Silverbery; John St. John; Edward S. Smaw; Nathan Tisdale; George Trader; William Tippitt; Johnathan D. Wood; William A. Walker; John H, Was; Israel B. Watson; Robt. W. Willis; August Wittr; George E. Vogler.

"F" Company Second Regiment: Capt. Hugh L. Cole; 1st lieut. N.M. Chadwick; 2nd Lieut. B.L. Wethington; 2nd Brevt. H. J. B. Clark; Sgts. John D. May; Daniel W. Lane; Stiphen Lancaster; Andrew J. Taylor; Benj. F. May; Cpls; F. G. Heritage; Miles Blount; W.F. Woods; C.W. Brewer; Musician David Johnston; Pvts. James A. Adams; Thos. Aden; James Averitt; Jessie Arthur; Allen Arnold; James A. Askins; William Averitt; Redding Brinkley; James Brinkley; William B. Butler; Samuel Barclay; Nathan Barrington; Wm. W. Coward; John Drew; Joseph W. Deal; John Dorald; R.J. Daugherty; Thos. B. Flibers; Silas Fulcher; W. Glovier; Furnifold Hawkins; Elijah Hawkins; Silas Hawkins; Henry T. Hawkins; Thomas Heath; Isum Hardison; Stiphen Johnston; Wm. Jacobson; John Cornegay; Thos. Laughinghouse; Southing McCaffity; John McCoy; Joseph O. May; Anson T. Purvis; John Peterson; James H, Powers; Elbert Phillips; Benj. F. Rivers; James M. Reel; Haywood Riggs; Turner Simmons; Becton H. Shute; Wm. H, Shute; John W. Stevenson; Noah Simpkins; David Sutton; Garvel Street; Abel Taylor; Bryan Taylor; Lewis G. Taylor; Abisha W. Willis; Abner Willis; Aasn Willis; James Williams; W. H. Wetherington; James Wetherington; Benj. F. White; Richard H. Wood; James Wiggins.. Abner Wetherington. Died up to Feb. 27, 1862; Levi P. Powers. Wm. J. Averett; Phillip Dixon; J. J. Humphrey; Levi Griffin; Edward Rouse; Churchill Jackson; James Wetherington; Discharged: Ruel Wetherington; J.E. Davis. Z. Fillingam; James N. Shute; Abram Jackson; J. Williams; W. M. Heritage.

"D" Company Fifth Regiment: Sgts, M. J. Malon; S.H. Dirgurd; P. H. Pully; R. W. Fulford; Cpls. R. L. Willis; Chas, Rubbell; W. W. Cassey; J, Lankon; Sgt. Major R. B. Brookfield; Pvts. J. F. A, Ashton; F. S. Barrgert; J. W. Barrow; J. Cambell; John Clark; J. B. Conner; Jessie R. Davis; W. H. Dix; E. M. Dirguid; Geo, W. Dennis; James L. Day; T. Ellison; Wm. H. Francis; Asbury Fach; D. C. Huddleston; D. Barnell; James Hill; J. G. Harreans; Jones; H. Jones; James Jones; J.C. Lockherst; G. W. Lewis; H. Morso; N. Mayo; J. A. Phillips; W. H. Riddett; W. W. Rodgers; James Roberson; James H. Smith; J. C. Turner; J. Springs; J. A. Taylor; W. Jones; R. Turleo.

Company "D" of the Fortieth North Carolina Troops (Gatlin Artillery): Capt. James S. Lane; 1st Lieut, Adam Barrington; 1 Brevt, Henry Hooker; 2nd Lieut. John J. Brubble; Sgts. Willoughby D. Farebaas; W.W. Briggs; Solomon M. Alexander; Jarome B. Sawyer; Albert Ipocks; Cpls, Albert Reel; Chas. A. Miller; Jesse H. Beacham; David Banks; Pvts. R. Barrington; James Batron; Nathan G. Barrington; John S. Brinson; Albert D. Cherry; Thomas P. Cherry; James Caroon; James H. Daw; Samuel Dixon; Benj. S. Dixon; Hyman Daniels; John O. Daw; John Dixon; James H. French; Jesse L. Griffin; W. F. Gordon; Robt. H. Hunnings; John M. Hunnings; Mathew Holton; Lewis Hutson; Thomas Holton; Gibson Ives; John W. Fuland; Thomas Jones; Thomas Jewell; James F. Johnson; William A. Kirnery; John T. Lincoln; John A. Lupton; Thos. L. Liverman; Benj. F. Liverman; John R. Miller; Wm. T. Morris; Benj, W. Morris; Benj. McCotter; Abner Nervell; Malachai Paris; Robt. Phipps; Noa Rice; Fred L, Rice; W.E, Sadler; Bartow Spencer; Anno Squires; Noah R.W. Slade; Michael Sawyer; Thos, R. Spencer; Thos. T. Sawyer; John Sannders; Henry H. Sawyer; Thos. D. Swindell; Johnathan Swindell; Jos B. Tingle; Wm. Tire?; John Toler; Wm. B, Vickery; Chas. C. Whorton; James Whortington; Tilman R. Woodard; Francis T. Woodard; Jesse Weskett; John N. Weskett; J.P. Redding; Wm. Daniel; John W. Tingle; John Cassey; Isaac P. Holton; William Ipock; Oliver Ipock; Hardy Ipock; James Rice; James Catch; John D. Banks; Rily Gaskins; Joseph Fulford; Alex Sawyer; Robt. Jones; Mathew P. Caton; Wm. B. Sawyer; Josiah Hardison; William Insley; Joshua Lee; William Lee; Abner Lee; Allen Gaskins; Major W. Gaskins; Riley Harper; Albert Spruill; John Wayner; John F. Pervell.

Company "I' 10th Regiment North Carolina State Troops: Capt. John N. Whitford; 1st Lieut. John L. Perrington; 1st Brevt. Stephen S. Barrington; 2nd Lieut. Edward Whitford; Sgts. James H. Tolson; John W. Aldridge; W.F. Fisher; Nathan Hooker: Chas. S. Dixon: Corps. Ed. A. Kilpatrick: Beni. K. Mallison: John H. Purvis; Joseph R. Heath; Musicians A.P. Whitford; S. C. Barnett; Pvts. Levi J. Anderson; Nathaniel Bexby (Bixley); E. O. Barrington; John K. Brock; James Bixley; William R. Barrington; Christopher Bixley; John Bright; Franklin Bright; Geo. Bright; Daniel P. Caton; George W. Caraway; Benj. C. Cox; Chas. M. Cannady; Nathan Carolton; Charles Cole; Benj. F. Long; Peter Lewis; Roscue Lancaster; Furney McIntosh; James A. Miller; Ranson Morris; Cyrus J. Mayo; Henry McIntosh; Wm. H. Mills; James Morse; Samuel Martin; Isaac N. Nobles; Benja F. Nelson; James Owens; Jesse Caton; W. G. Carawan; John A. Carawan; Hasten Dixon; Dennis Distall; Wm. B. Dowdy; Henry J. Carwin; Chas. W. Daugherty; Jos. D. Daughtery; Wm. W. Emery; Benj. F. Edwards; John B. Ewell; Wylie A. Ewell; Levi Gaskins; Francis Gilligan; John Gilbert; Riley Gaskins; Franklin Howard; Wm. H. Hill; Thcs. A. Hardison; Furnifold Hawkins; Geo. O. Hawkins; John Humphrey; Geo. Hill; Edward Ipock; Wm. H. Ives; Eliza Jones; David Jones; Luther A. Jones; Wm. H. Jones; Jeriah Jones; Samuel Jones; William F. Jones; Geo. T. Oglesby; Furney Pervell; GeD W. Pervell; Stephen Parse; Hardy Powell; James R. Powers; Henry D. Powell; John D. Riggs; Wylie A. Rowe; Alex Rouse; John W. Rouse; Gideon B. Rice; Robt. F. Stilley; James Swindell; John Sawyer; John F. Symns; Charles B. Stiller; W. F. Teen; Geo. F. Terrett; Solomon Taylor; Smith J. Wise; Geo. Wetherington; Charles A. White; Roberson R. Warren; Aurin C. West; Blunt C. West; Franklin J. Ward; John Ward; Richard Whitford; John A. Williams; Willis Wetherington; Bryant Wayne; Gimles Zetes.

Company "B" 10th Regiment North Carolina Troops: Capt. H.T. Gulch; 1st Lieut. A. C. Latham; 1st Brevt. Thadus Coleman; 2nd Lieut. J. W. Stevenson; Sgts. S.W. Latham; H.S. Lee; Samuel Whitehurst; Wm. A. Ballenger; F.X. Miller; Cpls. J.D. Baxter; C.F. Cox. H. M. Whitehurst; Leven Lee; Pvts. Jas. H. Arnold; Wm. H. Breutcher; James P. Bratcher; Noah Barrington; Geo. W. Broughton; Wm. L. Catch; Carowin Cox; Harry W. Cox; Jessie Cahoon; Gidion L. Caroway; R A. Croon; John W. Dixon; Miller Dixon; David F. Dixon; Zacarah M. Daw; Wm. H. Daw; James D. Night; Willis Ounn; Stephen Elliott; Major B. Fink; Joseph S. Fowler; Dewitt C. Fowler; Stephen H. Fowler; John Fulcher; John M. Griffin; Kilby Gaskins; Harvey A. Gaskins; Churchille Gardner; Joseph Harkett; Joseph Hoover; Samuel J. Hoover; Wm. J.F. Hooker; Lewis D. Henry; Josphus E. Henry; James Harrison?; Major B. Hawkins; John Hartley; Fredrick Hardison; Rufus W. Hardison. Joseph N. Hardis ; John Hardison; Levi Hardison; Elias Holton; David P. Holton; Wm. A. Haskill; James F. Heath; James R. Jewell; A.B. Jones; Geo, M. Lewis; Haywood Lewis; Riley Laughinghouse; B. H. Martin; Stephen F. Morris; Gisborn Morriss; Lawrence Miller; John C. Miller; Wm. P. Ormond; Wm. M. Oglesby; Abner Price; Fredrick Pate; Raymond Paul; W. C. Powers; Robt. Phillips; Wm. Potter; Wm. Rhem; John R. Styron; Joseph Simpson; Wm. A. Sears; Wm. H. Sawyer; Wm. Smith; David A. Swindell; N. W. Tutteton; John Taylor; Ivey Taylor; Levi W. Tingle; Jarimh Tingle; Gibson Tingle; Thos. Toler; John D. Tingle; Roscue Wiley; Jerophens Wiley?; Zorch B. West; Fredrick Wayne; W. C. West; John West.

History of Beech Grove United Methodist Church L79

The following history of the Beech Grove United Methodist Church was written by the late Mrs. Janie K. Arnold and other members of the church.

In 1867 Mrs. John H. Richardson organized a Sunday School on the plantation of her husband. The Sunday School was conducted in a one-room schoolhouse on Mr. Richardson's farm.

As there was no church organization, no pastor was appointed. Rev. N. A. Hooker, however, was called in to preach. He served in 1867 and a part of 1868. Rev. D.W. Porter came to minister in 1868. It was during his pastorate here that the Beech Grove Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was organized in 1871.

Some of the earliest trustees were Messrs. Drew Dixon, Sam Ipock, Daniel Lane, Joseph H. Stevenson and G.T. Richardson, Sr.

The first church building was erected in 1871 and was dedicated November 15, 1876. This building was used until 1915 at which time the present brick church auditorium was constructed.

During these earlier years, a Missionary Society composed of both sexes and all ages was formed. This organization contributed both inspiration and financial assistance to the church.

There was also "The Little Helpers" organization which lasted approximately four years. Through the selling of garments, cake sales, ice cream suppers, etc., this small but busy group was able to help financially.

As the children grew and left, the mothers, namely "The Ladies Aid," took their places, planned, worked and saved with a special end in view- that of "seeing a brick church built to supersede the old frame one."

The Ladies Aid became Beech Grove Missionary Auxiliary in November 1937, remaining thus until the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, The Methodist Protestant Church and the Northern Methodist Church joined forces. As a result of this, the Auxiliary became "The Woman's Society of Christian Service" in September 1940.

In 1968 when the Evangelical United Brethren and the Methodist Church became one, the Society's name was changed to "The Women's Society of Christian Service."

It is interesting to note that over a period of 75 years there were only five Sunday School Superintendents, namely: Daniel Lane, who served 1869-1917; G. T. Richardson; Sr., 1917-1920; J. H. Stevenson, 1920-1930; C. Nixon Mcllwean, 1930-1941; and G.T. Richardson, Jr., 1941-1944. Other Superintendents serving are: Joseph C. Parker; William D. Sugg; Robert Arendell Ipock; Thomas Sugg; Graham Tull Richardson, III; Joseph Allen Ipock; Ray Mcllwean; Graham Tull Richardson, III; Daniel Hartsell; and Daniel Vernelson.

The Men's Club, which gives financial as well as physical assistance to the church, was organized in February 1957.

During the pastorate of Rev. R.L. Fleming, the Beech Grove Parsonage was built and was dedicated during the pastorate of Rev. J.G. Lupton. In 1873 Graham Tull Richardson I wrote of the church at that time. He wrote: Situated on the Washington Road about six and one quarter miles from New Bern on the left hand side of the road going toward Washington is a log school house covered with shingles, a porch in front and a well on the right side going up. Five windows and one door. House built by neighbors 1869. Dedicated June 6 by Rev. Hooker. It is used for the church, Sunday School and every day school.

Years prior to 1924 Beech Grove was one of five churches in the Craven Circuit. Through the years, we have added and subtracted churches until at the present time we are called Beech Grove Charge, comprised of Beech Grove and Rhems Church.

Ministers who have served Beech Grove follow: Rev. N. A. Hooker 1867-1868, Rev. D.W, Porter 1868-1872, Rev. Daniel Culbreth 1872-1876, Rev. T. B. Reeks 1876-1877, Rev. R. C. Beaman 1877-1879, Rev. W. P. McConkle 1879-1880, Rev. J. M. Lumley 1880-1882, Rev. A. McCullen 1882-1884, Rev. W. J. Crowson 1884-1886, Rev. J. F. Washburn 1886-1888, Rev. G. J. Johnson 1888-1892, Rev. A. L. Ormand 1892-1895, Rev. Dr. John L. Sanford 1895, Rev. D. C. Geddie 1896, Rev. W. C. Crowson 1897, Rev. C. O. Durant 1897-1901, Rev. W. H. Townsend 1901-1905, Rev. G. B. Webster 1905-1906, Rev. W. B. Humble 1906-1908, Rev. J. M. Wright 1908-1912, Rev. R. E. Pittman 1912-1913, Rev. J. W. Autry 1913-1917, Rev. Noblett 1917-1921, Rev, D. A. Futrell 1921-1923, Rev. W. L. Dawson 1923-1925, Rev. W. R. Barfield 1925-1928, Rev. R. M. Price 1928-1932, Rev. J.B. Thompson 1932-1937, Rev. W. F. Elliott 1937-1940, Rev. E. W. Downum 1941, Rev. W. A. Tew 1941-1945, Rev. E. A. Brown 1945-1950, Rev. R. L. Vickery 1950-1952, Rev. R. M. Gradless 1952-1953, Rev. R.L. Fleming 1953-1956, Rev. W. N. Bass 1956-1959, Rev. E. J. Bedsworth 1959-1961, Rev. Charles Vail 1961-1962, Rev. Henry Pollock 1962-1963, Rev. V. N. Moore 1963 1964, Rev. J. G. Lupton 1964-1965, Rev. R. D. Shinkle 1965-1969, Rev. Claude Wilson 1969. Since that time there has been Rev. John Butson, Rev. Richard Stanley & Rev. Gaskins. After many years of planning, the goal of an educational building was realized in 1944. Although the results of concerted action on the part of everyone, the efforts of Rev. W. A. Tew, Minister, Mr. C. H. Gochnauer, Architect; and Mr. Joe T. Ipock, Chairman of Finance Committee, were especially noteworthy.

The new education building was completed in October 1971. With thanksgiving to God, the giver of all good and perfect gifts, we go forth to be useful and to serve God, in the local community and the world at large.

Beech Grove Methodist Church Dedication Article L80

After eleven years, Mrs. Townsend and I visited again, October 29th, at Beech Grove to attend the dedication of the new brick church, being the third house of worship erected on this sacred spot. The building is a gem, costing about \$2,500.00, built as if to stand as long as earth endures, it stands as a monument to as loyal and consecrated a congregation as is known in Methodism. The day was auspicious. The sun shone with the soft yellow light on an ideal autumn day, while the variegated foliage of the forest added beauty to the scene. The people came from far to witness the occasion. Rev. J.B. Hurley, the esteemed Presiding Elder of the New Bern District, delivered a thoughtful, forceful sermon from Hebrew 12:27, after which the building was dedicated to the services of God. Three former pastors took part in the dedicatory exercise -- Rev. J. G. Johnson of Selma; Rev. J. M. Wright, Goldsboro; Rev. W. H. Townsend, High Point, and the present incumbent who planned and projected the enterprise, Rev. R. E. Pittman. This is a fitting climax to the four years' labors of this worthy and successful pastor.

The generous members, as is their custom, invited the whole congregation to a rich and sumptuous feast, thus feeding the bodies and souls of the multitude as our Lord did the crowd that followed Him in the wilderness.

At 2:30 P.M. Rev. J.G. Johnson gave the people a spiritual and practical discourse, appropriate to all present. This scribe had the pleasure of preaching at 7:30 P.M. at Clark's Station to an attentive congregation.

It is the quality and not quantity that has made the Beech Grove Church memorable. Brother Daniel Lane, seventy-eight years of age, has been a patriarch among them, who with his consecrated family and the heroic spirits of the Richardsons, Dixons, Stevensons, Humphreys, Crocketts, Ipocks, and others have kept the religious fire aflame for a half century.

Providence has given this leader and servant of God a worthy successor in the person of Daniel Lane, Jr., an efficient young minister of the North Carolina Conference; so the Lord prepares for the present and future generations.

Again, it was our good fortune to lodge with Brother G.T. Richardson, the owner of the noted Bellair farm. This splendid property has been in the Richardson family since 1834, coming by purchase from a Mr. Blount. The original grant bears the seal of King George II of England. The colonial dwelling of red brick is nearly two centuries old, and is a worthy monument to the noble architecture of that day. The building is two stories high with garret and cellar, having four large rooms 25 x 18 feet, two halls, and spacious fireplaces for each room. The wall plastering, window-sash and doors are almost perfectly preserved. The timbers are nearly large enough for a railroad bridge, yet were sawed by an old whip saw, while the walls two feet thick extend six feet into the ground. (The modern architecture could get some good lessons here.) The front door has on it the old knocker of brass, such as I saw in St. Augustine on what was called the oldest building in America. In this home there is a large mahogany sideboard of costly design, once the property of a colonial governor, whose name escaped me. Fancy sums have been offered for these rare relics, but they were not for sale.

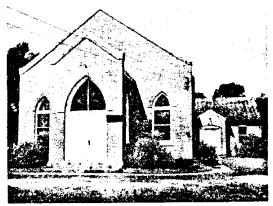
Brother Richardson is a model as well as a modern farmer, and took great

pleasure in showing me over his fine farm. The cattle, horses, hogs, sheep, chickens and turkeys ("kept for friends") were a sight. To see seventy-five sheep at once is a rare sight in the Old North State. His energetic son, Tull, increased our pleasure with auto rides, while his elect lady, though ill to our sorrow, made the home a dream which we men feel but cannot express.

We were permitted to share the splendid hospitality one might with Brother John Humphrey and his son-in-law, Mr. Foscue. The conversation of Brother Humphrey so full of interest and information made the hours fly away.

At Tuscarora, that faithful steward, O. H. Wetherington, gave us a day full of delight by easting us and showing the old friends of the past with his fine "Overland". Alas! Sheriff W.B. Lane, Brice Ipock and James Ipock and Mrs. E.D. Avery had crossed the river. They left their marks and precious memories, and to me also they extended much kindness.

I could only partake of one meal from that real Nimrock, Mr. Thomas Dillon. He can bring the fine game of every variety,



and thrill the dull laymen by telling how it is done, while his fine lady homekeeper makes a feast that would please a king. Here I had the best meal of squirrel enjoyed in ten years. It was a deep regret to decline an invitation to hunt a day and enjoy the fruit of the sport.

Only a few minutes were given to look at Cove City, where we spent four years. The faithful steward, ED. Avery, and the pastor, and Brother Pittman related the changes of the eleven intervening years. The trees planted by our hands in the parsonage yard had grown to be great. Brother Pittman is a good farmer and gardener, his six fine porkers and many vegetables, bearing witness.

To all these noble spirits of Craven Circuit may the Lord grant His present and eternal blessings.

At Goldsboro between trains it was a great privilege to see again the faces of Brothers B.G. and Jesse Thompson, Mrs. Herring and Miss Cora, the children of that soul, W.B. Thompson, and Marcellus Best, son of "uncle" Hinton Best. The blood of the fathers still flows in their children. They had the happy art of blending religion and business. Those heirs of flesh have greatly increased their estates, but the Church is enriched thereby, and it seems, the more they give away, the more they have. Our journey homeward as far as Greensboro was made a delight with the company of Misses Thompson and Cox, enroute to Greensboro College for Women to be equipped for life's mission. God be with all till we meet again.

Elisha Arnold Article 71

Elisha Arnold was born in the Core Creek section of Craven County on August 18, 1793 and died April 27, 1876. On December 13, 1815, he married Susan Smith, born October 26, 1803 and died February 1, 1881. Their marriage bond was signed by Cannon Smith, who was possibly some relation to Susan. It is said that Susan was the half-sister of Caswell Wood.

Elisha Arnold was described by his wife as a farmer with dark hair, blue eyes, light complexion and 21 years of age at the time of his discharge from the army. He served in the War of 1812 as a private in the company of Colonel Nathan Tisdale. He enlisted September 29, 1814 and served until March 21, 1815, when he was discharged in New Bern, N.C.

Shortly after the war, Elisha and Susan started farming in the Perfection section of Craven County. There they lived, raised a large family of six sons and five daughters, and were buried on the same land.

What follows is an account of these children and whom they married. William Arnold (1818), Elizabeth Arnold (9-20-1824), Matilda Arnold (8-24-1827), Louisa Arnold (1828), Lavinia Arnold (1829), James Arnold (1831), Edward Arnold (4-26-1836) Sarah Ann Arnold (1837), John Stanley Arnold (1839), Stephen Arnold (2-6-1842), Elisha Freeman Arnold (5-25-1845).

The William Arnold family will be written about in a separate article in this book.

Elizabeth Arnold married Wiley Avery (8-1818 -- 8-21-1871) on June 15, 1844. They had seven children: Martha Jane Avery (8-14-1852 -- 8-10-1867); Willie Avery (5 weeks); John Edward Avery (1846) married Mary Frances Wetherington (6-23-1852 -- 8-3-1883); A.W. (Augustus Washington) Avery (3-21-1854 -- 12-26-1932) married (1) Huldia Wetherington (7-12-1857), sister of Mary Frances Wetherington (2) Alice Wetherington (6-2-1856 -- 4-6-1941), half-sister of Huldia Wetherington; Lewis Franklin Avery (7-24-1849- 2-19-1902) married (1) Carrie Riggs (7-24-1856 -- 9-12-1890) (2) Annie West; Edward Duncan Avery (8-24-1859 -- 5-8-1919) married Holland Ipock (2-14-1857 -- 3-26-1916); Enoch Lane Avery (12-1-1857 -- 5-17-1918) married Malvina Wetherington (4-1-1867 --8-19-1947). She was the sister of Alice Wetherington; Thomas Avery (1862) married Ida Flowers; Furnifold Pettigrew Avery (1867) married Betty Marshall. Elizabeth Arnold Avery died June 13, 1875.

Matilda Arnold married Newton Moore on February 8, 1841 in Craven County. They had six children: Mary Anne Moore, James Moore, Thomas Moore, Sarah Moore, Elisha Moore, and William F. Moore (2-28-1843 -- 8-24-1876) married Jane Wood (2-18-1846-- 2-7-1916), the daughter of Caswell Wood and Betsy Wright. Matilda Arnold Moore died July 5, 1911.

Lavinia Arnold married Lewis Smith (12-2-1824) and they had seven children.

Lewis Smith (1851) died at Virginia Beach, Va.; Stephen Smith (1857) died young; Harvey Smith (1853) died unmarried; Henderson Smith (1854) married Mary Elizabeth Sauls; Alonza Lucas Smith (1862) married Maria Mercer; Freeman R. Smith (1864) had no children; Oscar (Doc) Smith (1868).

James Arnold married Caroline Matilda Lane Hartley, widow of Joseph Hartley. James Arnold died in 1875.

Edward Arnold married Rachael Bryan, daughter of Fredrick Bryan, on July 25, 1865. They had three children: Sarah (Sallie) B. Arnold (9-23-1866 -- 9-26-1926) married Hugh L. White, son of Jeremiah Whitchcoat White and Penelope Wood, daughter of Caswell Wood and Betsy Wright. Sallie and Hugh White had two sons, Manley White and James Edward White (8-23-1897- 2-20-1973) who married Cassie Civils (2-9-1894) on September 12, 1917; Noah Matthew Arnold (7-14-1868 – 5-25-1919) married Effie Arnold (3-16-1875 -- 3-13-1911) in 1899. Effie Arnold was the daughter of E. Freeman Arnold and Caroline French. Charles Porter Arnold married Julia Elizabeth Arnold, daughter of E. Freeman Arnold and Caroline French Edward Arnold died May 26, 1887.

Sarah Ann Arnold married David W. Porter (12-21-1833 -- 5-24-1902). He was the son of William and Lydia Porter of Carteret County and a Methodist minister.

Louisa Arnold was listed in the household of Elisha Arnold in 1850. There is no further information on her.

John Stanley Arnold married Mary Amanda Formyduval McCoy (12-11-1900) widow of Jesse McCoy in 1867. She was the daughter of Charles Formyduval. They had five children; Thomas Dully Arnold (9-7-1868 -- 9-13-1931) married Pearl Ezzell (12-23-1878 --9-17-1962; John Clifford Arnold (9-21-1971 --9-13-1940) died unmarried; Sarah Arnold died in infancy; Susan Victoria Arnold (12-14-1873--3-4-1900) married W. W. (Will) Porter (4-21-1806-- 5-24-1936) on June 27, 1891. Will Porter's second wife was named Annie. Albert Arnold died at the age of seven.

Stephen Arnold married Virginia G. Stewart (3-11-1846-- 5-22-1925), daughter of James Stewart and Jane Loftin. They had four children, Elisha R. Arnold (1869-1938) married Emma J. Atkinson (1874-1946), daughter of Jesse Atkinson and Martha Gaskins, in 1906; Susan E. Arnold (2-1870); Fannie Graves Arnold (6-5-1876- 4-23-1958) married George Civils (6-6-1869 -- 4-25-1945); Bulah Arnold (1879). Stephen Arnold died June 14, 1901.

Elisha Freeman Arnold married Caroline French (1-25-1844 -- 3-7-1907), and they had eight children. Henry F. Arnold (1869) married Lucy Shipp; Turner C. Arnold (9-3-1882 -- 12-3-1918); Julia Elizabeth Arnold (1873) married Charles Porter Arnold, son of Edward Arnold and Rachael Bryan, on January 31, 1897; Clara Arnold (12-14-1870- 2-22-1956) married (1) C.M. Ewell on August 11, 1890 (2) J.H. Griffin; Caroline Arnold married Hosea Rowe (1879-1946) on June 10, 1901; Effie Arnold (1875) married Noah Matthew Arnold, son of Edward Arnold and Rachael Bryan on July 5, 1899; James Edward Arnold married Lillie Brock; Mary Arnold (1873) married Oliver Hazzard Perry on November 24, 1895. Elisha Freeman Arnold died July 1, 1916.

Four of Elisha Arnold's sons served in the Civil War in the N.C. Partisan Rangers. Stephen and John were captured on December 14, 1862 and paroled 9 days later. On the same day, James was wounded by an accidental shot. Edward served in the same outfit with his brothers. Elisha Freeman, the youngest son, enlisted in the N.C. Local Defense Troops and served from July 12, 1863 to January 18, 1864.

Although this article is far from complete, it does give a beginning to the family of Elisha Arnold of Craven County. There are many of his descendants still living here and in the surrounding counties.

Sources: Craven Co. records, Bible records cemetery records, N.C. Archives and family records.

-- Mrs. Virginia H. Humphrey

William Arnold Article 73

William Arnold was born in 1818 in the Core Creek section of Craven Co. He was the oldest son of Elisha Arnold and Susan Smith. On May 9, 1842, he married Nancy Ipock (1822-1889) in Craven Co. It is said that Nancy Ipock was the daughter of a Moses Ipock. In the 1850 census there was a Lovisey Ipock age 54 living in the household of William Arnold. It is possible that this could have been Nancy's mother.

William Arnold was almost 45 years old and already had a large family when the Civil War started. His father was elderly and needed help with his farm, so, due to those factors he probably did not enlist.

William did not follow in the steps of his father when it came to having sons. He had seven daughters and only two sons. The children were: Susan Arnold (1844); Moses Duffy Arnold (12-6-1845); Sarah Catherine Arnold (12-19-1849); Harriett Lavinia Arnold (5-10-1850); Eliza Ann Arnold (1851); Julia Arnold (10-28-1856); Mary Frances Arnold (10-26-1857); Nancy (Nannie) Caroline Arnold (2-4-1860); William James Arnold (3-26-1862).

The Arnold household must have been busy, tending alarm or maybe more than one, raising a large family, and finding husbands for ail the daughters. From the marriage bonds, the Arnold home was the scene of many of these weddings.

As with all family history it is never complete, but here is some of the information that has been researched.

Susan Arnold married William (Dick) P. Lane (1846-1948), son of Alfred C. Lane and Susan A. Wooten. William Lane married (2) Julia H. Lane (3-20-1872--1960). Susan and William P. Lane had 5 children: Moses Duffy Lane (12-8-1869 - 10-17-1918) married Malvinia Dawson. Moses and Malvinia had two children, Penn Lane and Hobson Lane; Rosa Lane (6-15-1872 -- 11-16-1965) married William Lemuel Barwick on Feb. 3, 1892. Rosa and Lemuel's children were Robert Barwick who married Irma Moye. Robert and Irma's children were Lemuel Barwick (5-10-1900 - 11-20-1971). Johanna Barwick (3-1-1904) married John W. Kilpatrick, Billy Kilpatrick and Betty Rose Kilpatrick. Francis Barwick married Irma Lee Kilpatrick. J. W. Barwick (6-9-1906 - 10-8-1907). Mattie Lou Barwick (1899-1963) married Leinstier Joseph Ipock. Joseph and Mattie's son Lewis married Christine Bland. Annie Lane (1877) married Joseph Kinsey on Sept. 21, 1898. Lonnie Lane (1879-1899), Florence Lane (1874-1875), and Sudie Lane (1882-1882).

Moses Duffy Arnold died unmarried on July 28, 1868.

Sarah Catherine Arnold married Adrian T. Davis (1-21-1850 - 10-6-1887) on Dec 21, 1870. He was the son of Richard and Catherine Davis. They had 6 children: Claude Davis (5-29-1873, 1-24-1895); Marcus Davis (5-6-1875, 2-21876); Drusilla (Zella) Davis (10-13-1877, 11-24-1894); Nannie Davis (4-7-1878, 9-9-1978); Maud Davis (5-1-1880, 10-5-1880); Albert H. Davis (2-7-1880, 2-18-1928) married Nannie J. Ivey (12-27-1878, -1973). She was the daughter of Thomas J. Ivey and Mary Frances Arnold. Sarah Catherine Arnold Davis died November 18, 1913.

Harriett Lavinia Arnold married George Milton Lancaster (7-11-1848, 5-10-1916) on Dec. 22, 1875. Harriett Lavinia Arnold Lancaster died Feb. 12, 1915.

Eliza Anne Arnold married William W. Prescott (7-17-1847, 5-22-1912 on July 28, 1872. They had 3 children: Olivia Javine Prescott (5-17-1874, -1964), W. M. Prescott (8-20-1877, 12-2-1922), and Leon Floyd Prescott (9-10-1875, 5-23-1876)

Julia Arnold married John Humphrey, and they will be written about in a separate article in this book under Humphrey.

Mary Frances Arnold married Thomas J. Ivey (5-21-1855, 11-22-1929) on March 15, 1878. They had one daughter, Nannie Ivey who married Albert H. Davis.

Nancy (Nannie) Caroline Arnold married Walter Cox of Pitt Co. (7-15-1851,12-1-1915) on Dec. 17, 1886. They had three children: William Cox (4-29-1895, 3-28-1928) married Eula Mae Moore (5-18-1898, 3-23-1922). William and Eula's children were Eula Mae Cox and William Wesley Cox; John T. Cox (8-23-1897, 10-2-1928) married Sadie Quinn (1899, 10-27-1978). John and Sadie's children were James Bryan Cox (1925-10-27-1978), Nannie Mae Cox, Gladys Johnson Cox, John Howard Cox and May Ella Cox. Nora Cox married Edward Cox. Nancy Caroline Arnold Cox died May 10, 1928.

William James Arnold married Matilda Daugherty (10-1-1864, 5-1-1864, 5-1-1942) in 1883. William James Arnold died on June 6, 1922.

From the records it appears that William Arnold's two sons did not have any children to carry on this line of Arnolds. William Arnold died in 1886 three years before his wife Nancy.

Sources: Craven Co. records, Bible records, cemetery records and family records.

-- Mrs. Virginia H. Humphrey

Jay Lee Humphrey Article 268

Jay Lee Humphrey, son of John Humphrey and Julia Eleanor Arnold, was born 16 August 1881 in Craven County, died 28 June 1964, in New Bern, N.C. On 31 January 1912 he married Stella Rosa Pittman, daughter of Charles Manley Pittman and Annie Gooding, was born 29 May 1892, died 1 July 1942.

Jay Lee Humphrey, his brother John and sister Clara were educated by a teacher who lived in their home. Later they attended Reedy Branch School. He attended North Carolina A & M College (N.C. State College).

When his father started a dairy, Jay Lee Humphrey would deliver the milk to customers in New Bern by horse and wagon. Later he ran the Clark Brick and Tile Co. for his father and after his father's death. He ran the Carolina Brick Co. at Hymans N.C. for a number of years. He retired from U.S. Civil Service at Cherry Point. He served on the County School Board and several of his sons drove school buses.

Jay Lee Humphrey and Rosa Pittman had ten children: Laura Eleanor born 24 July 1913, died 15 June 1914; Doris Lee, born 21, November 1914; Jay Lee Jr. born 7 September 1916; Harold Bumpas born 1 March 1919; Donald Holmes born 21 September 1920; William Grey born 1 July 1922; James Carroll born 25 December 1924; twins Hal Foscue and Helen Archer, born 18 April 1927, and Charles Manley born 29 June 1930, died 31 January 1931.

Doris Lee Humphrey, born 21 November 1914, married 22 March 1942 Edward (Mac) Charles McCombs born 1915, died 1 June 1983 in Jacksonville, N.C. Mac McCombs was retired from USMC and Maola Milk Co. They have three daughters; Doris Ann, Linda and Katherine.

Jay Lee Humphrey Jr. born 7 September 1916, married 10 November 1936 Nannie Belle Wetherington. He retired from Seashore Transportation Co. 1 October 1981. Nannie Humphrey worked a number of years in a doctor's office and retired February 1981. They have four children; Jay Lee III, Rose Marie, William Christopher and Rex Allen.

Harold Bumpas (Bump) Humphrey, born 1 March 1919, married 1st 4 July 1942 Rosa Bera Westbrook, born 3 November 1921, died 16 February 1971; 2nd Jean Allen div; 3rd Mildred Scurlock Pittman 2 October 1982. Bump Humphrey served as First Sergeant in the Army during WW II. He lived in Farmville, N.C. until 1982 where he was Postmaster of the Farmville Post Office. He retired 26 August 1977. Bump and Rosa Humphrey had one daughter: Beverly, born 31 December 1950, married Rodney Owen and has one child Meridith Owen.

Donald Holmes Humphrey born 21 September 1920 married Helen Price. Donald Humphrey owns Coastal Upholstery Co., and Helen Humphrey has worked many years at Williams Cafe. They have three children; Donald (Duke) Holmes Jr., Charles and Rose Ann.

William Grey (Bill) Humphrey born 1 July 1922 married 30 August 1950 in Granite Falls, N.C. Maclynn Avery Mackie. Bill Humphrey graduated from North Carolina State College and is with Millikin Industries, Spartanburg, S.C. Maclynn Humphrey graduated from Meredith College. They have three children; Maclynn, Monta and William Grey Jr. Bill Humphrey served in the United States Army Air Corps, WW II.

James (Jimmy) Carroll Humphrey, born 25 December 1924, died 25 October

1981, married 27 December 1944 in Centenary Methodist Church Virginia Claire Hamilton, born 7 July 1925. Jimmy Humphrey served in the United States Army Air Corps during WWII. He worked for a number of years for Leggett and Myers Tobacco Co., and at the time of his death he was working for Motorola Co. Virginia Humphrey is working in the library of West Craven High School. They had four children; James Carroll Jr., Daune Claire, Pia Danon and Gigg Kerry born 25 May 1953, died July 1953.

Hal Foscue Humphrey, born 18 April 1927, married 27 July 1946, Martha Hart Simpson. They are written up under James Blades Simpson.

Helen Archer Humphrey born 18 April 1927, married on 26 October 1946, Jacksonville N.C. Meriwether (Meri) Lewis Ferguson Jr. Meri Ferguson owned Ferguson Building Supply. He retired 1971. Helen Ferguson is manager of a Bridal Shop in Jacksonville, N.C. They have three children; Janis Lillian, Eve Alston and Lisa Humphrey Ferguson.

Source: Personal knowledge.

-- Mrs. Hal F. Humphrey

John Humphrey Article 269

John Humphrey was born 1 April 1847, died 13 January 1917 in Craven county N.C. He married on 21 February 1877 in Craven County Julia Eleanor Arnold, daughter of William Arnold and Nancy Ipock, was born 28 October 1856, died 28 January 1912 in Craven County. They were married in the home of William Arnold by Rev. Daniel Culbreth, Methodist Minister. The witnesses were William W. Prescott, G. M. Lancaster and J.W. Stuart. John and Julia Humphrey are buried in a family cemetery at their home in Clarks, N.C.

John Humphrey served in the Civil War. He enlisted 27 September 1861 for the War, and was mustered in at Fort Lane. He was in the 1st Company I, 10th Regiment North Carolina Troops, and Company B 1st Battalion North Carolina Defense Troops (Whitford's Battalion North Carolina Partisan Rangers). On his enlistment he was described as being a farmer 5 feet 6 inches tall.

John and Julia Humphrey were members of Clarks Methodist Church. John Humphrey served as the first Superintendent of Sunday School. His son Jay Lee Humphrey and daughter Clara Julia were active in collecting money to build the church. Clara Humphrey was mar-tied in Clarks Methodist Church.

John Humphrey helped to establish soy beans in this area. He had an ice house and would cut the ice from canals and lakes in the winter. He also sold medicine and would weigh out the doses. His granddaughter remembers hearing her mother talk about her father sewing a man's finger back on after an accident.

John Humphrey bought Clark Brick and Tile Company from Mr. Clark. He ran it for many years. When he opened a dairy, his son Jay Lee ran the brick company.

John and Julia (Arnold) Humphrey had four children: Laura Gertrude Humphrey born 30 November 1877, died 25 September 1897 and is buried in the Arnold Cemetery in the Perfection area of Craven Co., Jay Lee Humphrey born 16August 1881, John William Humphrey born 7 Jun 1884, Clara Julia Humphrey born 2 January 1886.

Jay Lee Humphrey born 16 August 1881, Craven Co., died 28 June 1964 New Bern, N.C. married 31 January 1912 Stella Rosa Pittman born 29 April 1892 died 1 July 1942. Jay Lee Humphrey is written up in another article.

John William Humphrey, born 7 June 1884 in Craven Co., died April 1942 in Carteret Co. married 22 December 1910 Eva Lane Pittman born 14 April 1886, died 15 Jun 1973 Carteret Co., daughter of Charles Manley Pittman and Annie Gooding. She was the sister of Stella Rosa Pittman: John W. Humphrey ran a dairy in Carteret Co. for many years before his death. John and Eva Humphrey had four children. John Humphrey Jr. married Pat Patterson; Hattie Lee Humphrey married Llewellyn Phillips; Marjorie Humphrey married George H. Linnemeier; Robed Pittman Humphrey Jr., Hattie Lee and Marjorie Humphrey graduated from East Carolina Teacher's College.

Clara Julia Humphrey born 2 January 1886 died 24 July 1980 in New Bern, N.C. married 16 November 1906 Haliburton Josephus Fos-cue, born 25 August 1881, died 23 January 1939. Hal Foscue worked for the Post Office for 20 years until his death in 1939. They moved from Clarks to East Front St. in 1921 and Clara Humphrey Foscue lived there until her death in 1980. They had two daughters Sarah Julia Foscue born 20 October 1911, died 1972, married (1) John Lancaster, (2) Floyd Jacobs. She graduated from Peace College and worked many years at Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company. Clara Humphrey Foscue born 19 January 1914 married Elliott Bennett. She graduated from Peace College and worked for many years at Armstrong Grocery Company. Elliott Bennett retired from Alcohol Tobacco Tax Unit of the Treasury Dept.

Sources: Family Bibles, records of Craven County N C., family members and personal knowledge.

-- Mrs. Hal F. Humphrey

Louis Bryant Humphrey Article 270

Louis Bryant Humphrey (1859-1914) married Ida Elizabeth Griffin (1870-1938) on January 9, 1887. She was a daughter of W.B. Griffin and wife of Dover (Craven County), N.C. Louis was operating a general merchandise store in the Sand Hill section of Lenoir County.

Louis was a self-educated man, having only fourteen days of formal schooling. Not only was he a successful businessman, but he also became a licensed land surveyor whose work was in much demand as a surveyor and writer of land deeds. Later he became a farmer.

Louis and Ida made their home in Dover, N.C. He bought and cleared land, used lumber from timber that he cut to build a two-story house for their growing family around the turn of the century. Fourteen children were born to them, four of whom died in infancy. Names of the ten who survived to adulthood and beyond are as follows: Wade Hampton, William Bryant, Tobe Melvin, Mamie, John Herman, Mitzie, Otis, Mattie, Walter Emerson and Cicero Louis, better known as 'Dink'. Tobe, John, Mamie, Mattie and 'Dink' remained in Dover and Craven County. Tobe married Nellie Whitley, and the three sons were born to them are Melvin, Earl and William (Billy). These children have made their homes outside Craven County.

Mamie married William Smith. They had no children. John married Helen Guilord. They had no children.

Mattie married Horace Lacy Lewis. They resided in Dover several years then moved to New Bern, N.C. where he was associated with Durham Life Insurance Company. They had one daughter, Frances, who has made her home outside Craven County.

'Dink' married Serena (Rena) Fitts in 1940. She is the daughter of Emma and the late Rev. Robert N. Fitts who was the pastor of Dover Methodist Church at that time. 'Dink' and 'Rena' had four children: Margaret Ann, Louise Marie, Allen Louis and Donald Lee. Louise and Donald have made their homes outside Craven County.

Margaret Ann married James Randall Creel. They live in Dover with their three children, James Randall (Jamie), Margaret Kay and Pamela Joan (Pam).

Allen married Debra (Debbie) Smith. They live in Dover with their two sons; Robert Louis (Robbie) and Roger Allen.

'Dink' who was a farmer and was active in local school and civic affairs died in 1975. His widow, Rena, lives at the Humphrey home-place in the house built by Louis Bryant Humphrey approximately eighty-three years ago.

The children of Louis and Ida Humphrey who still survive in this year of 1983 are Tobe, Otis, Mattie and Walter. Of these, Tobe remains in Dover, living in the house that he and Nellie made their home. Nellie died a few years ago. Otis lives in Lenoir County with his wife, the former Mary King. Mattie lives near her daughter in Smithfield, N.C. Her husband, Lacy, died a few years ago. Walter lives in Kinston, N.C. with his wife, the former Alice Sutton.

Source: Personal knowledge.

-- Rena F. Humphrey

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