

Crawford County Genealogy

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Stroud Family Seeks Recognition As “First Family In Crawford County”

After spending a week in Mississippi last month (August), I returned home and had a lengthy phone message from Fred Harbison. He said he owned the land once owned by Thomas Stroud and wanted to know if he could get some sort of historical marker designating the site as the “first settlement in Crawford County.” He requested any direction I could give, or point him to someone who could help him achieve this purpose.



Thomas Stroud Cabin

New Location on the Blue River, Crawford County, Indiana
Photo Courtesy of Lance Stroud

I talked with Richard Eastridge, our Crawford County Historian, and he agreed that it would be difficult to “prove” that Thomas Stroud was the first person to settle in Crawford County around 1806. It would involve researching all the land records available in the old records of the Indiana Territory. Also what part did Elisha Tadlock have in this property, for on the sheepskin deed, Thomas Stroud is listed as the Assignee of Elisha Tadlock. According to the

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From: Roberta Toby
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Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2007

Dr. Oliver Belcher had roots in Crawford County

OLIVER L. BELCHER, physician and surgeon at Monroe City, is a member of a family that has been in Indiana for considerably more than a century. The family for the most part has been substantial farmers. The two counties that have known members of the Belcher family have been Crawford and Knox.

Doctor Belcher was born in Harrison Township of Knox County, May 7, 1884, son of Joseph and Isabell (Helderman) Belcher, a grandson of Jeremiah Belcher and a great-grandson of the Belcher who came from Germany and settled in Crawford County in early pioneer times. Jeremiah Belcher was born in that county in 1820. Joseph Belcher was a native of Knox County, born in 1855, but spent the greater part of his active life on a farm in Knox County. He was a local leader in politics. His wife, Isabell Helderman, was descended from the Helderman family of North Carolina.

Doctor Belcher was the second in a family of nine children. He grew up on a farm, attended public schools in Knox County, spent two years in Vincennes University and one year in the State Normal College. His professional training was acquired in two institutions, the first two years at the University of Indiana and the second two years at the University of Louisville, Kentucky, medical department, where he was graduated M. D. in 1908. Doctor Belcher sub-

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ARCHIVES

“We Keep The Books”

The volunteers of the Crawford County Historical Society who work four hours a day, four days a week, from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. at the old court house deserve our thanks and gratitude! At least they have mine!

The Month of July has been slow with only about two visitors for the month. But with all this hot weather, at least we can stay cool in our air conditioned room. During my stay at the archives on Thursday, I transcribe Tract Book Three. As of this month, I am about half way through, just finishing Sterling Township. When Roberta Toby and Ruth Terry “pull their duty” on Mondays, Roberta has been looking through all the old newspapers and looking for items of interest to her and others.

On Tuesdays, Hugh and Evelyn Jackson come in for their shift. Evelyn usually does research on one of the several organizations she belongs to, when she is able. Lately she has had trouble with her eyes and it may require further treatment. Hugh spends his time reading.

On Fridays, Don Standford mans the place. He usually spends his down time reading.

I also thank Edith Key and Roberta Toby and Ruth Terry for filling in for me on at least one occasion.

While we all “do our own thing” during our four-hour stretch, we always await the visitor who needs some guidance in finding their ancestors and we are eager to assist them — sometimes the job gets boring with no visitors!

The Archives will close for the year at the end of September. Visits after that date will be by appointment only.

Thanks again for all your help!!

from your Archives Coordinator.

Oliver Belcher—Continued

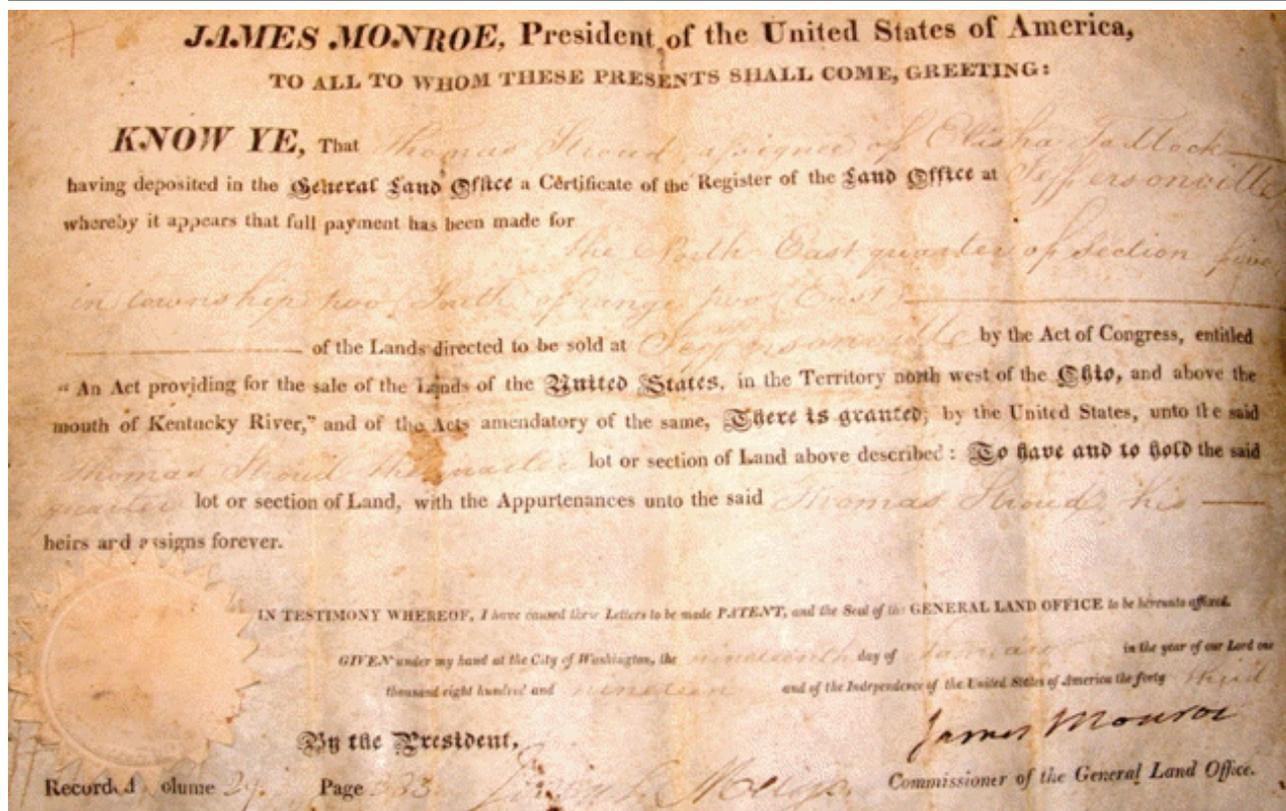
sequently took post-graduate work in Rush Medical College of Chicago. He has practiced his profession at Monroe City since 1908, the only important interruption to his service among the people of that community being during the World War period.

He was with the colors a year and four months, connected with the Tenth Division at Camp Funston, Kansas, as first lieutenant, and was in the Hospital Ambulance Corps and Infirmary Division. He was ordered overseas but the order was cancelled. Doctor Belcher is a member of Monroe City Lodge No. 548, A. F. and A. M., is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the American Legion at Vincennes. He married on September 17, 1904, Gertrude Teverbaugh, of Knox County, daughter of Wesley and Sarah (Marsh) Teverbaugh. The Teverbaugh family is a pioneer family in Knox County, Indiana. Wesley Teverbaugh was a veteran of the Civil war serving with the Union Army, from Indiana. He followed farming all his life and died in 1901 and his widow survived until 1917. The two daughters born to Doctor and Mrs. Belcher are: Cecil Marie, a member of the class of 1932 of Indiana State Normal at Terre Haute in art and music, and Goldie Jewel, member of the class of 1933 in the same Terre Haute institution.

Doctor Belcher is a member of the Knox County, Indiana State and American Medical Associations. In 1927 the doctor visited Belgium, France and Switzerland and took a post-graduate course at Heidelberg University, Heidelberg, Germany.

John H. Weathers reference cited:

Thomas Stroud was listed as the first settler of Crawford county by a young Crawford county attorney and historian John H. Weather in 1889, after publishing a “Crawford County History”. I quote: “There were pioneers in what is now Crawford County—hunters and adventurers were here as early as 1804, among them John Peckinpough, but none of them settled permanently in that year. In 1806, quite a number of families came to southern Indiana. One man settled on the Cider Fork of Whiskey Run Creek in what is now Whiskey Run Township. This was Thomas Stroud. He must, therefore, be accounted the first settler of Crawford County, having settled in March 1806.”



Above: The original deed for the property settled by Thomas Stroud.

Copied from the Stroud internet site.

Thomas Stroud — Continued

dictionary, assignee means: 1) A party to which a transfer of property, rights, or interest is made. Or 2) One appointed to act for another; a deputy or agent. Since Thomas lived on this property for several years is pretty good proof that he did in fact purchase the property. And that he later sold the property is further proof of ownership.

While the internet article cites the small booklet of a Crawford County history that deals mostly with the caves of Crawford by John H. Weathers, 1889, and the fact that he mentions Thomas Stroud as the first settler in Crawford. However, the more thorough history of Crawford by H.H. Pleasant, dated 1926, does not even mention Thomas Stroud, but instead mentions the Walker family who settled near the mouth of Blue River in 1806.

Other Crawford names which were in the Indiana Territory in the 1807 Census of Clark

County were: John Ruth, David Stewart, Joseph Bowman, William Patrick, William Bullock, Peter Bloom, John Coons, James Scott, John Prather, Samuel Walker, George Jones, William Woolley, James Lemon, Peter Smith, James Wood, and more. More noteworthy of this 1807 census is that there is no listing for a Thomas Stroud or Elisha Tadlock!!

There is no doubt that Thomas Stroud was an “early settler” in Crawford County — but there are lots of questions as to who was the first settler in this portion of Indiana that came to be called Crawford County.



Tombstone of Thomas Stroud had to be dug for in order to be re-assembled by his descendants.

Photo from Internet.

Thomas Stroud Genealogy

Thomas was born in 1772, in Randolph county, North Carolina. He died near Marengo in 1852, one day after his wife Jane, and is buried in the Old Section of Marengo Cemetery. Their tombstones are located there and have been restored. Today, many Crawford county families carry the Stroud name.

The legend is Thomas used the Johnson Cave as a shelter for his family while building his log cabin in March 1806. Until 1968, the cabin remained standing on the Jesse L. (Buddy) and Estell Crecelius farm (now owned by Fred Harbison), and was located northeast of Marengo on Baylor Road. My cousin, Daniel Crecelius, and I would play in the log cabin when we were young boys. The cabin was then relocated, by Lowell and Betty Seacat, on property north of Milltown, near the Blue River where it remains today.

Thomas Stroud had many relatives who served in the military. Elder brother Jesse Stroud (1755-1812) was believed to have enlisted in 1781, with the militia under Captain John Hinds in Randolph county during the American Revolution. Jesse Stroud lived in Floyd county, Indiana, was born in North Carolina and died the same year as his father, Abraham. He was buried in Schrader Taylor Cemetery near Greenville, Indiana.

Thomas lost three grandsons who were killed in the Civil War, of which sons Abraham lost one and William lost two. Thomas' son, Riley and Nancy Key Stroud also had a son, Aniel (1840-1920), who served in the Civil War. Aniel Stroud mustered in, June 1861, served in company G, 13th Regiment, Indiana Volunteer Infantry; re-enlisted December 1863, company B, 13th Regiment, as wagon master. Later, in December 1864, he transferred to company D, of the same regiment. Aniel returned from the Civil War to become a farmer in Liberty Township in Crawford county, Indiana. Aniel and Cynthia Denton Stroud had three children: Gertie, Raymond, and Russell. Aniel is buried in the Milltown Cemetery in Harrison county, Indiana with other family members.

Abraham's sons were: Isaac Stroud, 49th Indiana Infantry, Co. E, killed in action in Carrollton, La., 16 August 1863. Burial place is unknown. Simon Stroud (1840-1913), 81st Indiana, Co. A, was honorably discharged 13 June 1865. He then returned home to marry Elizabeth Brown and become a farmer. They had four children. Simon died 8 March 1913.

William's sons were: Elisha Stroud, 81st Indiana, was killed in action at Lookout Mt., Georgia, 7 September 1863. His body was returned for burial at Walton Cemetery in Washington county near Hardinsburg, Indiana; Barnett Stroud died in General Hospital, Bowling Green, Ky., 22 August 1862. He was buried at Old Unity Cemetery in Posey Township, Washington county, Indiana.

William had two other sons: Annel Stroud (1835-1901); John Stroud (1832-1866). (half brothers of Elisha and Barnett Stroud) Annel served in 13th Indiana Infantry during the Civil War. Annel and wife, Martha, had one child while living in Harrison county, Indiana. Annel's second wife, Elizabeth Moon, gave him 3 children. They resided in Green Springs, Vernon county, Missouri. Annel is buried in the Sandstone Cemetery in Vernon county. John also served in the 13th Indiana, Co. C. He enlisted 8 February 1864 and was discharged 5 September 1865. He married Louisa Ott and together had one son, Hezekiah. John Stroud died at home, 18 April 1866.

John (brother of Thomas) had three grandsons serving: Andrew J. Stroud, 49th Indiana Infantry, Co. A. He died on 10 February 1863 at Young's Point, La. Burial place is unknown; Andrew's brother, George Stroud, also of the 49th Indiana Infantry, Musician Co. A, was discharged on 7 March 1863, at Young's Point, to return home in Patoka township, Crawford county, Indiana, as a farmer. The parents of these young men were Wesley and Winifred (Key) Stroud, also of Patoka township.

Henry Stroud (1844-1926), son of Isaiah and Alia Ann Highfill Stroud, served in the 53rd Regiment of Indiana Infantry, from Patoka township near Taswell in Crawford county. Henry married Rachel Eastridge on 5 April 1866, after discharge from the regiment, raising four children Mary, James, Samuel and Ida.

Jesse Stroud (brother of Thomas) and his wife, Jane Field Stroud (1769-1859), had four grandsons, three in the Army of the Confederacy: Samuel Stroud, 30th Regiment, Texas Cavalry; Stephen Stroud, 1st Texas Partisan Rangers, Co. A; George Stroud, serving in 15th Baylor's Regiment; and one in the Union Army. Joab, the son of Neil and Mary Lewis Stroud. This family lived in Marion township, Lawrence county, Indiana. Joab served in the 16th Indiana Regiment of Volunteers. He was married three times, the last to Maria Fitzpatrick, 11 April 1896.

The Stroud family clearly paid a heavy price with many of its young men lost, fighting in the great battles of the Civil War.

John Stroud (1765-1847) and wife Mary had nine children, with Isham being their first born. After the War of 1812, Isham and wife Sarah (McCrary) Stroud resided for many years in Crawford county according to military records, rearing eleven children, then later in life moving near their daughter, Susan, in Southeast township, Orange county, Indiana.

During the War of 1812, Isham Stroud (1789-1860), was an early settler of Harrison County, Indiana. On 12 September 1811, less than a month after his marriage, he volunteered in Corydon, Harrison County, Indiana, as member of Spence's Yellow Jackets, so called

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Thomas Stroud Log cabin built in March 1806, which remained on site until 1968. Pictured Jesse L. (Buddy) & Estell Crecelius.

Photo Courtesy of Lance Stroud

for the yellow trimmings on their uniforms. They were mounted riflemen of the 4th Regiment of the Indiana Volunteer Militia, under General William Henry Harrison. He served as a fifer (musician) in Capt. Spier Spense's company and was wounded on 7 November 1811, in the Battle of Tippecanoe and was discharged 23 November 1811, at Shakertown, Indiana. Isham's wound was caused by a bullet which passed through his left hip and resulted in the contraction of the muscles. He was believed to have arrived in Indiana in 1806, with Thomas, Jesse, and John his father, settling in Harrison County.

More about Isham Stroud and the Battle of Tippecanoe.

For an enlarged map of the site of the Tippecanoe Battlefield.

"Why would Thomas Stroud and family travel from North Carolina to Southern Indiana?" would be a reasonable question. A possible answer may be: Indiana was a territory at that time and in order to reach statehood, 60,000 people needed to be in the territory. Therefore, land prices would have been low. The southern states also may have lost many residents to the Indiana Territory because of slavery which they could not accept. In any case, the Thomas Stroud family and others traveling to Indiana Territory from North Carolina were true early pioneers who prepared the way for all Americans today.

The following is a list of my Stroud ancestors:

Thomas and Jane Stroud had eight children, with Annanias Stroud (my direct ancestor) being his second child (1815-1888); Annanias and Mariah had nine children with John Calvin Stroud being the third child (1840-1917); John Calvin and Louisa had seven children with Virgil Stroud being the fifth child (1873-1947); Virgil

and Emma Jane had seven children with John Floyd Stroud (my beloved grandfather) being the fourth child (1903-1981); John Floyd and Lois had two children with one being my father, Lester Dale Stroud (1928-2005); Lester Dale married my dear mother Norma.

My wife, Charlla and I have two sons Lonnie and Lucas Stroud. My grandchildren are the 9th generation of the Stroud family in Crawford county and the 12th generation in the New World. I have research information on many branches of the family that I am willing to share, if any of the Stroud family is interested. I have a sheepskin land deed dated 1819, and a photo of the old log cabin that Thomas Stroud built in 1806.

Lance Stroud, May 2007

Read more on-line at — <http://www.frontier.net/~pmmross/stroudsaga1.htm#links>

Communications

From: "Pat" <patstrees@sbcglobal.net>

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Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2007

Larry, Here is some additional Poe family information concerning the descendants of Jacob Poe and Indiana Boston. Jacob was one of the sons of Jeremiah Poe and Hannah Doan and there was information on Jacob in your previous Poe genealogy but this information would be the family groups of Jacob's children. Don't feel that you have to use this in your newsletter since you covered so much before. I just had it and thought I would pass it on. Any additions or corrections from your readers would be appreciated.

Thanks for sharing so much information that would not ordinarily be available for us.

Pat Lanning

Families of Jacob "Jac" POE

Jacob "Jac" POE, son of Jerimah Poe and Hannah Doan was born c. 1809 in OH, and died Aft. 1880. He married (1) Indiana BOSTON 28 Sep 1829 in IN, Floyd Co., daughter of Benjamin BOSTON and Sarah Looney. She was born 1810 in KY/IN, and died Bef. Sep 1867. He married (2) Sarah Brown JENKINS 27 Sep 1867 in IN,

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Crawford Co., daughter of Jeremiah JENKINS and Martha SPENCER. She was born Bet. 1828 - 1832 in IN, Crawford Co..

Children of Jacob POE and Indiana BOSTON are:

1. Sarah "Sallie" POE was born 23 Jul 1830 in IN, Floyd Co., and died 26 Dec 1883 in IN at 53 yrs 5 months and 3 days. She married (1) Abraham FUNK 03 Mar 1853 in IN, Crawford Co., son of John FUNK and Rebecca PAGET. He was born c.1826 in IN, Harrison Co., and died c.1859 in IN. She married (2) William PAGET 08 Sep 1861 in IN, Crawford Co., son of James PAGET and Anna GASSAWAY. He was born 06 Feb 1821 in KY, and died 01 Mar 1891 in IN at 70 yrs 23 days.

Children of Sarah POE and Abraham FUNK are:

i. Hannah FUNK, born c. 1854 in IN; died 1877. She married William James BULEY 11 Sep 1872 in IN, Pike Co; born c. 1846 in IN; died Bef. 1880.

ii. Nancy Elizabeth FUNK, born 07 Mar 1855 in IN; died 03 Apr 1932 in IN. She married John I. JACOBI c. 05 Sep 1874; born 13 Apr 1847 in Germany; died 19 Dec 1928 in IN, Floyd Co..

iii. Lucinda FUNK, born Apr 1856 in IN; died 1925. She married Nicholas SCHAD 16 Aug 1881 in IN, Floyd Co Book 8 page 241; born May 1856 in IN; died 11 Feb 1918 in IN, Floyd County H-10 92.

Children of Sarah POE and William PAGET are:

i. Emily A. "Emma" PAGET, born 1866; died Bet. 1887 - 1894 in ? bef 1894. She married David H. KEY 29 Sep 1881 in IN, Crawford Co.; born Feb 1856 in IN; died 1904 in IN, near Asher.

ii. Ida May PAGET, born 15 Apr 1867 in IN, Crawford Co., Whiskey Run Twp.; died 20 Sep 1947 in IA, Clinton Co, Clinton. She married Elisha Emanuel POE 05 Oct 1884 in In, Crawford Co.; born 10 Sep 1865 in IN, Crawford Co., Milltown; died 06 Feb 1941 in IN, Harrison Co..

iii. Laura Isabelle PAGET, born 10 Nov 1869 in IN, Crawford Co., Milltown; died 27 Jul 1935 in IN, Marion Co., Indianapolis; 48 S. Denny St.. She married (1) Leonidas Sheridan PAYTON 17 Feb 1884 in IN, Crawford Co.; born 08 Sep 1865 in IN, Crawford Co., Milltown; died 19 Feb 1927 in IN, Floyd Co., New Albany. She married (2) Sherman SAPPENFIELD 23 Aug 1928 in IN, Harrison Co., Milltown; page 564; born 04 Mar 1868 in IN, Harrison Co., Depauw; died 07 Apr 1934 in IN, Harrison Co., Blue River Twp., Ramsey.

iv. William PAGET.

v. Ira PAGET.

vi. Abraham PAGET.

2. Nancy POE was born c. 1832 in IN, and died 29 May 1881 in IN, Pike Co.. She married Baron Decalb

BLALOCK 05 Jul 1848 in IN, Crawford Co.(license), son of Richard BLALOCK and Nancy STEEN. He was born 22 Dec 1821 in NC., Burke Co, Walker, and died 02 Jun 1881 in IN, Pike Co..

Children of Nancy POE and Baron BLALOCK are:

i. William W. BLALOCK, born c. 1849; died Bef. 1945.

ii. John W. BLALOCK, born 22 Jun 1851 in IN, Washington Co.; died 24 Jul 1908 in IN, Washington Co..

iii. Sarah E. BLALOCK, born 11 Sep 1853 in IN, Crawford Co; died Bef. 1945.

iv. James David BLALOCK, born 1855; died Bef. 1945. He married Emma J. BOSTON 08 May 1877 in IN, Harrison Co..

v. Mary Ann BLALOCK, born 1858; died Aft. 1945. She married unknown HOTEN.

vi. Lucinda C. BLALOCK, born 20 Sep 1860 in IN, Crawford Co; died Bef. 1945.

vii. Nancy Ellen BLALOCK, born c. 1863; died Bef. 1945.

viii. Baron Dekalb BLALOCK, Jr., born 25 Mar 1865 in IN, Washington Co., Fredericksburg; died 09 Jan 1945 in KS, Ford Co., Dodge City. He married Enthora V. HANCOCK 30 Aug 1894 in IN, Harrison Co..

ix. Nathan Kimball BLALOCK, born 1867; died Bef. 1945.

x. Hannah J. BLALOCK, born 1871; died Bef. 1945.

3. Elizabeth POE was born Jul 1833 in IN, and died 1903. She married Samuel JENKINS 01 Mar 1873 in IN, Harrison co.. He died c. 18 Jul 1892.

Children of Elizabeth POE and Samuel JENKINS are:

i. unknown JENKINS.
ii. Alice P. JENKINS, born Feb 1874.

iii. Margaret E. JENKINS, born c. 1876; died Bef. 1900.

iv. Jonathan S. JENKINS, born Sep 1877. He married Della WINGLER 18 Mar 1900 in IN, Washington Co.

4. John POE was born Feb 1836 in IN, and died Aft. 1900. He married (1) Lettie GARDNER 17 Sep 1854 in IN, Harrison Co.. She was born 18 Apr 1837, and died 31 Oct 1861. He married (2) Cynthia Ann SUTTON 1862 in IN, Crawford Co.; Book C page 66. She was born c. 1835 in IN, and died Bef. 1900.

Children of John POE and Lettie GARDNER are:

i. Jesse POE, born 01 Sep 1855; died 23 Apr 1902.

ii. Phebe Jane POE, born c. 1858. She married William H. CRECELIUS 31 Aug 1876 in IN,

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Harrison Co. book H page 98.

iii. Mary POE, born 11 Oct 1861; died 20 Oct 1861.

Children of John POE and Cynthia SUTTON are:

i. Jacob POE, born May 1863. He married Sallie HORNER 26 Feb 1890 in IN, Washington Co; Book K page 107; born Oct 1866.

ii. Louisa POE, born 1866.

iii. James H. POE, born 22 Aug 1869 in IN; died 01 Nov 1931 in IN. He married Margaret Catharine "Katie" BITNER 28 Oct 1888 in IN, Harrison Co.; born 07 Jul 1869 in IN; died 04 Dec 1927.

iv. Albert POE, born 1872; died 1947. He married Nancy CASEY 1894 in IN, Crawford Co; Book F page 411; born Apr 1877; died 1949.

v. Nancy A."Nannie" POE, born Aug 1874. She married Olliver LOFTON 08 Nov 1891 in IN, Washington Co.; Book K page 26; born Feb 1866.

vi. Ettie POE, born Nov 1877. She married Roy CRANDALL 04 Oct

1897 in IN, Washington Co; Book L page 221; born Jun 1872.

5. Hannah POE was born Mar 1838 in IN, and died Bet. 1900 - 1904. She married John Eli FUNK 28 Jan 1858 in IN, Harrison Co. book C page 406, son of Reuben FUNK and Lucinda SPENCER. He was born 29 Nov 1835 in IN, Crawford Co., Milltown, and died Aug 1919 in IN, Crawford Co., Milltown.

Children of Hannah POE and John FUNK are:

i. Andrew W. FUNK, born Oct 1859. He married Sallie K..

ii. Mary A. FUNK, born c. 1861.

iii. Charles M. FUNK, born Aug 1862. He married Ursula.

iv. Jonathan T. FUNK, born Jul 1864. He married Leora.

v. Barbra E. FUNK, born c. 1869.

vi. Lucinda E. FUNK, born c. 1871.

vii. Florence B. FUNK, born c. 1873.

viii. Estella M. FUNK, born c. 1875.

ix. Walter W. FUNK, born Mar 1878.

6. Jesse "Jess" POE was born c. 1840 in IN, and died 18 Nov 1897. He married Nancy ROBOLT 06 Mar 1859 in IN, Washington Co; Book G page 67, daughter of Philip ROBOLT and Anna. She was born c. 1840 in IN.

Children of Jesse POE and Nancy ROBOLT are:

i. Sarah A. POE, born 1860. She married Joseph S. GILLEY 27 Jun 1880 in IN, Pike Co book 6 page 580.

ii. George I. POE, born 1862.

iii. Jonathan S. POE, born 24 Jun 1866; died 19 Dec 1904. He married Ella INGERSOLL 07 Jun 1890 in IN, Pike Co.

iv. Finis POE, born 1869.

v. Virginia POE, born 1872.

7. William POE was born 01 Apr 1842 in IN, and died 05 Apr 1842.

8. Lucinda Jane POE was born Jun 1843 in IN, Harrison Co., Fredericksburg, and died 08 Jun 1912 in IN, Crawford Co., Milltown. She married Edward A. RAWLINGS Aft. 1860, son of John RAWLINGS and Malinda ROBY. He was born 1836 in IN, Washington Co., and died 1885.

Children of Lucinda POE and Edward RAWLINGS are:

i. Minnie B. RAWLINGS, born 11 Feb 1867; died 11 Nov 1894. She married William H. STROUD; born 19 Oct 1863; died 21 Sep 1942.

ii. Lillie S. RAWLINGS, born c. 1869. She married ROLL.

iii. John T. RAWLINGS, born 1871 in IN; died 1942. He married Lissie E. LIMEBERRY 15 Apr 1899 in IN, Orange Co.; born c. 1875.

iv. James William RAWLINGS, born Bet. 1868 - 1874 in IN; died 1926.

v. Melinda "Maude" RAWLINGS, born Mar 1877. She married Wilbur WALK c. 1897 in IN, Harrison Co.; born Nov 1871.

vi. Leora Monzelle RAWLINGS, born 1881; died 27 Jan 1976. She married George C. BURRELL.

9. Jonathan "Jont" POE was born Oct 1845 in IN, and died 31 May 1913. He married Mary E. JENKINS 06 Jul 1873 in IN, Harrison Co., daughter of Elisha JENKINS and Caroline BOWMAN. She was born May 1852 in IN, and died 17 Dec 1906.

Child of Jonathan POE and Mary JENKINS is:

i. Rosa A. POE, born Jan 1881 in IN.

10. Mary E. POE was born Sep 1848 in IN. She married William P. MORTON 25 May 1883 in IN, Harrison Co. May 25 1883 H-38 8, son of Pius MORTON and unknown Boston. He was born Bet. 1846 - 1849.

Children of Mary POE and William MORTON are:

i. son MORTON, born 28 Feb 1883 in IN, Harrison Co.

ii. Corda MORTON, born c. 1886. She married Andy FISHER.

iii. William MORTON, born 1887.

iv. Levi MORTON, born 27 Mar 1889. He married Laura CLARK 30 Mar 1914 in IN, Floyd Co..

Communications

About Alonzo Belcher

From: DeRuFrye@aol.com

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Larry,

As well, I may be able to add some information to the question on page 34 of the Alonzo Belcher situation. I'm sure he was not a Belcher but a Clark.

I went to Washington, IN, Daviess County, last summer with one of my Belcher cousins and we dug into a lot of stuff. I made a book up thru Jesse Belcher and Sarah Kellams (have copy of their marriage license) for my other cousin who lives in Iowa. I think I have some listings that I kept. I gave him most of the stuff.

But it seems that William Washington Belcher (son of Jesse & Sarah Kellems Belcher) was married three times. He m. 08 April 1905, W #1 Louise Shaner, d. 18 May 1912 of Pulmonary Tuberculosis, age 25, buried Aikman Creek Cemetery per death certificate. Louise is the mother of my two Uncles-Alvin & George by marriage. (I have a photo of William W. and Louise Shaner Belcher if anyone is interested.)

Marriage # 2 was to a Mary_____. (Will have to check with my cousin on this.)

Then William W. married 20 July 1928 wife #3 who was Sinnie Adaline Clark b. ca 1866.

Sinnie Adaline had been married to a William Clark. The newspaper article talked about William Clark leaving and going somewhere-can't remember. So don't know if he died or Sinnie divorced him seems like we found where she divorced him, not sure. Maybe he never returned. I will have to ask my cousin. Sinnie and Clark had a son Alonzo Clark. Therefore Alonzo was a half brother to Alvin and George Belcher, sons of William Belcher and Louise Shaner.

We found Alonzo C. Clark, Sept 10, 1906 (b or d, not sure) buried in Mt. Gilead Cemetery and we think it is Daviess County, IN. We drove and drove with directions

from a person in the Health Dept. and think we stayed in Daviess County but not sure. Several other Clarks are buried there but no record of William W/ Belcher. We have reason to believe that Sinnie married again as there is a stone there that says Sinie Clark Kaericher, 1877 (April 11, 1958) (have photo). Sinnie would have been about 81 years old when she died.

There is an interesting family story about the death of William W. Belcher, d. 15 Oct. 1930 age 53 years from fracture at base of skull, result of fall. Death Certificate says buried in Mt. Gilead Cemetery but no record can be found of him there. A newspaper story tells of his getting into a fight with another man, getting hit, falling in an ice house where he worked and later dying. No one knows where Sinnie buried him. Supposedly (according to story handed down in the family) she took him off, didn't tell the family and no one that I'm related to in the Belcher family knows where he is buried. There is no stone in Mt. Gilead for him and no record in the published book record of Mt. Gilead that an elderly member of the church let us look at and copy some information. William W. Belcher's obituary out of the newspaper also listed a Ulysses A. Clark, (9 Nov. 1910-19 April 1970-on stone in Mt. Gilead Cemetery), as a stepson. Apparently Sinnie and William Clark has at least two sons Alonzo, and Ulysses plus three daughters (see below)

My cousin has a written page from his Dad, Alvin, stating that the family lived in a Henry White House in Daviess Co. two times and that bro. George was born there. He states that shortly after he was born the family moved away and the Wm Clark family moved there. Mrs. Clark who years later became my step mother. Their oldest son Alonzo was born there. We have reason to believe from the census that William W. was possibly a boarder in Mrs. Clark's house before he married her.

William W.'s obituary stated that he was born in MO on 15 April 1877 and died 15 Oct. 1930, age 53. He married twice previously and his first wife died several years ago. He married 20 July 1938 Sinnie Clark.

Marriage 1 childred surviving: Alvin Belcher, George Belcher and Fern (D/B)elcher all of Washington, IN and Rosetta Anberry of Akron, OH.

Surviving stepchildren: Mrs. David Reel Washington RFD3; Mrs. James Greenwell, Vincennes, Cecil Quben, Washington; Ulysses B. Clark of West Washington.

Others Surviving: Mrs. Mary Myers-Mother; bro. Mr. John Belcher of Lintoh; sister, Mrs. Frances Wratten of Washinton and 2 grandchildren.

If you have Stephen Tuttle's e mail address you can send him this. I remember seeing a query on the internet a couple of years ago where a Tuttle was looking for information on the Belcher's. Of course, there is no e mail address unless one answers the query.

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MORE On Alonzo Belcher

I also have some photos that no one knows the identity of but the men in the photos sure look like the Belcher's we know. I can share them if anyone is interested. They came from my cousin who is a Belcher in Iowa left from his mother and father's photos. Of course, no names or clues just the features.

I will double check this information when I'm more alert as it is now 1:30 a.m.

Deanna Frye

Simpson Chapel Cemetery

I had a query this week (Aug 20th) about this cemetery in Liberty Township.

From: "Carol or Billy" <carolbilly94@bresnan.net>
To: "Larry Burmeister" <burmeisterlarry@yahoo.com>
Subject: Simpson Chapel
Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2007 22:53:50 -0600

Larry:

Do you know of anyone that might have an old photo of this cemetery? Mary Douthit Sloan wife if Benjamin Neal Sloan is suppose to have been buried there. I have visited the cemetery there are very few stones still standing and hers was not one. Also is there list of who is buried there? Thanks.

Carol Nicholson

Do any of "our people" out there in Crawford County have any old photos of this cemetery? Maybe you have some old listing or other evidence of this Mary Douthit Sloan being buried there.

Larry Burmeister

From the **Liberty Twp. Cemetery Book**, Simpson Chapel Cemetery, Page 40 lists 9 marked graves:

- Roberson, Dorinda S., died 18Jul1872
- Hanselman, Sarah, 1822-1889, wife of Andrew
- Hanselman, Andrew, 1813-1899
- Lambdin, Henry, 1842-1882
- Lambdin, Rebecca Sloan, born April 1868,
wife of Benjamin
- Lambdin, Benjamin F., 1836-1905
- Mobble, Eliza, 1845-1881
- Miller, Ambrosia 1870-1881, child
- Miller, John F., 1833-1883

Order Book A Continued From Previous Editions:

State of Indiana vs. Elizabeth Curry — Bigamy.

This cause on his motion is continued until next term and *plevine* awarded.

State of Indiana vs. John Sibert — Trespass, Assault & Battery.

Now at this day as well the Prosecuting Attorney as the Defendant Sibert in his proper person and pleaded that he is not guilty in manner and form as the indictment charges against him and of this he puts himself upon the county and the Prosecuting Attorney doth the like — Wherefrom came a jury, to-wit:

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| Joseph Kincaid | James R. Nance |
| Andrew Biers | John McWilliams |
| David Miller | William Course |
| John G. Cooper | James McIntosh |
| Solomon Rothrock | Samuel Westfall |
| Thomas Roberts | Thomas Thompson |

twelve good and lawful men who being elected tried and sworn well and truly to try the issue joined and a true verdict to give according to evidence on their oath do say that the Defendant is guilty in manner and form as laid out in the indictment and assess his fine at the sum of nineteen dollars and fifty cents. James R. Nance, foreman. Therefore it is considered by the Court that the said State of Indiana recover against the said Defendant the aforesaid sum with the costs of this prosecution to be appropriated to the use of the county of Crawford and that the said Defendant stand committed until sentence be performed.

State of Indiana vs. David Scoonover

And now at this time comes the Prosecuting Attorney and on his motion a *capias* is awarded returnable instantly.

State of Indiana vs. John Underhill

Now at this day as well the Prosecuting Attorney as the Defendant Underhill in his proper person and pleaded that he is not guilty in manner and form as the indictment charges against him and of this he puts himself upon the county and the Prosecuting Attorney doth the like — and on motion of the Prosecuting Attorney this cause is continued until next term.

RIGGS PENNINGTON acknowledges himself indebted to the State of Indiana for the use of Crawford County to be rendered in the sum of twenty five dollars each to be levied of their respective goods, chattels, lands

Order Book A — Continued

and tenements if default be made on this condition, that if he appears tomorrow morning to give evidence on behalf of the State of Indiana against James Scott, then the above obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue.

DAVID SCOONOVER acknowledges himself indebted to the State of Indiana for the use of Crawford County to be rendered in the sum of fifty dollars and William Miller, his security, acknowledges himself each to be indebted to the State of Indiana for the use of Crawford County to be rendered in the sum of fifty dollars levied of their respective goods, chattels, lands and tenements, but upon this condition, that if the above bound David Scoonover shall appear in Court tomorrow morning to answer what then and there may be objected against him and not depart therefrom without leave of the Court, then this recognizance to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue.

Nathan Jacobs vs. Jacob Froman and Greenbury Dawsey

And now at this time came the Defendants by their attorneys and on affidavit filed and motion of the said Defendants ordered that the Plaintiff shew cause, if any he can, why this suit on or before the calling of the same, should not be dismissed for want of security for costs.

ORDERED that Court adjourn until tomorrow morning 8 o'clock.

Davis Floyd

May Term 1820 — 2nd Day

Mountsterling, Tuesday, May 30, 1820. Court met pursuant to adjournment. Present: the Honorable Davis Floyd, President; Henry Green and James Glenn, Associate Judges.

Thomas Davis vs. George Riddle — In Chancery.

And now at this day came the Defendant and on his motion and affidavit filed a rule against the Complainant that he show cause, if any he can, why this suit should not be dismissed on or before the calling of the same for want of security for costs.

And now at this time came the Defendant by his attorney and moved the Court to set aside the judgement obtained in said cause against the Defendant and for a rule to show cause, if any he can, why a new trial shall not be granted and the Defendant filed his reasons and his motion and rule is granted.

Elijah Lane vs. John Underhill

And now at this time came the Defendant by his attorney and moved this Court to quash the indictment found by the Grand Jury and filed his reasons, which rule is granted him.

State of Indiana vs. Michael Luther — Sodomy.

And now at this time came the Defendant by his attorney and demurred generally to the plea of the Plaintiffs and the Plaintiff filed his . . . thereto

State of Indiana vs. John Luther

And now at this day came the Defendant and on his motion and affidavit filed this cause is continued until next term.

State of Indiana vs. Thomas Andrews

And now at this time came the Prosecuting Attorney and on his motion this cause is continued until next term and a *plurias capias* awarded.

Samuel A. Philpott vs. Henry Fullenwider — Chancery.

And now at this time came the Complainant by his attorney and for his motion and Bill filed an injunction that is awarded him to stay an execution on a indictment against him by the Defendant at Common Law upon his filing with approved security.

State of Indiana vs. Henry Barker

And now at this time came the Prosecuting Attorney and on his motion this cause is continued until next term.

John J. Jamison, Assignee of John Finlay vs. James Barker, Isaac Hovie, John Tipton and Benjamin Bogard — Debt.

And now at this time came the parties by their attorneys and on motion of the Defendant and affidavit filed, this cause is continued at his costs until next term.

Thomas Highfill vs. Thomas N. Aubrey — Debt.

And now at this time came the Plaintiff by his attorney and the Defendant, being there called, but came not, but made default — Therefore it is ordered by the Court that the Plaintiff recover against the Defendant by reason of such default the sum of eighty three dollars and thirty cents, the defendant debt of the Plaintiff with interest from the second day of June 1819, and also his costs and charges about this suit.

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Anthony Litsey vs. Charles Springer — Debt.

Now at this day came the parties by their attorneys and the Defendant having filed his affidavit moved the Court for a continuance of the cause, which motion was overruled by the Court — Whereupon the Defendant withdraws his plea — Therefore it is considered by the Court that for want of a sufficient plea in this behalf, the Plaintiff recover against the Defendant the sum of two hundred fifty dollars and ninety five cents with six percent interest per annum thereon from the twenty second day of July 1817 until paid with costs of this suit.

L. M. and Z. Levenworth vs. Willoughby L. Pratt and John G. Cooper — Debt.

And now came the Plaintiffs and on their motion this cause is dismissed.

Michael Daniel vs. Allen D. Thom — Debt.

Continued by consent.

State of Indiana vs. Henry Barker — Perjury.

And now at this day came as well the Prosecuting Attorney and the Defendant in his proper person and on motion of the Prosecuting Attorney this cause is ordered to be continued until next term.

And thereupon came Henry Barker and acknowledged himself to owe and stand indebted to the State of Indiana for the use of Crawford County to be rendered in the sum of one hundred dollars and James Lewis and Christian Razor as his securities acknowledged themselves to owe and stand indebted to the State of Indiana in the sum of one hundred dollars each, to be taken of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements, but upon this condition, That if the above bound Henry Barker shall present himself and appear on the first day of the next term of this Court to answer an indictment and not depart therefrom without leave, then this recognizance to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue.

JOHN LUTHER acknowledged himself indebted to the State of Indiana in the sum of one hundred dollars and Christian Luther and Zachariah Nicholson acknowledged themselves indebted to the State of Indiana to the

use of Crawford County in the sum of one hundred dollars each, to be levied of their respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements, but upon this condition — That if the above bound John Luther appears on the first day of the next term of this Court to answer an indictment and not depart said Court without leave, then this recognizance to be void, else to be and remain in full force and virtue.

State of Indiana vs. James K. Scott — Extortion.

And now at this day came as well the Prosecuting Attorney and the Defendant in his proper person and thereupon came a jury, to-wit:

Samuel Westfall	William Course
Moses Smith	Peter Rothrock
William Hollowell	Joseph Vanwinkle
David Miller	Joseph Kincaid
John McWilliams	Andrew Biers
Solomon Rothrock	

twelve good and lawful men who being elected tried and sworn well and truly to try the issue joined, having heard the evidence and pleadings retired from the bar to consult their verdict — Returned into Court the following verdict, to-wit: “We of the jury find the Defendant not guilty.” William Course, foreman. And proclamation being made as the manner is, the Defendant was discharged.

State of Indiana vs. Michael Luther

Now at this time came the Defendant and filed his plea in abatement to the jurisdiction of the Court and the Prosecuting Attorney filed his general demurrer to the same and after argument had, the demurr is overruled and the Defendant is discharged.

AT THIS TIME came John Underhill and acknowledged himself to owe and stand indebted to the State of Indiana for the use of Crawford County to be rendered in the sum of one hundred dollars to be taken of his goods and chattels, lands and tenements, the condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bonded John Underhill shall be and appear at the next Circuit Court for Crawford County on the first day of the term and answer an indictment against him for adultery, then this obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue in law.

THIS COURT then adjourned until tomorrow morning 9 o'clock.

Henry Green and James Glenn, Associate Judges.

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May Term 1820 — 3rd Day

Mountsterling, Wednesday, May 31, 1820. Court met pursuant to adjournment. Present: As yesterday.

State of Indiana vs. John Sibert — Motion for New Trial.

Now at this time came as well the Prosecuting Attorney and the Defendant in his proper person and filed his reasons for a new trial, to-wit:

1. Fine excessive.
2. Newly discovered testimony.

Whereupon the Court after deliberation do consider that the motion for a new trial be overruled — Thereupon it is considered by the Court that the said State of Indiana recover against the said Defendant the sum of nineteen dollars fifty cents for the use of Crawford County to be rendered, also to pay the costs of this prosecution and stand committed until sentence be performed.

George Bentley vs. Allen D. Thom — Debt.

This day came the parties by their attorneys and on motion and affidavit filed this cause is continued until next term at Defendant costs.

Michael Luther, Plaintiff vs. William Graves, Defendant — In Course.

The declaration being filed the first day of this term on motion of Defendant this cause is continued until next term.

Michael Luther, Plaintiff vs. Michael Harvey Jr., Defendant — In Course.

Same as previous.

James Payton, Plaintiff vs. Aquilla Mustgrove, Defendant — In Case.

Now at this day came the parties by their attorneys and do on motion this cause is ordered to be dismissed at Defendant cost — Therefore it is considered by the Court that the Plaintiff recover against the Defen-

dant his costs and charges by him about his suit in this behalf expended.

IT IS ORDERED by the Court that the Clerk use his private seal as the seal of the Court until a public seal shall be procured with the word "SEAL" wrote in the same.

Thomas L. Golden, Plaintiff vs. Peter McMickle, Defendant — In Case.

This day came the parties by their attorneys and the Defendant filed his plea of not guilty and justification and by consent this cause is continued.

John Lyntch vs. Constant Williams & Others — On Appeal.

Now at this day came the parties by their attorneys and the Defendants filed their plea of *non asumsrit*, which being joined by Plaintiff — Thereupon came a jury, to-wit:

John G. Cooper	Martin Scott
Edward G. Pyle	Samuel Westfall
David Miller	James McIntosh
Joseph Kincaid	Thomas Thompkins
Andrew Biers	William Course
Moses Smith	Solomon Rothrock

twelve good and lawful men who being elected tried and sworn well and truly to try the issue joined, having heard the evidence, retired from the bar and after some time returned into Court the following verdict, to-wit: "We of the jury do find for the Plaintiff fifty five dollars and twenty five cents in damages against Addison Williams and Constant Williams." William Course, foreman.

But before entering judgement on said verdict, the Defendants moved the Court for a rule against the Plaintiff to shew cause if any he can why a new trial shall not be granted, which rule after argument and deliberation is discharged. — Therefore it is considered by the Court that the Plaintiff recover against the Defendants the sum of fifty-five dollars twenty five cents, the verdict aforesaid by the jurors aforesaid in manner and form assessed together with his costs by him, about his suit in this behalf expended.

This judgement is to be in discharge of a note given by William T. Williams to John Lyntch for fifty dollars.

William Wilkerson vs. Constant Williams — On Appeal.

The costs being this day paid, the Court awarded a new trial and this cause on Defendants is continued until next term.

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