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## In Praise of Blue Highways: Research along the Genealogical Back Roads by Jan McFarland \*

So, you think you're ready to leave. You spent months putting aside money and time for this research trip. You asked your neighbor to feed the cat, you finished loading the car with notebooks and files and luggage, your traveling clothes are laid out, and the alarm is set for 5:00 a.m. If you hit the interstate by 5:45 and drive straight through, you can be there by sundown. Day after tomorrow you'll be in research heaven, steeped in courthouse dust, walking barefoot through ancient records. But enough dreaming. There are 600 miles of interstate to cover tomorrow. It's time to turn out the lights and get some rest.

Stop right there! Snap on that bedside lamp, fluff up your pillows, and grab a couple of road maps. Getting there, as they say, is half the fun. Properly planned, the road from here to there can be a long and winding gold mine for genealogical research.

Forget about interstates and driving straight through. Take an extra day, take the blue highways, and take your time. What's a blue highway? Unfold your map. Look at the interstates; they're the broad, red lines that streak like a gash across the face of the state. Now, look for that little network of thin blue or gray or black lines spider-webbing the big open spaces *between* the red lines. The broad, straight red lines take you to Stuckey's, to Howard Johnson's, and, ultimately, to mind-numbing boredom. The blue highways take you through beautiful countryside, to out-of-the-way museums, and obscure little villages that can give you a feel for the trek your ancestors made from There to Here.

Last year my husband and I took a research

trip to Illinois. We prefer to travel the back roads anyway, so I thought the trip would be more interesting by backtracking the route my great-great-grandfather took when he brought his family from Illinois to Texas in 1877. I knew he had passed through Washington, Arkansas, so we made that our first planned stop and stumbled upon Old Washington State Park and the Southwest Arkansas Regional Archives. We expected to stay five minutes, just long enough to stretch our legs, fill the gas tank, and speculate on which trees might have been saplings when James and Lucinda and their children stopped to set up camp for the night. Instead, we spent five hours studying maps, ancestor charts, family Bible records, and unpublished memoirs. By the time we resumed our trip, I had added to my files unpublished ancestor charts on a couple of my family lines, a rare little book on the Southwest Trail, and copies of hand-drawn maps which confirmed the *precise* route by which James Head had come to Texas 112 years earlier.

In Cord, Arkansas, (an all-but-abandoned village) we stopped for a cold drink and chatted for half an hour with the local postmaster who offered to phone Cord's resident historian for answers to any questions we might like to ask.

The blue highways led us to other stops in out-of-the-way places; to impromptu conversations with dear people thrilled at the chance to talk about the histories of their home towns. We traveled country roads canopied by ancient trees, through small towns full of beautiful, century-old homes, and past overall-clad farmers who smiled and waved as we passed by. Every stop for food

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**Meetings:** Founded in 1955, the Dallas Genealogical Society is the oldest organization of its kind in Texas. It is a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization. The Society meets at the Dallas Public Library, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, Texas, on the 4th Monday, September through May, except for December. Visitors and guests are welcome.

**Membership:** Individuals, libraries, or societies may apply for membership. Annual dues are \$12 for the calendar year if paid by January 31; after January 31, they are \$14. New member dues and renewals should be mailed to the Society at Post Office Box 25556, Dallas, Texas 75225 and marked to the attention of the V.P. of Membership. All current members receive *The Dallas Quarterly* and the *DGS Newsletter*.

**Newsletter:** The *DGS Newsletter* is published nine times a year in January, February, March, April, May-June, July-August, September, October, and November-December. Copy deadline is the 5th day prior to month of publication. All correspondence for the *DGS Newsletter* should be mailed to the Society at Post Office Box 12648, Dallas, Texas 75225 and marked to the attention of:

Sammie Townsend Lee Newsletter Editor

## Editor's Note

You may have noticed the *DGS Newsletter* has been going through a series of changes in the past few months. We certainly hope you like our new style. In the months ahead, we will continue to bring you interesting how-to articles and informative guides to read, to profile our DGS members and let you know what they are doing, and to keep you up-to-date on DGS and the genealogical happenings in the area and on the national scene.

You, the DGS member, can help! We are soliciting short, timely articles that would be of interest to our readers. If you have discovered a little gold mine of a library or a collection that you are sure would benefit others, tell us about it; we will pass it on. If there is a particular resource in the Genealogy Section that you have used and think should be highlighted in a "Guide," let us know; we will help you "write" it.

We are appreciative of those members who took time to complete the Survey Questionnaire and return it to us. The survey has been very helpful in letting us know what you, the members, want to hear and read.

I want to thank Lea Markoff for sharing her "Bibliography for Jewish Genealogical Research" with us. She originally prepared this bibliography for distribution when Mariam Weiner spoke in Dallas recently and generously offered to share it with the DGS membership.

We know you will enjoy Jan McFarland's article, "In Praise of Blue Highways: Research along the Genealogical Back Roads." The ancestor Jan backtracked was her great-great-grandfather James Franklin Head, a Baptist minister who served many churches in southern Illinois and northern Texas. Beginning in 1872, he kept a ledger in which he listed the marriages, baptisms, and funerals that he organized or served. He kept a personal journal from 27 January 1878 to November 1900 in this ledger detailing day to day life in north Texas. Finally, in the same volume he set down his family record, beginning with his grandfather, giving dates, places, and further information on many family members.

An article, "Excerpts from the Ledger of James Franklin Head," was serialized in *The Dallas Quarterly*, Volume 36, Number 1 (March 1990), pp 35-40 and Number 2 (June 1990), pp 110-117.

## DGS News, Notes, and Reports

### By Kelvin Meyers, President

I want to take this space to thank all our members and friends who have made donations to our Special Project for 1990-91. The project, to purchase the 1920 United States Census for the state of Texas, is complete; we are well on our way to having the needed funds for the purchase of the Soundex. Our ultimate goal is to purchase the census for the entire United States.

All donations are greatly appreciated. The cost of each roll is now \$23. If you wish your money to be used for a specific state or particular Soundex, specify such and we will try to accommodate. Please be aware that the National Archives will only be sending out complete sets for the entire United States or complete sets of a particular state when the census is officially opened on 2 March 1992, and these orders must be placed by 1 September 1991. Individual rolls will be precessed at a later date. For more information on the project see the last page of this newsletter.

I would like to personally thank June Shipley and Markaleeta Stephenson for graciously volunteering (??) to be the Arrangements Chairmen for the coming year. Also, congratulations to Harry Stephenson, Markaleeta's husband, who was recently elected president of the Lancaster Genealogical Society.

### By Art Rubeck, Treasurer

The annual audit of the Society's financial records for the 1989-90 fiscal year has been completed and distributed. The audit finds the statements to fairly present the assets and liabilities of DGS and its revenue collected and expenses paid during the year. The audit was again conducted by Roy McElhaney, a Certified Public Accountant in Garland, without charge to the Society. We wish to express appreciation to Roy for this generous service, and to recommend him to anyone who is need of an accountant.

We would like to thank the Audit Committee, Mary Helen Brengel, Sue Harris, and Joyce Martin Murray, for overseeing the annual audit.

### By Linda Rogers, V.P. for Membership

Current DGS membership is 745 members. This total reflects 690 regular members, 35 life members, 20 libraries/societies, and includes 4 new members for the month.

### By Bruce Graves, Library Liaison

New in the Genealogy Section at the library is the 1880 U. S. Census Index for Texas in two volumes, A-L and M-Z. Unlike the 1880 Soundex, which only listed families with children ten years of age and under, this index lists all heads of household.

Other new book indexes: 1870 U. S. Census for the states of Virginia and West Virginia, and the cities of Chicago, Long Island, Philadelphia, and St. Louis. These indexes were purchased with DGS gift funds. All census indexes are located on aisle 40.

New in the Tennessee microfilm are three rolls of the Cumberland Presbyterian newspaper, *Banner of Peace*, miscellaneous issues: 1843-46, 1847-50, and 1851-53. (This acquisition is a donation from Joan Rowland.)

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## DGS Profile

Meet Patricia Law Hatcher. Pat serves as DGS V.P. for Programs and lectures locally on genealogical topics, computers, and publishing. This past April, her manuscript, *Thomas Almond of Virginia and Some Descendants*, won the DGS Annual Book Award certificate in the category of best manuscript on a family history or genealogy.

Pat is the compiler of *Abstracts of Graves of Revolutionary Patriots*. While using the DAR's Annual Reports of burial sites of Revolutionary War patriots located yearly by the Daughters and reported from 1900 to 1974 to the Smithsonian Institution, Pat recognized the need for a comprehensive index. These Annual Reports, which the Dallas Public Library has almost a complete set, are inconsistent from year to year and unindexed. Pat abstracted and compiled the reports into a single alphabetized abstract and privately published them in four volumes, which are also located in the Genealogy Section.

Pat's current project is abstracting and compiling the first three deed books of Barren County, Kentucky, for publication by her company, Pioneer Heritage Press.

Pat's attitude toward genealogy and genealogists is best summed up in the statement that appears on the forms and products she sells at workshops and seminars: "When you search for ancestors, you find friends!" Thank you, Pat, for being a friend to genealogy.

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or gasoline became an opportunity for research. By the time we arrived in Illinois, we already had the icing; all that was left was to spend a few days at the courthouse making the cake.

If you don't know what routes your own ancestors took, invest a little time at the library. Study migration routes and trail maps. Search your files for collateral ancestors living between Here and There. See whether any migration trails passed through or nearby the places they lived. They may have begun the trip with your direct ancestor, found a likely-looking spot along the way and settled there. Use your research skills *and* your intuition. You may be surprised at how accurate your guesses will be.

As you plan your trip, check the maps for indications of *historic* state parks, battlegrounds, historic homes, and national cemeteries. Stop in at the nearest courthouse or post office and ask if they have a local historical society, or a long-time resident willing to share what he or she knows about the history of the area. Each time you stop for food or other necessities, ask which is the oldest house in town and whether there's a local historical museum or society. More and more towns have set up small museums devoted to local history. Look for them. (Please offer a financial contribution, no matter how small. Donations are vital to the continued existence of these local gems.)

In studying your maps, figure out which rivers your ancestors were most likely to have crossed and check the map for villages with names like

Dunn's Ferry or Barnes Crossing or Pine Mill. Inquire about the old ferry, or the bridge, or the mill. Is it still standing? Do the Dunns or the Barneses still have family living nearby? If the person you ask is unable to give you the answers, he or she may know someone who can. A friendly manner and sincere interest in local history, will almost always be rewarded with warmth and hospitality. Who knows, serendipity may lead you to a tombstone or a map or some other fragment of information that helps break a logjam in your research.

Leave the interstates, the truck stops, and the chain restaurants for the truckers and the traveling salesmen. Take the blue highways, and roam the past through which your ancestors traveled.

(If you would like more insight into the pleasures of traveling the back roads, read William Least Heat Moon's classic, *BLUE HIGHWAYS: A JOURNEY INTO AMERICA*. It is available at the Dallas Public Library in a regular edition (Call No. 917.3 H4378), in large print, and in a sound recording. Or check your bookstore for the paperback, ISBN 0449-211-096.)

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\* Jan McFarland serves as the Director of Publications for the Dallas Genealogical Society. She is the compiler of the newest DGS publication, *DallaSearch*, and is currently working on Volume III, *Dallas County, Texas: Genealogical Data from Early Cemeteries*, for publication by DGS.

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## Texas/Dallas Collection: History and Archives Division of the Dallas Public Library

The Texas/Dallas History and Archives Division of the Central Dallas Public Library collects and makes available to researchers materials of all formats relating to the history of the City of Dallas and the State of Texas. One of the largest collections of its kind in North Texas, the Texas/Dallas collection is a treasure trove of local and state history. There are valuable historical manuscripts, maps, and documents for the historian and genealogist available in this collection.

Located on the 7th floor of the central library, the collection has more than 40,000 titles and 200 ongoing periodical subscriptions. The microform holdings are extensive, including comprehensive

files of *The Dallas Morning News*, *Dallas Times Herald*, and many other local and state newspapers. The microform collection has Texas county tax lists, theses and dissertations, the Streeter Collection, Sanborn insurance maps for towns throughout Texas, and many other items on microform.

The Dallas Public Library has been officially designated by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission as the Regional Historical Resource Depository for the County of Dallas. Under this agreement, non-current Dallas County records are deposited in the Texas/Dallas Collection. An archivist is available to assist researchers with government records.

## Ellis Island Reopens

After eight years in the planning and four years of massive restoration work at a cost of \$156 million, Ellis Island reopened to the public on 10 September 1990 as a museum and shrine to the nearly 12 million immigrants who were processed there from 1892 to 1954. It has been estimated that nearly half of all Americans can trace their immigrant beginnings back to Ellis Island in New York Harbor.

The historic buildings now house a museum filled with more than 2,000 artifacts, 1,500 photographs, and oral histories donated by Americans across the United States. In addition to exhibits, there are two theatres, a library, a children's learning center, and several interactive exhibits.

### Museum Highlights

"Through America's Gate" is an exhibit about the immigration process told with photographs, artifacts, personal papers, and soundtracks.

"Ellis Island Galleries" traces the island's history through artifacts and photographs.

The "Treasurers from Home" exhibit contains artifacts contributed by families of immigrants who first stepped on American soil at Ellis Island.

"The Peopling of America" is an electronic map showing population figures for 122 ethnic groups and video interviews of contemporary U. S. immigrants.

The "American Immigrant Wall of Honor" has the names of about 200,000 immigrant families inscribed on it. The 951-foot wall is along the island's east side, and a \$100 donation will get your ancestor's name on the Centennial Edition of the wall, scheduled to be completed by 1992. Call (212) 883-1986 for details.

## Notice of Closing

The following notice was received from the Pennsylvania State Archives:

"Beginning August 1, 1990, the Pennsylvania State Archives will be closed for approximately six to twelve months for asbestos abatement and plaza repairs. Access to archival records will be severely limited during this period...On site research will not be possible, and those persons having business with the Archives will have to do so by scheduling an appointment. Limited mail

reference will be available during this period of closure."

For information contact: Pennsylvania State Archives, Box 1026, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17108-1026 (717) 783-3281.

## Wichita Falls, Texas, Seminar

Kelvin Meyers, DGS President and staff member of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library, is the featured speaker at the 6th Annual Seminar of the North Texas Genealogical Association in Wichita Falls, Texas. The topic of the Saturday, 13 October 1990, seminar will be *Land, Tax, and Probate Records in Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, and Arkansas*. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. at the 10th and Broad Street Church of Christ.

Registration fee is \$21 at the door and includes lunch. For information call or write NTGA, P. O. Box 4602, Wichita Falls, Texas 76308, (817) 767-0961, 692-7089, or 855-6088.

## Dallas Chapter of ALMA

The Adoptees' Liberty Movement Association (ALMA) is a search and support organization for adult adoptees and natural parents of adoptees over 18 years old, as well as siblings and others who have been separated from their families. Formed in 1971, ALMA is a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization chartered in the state of New York with 70 chapters across the country. The local chapter of ALMA meets on the third Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the YWCA, 4621 Ross Avenue, Dallas. The meeting is followed by a Search Workshop at 11:30. Upcoming meetings will be held on 20 October and 17 November.

ALMA offers an international reunion registry, search assistants, a searcher's guide, search buddies, workshops, rap sessions, and other aids to assist in the process of reuniting adoptees and their natural families.

For membership information concerning the local chapter of ALMA, call Lois Scudamore, Coordinator, at (214) 270-1770.

*To err is human.  
To really louse things up  
takes a computer!*

**DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY****OCTOBER REGULAR MEETING****DATE:** Monday, 23 October 1990**TIME:** 11:00 *a.m.***LOCATION:** Auditorium, J. Erik Jonsson Central Library  
1515 Young Street  
Dallas, Texas**SPEAKER:** Kent Carter**PROGRAM:** *Using Records of the National Archives*

For the past 15 years, Kent Carter has been the director of the National Archives, Southwest Region, located in Fort Worth, Texas. He lectured on the Regional Archives at the National Genealogical Society Conference in Biloxi, Mississippi and has compiled an Inventory of the Records of the Five Civilized Tribes Agency. He will share his knowledge and tell us about *Using the Records of the National Archives* most efficiently; identifying records available at the Dallas Public Library, at the Regional Archives in Fort Worth, and at the National Archives in Washington, D. C. He will also give us a glimpse of the preparations for the opening of the 1920 U.S. Census.

The meeting is open to the public and visitors are welcome.

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**COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP \*****DATE:** Monday, 23 October 1990**TIME:** 10:00 *a.m.***LOCATION:** East/West Rooms, J. Erik Jonsson Central Library  
1515 Young Street  
Dallas, Texas**PROGRAM:** *Popular Genealogical Software*

The Computer Interest Group will form small groups and have "round-table" discussions about the *Popular Genealogical Software* on today's market.

\*Unless otherwise indicated, the DGS Computer Interest Group always meets one hour before the regular meeting. The group is open to the public and visitors are welcome.

## DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

### 1990 - 91 CALENDAR

Unless otherwise indicated, DGS Regular Meetings are held in the Auditorium of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, Texas. The Computer Interest Group meets one hour prior to the Regular Meeting in the East/West Rooms across the hall from the Auditorium.

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| 6 October   | Saturday | 8:00 a.m.  | Fall Symposium and Beginners Workshop<br>Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church  |
| 22 October  | Monday   | 11:00 a.m. | <i>Using Records of the National Archives</i><br>Speaker: Kent Carter  |
| 26 November | Monday   | 7:00 p.m.  | <i>Finding the Cemetery, Finding the Grave</i><br>Speaker: Barbara Roberts Baylis  |
| 28 January  | Monday   | 7:00 p.m.  | <i>Planning A Successful Trip to Your<br/>Ancestral Homeland</i><br>Speaker: Lloyd Dewitt Bockstruck                               |
| 25 February | Monday   | 11:00 a.m. | <i>Ten Things You May Not Know about the Genealogy<br/>Collection of the Dallas Public Library</i><br>Speaker: Sammie Townsend Lee |
| 25 March    | Monday   | 7:00 p.m.  | <i>How to Find Your Mexican War Ancestor</i><br>Speaker: Stephen R. Butler   |
| 20 April    | Saturday | 8:00 a.m.  | Spring Seminar - Richardson Civic Center<br>Speaker: Elizabeth Shown Mills   |
| 22 April    | Monday   | 11:00 a.m. | <i>Using Local LDS Libraries</i><br>Speaker: Art Rubeck  |
| 20 May      | Monday   | 7:00 p.m.  | Annual Business Meeting<br><i>Books for Background Reading</i><br>Speakers: Members of the DGS Board of Directors                  |

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### MEETINGS, SEMINARS, AND WORKSHOPS

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| 6 October               | Waxahachie, TX 75165<br>P. O. Box 385                       | Ellis County Genealogical Society Annual Workshop<br><i>The Mexican War and Its Veterans</i><br>Speaker: Steven R. Butler   |
| 13 October              | Wichita Falls, TX 76308<br>P. O. Box 4602                   | North Texas Genealogical Association Workshop<br><i>Land, Tax, &amp; Probate Records in MS, LA, TX, &amp; AR</i><br>Speaker: Kelvin Meyers  |
| 20 October<br>9:00 a.m. | Infomart - Dallas<br>Computer Council                       | <i>Data Entry Techniques into Genealogy Programs</i><br>Speaker: Al Sanford   |
| 9 and 10 November       | Austin, TX<br>Rt. 4, Box 56<br>Sulphur Springs, TX<br>75482 | Texas State Genealogical Society Conference<br>Topics to be announced<br>Speakers: Ray Gooldy of Ye Olde Genealogie<br>Shoppe on Friday and<br>Dr. George K. Schweitzer on Saturday |
| 2 March 1991            | Plano, TX   | Collin County Genealogical Society<br>Workshop - Topic: <i>Louisiana Purchase</i><br>Speaker: Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck   |

## Guide To Resources in the Dallas Public Library Genealogy Collection

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by Lea Markoff +

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## Follow-up on "Guides to Resources"

### The ARKANSAS GAZETTE

In the July-August 1990, issue of the *DGS Newsletter* the "Guide to Resources in the Dallas Public Library Genealogy Collection" featured the *Arkansas Gazette* on microfilm and its book indexes. Now comes word of a new publication, *The Arkansas Gazette Obituaries Index 1819-1879*. This five-year project reflects the work of ten people under the direction of Stephen J. Chism,

Head of the Audiovisual Department, University Libraries, Fayetteville, Arkansas. This index includes 14,329 entries for 1819-1879. The index lists every mention of death, whether it appears in an obituary column or in the text of an article on another subject.

This book can be ordered from Southern Historical Press, Inc., P. O. Box 1267, Greenville, South Carolina 29602, (803) 859-2346, for \$27.50 plus \$2.50 handling and postage for delivery in mid-October, 1990.

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**JORDAN  
CHANDLER  
BUMPUS** Seeking descendants of John and Eady JORDAN who settled in Upshur (now Gregg) Co, TX in early 1850. Children listed in 1850 Census: Elias, born 1820; John, born 1923; E. (f), born 1829; M. (Minerva), born 1840. Believe they married ca. 1819 in MS. Daughter, Minerva, was born in Brandon, Rankin Co, MS, 17 Mar 1829. Records show other children born in MS. Who were Mima and Meredith CHANDLER? After 1853 it seems all JORDAN children left area except Minerva who had married Caleb BUMPUS in 1851.  
Mrs. C. L. DuePree, 4414 Alta Vista Lane, Dallas, TX 75229

**SHANNON  
GLEASON** Seeking descendants of Cornelius and Elizabeth Gleason SHANNON. Son John, born Jan 1834, Ireland. Daughter Mary E, born Dec 1834, New York City. Two other children, a son and daughter, ages and names unknown. Son abandoned a family in NJ. One of his daughters by his TX marriage visited grandparents in New York City and stated her father had been shot and killed in TX. Residence unknown. What of other daughter?  
Catherine Shannon, 1911 NE 8th Court # 118, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

**NEELLY  
HOPKINS** Would like to correspond with anyone related to George NEELLY, son of Pallas and Lucinda Hopkins NEELLY. He was a Dallas County Commissioner at one time.  
Wanda Goode Trott, 2806 Mulberry, Pasadena, TX 77502

**THOMPSON  
CRAFT  
CURRY** Need to contact descendants of Auswell "Auz" THOMPSON, born 1 July 1868, Rockwall, Kaufman Co, TX, who married Venia CRAFT, born 11 Feb 1872. Auz ran hotel at Rockwall during early 1900's. Had three daughters. Need descendants of Auz's sister, Deamer. This information needed for book on CURRY family being revised to include our line: James THOMPSON, born 1777, VA, married Anna CURRY, born 1780, Jefferson Co, KY. Both buried in Owen Co, IN. (Auz is the son of Benjamin THOMPSON who served as Confederate soldier from Kaufman Co, TX.  
Edith L. Smith, 414 Lincolnshire, Irving, TX 75061, (214) 790-3301

**McCLANAHAN  
NESBIT  
KEMP  
BLACKBURN  
JONES  
MCCLURE** Seeking parentage of five siblings named McCLANAHAN: Ann, married Robert NESBIT, 1792; Elijah, married Elizabeth KEMP, 1795; Elizabeth, born 31 May 1773, married William D. BLACKBURN, 17 Feb 1796, Bourbon Co, KY; Jannette, married Allen JONES, 1797; Robert married Elizabeth McCLURE, 1798. Information gladly exchanged.  
Robert H. Maybrier, 9949 Greenfield Dr., Dallas, TX 75238, (214) 348-3694

**HOUZE  
MILLER  
MARTIN  
GREEN  
MANNING  
SURLES  
GRIFFIN** Seeking information on John Thomas HOUZE. He appeared as a two-year-old on the 1850 Cherokee Co, GA Census with brothers, Madison (4) and James (6), mother Martha, stepfather Henry MILLER. Next door relative, Missouri (1), daughter of Franklin H. MARTIN and Lucinda. Missouri, later Mrs. GREEN, lived in Corsicana, TX. How were they related? John Thomas HOUZE, married Sarah Idella "Sallie" MANNING, 1877, Freestone Co, TX. Sallie was the daughter of Richard Green MANNING and Penelope SURLES. Who was the GREEN? In 1900 John Thomas was living in Navarro Co, TX with daughter Della who married James A. GRIFFIN.  
Frances Wimberly, Rt. 1, Box 32 B, Comfort, TX 78013

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