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### Letter From The President

Have you ever walked into an unfamiliar library looking for that book, sitting down in a chair and looking at the microfilm of a census, hoping to find that surname you're always searching for and how excited you get when you find it? I'm excited about telling you our society has purchased a file cabinet. It has been placed in the Grant Foreman Room with the permission of the Muskogee Public Library. This file cabinet will be a "Family File Cabinet". We are asking you to send your ancestor chart,\* along with photocopies of marriage and death certificates, pictures and newspaper articles of the families you are researching.

We hope this will help visitors to our library in researching their families and maybe correspond with the compiler of the ancestor charts. To those of you who live out of driving distance of the library we are asking you to mail your charts to the society or library and they will be filed for you.

I'm hoping this year there will be individuals who will volunteer to continue copying obituaries from the microfilmed Muskogee Phoenix, marriage records, index to deeds, cemeteries and probate records of Muskogee County. With just 2-4 hours a week of volunteer help, we could accomplish so much for our society.

Our publications are really selling very well. Our society has two new publications completed and offered for sale. (1) Cemeteries of Muskogee County, Oklahoma Vol.1, compiled by Deone and Walt Penquite and (2) Index of Deaths Extracted from Muskogee Daily Phoenix, January 16, 1930 - May 4, 1935, Muskogee Oklahoma Vol.1 compiled by Walt Penquite. Our society has purchased 40 books and they have been put in the Grant Foreman Room of the library.

Deone Penquite was re-elected member-at-large. She has been answering letters received by the society and the library. Vonda Painter has volunteered her assistance also in answering our letters. Virginia Perry has done an outstanding job as our editor and has volunteered to continue being our editor. If you have any articles that you think would be of interest to our readers, send them to her.

Let us all work together this year again and make our society a membership everyone will be proud of and visitors will want to join.

Sherley

<sup>\*</sup>An ancestor chart is enclosed for your convenience.

### QUERIES

HILDERBRAND TAYLOR DUDLEY Interested in obituaries for Lenora Adelaide HILDERBRAND, nee TAYLOR, Canadian Dist. I.T., 1876, and James V. HILDERBRAND, Jr., Canadian Dist., I.T. 1880-1882. I would like any information on this couple. Their daughter, Ellen (DUDLEY) was my grandmother. Joseph C. TUCK, 1472 Peacock Blvd., Oceanside, CA. 92056

The following queries were received from Amelia Baum PIVERNETZ, 4403 Iroquois Ave., Lakewood, CA 97013

INGRAM HAYES ELROD Seeking info on Harriet (R.?) INGRAM, b. ca 1860; Bartow (then Cass) Co., GA., dau of John INGRAM and Louisa HAY(E)S: sister to Mary C. (INGRAM) ELROD and Benj. F. INGRAM. In 1880 she appears in Sebastian Co., AR. with family of her uncle, Richard HAYS. Harriet may have been deaf, per 1870 GA census.

HARRELL HAYES Seeking info on Roy E. HARRELL, b. Jan. 1891, AR; Lula Maggie (HARRELL) HAYES, b. 18 Jun 1893, Sebastian Co., AR, d. 14 Jun 1988, Tulsa, OK; Edgar B. HARRELL, b. Nov 1899, AR; John W. HARRELL, b. ca 1908, OK. All are children of George TURNER HARRELL and Martha Catherine HAY(E)S of Sebastian Co., AR.

WRIGHT WHITSON HAY(E)S Seeking info on Lillie B. WRIGHT, b. 1884, AR; Virgil C. WRIGHT, b. Jul 1886, AR; Judie/Jodie WRIGHT b. Jul 1891, AR poss marr Joe WHITSON. All are children of Charles N. WRIGHT and Maggie L. HAY(E)S. This family lived in Cameron, LeFlore Co., OK per 1900 census, Choctaw Nation, Vol. 3.

HAYES HAYS GREEN Seeking info on Richard V. HAYES, b. Dec 1869, Bartow Co., GA, son of Richard HAYS and Frances Joanna GREEN; Children are: Charles Rosco, b. Nov 1893, AR; Thomas J., b. Sep 1898, AR; Frankie/Frannie Jo b. Sep 1899, AR.

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Seeking info on John H. HAYES, b. Aug 1878, Sebastian Co., AR, son of Richard HAYS and Frances Joanna GREEN: marr 1st Laura TERRELL, b. ca 1879, Hunt Co., TX. Children, Beatrice poss marr Glenn A. ALLMAN; Vera, poss marr Glenn Rea; Terrell. marr 2nd Rose Children - Sim J. and Prissy.

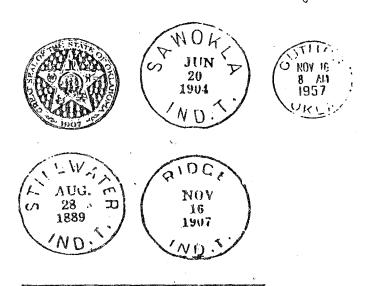
NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: We welcome your comments and additions to any article in the quarterly. Mrs. Barbara LaFerry, Haskell, OK., wrote the following after receiving the December 1988 quarterly. The Sawokla Postoffice is listed on page 83 of the March 1989 quarterly.

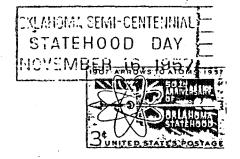
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Dear Vergenia.

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E B Harris, see gages 66 and 67 of the Current J'ublication of the Muskaye Country Acreeofogical Society. Was Postmaster of Sawokla. The gostoffice at Sawokla Was Closed on June 20, 1904, and The Harris was in Josession of the Cancellation stang for Sawokla and Ridge, Closed November 16, 1907 - the day of State hood. The Harris gave there stamps to may Father, Fied Rockwell Clement who served the Haskell Post office for Many years as Post Muster and Rural Thail Carrier. It I and The Harris had been from Soiner 1920, when my general Mover to Haskell from Muskopee.





Fred Clements Haskell, okla

### ADDRESS BY FT. GIBSON, OKLAHOMA MAYOR, MRS. MILDRED CAMPBELL ON VETERAN'S DAY 1988, FT. GIBSON NATIONAL CEMETERY

Today we are here to honor the deceased men and women who have served our country in times of war and peace. These Veterans deserve the Annual Tribute for their unselfish contribution to our country's achievement of freedom, which we all continue to enjoy. These are the men and women who accepted the responsibility, assumed the obligation and performed. (So many paid the price of a life lost in battle.)

It is also appropriate to recognize the historical significance of this National Shrine to our deceased veterans. A wealth of history is entwined with that of our own old town of Fort Gibson and the legendary people who played such an exciting role in our past.

Originally Indian Territory, the town was established as a U.S. Military post in 1824 and the first soldiers laid to rest in this cemetery were members of the Old Dragoons stationed at the Fort. Since then representatives of all the wars in which the United States has been engaged are interred here. The oldest headstone is that of John Decatur, brother of Navy Captain Stephen Decatur famous during the war of 1812. You will also find the grave of Monford Stokes, former governor and senator of North Carolina and several West Point graduates, era of 1831.

Many bitter battles were fought here during the war between the States but only about a tenth of the more than 2300 graves from that era are marked. Interestingly, a review of the exploits in the lives of most colorful "heroes" of the frontier and Civil War period were women.

There is the story of Talahina, the Cherokee wife of General Sam Houston. The Cherokees say that Sam left her to seek new frontiers in Texas and Mexico. When he sent for her to join him, his message was "I have built a kingdom for you." She refused him, however, saying, "You have returned to your people, I will stay with mine."

The most romantic story is that of Vivia Thomas, a wealthy Boston socialite, who was deserted by her Lieutenant lover just before their wedding. On learning he was stationed at Fort Gibson she followed him there. She cut her hair and dressed in men's clothing and joined the Army, to serve for over 20 years. During this time she was able to observe her lover but she was never recognized. One day she learned that he was meeting with an Indian sweetheart in the evening. One cold night she followed him, ambushed and killed him. Army investigation revealed nothing and she was not caught, although she visited his grave every night to mourn. One evening she collapsed near the grave site, suffering from pneumonia contracted from the continued exposure. A priest, to whom she had confessed, revealed the true

story after her death. Her comrades were so impressed with the courage it took for the young eastern society girl to come alone to the frontier, carry out a successful disguise as a male and serve with honor as a soldier, that, rather than condemn her, they awarded her a place of honor for burial in the "Officers Circle".

Among the more recent historically famous is A. C. Blue Eagle, the Creek Indian artist.

On this day of remembrance we also include the story of who sacrficed himself for our country. Private John Reese, Jr. earned a Medal of Honor during World Warr II fighting Japanese. While engaging in an attack on a Japanese railroad station defended by 300 of the enemy, John's platoon was halted 100 yards from the station by enemy fire. On his own initiative he left the platoon accompanied by a comrade, and continued forward to a house about 60 yards from the objective. Under constant enemy observation the two men remained in this position for an hour, firing and destroying or wounding many enemy soldiers. Moving even closer to the railroad station with his comrade discovered a group of Japanese replacements attempting to reach their own pillboxes. The two men opened fire on the enemy destroying over forty and stopping all attempts replacements. Then they advanced closer and wiped out a millimeter gun and a heavy machine gun with hand grenades. During the reloading of his rifle, Private Reese was killed. His action paved the way for complete defeat of the enemy at this strong point.

Those are but a few of the stories that we know about of bravery and gallantry of some who are interred in our National Cemetery.

Our tribute is to the known and to the unknown whose graves are intermingled, soldiers, Indian scouts, civilians wives and children for every grave has a story to tell if only we could unlock the secrets. Historians, genealogists and other groups who visit here constantly are trying to do just that. It may seem we know a lot but actually we know so little of the hardships, dangers, laughter and the tears in the lives of those we honor. But we do know that they left a legacy of a great country and state which they helped carve out of a hostile land...and that their bravery, gallantry and sacrifices continue to protect our country and our freedom. And some day in the far future, in a tribute such as this, someone will speak of the glory, the bravery, the gallantry of the patriotic men and women who are today members of our armed forces—men and women of our period in history—for they are to play a major role in our magnificent country's history of tomorrow.

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A partial record of Interments in the Ft. Gibson National Cemetery will be found on the following pages.

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Copy of a letter written by John Marion Townes, M.D. while serving in the Army of the Confederacy to his children: Lonie, Lizzie, Jennie, Ella, Homer and Laura. The children were from 14 to 3 Yrs. old. Rilla wasn't born until 1866.

Albert (served in War) John and Jo (Joseph Wilks) Dabbs were brothers of J.M. Townes' wife - Louisa Jarrett Dabbs.

Grandma was Elizabeth Foster Dabbs, widow of John W. Dabbs. She and her sons moved to Texas in 1860 with John M. and Louisa J. Townes.

John Marion Townes also served in the Mexican War when he was 18 yrs. old.

Shreveport, La. Feb. 12th 1865

To Lony & Lizzie and all the children,

It has been a long time since I wrote you all a letter and thinking perhaps you would all like to hear from me again and as I have a little time to spare I will give you what little news I can hear and make out. We are all encamped in or near this place, the Main Division is encamped about two miles from here on or near the Marshall road that leads towards Texas. Our Cavalry Co. is camped at the edge of town inside the fortifications on what is called Texas Street, that part of town known by all old citizens as Mugginsville. We have a tolerable good camp in dry weather although a little inconvenient to wood and water.

We have had a desparate rainy cold time of it until a few days ago but now the weather is fine and the springtime looks as though it had set in. Oh how I do wish I could be with you all and help you fix for gardening. I think of it every hour in the day. How long we will remain here I can't conjecture as I hear talk of leaving soon and I don't mutch care if we don't as I am closer to home now than I have ever been yet and we get all the news here that is going. I have heard nothing for a few days past except the peace rumors. Don't know the particulars or how it came in circulation but I suppose there is no doubt but what there is something of the kind on foot but how it will terminate yet remains to be seen. I can't help from thinking the war will end this year.

This is a town of considerable size say four thousand inhabitants, before the war, some very fine and hansome houses, tho business part of town lies on the bank of Red river but I think it one of the most wicked and corrupt places on earth. Everybody seems to be for self and all manner of debauchery and swindling is carried on to perfection. All seem to take a share in it. Citizens soldiers male and female, all high fellows well met --.

The street is lined and thronged with the gay and mirthful fancy draped ladies and brass mounted officers carriages, hacks fine horses and everything else pertaining to a city life in times of peace, and the aristocracy give those big officials a

big ball about three nights in a week and have two or three brass bands cerenading the town every night.

I am seldom out of camp myself for I am too low spirited to enjoy anything of that kind even if I had plenty of means to do so. We are all out of money in our company, not even enough to pay for our washing and no talk of drawing any soon.

is plenty of goods here but the prices out of the reach of a com. soldier. Half of our company have gone to Texas to purchase horses for the artilary so I have but little to do now as the men are in generally healthy. We only eat two meals a Our rations we draw being quite short in the way of corn meal and blue beef but yesterday very mutch to our suprise we a good mess of flour and some nice lard and Lincoln Coffee. Also three plugs of tobacco to the man. The boys all said peace was made. We get plenty of corn for our horses. There is a great talk here of the citizens giving this Div. a big barbacue or dinner on the 18th. I think they will be badly fooled if they undertake to feed five thousand half starved soldiers but I am anxious for them to try it for I never have seen a spark of their patriotism displayed here yet. The majority of them would not give a soldier shelter out of the coldest of weather but however perhaps this state of affairs will end sometime or other.

There seems to be a great distinction made here between the aristocracy and the common class. We were all of the opinion when we left our winter quarters 20 miles east of here we were going to Tex., but I hear nothing of it now. All died out it seems. I expect we will remain here untill the Yankees make some move on this side of the river.

Tell Homer when the war is over I am going to get him that pony and a little saddle for him to learn to ride and hunt the cows and he must be a smart fellow and grow fast. Tell all of the children to learn to be smart and good. You must all help your Ma make a good garden and put me up a big jar of pickles and raise a heap of nice things. Take good care of your cows and calves and write me word if they are all live and take good care of your corn and raise a heap of chickens.

I want us to move in the country somewhere when the war is over where we can raise everything we want. Write me word if Dr. Brown has got well and if your Uncle Jo has ever got his mares (?) and all the news. Tell your Ma I received her letter a day or two ago and for her to write me a word how to direct a letter to Uncle Albert and I will write a long letter to him. You must write me how your Uncle Jo and John comes on and what they are doing. Tell them to stay at home. I shall look for a letter from you soon. Tell Grandma howdy. Kiss Ma for me. Tell her I want to see her and little Sis very bad.

Goodbye to you all

Your Pa

J. M. Townes

P.S. Tell your Ma if she has a chance to send me some wall paper

John Marian Townes was Louise Cook Simpson's great grandfather. He was born in Fayetteville, North Carolina, in 1827 and died at Sulphur Springs, Texas in 1875

His wife Louisa Jarrett Dabbs was born at Charlotte Court House, Va. in 1830 and died in Muskogee in 1914. Her first home here, about 1896, was on Callahan, where C. St. comes in from the north. Later she and a daughter Miss Rilla Townes moved to 419 Callahan.

Five of their children lived in Muskogee, coming from Texas after they were married.

Ella Townes Duncan	618 Callahan
Lonie Townes Davidson	507 Dayton (Mrs. Louise Cook
	Simpsons Grandmother)
Elizabeth Townes Coffey	514 Callahan
Jennie Townes Gilbert	419 Callahan
Miss Rilla Townes	419 Callahan

The Townes and Dabbs families moved to Tenn. about 1834 and that is where they met and married. They went to Texas in a covered wagon in 1860.

## Submitted by Louise Cook Simpson ######

Captions found in the Washington County, Illinois Nashville Journal for "Births, Marriages and Deaths" were listed as "Hatched, Matched and Dispatched".

(The following was transcribed from the IPH (WPA) interview of Kate Ratley on February 24, 1936)

Submitted by Oklahoma Walker, Ft. Gibson, Ok. Copied verbatim.

Mrs. Kate Ratley was born in Fort Smith, Arkansas in 1870. Her father, William Sweeney was born in Dublin, Ireland, and later lived in Glasgow, Scotland. Her mother's maiden name was Mary Ann Daly and she, too, was born in Dublin, Ireland. While quite a young man William Sweeney and his two brothers sailed from Glasgow, Scotland to America. The parents of Mary Ann Daly also came to America about this time. The Daly family disembarked from their ship at New Orleans, Louisiana, and took a boat bound for Fort Smith, Arkansas. Here also were the Sweeney family. Previous to their meeting in Fort Smith, William Sweeney and Mary Ann Daly were not acquainted. At this time Mary Ann was fifteen years of age and shortly before her sixteenth birthday she became the wife of William Sweeney.

Kate Sweeney was born and passed her early childhood at Fort Smith, Arkansas. She attended a Catholic primary school. In 1871 her parents removed to Indian Territory and settled at a place near the present town of Gore, Oklahoma. She attended school in a small log building that was taught by a Mr. Adair. After about two years residence in the Indian Territory the Sweeney family removed to Carthage, Missouri but in the spring of 1886 they returned to the Territory.

Kate Sweeney was married to Mose Jefferson Ratley, a Cherokee citizen, September 10, 1886 at Fort Gibson. She was of the Catholic faith. The ceremony was performed according to the law of the Cherokee Nation, by Judge Timothy Walker of the Illinois District.

Mr. and Mrs. Ratley became the parents of six children, four of whom died in infancy. A son, L. W. Ratley, lives on Oklahoma Avenue in Muskogee. Her daughter, Beulah, married Robert O. Sullivan who died nineteen years ago and Mrs. Sullivan now lives in Fort Worth, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ratley lived on a farm where Hyde Park now is situated from 1886 until 1904. In 1904 the family removed to town in order to place the children in school, their small son being about eight years of age. He attended the Bacone School.

Mr. Ratley had the contract to furnish the Bacone School with wood for heating purposes and sold this school many cords of wood within a year. The family also kept seven or eight cows for milking and when Professor Bacone needed milk for preparing ice cream for the school he called on Mrs. Ratley for the required quantity.

Mrs. Ratley recalls the period in which the United States soldiers were stationed at Fort Gibson, when the cannon was fired

at sunrise and at sundown. The soldiers came to Muskogee to do their shopping and mounted on their handsome saddle horses crossed the Arkansas River on the ferry boat as bridges were then unknown.

On one occasion Mrs. Ratley's two older sisters started to Webbers Falls for groceries. They rode on horseback or side saddles and while crossing the Arkansas River on of the horses became unmanaageable. Its rider was thrown into the muddy waters and the situation was becoming serious, when quickly, two men who happened to be on the bank of the river, rowed out in their skiff and soon the girl was rescued from danger of drowning.

Mrs. Ratley recalls that the full blood Indians were fond of visiting. She was visiting her elder sister once and upon looking out saw a great number of Cherokees sitting, some on their ponies, and some on the fence. Her sister told her that the Indians wished to remain to eat, so large quantities of food was prepared, the cooking being done, for the greater part, on the fireplace. The bread was baked in a large iron skillet, with live coals placed beneath and above the lid.

When Mrs. Ratley first came to the section near Muskogee the corn fields were only small patches. The undergrowth of cane and shrubbery was so dense that one could not see a man at a distance of three feet. The roads were so muddy in the rainy season that one dreaded to start to town for fear of being stuck in mud. Farm wagons and buggies were used.

In those days catfish, six or seven feet in length were gigged by full blood Cherokees in the Illinois river for 50 cents apiece and the steaks thus obtained were delicious. Bill Goings, Bill Toney and Mr. Harlow (who also dug for gold) were some of the Cherokee men who sold fish. The smaller fish were so plentiful that one could scoop up a basket full. On one occasion two of Mrs. Ratley's sisters were attacked by a garfish and narrowly escaped. The danger was that the gar might have bitten off a leg or arm.

All kinds of game were plentiful and wild turkeys flew down in front of the gate and venison hams sold for 50 cents per dozen. Squirrels came into the country in great numbers in 1881. They ate all the green corn on the stalks and destroyed the fields of cotton. The squirrels were so numerous that they appeared to be growing on the branches of the trees. Mrs. Ratley's father killed a great number of squirrels for food and on one occasion there was a black one which her mother at first thought was a skunk.

The Ratley family made trips to Fort Smith for the greater part of their clothing on account of the lower prices which prevailed at that town. The prices at Fort Smith were lower than prices were in the Nation. Corn in sacks was taken to the mill to be ground into meal.

#### UNITED STATES DEPUTY MARSHALS

U.S. Marshals were fee employees of the U.S. Marshals. They were hired on an "as needed" basis and paid for specific services rendered.

The following pages were provided by the National Archives, Washington, D.C. They advised that records relating to U.S. Deputy Marshals are very sparse. The reports are not complete and do not include narrative reports of the activities of a particular deputy nor any genealogical data. The best source of this type of information is generally found in contemporary newspapers.

The pages included here are notes made by the National Archives concerning the U.S. Deputy Marshals in the Indian Territoy 1894-1896. Records relating to the service of U.S. Deputy Marshals tend to be in the fiscal accounts of the U.S. Marshals. These are from the General Accounting Office, Fifth Auditor's Office records. The notes contain the name of the duputy, his dates of service and the udicial district in which he served.

The Deputy Marshals of the Central District and the South Judicial District are listed on the followng pages.

Deputy Marshals of the Northern Judicial District were listed in the Muskogee County Genealogical Society Quarterly Volume 5, NO. 2.

# U. S. DEPUTY MARSHALLS Indian Territory Central

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Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Ansley, Villiam
                     July 1895-June 1896
Baird, Charles
Battles, George W.
                     July 1-Dec 31 1894
                     July 1-Sep 30 1894
Beard, Walter
                     July 1-Dec 31 1894
Blackburn, W. A.
                    Mar 1-June 30 1895
Bowman, E. S.
Brauson, William
                     July 1-Dec 31 1899
Braven, F. M.
                     July 1-Sept 30 1895
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894; Aug-Sept 1895
Brazell, Ed N.
                    Mar 1895-June 1896; July 1-Dec 31 1894
Brazell, James
Brewer, Francis M.
                    Jul 1-Sep 30 1894 Jul-Dec 1895 Apr-June 1896
                    Mar 1-June 30 1895; June 1-Dec 31 1894
Brewer, F. W.
                    July 1-Sept 30, 1894
Brown, A. B.
                    May 1895 Jul 1-Oct 1895 Jul 1-Dec 31 1894 Jan-Jul 1896
Burchfield, B. C.
                    July 1-Sept 30 1894
Cail, James W.
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Campbell, P. L.
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Cantwell, C. P.
                    May 21-24, 29-June 5, 15-22 1896 posseman
Cole, James R.
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Commay, David
                    July 1-Sept 30 1894
Cornelium. B. F.
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Crowder, Martin
                    Mar 1-Sept 30 1895 Oct 1-Dec 31 1894 Jan-June 1896
Davenport, L. P.
                    July 1-Sept 30 1894
Dennis, John C.
                    June 1-Dec 31 1894
Donaldson, J. T.
Donathan, H. F. Doyle, E. H.
                    Apr 1-Dec 1895 Jan-June 1896 July 1-Dec 31 1894
                    Mar 1 1895—June 1896
                    Mar 1 1895-Mar 1896 July 1-Dec 31 1894
DuBois, B. Reed
                    July 24-Aug 4, 1894
Edwards, Henry
Elliott, H. C.
                    July 1-Sept 30 1894
                    April-May 1895 July 1-Dec 31 1894
Emmert, J. E.
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Ennis, J. M.
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Ferrel, Sam
                    July 1-Sept 30 1895
Flowsam. D.J.
                    July 1-Sept 30 1894 Aug-Sept 1895
Folsom, D.J.
                    Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Fortune, Robert
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Fowler, H. L.
                    Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Fowler, Joe
                    July 1-Sept 30 1894 Aug-Sept 1895 Jan-June 1896
Garner, E. L.
                    March-May Oct 1895-March 1896
Geming, F. S.
                    Aug 1895 July 1-Sept 1894
Hamilton, C. R. V.
                    Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Harley, E. S.
                    July 1-Dec 1 1894
Harper, W. P.
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Hendricks, N. B.
                    May 29-June 5 1896 posseman
Henry, Frank
                    July 1-Sept 30 1894
Hughes, U or M P
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Ivey, Henry
                    July 1-Dec 31 1894
Keese, James
                    April 26-May 9 1896 posseman
Kinkead, Dick
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July 1-Dec 31 1894 Lambert, William Oct 1-Dec 31 1894 Lee, James B. Lee, R. C. July 1-Dec 31 1894 Lee, R. L. April 1-June 30 1895 Oct 1-Dec 31 1894 Leflore, Newton July 1-Sept 30 1894 Long, Lee Marcum, W. H. June 28-30 1894 July 1-Dec 31 1894 Mathis, C. C. July 1-Dec 31 1894 July-Oct 1895 McClure, F. T. March 1-Sept 30 1895 Nov 1895-June 1896 July 1-Sept 30 1894 McCoy, Alf April-May 1895 July 1-Sept 30 1894 McDaniel, John W. McEwan, John July 1-Dec 31 1894 McLaughlin, S. Price July 1-Dec 31 1894 McLillarn, A. D. July 1-Sept 30 1894 McMurtry, John July 1-Dec 31 1894 April-June Aug 1895 Megge, H. July 1-Dec 31 1894 Merryman, J. S. July 1-Dec 31 1894 Minor, S. T. Oct 1-Dec 31 1894 Mitchell, L. E. March 1-June 30 1895 Mullins, A. Z. July 1-Sept 30 1894 Newborn, Frank Oct 1-Dec 31 1894 April-June 1896 Noble, George B. Parham, H. W. July 1-Sept 30 1894 Parker June 1893-June 1894 Parker, J. C. July 1-Dec 31 1894 Parks, W. D. July 1-Sept 30 1894 Aug 13-25 1895 Pitts, William April 29-May 9 1896 posseman Quinton, James June 1893-June 1894 July 1-Dec 31 1894 Routh, J. M. Rutherford, L. B. Oct 1-Dec 31 1894 July 1-Dec 31 1894 Secor, William Self, J. N. Shaw, John June 1894 July 1-Dec 31 1894 Aug 11-26 1895 posseman Aug 21-27 1895 posseman Slaughter, J. H. July 1-Dec 31 1894 Spring, B. J. Springfield, W. H. Aug 1895 June 1893-June 1894 Stanley Stanley, C. R. July 1-Sept 30 1894 Strozier, John June 1893-June 1894 July 1-Dec 31 1894 Surrell, John R. July 1-Dec 31 1894 Swink, William June 1893-June 1894 July 1-Dec 31 1894 July 1-Dec 31 1894 Thomas, Seaton July 1-Dec 31 1894 Thompson, James H. Aug 11-26 1895 posseman Wade, Asa Aug 21-27 1895 posseman Waller, Sid Ward Jan 1894 ? July 1- Dec 31 1894 Aug 21-24 1895 posseman Kard, Joseph L. Feb 1894 ? Welch July 1-Dec 31 1894 Welch, Charles A. July 1-Dec 31 1894 Welch, R. C. July 1-Sept 30 1894 Welk, Z. Apr 26-May 9 1896 Wilcox, Walter July 1-Dec 31 1894 Villiams, George E. Apr Jun July Oct & Dec 1895 July 1-Dec 31 1894 Jan Jun 1896 Williamson, E. N. Aug 13 1894 posseman Vilson, R. F. July 1-Dec 31 1894 Yarbrough, James

### U. S. DEPUTY MARSHALS

### Indian Territory South Judicial District

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Bales, W. M.
                         Oct 1-Dec 31, 1894
Bobbitt, Allen A.
                         Apr 1895-Jun 1896
                         Apr 1895-Jun 1896
Booker, David E.
Brown, A. B.
                         Jul 1-Sep 30 1894
                         Mar 1-Jun 30 1895
Burch, A. V.
Burch, Albert M.
                         Jul-Dec 31 1894; Apr 1895, Feb 1896, Apr-Jun 1896
                         Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894, Apr-Jun 1895
Burns, Charles A.
                         Oct 1-Dec 31, 1894
Burson, Lou
                          Apr-1895, Jun 1896
Campbell, George W.
Carlton, E. D.
                         Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Carter, Charles C.
                         July 1-Dec 31 1894
                         Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894
Chapman, J. W.
                                                                             Jan-Feb.
Cloud, Isaac
                         Mar 1-Jul 30, Sep 1895; July 1-Dec 31 1894; Apr-June 1896/
                         Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Colbert, E. F.
Couch, John
                         Jul-Dec 31, 1894
                         Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Evans, Evan
Everheart, William C.
                         Apr 1895-Jun 1896
Flow, Devid D.
                         Mar 1895-Jun 1896, Jul 1-Dec 30, 1894
Foster, Villiam M.
                         Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 , 1894
Freeman, W. B.
                         Jul 1-Sept 30 1894
Frey, Henry
Gaines, Edward
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Gholson, Alf H.
Gill, W. E.
                         Mar 1-Jun 30 1895; Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
                         Jul 1-Sept. 30, 1894
Goode, W. B.
Hamm, Arthur B.
                         Apr-Jun 1896, Sep 1895
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Hart, C. L.
Kenney, John H.
                         Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Law, L. P.
                         Oct 1-Dec 31 1894 Special Deputy
Lilly, Thomas E.
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
                         Jun 28-30 1894; July 1-Dec 31 1894 posseman
Marcum, W. H.
Martin, James E.
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 1894; Apr-Aug 1895; Oct 1895-Jun 1896
McDougall, R. D.
                         Jun 1893-Jun 1894(fiscal 1874) (Spring) Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
McLamore, William E.
                         Apr 1895-Feb; Apr-Jun 1896
McNamara, Robert F.
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 1894; Apr-Aug 1895; Oct 1895-Jun 1896
                         Apr-Jun, Aug, Nov-Dec 1895; Jun 1891
Moore, Elisha M.
                         Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894 (spring 1894)
Norman, N. H.
                         Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894
Perry, H. M.
Pierce, F. J.
                         Dec 1895
Pulliam. Alonzo S.
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 1894; Apr 1895-Jun 1896
                         Mar 1-Jun 30, 1895
Pulliani, E. S.
Rooks, C. C.
                         Jul 1-Sept 30, 1894
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 1894, Apr - June 1895
Ross, Randolf
Stafford, R. B.
                         Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Steelman, William D.
                         Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Stephens, John E.
                         Jul 1-Sep 30 1894
Stowe, Charles L.
                         Aug-Dec 1895
Stowe, L. L.
                         Oct 1-Dec 31, 1894; July 27, 1895
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Turner, W. L.
Underwood, A. A.
Vincent, Charles T.
Ward, E. R.
West, C. L.
White, Joe N.
Young, G. P.

Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Jul 1-Sept 30 1894
Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
July 1-Dec 31 1894; posseman
Jul 1-Dec 31 1894

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# OKLAHOMA TRIVIA EXTRACTED FROM THE TULSA WORLD

Oktaha, a post office established in 1900 in central Muskogee County, was named for Oktahasars Harjo, or Sands, a Creek chief in the Civil War era.

Briartown, established in 1882 in Muskogee County, was known as McMurray by the railroad.

Beland, in Muskogee County, eight miles soutwest of Muskogee, was called Chase from 1903 until 1908.

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#### OBITUARY

### Extracted from microfilm of the BOYNTON INDEX by Lillie Wiedel

Ellen Webster WESTLAKE was born January 7, 1857 near Pleasant Hill, Illinois and died October 20, 1922 at the Baptist Hospital in Muskogee, aged 65 years, 9 months and 13 days. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. ? T. WEBSTER were among the older settlers of Pike Co., Illinois. On December 1, 1880 she married Benjamin F. WESTLAKE of Pittsfield, who died some eight years ago. To this union two children were born, Paul and Mae, now Mrs. HYND, both of Boynton. She is also survived by two brothers, Irvin D. WEBSTER, of Pleasant Hill, Illinois and John H. WEBSTER of Plymouth, Ind. Her only sister, Mrs. Alice CLARK of Chicago, preceded her in 1919. Mrs. WESTLAKE was buried in West Cemetery at Pittsfield, Illinois.

This obituary was in the November 17, 1922 newspaper.

### Annual Report - 1988 - 1989 (Presented at the April Society Meeting)

During the period May, 1988, through april 1989, eight regular meetings were held, plus our "Heritage Quest Road Show" June 22 and our Christmas social in December. We had an average of 29 attendance at our regular meetings. Barbara Higbee's post card slides of "The Early Days of the City of Muskogee" and "Military Records" by Deone Penquite were our two top attended regular programs.

The "Heritage Quest Road Show:, sponsored with the Muskogee Public Library had an attendance of 80. The seminar was given by Mr. Leland K. Meitzler, well known genealogist and co-founder of Heritage Quest and Managing Editor of Heritage Quest Magazine, also Mr. Bill Dollarhide, author of Map Guides to the U.S. Federal Census, the Dollarhide System and Family Research Manager computer software. Proceeds from the Heritage Quest Road Show were used to purchase genealogy books for the Grant Foreman Room. Our society has purchased 40 books at a cost of \$330.51 for the Grant Foreman Room, plus books donated by our members.

In addition to the quarterlies published in June, September, December and March our society has two new publications completed and offered for sale, 1) Cemeteries of muskogee County, Oklahoma Vol. 1, compiled by Deone and Walter Penquite and 2) Index of Deaths Extracted from Muskogee Daily Phoenix, January 16, 1930 - May 4, 1935, Muskogee, Oklahoma Vol. 1, compiled by Walter Penquite.

We have approximately 46 members within driving distance and around 26 out of area members. They are from Alabama, Arkansas, California, Canada, Florida, Indiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, Ohio, Texas and Washington and libraries in Anniston, Alabama, Huntington Beach, California, Topeka, Kansas and Ft. Wayne, Indiana. One of our main goals is to enlarge our membership.

I want to thank all of our volunteers for their countless hours of hard work for our society for without them we couldn't do what we want to accomplish for our society. Our society volunteers have answered mail addressed to us as well as letters to the library requesting genealogy information. Deone Penquite, Lillie Wiedel and Shirley Griffith have answered most of the inquiries with the help of Virginia Perry when Cherokee records were involved. Wilma Bloom made surename cards for the genealogy catalogue file from the ancestor charts of new members. Deone and Walter Penquite indexd and collated all the quarterlies and publications. Betty Farris is reading the Muskogee Phoenix microfilm, extracting obituaries for the Grant Foreman Room. Delores Swaney is reading cemeteries in the Warner area.

We have sold to date 14 copies of Genealogical Data Extracted from the Muskogee Weekly Phoenix, 1888-1892, Vol. 1, 15 copies of Vol. 11, 1893-1897 and 34 copies of Vol. 111, 1898-1902, 14 copies of

Marriage Records, July 1890 - March 1893, 8 copies of Index to Deaths Extracted from Muskogee Daily Phoenix, January 16, 1930 - May 4, 1935, Vol. 1, 17 copies of Cemeteries - Muskogee County Vol.1, and numerous "Tips on Cherokee Indian Research" and Beginners Packet. These publications have gone to all the above states plus the Genealogical Department of the Church of the Latter Day Saints, in Salt Lake City, Utah, genealogical societies, historical societies and libraries in these states.

The bank balance April 1988, was \$1098.06 and today it is \$1032.25. Considering all the necessary expenditures that have had to be made our Muskogee County Genealogical Society is doing quite well.

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