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Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections

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The search for our Allred ancestry continues. I would like to express appreciation to all those who have contributed and who are in the process of joining this effort to extend our ancestral lines.

While family history and genealogical research can at times be discouraging, we can be grateful for the progress that has been made towards our goal of identifying our progenitors and in correcting some mistakes that have long been propagated.

It is obvious to those of us who are engaged in this effort, that mistakes will continue to be made, but "the last word," is the one we have most recently discovered.

Having said that much, I will attempt to present at least a portion of the documentation we do now have and to make a few statements that may give some satisfaction, at least until we are of a better opinion. In other words, though we do not have absolute proof, the records we do have are sufficient for us to promote our hypothesis.

I would like to begin by giving some background information on the Parish of Eccles, in Lancashire, England.

In 1864 there was printed a manuscript of the *Ancient Parish Church of Eccles*, in which it was stated that "Eccles" was a derivative of Ecclesia, or the Latin word for church. The advowson was originally the gift of the Barton family, lords of the manor of Barton-upon-Irwell. At the dissolution of the Monasteries in 1539, the advowson¹ was vested in the crown, where apparently it remains to this day.

¹ The Advowson was the right to make an ecclesiastical appointment. In most cases, it was the right of the Lord of the Manor to appoint the local vicar, etc. In the case of Eccles, the Crown retained that right after the dissolution of the monasteries.

It appears that there were four chantries founded in Eccles Church, three of them by the Booths of Barton and the fourth by Sir Geoffrey Massey of Worsley. In 1849, it was stated that "formerly the churchyard was more confined. One early head stone over the remains of Jane Holden read:

Here lies Jone's [John's] wife Jane,
As it is very plain;
And after will come Jone,
As sure as this is stone.

And so, I am certain, he did. Concerning the Glebe, there was a vicar's acre, in 1663, two new fields on the east side of Mr. Valentine's land of Beanccliffe, the barn field, the kiln, croft,² the hemp croft, the Jackson croft, and the Christ Croft. There was one orchard, two gardens, the vicarage house with fifteen rooms including the kitchen, the parlour, the great parlour, the buttery, the milk-house, etc. There was a cow-house, a vicarage barn with four bays, one little hen house and a swine sty.

Rent due the vicarage in that year was exacted from Robert Hobson, James Nailor, Elizabeth Lowe, Ann Wallwork, Richard Parren, Giles Seddon, William Smith, Lawrence Hampson, Ralph Bayley, Richard Nicholas, Thomas Sharples and John Nicholas.

The Stipend [the vicar's wages] was payable at the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Michael the Archangel by even portions of a little over 16 pounds per year. Robert Hartley was the vicar.

This information becomes increasingly more valuable when we realize that the Parish Clerk was Thomas Smith, who was possibly one of our direct line ancestors.

Thomas Smith was born about 1591, probably in Eccles, Lancashire, England. The minutes of the vestry meetings

² A croft was a small enclosed field, usually adjoining or close to the house.

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Randolph County 2003 Reunion

The three-day Randolph County, North Carolina, Allred Reunion attracted people from Arkansas, Arizona, Georgia, Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and Utah, September 12-14, 2003.

Friday's activities were aimed at learning about the War



A memorial photo tribute to James Eugene Allred was viewed by reunion attendees.



The Gospel Grass was part of the entertainment for the Randolph County Reunion.

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of the Regulation. Many of Randolph County's original settlers and their families were involved in the Regulator movement, including the Allreds. The group went to the Alamance Battleground and historic Hillsborough.

Saturday was the main reunion day with activities at Gray's Chapel School. The family meeting began on a bittersweet note as East Coast Allred founder, Eddie Clay Allred, remembered and honored the life and death of James Eugene Allred who passed away August 21, 2003.

Reunion participants enjoyed lunch, blue grass and gospel music in the gym and a genealogy presentation given outside. During the genealogy presentation, Linda Allred Cooper showed copies of some of the Allred Revolutionary War documents she, Alice Allred Pottmyer and Nancy Martin collected over the summer. A research report on their findings will be in a future newsletter.

Sunday's tour of family and historic sites in the county, featured new stops this year and history about the American Revolution, Civil War and one of Randolph County's first murders. Our stop at Sandy Creek Baptist Church, purported to be the "Mother of all Baptist Churches" gave attendees the opportunity to hear a surprise presentation by James and Boyd Allred. These two brothers were held POW for more than three years each during the Korean Conflict. Their survival story is fascinating. Everyone recognized the honor of getting to meet and talk to these two American heroes.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend next year's reunion! It will be held the second weekend of September 2004. We hope to see you there!

Linda Allred Cooper



Several cemeteries in Randolph County were on the reunion tour.

2003 Texas Reunion



A tour of the National Cowgirl Museum in Fort Worth was on the agenda for (l-r) Edith Livingston, Clovis, NM, Mirion Cloud, Azle, TX, and Cleta Kempe, Keller, TX, during the Allred Reunion held in Keller.



Valrie Rowland Finch, 89, and Edward Finch, 92, were the oldest attendees at the Texas reunion. Valrie descends from the "original Thomas."

Food, fun and family history were on the agenda for the Texas reunion, October 11-12, 2003, Keller, Texas.



Carolee and Fran Bordofsky, John and Alva Sue Dorsey, Edith and Glenn Livingston, William Alexander and Eugene and Betty Rowland enjoy a reunion meal together. In the background are posters showing photos and family lines of Ellena Allred and Calvin Rowland's children and grandchildren.

Newsletter CD Available

All back issues of the Newsletter (#1-57) have been placed on CD and are available for purchase at \$22 per CD. This includes shipping and handling. Included is a Table of Contents that makes it easy for you to find the article or information you are looking for. Proceeds go to the AFO Research Fund.

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give mention of Thomas Smith.

17th July, 1622. - It was consented, covenanted and agreed unto, by the Right Worshipful and Worshipful of the parish of Eccles, with the Vicar and Churchwardens for the time being, whose names are hereafter specified, on behalf of the whole parish, on the one party, and Thomas Smith, parish clerk, of the same parish, on the other party as followeth:

Imprimis. that the said Thomas Smith, or whosoever shall be clerk for the time being, shall from time to time and at all times from henceforth, when need shall require, collect and gather throughout the whole parish all such sums of money as shall be requisite and expedient for the buying of bread and wine for the several communions when and as often as they shall be warned and appointed.

Item. That the Clerk, shall do all such services as have been accustomed to be done by the parish clerk, or [as] shall be by law required.

Every cottage throughout the parish was to pay a penny a year to the clerk. If they refused, or did not pay within the 14 days allotted for payment, then it was the duty of the Parish Clerk to report their names to the church wardens, who in turn made it a matter of recourse according to law.

The only notation made during the tenure of Thomas Smith (in this printed account) was that on the 4th of April, 1639, Dorothy, the widow of Richard Brereton, Esquire, died.

Thomas did not live long enough to serve under the iron hand of Cromwell and the Commonwealth, when four magistrates published the banns of marriage and those marriages were performed by justices instead of clergymen.

Thomas Smith was married to Ann Smith on the 23rd of February 1611, in Eccles Parish. They were the parents of at least eight identified children. Two of those children, that we know of, died young. At least Margaret, Ellen, Alice, and John lived to adulthood.

On the 18th of January 1638, Ann Smith died. A year later, Thomas was married to Mary, widow of Adam Leaver. Mary had at least one son by her previous marriage, Alexander Leaver, born about 1634. By Thomas, she had three children, Mary, Eleanor and Thomas. Only Mary appears to have survived her father.

In 1648, Thomas wrote his will in which he designated himself as the 'parish clerke of the church of Eccles in the

countie of Lancaster.' He desired to be buried in the 'churchyarde of Eccles' at the discretion of his wife, children and friends. He mentioned that he held land in a messuage tenement or cottage with 'housinge, edifices, buildinges, yarges, gardens, backyards' etc. [original spellings], that he held by lease from his landlord, Richard Edge.

If his wife, Mary, kept herself unmarried and if she continued to live seven years then she was to have her full one third part of his estate. If perchance, she acted in an "unchast" manner then he assigned his son John Smith to assume the responsibility of seeing that the legacies designated in his will, were to be distributed.

At the time of his death, Thomas held an estate in two pieces of land one called highest Smithkye and the other the higher end of the 'Broome Back' containing two acres. Both these pieces of ground lay within Eccles parish. The latter he had by grant from the executors of John Gooden, who had been deceased for six years. Mary was to maintain the use of this property to her profit until such time as she deceased or was re-married.

Thomas forgave the debt of his daughter Ellen, the wife of George Alderofte, in the amount of four pounds. With that bequest she was to buy her apparel and other necessities. (I assume for the purpose of attending his funeral.)

In addition, he left a legacy to his son John, and daughters Alice and Mary Smith. He gave his sister, Jane Davy five shillings and he bequeathed to Alexander Leaver, his step-son, five pounds. Witnesses to his will were John Tongs, vicar of Eccles and Richard Worseley. The will was probated in 1649.

Thomas Smith's daughter, Margaret, seems to have been out of favor with her father, having given birth to an illegitimate daughter, Ellen Pemberton, ten years earlier, in 1638.

Mary Smith, Thomas Smith's wife, appears to have pursued what her former husband termed 'unchast' behavior as she was married a third time. According to her step-son, John Smith's will, Mary was married to Ellice [Ellis] Hulton after the death of her second husband.

On the 16th of Nov 1656, John Smith, Inn holder and son of Thomas Smith (clerk of Eccles Parish), wrote his will. He stated that he held a lease from his "kinde and Lovinge Landlord Richard Edge of Ollenforest in Worseley in the said countie of Lancaster yeoman for and duringe the tearme of the lief and lyves naturall of me the said John Smyth and of Mary nowe wief of Ellice Hulton and formerlie the wief of Thomas Smyth deceased my late fater and the longer lyver of me and her the said Mary for and

under the yearelie rent of tenne shillinges payable at Christmas & midsomer by even portions.”

At the time of the writing of his will, apparently John’s wife, Margaret, was expecting a child. Having no way of knowing whether it was a son or daughter, he nevertheless made provision for the child that was soon to be born.

John Smith and Margaret Newton were married the 5th of October 1650, but apparently either they had no previous children, or they had failed to survive. Further research pending.

Ellen Pemberton, was born the 25th of March 1638, in Eccles Parish, Lancashire, England. The parish record states that she was the illegitimate daughter of John Pemberton and Margaret Smith. Having searched the Eccles Parish registers for clues as to the parentage of Margaret Smith, it seems likely at this point that she was the daughter of Thomas and Ann Smith of Eccles Parish, the same who was the parish clerk from 1622 and who died. 6 February 1648. Had he lived, Thomas would have been even more displeased with a grandchild who turned her back on the Anglican Church and associated herself with a group of people who called themselves Quakers or Friends and refused to pay homage to the Church of England in either manner or stipend.

John Allred and Ellen Pemberton were married in about

1659. They were the parents of nine children.

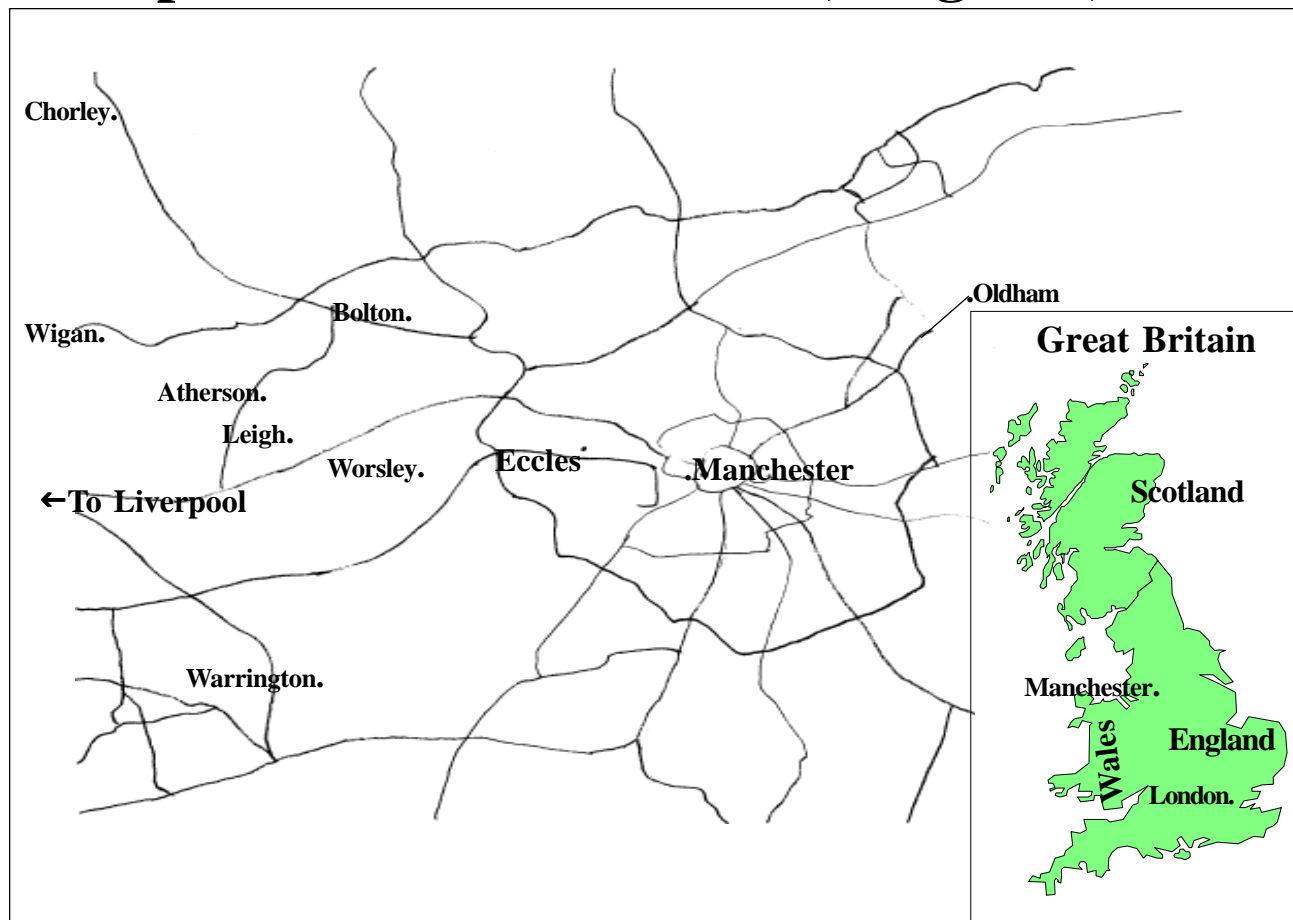
In 1892 Walter K. Watkins wrote a book he entitled, *The Pemberton Family*, in which he states that the family of that name derived its name from the chapelry of that name in the parish of Wigan, in the hundred of West Derby, county of Lancaster, England.

According to the English Surnames Series Vol. IV the Surnames of Lancashire, by Richard McKinley, Pemberton is a village within the parish of Wigan which was first noted in 1201, and is considered to be British in origin. “The surname or bye-name de Pemberton or de Penberton, derived from the place-name, has first been found in the early 13th century.”

The first man identified in the first half of the 13th century was Adam de Pemberton who was a landowner at Pemberton. Ralph de Pemberton, who was deceased by 1236, held land at Pemberton. Other names which occur until the 1300’s were William, John, Hugh, Roger, and Henry. William de Pemberton was the son of Adam who had at least sons, William, John and Hugh. The article states that by the year 1350 the surname had become widespread and that the 16th and 17th centuries there were numerous Pembertons listed in the registers of Walton on

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Map of Greater Manchester, England, Area



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the Hill, Childwall, West Derby and in Liverpool. One family of Pemberton held land at Aspull during the late 16th and 17th centuries and in Winwick parish to the south of Wigan. The name was also common in Halsall parish but by the time the 1642 Protestation Returns for Salford Hundred were brought in, there were only three persons named Pemberton on the list. Therefore, states McKinley, "Outside West Derby Hundred the surname seems to have uncommon in the 17th century....Pemberton as a surname after being in its early history largely confined to the Wigan area, spread during the 14th century to the townships around Liverpool."

It is to Wigan that we look for our first link to the Pemberton family and our first claim to accuracy is a connection to the family of William Pemberton who was born in about 1580, presumably in Wigan, Lancashire, England. He was married to Ann [last name not known] on the 10th of December 1602.

It has been printed in various sources that William and Ann were the parents of children Ralph, Ellin, Margery and Alice, however, it is our claim that the Ellin so referred to in these many sources, was in fact, Ellin the daughter of John Pemberton and Margaret Smith, referred to above. It is much more likely that Ralph and John Pemberton were brothers as per following documents.

Not only are there various Pemberton family lines in England, but there are several different lines in the New World as well. There has never been any proof, for example, to connect the Pembertons of Pennsylvania with the Pembertons of Massachusetts.

We do know that Ralph Pemberton, son of William and Ann, was a practicing Quaker, as was his surviving son, Phineas Pemberton.

Ralph Pemberton was born 3rd of January 1610, in Aspull, Wigan Parish, Lancashire, England. He was married to Margaret Seddon on the 2nd of September, 1648, the same year that Thomas Smith, clerk of the parish of Eccles left his will.

Margaret Seddon was the daughter of Thomas Seddon and Margaret Newton. If there is a connection between this Margaret Newton and the Margaret Newton who married John Smith, I have not yet discovered it.

We have record of only two children for Ralph and Margaret Seddon Pemberton, Phineas born the 20th of January 1650, and Joseph. Apparently Phineas was the only child of this couple to survive. Joseph Pemberton died on the 3rd of August 1655. He was three years old.

Ellin or Ellen Pemberton, appears to be the only surviving child of John Pemberton and Margaret Smith. That would appear to be another reason for these two first cousins, Phineas and Ellen, to have established a familial

relationship, in addition to the fact that were both staunch proponents of the Quaker Faith that flourished in during the time period in which they were growing to maturity.

Persecution of those who professed to be of the people called Quakers, appears to have begun in the year 1654 when John Lawson, a shopkeeper in Lancaster, was set in the stocks for four hours.

The year following Ellin's marriage to John Allred, she was arrested and jailed for attending Quaker Meetings. Her husband, John, was arrested the following year, 1661, for the same offense.

In 1660, Soldiers with drawn swords and cocked pistols came to the meeting of the Quakers in the Lancaster District and arrested approximately 30 people. One of those arrested at Wray in Lancaster County, was William Edmondson. William was born in 1627 in Westmoreland but because of his journey to Ireland in 1652 where he conducted business in Lurgan, he was referred to as "the Quaker apostle of Ireland."

In Manchester John Abraham, *Isaac Mosse*, Abraham Garside, Jonathan Bradshaw, John Burgess, *Mary Ridgway*, *Mary Poole*, Elizabeth Owen, and Elizabeth Fletcher were arrested and committed to prison.

Arrested 10 Feb 1660 for attending Quaker Meetings were Richard Madder, Ed Dawson, *Nehemiah Pool*, Arther Walker, Hannah Taylor, *Mary Mosse*, and **Ellen Allred**. There can be no question that Ellen Allred was acquainted with the Quaker members of the Manchester Meeting.

William Edmondson settled in West Nottingham, Chester County, Pennsylvania, and is the progenitor of the Edmondson family of that county as well as those who settled in Cecil County, Maryland, York, and Allegheny Counties, Pennsylvania. [For further information on this family, contact this author at griffin1@burgoyne.com.]

In 1663, George Fox and Margaret Fell were committed to the Lancaster Castle. Both were noted Quaker preachers.

Alice Pemberton, in 1664, was committed to the House of Correction for three months, for attending Quaker worship. (Besse's Suffering, 1., p. 315) It is purported that this is Alice, daughter of William and Ann Pemberton, and a sister to Ralph and John Pemberton. The following year, Phineas Pemberton moved to Manchester when he was just fifteen years old.

In 1666, James Harrison was imprisoned in the Castle of Chester, incident to his having attended meetings held by the Quakers. From his prison cell on the 26th of the 8th months he wrote to his wife:

"Most dear and right dearly beloved wife...for thy reverent, courteous behaviour in gesture and words towards me...a real acknowledgment of thy spiritual and lively testimony that breaks and

tenders my heart, I rest thy very loving husband.”
She wrote back that nothing could separate them.

Two years after that, James and Ann Harrison removed from Cheshire County to Lancashire, where Phineas Pemberton undoubtedly became acquainted with their daughter, Phoebe.

Phineas Pemberton and Roger Longworth were imprisoned in 1669 in Lancaster Castle for attendance at religious meetings. Phineas was sixteen years old.

At the age of 20, Phineas was apprenticed to John Abraham, a grocer in Manchester. That same year, he was, again, imprisoned in Lancaster castle for refusing to take the oath of allegiance to the king and for attending Quaker meetings.

Phineas Pemberton married Phoebe Harrison on the 1st of January 1776, at the house of John Haydock in Coppull, Near Standish in Lancashire, England. Ralph Pemberton removed to Radcliffe Bridge.

The marriage entry in the minute of the Manchester Meeting read:

Phineahas Pemberton of Boulton in the moores in the County of Lancaster grocer And Phebe Harrison daughter of James Harrison of Boulton aforesaid tooke oath other in marriage in a publick assembly mett together for that end and purpose in the house of John Haydock of Coppull in the said County the first day of the Eleventh month Anno Dom: 1676, In the presence of Ralph Pemberton, Roger Longworth, Ann Harrison. Signed: James Harrison, John Abraham, William Yardley, John Bancroft, Isaac Ashton, Richard Buggan, Elizabeth Johnson, Elizabeth Hodgson, Elizabeth Haydock with others.

The microfilm copy of this document from the Family History Library in Salt Lake City appears to be a transcription of the original which is undoubtedly in the CRO in Lancashire, England. I cannot help but wonder if some of the “others” would include the names of John and Ellen [Pemberton] Allred. Finding the original document is a future project.

On the 9th of November, James Harrison was preaching at a meeting in his own house when the constables came with a warrant from Thomas Laver and John Kenyon, justices, and made a seizure of leather and other goods to the value of 10 pounds 19 shillings. Phineas Pemberton and his wife were at the meeting and had goods taken from him to the value of 4 pounds 25 shilling 4d. At the time, Phineas and Phoebe were living at Stiall-Green, in Cheshire.

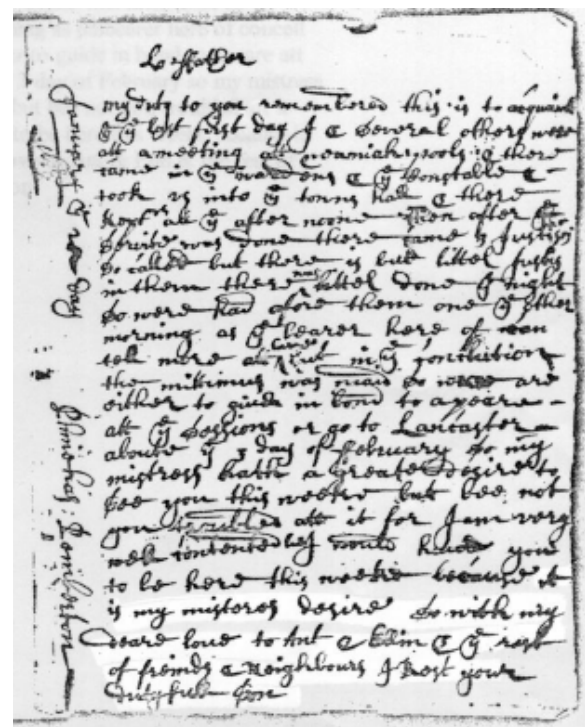
It is probable that sometime during this time period, Phineas wrote the following letter to his father, Ralph:

To Father

My duty to you rememberd this is to acquaint ...
ye ... first day I & several others were att a
meeting att Neamiah Pools & there came in the
wardens & the constable & took us into the town
hall & there kept us all the after noone then after
the S... was done there came by
Justices so called but there is butt littel justes in
them There was littel done at night so were had
afore them one .. other morning as palbearer here
of concell more at ... in the witinus was maid so
either to guide in bond to apeare att the cessions
or go to Lancaster aboute the 3 day of February
so my mistress hath a greate desire to see you this
weeke but bee not you troubled att it for I am very
well contented.... hands, you to be here this
weeke because its is my mistores desire So with
my deare love to Ant & Ellin & the rest of friends
& neighbors I rest your dutyfull son

Undoubtedly this is the same Nehemiah Pool with whom Ellen Pemberton Allred was arrested in 1660, and the Ellen to whom Phineas refers in this letter.

For additional information on this family and a copy of the letter written by John Allred of Manchester in Lancashire, England, to Phineas Pemberton of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, refer to Issue No. 54 page 3, and Issue No. 55, page 12, of the Allred Family Newsletter.



Why Did Elizabeth Name Thomas Allred in Her Will?

Elizabeth Diffie Allred states in her will “I give to Thomas Allred son of Eli Allred a Certain tract of land lying on the waters of Sandy Creek Adjoining Samuel Trogon Containing One hundred and forty four acres.” Why? To our knowledge, the only relationship between Thomas Allred and Elizabeth Diffie Allred was distant. Tradition tells us that Elizabeth’s husband, William, had a brother named Thomas Allred. This Thomas Allred had a son named Eli. So, through marriage, Elizabeth Diffie Allred would have been Eli Allred’s Aunt and the Great Aunt to the Thomas Allred who she left the land to. Why would she leave such a large tract of land to a Great Nephew?

How did Elizabeth come to own this land? Two years earlier, William had died and left Elizabeth her widow’s dower which was 1/3 of his estate. But, William’s will clearly states “I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Allred one third part of the tract of land I now live on.....and at her marriage or death the whole to fall to John and William.” So, where did the 144 acres of land come from that Elizabeth left to Thomas Allred in her will?

The answer lies in Elizabeth’s estate records. Dated December 1827, Elizabeth’s estate settlement lists the money Elizabeth had recently inherited from Jane Diffie. By looking at land records, we find that Jane Diffie also owned 144 acres located on Sandy Creek. Remember, Elizabeth’s will described the land given to Thomas Allred as 144 acres on Sandy Creek. It’s fairly safe to deduct from this that Elizabeth also inherited land from Jane Diffie along with the money mentioned earlier, the same land she later gave to Thomas Allred.

But why? Who was Jane Diffie? Why would she leave her land and money to Elizabeth?

Some researchers think Jane Diffie was the wife of Moses Allred, but we don’t think so. Moses Allred and his wife had children – why would his wife leave her money and land to Elizabeth?

Was Jane Diffie the mother of Elizabeth? We don’t think so. Elizabeth had siblings who she mentions in her will. If Jane was Elizabeth’s mother, why would she leave her money and land to Elizabeth and not share some of it with her other children? And why would Elizabeth turn right around and leave that same land to Thomas Allred – a Great Nephew – and not leave it to her siblings in her own will?

Could Elizabeth be the mother of Jane Diffie? Maybe! Here are the clues: on March 13, 1788, a Bastardy Bond was filed in Randolph County court for an Elizabeth Diffie who had “delivered which child is a Bastard.” Elizabeth had named James Dunbar as the father. Marriage records show James Dunbar later married another woman, leaving Elizabeth single and a mother. That child would have been given Elizabeth’s surname: Diffie. What if that child was a little girl.....a little girl named Jane Diffie?

Remember we already have questions about whether or not Elizabeth Diffie Allred was the only wife of William Allred and the mother of his children. What if she was the same Elizabeth Diffie who gave birth to the illegitimate child?

Suppose that child never married or had any children. Suppose that child grew up, acquired some land and money, and upon her death, left that land and money to her mother – Elizabeth? Jane died Intestate – without a will. At that time, Intestate Laws gave the estate inheritance to the living spouse, children, then siblings – in that order. Yet, we have proof Elizabeth inherited the money and we think Elizabeth also inherited the land from Jane’s estate.

Could Elizabeth have been Jane’s mother?

And, how does Thomas Allred fit into the picture?

Can you solve the mystery that occurred in Randolph County, North Carolina? If so, please contact:

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Elizabeth Diffie Will

In the name of God Amen

I Elizabeth Allred Being in a low State of health But of Sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament First I give and bequeath to Samuel Allred one Walnut Cest (chest) + one pair of dressers

Secondly I give to Elizabeth Duncan 1 pewter dish and pewter bason

Thirdly I give to Sarah Elliott one stand of Curtains

Fourthly I give to William Allred Senr one pewter tankard

Fifthly I give and bequeath to Thomas Allred Son of Eli Allred a certain tract of land lying on the waters of Sandy Creek adjoining Samuel Trogdon Containing one hundred and forty four acres.

Sixtly I give to John Diffie one sheep

Seventhly I give to Elizabeth Laughlin one sheep

The balance of my Estate to be sold and an equal division made between my living brother and sisters and where any of my Brothers or Sisters are disest (deceased) their children to have one share with those living Except John Diffie Junr and Elizabeth Laughlin And I appoint Elisha



Coffin Executor

Oct the 27 day 1827

Witness my hand and seal Elizabeth (her mark) Allred

Attest William Swafford

Elizabeth Diffie Bastardy Bond

(transcribed as written)

State of North Carolina
Randolph County

William Richards and Jacob Sheen Justices of the peace for s'd county this thirteenth day of March 1788 Elizabeth Diffie Bring Duly Sworn and Commend sayeth that on or about the first Week of february to the Best of her knowledge James Dunbar Labourer had Carnal knowledge of her Body Did Beget her With Child and that she has since Been Delivered Which Child is a Bastard Sworn and Examined this the 13th day of March 1788.

W. Richards Jp (seal)

Jacob Sheen Jp (seal)



An Allred



Warren Allred (1849-1932), his wife, Sarah “Sally” Millikan Allred, their son, George and an unidentified young girl possibly one of their daughters, Leonora or Caroline. Photo sent by Warren’s great grandson, Robert Bryan, Greensboro, North Carolina. Warren, Maloy, Jessee.



A display has been finished at the Allred-Trogon Cemetery in Randolph County, North Carolina. The “original” William and his wife, Elizabeth, are buried here. The East Coast Allred Family Association now owns the cemetery where approximately 200 are buried. Many of the graves have not yet been identified. A fence and benches are planned for the cemetery. Several workdays are scheduled for the fall and winter months when it is easier to work and keep the cemetery clear of vines.

This historic cemetery is always on the Randolph County Reunion tour.

Family Album



LaRoy Devar Saline II of California. LaRoy served in the Navy as a Mess Management Specialist from 1995 to 1999. He took basic training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. While in basic training, his superior officers discovered LaRoy's beautiful singing voice and asked him to join the choir. He served in San Diego, CA; Sasebo, Japan; and aboard the USS Fort McHenry (LSD43) where he served on the ship's Flying Squad fighting electrical and ventilation fires while the ship was in the Pacific Theater of Operation. Photo contributed by LaRoy's father, E. Merrell Gomm. LaRoy, E. Merrell, Opal, Edwin Medwin Newton, William Moore, Isaac, William Thomas.



Allreds are scattered all over the world. Russell Allred, Little River, SC, traveled to Japan to meet his new twin granddaughters. He is shown here with Jenna Emily and Emma Haley Allred, born May 20, 2003, Yokosuka, Japan. Big brother, Sean Casey Allred, is four. Russell's son, Kevin, met his wife, Mariko, while stationed in Japan. Kevin serves in the Navy aboard the USS Kitty Hawk CV-63. Russell, Hobart, Ray, John Milton, Henry Branson, Elisha, John, William.



Martin Allred played the guitar and sang Western music at the Spring City Reunions for many years. Martin died October 27, 2003, in St. George, Utah. Funeral services were held November 1 in Ogden, Utah.



Reuben Warren Allred, Sr., and his wife, Gennie McNurty. They lived in Spring City, Utah. Reuben Warren, James, William, Thomas.

More Allred Sites

The Allred Family Organization newsletter has reported on Allred sites around the United States. See No. 54, page 6, and No. 56, pages 6-7. Two more sites have been located and are printed below.

Allred, Texas

Allred is just north of Texas State Highway 83 and seventy miles southwest of Lubbock in southern Yoakum County. At the site was once the largest undeveloped oilfield in Texas. The town was conceived by Walter E. Young and M. A. Shields in 1937, soon after the first oil discoveries, and probably named for Governor James Allred; actual building started in January 1938.

The Allred water well was dug in January. The first lot of the original forty-acre townsite was sold to Alva Willis on February 12, 1938, and the town's post office opened in May. Later, three additions of forty acres each were added so that the town could handle a population of 3,000. The Graves Grocery, operated by Harold W. Graves, the first business establishment of Allred, opened in March 1938. Young sold his interest in the townsite to Pat Malone in January 1939; Malone enlarged the light plant and provided the town with an adequate telephone system.

In 1939 the town's population of 1,200 made it the largest in Yoakum County, and new people were moving in daily. On May 25, 1939, Roy Royal published the first and only issue of the *Allred Times*. That same year a new school was built on the north side of town. The population declined to 750 by 1940 and to 150 by 1947.

In 1956 the Allred school district and the Sligo school district were consolidated. The Allred school building was abandoned and later used as a community building. In 1957 the Yoakum County Gas Company, which had served Allred since 1939, found it unprofitable to serve the five remaining families and discontinued service to the town. Later that year the church, the post office, and the grocery store closed. The last recorded population of Allred was fifty in

1964, though a few people still lived there in the 1980s.

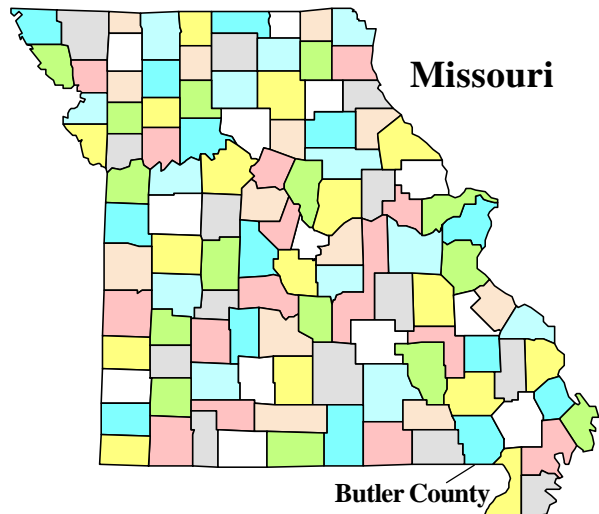
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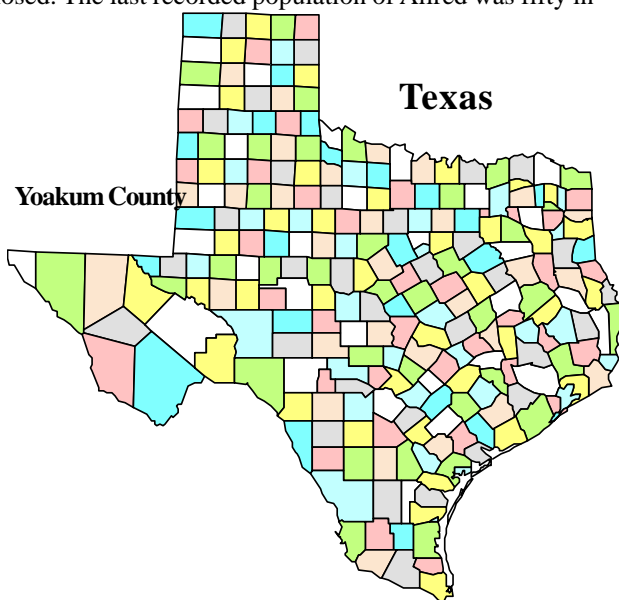


Allred Lake Natural Area

Allred Lake Natural Area is part of a 160-acre tract owned by the Missouri Department of Conservation. A 76-acre area located 15 miles south of Poplar Bluff and six miles southeast of Neelyville, accessible by a county road off Hwy H. The lake is in Butler County. The area is in the SE1/4 of Section 28, T22N, R6E, Vastus 7.5 min. topographic map. Designated February 25, 1982.

Natural features are swamp, slough and bottomland forest with rare species in the Lowlands Section of the Mississippi Lowland Natural Division. Ancient bald cypress and tupelo trees ring this natural pond, probably Missouri's best example of an undisturbed cypress pond.

The water harbors two state-endangered fishes, the swamp darter and taillight shiner. Trees of the bottomland forest include water locust, sweet gum, pecan, willow, and swamp chestnut, water, and overcup oaks. The rare Nuttall's oak also grows here. It is a wildlife refuge and is closed to hunting and fishing. Trapping is allowed by special permit. Non-motorized boats are permitted on Allred Lake for day use only. Boats must be carried about a quarter-mile to the lake from the parking area. For further information and a brochure of the site, contact the District Forester, Bootheel Forest District, 1207 N. One Mile Road, Dexter, MO 63841.



Notes and Comments on Renewal Forms

In future newsletters, it would be interesting to see a timeline of Allred family movements across the USA.

Yes, I can help with the research. I have access to LDS libraries and the Louisiana State Archives.

*Wanda Garrett Fuxan
Covington, LA*

I'd like to help with the research. I have access to the Internet and local LDS libraries.

In future newsletters, I'd like to read about all the reunions, biographies, the progress being made on research and hints about where we might find more information. I love the family photos.

*Kathy Hafen
Mt. Pleasant, UT*

The newsletters are very interesting!

*Brookie Swallow
Panaca, NV*

I'd love to read more information on Sarah Louisa Allred, daughter of Isaac Allred. She married Allen Taylor.

*Sandra K. Wheelwright
Smithfield, UT*

I am trying to find information on Losada Allred who married John Spivey, March 5, 1829, in Wayne County, Indiana. Would anyone have any information on this marriage. I am trying to find information on the parents of John.

*Vaunda Spivey
spiveyfarams@hotmail.com*

The last issue was terrific! Keep up the good work!

*Ferron Olson
Salt Lake City, UT*

I'll be glad to help with the research. I can do Internet research or limited Washington, DC, area library research.

In future newsletters, I'd love to see a family tree for each of the four "original" men with four to five generation for each branch until each brother has been covered with all the latest information in the newsletters. I know this was done in the past, but new information has come in. Receiving the latest information would be great.

*Kerry Marshall
Round Hill, VA*

I found the Allred's Mill article in Issue No. 56 interesting; it seems to refer to surnames found in my direct line; Not just Allred; Wright to Auman; Auman to Slack and Slack to Gibson; Gibson to Allred; and the Cagles married into the Auman/Slack lines of Randolph Co., North Carolina.

*Dianna Privette
Jacksonville, FL*

In future newsletters, I'd like to see more information on the DNA projects, research from England and the reunions.

*Logan Allred
Orem, Utah*

I have a set of 61 mostly unidentified photos of members of the Lewis and Trena Black and Charles and Martha Crawforth families of Spring City, Utah. The dates are late 1800s and early 1900s. Other surnames that might be in this set are: Allred, Beck, Brough, Livingston, Larsen, Carter, Omanson, Nielsen, Robinson, Kay and Thompsen. Please contact me if you can identify any of these people. The following URL was working as of September 25, 2003: http://genealogy.ourphillipsfamily.net/images/unidentified/thumbs/unidentified_photos.htm.

*Kerk Phillips
kerk@ourphillipsfamily.net*

I'd like to see the family trees in chart form of the early Allreds

*Bonnie Solomon
Boosier City, LA*

Are You Moving?

If you plan a move, please notify the Allred Family Organization of your change of address. Please send your new address and if possible your new phone number and e-mail address to: Linda Allred Cooper, AFO, P.O. Box 1044, Pittsboro, NC 27312

Reunion Plans

If you plan a 2004 Allred Reunion, please send the dates and location to: Alice Allred Pottmyer, 5540 North 32nd St., Arlington, VA 22207 or PottmyerA@aol.com.

If you have additional information that is also welcome. Please forward by January 15, 2004, for inclusion in the spring issue.

Allred Family Cookbook

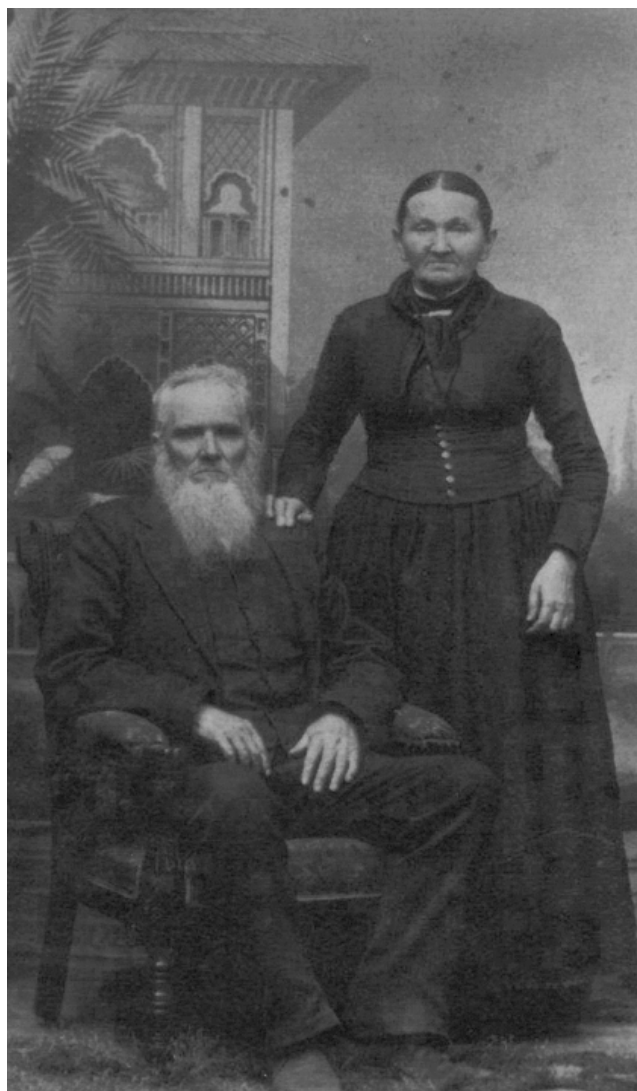
The *Allred Family Cookbook* is available. It is 133 pages and contains 200 delicious recipes. Family photos are scattered throughout the book. Cost: \$15 if you pick it up, \$20 if we mail it to you. Send a check or money order to:



Allred Family Cookbook
c/o Sara Allred
8906 Woods Dairy Road
Denton, NC 27239

Make checks payable to Sara Allred. All proceeds are evenly divided between the Allred Family Roster and the Allred Family Organization.

The Francis Marion Allred



The Francis Marion Allred family descends from the "original Solomon" Allred. At left are Francis Marion Allred, born March 26, 1827, in Tennessee and died October 8, 1903, Webb City, Jasper County, Missouri, and his wife Serena Daughtery Allred, born October 20, 1832, in Tennessee and died April 22, 1922, in Brightwater, Benton County, Arkansas. They were married December 20, 1849, McMinn County, Tennessee. Between 1850 and 1862 while living in Tennessee, they had five sons. Prior to the summer of 1866, they moved to the southern part of Illinois where a daughter was born. From there, they moved to Arkansas prior to 1872 and had another daughter there. They later moved to Missouri where Francis died.

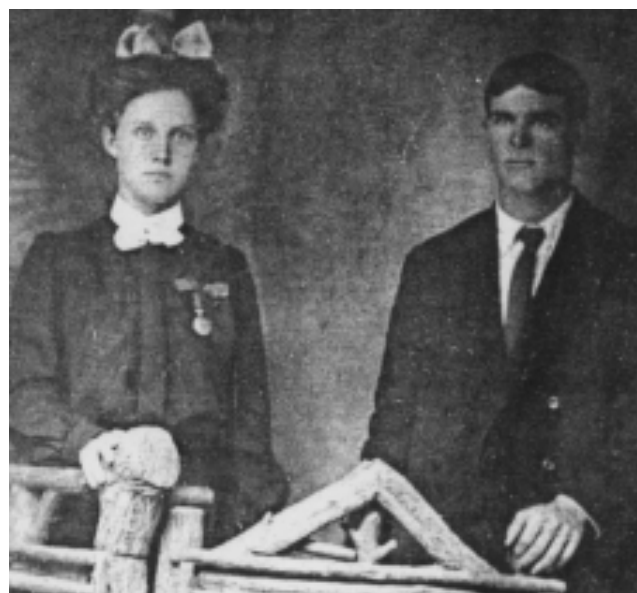
Francis Marion, John, Francis, Solomon



John Buchanan Allred, fourth son of Francis Marion and Serena, was born October 1857, in Tennessee. He died in 1900 in Sanger, Denton County, Texas. While living in Illinois, he married Olive Chapman (photo next to his) on July 29, 1877, in Johnson County, Illinois. She was born July 9, 1858, Vienna, Illinois, and died January 28, 1932, Sanger, Texas.

Shortly after they married, they moved to the northwest corner of Arkansas either with his parents or to join them. Three daughters were born while they lived in Arkansas. They then moved to the Cartersville, Missouri, area where three additional children were born. In the late 1880s, Buck, as he was known, moved to Denton County. Two more children were born in Texas.

John Buchanan, Francis Marion, John, Francis, Solomon



Charles Patterson Allred and Etha Mae Shelton (left) were married September 22, 1907, in Hemming, Cooke County, Texas. He was born January 8, 1887, Cartersville, Missouri, and died August 12, 1980, Fort Worth, Texas. She was born August 20, 1890, in Milford, Ellis County, Texas, and died November 7, 1974, in Fort Worth. They had four sons and lived between Sanger and Pilot Point in Denton County until they lost their family farm as a result of the Depression. They moved to New Llano, Vernon Parish, Louisiana, where their oldest son, John, met his future wife who moved there from Pennsylvania with her parents.

Charles Patterson, John Buchanan, Francis Marion, John, Francis, Solomon

Family and their Descendants



Dee Hascal Allred, son of Charles Patterson Allred and Etha Mae Shelton, was born July, 19, 1911, Sanger, Denton County, Texas. He died November 15, 1914, in Sanger from diphtheria. Dee Hascal, Charles Patterson, John Buchanan, Francis Marion, John, Francis, Solomon.



Three sons of Charles Patterson Allred and Etha Mae Shelton reached majority. From left to right are Claud Pascal, born October 10, 1916, Sanger, Denton County, and died February 8, 1961, Fort Worth, Tarrant County; John Rice, born July 9, 1908, Sanger, Denton County, and died March 7, 1970, Tyler, Texas, and Clifton Ross "Tip," born Mary 8, 1913, Sanger, Denton County, and died September 2, 1998, Denton, Denton County. This photograph was taken about 1929.

Photographs and information furnished by Pauline Allred Kapralian, Las Vegas, Nevada

John Rice Allred married Susan Melvina Hullinger on September 2, 1931. She was born June 21, 1915, Butler County, Pennsylvania, and died August 7, 1969, Fort Worth. They moved to Texas with John's parents and lived there a short time before returning to New Llano prior to the birth of their first child, Anna Mae. They returned to



Texas between that time and the birth of their second child, Ilma Pauline, who was born in the same house in Sanger where her father was born. Just before World War II began, John moved to Fort Worth and lived there until 1968. While living in Fort Worth, three more daughters were born. John developed emphysema and went into the State Hospital in Tyler in 1968 and remained there until his death. John Rice, Charles Patterson, John Buchanan, Francis Marion, John Francis, Solomon.



The three oldest daughters of John Rice Allred and Susan Melvina Hullinger are (l-r) Anna Mae Allred Collins, born May 31, 1932, New Llano, Vernon Parish, Louisiana; Georgia Charlene Allred Ohm, born March 10, 1942, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, and Ilma Pauline Allred Kapralian, born October 3, 1934, Sanger, Denton County. The picture was taken the summer of 1944 as a surprise birthday present for their father.

Some Stories of Overton County, Tennessee

Submitted by Linda Allred Cooper

Excerpts from the book, *Echoes From The Foothills*, first published by the 1952 Senior Class of Livingston Academy, Livingston (Overton County), TN.

Overton County is located in the northeastern section of Middle Tennessee. It was erected by an Act of the Legislature on September 12, 1806, the area coming from a part of Jackson County and from the Indian reservation known as *The Wilderness*.

The majority of the early settlers came from Virginia, North Carolina, Kentucky and East Tennessee. They came for various reasons "many came as hunters and adventures, but perhaps the outstanding thing that attracted their attention was the fact that they could get plenty of land cheaply, much of which they bought with land warrants issued by the State of North Carolina for services in the Revolutionary War.

The purpose of this book is to preserve some of the local history of Overton County, before, during and after the Civil War. Our Senior Class, realizing that in a few years, most of the older people who knew what happened during the Civil War would not be here to tell it, endeavored to collect all the information possible and put it into book form for future use and reference.

(AFO editor note: the information and stories following came from interviews with some of Overton County's oldest citizens in 1952 which were recorded in this wonderful book. Some of the stories are first-hand and some were handed down or taken from family records. The book can be found in the Livingston, TN, public library.)

Captain J. R. Copeland: I was born in the year 1806, and it is therefore, true, that I have lived nearly three score and ten years in the bounds of Overton County and have a vivid recollection of the great many of the habits and customs of the early settlers. I was here in the days of log cabins and puncheon floors; yes, and puncheon tables, for my first eating at table was upon a broad puncheon put upon legs; when our meals were all eaten off pewter plates by the best livers; and what a pride our mothers took on Saturday evenings in scouring their pewter, and having it all bright and shining! And those who could not afford pewter and tin, old Solomon Allred turned them plates and bowls out of wood on the turning lathe. Numbers of families used that kind of table-ware, for it was a long time before delf-ware as was called, was brought to this country.

Mrs. W. H. Collins: Just after the Civil War, bands of robbers ran all over the country killing and robbing people. One of these gangs was led by Tinker Dave Beaty.

G. W. Allred as told to Bobbie Vaughn: After the close of the war one of Tinker's men shot a 17 year old boy. This boy's father's friend, Allred, heard about this man in Tinker's killing him. One day this Allred met with the man who had killed him. When Allred told him this, he asked

him to give him time to pray. Allred told him if he gave the boy time to pray, he told him no. Then this man started begging Allred not to kill him. Allred cursed him and shot him down.

Mrs. Tim Allred: Lark Allred who was a blacksmith, was hired to make shoes and nails and to shoe the horses of Tinker's men. After this they almost killed him and took his best horse and left him a sorry one.

Christine Beaty and Dr. J. T. McDonald: There was an old Allred Mill about two miles beyond Alpine. About one mile below the old Kiesland Mill, the house was built of cedar logs. The old mill rocks are still there. McDonald was running from Tinker Dave Beaty and his men and he hid under the big water wheel, thinking that Allred was his friend. Allred had told McDonald to hide under the water wheel until Tinker Dave had gone. But Allred told Tinker Dave where McDonald was, and Tinker shot him. McDonald's two sisters came and got his clothes and washed them and buried the blood and planted a rosebush on top of the grave. The grave is about a quarter of a mile from the old mill.

Nynvill McHenry Deck: The Hammack gang were such a nuisance in this region that Tinker Dave, Capt. Hughes, Capt. Will Norrod and Capt Dowdy (Federals) decided that something must be done about them. This was in the latter part of 1863. Tinker Dave learned that the Hammacks had had a fight among themselves at Thorn Gap in Little Putnam. Tinker sent a rider to the Captains with plans for converging on the Hammack gang. Tinker started the Thorn Gap and ran into the Hammacks at Booz and gave close chase. The Hammacks took a stand on top of Raven Cliff. They stayed on top instead of going under the cliff to the caves. Tinker fought the Hammacks on top of Raven Cliff and killed four of them. The rest of the gang tried to get away. They rode over Raven Cliff where it was about six feet high and met Capt. Norrod's men. Pole Speck hung onto one side of his horse, leaned down and shot under his mare's neck, creasing Will Norrod's head. Norrod's men pulled to the side and the Hammack gang ran through them. They ran through a field, struck the woods across the flat of the mountain until they came to a twelve foot bluff, Jake Shelton being in the lead on the mare he had stolen from Epsie Allred, and forced the mare over the bluff. The rest of the gang followed. When the gang struck the woods, they got off their horses, got down in a gully and covered themselves up with leaves. But Tinker's men found them and shot them.

Ruth Ramsey: Tinker's men, among who was Chanson Ramsey, went to his grandmother's home one day and found her churning milk. They told her to give it to them. She begged for the milk to give to her children and they let her keep it, but they took the churn and left it unbroken on a sand bar where it was found a day or two later.

This happened two and one half miles from Allred, TN.

Greetings from our President

I began my Allred search in 1995. It is amazing to me, the progress and growth the Allred Family Organization has made from the late 1980's until now. Good people work hard, reach out, gather in, and travel far at their own expense. Because of this, considerable success has been achieved.

The AFO promotes gathering of data and family names. More than 149,000 names can now be found on our Web site: allredroster.com. Check out this site.

The AFO encourages you to have family reunions. Most notable are the two larger gatherings at Gray's Chapel (Randolph County), North Carolina, and Spring City, Utah.

Our Allred Newsletter is well done and is published four times a year to all members. One free copy is available to anyone by writing to: P.O. Box 1044, Pittsboro, NC 27312.

The Holiday Season is approaching and we think of gift giving. An AFO membership is a wonderful gift for family members. A membership form is on page 18.

Many thanks to all that make our accomplishments possible. I send a beckon call and invite you and your family to join and participate in the Allred Family Organization

*Kay J. Allred
AFO President*

Palace Tour Scheduled

A one-day trip to Tryon Palace, New Bern, North Carolina, is planned for Saturday, December 13, 2003. The East Coast Allred Family Association is sponsoring the tour of the Colonial Governor's home, Tryon Palace.

The palace was built in the 1760's by Royal Governor William B. Tryon using tax money collected from our ancestors. The excessive taxes and

corrupt sheriffs helped cause the War of the Regulation and the Battle of Alamance, the very first battle of the American Revolution.

Documentation proves the "original" William, his son, William, the "original" Thomas, "original" John and their families were involved in the Regulator Movement, protesting the high taxes charged by the British Crown in the 1750s, 1760s and early 1770s.

The names of the men who participated in the Battle of Alamance, May 16, 1771, were never recorded, but clues lead us to believe the Allred men listed above were probably there. The Allreds and all their neighbors definitely suffered during the aftermath of the war when Governor Tryon and his army stormed through Randolph County, burning and destroying everything in their wake.

Join the trip to visit the Governor's home, Tryon Palace. Travel is by deluxe motorcoach provided by Holiday Tours of Randleman. The cost is \$54 per person and includes transportation and admission to Tryon Palace and two other historic homes in New Bern.

Contact Becky Allred Sexton at hsexton995@earthlink.net or 336/625-6901.

Randolph County Allred Family and Historic Sites Video

A video is available on Allred family and other historic sites in Randolph County, North Carolina. The video shows all 18 sites visited during the annual Randolph County Reunion. The video in VHS format is 44 minutes long.

Stories from the American Revolution, Civil War and Randolph County history are included.

The cost is \$18 and includes shipping charges. Proceeds go the East Coast Allred Family Association cemetery project and reunion fund. Send your check and order to: East Coast Allreds, P.O. Box 1044, Pittsboro, NC 27312.

Allred Items Available for Sale

The Rocky Mountain Allreds are offering several items for sale on the AFO Web site.

Some of the items available are: 16 oz. glasses with the Allred crest; a ceramic tile with the Allred crest; note cards with the Allred crest and Rocky Mountain Allreds T-shirts and ball caps.

If you are interested, go to www.allredfamily.org and then scroll to Rocky Mountains Allreds. Then go to "Fund Raisers and Stuff to Buy."

If you do not have computer on-line capabilities, please contact, Larry C. Allred
447 North 200 East
Farmington, UT 84025
801/451-2742
allred2742@msn.com

He also has Allred Family Cookbooks. If you can pick them up, you save the \$5 delivery charge.



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